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Major Topic: Macro Functions, and Working with Macros

Detailed Topics:

- 1) Macro Quoting Functions
- 2) Macro Variable Functions
- 3) Iterative Processing for Generating SAS Code (Sequential vs. Non-Sequential Processing)
- 4) Conditional Processing Using Macro Facility
- 5) Generating Data-Dependent SAS Code
- 6) Saving and Accessing Macros

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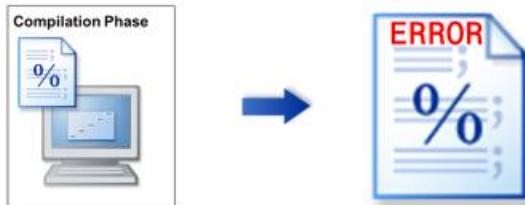
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Business Scenario

Macro programs often contain special characters, which can be misinterpreted during macro compilation.



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%STR and %NRSTR Functions

Special characters and mnemonics can cause unexpected results during compilation of a macro or a macro language statement open code.

Both %STR and %NRSTR mask the following characters and mnemonics					% NRSTR additionally masks macro triggers
+	=	#	NE	'	%
-	¬	blank	LE	"	&
*	^	AND	LT)	
/	~	OR	GE	(
<	;	NOT	GT		
>	,	EQ	IN		

The %STR and %NRSTR macro quoting functions are used to ignore the normal meaning of the special characters such as those listed above and ensure that they are treated as part of the value.

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3.01 Quiz – Correct Answer

Create a macro variable that, when referenced, clears titles and footnotes.

```
%let clear=title; footnote;
```

What is the problem here?

The first semicolon ends the %LET statement. The macro variable CLEAR stores the text *title* only, without the semicolon.

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%STR Function

The %STR function is a macro quoting function that **masks** the normal meaning of special characters and mnemonics in constant text.

```
54 %let clear=%str(title; footnote); %STR(any text)
55
56 title 'All Students';
57 footnote 'Fall Semester';
58
59 proc print data=sashelp.class;
60 run;

NOTE: There were 19 observations read from the data set SASHELP.CLASS.
NOTE: PROCEDURE PRINT used (Total process time):
      real time          0.03 seconds
      cpu time          0.01 seconds

61
62 options symbolgen;
63 &clear
SYMBOLGEN: Macro variable CLEAR resolves to title; footnote;
SYMBOLGEN: Some characters in the above value which were subject to macro
           quoting have been unquoted for printing.
```

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%STR Function



The %STR function

- does ***not*** mask macro triggers:
& %
- requires additional syntax to mask special characters that normally come in pairs:
" ' ()

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%NRSTR Function

The %NRSTR function is similar to the %STR function, but %NRSTR also masks macro triggers.

```
%let company=%nrstr(AT&T);
```

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Ex1_%str_%nrstr.sas

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Protecting Commas

The %STR function masks the comma.

```
%macro name(fullname);
  %let first=%scan(&fullname,2);
  %let last=%scan(&fullname,1);
  %let newname=&first &last;
  %put &newname;
%mend name;

%name(%str(Taylor, Jenna))
```



Jenna Taylor

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Protecting Commas

To specify a comma delimiter, use the %STR function.

```
%macro name(fullname);
  %let first=%scan(&fullname,2,%str(,));
  %let last=%scan(&fullname,1,%str(,));
  %let newname=&first &last;
  %put &newname;
%mend name;

%name(%str(Taylor, Jenna))
```



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Protecting Quotation Marks

The %STR function can protect unmatched quotation marks and parentheses.

```
%macro name(fullname);
  %let first=%scan(&fullname,2);
  %let last=%scan(&fullname,1);
  %let newname=&first &last;
  %put &newname;
%mend name;

%name(%str(O%'Malley, George))
```

A percent sign (%) is required before unmatched quotation marks and parentheses.

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Protecting Function Results

The %QSCAN function masks its result.

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```
925 %macro name(fullname);
926   %let first=%qscan(&fullname,2);
927   %let last=%qscan(&fullname,1);
928   %let newname=&first &last;
929   %put &newname;
930 %mend name;
NOTE: The macro NAME completed compilation without errors.
      19 instructions 388 bytes.

