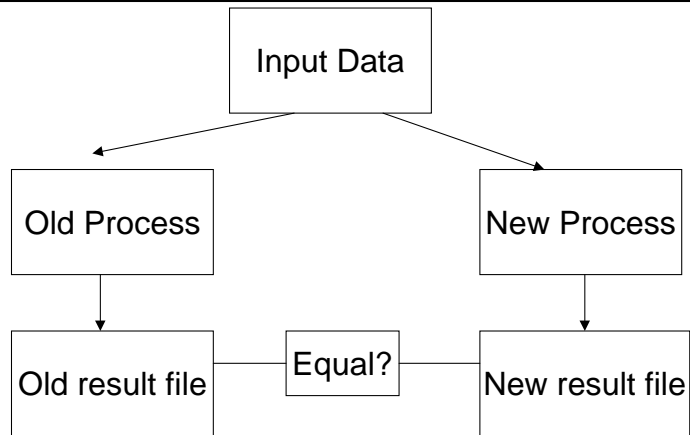


## Unusual Uses of SAS



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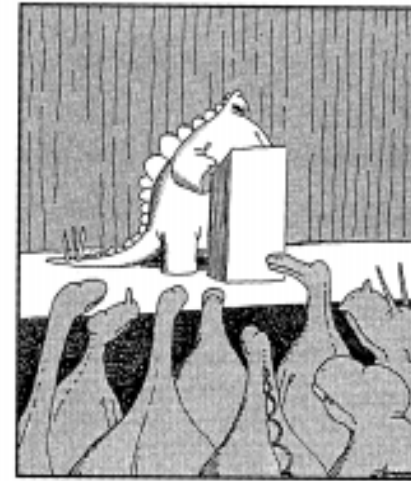
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"The picture's pretty bleak, gentlemen. ...  
The world's climates are changing, the mammals  
are taking over, and we all have a brain  
about the size of a walnut."

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## Introduction



- Influences
- Contrarian examples
- Wrap up

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## What is Wisconsin Famous For?



- Cheese
- Beer
- Bratwurst
- Cold Weather (How cold?)
- Snow plow hockey
- Packer Football
- Illinois tourists
- University of Wisconsin
- Madison
- A hotbed of SAS users
- Not nearly as cold as Minnesota
- Not nearly as boring as Iowa
- ?

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## Who Said This And When?

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“The process of preparing programs for a digital computer is especially attractive because it not only can be economically and scientifically rewarding, it can also be an aesthetic experience much like composing poetry or music.”

Donald Knuth - The Art of Computer Programming Volume 1: Fundamental Algorithms (1969)

## Influences

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- Started as a Math major
- Moved to Computer Science (open book tests! )
  
- First Comp Sci Professor
- Donald Knuth
- Lemuel Jones
- SAS Authors
- Allen Hershey
- Joe Guepfer
- Gary Larson
- My brothers-in-law
- Many others

## Contrarian Uses For SAS

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- Industry is constantly changing
- New software all over the place
- Still a shortage of good software tools.
- New programmers know SQL, Web programming
- Many recent projects have different flavor.

## Different Uses For SAS

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SAS is still the best tool for many applications

Examples:

- Conversion programs with SAS
- Utility applications for programmers
- Auditing other software packages with SAS
- Production reporting systems with SAS.
- Source control with SAS
- Cross referencing data sources with SAS

## Conversion Programs

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SAS can:

- SAS can read virtually any file format.
- SAS can also write virtually any file format.
- SAS can easily read and write from third party databases
- SAS allows access to system information.
- SAS provides ease of use as a programming language
- There is a general lack of other good tools in the industry.

## A Conversion Project

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A SAS system of 30 files were being converted to DB2.

- Input files were SAS, so SAS was necessary.
- Contractor was not a SAS user
- Estimated to be less than 40 hours work.

## SAS Code Required

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The following job reads SAS and adds rows to existing DB2 tables.

```
libname oldsas 'old.sas.files';
libname sasdb2 db2 ssid=z1q1 location=z1q2
          authid='z1q2001$';
data temp;
  set oldsas.xls;
  . . . change as necessary
run;
proc append base=sasdb2.xlsnewtable
          data=temp;
run;
```

## A Conversion Project

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The results of the project.

- The SAS work to read and write took less than 8 hours .
- The clean-up of data took more than 500 hours.

### Notes:

- These techniques can be applied to many conversions.

## FILE and PUT Statements



FILE names a NON-SAS file to be written.  
 PUT moves the data to the file.

### Syntax:

FILE *'filespec'* options;

PUT *variables and constants* ;

### Notes:

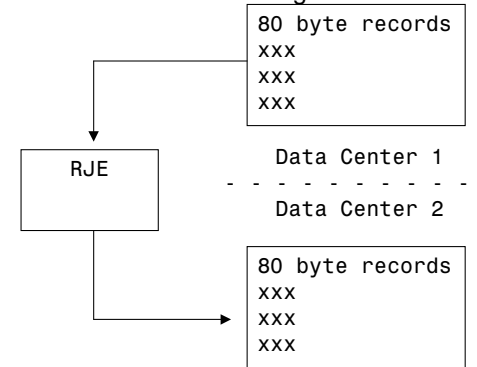
- FILE and put have numerous options.
- The output file is NOT a SAS file.
- Care must be taken not to overwrite important data.

## My First SAS Job



I spent 10 years in Iowa (in a 3 year period)

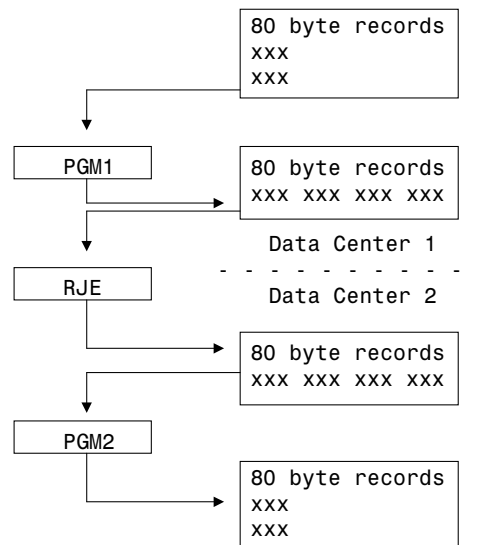
A data center transfers thousands of mostly blank records down a communications line. It takes a long time to move the data.



