

# CLASS I

Goal:

- 1) Pharma. Industry intro
- 2) Work through all the basic and common use SAS commands.

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# **PART I: Working as SAS Programmer**

## **Industry:**

**1) Business: Credit card, Insurance, and Mkt.**

### **Required Skills:**

- Basic SAS**
- Financial common sense**
- Entry level statistics background.**

**2) Pharma.: Clinical Research Org. ; Pharma.**

### **Required Skills:**

- Adv. SAS skills**
- Experienced SQL skills**
- Experienced statistics background**
- UNIX commends**
- Fast learning ability**

**Illustration of the general work processes**  
**Of**  
**the SAS programmer:**

Import data from disparate sources.

Transform data into useful analysis data structures.

Create tables, figures, and listings to support clinical reporting.

Export data and reports to sponsor, FDA, and other clients.



## New Drug Dev. Process

-FDA makes sure both Safety and Efficacy

- 1) Pre-clinical studies: On Animal only. If the results is ok then file **Investigational New Drug(IND)**
- 2) Phase 1 trials-1<sup>st</sup> time on human: On healthy volunteers. If its safety then move to next level.
- 3) Phase 2: aimed at target populations: 100 – 200 patients. To explore efficacy of drug; to narrow dose range.
- 4) Phase 3: the largest- scale populations:1000 and most critical trial to prove new drug both safety and efficacy. If successful, then file **New Drug Application(NDA)**
- 5) Phase 4: Post-marketing trial to monitor the long term safety of new drug after its already on MKT.

# Clinical Trial Study Designs

- Randomization: real drug VS placebo to reduce treatment bias.
- Blinding:
  - Single-blind: Only patients don't know.
  - Double-blind: Patients + Doctor
  - Triple-blind: Patients + Doctor + analysts
- Multi-center trials: to reduce site-specific bias.
- Equivalence trial: to show no clinical difference btw. new drug and existing ones.
- Superiority trial: to show one is significantly better.
- Parallel trial: patients stick with their assign. Trt.
- Crossover trial: patients switch or change therapy during the trial.

# Industry Regulations and Standards

## Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium (CDISC)

The Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium (CDISC) is a non-profit group that defines clinical data standards for the pharmaceutical industry.

Four important models:

- Study Data Tabulation Model (**SDTM**): cover later
- Analysis Dataset Models (**ADaM**): cover later
- Operational Data Model (**ODM**). : no need to know.
- Case Report Tabulation Data Definition Specification (**Define.xml**). To replace current **define.pdf** in submission. –cover later.

# Things you need to read at work

## Understand the Clinical Study

- protocol.*
- statistical analysis plan (SAP)*
- annotated CRF*

## When programming

- look at specifications(specs)*
- look for sample codes*

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# Getting Started Using SAS Software

## The SAS Language

- Every SAS statement **ends with a semicolon.**
- SAS statements **can be in upper- or lowercase.**
- Statements can continue on the next line (as long as you don't split words in two).
- Statements can be on the same line as other statements.
- Statements can start in any column.

There are two styles of comments you can use: one starts with an asterisk (\*) and ends with a semicolon (;). The other style starts with a slash asterisk (/\*) and ends with an asterisk slash (\*/).

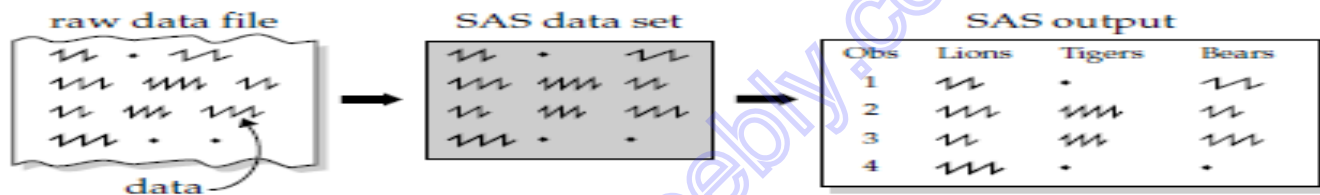
**Errors** : SAS errors often come up in bright **red** letters,



# SAS WORKING Enviroment

- 1) SAS windows
  - could direct copy & drag
  - use mouse to run part code
- 2) SAS UNIX
  - Only very big pharma. corps have it
  - Has built in macros and system support.
  - Ugly, not easy to use but runs very fast

# Program flow



- Observation by observation
- Line by line
- Looping: If.. Then ; do ... end ; while..
- Could be interrupted by Macro programs.

