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Introduction to SAS/GRAPH

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ABSTRACT

SAS/GRAPH software offers device-intelligent color graphics for producing charts, maps and plots in a variety of patterns. Users can customize graphs with the software, and present multiple graphs on a page. SAS/GRAPH software is a component of the SAS System, an applications system for data access, management, analysis, and presentation.

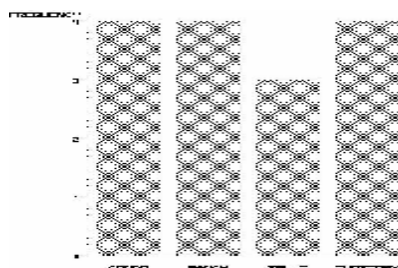
This paper covers SAS/Graph functionality at SAS version 6 level.

PLOTTING PROCEDURES

GCHART

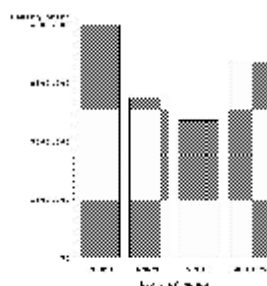
The basic way to produce a vertical bar chart is as follows:

```
proc gchart data=sasuser.houses ;
  vbar style ;
run ;
```



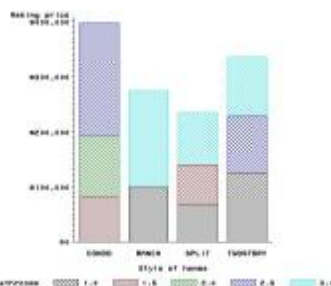
The previous chart produced a frequency chart (by default). We can change this to use a Y-axis variable by specifying SUMVAR:

```
vbar style / sumvar=price ;
run ;
```



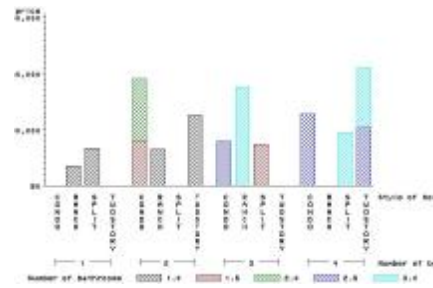
If we want to use another variable to break each bar into sections, then we can use SUBGROUP:

```
vbar style / sumvar=price subgroup=baths ;
run ;
```



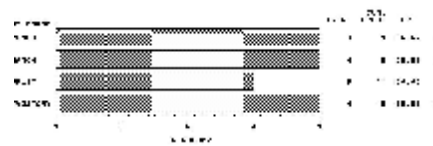
We can also divide bars into groups based on another variable by using GROUP:

```
vbar style / sumvar=price subgroup=baths group=bedrooms ;
run ;
```



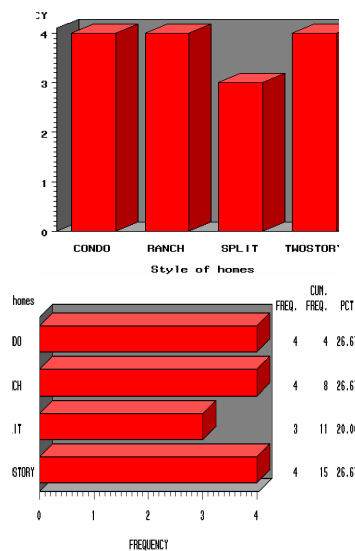
To get a horizontal bar chart, rather than a vertical bar chart we can use the HBAR statement. This also produces some default statistics for each bar:

```
hbar style ;
run ;
```



You can also get 3D vertical or horizontal charts by using VBAR3D & HBAR3D

```
Vbar3d style ;
Hbar3d style ;
Run ;
```



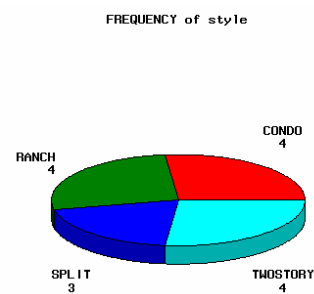
To get a pie chart you use PIE statement:

```
pie style ;
run ;
```

