# STA 311 Statistical Computing and Data Management

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# **Topics to Be Covered**

- ☐ Review of Do Block & DO Loops
- Concepts of SAS Arrays
- PROC TRANSPOSE
- ☐ Temporary Arrays
- Restructuring Tables



### DO Block & DO Loop

Designate a group of statements to be executed as a unit using a DO block. The following are general syntaxes:

DO;

SAS Statements;

END;

**DO UNITL (** condition);

SAS Statements;

END;

**DO** *var*=1 **TO** *x*;

SAS Statements;

END;

**DO WHILE (** condition);

SAS Statements;

END;

The difference between the two DO loops is that DO UNTIL statement tests At the bottom of the loop and DO WHILE statements tests at the top.



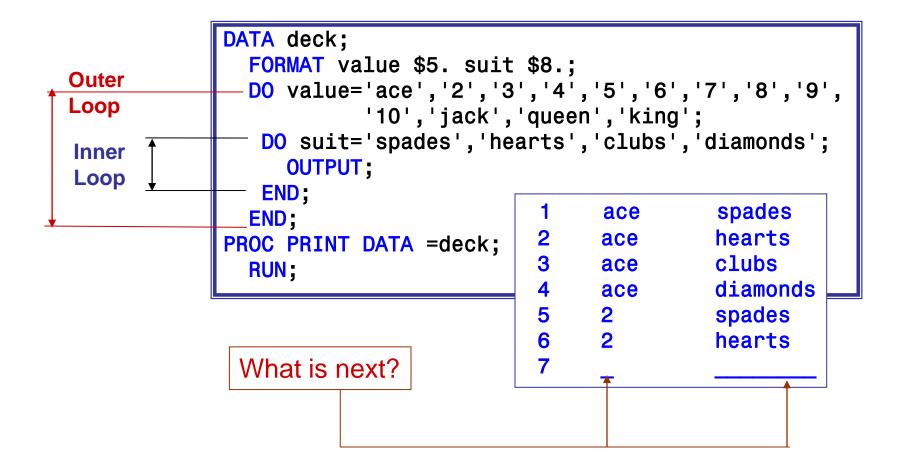
### DO Block & DO Loop

DO loops can be used to create an ordered sequence of numbers.

```
DATA example;
   DO q=1 TO 5;
                                       END statement important.
     qtimes2=q*2;
      qsquared=q**2;
     OUTPUT;
   END;
                                OBS
                                             QTIMES2
                                                         QSQUARED
                                       Q
 PROC PRINT DATA =example;
   RUN;
No INPUT or DATALINES used!
                                                            16
                                                10
                                                            25
```



### DO Block & DO Loop



Suppose you have 105 variables (X1-X100, A, B, D, and E) in SAS dataset OLD, and a value of 999 is used to represent missing data. It is common practice in some other database systems to use values such as 99, 999, etc., to represent missing values. Suppose further that you want to substitute a SAS System missing value (.) for the values of 999. How to effectively accomplish this task?



An array is a temporary holding site for a collection of **variables** upon which the same operations will be performed. It is often to find DO loops to be used jointly with ARRAY manipulation.

```
DATA EASYWAY;

SET OLD;

ARRAY MyArray[105] X1-X100 A B C D E;

DO I = 1 TO 105;

IF MyArray[I] = 999 THEN MyArray[I] = .;

END;

DROP I;

RUN;
```



If the number of variables is NOT specified in the definition of ARRAY, you can use (\*) instead. The SAS system will count the number of variables.

In the DO loop you need to use a system function DIM() to return the length of the one-dimensional ARRAY.

**ARRAY MyArray[ \* ]** X1 – X100 A B C D E;

**DO** I = 1 **TO** DIM(MyArray);

The array name is followed by either a pair of parentheses (), braces {}, or square brackets []. By specifying a value inside the bracket, we can assign the same number of variables to the array. We use square brackets [] in this course.