## A Cobol solution



Write two programs to "pack" and "unpack" data. (8 hours)



## A SAS Solution – Two Small Programs



(JCL defined both files with LRECL=80).

```

DATA_NULL_;                                /* DON'T NEED DS */
INFILE IN;                                  /* RAWFILE IN */
FILE OUT;                                    /* RAWFILE OUT */
INPUT @1 TWENTY $CHAR20.;                   /* READ 20 CHAR */
PUT TWENTY $CHAR20. @;                      /* 20 OUT, HOLD PTR */
RUN;                                         /* END OF STEP */
    
```

### The Reversing Program

Be careful with @@.

```

DATA_NULL_;                                /* DON'T NEED DATASET*/
INFILE IN;                                  /* RAW FILE IN */
FILE OUT LRECL=80;                          /* FILEOUT */
INPUT                                        /* READ TWENTY/LOOP */
    TWENTY $CHAR20.                          /* FIXED PTRS CAUSE */
    @@;                                       /* LOOPS, BE CAREFUL */
IF TWENTY NE ' ' THEN                       /* IF NONBLANK ? */
    PUT                                       /* OUTPUT 20 */
        @1 TWENTY $CHAR20.;                 /* $CHAR SAVES BLANKS*/
IF _N_ > 20 THEN                             /* A GOOD IDEA WHILE */
    STOP;                                     /* TESTING */
RUN;                                         /* END OF STEP */
    
```

## The Dreaded "Foreign Tape"



PROC TAPELABEL will list:

- DSNNAME
- DCB attributes
- block count
- estimated length in feet
- creation date
- expiration date
- creating job
- more.

### PROC TAPELABEL under MVS

```
// EXEC SAS
//TAPE1 DD UNIT=TAPE,VOL=SER=ABCDE,DISP=OLD
```

```
PROC TAPELABEL DDNAME=TAPE1;
RUN;
```

## Copying Tapes



PROC TAPECOPY copies one or more tapes to a single volume.

### TAPECOPY under MVS

```
// EXEC SAS
//VOLIN DD DSN=first.dsn.on.tape,UNIT=TAPE,VOL=SER=xxxxxx,
//          DISP=OLD
//VOLOUT DD UNIT=TAPE,VOL=SER=yyyyyy,DISP=(,KEEP)
PROC TAPECOPY;
RUN;
```

### A Hex Dumping Program

Display any file in a hexadecimal format.

```
DATA _NULL_;          /* DON'T NEED DATASET */
  INFILE IN;          /* RAW FILE IN      */
  INPUT;              /* READ A RECORD   */
  LIST;               /* LIST BUFFER IN LOG*/
  IF _N_ > 50 THEN    /* STOP AFTER 50   */
    STOP;             /* ADJUST AS NEEDED */
RUN;                  /* END OF STEP     */
```

## A Copying Program



Simply copy any sequential file.

```
DATA _NULL_;          /* DON'T NEED DATASET */
  INFILE IN;          /* RAW FILE IN      */
  FILE OUT;           /* RAW FILE OUT     */
  INPUT;              /* READ A RECORD   */
  PUT _INFILE_;       /* WRITE IT OUT     */
RUN;                  /* END OF STEP     */
```

### Changing DCB While Copying

Additional columns will be padded.

```
DATA _NULL_;          /* DON'T NEED DATASET*/
  INFILE IN;          /* RAW FILE IN      */
  FILE OUT LRECL=90   /* INCREASE DCB AS  */
                 BLKSIZE=9000 /* NEEDED           */
                 RECFM=FB;
  INPUT;              /* READ A RECORD   */
  PUT _INFILE_;       /* WRITE IT OUT     */
RUN;                  /* END OF STEP     */
```

## A Subsetting Program



Select part of a file.

```
DATA _NULL_;          /* DON'T NEED DATASET */
  INFILE IN;          /* RAW FILE IN      */
  FILE OUT;           /* RAW FILE OUT     */
  INPUT @5 ID $CHAR1.; /* INPUT FIELDS NEEDED */
  IF ID='2';          /* WANT THIS RECORD? */
  PUT _INFILE_;       /* YEP, WRITE IT OUT */
RUN;
```

### Selecting a Random Subset

Randomly select about 10% of a file.

```
DATA _NULL_;          /* NO DATASET NEEDED */
  INFILE IN;          /* RAW FILE IN      */
  FILE OUT;           /* RAW FILE OUT     */
  INPUT;              /* READ A RECORD   */
  IF RANUNI(0) LE .10; /* TRUE FOR APP. 10% */
  PUT _INFILE_;       /* WRITE OUT OBS   */
RUN;                  /* END OF STEP     */
```

## Adding Sequence Numbers



Write out a buffer, then overlay.

```
DATA _NULL_ ;          /* NO DATASET NEEDED */
  INFILE IN;           /* RAW FILE IN         */
  FILE OUT;            /* RAW FILE OUT        */
  INPUT;               /* READ A RECORD       */
  SEQ=_N_*100;         /* COMPUTE SEQ NO      */
  PUT _INFILE_         /* OUTPUT INPUT REC    */
    @73 SEQ Z8.;       /* OVERLAY WITH SEQ    */
RUN;                   /* END OF STEP         */
```

### Writing Literals in Every Record

Put 'SSC' in columns 10-12 of every line.

```
DATA _NULL_ ;          /* NO DATASET NEEDED */
  INFILE IN;           /* RAW FILE IN         */
  FILE OUT;            /* RAW FILE OUT        */
  INPUT;               /* READ A RECORD       */
  PUT _INFILE_         /* OUTPUT INPUT REC    */
    @10 'SSC';         /* OVERLAY WITH CONST.*/
RUN;                   /* END OF STEP         */
```

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## Printing a File with Carriage Control



Report files, microfiche files etc. can be handled.

```
DATA _NULL_ ;          /* DON'T NEED DATASET */
  INFILE IN;           /* INPUT FILE IN       */
  FILE PRINT NOPRINT;  /* DON'T ADD CC        */
  INPUT;               /* READ A RECORD       */
  PUT _INFILE_;        /* WRITE IT OUT        */
RUN;                   /* END OF STEP         */
```

