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## System 7: Publish and Subscribe vs. Copy and Paste

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### TOPIC -----

How is publish and subscribe different from Copy and Paste?

### DISCUSSION -----

Copy and Paste are useful when you want to move data between documents and applications and you want separate copies (versions) of the data in each place. Publish and subscribe maintains a connection, so that the "subscribers" always reflect the current data in the "publisher."

For example, if you want a fixed version of a document, like a "Report-Draft 3," then you could copy and paste into your document. However, if you want your document to always reflect the most recent version of "Report," then you would choose publish and subscribe.  
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