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STAT40840: Data programming with SAS

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Lecture 5

1 Reading a SAS Data Set

2 Customizing a SAS Data Set

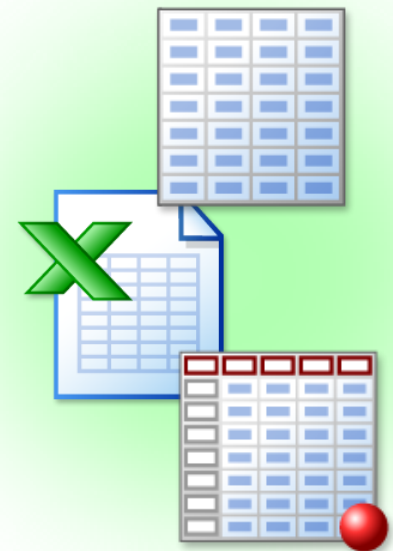
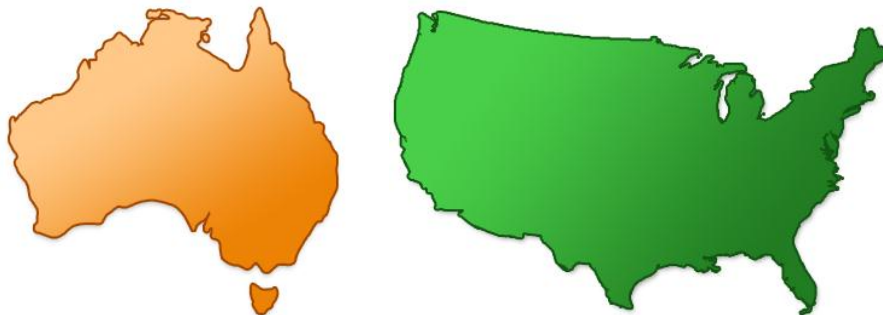


Objectives

- Define the scenario that is used when you read from a data source to create a SAS data set.
- Use a DATA step to create a SAS data set from an existing SAS data set.
- Subset observations with a WHERE statement.
- Create a new variable with an assignment statement.

