

## %MktRoll Macro

The %MktRoll autocall macro constructs a choice design from a linear arrangement. See the following pages for examples of using the %MktRoll macro in the design chapter: 134 and 192. Also see the following pages for examples of using this macro in the discrete choice chapter: 312, 320, 357, 387, 429, 505, 546, 556, 575, 607, 617, 628 and 636. Additional examples appear throughout this chapter. The %MktRoll macro takes as input a SAS data set containing an experimental design with one row per choice set, the *linear arrangement*, for example, a design created by the %MktEx macro. This data set is specified in the **design=** option. This data set has one variable for each attribute of each alternative in the choice experiment. The output from this macro is an **out=** SAS data set is the *choice design* containing the experimental design with one row per alternative per choice set. There is one column for each different attribute. For example, in a simple branded study, **design=** could contain the variables **x1-x5** which contain the prices of each of five alternative brands. The output data set would have one factor, **Price**, that contains the price of each of the five alternatives. In addition, it would have the number (or optionally the name) of each alternative.\*

The rules for determining the mapping between factors in the **design=** data set and the **out=** data set are contained in the **key=** data set. For example, assume that the **design=** data set contains the variables **x1-x5** which contain the prices of each of five alternative brands: Brand A, B, C, D, and E. The choice design has two factors, **Brand** and **Price**. Brand A price is made from **x1**, Brand B price is made from **x2**, ..., and Brand E price is made from **x5**. A convenient way to get all the names in a variable list like **x1-x5** is with the %MktKey macro. The following step creates the five names in a single column:

```
%mktkey(5 1)
```

The %MktKey macro produces the following data set:

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x1
x1
x2
x3
x4
x5

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The following step creates the **Key** data set:

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\*See page 67 for an explanation of the linear arrangement of a choice design versus the arrangement of a choice design that is more suitable for analysis.

```

data key;
  input (Brand Price) ($);
  datalines;
A x1
B x2
C x3
D x4
E x5
;

```

This data set has two variables. **Brand** contains the brand names, and **Price** contains the names of the factors that are used to make the price effects for each of the alternatives. The **out=** data set will contain the variables with the same names as the variables in the **key=** data set.

The following step creates the linear arrangement with one row per choice set:

```
%mktex(3 ** 5, n=12)
```

The following step creates the choice design with one row per alternative per choice set:

```
%mktroll(design=randomized, key=key, out=sasuser.design, alt=brand)
```

Consider, for example, a randomized data set that contains the following row:

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Obs	x1	x2	x3	x4	x5
9	3	1	1	2	1

---

Then the data set SASUSER.DESIGN contains the following rows:

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Obs	Set	Brand	Price
41	9	A	3
42	9	B	1
43	9	C	1
44	9	D	2
45	9	E	1

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The price for Brand A is made from **x1=3**, ..., and the price for Brand E is made from **x5=1**.

Now assume that there are three alternatives, each a different brand, and each composed of four factors: **Price**, **Size**, **Color**, and **Shape**. In addition, there is a constant alternative. First, the **%MktEx** macro is used to create a design with 12 factors, one for each attribute of each alternative. The following step creates the design:

```
%mktex(2 ** 12, n=16, seed=109)
```

The following step creates the `key=` data set:

```
data key;
  input (Brand Price Size Color Shape) ($); datalines;
    A      x1      x2      x3      x4
    B      x5      x6      x7      x8
    C      x9      x10     x11     x12
    None   .       .       .       .
  ;

```

It shows that there are three brands, A, B, and C, and also None.

Brand A is created from `Brand = "A"`, `Price = x1`, `Size = x2`, `Color = x3`, `Shape = x4`.

Brand B is created from `Brand = "B"`, `Price = x5`, `Size = x6`, `Color = x7`, `Shape = x8`.

Brand C is created from `Brand = "C"`, `Price = x9`, `Size = x10`, `Color = x11`, `Shape = x12`.

The constant alternative is created from `Brand = "None"` and none of the attributes. The “.” notation is used to indicate missing values in input data sets. The actual values in the `Key` data set are blank (character missing).

The following step creates the design with one row per alternative per choice set:

```
%mktroll(design=randomized, key=key, out=sasuser.design, alt=brand)
```

Consider, for example, a randomized data set that contains the following row:

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Obs	x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	x7	x8	x9	x10	x11	x12
8	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	2

---

Then the data set SASUSER.DESIGN contains the following rows:

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29	8	A	2	2	2	2
30	8	B	2	1	1	2
31	8	C	2	2	1	2
32	8	None	.	.	.	.

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Now assume like before that there are three branded alternatives, each composed of four factors: `Price`, `Size`, `Color`, and `Shape`. In addition, there is a constant alternative. Also, there is an alternative-specific factor, `Pattern`, that only applies to Brand A and Brand C. First, the `%MktEx` macro is used to create a design with 14 factors, one for each attribute of each alternative. The following step creates the design:

```
%mktex(2 ** 14, n=16, seed=114)
```

The following step creates the `key=` data set:

```
data key;
  input (Brand Price Size Color Shape Pattern) ($);
  datalines;
A    x1    x2    x3    x4    x13
B    x5    x6    x7    x8    .
C    x9    x10   x11   x12   x14
None  .     .     .     .     .
;
```

It shows that there are three brands, A, B, and C, plus None.