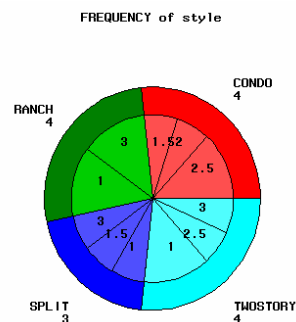


To get a 3D pie you use the PIE3D statement

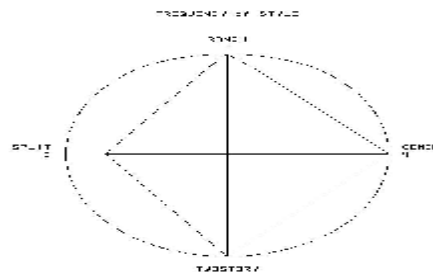
```
Pie3d style ;
Run ;
```



To get a pie chart with detail within each slice you use
 Pie style / detail=baths ;
 Run ;



To get a star chart use the STAR statement:
 star style ;
 run ;



GCONTOUR

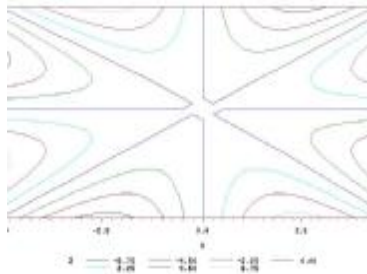
Useful for viewing three dimensional data in two dimensions.

Using a sample dataset, created with the following code:

```
data swirl;
  do x=-5 to 5 by 0.25;
    do y=-5 to 5 by 0.25;
      if x+y=0 then
        z=0;
      else
        z=(x*y)*((x*x-y*y)/(x*x+y*y));
      output;
    end;
  end;
run;
```

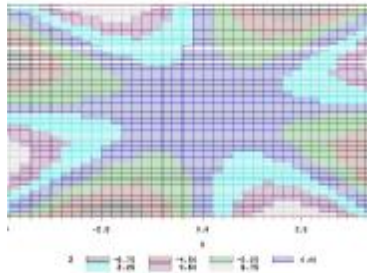
We can produce a contour plot with this code:

```
proc gcontour data=test ;
  plot y*x=z ;
run ;
```



We can use a pattern to make things more legible:

```
plot y*x=z / pattern ;
run ;
```



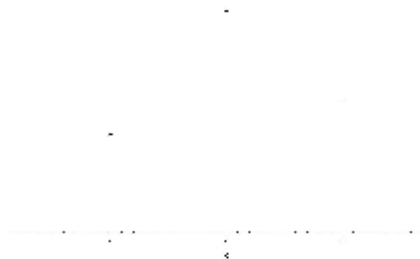
GPLOT

Make some sample data:

```
data sample ;
  do z=100 to 300 by 100 ;
    do x=1 to 5 ;
      y=ranuni(1)*10 ;
      y2=ranuni(1)*10 ;
      y3=ranuni(1)*10 ;
      output ;
    end ;
  end ;
run ;
```

To plot some points use:

```
proc gplot data=sample ;
  where z=100 ;
  plot y*x ;
run ;
```



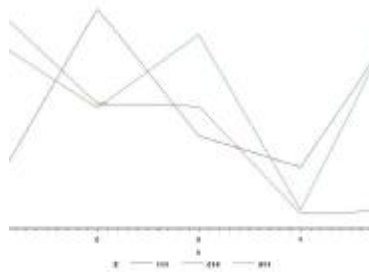
To plot lines rather than points use:

```
symbol i=join ;
plot y*x ;
run ;
```



To produce multiple plots on a single axis:

```
proc gplot data=sample ;
  plot y*x=z ;
run ;
```

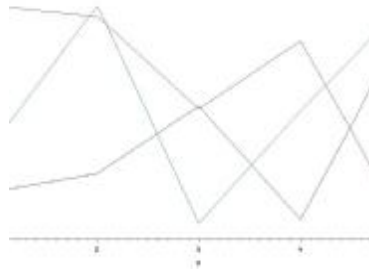


To produce a graph for each combination of X & Y axis variables you can use the following, which in the example would produce 3 * 1):

```
  where z=100 ;
  plot (y y2 y3)*x ;
run ;
```

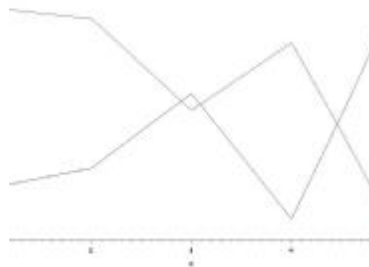
The 3 graphs from the previous example can be overlayed onto one graph by using the OVERLAY statement:

```
  plot (y y2 y3)*x / overlay ;
run ;
```