## SAS variable type:

- Numerical variable: R aligned & can be + - \* /  
X = 9 ;  
Use SUM(x,y) not use +  
When / make sure **not in ( . , 0 )** ;
- Character var: L aligned & scan() , substr()  
length()  
X = " or "" ;  
X = ' a ' ; → trim(left(x)) = compress(x, " ) ;  
Y = 'x' || '+5' ;

# The Two Parts of a SAS Program

SAS programs are constructed from two basic building blocks: DATA steps and PROC steps.

## DATA steps

- ▶ begin with DATA statements
- ▶ read and modify data
- ▶ create a SAS data set

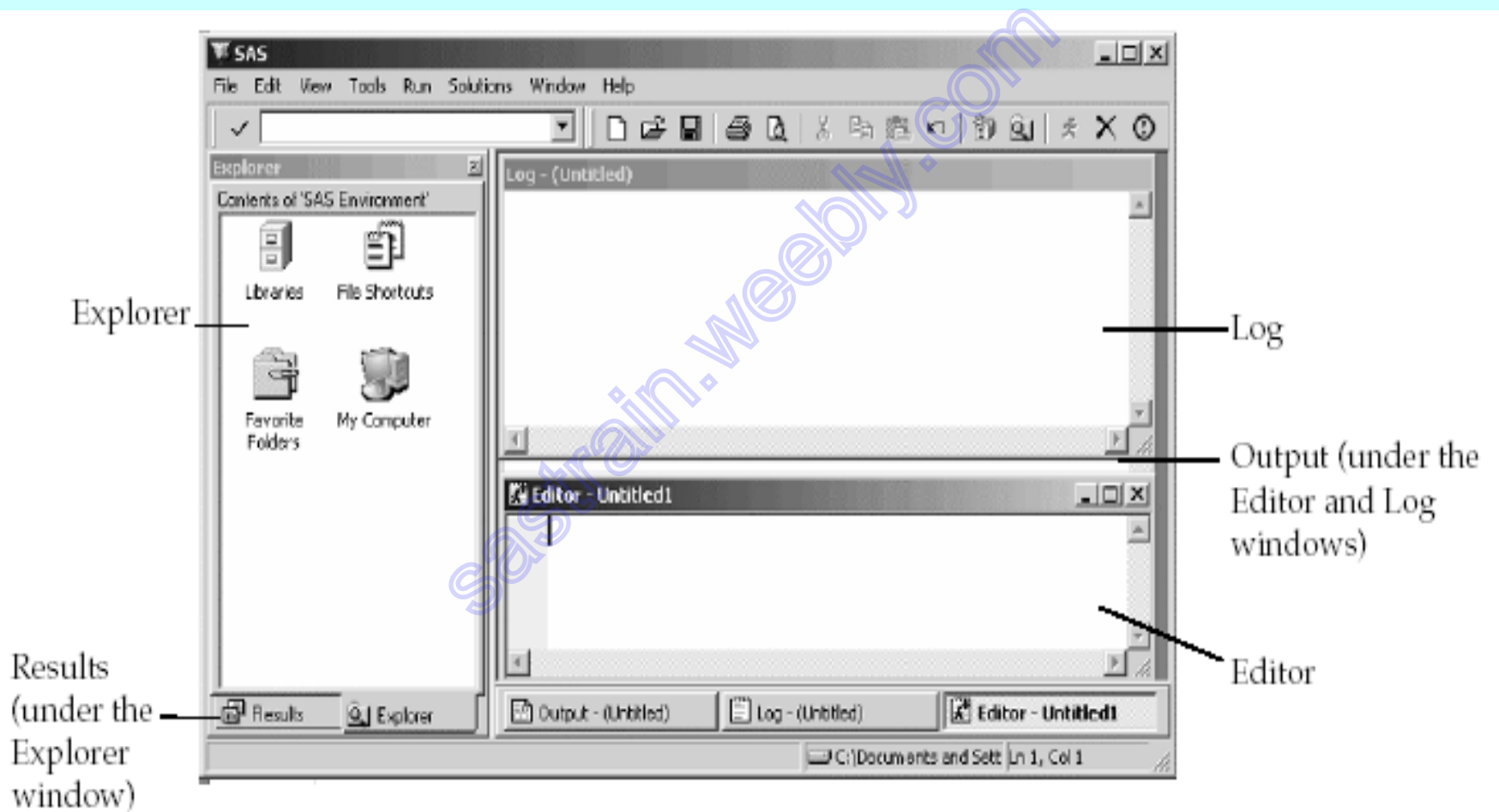
## PROC steps

- ▶ begin with PROC statements
- ▶ perform specific analysis or function
- ▶ produce results or report

# Windows and Commands in the SAS

## Windowing Environment

The SAS Windows: There are five basic SAS windows: the Results and Explorer windows, and three programming windows: Editor, Log, and Output.



# Common Options I use in beg. Of programming:

Options `nofmterr` `mprint` `mlogic` `symbolgen` ;

Other options better to know:

`Linesize= n` : control max. length of output lines

`Pageno = n` : starts numbering output pages with n. default is 1

`Pagesize= n` : controls the max number of lines per page of output