### Correcting a Field on a File

Logic can be altered to match any situation.

```
DATA _NULL_ ;          /* DON'T NEED DATASET */
  INFILE IN;           /* INPUT FILE IN       */
  FILE OUT;            /* OUTPUT FILE         */
  INPUT @5 ID $CHAR1.; /* INPUT FIELDS NEEDED */
  IF ID='2'            /* CHANGE AS NEEDED    */
    THEN ID='3';
  PUT _INFILE_         /* OUTPUT FILE         */
    @5 ID CHAR1.;      /* OVERLAY CHANGED ID */
RUN;                   /* END OF STEP         */
```

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## A Cobol Generated Report



A sparse matrix crossing two variables

```
Number of Transactions by Termid and Operator

      Operator
TERMID 0001 0002 0003 0004 . . . 0200

0001   55
0002   24           12
0003                2
.
.
0150                                1
```

### A PROC FREQ Alternative

```
PROC FREQ;
  TABLE TERMID * OPERATOR / LIST;
RUN;
```

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## Accessing System Control Blocks



The MVS Job File Control Block provides:

- 176 bytes for each DD card
- datasetname
- device type
- catalog status
- SYSIN or SYSOUT status
- label processing options

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## Possible uses of the JFCB



- Access dataset name from JCL for titles
- Program can determine whether it is reading a live VSAM file, a sequential backup disk file, or a tape file
- May require bit testing
- Determine the date a dataset was created

## Possible uses of the JFCB



A JFCB example  
Determine the DSNAME and DSORG

```
DATA _NULL_ ;                               /* DON'T NEED DATASET */
INFILE IN JFCB=JFCBIN;                       /* ASK FOR JFCB        */
LENGTH TITLDSN $ 44;                          /* SET LENGTHS AS     */
LENGTH DSORG1 $1.;                             /* REQUIRED             */
IF _N_ = 1 THEN                                /* FIRST TIME IN ?    */
DO;                                             /* YES, DO BLOCK      */
  TITLDSN=SUBSTR(JFCBIN,1,44);                 /* EXTRACT DSNAME     */
  DSORG1=SUBSTR(JFCBIN,99,1);                 /* AND DSORG BYTE 1   */
  IF DSORG1='.1.....'B THEN                   /* BIT TEST AS NEEDED */
    DSORGOUT='PS';                             /* MUST BE SEQUENTIAL */
END;                                           /* END OF BLOCK       */
INPUT etc. ;                                  /* REST OF PROGRAM    */
. . .
RETAIN TITLDSN DSORGOUT;                       /* RETAIN              */
RUN;                                           /* END OF STEP        */
```

## Programs for Data Managers & Systems Programmers



### SAS Sample Programs

- 1000's of programs available
- Old SAS sample library
- shipped with SAS
- member INDEX prints index
- PDSLIST and SPFMLIST read PDSs
- MAPDISK will read MVS VTOC
- LOADMAP maps load modules
- reading VSAM catalogs

## Reading Other Program's Output



### Examples:

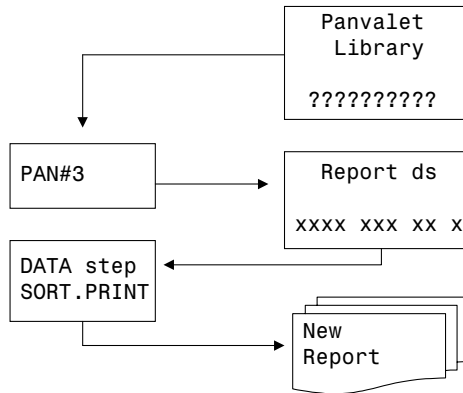
- Read VTOC listing programs output
- source management systems
- security systems
- financial packages
- IBM utilities
- virtually any program product

## A Panvalet® Example



The user wanted a different sort sequence than PANVALET provided.

**Solution:** Use PAN#3, then SAS



## The Panvalet/SAS Source



```
// EXEC PGM=PAN#3
//*****
/*   USE PAN#3 TO CREATE DIRECTORY   */
//*****
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSPUNCH DD DSN=&&PANDIREC,DISP=(,PASS),
//          UNIT=DISK,SPACE=(TRK,25)
//PANDD1   DD DSN=PANVALET.LIBRARY,DISP=SHR
++CONTROL ....
++PRINT 0-UP
//*****
/*   CREATE REPORTS WITH SAS        */
//*****
//SAS     EXEC SAS
//PANDD1  DD DSN=&&PANDIREC,DISP=(OLD,DELETE)
```

## The Panvalet/SAS Source



```
DATA PANDIREC;
INFILE PANDD1 ;
INPUT @01 PNPGMNM $10.
      @11 PNLEVEL 3.
      @19 PNPGMTYP $5.
      @27 PNMTDATE MMDDYY8.
      @35 PNACDATE MMDDYY8.
      @24 PNSTATUS $3.
      @43 PNNOBLK 4.
      @48 PNNOBLK 8.;
RUN;
PROC PRINT DATA=PANDIREC;
  TITLE 'PAN DIRECTORY';
RUN;
```

## Programs that Write Other Programs



1. Use SAS to read data, figure logic.
2. Build another program.
3. Submit 2nd program to Internal reader or file.

### Applications:

- job schedulers
- disk management programs
- many others

Be careful if deleting data!

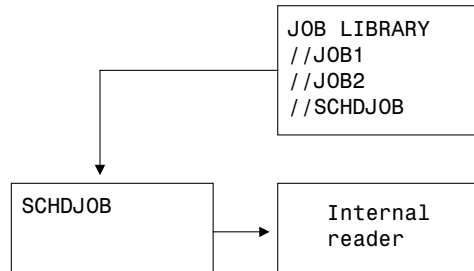


## Programs that Write Other Programs



There goes the JES Queue.