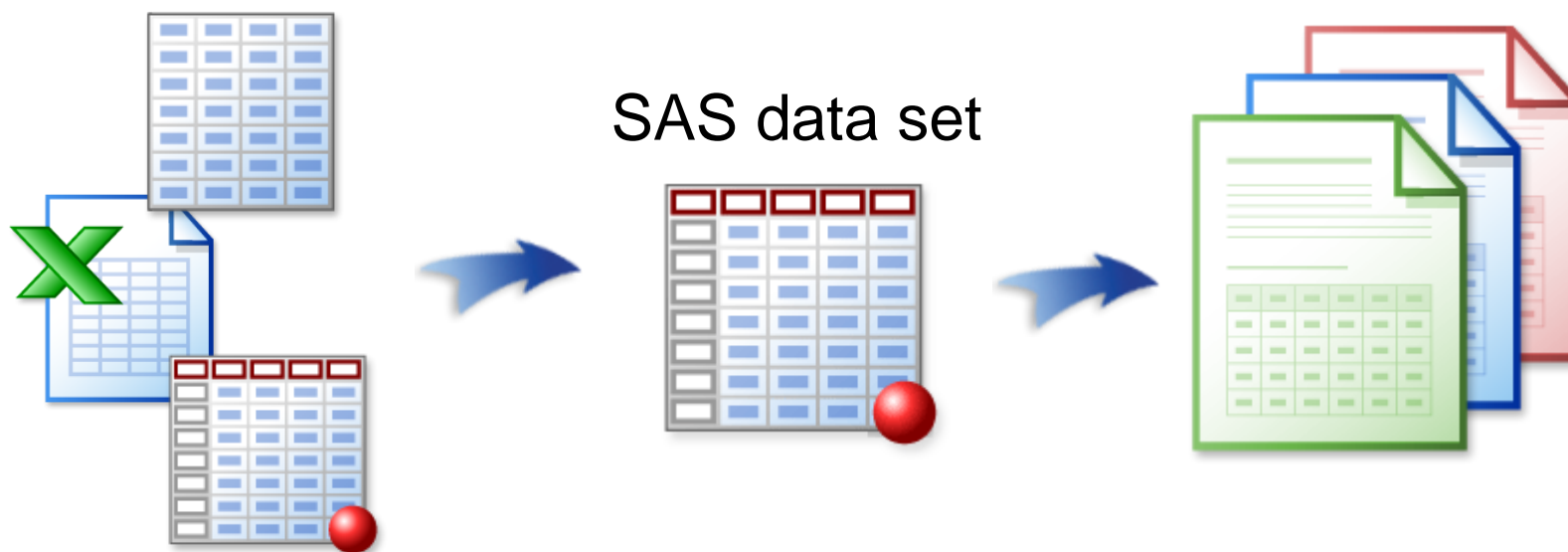
Scenario

Information about Orion Star sales employees resides in several input sources.



Considerations

Management wants a series of reports for Australian sales employees. You read data from various input sources to create a SAS data set that can be analyzed and presented.



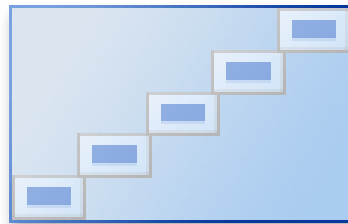
Scenario: Part 1

Read an existing SAS data set to create a new data set. The new data set should include only the observations for the Australian sales representatives.

orion.sales



DATA Step



work.subset1



Using a SAS Data Set as Input

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
run;
```

```
DATA output-SAS-data-set;  
  SET input-SAS-data-set;  
  WHERE WHERE-expression;  
RUN;
```

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DATA Statement

The *DATA statement* begins a DATA step and provides the name of the SAS data set to create.

```
data work.subset1;
```

```
    set orion.sales;
```

```
    where Country='AU' and
```

```
           Job_Title contains 'Rep' ;
```

```
run;
```

```
DATA output-SAS-data-set;
```

A DATA step can create temporary or permanent data sets.

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✍ The rules for SAS variable names also apply to data set names.

SET Statement

The *SET statement* reads observations from an existing SAS data set for further processing in the DATA step.

```
data work.subset1; SET input-SAS-data-set;  
    set orion.sales;  
    where Country='AU' and  
           Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
run;
```

- The SET statement reads all observations and all variables from the input data set.
- Observations are read sequentially, one at a time.
- The SET statement can read temporary or permanent data sets.

WHERE Statement

The *WHERE* statement selects observations from a SAS data set that meet a particular condition.

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
run;
```

WHERE *WHERE-expression*;

The variables named in the WHERE expression must exist in the input SAS data set.

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Viewing the Log

```
42  data work.subset1;  
43      set orion.sales;  
44      where Country='AU' and  
45          Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
46  run;
```

NOTE: There were 61 observations read from the data set ORION.SALES.
WHERE (Country='AU') and Job_Title contains 'Rep';

NOTE: The data set WORK.SUBSET1 has 61 observations and 9 variables.

- SAS read 61 of the 165 observations.

Viewing the Output

```
proc print data=work.subset1 noobs;  
run;
```

Partial PROC PRINT Output

Employee_ID	First_ Name	Last_Name	Gender	Salary	Job_Title	Country	Birth_ Date	Hire_ Date
120121	Irenie	Elvish	F	26600	Sales Rep. II	AU	-4169	6575
120122	Christina	Ngan	F	27475	Sales Rep. II	AU	-523	8217
120123	Kimiko	Hotstone	F	26190	Sales Rep. I	AU	3193	10866
120124	Lucian	Daymond	M	26480	Sales Rep. I	AU	1228	8460
120125	Fong	Hofmeister	M	32040	Sales Rep. IV	AU	-391	8460

Exercise 1

Consider the DATA step below.

```
data us;  
    set orion.sales;  
    where Country='US';  
run;
```

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Exercise 1

Considering this DATA step, which statement is true?

- a. It reads a temporary data set and creates a permanent data set.
- b. It reads a permanent data set and creates a temporary data set.
- c. It contains a syntax error and does not execute.
- d. It does not execute because you cannot work with permanent and temporary data sets in the same step.