To use independent right & left y-axes you can use the following:

```
proc gplot data=sample ;
  where z=100 ;
  plot y*x ;
  plot2 y2*x ;
run ;
```



To do a simple bubble plot use this code:

```
proc gplot data=sample ;
  bubble y*x=z ;
run ;
```



To get a bubble plot with a right & left axis use this code:

```
  bubble y*x=z ;
  bubble2 y2*x=z ;
run ;
```



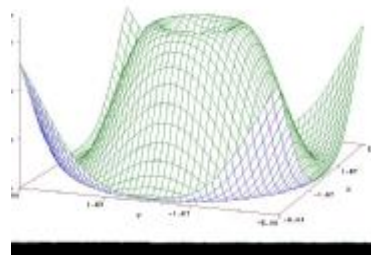
G3D

Produces 3-dimensional graphs graphics two horizontal variables against one vertical variable. Using the following sample data:

```
data hat;
  do x=-5 to 5 by 0.25;
    do y=-5 to 5 by 0.25;
      z=sin(sqrt(x*x+y*y));
      output;
    end;
  end;
run;
```

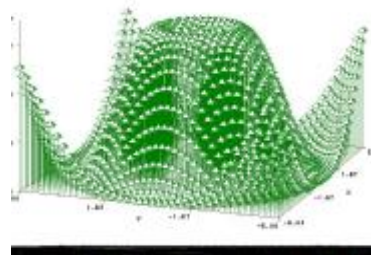
We can produce a well known plot:

```
proc g3d data=hat;
  plot y*x=z ;
run;
```



Or we can produce a scatter plot:

```
proc g3d data=hat;
  scatter y*x=z ;
run;
```



G3GRID

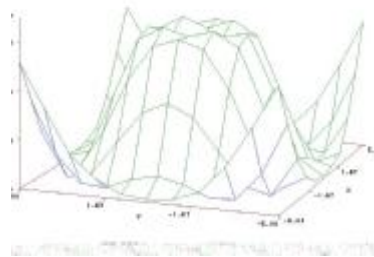
Produces datasets for use with G3D or GCONTOUR. Can be used for interpolation and smoothing. If we create some "rough" data by taking half of the coordinates from our smooth data, we get the following:

```
data rough ;
  set hat ;
  if ranuni(1)<.5 then
    output ;
run ;
proc g3d data=rough ;
  plot y*x=z ;
run;
```



Then we can use G3GRID to smooth the data we have:

```
proc g3grid data=rough out=smooth ;
  grid y*x=z ;
run ;
proc g3d data=smooth ;
  plot y*x=z ;
run;
```



GMAP

Produces two or three dimensional maps showing variations of a variable value with area. Supplied with a library of maps covering countries of the world and the U.S.A. in more detail.

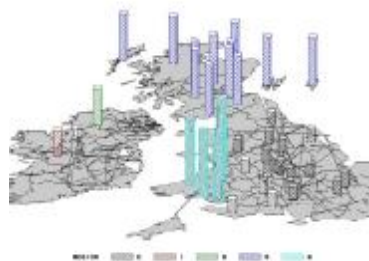
To produce a choropleth map of Great Britain:

```
proc gmap map=maps.ukire
  data=maps.ukire2 ;
  id region ;
  choro region ;
run ;
```



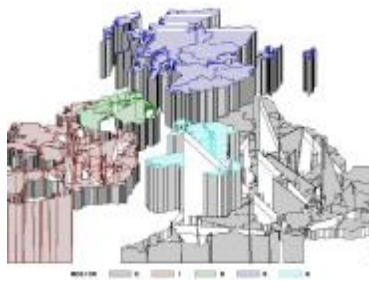
To produce a block map:

```
block region ;
run ;
```



To produce a Prism map:

```
prism region ;
run ;
```



To produce a surface map:
`surface country ;`
`run ;`



GPROJECT

Converts spherical (latitude/longitude) coordinates into cartesian (xy) coordinates.

