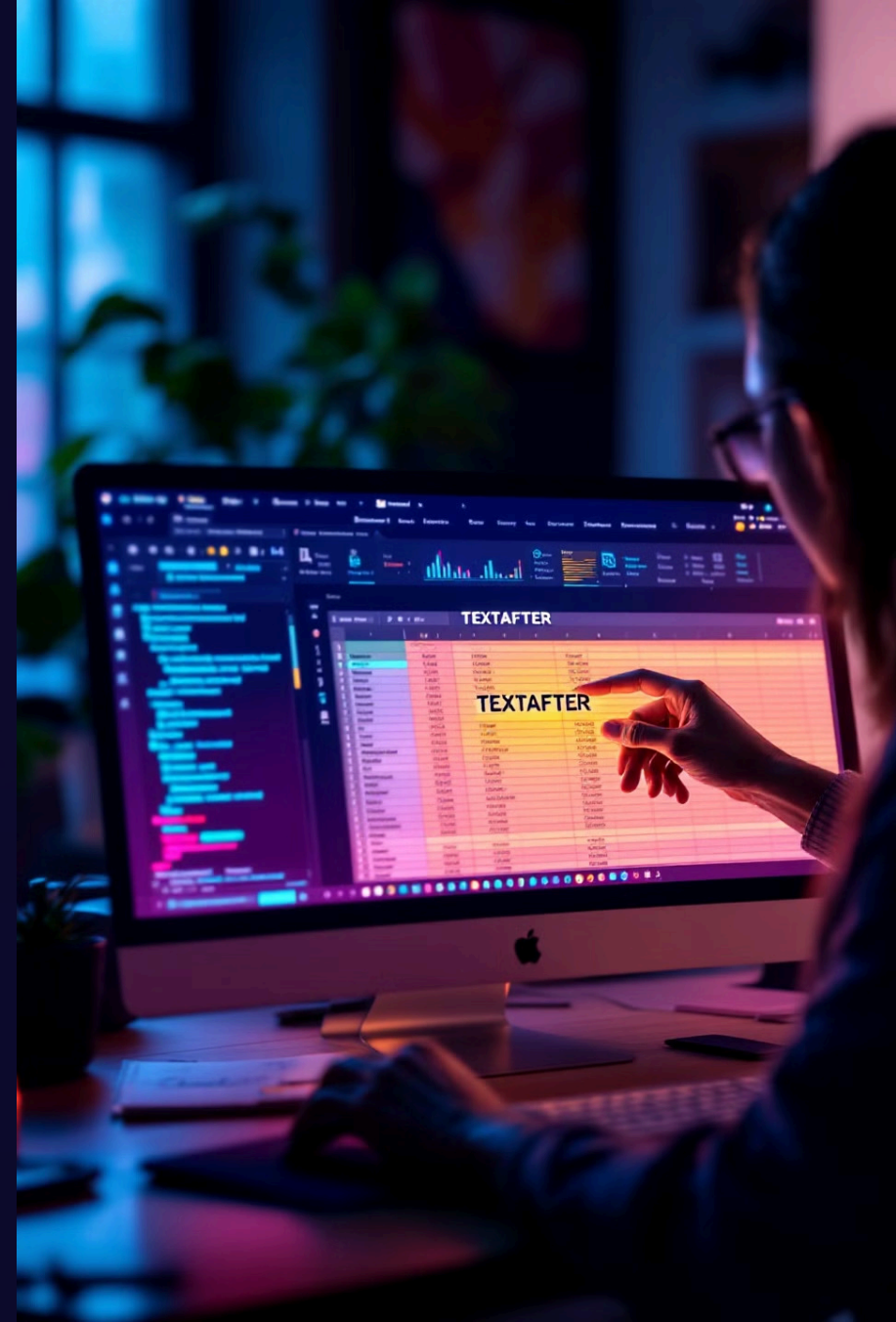# Excel TEXTAFTER Function

The TEXTAFTER function extracts text that occurs after a given substring or delimiter in Excel. It can return text after the nth occurrence of a delimiter.

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Purpose and Syntax

1 Purpose

Extract text after a delimiter

2 Return Value

Extracted text string

3 Syntax

=TEXTAFTER(text, delimiter, [instance_num], [match_mode], [match_end], [if_not_found])

Function Arguments

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text

The text string to extract from

delimiter

The character(s) that delimit the text

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instance_num

The instance of the delimiter in text (optional, default is 1)

Optional Arguments

match_mode

Case-sensitivity. 0 = enabled, 1 = disabled. Default is 0.

match_end

Treat end of text as delimiter. 0 = disabled, 1 = enabled. Default is 0.

if_not_found

Value to return when no match is found. #N/A is default.

