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/* to view the table attributs */
proc contents data="/home/u64168505/EPG1V2/data/class_birthdate.sas7bdat";
run;
The file path has the two pieces of information that are required for SAS to read:
     1. location
     2. name and type of data
  what issues might aries from using a hardcoded path?
     1. long program
     2. data location changing
     3. other data types (like excel)
 These issues is solve by SAS library
*/
    SAS library:
      give you a easy way to spesify the two required pieces of information:
      "location and type"
    library --> is a collection of data files that are the same location and type
    library is global statement
*/
/* create a library
libname libref engine "path";
libfref --> the name of the library
engine --> the name of the behin scren of instructions for read structure data
            different engine for each data type:
            SAS table(Base), Excel, Teradata, Hadoop...
path
        --> location for the information that you want to read
*/
/*
 to access the file table we write the name of the library
  .the name of table we want to access
  */
libname mylib base "/home/u64168505/EPG1V2/output";
proc contents data = mylib.class_copy2;
run;
/*
Excel file
   first:
    - options statement we need to transfer the excel column heading no rule to sas rule
   using:
    options validvarname = V7;
   second:
    - engine --> xlsx
   finally:
    - when you define a connection to a data source such as excel or other database
    - it is good to clear or delete the libref at the end of program
    - while the library is active it could create a lock that prevents others from accessing file
   using:

    libname lifbref clear;
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dbms=xlsx out= work.class birthdate

replace;

run;

sheet=class_test;