Exercise 1 solution

- Considering this DATA step, which statement is true?
 - a. It reads a temporary data set and creates a permanent data set.
 - ☒ b. It reads a permanent data set and creates a temporary data set.
 - c. It contains a syntax error and does not execute.
 - d. It does not execute because you cannot work with permanent and temporary data sets in the same step.

```
data us;                                /* Create a temporary data set */  
  set orion.sales;                       /* Read a permanent data set */  
  where Country='US';  
run;
```

Scenario: Part 2

Orion Star management wants to give a 10% bonus to each Australian Sales representative hired before January 1, 2000.



Considerations

Subsetting is based on **Hire_Date**, which contains a SAS date value. How can you compare a SAS date value to a calendar date?



Date Constant

A date constant can be used in any SAS expression, including a WHERE expression.

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep' and  
        Hire_Date<'01jan2000'd;  
run;
```

✍ A SAS date constant is a date written in the form
'ddmmm<yy>yy'd.

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Considerations

Create a data set that includes the new variable, **Bonus**, which represents a 10% bonus.

orion.sales



work.subset1



Assignment Statement

The *assignment statement* evaluates an expression and assigns the result to a new or existing variable.

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep' and  
        Hire_Date<'01jan2000'd;  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
run;
```

variable=expression;

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Assignment Statement

The *expression* consists of operands and operators.

variable=expression;

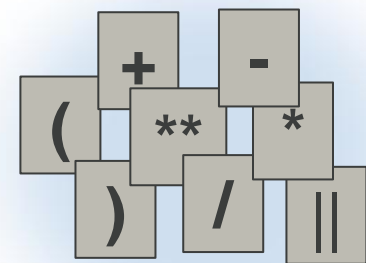


Operands

- character constants
- numeric constants
- date constants
- character variables
- numeric variables

Operators

- symbols that represent a calculation or manipulation



- SAS functions

Sample Assignment Statements

Example	Type
<code>Salary=26960;</code>	Numeric constant
<code>Gender='F';</code>	Character constant
<code>Hire_Date='21JAN1995'd;</code>	Date constant
<code>BonusMonth=month(Hire_Date);</code>	SAS function
<code>Bonus=Salary*.10;</code>	Arithmetic expression



Arithmetic Operators

If any operand in an arithmetic expression has a missing value, the result is a missing value.

Symbol	Definition	Priority
**	Exponentiation	I
*	Multiplication	II
/	Division	II
+	Addition	III
-	Subtraction	III

Parentheses can be used to clarify or alter the order of operations in an arithmetic expression.

Viewing the Log

```
214 data work.subset1;  
215     set orion.sales;  
216     where Country='AU' and  
217         Job_Title contains 'Rep' and  
218         Hire_Date<'01jan2000'd;  
219     Bonus=Salary*.10;  
220 run;
```

NOTE: There were 29 observations read from the data set ORION.SALES.
WHERE (Country='AU') and Job_Title contains 'Rep' and
(Hire_Date<'01JAN2000'D);

NOTE: The data set WORK.SUBSET1 has 29 observations and 10 variables.

The input data set has 9 variables, and the new data set has 10 variables.

Viewing the Output

```
proc print data=work.subset1 noobs;  
  var First Name Last Name Salary  
      Job Title Bonus Hire Date;  
  format Hire Date date9. ;  
run;
```

Partial PROC PRINT Output

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First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Bonus	Hire_Date
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	2660.0	01JAN1978
Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	2747.5	01JUL1982
Kimiko	Hotstone	26190	Sales Rep. I	2619.0	01OCT1989
Lucian	Daymond	26480	Sales Rep. I	2648.0	01MAR1983
Fong	Hofmeister	32040	Sales Rep. IV	3204.0	01MAR1983

Exercise 2

What are the values of **n1** and **n2** given the following variables and values?

x	y	z
.	4	10

a. $n1 = y + z / 2 ;$

b. $n2 = x + z / 2 ;$

Exercise 2 solution

What are the values of **n1** and **n2** given the following variables and values?