The internal variable \_NUMERIC\_ can be used to refer to all the numeric variables in a SAS dataset (either in a DATA step or PROC step). The terms \_CHRACTER\_ and \_ALL\_ are also available and represent all character variables and all variables respectively.

```
/* CAUTION: The following SAS program is NOT Working!!*/
DATA NEU:
                                           DATA NEW:
    SET OLD:
                                                SET OLD:
    ARRAY XXX[*] NUMERIC ;
                                                ARRAY $ YYY[*] CHARACTER ;
    DO I = 1 TO DIM (XXX);
                                                DO I = 1 TO DIM (YYY);
       IF XXX[I] = 999 THEN XXX[I] = .;
                                                   IF YYY[I] = 'NA' THEN YYY[I] = ' ';
    END.
                                                END:
    DROP I:
 RUN:
                                                DROP I:
                                            RUN:
```

The DIM function is especially useful here because you don't have to count the number of numeric variables. Caution: Don't give your array the same name as a variable in your dataset!!



### Rescale all numeric variables

```
DATA melons;
 INPUT location $ ltpink pink salmon red;
 nomelons=50-(ltpink+pink+salmon+red);
 ltpink = ltpink/50;
 pink =pink/50;
 salmon =salmon/50;
 red =red/50;
 nomelons=nomelons/50;
 DATALINES;
North 3 14 16 8
East 8 23 9 2
South 0 4 10 19
                      The HARD way
```

```
DATA melons;
  INPUT location $ ltpink pink salmon red;
  nomelons=50-(ltpink+pink+salmon+red);
  ARRAY colors (5) ltpink pink salmon red nomelons;
  DO i=1 TO 5;
                               Group response variables
    colors(i)=colors(i)/50;
                               into a color array.
  END;
DATALINES:
                                An observations is output
North 3 14 16 8
                                only after the DO loop is
East 8 23 9 2
                                completed. The DO loop is
South 0 4 10 19
                                repeated for each
                                observation.
RUN;
PROC PRINT DATA =melons;
  RUN;
                                      The EASY way
```

```
nomelons=50-(ltpink+pink+salmon+red);
ltpink =ltpink/50;
pink =pink/50;
salmon =salmon/50;
red =red/50;
nomelons=nomelons/50;
```

OBS	LOCATION	LTPINK	PINK	SALMON	RED	NOMELONS	I
1 2	North East						6
3							6

Note that grouping variables into a color array did nothing to variable names. The DO loop **index variable**, I, was added in the dataset. Note that I is always 6, since at the beginning of the sixth execution, the value of I is 6, exceeding the specified range of 1 TO 5, SAS stops processing the loop.



```
DATA melons;
INPUT location $ red1 red2 red3 red4;
    red5=50-(sum(of red1-red4));
ARRAY colors (5) red1-red5;
DO i=1 TO 5;
    colors(i)=colors(i)/50;
END;
DATALINES;
```

One dash needed if it variable names are numbered.

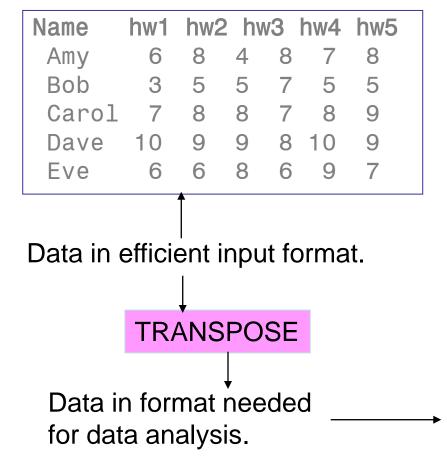
Two dashes needed if variable names not numbered.

```
DATA melons;
   INPUT location $ ltpink pink salmon red;
        nomelons=50-(sum(of ltpink--red));
   ARRAY colors (5) ltpink--nomelons;
   DO i=1 TO 5;
   colors(i)=colors(i)/50;
   END;
   DATALINES;
```