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Basic Usage

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Input

"Jones,Bob"

Formula

=TEXTAFTER("Jones,Bob", ",")

Result

"Bob"

Multiple Delimiters

Using Array Constant
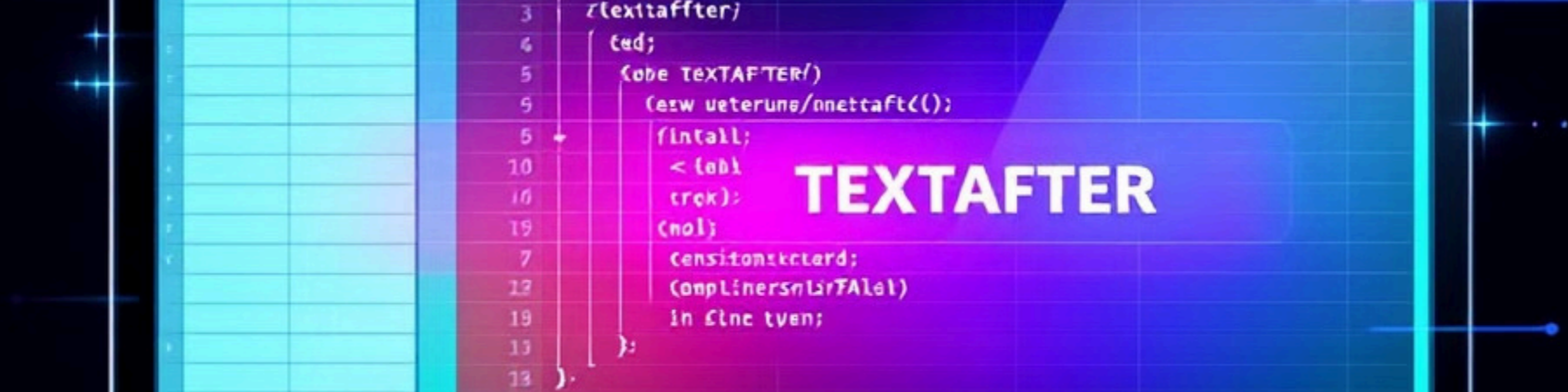
To handle inconsistent delimiters, use an array constant like {"x","y"} where x and y represent different delimiters.

Example

=TEXTAFTER(B4,{", ",","})

This handles both ", " and "," as delimiters.

Case Sensitivity

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Default

TEXTAFTER is case-sensitive by default (match_mode = 0)
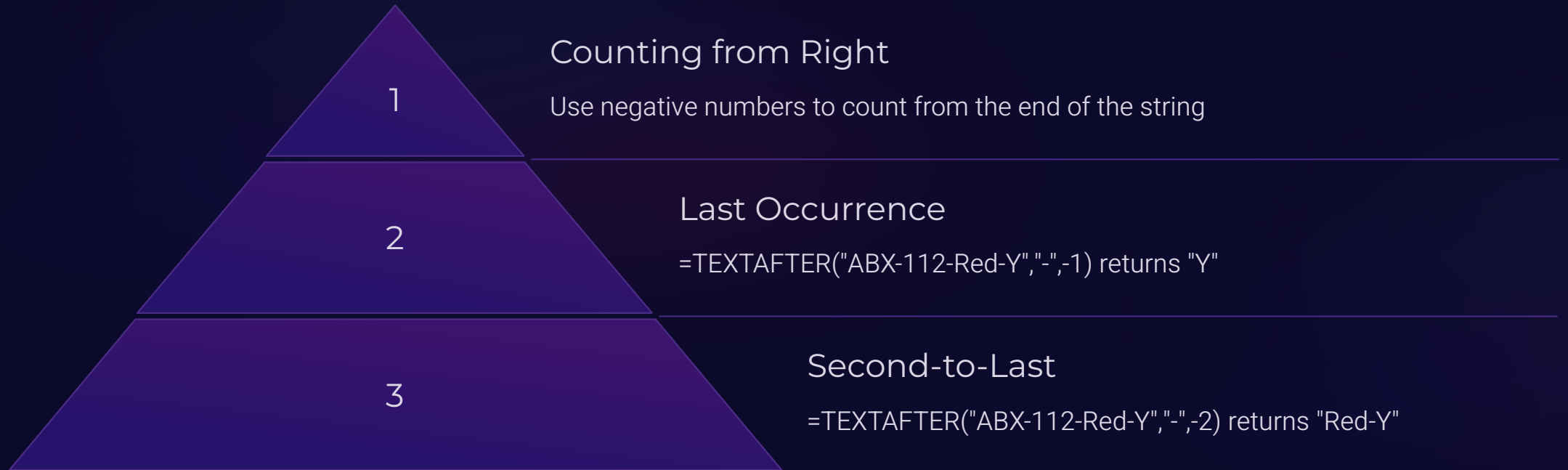
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Disable Case Sensitivity

Set match_mode to 1 or TRUE to ignore case

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Example

=TEXTAFTER(B4," x ",,TRUE)

Negative Instance Numbers

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Counting from Right
Use negative numbers to count from the end of the string

2

Last Occurrence
=TEXTAFTER("ABX-112-Red-Y","-",-1) returns "Y"

3

Second-to-Last
=TEXTAFTER("ABX-112-Red-Y","-",-2) returns "Red-Y"

Related Functions

Excel has three related functions for splitting text: TEXTSPLIT, TEXTBEFORE, and TEXTAFTER.

Key Takeaways

1 Versatile Extraction

TEXTAFTER extracts text after a specified delimiter, with options for multiple occurrences.

2 Flexible Options

Supports case-sensitivity, multiple delimiters, and counting from the end of strings.

3 Error Handling

Returns #N/A if delimiter not found, customizable with if_not_found argument.