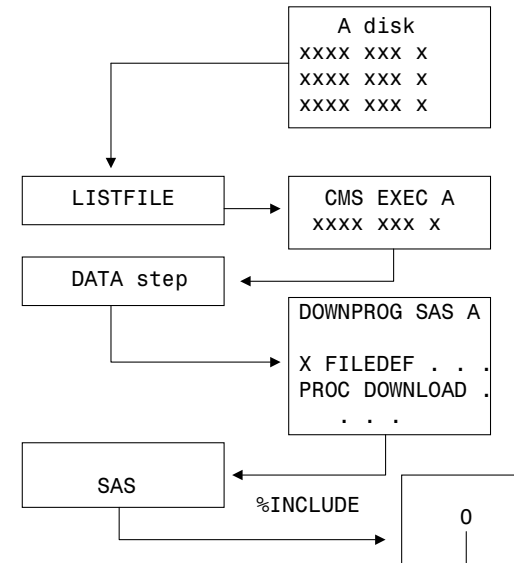
A system to automate job submission



## Downloading All SAS Programs Under CMS



PC SAS and RESUBMIT automate transfer



## The Download Program



```

X LISTFILE SAS A (EXEC; /* CMS COMMAND */
X FILEDEF FLIST DISK CMS EXEC A; /* LISTFILE OUTPT */
X FILEDEF GENPRG DISK DOWNPRG SAS A; /* TEMP PROGRAM */
DATA _NULL_; /* BUILD FILEDEFS */
  INFILE FLIST; /* PROC DOWNLOADS */
  INPUT @8 FN $8. @17 FT $8.;
  FILE GENPRG;
  PUT 'X FILEDEF HOSTFILE DISK ' FN FT ' L; '
  /
  'PROC DOWNLOAD INFILE=HOSTFILE OUTFILE="C:\DOWNDIR\'
  FN '.SAS'; '
  / 'RUN; '
RUN;
%INCLUDE GENPRG; /* INC GENED CODE */
RUN;
  
```

### Notes:

- Similar results can be produced under all platforms.

## A Mass Change Program



Change all SYSOUT=A to SYSOUT=\* in a PROC Library

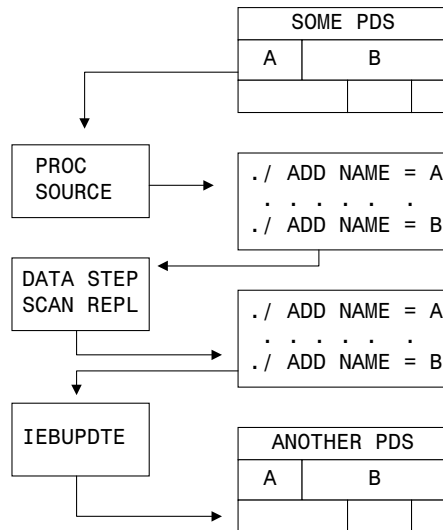
### Issues:

- many PDS members
- production is affected
- change logic may be complex
- back up before, be careful
- LRECL=80, use PROC SOURCE
- sample lib PDSFIND, PDSCHANG

## A Mass Change Program (continued)



### Mass Change Flow



## The Mass Change SAS Code



```

// EXEC SAS
//PDSIN DD DSN=SOMEPDS,DISP=SHR
//SEQIN DD UNIT=DISK,SPACE=(TRK,500)
//SEQOUT DD DSN=&&SEQOUT,DISP=(,PASS),
// UNIT=DISK,SPACE=(TRK,500)

PROC SOURCE INDD=PDSIN OUTDD=SEQIN
  SELECT . . .; / MODIFY AS NEEDED /
RUN;

DATA _NULL_;
  INFILE SEQIN;
  INPUT @1 WHOLE $CHAR80.;
  COL=INDEX(WHOLE, 'SYSOUT=A');
  IF COL NE 0 THEN
    SUBSTR(WHOLE,COL,8)='SYSOUT=*';
  FILE SEQOUT;
  PUT @1 WHOLE $CHAR80.;
  
```

## The Mass Change SAS Code (continued)



```

RUN;

// EXEC PGM=IEBUPDTE
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSUT2 DD DSN=SOME0THR.PDS,DISP=OLD
//SYSIN DD DSN=&&SEQOUT,DISP=(OLD,DELETE)
  
```

### Notes:

- Backup before starting, be careful!!

## Free Programs



The MAPDISK program reads VTOCs.

```

/*----- MAPDISK -----*/
  THIS PROGRAM READS THE DSCBS IN A VTOC AND PRODUCES A LISTING
  OF ALL DATA SETS WITH THEIR ATTRIBUTES AND ALLOCATION DATA. THE
  VOLUME TO BE MAPPED MUST BE DESCRIBED BY A DISK DD STMT.:
  //DISK DD DISP=SHR,UNIT=SYSDA,VOL=SER=XXXXXX
  /*-----*/
DATA FREE(KEEP=LOC CYL TRACK TOTAL F5DSCB)
  DSN (KEEP=DSNAME CREATED EXPIRES LASTREF LASTMOD
    COUNT EXTENTS DSORG RECFM1-RECFM4 ALOC BLKSIZE
    LRECL SECALOC TT R TRACKS VOLUME)
  FMT1(KEEP=DSNAME CREATED EXPIRES LASTREF LASTMOD
    COUNT EXTENTS DSORG RECFM1-RECFM4 ALOC BLKSIZE
    LRECL SECALOC TT R TRACKS VOLUME CCHHR)
  FMT2(KEEP=CCHHR TOCCHHR)
  FMT3(KEEP=CCHHR ALLOC3); LENGTH DEFAULT=4;
  
```

## Free Programs (continued)



```
RETAIN TRKCYL 0;          /* ERROR IF NO FORMAT 4 ENCOUNTERED */
LENGTH VOLUME VOLSER1 $ 6 CCHHR CCHHR1 $ 5 ;
FORMAT CCHHR CCHHR1 $HEX10. DSCBTYPE $HEX2. ;

*-----READ DSCB AND DETERMINE WHICH FORMAT-----*;
INFILE DISK VTOC CVAF CCHHR=CCHHR1 VOLUME=VOLSER1
      COLUMN=COL ;
INPUT @45 DSCBTYPE $CHAR1. @; VOLUME=VOLSER1;
CCHHR=CCHHR1;
IF DSCBTYPE='00'X THEN DO; NULL+1;
  IF NULL>200 THEN STOP;
  RETURN; END; NULL=0;
IF DSCBTYPE= '1' THEN GOTO FORMAT1;
IF DSCBTYPE= '2' THEN GOTO FORMAT2;
IF DSCBTYPE= '3' THEN GOTO FORMAT3;
IF DSCBTYPE= '5' THEN GOTO FORMAT5;
IF DSCBTYPE= '4' THEN GOTO FORMAT4;
IF DSCBTYPE= '6' THEN RETURN;
_ERROR_=1;RETURN;
FORMAT1:          *---REGULAR DSCB TYPE---*;
INPUT @1 DSNAME $CHAR44.
```

