

The Joinless Join ~ The Impossible Dream Come True

Using SAS® Enterprise Guide® and Base SAS® PROC SQL and DATA Step;

Expand the Power of SAS® Enterprise Guide® and Base SAS® in New Ways

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ABSTRACT

SAS Enterprise Guide and Base SAS can easily combine data from tables or data sets by using a PROC SQL Join to match on like columns or by using a DATA Step Merge to match on the same variable name. However, what do you do when tables or data sets do not contain like columns or the same variable name and a Join or Merge cannot be used?

We invite you to attend our exciting Joinless Join Hands-On Workshop where we will empower you to expand the power of SAS Enterprise Guide and Base SAS in new ways by creatively overcoming the limits of a standard Join or Merge.

You will learn how to design a Joinless Join based upon dependencies, indirect relationships, or no relationships at all between the tables or data sets using SAS Enterprise Guide and Base SAS PROC SQL and DATA Step. In addition, we will highlight how to use a Joinless Join to prepare unrelated joinless data to be utilized by ODS and PROC REPORT in creating a PDF. Come experience the power and versatility of the Joinless Join to greatly expand your data transformation and analysis toolkit.

**We look forward to introducing you
to the surprising paradox of the
Joinless Join.**

INTRODUCTION



The tagline for SAS is *The Power To Know®* and your 'power to know' greatly expands with your ability to access, combine, and analyze important data from tables or data sets (referred to as tables going forward). **The Power To Know** sets off **The Power To Create** which leads to **The Power To Automate** ~ much like an intricate and fluid domino design. However, this power will quickly become disjointed if you do not know how to effectively Join or Merge tables of data ~ **even when the tables do not have a relationship**.

Here are 2 questions to ask yourself when analyzing 2 or more tables:

- ❖ Do the tables contain like columns or the same variable name which can be utilized in a Join or Merge?
- ❖ If the tables do not contain like columns or the same variable name and a standard Join or Merge cannot be used, have I reached a *cavernous and insurmountable* 'woe is me' research impasse in my data analysis?

😊 There is no need to fear, the Joinless Join is here! 😊

The Joinless Join will bridge your research impasse and empower you to:

- ❖ Creatively overcome the limits of a standard Join or Merge using SAS Enterprise Guide and Base SAS
- ❖ Access, combine, and analyze tables for the first time based upon dependencies, indirect relationships, or no relationships at all
- ❖ Open up new worlds of table creations, calculations, validations, and filtrations
- ❖ Prepare unrelated joinless data to be utilized by ODS and PROC REPORT
- ❖ Increase your ability to detect and resolve errors including hidden errors
- ❖ Prevent validation process failure ~ yea! ~ and completely... yes, completely automate your projects

The SAS project in this presentation demonstrates:

- ❖ **The Power To Know** how to design a Joinless Join
- ❖ **The Power To Create** tables based upon dependencies, indirect relationships, or no relationships at all
- ❖ **The Power To Automate** projects even when tables cannot be directly joined or merged

We invite you to journey with us as we empower you to

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the power of Base SAS and Enterprise Guide in new ways.

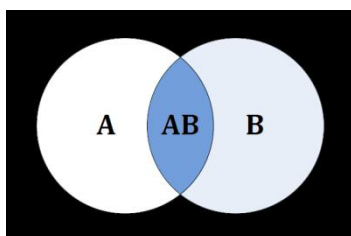
Brief Overview of Standard PROC SQL Joins and DATA Step Merges

*Just traveling along...
side-by-side.*

Harry Macgregor Woods

A standard Join or Merge enables you to combine tables side-by-side horizontally by matching related rows. A like column or the same variable name, with the same attributes and like values, is used to connect the tables and bring together some or all of each table's contents.

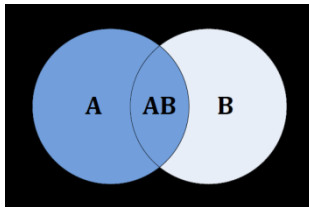
An **Inner Join or Merge** is a symmetrical process of matching related rows in tables ~ an Inner Join can match related rows in **2 to 256** tables, and a Merge can match related rows in **2** tables.



The result of an **Inner Join or Merge** produces only matched rows from the tables. The result is illustrated by the shaded area AB in **Figure 1**.

Figure 1. Venn Diagram – Inner Join or Merge

An **Outer Join or Merge** is an asymmetrical process of matching related rows in 2 tables. The resulting set of data also contains **unmatched** rows from the left, right, or both tables.



The result of a **Left Outer Join or Merge** produces matched rows from both tables while preserving all unmatched rows from the left table. The result is illustrated by the shaded areas A and AB in **Figure 2**.