931
932 %name(%str(O%'Malley, George))
George O'Malley
```

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Ex16_scan_qscan_nrbquote.sas

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Protecting Function Results

Many macro functions and autocall macros have “Q” equivalents that return masked results.

%CMPRES	%QCMPRES
%LEFT	%QLEFT
%LOWCASE	%QLOWCASE
%SCAN	%QSCAN
%SUBSTR	%QSUBSTR
%SYSFUNC	%QSYSFUNC
%TRIM	%QTRIM
%UPCASE	%QUPCASE



Business Scenario

Macro programs often contain special characters, which can be misinterpreted during macro execution.



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3.07 Quiz – Correct Answer

SAS Log

The text **OR** was misinterpreted as a logical operator.

```

1042 %macro where(state);
1043   %if &state=NC %then %put Southeast;
1044   %else %if &state=OR %then %put Northwest;
1045   %else %put Unknown;
1046 %mend where;
NOTE: The macro WHERE completed compilation without errors.
      21 instructions 404 bytes.
1047
1048 %where(NY)
ERROR: A character operand was found in the %EVAL function or %IF
      condition where a numeric operand is required. The condition
      was: &state=OR
ERROR: The macro WHERE will stop executing.
  
```

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Protecting Constant Text

The %STR function masks mnemonics in constant text.

SAS Log

```

1049 %macro where(state);
1050   %if &state=NC %then %put Southeast;
1051   %else %if &state=%str(OR) %then %put Northwest;
1052   %else %put Unknown;
1053 %mend where;
NOTE: The macro WHERE completed compilation without errors.
      21 instructions 404 bytes.
1054
1055 %where(NY)
Unknown

```

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Protecting Resolved Values

The %STR function masked the resolved value of **state**.

```

1063 %macro where(state);
1064   %if %str(&state)=NC %then %put Southeast;
1065   %else %if %str(&state)=%str(OR) %then %put Northwest;
1066   %else %put Unknown;
1067 %mend where;
NOTE: The macro WHERE completed compilation without errors.
      21 instructions 408 bytes.
1068
1069 %where(OR)
Northwest

```



The %STR function is

- **not** recommended for masking resolved values
- recommended for masking **constant text** only.

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%SUPERQ Function

The %SUPERQ function masks all special characters and mnemonics, including macro triggers, during execution.

```

1071 %macro where(state);
1072   %if %superq(state)=NC %then %put Southeast;
1073   %else %if %superq(state)=%str(OR) %then %put Northwest;
1074   %else %put Unknown;
1075 %mend where;
NOTE: The macro WHERE completed compilation without errors.
      21 instructions 420 bytes.
1076
1077 %where(OR)
Northwest

```

%SUPERQ(*macro-variable*)

macro-variable is a single macro variable name or an expression that resolves to a single macro variable name.

- ☞ Do not precede the argument to %SUPERQ with an ampersand (&).

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%SUPERQ Function

The %SUPERQ function masks the resolved value of **name**.

SAS Log