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## An Easier Way



Pre-process with a VTOC reading utility

- most shops have one
- usually simpler, faster
- may have weak reporting

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## \$RSVP followed by SAS



Other VTOC reading programs can be handled similarly.

```
//TMP EXEC PGM=IKJEFT01,DYNAMNBR=30,REGION=1024K
//SYSTSPRT DD SYSOUT=*
//$RSOUT DD DSN=&&RSVPOUT,DISP=(,PASS),UNIT=DWKO,
//          SPACE=(TRK,50)
//$OUTPUT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSTSIN DD          CHANGE VOLSER OF DISK IN *****
$RSVP VOL(VOL001) -
TRK PRINT (NEW (DSNAME CDATE LDATE DSORG RECFM BLKSZ -
LRECL ALLOC USED USECNT VOLUME MDATE CAT LMTIM))
//STEP02 EXEC SAS
//*****
/* RUN SAS TO GET IT TOGETHER FOR PRINTING
//*****
//SAS.RSOUT DD DSN=&&RSVPOUT,DISP=(OLD,DELETE)
//*****
/* BUILD SAS DS WITH INDIVIDUAL DS RECS IN IT
//*****
```

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## \$RSVP followed by SAS (continued)



```
DATA SASDISK;          /* DATASET RECORDS */
INFILE RSOUT;          /* FILE FROM $RSVP */
INPUT @2 COL2_7 $CHAR6. @ ; /* DELETE JUNK */
IF COL2_7 NE '$RSOA0'; /* HEADERS */
IF COL2_7 NE 'DSNAME'; /* MORE */
IF COL2_7 NE 'TOTAL '; /* SUMMARY LINES */
INPUT @2 DSN          $CHAR44. /* DETAIL LINES */
      @48 CDATE      5.
      @54 LDATE      ?? 5.
      @61 DSORG      $CHAR2.
      @66 RECFM      $CHAR1.
      @72 BLKSIZE    5.
      @78 LRECL      5.
      @87 ALLOC      5.
      @96 USED       5.
@104 USECNT      6.
@111 VOLUME      $CHAR6.
@118 MDATE      ?? 5.
@125 CAT        $CHAR1.
. . .
```

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## Other Utility Programs



Other utilities we have written:

- print mainframe reports
- download and rebuild entire pds to a windows environment including html, source, and graphics..
- Print all programs in a directory
- Shrink a dataset by reducing to smaller variables.
- SAS log and dictionary table queries to automate job flow, performance bottlenecks.

## A Possible Use for SAS?



## Auditing Other Software Packages



While SAS is great in a production environment, SAS can also be used for one-time, quick comparison and conversion jobs.

Features:

- SAS can read and write most files
- Prototyping and comparison jobs are quick and easy
- PROC COMPARE can compare every part of a SAS dataset
- PROC MEANS/ SUMMARY, FREQ and others can give summary reports and datasets
- Use SAS Data Step to perform more flexible comparison analysis

## Overview - Audit Problem # 1



We have purchased a "Black Box" software package upgrade. Our task is to verify that the new version doesn't change the results we get from our existing version.

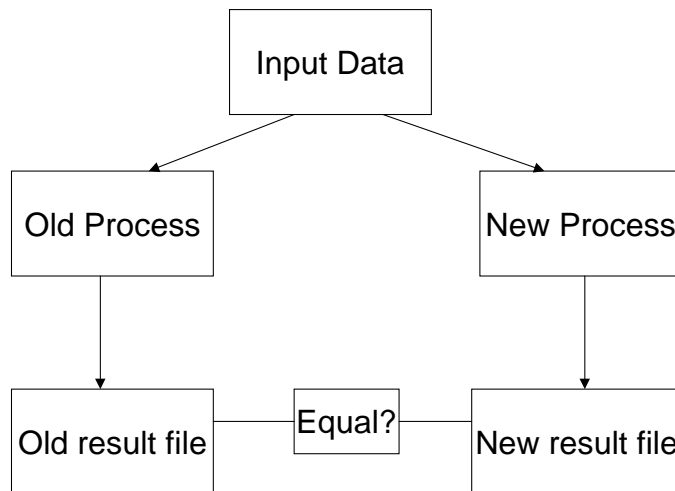
### Problem:

We are not allowed to view the source code.

### Resources available:

We have a flat file for input and the output files generated from the new and old versions of the system.

## Overview



## Overview - Audit Solution # 1



### Solution:

We use SAS to read the old results file and the new results file and then use PROC COMPARE to spot inconsistent results.

Why use SAS to audit package software?

- SAS can read many different file types
- SAS is easy to use and allows a flexible reporting structure
- SAS procedures simplify tasks (PROC COMPARE)

## Verification Audit Code



First, read the old system's results files into SAS using common variable names.

Data file old

001	acme	120	5683.87	02032003	Y
002	widgit	10	634.52	02042003	N

```
data oldfile;
  format deltdt date9.;
  infile old;
  input @1 Custnum $3.
        @5 compnam $15.
        @21 orders 3.
        @25 amount 8.
        @35 deltdt mmdyy10.
        @47 rushfl $1.
  ;
```

```
run;
```

## Verification Audit Code Continued



Second, read the new system's results files into SAS using common variable names.