`Yearcutoff =yyyy`: specifies the first year in a hundred-year span for interpreting two-digit dates. Default is 1920> ex:10 is 1910 or 2010?

# PART II: Get Data in

- Data Sources:
  - raw data(.txt, .dat, .csv): .csv: comma-separated values.
  - SAS datasets cleaned by data management group.
  - Other software formats: .xls using proc import

# Raw data Source

- Two ways:
  - directly enter in sas: datalines statement/cards
    - refer to code 1.1
  - read in external raw datafiles
    - refer to code 1.2



# Read Raw Data-

## 1. List style-ref. code 1.3

- Used when: all separated by at least one space

The Good: direct and simple. **List vars in INPUT in the order as those in dataset!**

### Requirement :

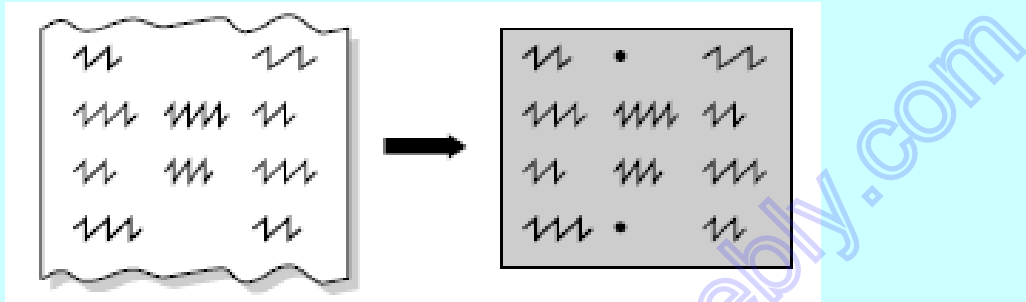
- must read-in all variables- no skipping
- Any missing must be indicated as .
- Char. Cant have embedded spaces and length  $\leq 8$
- Char. Var Has to put \$

# Read Raw Data-

## 2. Column styles-ref code 1.4

- Used when:
  - don't have space between
  - No periods for missing data
  - But each value of Var always in exactly same place
- Good things:
  - Char var can have embedded spaces
  - you can skip unwanted variables .