```

1093 %let name=Taylor, Jenna;
1094 %let initial=%substr(%superq(name),1,1);
1095 %put &=initial;
INITIAL=T

```

- ☞ This form of the %PUT statement was introduced in SAS 9.3.

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Tip: Protecting Resolved Values

Execution-time quoting functions protect resolved values.



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Summary: Macro Quoting Functions

	Macro Triggers & % Not Masked	Macro Triggers & % Masked
Constant text (compile time)	%STR	%NRSTR
Resolved values (execution time)		%SUPERQ

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Summary: Macro Quoting Functions

	Macro Triggers & % Not Masked	Macro Triggers & % Masked
Constant text (compile time)	%STR	%NRSTR
Resolved values (execution time)	%BQUOTE	%SUPERQ



Macro Character Functions that apply character string manipulations to the *values of macro variables*

%SUBSTR function extracts part of a string from a macro variable value based on position.

%QSUBSTR function additionally masks special characters and mnemonic operators (no example given)

%LENGTH finds the lengths of character strings and text expressions.

%SCAN function extracts nth word from the value of a macro variable.

%QSCAN function additionally masks special characters and mnemonic operators.

Ex16_scan_qscan_nrbquote.sas

%UPCASE function changes macro variable values from lowercase to uppercase.

%QUPCASE additionally masks special characters and mnemonic operators

%INDEX function determines the location of the first character of a character string of a macro variable value within a source.

Ex5_Some_macro_functions.sas

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%SYSFUNC

%SYSFUNC function executes most of the data step functions. “Because %SYSFUNC is a macro function, you do not need to enclose character values in quotation marks as you do in DATA step functions” (SAS® Documentation).

%QSYSFUNC function additionally masks special characters and mnemonic operators.

%SYSFUNC and PUTN only take macro variables, not data step variables.

Ex4_Percent_sysfunc.sas

Ex6_Sysfunc.sas"

Ex23_Sysfunc_DateStamp.sas

Ex5_Some_macro_functions.sas

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Macro applications might require iterative processing.

The iterative %DO statement can execute macro language statements and generate SAS code.



%DO Statement vs. Do Loop

<pre> 1 *Ex13_Percent_Do_DoLoop.sas; 2 *%Do Statement in a Macro; 3 %macro pdo; 4 %local i; 5 %do i=1 %to 5; 6 %put i=&i; 7 %end; 8 %mend pdo; 9 %pdo </pre>	<i>i=1 i=2 i=3 i=4 i=5</i>
<pre> 11 * Do Loop in a Data Step; 12 %data _Null_; 13 do i = 1 to 5; 14 output; 15 put (_All_) (=); 16 end; 17 run; </pre>	<i>i=1 i=2 i=3 i=4 i=5</i>

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Simple Loops

Example: Display a series of macro variables in the SAS log by repeatedly executing %PUT within a macro loop.

```
%macro putloop;
  %do i=1 %to &numrows;
    %put Country&i is &&country&i;
  %end;
%mend;
%DO index-variable=start %TO stop <%BY increment>;
  text
%END;
```

SAS Log

```
200 %putloop
Country1 is Australia
Country2 is Canada
Country3 is Germany
Country4 is Israel
Country5 is Turkey
Country6 is United States
Country7 is South Africa
```

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Simple Loops

```
%DO index-variable=start %TO stop <%BY increment>;
  text
%END;
```

- %DO and %END are valid only inside a macro definition.
- *index-variable* is a macro variable created in the local symbol table if it does not already exist in another symbol table.
- *start*, *stop*, and *increment* values can be any valid macro expressions that resolve to integers.
- The %BY clause is optional. (The default *increment* is 1.)
- *text* can be any of the following:
 - constant text
 - macro variables or expressions
 - macro statements
 - macro calls

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Generating SAS Code Iteratively with a Macro

```

1 *Ex22_Percent_DoLoop_Macro.sas;
2 %macro runit (first=, last=);
3   %local yr;
4   %do yr=&first %to &last;
5     data have_20%sysfunc(putn(&yr,z2.));
6       exp=20%sysfunc(putn(&yr,z2.))/4;
7       year=20%sysfunc(putn(&yr,z2.));
8     run;
9   %end ;
10 %mend runit;
11 %runit(first=08, last=15);
12
13 data all_yrs;
14   retain year;
15   set Have:;
16 run;
17 proc print data=all_yrs noobs split='*';
18   label year= 'Survey Year'
19     exp= 'Mean expenses*per person per year';
20 run;

```

Lines 2-10: Define the macro.

Line 3: Declare index variable of the macro loop as a local macro variable.

Line 2: Specify the keyword parameters in the %macro statement.

Line 11: Invoke the macro.

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Displaying the Generated SAS Code from a Macro

```

1 *Ex11_MFILE.sas;
2 options nocenter nodate nonumber;
3 %LET path=C:\SASCourse\Week10;
4 * Directing generated code to a SAS file;
5 %macro read_year(start=, stop=);
6   %do i = &start %to &stop;
7     data Data&i;
8       infile "&path\yob&i..txt" DLM=',';
9       input (name sex) ($) count;
10      title "Listing from Data&i Data Set";
11      proc print data=Data&i (obs=5) noobs;
12      run;
13  %end;
14 %mend read_year;
15 Filename mprint "&Path\Ex12_Generated_Code1.sas";
16 options mprint mfile;
17 %read year (start=2012, stop=2015)

```

Open and see the “Generated_Code1.sas” file.

System options for the Macro Language

MLOGIC => Macro logic is examined.

MPRINT => Macro code is written to the SAS Log.

SYMBOLGEN => Macro variables are resolved in the SAS Log.

MFILE => SAS Code is generated in the file specified.

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Below is the SAS macro-generated code (Ex12_Generated_Code_SET1.sas).