GREDUCE

Reduces number of points needed to draw a map, and thus reduces detail within map too.

```
proc gmap map=maps.canada2 data=maps.canada2 ;
  id province ;
  choro province ;
run ;
```



```
proc greduce data=maps.canada2 out=can2(where=(density<3)) ;
  id province ;
run ;
```

```
proc gmap map=can2 data=can2 ;
  id province ;
  chofro province ;
run ;
```



GREMOVE

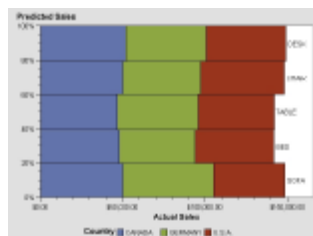
Combines some unit areas in a map into larger area. See code in SAS sample library called - "Removing Internal Boundaries in a Map - GR35N01". Before boundaries are removed.



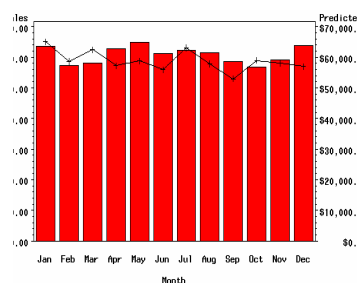
After boundaries have been removed.

**NEW PROCEDURES IN SAS 9****GAREABAR**

```
options device=activex ;
ods html file='c:\test.html' ;
proc gareabar data=sashelp.prdsale;
  hbar product*predict /sumvar=actual
    subgroup=country
    rstat=SUM
    wstat=PCT ;
run;
ods html close ;
```

**GBARLINE**

```
proc gbarline data=nyse;
  bar day / sumvar=volume discrete;
  plot / sumvar=close;
  run;
quit;
```

**MAPIMPORT**

The MAPIMPORT procedure enables you to import ESRI shapefiles (spatial data formats) and process the SHP files into SAS/GRAPH traditional

map data sets. The use of this procedure is quite specialized and wont be demonstrated beyond some sample code. Here is some sample code which includes all variables from a shapefile.

```
PROC MAPIMPORT OUT=sasuser.myworld DATAFILE='C:\world30.shp';
run;
```

PRESENTATION PROCEDURES

GREPLAY

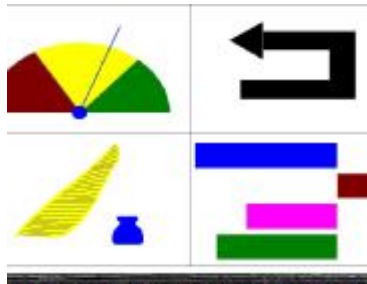
Replays graphics output using templates, allowing several graphics to be combined. The following code will display a screen from which templates may be chosen and graphics selected for use with them.

```
proc greplay igout=sashelp.eisgrph
              gout=work.replays
              tc=sashelp.templt
              template=l2r2 ;
```

```
run ;
```

The following code replays the 4 graphics into one graphic in batch.

```
proc greplay igout=sashelp.eisgrph
              gout=work.replays
              tc=sashelp.templt
              template=l2r2
              nofs ;
treplay 1:csfl 2:contract 3:exit 4:barchart ;
run ;
```



A collection of useful templates is provided in SASHELP.TEMPLT, however the user can create their own by using the procedure.

GANNO

Displays the graphics produced by the processing of annotate datasets. Many other procedures can also display annotate dataset output, along with their own output.

There are a range of macros available to make creating annotate datasets easier. To make them available use the following:

```
%annomac ;
```

This displays the following output:

```
*** ANNOTATE macros are now available ***
For further information on ANNOTATE macros, enter,
  %HELPANO(macroname), (for specific macros)
  %HELPANO(ALL), (for information on all macros)
  or %HELPANO (for a list of macro names)
```

To produce a circle and then display it:

```
data anno ;
  %circle(10,20,5,*) ;
run ;
proc ganno annotate=anno ;
run ;
```



GSLIDE

Can display graphics consisting of text and straight lines generated by TITLE, FOOTNOTE & NOTE statements. It can also generate data from ANNOTATE datasets.

```
proc gslide ;
  titl1 h=6 This is a title on a slide ;
  not1 h=3 j=c Some text in the middle ;
  not3 h=4 j=c and some more ;
```

This is a title on a slide

Some text in the middle
and some more

A footnote

[illegible]

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*G*FONT

To view a font use:

```
proc gfont name=swiss nobuild ;
run ;
```



```
data figures;
  input char $ ptype $ x y segment lp $;
cards;
A      W      0      64      0      P
A      V      4      4      1      P
A      V      60     32      1      P
A      V      4      60      1      P
A      V      4      4      1      P
;
```

```
run;
```

```
libname gfont0 'c:\' ;
```

```
/* generate and display the font FIGURES */
```

```
proc gfont data=figures
      name=figures ;
```

```
run;
```

[illegible]

Import graphics which are in CGM format, if you can get anything in that format! I couldn't find any application that can save graphics in that format.