# Cont. column styles



	1	2	3	4
Columbia Peaches	35	67	10	2
Plains Peanuts	210		2	5
Gilroy Garlics	151035	12	11	7
Sacramento Tomatoes	124	85	15	4

# Read in Non-standard formats for Numeric var

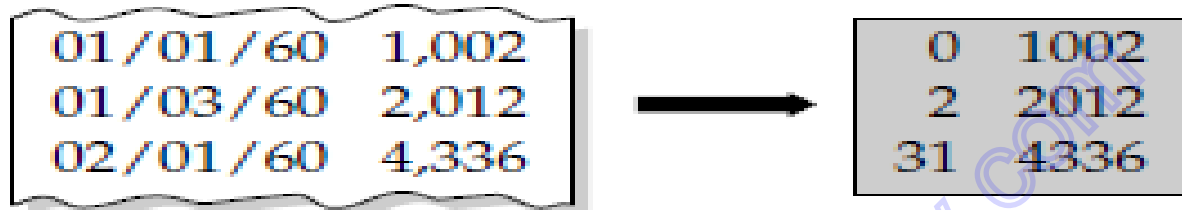
-ref code 1.5

- Standard numeric data contain only:
  - numerals,
  - decimal points,
  - plus and minus signs, and E for scientific notation.

## Non standard numeric data:

- comma: 4,065,493
- dates: 10-28-2003

# Cont. read in Non-standard formats



Character	Numeric	Date
<code>\$informatw.</code>	<code>informatw.d</code>	<code>informatw.</code>

LETS REPEAT 5 TIMES:

PUT --→ output → FORMAT

INPUT → read in → INFORMAT

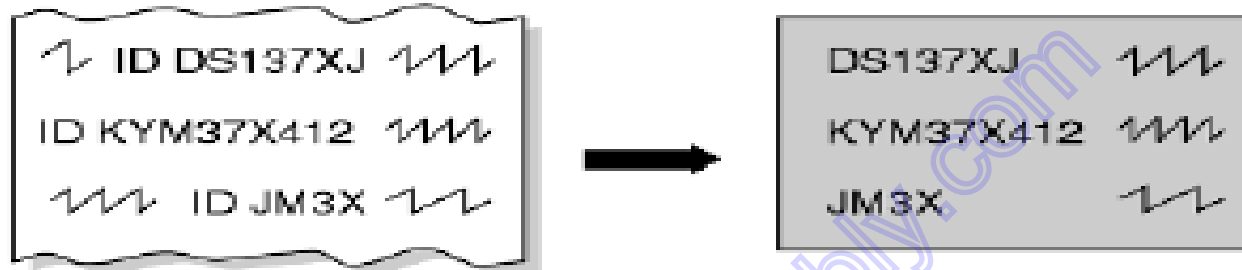
INPUT Name \$16. Age 3. +1 Type \$1. +1 Date MMDDYY10.

(Score1 Score2 Score3 Score4 Score5) (4.1);

# Common used informat for both Char and Num. variables

Informat	Input data	INPUT statement	Results
<b>Character</b>			
\$CHAR <i>w.</i>	my cat my cat	INPUT Animal \$CHAR10.;	my cat my cat
\$HEX <i>w.</i>	6C6C	INPUT Name \$HEX4.;	11 (ASCII) or %% (EBCDIC) <sup>3</sup>
\$ <i>w.</i>	my cat my cat	INPUT Animal \$10.;	my cat my cat
<b>Date, Time, and Datetime</b>			
DATE <i>w.</i>	1jan1961 1 jan 61	INPUT Day DATE10.;	366 366
DATETIME <i>w.</i>	1jan1960 10:30:15 1jan1961,10:30:15	INPUT Dt DATETIME18.;	37815 31660215
DDMMYY <i>w.</i>	01.01.61 02/01/61	INPUT Day DDMMYY8.;	366 367
JULIAN <i>w.</i>	61001 1961001	INPUT Day JULIAN7.;	366 366
MMDDYY <i>w.</i>	01-01-61 01/01/61	INPUT Day MMDDYY8.;	366 366
TIME <i>w.</i>	10:30 10:30:15	INPUT Time TIME8.;	37800 37815
<b>Numeric</b>			
COMMA <i>w.d</i>	\$1,000,001 (1,234)	INPUT Income COMMA10.;	1000001 -1234
HEX <i>w.</i>	F0F3	INPUT Value HEX4.;	61683
IB <i>w.d</i>	■ <sup>4</sup>	INPUT Value IB4.;	255
PD <i>w.d</i>	■ <sup>4</sup>	INPUT Value PD4.;	255
PERCENT <i>w.</i>	5% (20%)	INPUT Value PERCENT5.;	0.05 -0.2
<i>w.d</i>	1234 -12.3	INPUT Value 5.1;	123.4 -12.3