```
data Data2012;
infile "C:\SASCourse\Week10\yob2012.txt" DLM=',';
input (name sex) ($) count;
title "Listing from Data2012 Data Set";
proc print data=Data2012 (obs=5) noobs;
run;
data Data2013;
infile "C:\SASCourse\Week10\yob2013.txt" DLM=',';
input (name sex) ($) count;
title "Listing from Data2013 Data Set";
proc print data=Data2013 (obs=5) noobs;
run;
data Data2014;
infile "C:\SASCourse\Week10\yob2014.txt" DLM=',';
input (name sex) ($) count;
title "Listing from Data2014 Data Set";
proc print data=Data2014 (obs=5) noobs;
run;
data Data2015;
infile "C:\SASCourse\Week10\yob2015.txt" DLM=',';
input (name sex) ($) count;
title "Listing from Data2015 Data Set";
proc print data=Data2015 (obs=5) noobs;
run;
```

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Displaying the Generated SAS Code from a Macro (continued)

*Ex11_MFILE.sas;

```
18 * Create a macro to generate text on the SET statement;
19 %macro names(prefix, initial, maxnum);
20   %do i=&initial %to &maxnum;
21     &prefix&i
22   %end;
23 ;
24 %mend names;
25 *Concatenate data sets using the macro already created;
26 filename mprint "&Path\Generated_Code_SET1.sas" ;
27 options mprint mfile;
28 data all;
29   set %names(Data,2012,2015)
30 ;
31 run;
32 proc print data=all; run;
```

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1. Macro %Do %End Processing with a Non-Sequential List of Values of a Macro Variable
 - Macro call with no parameter list
 - Macro call with keyword parameter
2. Macro with a series of macro variables (common prefix with a numeric suffix)
3. Macro with a list of values of a macro Variable (No keyword or positional parameters)

Guideline 5: Comment Macro Applications

Partial SAS Program

```
%macro archive(dsn);
/*-----*/
/* ARCHIVE - Archive data set, appending current date */
/* to build a new (unique by day) name for the copy. */
/*-----*/
/* Parameter DSN: Master table to be archived */
/*-----*/
/* Requires these other macros: */
/* %VALIDDSN - validates a SAS data set name */
/*-----*/
/* * put Activating the MPRINT and MLOGIC options.;

*options mprint mlogic;
```

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Conditional Processing

```
%IF ... %THEN action;
%ELSE action;
```

These *actions* can follow keywords %THEN and %ELSE:

- a macro language statement
- a macro variable reference
- a macro call
- any text

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Idea Exchange

What is the difference between %IF-%THEN
and IF-THEN?

	%IF-%THEN	IF-THEN
Valid in	Macro definition	DATA step
Performs	SAS code (text) processing	Data processing
Passed to	Macro processor	DATA step compiler
Purpose	Determine what SAS code to place on the input stack for tokenization, compilation, and eventual execution	Determine what DATA step statement (or statements) to execute during each execution-time iteration of the DATA step

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Monitoring Macro Execution

The MLOGIC system option displays macro execution messages in the SAS log.

Partial SAS Log

```

494 %macro reports;
495   %daily
496   %if &sysday=Friday %then %weekly;
497 %mend reports;
498
499 options mlogic; OPTIONS MLOGIC;
500 %reports
MLOGIC(REPORTS): Beginning execution.
MLOGIC(DAILY): Beginning execution.
MLOGIC(DAILY): Ending execution.
MLOGIC(REPORTS): %IF condition &sysday=Friday is TRUE
MLOGIC(WEEKLY): Beginning execution.
MLOGIC(WEEKLY): Ending execution.
MLOGIC(REPORTS): Ending execution.

```

The default setting is NOMLOGIC.

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Processing Complete Steps

Method 2 Create a single macro with %DO and %END statements to generate text that contains semicolons.

