

Statistics 157: Lab #6
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INSTRUCTIONS:

- Save your SAS program file as *lab6w18.sas*.
- You will need the following data files (They are available for download on *iLearn* under **Data Files**):

sem1.dat *sem2.dat* *sem3.dat* *sem4.dat* *sem5.dat* *sem6.dat*

- When you have completed the lab, please be sure you straighten your work area, and sign the lab roster sheet.

This lab is designed to give the students practice with writing some basic SAS macros.

Please go slowly, reading everything carefully and making sure you understand each step before moving on to the next one! You are excellent students and can do this!!

A Suggestion: When using SAS macros, it is difficult to keep track of all the cross-referencing. My suggestion is to first print a hard copy of your program. Then using multiple highlighters, color-code the program. For example: Suppose you are passing across the name of an existing SAS dataset using the reference *olddata*. Go through your program and highlight (in the same color) everywhere *olddata* is used.

NOTE: You do not have to type in the comments for this lab! (You might want to at some point in time for future reference!)

NOTE: Comments within a SAS macro are enclosed by

%* Comment here ;

Suppose you work in the registrar's office of a university. You have decided that you want to write a SAS program to make data entry of transcript information and grade computation more efficient. You have decided to write a series of SAS macros to achieve your goal. It is assumed that the data for 6 semesters for a particular student has been entered into 6 data files: *sem1.dat*, *sem2.dat*, *sem3.dat*, *sem4.dat*, *sem5.dat* and *sem6.dat*. (These files are available for download on Blackboard under **Data Files**. Make sure you have them before proceeding.)

NOTE: We will add some new options to generate diagnostics during the execution of the SAS macros. These options are *mtrace*, *mlogic* and *mprint*.

PLEASE clear your log file before every submission of your new code! (To do this, click to activate the log window and then select *Edit* → *Clear all*. Be sure you save your file before each execution. You may have to exit SAS and clear it's internal footprints more frequently than before.

NOTE: The infile statement below is

```
infile "c:\linda\winter2018\w18157\datafiles\sem&i..dat" firstobs=4;
```

Be sure to change the path to the location where you have saved your data files!

- The &i allows the value of i to change according to the do loop index variable value.

- You do need the 2 dots (not a typo).

♣ The first dot indicates the end of the parameter name (in this case i) and tells SAS to execute the change in the value of i according to the do loop index variable value. (For example, you might have a do loop index variable named jj. Then you would need sem&jj..dat so SAS would know the parameter is jj not just j.)

♣ The second dot is part of the extension .dat.

1. The first thing you want to accomplish is the reading in of the raw data. For that, create a SAS macro called *indata1* as follows: (You do not need to enter the comments at this time, but be sure you READ and understand them!)

```
options ls=78 nocenter nodate ps=55 mprint mtrace nodate nonumber formdlim = '#';
/*
*****
*****
** Macro indata1 macro to read individual data files into **
** individual SAS dataset and a cumulative **
** SAS dataset. The data files contain typical **
** college transcript information (including **
** course department, number, name, number of **
** semester units and final grade). Once the **
** data has been read in, the macro computes **
** gpa for current semester, cumulative gpa **
** for all courses, cumulative gpa for courses **
** in the student's major, cumulative gpa for **
** courses numbered below 200 and cumulative **
** gpa for courses numbered above 200. **
*****
*****
** Variable specification: **
** olddata name of SAS dataset to be used for computing **
** cumulative gpa for courses numbered below 200 **
** and cumulative gpa for courses numbered above **
** 200 **
** newdata name of SAS dataset to be used for computing **
** cumulative gpa for all courses **
** semnum name of SAS dataset to be used for computing **
** gpa for all courses in current semester **
** number number of semesters of data **
** name1 name of student **
*****
***** */
%macro indata1(olddata,newdata,semnum,number,name1);
/* Read in and print data semester by semester;
/* Create a new temporary SAS data set for each semester;
do i = 1 %to &number;
```

```

data &semnum&i;
/* To enter a data file, you need 2 periods as shown below;
/* Be sure to change the path to your data files;
   infile "c:\linda\winter2018\wl18157\datafiles\sem&i..dat" firstobs=4;
   input dept $ 1-4 crsnum crsdesc $ 16-40 units grade $;
proc print noobs;
   var dept crsnum crsdesc units grade;
%end;
%mend indat1;

```

Now let's try to invoke your macro.