Generate characters not available on keyboard.

List all graphics options:

```
Proc goptions ;
Run ;
```

SAS/GRAPH software options and parameters

```

NOADMEDF      GDM driver output an ADMEDF file
ASPECT=       Aspect ratio (width/height) for software characters
NOAUTOCOPY    Automatic hardcopy after display
NOAUTOFEED    Automatic paper feed after plot

```

[Lines deleted]

```

VPOS=51      Character cells per column
VSIZE=8 IN   Vertical plot size in inches

```

NOTE: The PROCEDURE GOPTIONS used 0.55 seconds.

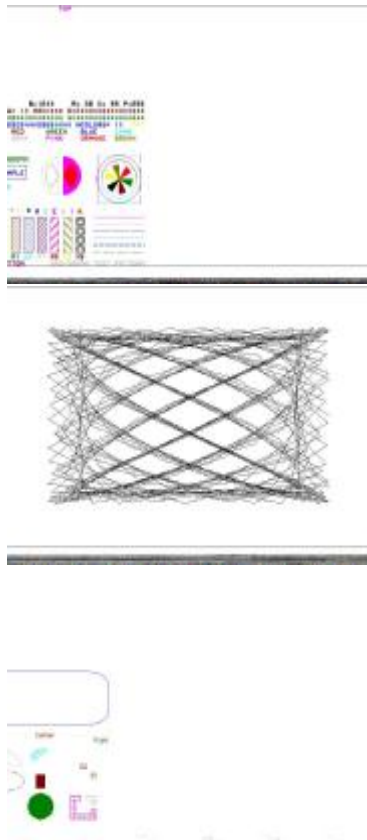
GTESTIT

A diagnostic tool to test configuration of devices by generating some test graphics.

```

proc gtestit ;
run ;

```



VEDIT

Video editing software, also allowing text compositing. Invoke the editor using:

```
Proc vedit ; run ;
```

SUB-LANGUAGES

ANNOTATE

Facility which allows the storage of graphics commands in data sets. These can then be used in conjunction with various procedures to produce or enhance graphics. The basic commands allow the drawing of: bars, lines, points, frames, pies, slices, polygons & text.

A range of macros are provided to ease the creation of ANNOTATE datasets. To make these macros available you must issue the following:

```
%annomac ;
```

The macro statements allow the drawing of various graphic objects with a single macro invocation for each object, for example:

```

data anno ;
  %bar(10,10,20,30,red,1,solid) ; run ;
proc ganno anno=anno ; run ;

```

DSGI (DATA STEP GRAPHICS INTERFACE)

Allows graphics output to be produced directly from a data step or SCL program. You can either create an entire graph with DSGI, or use it to enhance existing graphics. DSGI allows creation of the following graphics elements: arcs, bars, ellipses, elliptical arcs, lines, markers, pie slices, polygons, & text. The following code will draw a line on a blank graphic:

```

data dsgi ;
  rc=ginit() ;
  rc=graph('clear','text') ;
  rc=gdraw('line',2,30,50,50,50) ;
  rc=graph('update') ;

```

```
rc=gterm() ;
run ;
```

FONTS

There are a range of SAS/Graph fonts provided which can be found in SASHELP.FONT. A typical specification would be:

```
Title font=xswiss 'Expenditure Report' ;
```

GRAPHICS STATEMENTS & WINDOWS

There are a range of statements which affect many of the procedures described above. Here are some examples to demonstrate what can be done.