```

%macro reports;
  proc print data=orion.order_fact;
    where order_date="&sysdate9"9d;
    var product_id total_retail_price;
    title "Daily sales: &sysdate9";
  run;
%if &sysday=Friday %then %do;
  proc means data=orion.order_fact n sum mean;
    where ord...
    "&sysdate9"9d;
    var quant...
    title "We...
  %END;
  %ELSE %DO;
    ...
  %END;
%mend reports;

```

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Processing Complete Steps

Method 3 Create a single macro with %INCLUDE statements.

```
%INCLUDE file-specification </ SOURCE2>;
```

```
%macro reports;
  %include "&path\daily.sas";
  %if &sysday=Friday %then %do;
    %include "&path\weekly.sas";
  %end;
%mend reports;
```

The %INCLUDE statement

- retrieves SAS source code from an external file and places it on the input stack
- is a global SAS statement, not a macro language statement.

The SOURCE2 option displays inserted SAS statements
in the SAS log.

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%INCLUDE

- retrieves SAS source code from an external file and places it on the input stack
- is a global SAS statement, not a macro language statement.

%INCLUDE statement is used below (line 6) to identify a physical file name.

```

1 *Ex17_percent_include.sas;
2 filename jobs "c:\sascourse\Week10";
3 %include jobs(Part1)/source2;
4 %include jobs(Part2)/source2;
5 %include jobs(Part3)/source2;
```

Line 2:

Lines 3-5: %INCLUDE brings in SAS statements stored in external files (part1, part2, and part3). The SOURCE2 option displays inserted SAS statements in the SAS log. Note that the % include is not a macro statement.

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```
1 *Ex18_Macro_Include.sas;
2 options symbolgen;
3 %include 'c:\SASCourse\Week10\Macro_List_Files.txt';
4 ods Excel file="C:\SASCourse\Week10\List_SAS_Files.xlsx" ;
5 %macro mexcel (start, stop);
6 %DO num = &START %TO &STOP;
7     ods excel options(sheet_name="Week&num");
8     data _null_;
9     file print;
10    %drive(C:\SASCourse\Week&num,sas)
11    run;
12 %end;
13 ods Excel close;
14 %mend mexcel;
15 /* Create an Excel Workbook with 2 sheets, listing
16     .SAS files from Week9 and Week10 folders, respectively*/
17 %mexcel (9,10)
```

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Saving Macros Using the Stored Compiled Macro Facility

Macros can be compiled and then stored temporarily or permanently for later use. When you compile a macro, it is usually stored in the temporary WORK.SASMACR catalog. However, you can store a macro in compiled form in a SAS macro catalog also named SASMACR, but in a permanent library.

```

1 *Ex19_Compiled_Macro.sas;
2 *** This is a revised version of the macro obtained from
3     http://support.sas.com/kb/45/805.html
4     [Sample 45805: List all files within a directory includin.
5      sub-directories]
6     Revisions: Macro calls are wrapped in data steps;
7
8 /* The following two lines and the options to the macro
9    are added by Pradip Muhuri
10 */
11 Libname MyLib 'C:\SASCourse\Compiled_Macros';
12 options mstored sasmstore=MyLib;
13 %macro drive(dir,ext) /store source
14   des='Listing SAS Files';
15   /* Define macro variables */
16   %local filrf rc did memcnt name i;

```

..... 30 lines have been skipped here.

```

46 %mend drive;
47 %sysmstoreclear; /* Added by Pradip Muhuri*/

```

Line 12: In the OPTIONS statement, the system option MSTORED turns on the use of stored compiled macros. The system option SASMSTORE= specifies the libref that contains a SAS catalog named SASMACR.

Lines 13-46: This is the macro definition. Note the STORE option (required), the SOURCE option, and the DES option on the %MACRO statement. The NEW.SASMACR catalog is opened when the entire macro written to it.

Line 47: The %SYSMSTORECLEAR statement closes the SASMACR catalog, preventing the libref from being reassigned.