# Read- in messy raw data - ref to code 1.6



- Using The *@'character' column pointer: start to read after that "*
- Using The *colon modifier: read until it encounters a space*

For example, given this line of raw data,

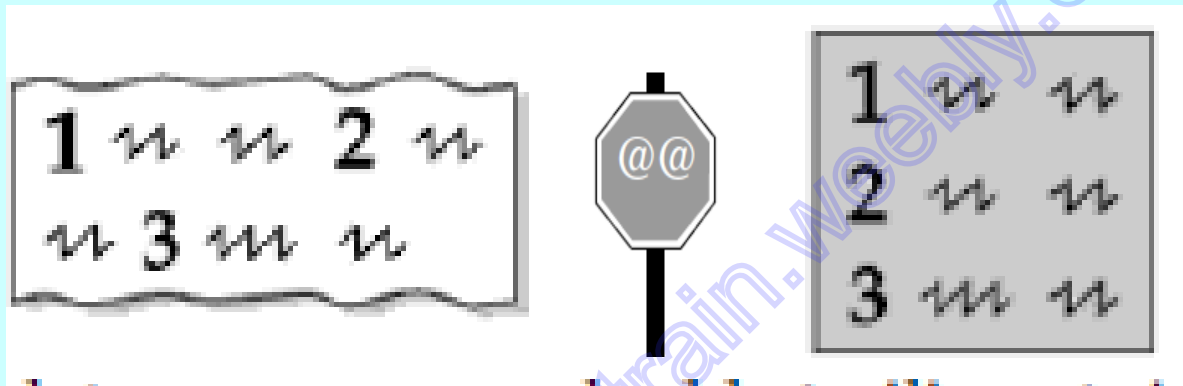
```
My dog Sam Breed: Rottweiler Vet Bills: $478
```

the following table shows the results you would get using different INPUT statements:

Statements	Value of variable DogBreed
INPUT @'Breed:' DogBreed \$;	Rottweil
INPUT @'Breed:' DogBreed \$20.;	Rottweiler Vet Bill
INPUT @'Breed:' DogBreed :\$20.;	Rottweiler

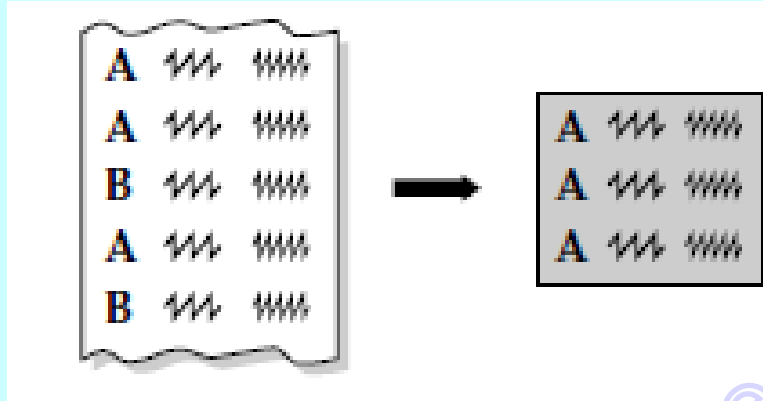
# Reading multiple obs per line of raw data- ref. code 1.7