Data file new

001	acme	15.35	120	5683.87	02032003	Y
002	widgit	12.43	10	634.52	02042003	N

```
data newfile;
  format deltdt date9.;
  infile new;
  input @1 Custnum $3.
        @5 compnam $15.
        @21 unitpr 5.
        @27 orders 3.
        @31 amount 8.
        @40 deltdt mmdyy10.
        @51 rushfl $1.
  ;
```

```
run;
```

## Verification Audit Code Compare



Next, sort the files by identifying fields. Then use PROC COMPARE, specify how rows are matched (ID), and which variables(VAR) to compare.

```
proc sort data=oldfile;
  by compnam;
run;
proc sort data=newfile;
  by compnam;
run;

Proc compare base=oldfile
             compare=newfile;
  id custnum;
  var Compnam orders amount deltdt rushfl;
  Title 'Compare old to new results';
run;
```

## Verify Audit Report



Compare old to new results

The COMPARE Procedure  
Comparison of WORK.OLDFILE with WORK.NEWFILE (Method=EXACT)

Data Set Summary				
Dataset	Created	Modified	NVar	NObs
WORK.OLDFILE	21FEB03:08:39:02	21FEB03:08:39:02	6	2
WORK.NEWFILE	21FEB03:08:39:03	21FEB03:08:39:03	7	2

Variables Summary

Number of Variables in Common: 6.  
Number of Variables in WORK.NEWFILE but not in WORK.OLDFILE: 1.  
Number of ID Variables: 1.  
Number of VAR Statement Variables: 5.

## Verify Audit Report Continued



### Observation Summary

Observation	Base	Compare	ID
First Obs	1	1	Custnum=001
Last Obs	2	2	Custnum=002

Number of Observations in Common: 2.  
Total Number of Observations Read from WORK.OLDFILE: 2.  
Total Number of Observations Read from WORK.NEWFILE: 2.

Number of Observations with Some Compared Variables Unequal: 0.  
Number of Observations with All Compared Variables Equal: 2.  
NOTE: No unequal values were found. All values compared are exactly equal.

## Overview Audit Problem #2



We want to verify that the 'Black Box' software is working correctly.

We have a Data Dictionary and system documentation. Our task is to verify that all logic is correctly applied in the black box software.

### Problem:

The black box software isn't open for us to review and test code.

### Resources available:

Data Dictionary and system documentation of each process rule (General Definition) data files.

## Overview Audit Solution #2



### Solution:

Create parallel process in SAS that duplicates the business rules.

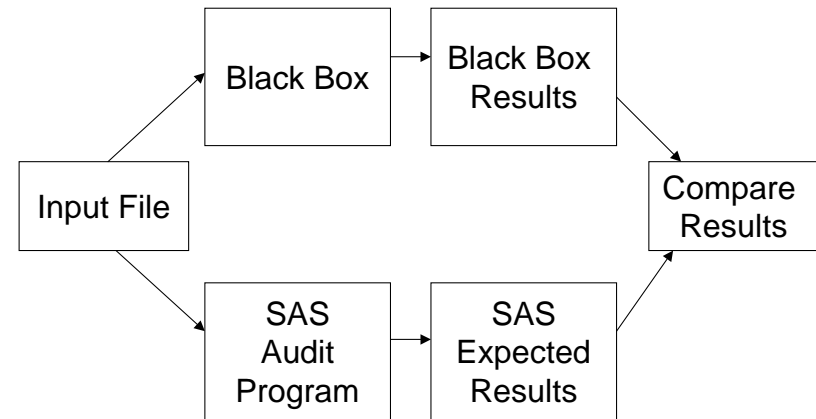
- flexible
- ability to read a wide range of file formats
- easily allows logic to be built
- has a flexible reporting structure.

Now provides an opportunity to compare expected results with actual results.

## Overview Flow



Read in the same input file and use the audit program to get the expected results. Then compare the actual black box results with the SAS process expected results.



## Parallel Process Code - Read Input File Into SAS



Data file original

001	acme	15.35	120	5683.87	02032003	Y
002	widgit	12.43	10	634.52	02042003	N

```
data start;
  format deldt date9.;
  infile original;
  input @1 Custnum    $3.
        @5 compnam   $15.
        @21 unitpr   5.
        @27 orders   3.
        @31 amount   8.2
        @40 deldt    mdddy10.
        @51 rushfl   $1.
  ;
```

## Parallel Process Code - Apply Bus. Rules in SAS



```
if (amount GT 5000
or unitpr GT 15)
AND rushfl='Y' then
  priority='1';
else
  priority='3';
run;

proc sort data=expected;
  by custnum;
run;
```

## Parallel Process Code - Read Actual Results



### Data file ACTOUT

001 acme	15	120	5683.87	02/03/2003	Y	1
002 widgeit	12	10	634.52	02/04/2003	N	2

```
data actual;
  infile actout;
  input @1 Custnum $3.
        @5 compnam $15.
        @21 unitpr 5.
        @27 orders 3.
        @31 amount 8.2
        @40 deltd mmddyy10.
        @51 rushfl $1.
        @53 priority $1. ;
run;
proc sort data=actual;
  by custnum;run;
```

## Parallel Process Compare Actual and Expected



```
title 'compare expected to actual';
proc compare base=expected
             compare=actual;

  id custnum;
  var compnam orders amount deltd rushfl priority;
run;
```

## Parallel Process Report



compare expected to actual

The COMPARE Procedure  
Comparison of WORK.EXPECTED with WORK.ACTUAL  
(Method=EXACT)

### Data Set Summary

Dataset	Created	Modified	NVar	NObs
WORK.EXPECTED	24FEB03:07:45:48	24FEB03:07:45:48	8	2
WORK.ACTUAL	24FEB03:07:45:49	24FEB03:07:45:49	8	2

### Variables Summary

Number of Variables in Common: 8  
Number of Variables with Differing Attributes: 1.  
Number of ID Variables: 1.  
Number of VAR Statement Variables: 6.

## Parallel Process Report - Continued



### Listing of Common Variables with Differing Attributes

Variable	Dataset	Type	Length	Format
deltd	WORK.EXPECTED	Num	8	DATE9.
	WORK.ACTUAL	Num	8	

### Observation Summary

Observation	Base	Compare	ID
First Obs	1	1	Custnum=001
First Unequal	2	2	Custnum=002
Last Unequal	2	2	Custnum=002
Last Obs	2	2	Custnum=002

Number of Observations in Common: 2.  
Total Number of Observations Read from WORK.EXPECTED: 2.  
Total Number of Observations Read from WORK.ACTUAL: 2.