NOTE: In the following, the names *restr*, *cumul* and *semstr* are just dummy SAS dataset names.

(i) First, try reading in and printing out the first data set. Add the following lines of code to your program (after the %mend indat1 statement) and then execute your program.

```

/*
*****
*****
**      Test the macros using the six semester data files      **
*****
*****
*/
/* indat1(olddata,newdata,semnum,number,name1);
   According to the macro call below, the parameters will take on
   the following names:
       olddata will take on the name   restr
       newdata will take on the name   cumul
       semnum  will take on the name   semstr
       number  will take on the value  1
       name1   will take on Your name (put in your actual name
               where I have written "Your name")
*/

%indat1(restr,cumul,semstr,1,Your name);
run;
quit;

```

Your output should look like:

dept	crsnum	crsdesc	units	grade
MAST	8	Calculus I	5	C
ENGL	5	English Composition I	3	A
CSCI	25	Intro to CS	4	A
PHYS	8	Physics I	5	B

Make sure your output matches the above before going to the next step! Have your neighbor or TA initial here

(ii) Now test your macro to see if it will read in all six data sets. Change the macro execution (invocation) statement to: (Change the 1 to a 6!)

%indata1(restr,cumul,semstr,6,Your name);

and re-execute your program.

When you get your new output, have your neighbor or TA initial here DA

- Now that you have successfully read in your data, its time to make headings for our transcript. Create a new macro, called *semhead*. Place it in your program file before the macro *indata1*. Notice that in a macro, the titles are in double quotes (as opposed to the usual single quotes). This allows SAS to actually execute them as executable statements (not just print them as verbatim statements) and change that values of the parameters within them.

```
/*
*****
*****
** Macro semhead macro to print headings for each semester **
**
** Variable Specification **
** semnum number of current semester **
*****
*****
*/
```

```
%macro semhead(semnum,name1);
    title1 "Transcript for &name1, Semester &semnum";
    title2 "Wishful University";
    title3 "Anywhere, Anystate";
%mend semhead;
```

Now modify your macro *indata1* to include heading information. This will simply be the addition of a single line of code (plus a comment line) in the macro.

```
%macro indata1(olddata,newdata,semnum,number,name1);
%* Read in and print data semester by semester;
%* Use do loops to create a new temporary SAS data set for each semester;
    %do i = 1 %to &number;
        data &semnum&i;
%* *****;
%* NEW LINES OF CODE FOLLOW ;
%* Create semester headings;
        %semhead(&i,&name1);
%* To enter a data file, you need 2 periods as shown below;
%* Be sure to change the path to your data files;
        infile "c:\linda\winter2018\w18157\datafiles\sem&i..dat" firstobs=4;
        input dept $ 1-4 crsnum crsdesc $ 16-40 units grade $;
%* Print the data as a check;
proc print noobs;
    var dept crsnum crsdesc units grade;
%* Close the loop;
%end;
%mend indata1;
```

Save your file and re-submit to see your new results. (You do not need to change the executable *indata1* statement!)

Sample Output for Semester 1:

Transcript for Joe Student, Semester 1

Wishful University

Anywhere, Anystate

Individual Semester Information

dept	crsnum	crsdesc	units	grade
MAST	8	Calculus I	5	C
ENGL	5	English Composition I	3	A
CSCI	25	Intro to CS	4	A
PHYS	8	Physics I	5	B

Make sure your output matches the above before going to the next step! Have your neighbor or TA initial here DA

- OK, now its time to code letter grades into numerical values and compute total points for each course. (This information will be needed to compute grade point averages!) Create a new macro *gradcode* and place it in your program AFTER the macro *semhead*. (NOTE: You can use a regular if-then-else structure within the macro!)

```
/*
*****
*****
** Macro gradcode macro to code letter grades to numbers **
*****
*****
*/
```

```
%macro gradcode;
    if grade = "A" then pts = 4;
    else if grade = "B" then pts = 3;
    else if grade = "C" then pts = 2;
    else if grade = "D" then pts = 1;
    else pts = 0;
%mend gradcode;
```