x	y	z
.	4	10

a. $n1 = y + z / 2 ;$ $\rightarrow 4 + 10 / 2 \rightarrow 4 + 5 \rightarrow 9$

$n1 = (y + z) / 2 ; \rightarrow 14 / 2 \rightarrow 7$

b. $n2 = x + z / 2 ; \rightarrow . + 10 / 2 \rightarrow . + 5 \rightarrow .$

Lecture 5 Part 2

1 Reading a SAS Data Set

2 Customizing a SAS Data Set



Objectives

- Subset variables by using the DROP and KEEP statements.
- Explore the compilation and execution phases of the DATA step.
- Store labels and formats in the descriptor portion of a SAS data set.

Scenario: Part 3

All Australian sales representatives receive a bonus, regardless of hire date. The new data set should contain a subset of the variables from the input data set.

orion.sales



work.subset1



DROP Statement

The DROP statement specifies the variables to **exclude** from the output data set.

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```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

DROP *variable-list*;

NOTE: There were 61 observations read from the data set ORION.SALES.
WHERE (Country='AU') and Job_Title contains 'Rep';
NOTE: The data set WORK.SUBSET1 has 61 observations and 6 variables.

Viewing the Output

```
proc print data=work.subset1;  
run;
```

Partial PROC PRINT Output

Obs	First_ Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_ Date	Bonus
1	Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0
2	Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	8217	2747.5
3	Kimiko	Hotstone	26190	Sales Rep. I	10866	2619.0
4	Lucian	Daymond	26480	Sales Rep. I	8460	2648.0
5	Fong	Hofmeister	32040	Sales Rep. IV	8460	3204.0

L5_D3.sas



KEEP Statement

The KEEP statement specifies all variables to ***include*** in the output data set.

L5_D3a.sas

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
         Job Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  keep First Name Last Name Salary  
      Job Title Hire Date Bonus;  
run;
```

KEEP *variable-list*;



If a KEEP statement is used, it must include **every** variable to be written, including any new variables.

Viewing the Log

Partial SAS Log

```
NOTE: There were 61 observations read from the data set ORION.SALES.  
      WHERE (Country='AU') and Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
NOTE: The data set WORK.SUBSET1 has 61 observations and 6 variables.
```

Viewing the Output

```
proc print data=work.subset1;  
run;
```

Partial PROC PRINT Output

Obs	First_ Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_ Date	Bonus
1	Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0
2	Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	8217	2747.5
3	Kimiko	Hotstone	26190	Sales Rep. I	10866	2619.0
4	Lucian	Daymond	26480	Sales Rep. I	8460	2648.0
5	Fong	Hofmeister	32040	Sales Rep. IV	8460	3204.0

L5_D3a.sas



Scenario: Behind the Scenes

Orion Star programmers need to understand the internal processing that occurs when a DATA step is submitted.



DATA Step Processing

SAS processes the DATA step in two phases.

Compilation Phase



Execution Phase



Compilation Phase



Scans the program for syntax errors; translates the program into machine language.

PDV

Name	Salary

Creates the *program data vector* (PDV) to hold one observation.



Creates the descriptor portion of the output data set.

Compilation

```
data work.subset1;  
    set orion.sales;  
    where Country='AU' and  
           Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
    Bonus=Salary*.10;  
    drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
           Birth_Date;  
run;
```

L5_D3.sas



Compilation

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

PDV

Employee_ID	First_Name	Last_Name	Gender	Salary	Job_Title
N 8	\$ 12	\$ 18	\$ 1	N 8	\$ 25

Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date
\$ 2	N 8	N 8

Compilation

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

PDV

Employee_ID	First_Name	Last_Name	Gender	Salary	Job_Title
N 8	\$ 12	\$ 18	\$ 1	N 8	\$ 25



Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
\$ 2	N 8	N 8	N 8





Compilation

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

PDV



Employee_ID	First_Name	Last_Name	Gender	Salary	Job_Title
 N 8	\$ 12	\$ 18	 \$ 1	N 8	\$ 25



Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
 \$ 2	 N 8	N 8	N 8

Compilation

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

PDV

Employee_ID	First_Name	Last_Name	Gender	Salary	Job_Title
 N 8	\$ 12	\$ 18	 \$ 1	N 8	\$ 25

Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
 \$ 2	 N 8	N 8	N 8

Descriptor Portion of **work.subset1**

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
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Execution Phase

Compile the step

Success?

No

Next step

Yes

Compilation Phase

Initialize PDV to missing

Execute SET statement

Execute other statements

Output to SAS data set

End
of file?

Yes

Next step

No

Execution Phase

Execution

Initialize PDV

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

Partial orion.sales

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
.

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
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Execution

Partial orion.sales

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120121	26600	AU	-4169	6575	.

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
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Execution

Partial orion.sales

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120121	26600	AU	-4169	6575	2660

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
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Execution

Partial orion.sales

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