Figure 2. Venn Diagram – Left Outer Join or Merge

The result of a **Right Outer Join or Merge** produces matched rows from both tables while preserving all unmatched rows from the right table. The result is illustrated by the shaded areas B and AB in **Figure 3**.

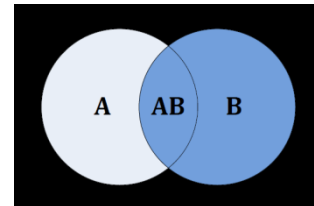
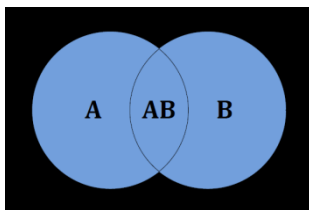


Figure 3. Venn Diagram – Right Outer Join or Merge



The result of a **Full Outer Join or Merge** produces matched rows while preserving all unmatched rows from both tables. The result is illustrated by the shaded areas A, AB, and B in **Figure 4**.

Figure 4. Venn Diagram – Full Outer Join or Merge

All of these Joins and Merges have an important common denominator ~ each of them requires a like column or the same variable name for matching. Thus, we now return to the core focus of this presentation...

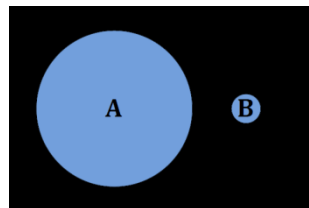


Figure 5. Venn Diagram – Tables Without Like Columns or the Same Variable Name

What do you do when the tables you want to analyze do not contain like columns or the same variable name (**Figure 5**) and a standard Join or Merge cannot be used?

In the next section
we will
continue
to
follow
The Power To Know
dominoes
to
find
the
answer.



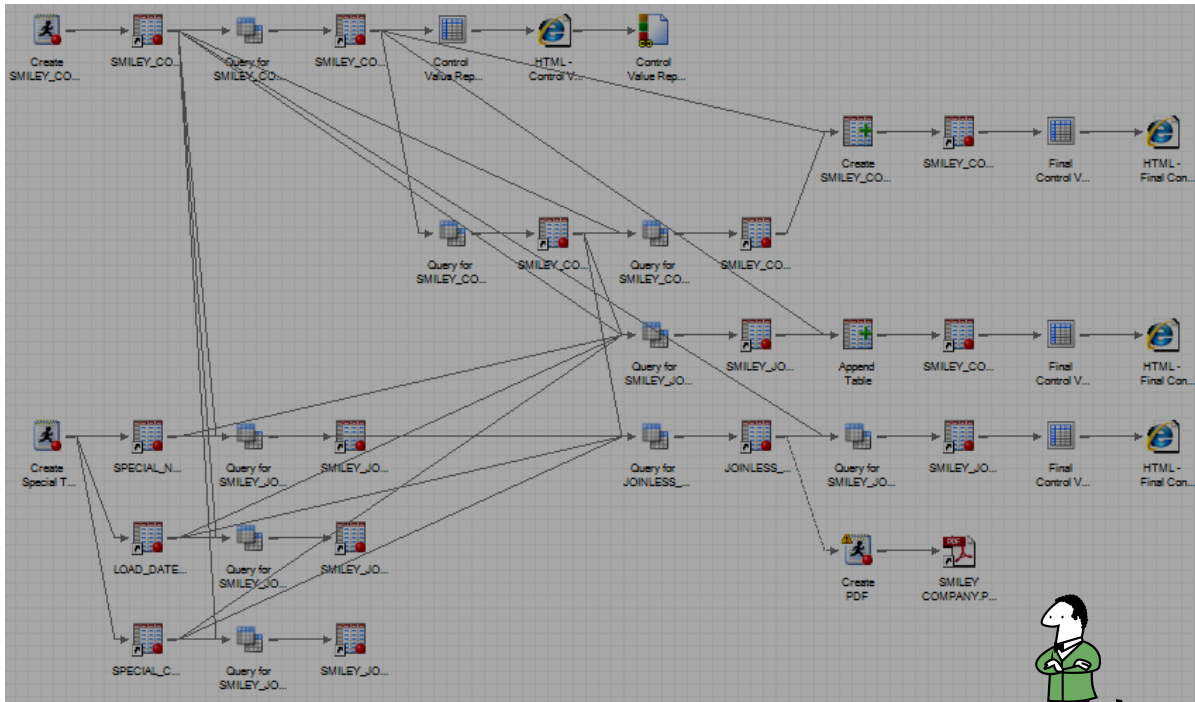
Professor Domino will be our guide 😊

Illuminating the Paradox of the Joinless Join

*Sometimes success is seeing
what we already have
in a new light.*

Dan Miller

Here is our SAS Enterprise Guide project example:



❖ Our project example demonstrates some of the ways a Joinless Join can be used.