# Reshape Data Using SAS ARRAY





### Long Table

OBS	NAME	Week	Grade
1	Amy	HW1	6
2	Amy	HW2	8
3	Amy	HW3	4
4	Amy	HW4	8
5	Amy	HW5	7
6	Amy	HW6	8
(lines	deleted)		
25	Eve	HW1	6
26	Eve	HW2	6
27	Eve	HW3	8
28	Eve	HW4	6
29	Eve	HW5	9
30	Eve	HW6	7



# Reshape Data Using SAS ARRAY

```
DATA grades1;
 INPUT name $ hw1-hw6;
 DATALINES;
Amv
       3 5 5 7 5
Bob
Carol 7 8 8 7 8
Dave 10 9 9 8 10 9
Eve
DATA grades2;
 SET grades1;
 week=1; grade=hw1; OUTPUT;
 week=2; grade=hw2; OUTPUT;
 week=3; grade=hw3; OUTPUT;
 week=4; grade=hw4;
                    OUTPUT;
 week=5; grade=hw5; OUTPUT;
 week=6; grade=hw6;
                     OUTPUT:
 keep name week grade;
 RUN;
PROC PRINT DATA =grades2;
 RUN;
```

#### **Brute Force**

0BS	NAME	WEEK	GRADE	
1	Amy	1	6	
2	Amy	2	8	
3	Amy	3	4	
4	Amy	4	8	
5	Amy	5	7	
6	Amy	6	8	
7	Bob	1	3	
8	Bob	2	5	
9	Bob	3	5	
10	Bob	4	7	
11	Bob	5	5	
12	Bob	6	5	
13	Carol	1	7	



### Reshape Data Using SAS ARRAY

```
DATA grades1;
 INPUT name $ hw1-hw6;
 DATALINES;
 Amy
 Bob 3 5 5 7 5 5
Carol 7 8 8 7 8 9
Dave 10 9 9 8 10 9
 Eve
       6 6 8 6 9 7
DATA grades2;
 SET grades1;
 ARRAY homework (6) hw1-hw6;
 DO i=1 TO 6;
   week=i;
   grade=homework(i);
   OUTPUT;
 END;
KEEP name week grade;
RUN:
```

#### Array/DO Loop

OBS	NAME	WEEK	GRADE	
1	Amy	1	6	
2	Amy	2	8	
3	Amy	3	4	
4	Amy	4	8	
5	Amy	5	7	
6	Amy	6	8	
7	Bob	1	3	
8	Bob	2	5	
9	Bob	3	5	
10	Bob	4	7	
11	Bob	5	5	
12	Bob	6	5	
13	Carol	1	7	



### PROC TRANSPOSE

```
DATA grades1;
 INPUT name $ hw1-hw6;
 DATALINES;
Amy
Bob
Carol 7 8 8 7 8 9
Dave 10 9 9 8 10 9
Eve
       6 6 8 6 9
RPOC SORT DATA = grades1;
 BY name;
 RUN;
PROC TRANSPOSE DATA = grades1
              OUT=grades2;
 BY name;
 VAR hw1-hw6;
 RUN;
PROC PRINT DATA = grades2;
 RUN;
```

```
OBS
                          COL<sub>1</sub>
       NAME
                NAME
      Amy
                 HW1
                            6
                 HW2
      Amy
      Amy
                HW3
                HW4
                            8
      Amy
      Amy
                 HW5
                 HW6
                            8
      Amy
(lines deleted)
25
      Eve
                 HW1
                            6
 26
      Eve
                 HW2
                            6
 27
      Eve
                HW3
 28
      Eve
                HW4
                            6
 29
      Eve
                 HW5
                            9
 30
      Eve
                 HW6
```

All variables in the var statement are now placed in new rows.