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Displaying the Information from the Catalog

The CATALOG procedure can be used to display the relevant information, including the description specified when the macro was compiled and stored. Below is an example.

```

1 *Ex20_Macro_Catalog.sas;
2 libname Mylib 'C:\SASCourse\Compiled_Macros';
3 proc catalog catalog=Mylib.sasmacr;
4 contents;
5 run;
```

Contents of Catalog MYLIB.SASMACR					
#	Name	Type	Create Date	Modified Date	Description
1	DRIVE	MACRO	10/31/2018 03:48:44	10/31/2018 03:48:44	Listing SAS Files

```

1 *Ex21_Access_Macro.sas;
2 libname Mylib 'C:\SASCourse\Compiled_Macros';
3 options mstored sasmstore=Mylib;
4 ods Excel file="C:\SASCourse\Week10\List_SAS_Files_x.xlsx";
5 %macro mexcel (start, stop);
6 %DO num = &START %TO &STOP;
7   ods excel options(sheet_name="Week&num");
8   data _null_;
9     file print;
10    %drive(C:\SASCourse\Week&num,sas)
11    run;
12 %end;
13 ods Excel close;
14 %mend mexcel;
15 /* Create an Excel Workbook with two sheets, listing
16   .SAS files from Week7 and Week8 folders, respectively*/
17 %mexcel (6,7)
```

Line 10: This is a call to macro which was earlier compiled and stored permanently.

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Running R code embedded in PROC IML to generate a list of file names from a folder

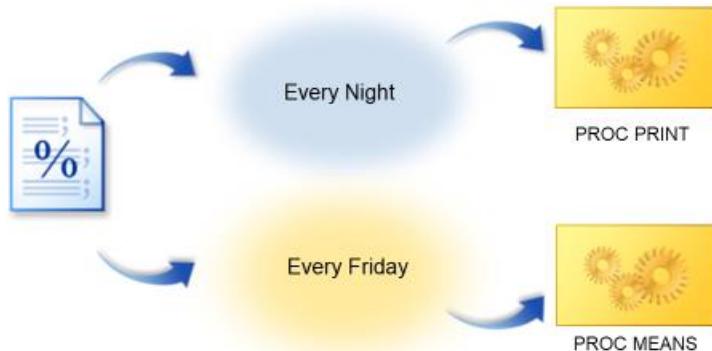
```
1 *Ex24_Week10_List_of_Files.sas;
2 title; title1; title2;
3PROC IML;
4 SUBMIT / R;
5 setwd ("C:/SASCourse/Week10")
6 list.files(pattern="SAS*", full.names = TRUE, ignore.case = TRUE)
7 ENDSUBMIT;
8 QUIT;
```

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Business Scenario

A daily sales report is generated every night. Every Friday, a weekly report is generated. Determine the best method to automate these reports.



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Solutions

Three methods:

Method 1 Create multiple macros, including a driver macro.

Method 2 Create a single macro with %DO and %END statements.

Method 3 Create a single macro with %INCLUDE statements.

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Processing Complete Steps

Method 1 Create separate macros for the **Daily** and **Weekly** programs.

```
%macro daily;
  proc print data=orion.order_fact;
    where order_date="&sysdate9"d;
    var product_id total_retail_price;
    title "Daily sales: &sysdate9";
  run;
%mend daily;

%macro weekly;
  proc means data=orion.order_fact n sum mean;
    where order_date between
      "&sysdate9"d-6 and "&sysdate9"d;
    var quantity total_retail_price;
    title "Weekly sales: &sysdate9";
  run;
%mend weekly;
```

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continued...

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Processing Complete Steps

Method 1 Create a driver macro that always calls the **Daily** macro and conditionally calls the **Weekly** macro.

```
%macro reports;
  %daily
  %if &sysday=Friday %then %weekly;
%mend reports;
```

*%IF expression %THEN action;
%ELSE action;*

- Character constants are
 - not quoted
 - case sensitive.
- The %ELSE statement is optional.
- %IF-%THEN and %ELSE statements can be used inside a macro definition only.

