

Training Session 1: Introduction to SAS

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Training Outline

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If all else fails, read the instructions.

- Donald Knuth, renowned computer scientist

PCOR Hardware and Software

- 1. UNIX Server (godzilla) and robotic backup system**
 - 2 dual-core CPUs (2.8 GHz)
 - 16GB RAM
 - 14TB disk space
 - server room access via fingerprint verification
- 2. Software Toolbox**
 - Big guns: UNIX, SAS and Emacs/ESS (xemacs)
 - Secure access: ssh and X Server (X-Win32)
 - PCOR: MCWCORP Administrator access granted!
 - Little guns: R and Stata (2 users, no GUI)
- 3. Same username as your email address**
- 4. Peer-to-Peer (P2P) file sharing coming RSN**

A Brief History of UNIX®

- **1969: AT&T Bell Labs starts work on UNIX**
- **1970: open source UNIX provided by AT&T for nominal fee, but no support (early shareware)**
- **1972-3: Bell Labs develops C, re-writes UNIX in C**
- **1973-8: DARPA invents TCP/IP**
- **1978: University of California releases Berkeley Software Distribution (BSD)**
- **1981-3: ARPANET goes TCP/IP (Internet)**
- **1987: MIT/DEC release the X Window System (X11)**
- **1990: AT&T merges UNIX and BSD (SVR4)**
- **1999-2000: OpenSSL/OpenSSH (BSD) are released**

A Brief History of Emacs and ESS

- **1975: Emacs created by Richard Stallman at MIT**
- **1984: Stallman creates GNU GPL whose goal is a “complete, UNIX-compatible software system” re-writes GNU Emacs (GPL) in C**
- **1990: Sall adds some SAS support to GNU Emacs**
- **1991: Lucid Emacs (GPL) for X11 released**
- **1994: GNU Emacs (GPL) for X11 released
Lucid defunct, SUN et al. rename it XEmacs
Tom Cook releases SAS-mode (GPL)**
- **1994-7: Anthony Rossini creates ESS (GPL) which contains ESS[SAS], ESS[S], ESS[Stata], etc.**
- **1999→: Rodney Sparapani and ESS team revamp ESS[SAS]**

UNIX and Emacs Resources

- **UNIX in a Nutshell by Daniel Gilly, O'Reilly**
- **Learning GNU Emacs by Cameron et al., O'Reilly**
- **GNU Emacs: UNIX Text Editing and Programming by Shoonover et al., Addison Wesley**

PCOR Data Resource Examples

1. Geographic

- **Census (1990 and 2000)**
- **Urban Intensity Code (2003)**

2. Cancer

- **SEER (cases through 2006)**
- **SEER-Medicare**
(cases through 2005: request in progress)

3. Medicare

- **Claims: Inpatient, Carrier (physician), Outpatient (clinic), etc.**
- **Other: Hospital characteristics, Physician (limited)**

4. Other: AMA (UPIN to NPI conversion), AHA (old)

A Brief History of SAS®

- **1966-8: Anthony Barr develops SAS language**
- **1968: Barr and James Goodnight develop ANOVA and multiple regression procedures for SAS**
- **1973: John Sall joins the project**
- **1976: SAS Institute is incorporated by Barr, Goodnight and Sall**
- **1988: SAS v. 6 re-written in C for portability, adds support for UNIX, X11, SQL and RDBMS modern SAS era begins**
- **2008: SAS v. 9.2 (TS2M0) by SAS Institute Inc., Cary, NC, USA (how to reference SAS in articles, grants, etc.)**

SAS Book for Beginners

The Little SAS Book: A Primer 4th Ed. (2008) \$49.95
by LD Delwiche and SJ Slaughter
SAS Press (available in MCW book store)

- **Getting Started Using SAS Software: 1.1-1.4**
- **Getting Your Data into SAS: 2.19-2.22**
- **Working with Your Data: 3**
- **Sorting, Printing and Summarizing Your Data: 4.1-4.7, 4.11, 8.1-8.4**
- **Modifying and Combining SAS Data Sets: 6.1-6.7, 6.9-6.12, 6.14**
- **ANOVA and Regression: 8.5-8.8**

Other SAS Resources

1. More advanced SAS books

- **SAS Applications Programming: A Gentle Introduction (2008) by Frank Dilorio, Brooks/Cole Publishing**
- **Applied Statistics and the SAS Programming Language 5th ed. (2005) by RP Cody and JK Smith, Prentice Hall**
- **Statistical Analysis of Medical Data Using SAS (2005) by Geoff Der and Brian Everitt, CRC Press**

2. SAS v. 8 manuals in PCOR (must not leave the office)

3. SAS v. 9.2 manuals online http://support.sas.com/documentation/cdl_main/index.html plus “Knowledge Base/Tech Support”

4. SAS-L mailing list [http:](http://www.listserv.uga.edu/archives/sas-l.html)

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The SAS Language

- **Swiss Army Knife: data processing, statistical analysis, graphing/GIS, RDBMS access and more**
- **a combination of high-level, optimized PROCs and low-level DATAstep programming**
- **learn the SAS “way” of doing things**
- **use best-of-breed coding practices**
- **use short bits of PROC code whenever possible interlaced with DATAstep code for optimal results**

A SAS Program

- a SAS program is a text file with a name ending in **.sas**:
example1.sas
- to manually submit a SAS batch job from the UNIX command line

```
godzilla % sas example1.sas &
```