```
data work.subset1;
  set orion.sales;
  where Country='AU' and
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';
  Bonus=Salary*.10;
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country
        Birth_Date;
```

run;

Implicit OUTPUT;
Implicit RETURN;

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120121	26600	AU	-4169	6575	2660

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660



Execution

Partial **orion.sales**

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

```
data work.subset1;
  set orion.sales;
  where Country='AU' and
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';
  Bonus=Salary*.10;
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country
        Birth_Date;
run;
```

Reinitialize PDV

New variables are reinitialized.

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120121	26600	AU	-4169	6575	.

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660



Execution

Partial orion.sales

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

...

```
data work.subset1;
  set orion.sales;
  where Country='AU' and
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';
  Bonus=Salary*.10;
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country
        Birth_Date;
run;
```

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120122	27475	AU	-523	8217	.

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660



Execution

Partial orion.sales

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120122	27475	AU	-523	8217	2747.5

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660



Execution

Partial **orion.sales**

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

```
data work.subset1;
  set orion.sales;
  where Country='AU' and
        Job_Title contains 'Rep';
  Bonus=Salary*.10;
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country
        Birth_Date;
run;
```

**Implicit OUTPUT;
Implicit RETURN;**

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120122	27475	AU	-523	8217	2747.5

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0
Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	8217	2747.5

Execution

Partial orion.sales

Employee_ID	Hire_Date
120121	6575
120122	8217
120123	10866
120124	8460

...

```
data work.subset1;
  set orion.sales
  where Country=
        Job_Title
  Bonus=Salary*.10;
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country
        Birth_Date;
run;
```

Continue until EOF

PDV

Employee_ID	Salary	Country	Birth_Date	Hire_Date	Bonus
120122	27475	AU	-523	8217	.

work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0
Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	8217	2747.5



Viewing the Output

```
proc print data=work.subset1;  
run;
```

Obs	First_ Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_ Date	Bonus
1	Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0
2	Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	8217	2747.5
3	Kimiko	Hotstone	26190	Sales Rep. I	10866	2619.0
4	Lucian	Daymond	26480	Sales Rep. I	8460	2648.0
5	Fong	Hofmeister	32040	Sales Rep. IV	8460	3204.0

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Scenario: Part 4

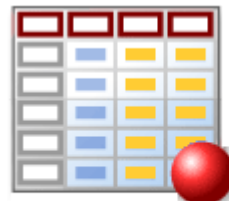
Create a data set that contains all Australian employees whose bonus is at least \$3000.



orion.sales



work.auemps



Bonus



Selecting Observations

Subsetting is based on the new variable, **Bonus**, that is created with an assignment statement.

```
data work.auemps;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' ;  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth_Date;  
run;
```

A WHERE statement is used to subset observations when the selected variables exist in the *input* data set.

Exercise 3

Open and submit **L5_E3.sas**. Is the output data set created successfully?