## Parallel Process Report - Continued



Number of Observations with Some Compared Variables Unequal: 1.  
Number of Observations with All Compared Variables Equal: 1.

### Values Comparison Summary

Number of Variables Compared with All Observations Equal: 5.  
Number of Variables Compared with Some Observations Unequal: 1.  
Total Number of Values which Compare Unequal: 1.  
Maximum Difference: 0.

### Variables with Unequal Values

Variable	Type	Len	Ndif	MaxDif
priority	CHAR	1	1	

## Parallel Process Report - Continued



compare expected to actual

The COMPARE Procedure  
Comparison of WORK.EXPECTED with WORK.ACTUAL  
(Method=EXACT)

### Value Comparison Results for Variables

	Base Value	Compare Value
Custnum	priority	priority
_____	-	-
002	3	2

## Parallel Process code - Logic Problem



Actual results do not match expected results. An investigation into the black box software discovered a business rule was not applied correctly.

After fixing the rules testing is resumed.

## Parallel Process Code - Read Corrected Results



### Data file actout

001 acme	15	120	5683.87	02/03/2003	Y	1
002 widgit	12	10	634.52	02/04/2003	N	3

```
data actual;  
infile actout;  
input @1 Custnum $3.  
      @5 compnam $15.  
      @21 unitpr 5.  
      @27 orders 3.  
      @31 amount 8.2  
      @40 deldt mddy10.  
      @51 rushfl $1.  
      @53 priority $1. ;
```

```
run;  
proc sort data=actual;  
  by custnum;run;
```

## Parallel Process Compare Actual and Expected



```
title 'compare expected to actual';
proc compare base=expected
             compare=actual;
  id custnum;
  var compnam orders amount deltd rushfl priority;
run;
```

## Parallel Process Report



```
compare expected to actual

The COMPARE Procedure
Comparison of WORK.EXPECTED with WORK.ACTUAL
(Method=EXACT)

Data Set Summary
Dataset              Created              Modified  NVar  Obs
WORK.EXPECTED      24FEB03:07:45:48  24FEB03:07:45:48   8    2
WORK.ACTUAL        24FEB03:07:45:49  24FEB03:07:45:49   8    2

Variables Summary
Number of Variables in Common: 8.
Number of Variables with Differing Attributes: 1.
Number of ID Variables: 1.
Number of VAR Statement Variables: 6.
```

## Parallel Process Report - continued



```
Listing of Common Variables with Differing Attributes

Variable  Dataset      Type  Length  Format
deltd     WORK.EXPECTED Num    8    DATE9.
          WORK.ACTUAL  Num    8

Observation Summary
Observation  Base  Compare  ID
First Obs   1      1    Custnum=001
Last Obs    2      2    Custnum=002

Number of Observations in Common: 2.
Total Number of Observations Read from WORK.EXPECTED: 2.
Total Number of Observations Read from WORK.ACTUAL: 2.
```

## Parallel Process Report Continued



```
Number of Observations with Some Compared Variables
Unequal: 0.
Number of Observations with All Compared Variables Equal:
2.

NOTE: No unequal values were found. All values compared
are exactly equal.
```

## Types of Audits Performed



Two types of Audit were performed in these cases:

- 1) verification of results - Determine if old result file is equal to new result file.
  - Read both into matching SAS data sets
  - use PROC compare  
(Allows exclusion of new variables, or non matching values like date/time stamps)
- 2) Parallel Process.
  - Use System Documentation to create a SAS External Audit system.
  - Processing the same input files by the same business rules yielding the same results.

## What If?



- PROC COMPARE does not meet the required reporting needs
- Data requires manipulation before PROC COMPARE may be used
  - Comparison variables do not have common names across the data sets
  - Conversion of values is needed before the comparison

### Solution:

- Use Data Step processes to complete the data transformation
- Use a MACRO to perform the comparison
- Use other SAS procedures (FREQ, SUMMARY, REPORT) to create the required reports

## Alternative to PROC COMPARE



A new system is implemented that should give exact duplicate values.  
We can create SAS data sets of the two files.

```
data old;
  infile olddd;
  input Id $ X Y Z A $;
run;
proc print data=old;
  Title "Old";
run;
data new;
  infile newdd;
  input Id $ X Y Z A $;
run;
proc print data=new;
  title 'New';
run;
```

## The Two Files With Some Differences



Old					
Obs	Id	X	Y	Z	A
1	a	1	1	1	a
2	b	2	2	2	b
3	c	3	3	3	c
4	d	4	4	4	d

New					
Obs	Id	X	Y	Z	A
1	a	1	1	1	a
2	b	2	1	2	a
3	c	3	3	5	c
4	d	4	4	4	d

## Merge The Two Files



```
data both;
  merge old
        new(rename=(x=X_new y=Y_new z=Z_new a=A_new));
  by id;
run;
proc print data=both;
title 'Both';
run;
```

## The Merged File



Both									
Obs	Id	X	Y	Z	A	X_new	Y_new	Z_new	A_new
1	a	1	1	1	a	1	1	1	a
2	b	2	2	2	b	2	1	2	a
3	c	3	3	3	c	3	3	5	c
4	d	4	4	4	d	4	4	4	d

**Notes:** PROC MEANS, FREQ, etc. could be run against this data set.

## A Macro to Calculate Differences



```
%macro calc_diff(mvar=,mtype=);
  /*****
  /* macro to calculate difference between two vars if*/
  /* numeric. if character difference is set to 0 if */
  /* different and 0 if the same. */
  /*****
  %if &mtype=n %then
    %do;
      Variable = "&mvar";
      Diff = &mvar - &mvar._new;
      Old_value = put(&mvar,3.);
      New_value = put(&mvar._new,best3.);
    %end;
  %else
```

## The Rest of The Macro



```
%do;
  Variable= "&mvar";
  if &mvar = &mvar._new then
    Diff=0;
  else
    Diff = 1;
  Old_value = &mvar;
  New_value = &mvar._new;
%end;
output compds;
%mend calc_diff;
```



## The Resulting Reports



Variable: A

difference	amount	frequency	percent
	0	3	75.00
	1	1	25.00
		-----	-----
		4	100.00
		=====	=====

Variable: X

difference	amount	frequency	percent
	0	4	100.00
		-----	-----
		4	100.00
		=====	=====

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## The Resulting Reports Continued



Variable: Y

difference	amount	frequency	percent
	0	3	75.00
	1	1	25.00
		-----	-----
		4	100.00
		=====	=====

Variable: Z

difference	amount	frequency	percent
	1t -1	1	25.00
	0	3	75.00
		-----	-----
		4	100.00
		=====	=====

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## Audit Summary



Using SAS to audit package software has several advantages

- allows 'what - if' testing outside the product environment.
- ability to use sample files
- repeatable test results
- test actual versus expected results
- report differences

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## SAS For Reporting And Production



- A wonderful reporting tool
- ODS makes output extremely flexible
- Proc simplify life
- Data step gives flexibility
- Excellent for batch reporting
- Get the IT folks involved with SAS.