Now incorporate this into your macro *indata1* as follows:

```
%macro indata1(olddata,newdata,semnum,number,name1);
/* Read in and print data semester by semester;
/* Create a new temporary SAS data set for each semester;
    %do i = 1 %to &number;
        data &semnum&i;
/* Create semester headings;
    %semhead(&i,&name1);
/* To enter a data file, you need 2 periods as shown below;
/* Be sure to change the path to your data files;
    infile "c:\linda\spring2017\s17157\datafiles\sem&i..dat" firstobs=3;
    input dept $ 1-4 crsnum crsdesc $ 16-39 units grade $;
/* ***** ;
/* NEW CODE FOLLOWS ;
```

```

/* Transform letter grades to numeric values;
   %gradcode;
/* Calculate total points earned in a semester;
   tpts = units*pts;
   title4 "Individual Semester Information";
proc print noobs;
   var dept crsnum crsdesc units grade tpts;
%end;
%mend indata1;

```

Save and execute your program. Your output for Semester 6 should look like:

Transcript for Joe Student, Semester 6
Wishful University
Anywhere, Anystate

Individual Semester Information

dept	crsnum	crsdesc	units	grade	TPTS
MAST	252	Advanced Calculus II	3	B	9
PetE	302	Design I	4	A	16
CHEM	252	Organic Chemistry II	4	B	12
PetE	315	Special Topics	4	A	16
GERM	101	Intro to German	3	D	3

Check to make sure your output matches this output! Have your neighbor or TA initial here

Notice that with every addition you have made, the execution of the macro *indata1* has not changed. It has remained as

```
%indata1(restr,cumul,semstr,6,Your name);
```

NOTE: If you only wanted to use say the first 3 semesters of data, the only change that would be required is to change the 6 to a 3:

```
%indata1(restr,cumul,semstr,3,Your name);
```

Question: Could you modify this program select, say, semesters 1, 3 and 5?????

- Now for the BIG moment - the computation of the individual semester gpa. Create a new macro called *gpa1*. Place this macro before the *indata1* macro!

NOTE: BE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND HOW THIS MACRO IS WORKING! REMEMBER, GPA = (Total # grade points earned)/(total # hours)

```

/*
*****
*****
** Macro gpa1 macro to compute sum of semester hours and sum **
** of earned grade points in separate SAS datasets,**
** merge the SAS datasets into one, generate the **
** number of the semester, and print semester, **
** total number of course hours, total number of **

```

```

**          earned grade points and gpa          **
** Variable Specification:                        **
** whdata  name of existing SAS dataset to be used **
** i       number of semester                    **
** sum1    total number of course hours          **
** sum2    total number of earned grade points   **
** gpa     grade points average = sum1/sum2      **
** out1    name of SAS dataset where information is to be **
**          stored                               **
*****
**/

%macro gpa1(whdata,i,sum1,sum2,gpa,out1);
/* Generate total number of COURSE HOURS;
proc means data = &whdata&i noprint;
    var units;
/* Output the sum of the course hours to a
   dataset named "a" and in a variable named
   sum1;
/* NOTE: the &i allows you to automatically generate a new "a" output
   file each time through the do loop. The first time through the
   output file will be a1; second one will be a2, etc. So you will
   have an "a" output file for each of the semesters ;

    output out= a&i sum = &sum1;
run;
/* Generate total number of EARNED GRADE POINTS;
proc means data = &whdata&i noprint;
    var tpts;
/* Output the sum of the course hours to a dataset named "b" and in a
   variable named sum2;
/* NOTE: the &i allows you to automatically generate a new "b" output
   file each time through the do loop. The first time through the
   output file will be b1; second one will be b2, etc. So you will
   have a "b" output file for each of the semesters ;

    output out = b&i sum = &sum2;
run;
/* Merge above datasets (This will put the total number of course
   hours and total number of earned grade points in the same file so
   you can do calculations with them. Also assign semester number
   and compute gpa. Print information;
/* a&i temporary SAS data set contains total number of course hours for semester i
   b&i temporary SAS data set contains total number of grade points earned for semester i
   sum1 variable representing the total number of course hours
   sum2 variable representing the total number of grade points
   gpa = (total number of grade points)/(total number of course hours) ;

data &out1&i;
    merge a&i b&i;