Brand A is created from `Brand = "A"`, `Price = x1`, `Size = x2`, `Color = x3`, `Shape = x4`, `Pattern = x13`.

Brand B is created from `Brand = "B"`, `Price = x5`, `Size = x6`, `Color = x7`, `Shape = x8`.

Brand C is created from `Brand = "C"`, `Price = x9`, `Size = x10`, `Color = x11`, `Shape = x12`, `Pattern = x14`.

The constant alternative is `Brand = "None"` and none of the attributes.

The following step creates the design with one row per alternative per choice set:

```
%mktroll(design=randomized, key=key, out=sasuser.design, alt=brand)
```

Consider, for example, a randomized data set that contains the following row:

---

Obs	x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	x7	x8	x9	x10	x11	x12	x13	x14
8	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1

---

Then the data set SASUSER.DESIGN contains the following rows:

---

Obs	Set	Brand	Price	Size	Color	Shape	Pattern
29	8	A	2	1	1	2	1
30	8	B	1	2	1	2	.
31	8	C	1	1	1	2	2
32	8	None	.	.	.	.	.

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Now assume we are going to fit a model with price cross-effects so we need `x1`, `x5`, and `x9` (the three price effects) available in the `out=` data set. See pages 444 and 468 for other examples of cross-effects. The following step creates the design:

```
%mktroll(design=randomized, key=key, out=sasuser.design, alt=brand,
         keep=x1 x5 x9)
```

Now the data set also contains the three original price variables, for example, as follows:

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Obs	Set	Brand	Price	Size	Color	Shape	Pattern	x1	x5	x9
29	8	A	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	1
30	8	B	1	2	1	2	.	2	1	1
31	8	C	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1
32	8	None	.	.	.	.	.	2	1	1

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Every value in the **key=** data set must appear as a variable in the **design=** data set. The macro displays a warning if it encounters a variable name in the **design=** data set that does not appear as a value in the **key=** data set.

## %MktRoll Macro Options

The following options can be used with the %MktRoll macro:

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Option	Description
<b>help</b>	(positional) “help” or “?” displays syntax summary
<b>alt=variable</b>	variable with name of each alternative
<b>design=SAS-data-set</b>	input SAS data set
<b>keep=variable-list</b>	factors to keep
<b>key=SAS-data-set</b>	Key data set name
<b>key=rows columns &lt;t&gt;</b>	Key data set description
<b>options=nwarn</b>	suppress the variables not mentioned warning
<b>out=SAS-data-set</b>	output SAS data set
<b>set=variable</b>	choice set number variable

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You can specify either of the following to display the option names and simple examples of the macro syntax:

```
%mktroll(help)
%mktroll(?)
```

You must specify the **design=** and **key=** options.

### **alt=** *variable*

specifies the variable in the **key=** data set that contains the name of each alternative. Often this is something like **alt=Brand**. When **alt=** is not specified, the macro creates a variable **\_Alt\_** that contains the alternative number.

### **design=** *SAS-data-set*

specifies an input SAS data set with one row per choice set. The **design=** option must be specified.

**keep=** *variable-list*

specifies factors from the **design=** data set that should also be kept in the **out=** data set. This option is useful to keep terms that are used to create cross-effects.

**key=** *SAS-data-set* | *list*

specifies the rules for mapping the **design=** data set to the **out=** data set. The **key=** option must be specified. It has one of two forms. 1) The **key=** option names an input SAS data set containing the rules for mapping the **design=** data set to the **out=** data set. The structure of this data set is described in detail in the preceding examples. 2) When you want the **key=** data set to exactly match the data set that comes out of the **MktKey** macro, you can specify the argument to the **MktKey** macro directly in the **key=** option, and the **%MktRoll** macro will make the **key=key** data set for you. In other words, the following two specifications are equivalent:

```
%mktkey(3 3 t)
%mktroll(design=design, key=key,    out=frac)

%mktroll(design=design, key=3 3 t, out=frac)
```

**options=** *options-list*

specifies binary options. By default, none of these options are specified. Specify one or more of the following values after **options=**.

**nowarn**

does not display a warning when the **design=** data set contains variables not mentioned in the **key=** data set. Sometimes this is perfectly fine.

**out=** *SAS-data-set*

specifies the output SAS data set. If **out=** is not specified, the DATA*n* convention is used.

**set=** *variable*

specifies the variable in the **out=** data set that will contain the choice set number. By default, this variable is named **Set**.

## %MktRoll Macro Notes

This macro specifies **options nonotes** throughout most of its execution. If you want to see all of the notes, submit the statement **%let mktopts = notes;** before running the macro. To see the macro version, submit the statement **%let mktopts = version;** before running the macro.