First we design a Program Node to create a source table:



```
DATA SMILEY_COMPANY;
  LENGTH Special_Person $20 Special_Number 8 Special_Car $1 Load_Date 8;
  FORMAT Load_Date date9.;
  INFILE DATALINES DELIMITER=' ';
  INPUT Special_Person $ Special_Number Special_Car $ Load_Date;
DATALINES;
Smiley,10127911,Honda,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Son,10173341,Chevy,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Twin,10376606,Buick,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Wife,10927911,Saturn,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Son,11471884,Dodge,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Twin,11573691,GMC,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Daughter,11975386,Chevy,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Son,12071884,Jeep,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Son,12871884,Dodge,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Twin,13173691,Jeep,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Wife,13771202,Dodge,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Daughter,13775498,Honda,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Son,14171884,Infinity,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Twin,15373691,Ford,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Son,15471884,Chevy,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Son,16074330,Honda,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Daughter,16175498,Buick,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Wife,16176964,Honda,'31DEC2017'd
Smiley,16279111,Saturn,'01JAN2018'd
Smiley's Twin,16573691,Chevy,'01JAN2018'd
RUN;
```



- ❖ This is the code you will need to recreate this table.

The Program Node creates the SMILEY_COMPANY source table:

	Special_Person	Special_Number	Special_Car	Load_Date
1	Smiley	10127911	Honda	01JAN2018
2	Smiley's Son	10173341	Chevy	01JAN2018
3	Smiley's Twin	10376606	Buick	01JAN2018
4	Smiley's Wife	10927911	Saturn	01JAN2018
5	Smiley's Son	11471884	Dodge	01JAN2018
6	Smiley's Twin	11573691	GMC	01JAN2018
7	Smiley's Daughter	11975386	Chevy	01JAN2018
8	Smiley's Son	12071884	Jeep	01JAN2018
9	Smiley's Son	12871884	Dodge	01JAN2018
10	Smiley's Twin	13173691	Jeep	01JAN2018
11	Smiley's Wife	13771202	Dodge	01JAN2018
12	Smiley's Daughter	13775498	Honda	01JAN2018
13	Smiley's Son	14171884	Infinity	01JAN2018
14	Smiley's Twin	15373691	Ford	01JAN2018
15	Smiley's Son	15471884	Chevy	01JAN2018
16	Smiley's Son	16074330	Honda	01JAN2018
17	Smiley's Daughter	16175498	Buick	01JAN2018
18	Smiley's Wife	16176964	Honda	31DEC2017
19	Smiley	16279111	Saturn	01JAN2018
20	Smiley's Twin	16573691	Chevy	01JAN2018

- ❖ The SMILEY_COMPANY table is used throughout this presentation.
- ❖ This table contains each Special Person, Special Number, and Special Car of the 😊 Smiley Company 😊 employees.
- ❖ Load_Date is the date when each row was created.

Next we design another Program Node to create 3 additional tables:



```
DATA National_Average (KEEP=National_Average)

    Load_Date_Check (KEEP=Load_Date_Check)

    Pace_Car (KEEP=Pace_Car);

LENGTH Load_Date_Check 8;
FORMAT Load_Date_Check date9.;

National_Average = 12000000;
OUTPUT National_Average;

Load_Date_Check = '01JAN2018'd;
OUTPUT Load_Date_Check;

Pace_Car = 'Saturn';
OUTPUT Pace_Car;

RUN;
```

❖ This is the code you will need to recreate these tables.

Here are the 3 additional tables the Program Node creates:

National_Average table:

	National_Average
1	12000000

Load_Date_Check table:

	Load_Date_Check
1	01JAN2018

Pace_Car table:

	Pace_Car
1	Saturn

- ❖ The National_Average table contains the average of all the Special_Number columns from each Smiley Company nationwide which we will use in a Joinless Join to calculate a percentage of the Special_Number column in our SMILEY_COMPANY table.
- ❖ The Load_Date_Check table contains a Load Date which we will use in a Joinless Join to validate that all of our SMILEY_COMPANY table rows were created in 2018.
- ❖ The Pace_Car table contains a Special Car from the Smiley Company National Headquarters which we will use in a Joinless Join to filter our SMILEY_COMPANY table output.