```
data work.usemps;  
    set orion.sales;  
    Bonus=Salary*.10;  
    where Country='US' and Bonus>=3000;  
run;
```

L5_E3.sas



Exercise 3 solution

Open and submit **L5_E3.sas**. Is the output data set created successfully?

L5_E3.sas

```
260 data work.usemps;  
261     set orion.sales;  
262     Bonus=Salary*.10;  
263     where Country='US' and Bonus>=3000;  
ERROR: Variable Bonus is not on file ORION.SALES.  
264 run;
```

NOTE: The SAS System stopped processing this step because of errors.

WARNING: The data set WORK.USEMPs may be incomplete. When this step was stopped there were 0 observations and 10 variables.

No. Bonus cannot be used in a WHERE statement because it is not in the input data set. It is a new variable that is created in this DATA step.

Subsetting IF

The *subsetting IF* statement tests a condition to determine whether the DATA step should continue processing the current observation.

```
data work.auemps;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  if Bonus>=3000;  
run;
```

L5_D5.sas

IF condition;

In this program, processing reaches the bottom of the DATA step and outputs an observation only if the condition is true.

Viewing the Log

Partial SAS Log

```
11 data work.auemps;  
12     set orion.sales;  
13     where Country='AU';  
14     Bonus=Salary*.10;  
15     if Bonus>=3000;  
16 run;
```

NOTE: There were 63 observations read from the data set ORION.SALES.
WHERE Country='AU';

NOTE: The data set WORK.AUEMPS has 12 observations and 10 variables.

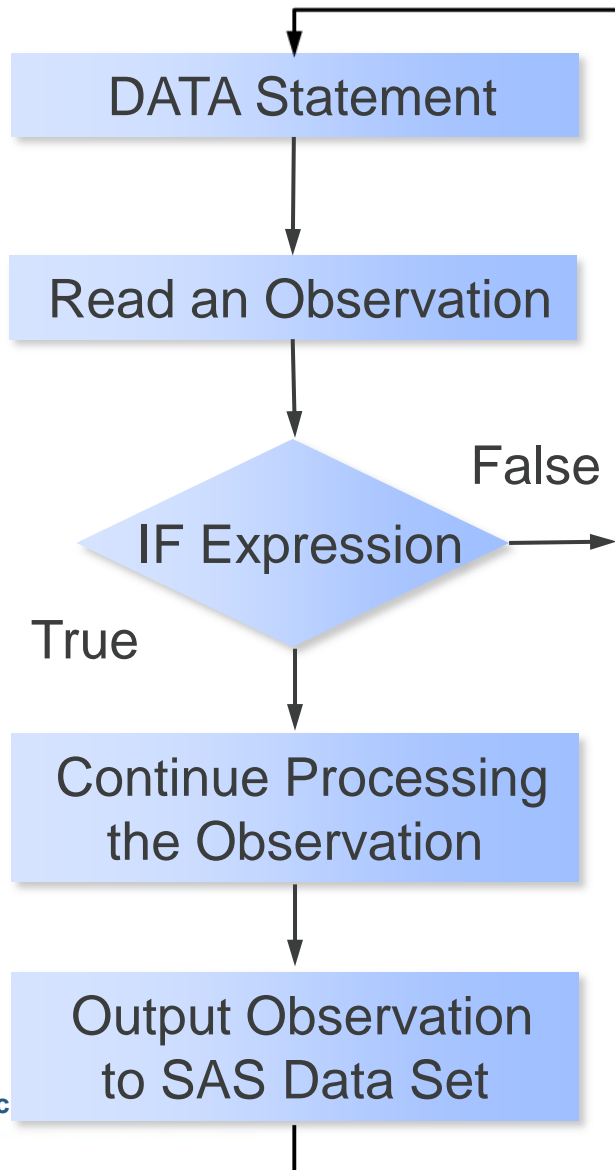
Of the 165 observations in **orion.sales**, 63 were read into the PDV for processing, and only 12 were written to the new data set.

Viewing the Output