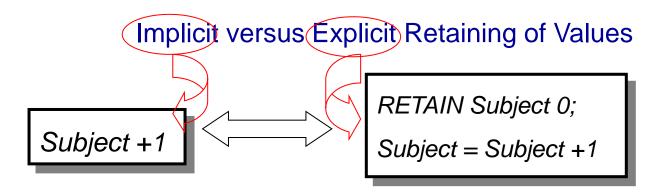
#### **RETAIN:**

### "Remembering" Values from Previous Observations

```
□ DATA BETTER;
DATA NOGOOD
                                          RETAIN SUBJECT 0;
    SUBJECT = SUBJECT +
                                          SUBJECT = SUBJECT +
    INPUT SCORE1 SCORE2;
                                          INPUT SCORE1 SCORE2;
 DATALINES:
                                       DATALINES:
  3 4
                                       3 4
  5 6
  78
                                       7 8
                                      □ PROC PRINT DATA=BETTER;
□ PROC PRINT DATA=NOGOOD;
                                          TITLE1 'Correct Program';
    TITLE1 'Incorrect Program';
                                       RUN:
 RUN:
```



# **RETAIN: "Remembering" Values from Previous Observations**



```
DATA BEST;
SUBJECT + 1;
INPUT SCORE1 SCORE2;
DATALINES;

Obs SUBJECT SCORE1 SCORE2

5 6
7 8
;
PROC PRINT DATA=BEST;
TITLE1 'Correct Program';
RUN;
```



# **Temporary ARRAY**

A temporary array does not actually refer to a list of variables at all! Instead, we can declare an array to be temporary and use the array elements in their subscripted form in the DATA step.

No real variables are created when you use a temporary array. You can also provide initial values for each of the array elements.

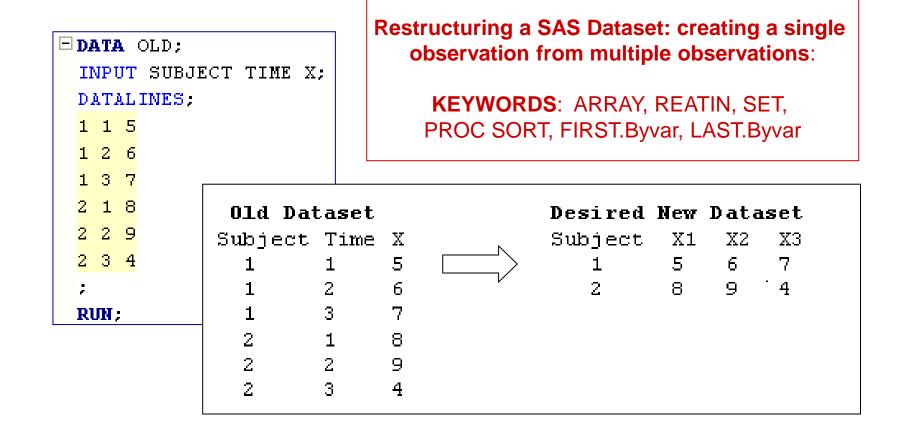
The most compelling reason to use temporary arrays is for efficiency. Also, you do not have to bother dropping useless variables