Designing a Joinless Join to combine 3 tables with No Relationships At All using the 3 additional tables that the 2nd Program Node created:



	National_Average		Load_Date_Check		Pace_Car
1	12000000	1	01JAN2018	1	Saturn

- ❖ Notice how the 3 columns in the 3 tables have No Relationships At All.

Query for JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON for SASApp:WORK.SMILEY_CONTROL_VALUE_ROW_COUNT

Query name: Output name:

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Add Tables Delete Join Tables Select Data Filter Data Sort Data

Column Name	Identifier
National_Average	t1.National_Average
Load_Date_Check	t2.Load_Date_Check
Pace_Car	t3.Pace_Car

- ❖ Build a Query with the NATIONAL_AVERAGE, LOAD_DATE_CHECK, and PACE_CAR tables.

Tables and Joins

Add Tables Delete Properties Join Order Table Options Move Up Move Down

t.1 (National_Average)	t.2 (Load_Date_Check)	t.3 (Pace_Car)
National_Average	Load_Date_Check	Pace_Car

- ❖ This time the Joinless Join is based upon the NATIONAL_AVERAGE, LOAD_DATE_CHECK, and PACE_CAR tables having No Relationships At All.

No Column to match on? No Problem ~

We will use a Joinless Join
based upon No Relationship At All
between the tables.

What to do, what to do...

Necessity is the mother of all inventions.

Plato / Einstein

How the Joinless Join works:

The Cartesian product of 3 Tables with 1 Row and 1 Column in each Table ▾

Input Data(3)	Code	Log	Output Data
Modify Task	Filter and Sort	Query Builder	Data ▾ Describe ▾ Graph ▾ Analyze ▾
National_Average	Load_Date_Check	Pace_Car	
1	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn

- ❖ The Joinless Join automatically creates a **Cartesian Product** which places the **1 row and 1 column** of the NATIONAL_AVERAGE, LOAD_DATE_CHECK, and PACE_CAR tables to the right of each other.

JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON ▾

Filter and Sort	Query Builder	Data ▾ Describe ▾ Graph ▾ Analyze ▾	Export ▾ Send To ▾
National_Average	Load_Date_Check	Pace_Car	
1	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn

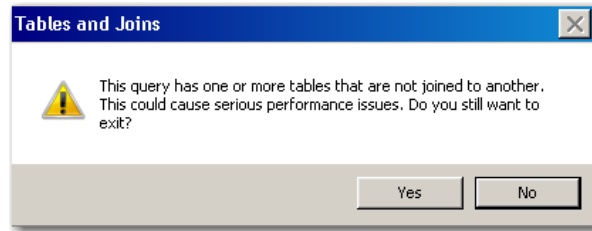
- ❖ Here is the final result from selecting all 3 columns which is equal to the **Cartesian Product**.

SAS Highlight

A **Cartesian Product** is a result set of all the possible rows and columns contained in 2 or more tables. The resulting set of data can potentially become extremely large and unmanageable. The most noticeable coding characteristic of a PROC SQL join which produces a Cartesian Product is the absence of a WHERE-clause. The most noticeable coding characteristic of a DATA step which produces a Cartesian Product is the careful and strategic use of multiple SET statements.

Always Remember, It's Too Soon To Quit!

Bob Wieland (Mr. Inspiration)



- ❖ This **Warning Message** always appears whenever tables are joined with a Joinless Join because SAS knows it will create a **Cartesian Product** which can take a lot of extra resources.

Caution:

When you design your Joinless Join
make sure that one of the tables
has only **ONE** row!

This PROC SQL also creates the
JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON table:

```
PROC SQL;  
  CREATE TABLE JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON AS  
  SELECT National_Average,  
         Load_Date_Check,  
         Pace_Car  
  FROM NATIONAL_AVERAGE, LOAD_DATE_CHECK, PACE_CAR;  
QUIT;
```

- ❖ The PROC SQL creates a TABLE called JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON by selecting National_Average from the NATIONAL_AVERAGE table, Load_Date_Check from the LOAD_DATE_CHECK table, and Pace_Car from the PACE_CAR table.
- ❖ Notice the FROM does not contain any type of join between the 3 tables and thus a Joinless Join is once again achieved.
- ❖ The result from this PROC SQL will be identical to what was achieved by building the GUI Joinless Join above.