```
proc print data=work.auemps;  
  var First_Name Last_Name Salary Bonus;  
run;
```

Obs	First_ Name	Last_Name	Salary	Bonus
1	Tom	Zhou	108255	10825.5
2	Wilson	Dawes	87975	8797.5
3	Fong	Hofmeister	32040	3204.0
4	Monica	Kletschkus	30890	3089.0
5	Alvin	Roebuck	30070	3007.0
6	Alexei	Platts	32490	3249.0
7	Viney	Barbis	30265	3026.5
8	Caterina	Hayawardhana	30490	3049.0
9	Daniel	Pilgrim	36605	3660.5
10	Lynelle	Phoumirath	30765	3076.5
11	Rosette	Martines	30785	3078.5
12	Fadi	Nowd	30660	3066.0

Processing the Subsetting IF Statement

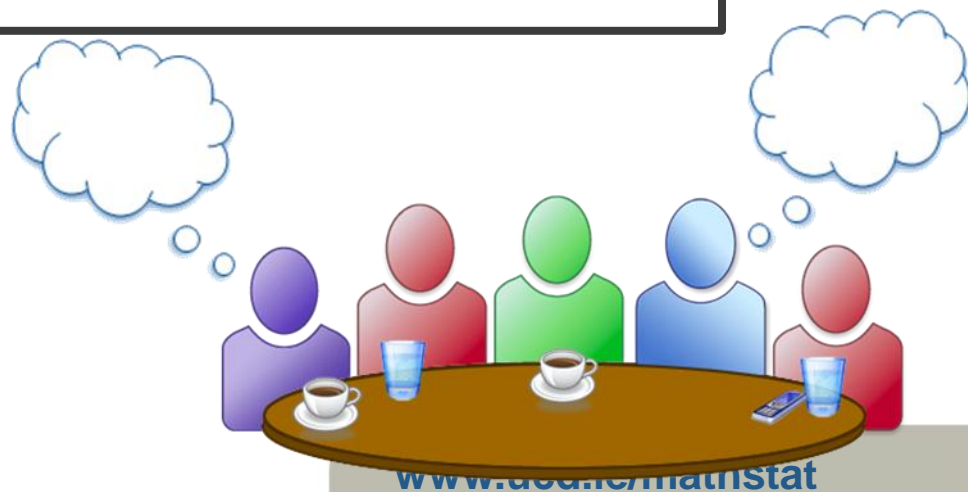


A subsetting IF statement is valid only in a DATA step.

Exercise 4

File **L5_E4.sas** contains two versions of the previous program. Submit both programs and compare the output and number of observations read. What do you notice about the results?

```
data work.auemps;  
  set orion.sales;  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  if Country='AU' and Bonus>=3000;  
run;
```

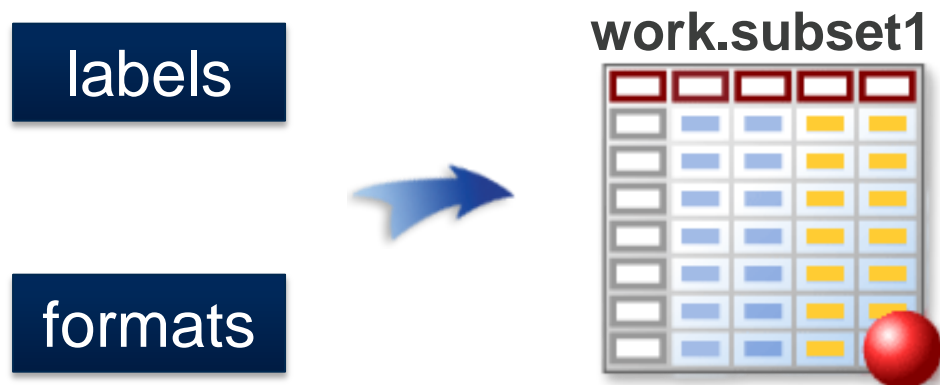


WHERE versus Subsetting IF Statement

Step and Usage	WHERE	IF
PROC step	Yes	No
DATA step (source of variable)		
SET statement	Yes	Yes
assignment statement	No	Yes

Scenario: Part 5

Define permanent labels and formats for some of the variables in the new data set.



LABEL Statement

The LABEL statement assigns descriptive labels to variables.

**LABEL
statement**



DATA Step



Sales Title



Date Hired



work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus

Defining Permanent Labels

Use a LABEL statement in a DATA step to permanently assign labels to variables. The labels are stored in the descriptor portion of the data set.