- Goal: using double trailing at signs to read in multiple obs per line of raw data





# Reading part of a Raw data file -ref code 1.8



- Use single trailing at sign @ to HOLD line of raw data to decide if to continue read in “Stay tuned for more info, don’t touch dial”

# Common INFILE options

-ref to code 1.9

- **FIRSTOBS=**: where to begin
- **OBS=** : where to stop
- **FIRSTOBS =3 OBS= 5**: total 3 lines read in
- **MISSOVER**: by default, SAS goes to next line if there are still vars need to be assigned. This tell SAS to stop and give missing to them.

# CONT. INFILE options

-ref to code 1.9

- **TRUNCOVER:** tell SAS that's it!

for column or formatted input and some data lines are shorter than others. By default SAS will go to next line to start reading. by default, SAS will go to the next line to start reading the variable's value. This option tells SAS to read data for the variable until it reaches the end of the data line, or the last column specified in the format or column range, whichever comes first.

# CONT. INFILE options

Question: Compare MISCOVER and TRUNCOVER ?

DLM= option: for common delimiters

DSD (Delimiter-Sensitive Data) option: default is comma, so if not, used with DLM

- ignores delimiters enclosed in quotation marks.
- it does not read quotation marks as part of the data value
- Third, it treats two delimiters in a row as a missing value.

# LIBNAME & PROC CONTENTS

-ref. code 1.10

- Where you want to store?
  - TEMP: work library, no need to define
  - PERM: use libname to read in and output

LIBNAME *libref* '*your-SAS-data-library*';

Proc contents: to show # of obs, variables info and formats

# PART III: WORKING WITH DATA

- define variables & + - \* /: be careful about missing values—ref. code 1.11

Background info: what is clean log: ctrl +f

No error

No warning

No missing

No un-initialize

No multiple merging issue

# Useful functions

## -Numeric

Numeric		
INT	INT( <i>arg</i> )	Returns the integer portion of argument
LOG	LOG( <i>arg</i> )	Natural logarithm
LOG10	LOG10( <i>arg</i> )	Logarithm to the base 10
MAX	MAX( <i>arg, arg, ...</i> )	Largest <u>non-missing value</u>
MEAN	MEAN( <i>arg, arg, ...</i> )	Arithmetic mean of <u>non-missing values</u>
MIN	MIN( <i>arg, arg, ...</i> )	Smallest <u>non-missing value</u>
ROUND	ROUND( <i>arg, round-off-unit</i> )	Rounds to nearest round-off unit
SUM	SUM( <i>arg, arg, ...</i> )	Sum of <u>non-missing values</u>

# CONT. Useful functions

## -Numeric

Numeric				
INT	x=INT(4.32);	x=4	y=INT(5.789);	y=5
LOG	x=LOG(1);	x=0.0	y=LOG(10);	y=2.30259
LOG10	x=LOG10(1);	x=0.0	y=LOG10(10);	y=1.0
MAX	x=MAX(9.3,8,7.5);	x=9.3	y=MAX(-3,,5);	y=5
MEAN	x=MEAN(1,4,7,2);	x=3.5	y=MEAN(2,,3);	y=2.5
MIN	x=MIN(9.3,8,7.5);	x=7.5	y=MIN(-3,,5);	y=-3
ROUND	x=ROUND(12.65);	x=13	y=ROUND(12.65,.1);	y=12.7
SUM	x=SUM(3,5,1);	x=9.0	y=SUM(4,7,.);	y=11



# Useful functions

## - Char.

Character		
LEFT	LEFT( <i>arg</i> )	Left aligns a SAS character expression
LENGTH	LENGTH( <i>arg</i> )	Returns the length of an argument not counting trailing blanks (missing values have a length of 1)
SUBSTR	SUBSTR( <i>arg,position,n</i> )	Extracts a substring from an argument starting at ' <i>position</i> ' for ' <i>n</i> ' characters or until end if no ' <i>n</i> ' <sup>3</sup>
TRANSLATE	TRANSLATE( <i>source,to-1,from-1,...to-n,from-n</i> )	Replaces ' <i>from</i> ' characters in ' <i>source</i> ' with ' <i>to</i> ' characters (one to one replacement only—you can't replace one character with two, for example)
TRIM	TRIM( <i>arg</i> )	Removes trailing blanks from character expression
UPCASE	UPCASE( <i>arg</i> )	Converts all letters in argument to uppercase