### **Renaming and Dropping**

```
DATA grades2;
   SET grades2(drop=_name_ rename=(col1=grade));
   BY name;
                                             OBS
                                                          WEEK
                                                  NAME
                                                                 GRADE
   RETAIN week;
   IF first.name=1 THEN week=0;
                                                  Amy
                                                  Amy
     week=week+1;
                                                  Amy
   RUN;
                                                  Amy
 PROC PRINT DATA = grades2;
                                                  Amy
                                                  Amy
   RUN;
                                                  Bob
                                                  Bob
                                                  Bob
SAS Trick: Use of retain and IF-THEN to get
                                             10
                                                  Bob
          a repeating sequence of week
                                             11
                                                  Bob
                                             12
                                                  Bob
          numbers.
                                                  Carol
                                             13
```







```
□ PROC SORT DATA=OLD;
                             Old Dataset
    BY SUBJECT TIME:
                            Subject Time X
 RUN:
□ DATA NEW;
    SET OLD;
    BY SUBJECT;
    ARRAY XX[*] X1-X3;
    RETAIN X1-X3:
    IF FIRST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN DO I = 1 TO 3;
       XX[I] = .;
                                        Define an array XX[3] and
       END:
                                         RETAIN the value of all
    XX[TIME] = X;
                                         three variables: X1-X3.
    IF LAST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN OUTPUT;
    KEEP SUBJECT X1-X3;
 RUN:
□ PROC PRINT DATA = NEW;
 TITLE "make a wide table from a long table";
 RUN:
```

```
□ PROC SORT DATA=OLD;
                               Old Dataset
    BY SUBJECT TIME:
                             Subject Time X
 RUN:
DATA NEW:
    SET OLD:
    BY SUBJECT;
    ARRAY XX[*] X1-X3;
    RETAIN X1-X3;
    IF FIRST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN DO I = 1 TO 3:
        XX[I] = .;
       END:
                                            Initialize the array to missing (.).
    XX[TIME] = X;
                                            Although this initialization is not
     IF LAST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN OUTPUT;
                                          necessary here, if you are missing
     KEEP SUBJECT X1-X3;
                                            an observation for one or more
 RUN:
                                          times for a subject, you would retain
                                          the values from the previous subject
□ PROC PRINT DATA = NEW;
                                            If you did not initialize X1-X3 to
 TITLE "make a wide table from a long
                                           missing. This initialization is done
 RUN:
                                           each time a new subject is read in.
```

```
□ PROC SORT DATA=OLD:
                             Old Dataset
    BY SUBJECT TIME:
                            Subject Time X
 RUN:
DATA NEW:
    SET OLD:
    BY SUBJECT:
    ARRAY XX[*] X1-X3;
    RETAIN X1-X3:
    IF FIRST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN DO I = 1 TO 3;
       XX[I] = :
       END:
    XX[TIME] = X:
    IF LAST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN OUTPUT;
    KEEP SUBJECT X1-X3;
 RUN:
□ PROC PRINT DATA = NEW:
 TITLE "make a wide table from a long table";
 RUN:
```

This statement tells the program to set the element of XX with a subscript equal to the current value of TIME, equal to the current value X. For the first observation, TIME = 1 and X = 5. Since TIME = 1, XX[TIME] is the same as XX[1] which represents the variable X1 (set equal to 5, the value of X).

The next observation from OLD is then read (Subject = 1, TIME = 2, X=6, First.subject = 0, and Last.subject = 0.) Values of X1-X3 are Retained in the previous observation (X1 = 5, X2 = ., X3 = .) and XX[2], or X2, is set equal to 6, the current value of X in OLD. This happens again for the next observation resulting in X1 = 5, X2 = 6, and X3=7. This time, however, since Last.subject = 1 (is true), the observation Is output to NEW. The process then repeated For the next subject!



```
□ PROC SORT DATA=OLD;
                             Old Dataset
    BY SUBJECT TIME;
                            Subject Time X
 RUN:
DATA NEW:
    SET OLD:
    BY SUBJECT;
    ARRAY XX[*] X1-X3;
    RETAIN X1-X3;
    IF FIRST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN DO I = 1 TO 3;
       XX[I] = .;
                                          make a wide table from a long table
       END:
    XX[TIME] = X;
                                                  SUBJECT
                                                                  X2
                                                                        X3
                                            Obs
    IF LAST.SUBJECT = 1 THEN OUTPUT;
    KEEP SUBJECT X1-X3;
 RUN:
 PROC PRINT DATA = NEW;
 TITLE "make a wide table from a long table";
 RUN:
```