```
data work.subset1;  
  set orion.sales;  
  where Country='AU' and  
         Job Title contains 'Rep';  
  Bonus=Salary*.10;  
  label Job Title='Sales Title'  
        Hire Date='Date Hired';  
  drop Employee_ID Gender Country  
        Birth Date;  
run;
```

L5_D6.sas

LABEL *variable='label'*
<variable='label'...>;

Viewing the Output

```
proc contents data=work.subset1;  
run;
```

Partial PROC CONTENTS Output

L5_D6.sas

Alphabetic List of Variables and Attributes

#	Variable	Type	Len	Label
6	Bonus	Num	8	
1	First_Name	Char	12	
5	Hire_Date	Num	8	Date Hired
4	Job_Title	Char	25	Sales Title
2	Last_Name	Char	18	
3	Salary	Num	8	

Viewing the Output: Displaying Labels

To use labels in the PRINT procedure, use the LABEL option in the PROC PRINT statement.

```
proc print data=work.subset1 label;  
run;
```

L5_D6.sas

Partial PROC PRINT Output

Obs	First_ Name	Last_Name	Salary	Sales Title	Date Hired	Bonus
1	Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0
2	Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	8217	2747.5
3	Kimiko	Hotstone	26190	Sales Rep. I	10866	2619.0
4	Lucian	Daymond	26480	Sales Rep. I	8460	2648.0
5	Fong	Hofmeister	32040	Sales Rep. IV	8460	3204.0

Viewing the Output: Splitting Labels

Use the PROC PRINT SPLIT= option to split labels across lines based on a split character.

```
proc print data=work.subset1 split=' ';  
run;
```

L5_D6.sas

Partial PROC PRINT Output

Obs	First_ Name	Last_Name	Salary	Sales Title	Date Hired	Bonus
1	Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0
2	Christina	Ngan	27475	Sales Rep. II	8217	2747.5
3	Kimiko	Hotstone	26190	Sales Rep. I	10866	2619.0
4	Lucian	Daymond	26480	Sales Rep. I	8460	2648.0
5	Fong	Hofmeister	32040	Sales Rep. IV	8460	3204.0

FORMAT Statement

The FORMAT statement associates formats with variables.

FORMAT
statement



DATA Step



commax8.



ddmmyy10.



commax8.2



work.subset1

First_Name	Last_Name	Salary	Job_Title	Hire_Date	Bonus
Irenie	Elvish	26600	Sales Rep. II	6575	2660.0

Defining Permanent Formats

Use a FORMAT statement in a DATA step to permanently associate formats with variables.

```
data work.subset1;
    set orion.sales;
    where Country='AU' and
           Job_Title contains 'Rep';
    Bonus=Salary*.10;
    label Job_Title='Sales Title'
           Hire_Date='Date Hired';
    format Salary commax8. Bonus commax8.2
           Hire_Date ddmmyy10.;
    drop Employee_ID Gender Country
           Birth_Date;
run;
```

L5_D7.sas

FORMAT *variable(s) format ...;*

Viewing the Output

```
proc contents data=work.subset1;  
run;
```

Partial PROC CONTENTS

L5_D7.sas

Alphabetic List of Variables and Attributes

#	Variable	Type	Len	Format	Label
6	Bonus	Num	8	COMMAX8.2	
1	First_Name	Char	12		
5	Hire_Date	Num	8	DDMMYY10.	Date Hired
4	Job_Title	Char	25		Sales Title
2	Last_Name	Char	18		
3	Salary	Num	8	COMMAX8.	

Viewing the Output

```
proc print data=work.subset1 label;  
run;
```

L5_D7.sas

Partial PROC PRINT Output

Obs	First_ Name	Last_Name	Salary	Sales	Title	Date Hired	Bonus
1	Irenie	Elvish	26.600	Sales	Rep. II	01/01/1978	2.660,00
2	Christina	Ngan	27.475	Sales	Rep. II	01/07/1982	2.747,50
3	Kimiko	Hotstone	26.190	Sales	Rep. I	01/10/1989	2.619,00
4	Lucian	Daymond	26.480	Sales	Rep. I	01/03/1983	2.648,00
5	Fong	Hofmeister	32.040	Sales	Rep. IV	01/03/1983	3.204,00