- generates a text log, **.log**, for notes and error messages and a text listing, **.lst**, for results:
example1.log and **example1.lst**
- each SAS statement ends in a semicolon
- two styles of comments

```
* comment statement starts w/ asterisk ;  
/* comment that is not a statement */
```

Simple SAS Example: example1.sas

```
data surg;                                * creating SURG dataset;
  input x1 x2 x3 x4 y;                    * reading in variables ;
  logx1 = log(x1);                        * creating new variable;
  label x1 = 'Blood Clotting Score'
        x2 = 'Prognostic Index' /* descriptive */
        x3 = 'Enzyme Function Score' /* labels */
        x4 = 'Liver Function Score'
        y = 'Survival Time';
  * x1  x2  x3  x4  y  1st x4 missing; lines;
  6.7  62  81  .   200
... 52 more lines of data not shown ...
  8.8  78  72  3.20  313
;      * do-nothing command denotes end-of-data;
run;   * execute data/run block           ;
```

Log Notes: example1.log

1 The SAS System 15:32 Wednesday, May 13, 2009

...

32 * x1 x2 x3 x4 y 1st x4 missing;

NOTE: The data set WORK.SURG has 54 observations
and 6 variables.

NOTE: DATA statement used (Total process time):

real time 0.00 seconds

cpu time 0.01 seconds

87 ; * do-nothing denotes end-of-data;

88 run; * execute data/run block ;

89

Error Message: example1.log

```
32          * x1  x2    x3    x4    y ;  fines;
                                     _____
                                     180
33          6.7  62    81    .    200
```

180

ERROR 180-322: Statement is not valid or it is used out of proper order.

... lines omitted

ERROR: No DATALINES or INFILE statement.

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

NOTE: SAS set option OBS=0 and will continue to check statements.

Summary of Quantitative Variables: example1.sas

```
* procedures (or PROCs) operate on datasets      ;

proc contents data=surg; * describes dataset      ;
    * DATA= defaults to last dataset created    ;
run; * execute proc/run block                    ;

proc print; * creates listing for variables      ;
run;      * of last dataset created             ;

proc univariate; * calculates stats              ;
    var logx1 x2-x4; * variable list            ;
* var _numeric_; * all numeric variables        ;
run;
```


Summary of Quantitative Variables: example1.lst

The UNIVARIATE Procedure
Variable: logx1

N	54
Mean	1.716764
100% Max	2.415914
95%	2.174752
90%	2.041220
75% Q3	1.871802
50% Median	1.757858
25% Q1	1.609438
10%	1.308333
5%	1.223775
0% Min	0.955511

Summary of Qualitative Variables: example1.sas

```
proc format;    * creates value groupings for vars ;
  value cat
    0- <50=' ~<50' /* ~ is last ASCII char */
    50- 75=' 50-'
    75-high=' >75'; /* 75 is included in 50- */
run;

proc freq; * calculates freqs/pcts/stats          ;
  format x2 x3 cat.; * group variables w/ format;
  tables x2 x3;      * create freq/pct summaries;
run;
```

Summary of Qualitative Variables: example1.lst

The FREQ Procedure
Prognostic Index

x2	Freq	Percent	Cum. Freq	Cum. Percent
~<50	8	14.81	8	14.81
50-	31	57.41	39	72.22
>75	15	27.78	54	100.00

Summary of Qualitative Variable Association: example1.sas

```
proc format;
    value surv
        0 -<100=' <100'
        100- 250=' 100-'
        250-high=' >250'
    ;
run;

proc freq;
    format x2 x3 cat. y surv.;
    tables y*(x2 x3) / chisq;
    * Pearson Chi-squared Test of Independence;
run;
```

Summary of Qualitative Variable Association: example1.lst

Table of y by x2

y (Survival Time)	x2 (Prognostic Index)			
Freq	~<50	50-	>75	Total
<100	6	4	1	11
100-	2	23	6	31
>250	0	4	8	12
Total	8	31	15	54

Summary of Qualitative Variable Association: example1.lst

The FREQ Procedure

Statistics for Table of y by x2

Statistic	DF	Value	Prob
Chi-Square	4	27.2514	<.0001

WARNING: 56% of the cells have expected counts less than 5. Chi-Square may not be a valid test.

Multiple Linear Regression: example1.sas

```
proc glm;
  class x2 x3;
  * fit as qualitative covariates ;
  * last alphanumeric order group is the intercept;
  * hence, a group starting with ~
      will always represent the intercept;
  format x2 x3 cat.;
  model y=logx1 x2-x4 / solution;
run;
```

Multiple Linear Regression: example1.lst

Dependent Variable: y Survival

Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	6	763559.297	127259.883	16.47	<.0001
Error	46	355364.024	7725.305		
Corrected Total	52	1118923.321			

Multiple Linear Regression: example1.lst

Source	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
logx1	1	31719.5895	31719.5895	4.11	0.0486
x2	2	124208.0011	62104.0005	8.04	0.0010
x3	2	96388.4192	48194.2096	6.24	0.0040
x4	1	52386.1755	52386.1755	6.78	0.0124

Multiple Linear Regression: example1.lst

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	t	Pr > t
Intercept	-300.27 B	100.39	-2.99	0.0045
logx1	114.69	56.60	2.03	0.0486
x2 50-	44.88 B	36.16	1.24	0.2209
x2 >75	153.32 B	43.44	3.53	0.0010
x2 ~<50	0.00 B	.	.	.