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Adding variable names dynamically to the PROC FREQ step using the %IF-%then in a macro

```

1 *Ex17_percent_If.sas;
2 %macro run_freq(row_var);
3   title 'SASHelp Data Set - Selected Frequency Tables';
4   proc freq data=sashelp.heart;
5     tables
6     %if &row_var ne %then &row_var *;
7     smoking_status;
8   run;
9 %mend run_freq;
10
11 %run_freq()
12 %run_freq(sex)
13 %run_freq(Weight_Status)

```

Line 6: Here, we conditionally insert text into the middle of a statement to generate one-way or two-way frequency tables.

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Creating Data-Dependent Values of a Macro Variable for Table Look-Up

```

1 *Ex9_Macro_In_Operator.sas;
2 proc sql ;
3     select quote(strip(Name))
4     INTO :Starts_withC separated by ','
5     from sashelp.demographics
6     where Name LIKE 'C%';
7 quit;
8 %PUT &Starts_withC;

```

(Partial SAS Log)

```
"CANADA", "COSTA RICA", "CUBA", "CHILE", "COLOMBIA", "CZECH
REPUBLIC", "CROATIA", "CAMEROON", "CAPE
VERDE", "CENTRAL AFRICAN
REP.", "CHAD", "COMOROS", "CONGO", "CAMBODIA", "CHINA", "CYPRUS", "COOK
ISLANDS", "CORAL SEA ISLANDS"
```

Using a Macro Variable Reference to Select a List of Character Values in the PROC PRINT Step *without a Macro*

```

10 *Ex9_Macro_In_Operator.sas;
11 proc print data=sashelp.demographics;
12 var Name pop;
13 where Name in (&Starts_withC);
14 run;

```

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Using a Macro Variable Reference to Select a List of Character Values in the PROC PRINT Step *with a Macro*

```

16 *Ex9_Macro_In_Operator.sas;
17 %macro cn / minoperator mindelimiter=',';
18   proc print data=sashelp.demographics;
19   var Name pop;
20   where Name in (&Starts_withC);
21   run;
22 %mend cn;
23 %cn

```

The compiled macro is stored in a SAS catalog (WORK.SASMACR).

LINE 15: The MINOPERATOR specifies that the macro processor recognizes and evaluates the mnemonic IN and the special character # as logical operators when evaluating arithmetic or logical expressions during the execution of the macro. The MINDELIMETER=',' specifies the character to be used as the delimiter for the macro In operator.

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

Example: Create a separate data set for each value of a selected variable in a selected data set.

```
%split(data=orion.customer, var=country)
```

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```
MPRINT(SPLIT): data AU CA DE IL TR US ZA ;
MPRINT(SPLIT): set orion.customer;
MPRINT(SPLIT): select(country);
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("AU") output AU;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("CA") output CA;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("DE") output DE;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("IL") output IL;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("TR") output TR;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("US") output US;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("ZA") output ZA;
MPRINT(SPLIT): otherwise;
MPRINT(SPLIT): end;
MPRINT(SPLIT): run;
```

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

Step 1 Store unique data values into macro variables.

```
%macro split (data=, var=);
  proc sort data=&data(keep=&var) out=values nodupkey;
    by &var;
  run;
  data _null_;
    set values end=last;
    call symputx('val'||left(_n_),&var);
    if last then call symputx('count',_n_);
  run;
  %put _local_;
%mend split;

%split(data=orion.customer, var=country)
```

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

Step 2 Use loops to generate the DATA step.

```
%macro split (data=, var=);
  proc sort data=&data(keep=&var) out=values nodupkey;
    by &var;
  run;
  data _null_;
    set values end=last;
    call symputx('val'||left(_n_),&var);
    if last then call symputx('count',_n_);
  run;
  data
    %do i=1 %to &count;
      &&val&i
    %end;
  ;
  set &data;
  select(&var);
    %do i=1 %to &count;
      when("&&val&i") output &&val&i;
    %end;
    otherwise;
  end;
  run;
%mend split;
```

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

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```
MPRINT(SPLIT): data AU CA DE IL TR US ZA ;
MPRINT(SPLIT): set orion.customer;
MPRINT(SPLIT): select(country);
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("AU") output AU;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("CA") output CA;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("DE") output DE;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("IL") output IL;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("TR") output TR;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("US") output US;
MPRINT(SPLIT): when("ZA") output ZA;
MPRINT(SPLIT): otherwise;
MPRINT(SPLIT): end;
MPRINT(SPLIT): run;

NOTE: There were 77 observations read from the data set ORION.CUSTOMER.
NOTE: The data set WORK.AU has 8 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: The data set WORK.CA has 15 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: The data set WORK.DE has 10 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: The data set WORK.IL has 5 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: The data set WORK.TR has 7 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: The data set WORK.US has 28 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: The data set WORK.ZA has 4 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used (Total process time):
      real time          0.10 seconds
      cpu time           0.10 seconds
```