**COMPRESS**(*arg.* , " ) : delete quoted char. = trim(left( *arg.* ))

**SCAN**(*arg.*, *count*, *delimiters* ) :

- 1) If **count** is positive, SCAN counts words from left to right in the character string.
- 2) If **count** is negative, SCAN counts words from right to left in the character string.

# CONT. Useful functions

## - Char.

Character				
LEFT	a=' cat'; x=LEFT(a);	x='cat '	a=' my cat'; y=LEFT(a);	y='my cat '
LENGTH	a='my cat'; x=LENGTH(a);	x=6	a=' my cat ' y=LENGTH(a);	y=7
<u>SUBSTR</u>	a='(916)734-6281'; <u>x=SUBSTR(a,2,3);</u>	x='916'	<u>y=SUBSTR('lcat',2);</u>	y='cat'
<u>TRANSLATE</u>	a='6/16/99'; x=TRANSLATE (a, '-', '/');	x='6-16-99'	a='my cat can'; y=TRANSLATE (a, 'r', 'c');	y='my rat ran'
<u>TRIM</u>	a='my '; b='cat'; x=TRIM(a)    b;	x='mycat '	a='my cat '; b='s'; y=TRIM(a)    b;	y='my cats '
UPCASE	a='MyCat'; x=UPCASE(a);	x='MYCAT'	y=UPCASE('Tiger');	y='TIGER'

- 1) When combine "||", trim first!
- 2) When count length, trim first!
- 3) Use translate to deal with messy datasets. 2010-10/10

# CONT. Useful functions

## - Char.

Question: tell me difference between SCAN()  
and SUBSTR() ; ??? ---ref. code 1.12



# Useful functions

## - DATES

Date		
DATEJUL	DATEJUL( <i>julian-date</i> )	Converts a Julian date to a SAS date value <sup>4</sup>
DAY	DAY( <i>date</i> )	Returns the day of the month from a SAS date value
MDY	MDY( <i>month,day,year</i> )	Returns a SAS date value from month, day, and year values
MONTH	MONTH( <i>date</i> )	Returns the month (1-12) from a SAS date value
QTR	QTR( <i>date</i> )	Returns the yearly quarter (1-4) from a SAS date value
TODAY	TODAY()	Returns the current date as a SAS date value

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.sas.com/docpub/ncs100/ncs100.pdf>

# IF THEN LOOP

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# Work with SAS dates

-ref code 1.13

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# Cont. Dates summary

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# Retain and Sum stat.

-ref code 1.14

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# Arrays

-ref. code 1.15

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ARRAY name (n) $ variable-list;
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# Outlines of procs

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# PROC SORT

--ref code 1.16

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# PROC PRINT

-ref code 1.17

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# PROC FORMAT

-ref code 1.18

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# PROC MEANS

-ref. code 1.19

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# PROC FREQ

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# CONT. PROC FREQ

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# CONT. PROC FREQ

-ref. code 1.23

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How to read in format  
-ref code 1.24

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# PROC REPORT- Part 1

## -ref code 1.25

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# PROC REPORT- Part 2

## -ref code 1.26

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# PROC TRANSPOSE

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# Lets talk about combining datasets

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# Stacking

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# Interleaving

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# One to one merge

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# One to many merge

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Many to many merge. XXX

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# Character Truncation-p276

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# SAS DATASET OPTION

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# Tracking and selection with IN option

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# Output multiple datasets

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# Output duplicates records

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# Using SAS automatic Vars

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Convert Num→Char. Or vice  
versa– p.266

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# COMMON MISTAKES

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