```

```

semester = &i;
&gpa = &sum2/&sum1;
proc print noobs;
  var semester &sum1 &sum2 &gpa;
run;
%mend gpa1;

```

Incorporate the gpa1 macro into your macro *indata1*:

```

%macro indata1(olddata,newdata,semnum,number,name1);
/* Read in and print data semester by semester;
/* Create a new temporary SAS data set for each semester;
  %do i = 1 %to &number;
    data &semnum&i;
      %semhead(&i,&name1);
      infile "a:sem&i..dat" firstobs=3;
      input dept $ 1-4 crsnum crsdesc $ 16-39 units grade $;
      %gradcode;
      tpts = units*pts;
      title4 "Individual Semester Information";
proc print noobs;
  var dept crsnum crsdesc units grade tpts;
/* Create cumulative grades file and individual semester gpa;

/* ***** NEW STUFF STARTS HERE ***** ;
/* Compute individual gpa information;
/* Recall: sumsem_1 = sum of course points;
/*          sumsem_2 = sum of units;
/*          sem_gpa = sumsem_1/sumsem_2;
/*          = gpa for current semester;

%gpa1(&semnum,&i,sumsem_1,sumsem_2,sem_gpa,sd);

/* ***** NEW STUFF ENDS HERE ***** ;
%end;
%mend indata1;
%indata1(restr,cumul,semstr,6,Your name);
run;
quit;

```

Save and execute your program and complete the following for Semester 6:

semester	sumsem_1	sumsem2	sem_gpa
<u>6</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>3.111</u>

You do not need to turn in this lab worksheet. Please sign the lab roster for this week to get credit for this lab. Please make sure your work area is neat and have a good weekend!

Linda & Luke

DATA FILES

Name this file sem1.dat

12345678901234567890123456790123456789012345678901234567890

Dept	Course#	Course Name	Units	Grade
MAST	8	Calculus I	5	C
ENGL	5	English Composition I	3	A
CSCI	25	Intro to CS	4	A
PHYS	8	Physics I	5	B

Name this file sem2.dat

12345678901234567890123456790123456789012345678901234567890

Dept	Course#	Course Name	Units	Grade
MAST	21	Calculus II	5	B
ENGL	10	English Composition II	3	A
PetE	10	Intro to Pet Engr	2	A
PHYS	25	Physics II	4	B
CHEM	8	Inorganic Chemistry	4	A

Name this file sem3.dat

12345678901234567890123456790123456789012345678901234567890

Dept	Course#	Course Name	Units	Grade
MAST	22	Calculus III	4	A
PetE	175	Statics	4	C
CSCI	150	C+ Programming	4	A
CHEM	10	Inorganic Chemistry II	4	B

Name this file sem4.dat

12345678901234567890123456790123456789012345678901234567890

Dept	Course#	Course Name	Units	Grade
MAST	171	Linear Algebra	4	B
MAST	172	Differential Equations	3	B
PetE	150	Technical Writing I	2	A
PetE	175	Dynamics	4	C
CSCI	151	C++ Programming	4	A

Name this file sem5.dat

12345678901234567890123456790123456789012345678901234567890

Dept	Course#	Course Name	Units	Grade
MAST	215	Engineering Statistics	3	A
MAST	251	Advanced Calculus I	3	B
PetE	151	Technical Writing I	2	A
CHEM	251	Organic Chemistry I	4	A
PetE	202	Heat Transfer	4	B

Name this file sem6.dat

12345678901234567890123456790123456789012345678901234567890

Dept	Course#	Course Name	Units	Grade
MAST	252	Advanced Calculus II	3	B
PetE	302	Design I	4	A
CHEM	252	Organic Chemistry II	4	B
PetE	315	Special Topics	4	A
GERM	101	Intro to German	3	D