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## But Seriously Folks



"Oh, lovely — just the hundredth time you've managed to cut everyone's head off!"

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## Saving Resources



Focus to SAS conversion

- Use of SAS Views to emulate hierarchies
- Macros to use dictionaries and code
- Efficiencies

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## Conclusions



- The SAS system is still a very vibrant and flexible system
- Applications are not always where you would expect them
- I would encourage you to look for those "contrarian" applications
- Keep a good sense of humor.

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## Invoice Printing Program



- Company was outsourcing invoices
- Invoices created from complicated IMS dataset
- Complicated logic to bring data together
- Used data step and ODS to create invoices in SAS
- Company saved over \$1 million a year

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## Invoice Printing Program continued



EXAMPLE:

Invoice No. 6884	Invoice Date 01/31/03		
	Your Order PC 3C000000405		
	Terms Due Upon Receipt		
Your Company Here			
Procurement Purchasing Unit			
123 Main Street			
AnyTown, CA 98765			
	01/31/03 Workbooks and Manuals	0.00	0.00
6	01/31/03 MATERIAL RATE	50.00	300.00
			-----
	TOTAL		\$300.00

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## Data Cleaning



Robust logic for cleaning data

- Great language for finding and reporting on outliers
- Frequencies, plots, STD
- Cleaning data - replacing missing or outlying values

Mailing List Newsletter Subscriptions				
The FREQ Procedure				
NEWSLTR	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
	1348	22.00	1348	22.00
N	497	8.11	1845	30.11
Y	4283	69.89	6128	100.00

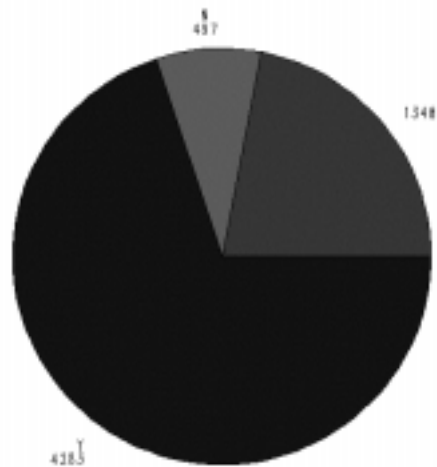
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## Data Cleaning continued



Mailing List Newsletter Subscriptions  
FREQUENCY BY NEWSLTR



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## Data Cleaning continued



- Logic to recode values when needed

```
data central.mailinglist;
  set central.mailinglist;
  if newsltr=" " then newsltr='N';
run;
```

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## Emailing From SAS



EMAIL capabilities allow direct communication users from SAS program

- Was job successful?
- What were the errors, if any?
- If job successful, attach report or send link to reports

```
filename emailf email to="sfirst@sys-seminar.com"
           subject="The Report you requested";
ods listing close;           /*close listing dest*/
ods html body=emailf;       /*opens html dest */
proc means sum data=softsale; /*means procedure */
  title 'Sales Summary';    /*title */
  var sales;                /*analysis variable */
  class division;run;      /*class by division */
ods html close;           /*close html dest */
ods listing;              /*back to listing */
```

## FTPing Files Across Platforms



The FTP engine allows movement of files across platforms.

- Write output DIRECTLY to web server
- Write flat files directly to other platforms

MVS -> UNIX  
MVS -> LAN Server  
UNIX -> LAN Server  
1 LAN Server -> 2nd LAN Server

and more....!

## FTPing Files Across Platforms continued



```
filename myfile ftp 'filename.html'
cd='/y/mydir/'           /* unix directory */
host='host1'             /* host name */
user='unxusr'            /* user name */
prompt                  /* ask for password */
rcmd='site umask 022'   /* set unix permissions*/
reconf=s                 /* binary data */
debug;                  /* show messages */
```

## Calling Other Software



Exit SAS to run other software and come back!

Application needed addresses standardized for mailing.

- 1) Pull desired population
- 2) Send output to file
- 3) Use X command to execute outside software to clean addresses
- 4) Read file created from other software back in
- 5) Continue with rest of program

## Traffic Lighting Problematic Data



SAS can highlight significant values. In this example, total sales of less than \$1,000 has a red background.

State	Division			
	H		R	
	Sales	Expense	Sales	Expense
	Sum	Sum	Sum	Sum
IL	4609.21	322.12	743.22	139.45
IN	3231.75	644.55	7732.44	1329.45
WI	32185.10	2786.10	8232.11	3539.41

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## Embedding Pictures in Reports



Could embed pictures of sales regions, products, and more in reports.

State	Division			
	H		R	
	Sales	Expense	Sales	Expense
	Sum	Sum	Sum	Sum
IL	4609.21	322.12	743.22	139.45
IN	3231.75	644.55	7732.44	1329.45

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## Automating Processes



Many organizations spent too much time each month running reports, manually entering parameters, data, and distributing the results.

- Manually creating reports leaves room for errors / miskeying results
- Wastes time! Let analysts be analysts!
- Use the software that you have paid for!

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## Automating Processes continued



Let SAS do what SAS does well

- Read data
- Pull different ranges of data depending on system date
- Cleanse the data
- Analyze the data
- Create reports
- Create graphs
- Distribute the reports
- Highlight important information
- Choice of HTML, Excel, PDF, RTF, flat files and more!
- Send emails when complete!
- Automate and schedule

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