AXIS statement

Up to 99 definitions of characteristics of an axes. Used by calling from procedure.

```
Axis1 order=(1 to 100 by 25) color=red
      label=('Percent Complete')
      major=(height=2 width=.5)
      minor=(number=1 height=2)
      offset=(0,0) width=2.5 ;
proc gplot data=test ;
  plot y*x / vaxis=axis1 ; run ;
```

FOOTNOTE statement

Defines all characteristics of footnotes. Stays in effect until overridden or cancelled.

```
Footnote justify=left 'Left text'
      J=center box=1 angle=45 'Cent.' ;
```

GOPTIONS statement

Allows setting of all graphics related options, so that default values can be overridden. Graphics options are reset to their defaults using:

```
Goptions reset=goptions ;
```

LEGEND statement

Allows customizing of Legends used with several graphics procedures. Legends are called from other procedures.

```
Legend1 across=1 down=3 cborder=red
      Position=(bottom inside center)
      Mode=share label=none ;
Proc gchart data=test ;
  vbar y / legend=legend1 ; run ;
```

NOTE statement

Notes are similar to FOOTNOTE and TITLE statements, however they appear in the middle of a graphic, rather than the top (as for a TITLE) or bottom (as for a FOOTNOTE).

```
Note h=4 move=(15,70) 'My report'
      Move=(50,70) 'some data' ;
```

PATTERN statement

Defines characteristics of patterns used in graphs. Pattern definitions are used in order as patterns are required, starting at Pattern1. Various options are available including the ability to specify the angle and thickness of lines used in a pattern:

```
Pattern1 color=red value=m3x45 ;
```

SYMBOL statement

Specifies characteristics of symbols used to display data plotted in the GPLOT procedure. This allows various types of plots to be produced including: scatter, high/low, regression, box, join, needle, spline & step:

```
Symbol1 c=red interpol=spline v=star ;
```

TITLE statement

Similar to FOOTNOTE & NOTE statements, except placing text at top of graphic:

```
Title j=c c=blue h=5 'My report' ;
```

SAVING GRAPHS TO EXTERNAL FILE FORMATS

When producing graphics with SAS/Graph it is easy to save them to a large range of external file formats. The key things required are to:

- Select a device driver to format the graph as required
- Set GSFNAME to a fileref which will point to where we want to save our graph
- Define the fileref with a FILENAME statement, ensuring that the suffix of the file name is correct for the type of graph we are producing

```
goptions device=jpeg gsfname=out ;
filename out 'c:\test.jpg' ;
proc gchart data=sashelp.prdsale ;
  vbar3d country / sumvar=actual subgroup=product ;
run ;
```

MAKING OUTPUT LOOK MUCH BETTER

You can generally improve the look of your output a great deal with a couple of extra statements. Setting the font to a true-type windows font & specifying its size will help. Also specifying the size of the graphic to produce will enable a much higher resolution to be achieved. Beware that not all device drivers support all these parameters.

```
goptions device=png gsfname=out
      ftext='Arial' htext=3pct
      xmax=12in ymax=8in ;
filename out 'c:\test.png' ;
proc gchart data=sashelp.prdsale ;
  hbar3d country / sumvar=actual subgroup=product ;
```

```
run ;
```

ODS

The Output Delivery System is available from SAS 8 onwards. It enables you to greatly enhance the output that SAS/Graph and other SAS procedures produce. This is a large area that many papers and books cover, but here are some basic examples which relate to SAS/Graph.

PRODUCING A GRAPH IN MS WORD

```
ods rtf file='c:\sample.rtf' ;
proc gchart data=sashelp.class ;
  vbar age ;
run ;
ods rtf close ;
```

PRODUCING A GRAPH IN PDF

One great advantage of ODS is that you can produce a single output document which contains more than one graph.

```
ods pdf file='c:\sample.pdf' ;
proc gchart data=sashelp.class ;
  vbar age ;
  hbar sex ;
run ;
ods pdf close ;
```

PRODUCING A GRAPH AND TABLE IN HTML FOR A WEB PAGE

Another great advantage of ODS is that you can produce a single output document which contains a mixture of graphs and text/tables. Note that when using HTML you must tell ODS where to store the graphic, since it can't be embedded in the file in the way it can for RTF and PDF. This means you must specify the GPATH option on the ODS statement.

```
ods html file='c:\sample.html' gpath='c:\' ;
proc print data=sashelp.class ;
run ;
proc gchart data=sashelp.class ;
  vbar age ;
run ;
ods html close ;
```

CONCLUSION

SAS/Graph is a large and powerful product, encompassing a range of procedures which enable incredibly flexible graphics to be produced. It also contains the ANNOTATE facility for enhancing graphics and the DSGI language for drawing almost anything. This all adds up to a tool which can produce virtually any graphic image. It is particularly well suited over other graphic products where any of the following are required: automation, multi-platform support, large volume production.

REFERENCES

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