

You Can RUN; But Your Data Cannot Hide : Advanced Methods to Introduce External Data Into the SAS® System

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ABSTRACT / INTRODUCTION

The SAS® System has numerous capabilities to store, analyze, report, and present data. However, those features are useless unless that data is stored in or can be accessed by the SAS System. This presentation will provide an introduction to some of the methods that can be used to pass data into the SAS System, with an emphasis on topics which are associated with PC and server platforms. The attendee will receive an overview of DDE (Dynamic Data Exchange), OLE (Object Linking and Embedding), ODBC (Open DataBase Connectivity), and more.

This presentation is intended as a companion piece to "Basic Methods to Introduce External Data Into the SAS System", which covers fundamental topics such as Base SAS's INFILE and INPUT statements. Together, the two presentations provide a comprehensive overview of the various methods which can be used to pass data into the SAS System. However, it is not necessary to attend the Beginning Tutorial in order to gain full benefit from this presentation.

This paper was not available at the time of publication. For related information, the reader is encouraged to reference "Basic Methods to Introduce External Data Into the SAS® System", by Andrew T. Kuligowski and Nancy Roberts, which can be found elsewhere in the *SUGI 23 Proceedings*.

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