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

SAS metadata is available in the **sashelp.vstabvw** dynamic view.

```
proc print data=sashelp.vstabvw;
  where libname="ORION";
  title "SASHELP.VSTABVW";
run;
```

Partial PROC PRINT Output

SASHELP.VSTABVW			
Obs	libname	memname	memtype
336	ORION	CITY	DATA
337	ORION	CONTINENT	DATA
338	ORION	COUNTRY	DATA
339	ORION	COUNTY	DATA
340	ORION	CUSTOMER	DATA
341	ORION	CUSTOMER_DIM	DATA

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

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```
PRINTLIB DSN1 AGESMOD
PRINTLIB DSN10 COUPONS
PRINTLIB DSN11 CUSTOMER
PRINTLIB DSN12 CUSTOMERDIM
PRINTLIB DSN13 CUSTOMERDIMMORE
PRINTLIB DSN14 CUSTOMERTYPE
PRINTLIB DSN15 CUSTOMER_DIM
PRINTLIB DSN16 CUSTOMER_TYPE
PRINTLIB DSN17 DAILY_SALES
PRINTLIB DSN18 DISCOUNT
PRINTLIB DSN19 EMPLOYEEADDRESSES
PRINTLIB DSN2 BIZLIST
PRINTLIB DSN20 EMPLOYEEDONATIONS
PRINTLIB DSN21 EMPLOYEEORGANIZATION
PRINTLIB DSN22 EMPLOYEEPAYROLL
PRINTLIB DSN23 EMPLOYEEPHONES
PRINTLIB DSN24 EMPLOYEE_PAYROLL
PRINTLIB DSN25 EUROPECUSTOMERS
```

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

Step 2 Use a macro loop to print every data set in the library.

```
%macro printlib(lib=WORK,obs=5);
  %let lib=%upcase(&lib);
  data _null_;
    set sashelp.vstabvw end=final;
    where libname=&lib;
    call symputx('dsn'||left(_n_),memname);
    if final then call symputx('totaldsn',_n_);
  run;
  %do i=1 %to &totaldsn;
    proc print data=&lib..&&dsn&i(obs=&obs);
      title "&lib..&&dsn&i Data Set";
    run;
  %end;
%mend printlib;
%printlib(lib=orion)
```

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Generating Data-Dependent Code

Partial SAS Log

```
MPRINT(PRINTLIB): proc print data=ORION.CUSTOMER(obs=5);
MPRINT(PRINTLIB):   title "ORION.CUSTOMER Data Set";
MPRINT(PRINTLIB):   run;
NOTE: There were 5 observations read from the data set ORION.CUSTOMER.
NOTE: PROCEDURE PRINT used (Total process time):
      real time          0.00 seconds
      cpu time          0.00 seconds

MPRINT(PRINTLIB): proc print data=ORION.CUSTOMER_DIM(obs=5);
MPRINT(PRINTLIB):   title "ORION.CUSTOMER_DIM Data Set";
MPRINT(PRINTLIB):   run;
NOTE: There were 5 observations read from the data set ORION.CUSTOMER_DIM.
NOTE: PROCEDURE PRINT used (Total process time):
      real time          0.00 seconds
      cpu time          0.00 seconds

MPRINT(PRINTLIB): proc print data=ORION.CUSTOMER_TYPE(obs=5);
MPRINT(PRINTLIB):   title "ORION.CUSTOMER_TYPE Data Set";
MPRINT(PRINTLIB):   run;
NOTE: There were 5 observations read from the data set ORION.CUSTOMER_TYPE.
NOTE: PROCEDURE PRINT used (Total process time):
      real time          0.00 seconds
      cpu time          0.00 seconds
```

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