This DATA step also creates the JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON table:

```
DATA JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON;
    SET National_Average;
    SET Load_Date_Check;
    SET Pace_Car;
RUN;
```

- ❖ The **DATA** step creates a data set called `JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON` by **SETTING** the `NATIONAL_AVERAGE`, the `LOAD_DATE_CHECK`, and the `PACE_CAR` tables using individual **SET** statements.
- ❖ Since each of the 3 data sets only contain 1 observation, individually **SETTING** each data set horizontally places each column in the 3 data sets side-by-side and thus is a Joinless Join.
- ❖ **Please be aware that this Joinless Join using the DATA step will only work if each of the data sets only contain 1 observation** ~ Our next example will demonstrate how to perform a Joinless Join with a data set which contains more than 1 observation.

Designing a Joinless Join to perform a Calculation, Validation, and Filtration:

The screenshot shows the SAS Query Builder interface. The query name is "Query for SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN" and the output name is "WORK.SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN". The left pane shows the table structure for "t1 (SMILEY_COMPANY)" and "t2 (JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON)". The right pane shows the selected columns and their identifiers.

Column Name	Identifier	Summary	Format
Special_Person	t1.Special_Person		
Special_Number	t1.Special_Number		
Special_Car	t1.Special_Car		
Load_Date	t1.Load_Date		
Special_Number_Percent	Special_Number_Percent		PERCENTN8.1
Date_Validation	Date_Validation		
Pace_Car_Match	Pace_Car_Match		

- ❖ Build a Query with the `SMILEY_COMPANY` and the `JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON` table.

The screenshot shows the "Tables and Joins" window. It displays two tables: "t1 (SMILEY_COMPANY)" and "t2 (JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON)". The columns for each table are listed below them.

Table	Columns
t1 (SMILEY_COMPANY)	Special_Person, Special_Number, Special_Car, Load_Date
t2 (JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON)	National_Average, Load_Date_Check, Pace_Car



- ❖ The Joinless Join is based upon all 3 columns in the `JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON` table which indirectly relate to specific columns in the `SMILEY_COMPANY` table.

The Cartesian product of SMILEY_COMPANY and 1 Table with 1 Row and 3 Columns

	Special_Person	Special_Number	Special_Car	Load_Date	National_Average	Load_Date_Check	Pace_Car
1	Smiley	10127911	Honda	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
2	Smiley's Son	10173341	Chevy	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
3	Smiley's Twin	10376606	Buick	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
4	Smiley's Wife	10927911	Saturn	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
5	Smiley's Son	11471884	Dodge	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
6	Smiley's Twin	11573691	GMC	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
7	Smiley's Daughter	11975386	Chevy	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
8	Smiley's Son	12071884	Jeep	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
9	Smiley's Son	12871884	Dodge	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
10	Smiley's Twin	13173691	Jeep	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
11	Smiley's Wife	13771202	Dodge	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
12	Smiley's Daughter	13775498	Honda	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
13	Smiley's Son	14171884	Infinity	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
14	Smiley's Twin	15373691	Ford	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
15	Smiley's Son	15471884	Chevy	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
16	Smiley's Son	16074330	Honda	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
17	Smiley's Daughter	16175498	Buick	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
18	Smiley's Wife	16176964	Honda	31DEC2017	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
19	Smiley	16279111	Saturn	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn
20	Smiley's Twin	16573691	Chevy	01JAN2018	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn

- ❖ The Joinless Join automatically creates a **Cartesian Product** which places the **1 row** and **3 columns** of the NATIONAL_AVERAGE, LOAD_DATE_CHECK, and PACE_CAR tables to the right of each of the 20 rows and 4 columns in the SMILEY_COMPANY table.

Column	Details
Date_Validation	CASE WHEN t1.Load_Date GE t2.Load_Date_Check THEN 'AOK' ELSE 'NOT AOK' END
Pace_Car_Winner	CASE WHEN t1.Special_Car EQ t2.Pace_Car THEN 'Winner' ELSE 'Try Again' END
Special_Number_Percent	t1.Special_Number/t2.National_Average

- ❖ The Calculation, Validation, and Filtration are represented by Computed Columns that are derived as shown above using the 3 columns in the JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON table.

	Special_Person	Special_Number	Special_Car	Load_Date	Special_Number_Percent	Date_Validation	Pace_Car_Winner
1	Smiley	10127911	Honda	01JAN2018	84.4%	AOK	Try Again
2	Smiley's Son	10173341	Chevy	01JAN2018	84.8%	AOK	Try Again
3	Smiley's Twin	10376606	Buick	01JAN2018	86.5%	AOK	Try Again
4	Smiley's Wife	10927911	Saturn	01JAN2018	91.1%	AOK	Winner
5	Smiley's Son	11471884	Dodge	01JAN2018	95.6%	AOK	Try Again
6	Smiley's Twin	11573691	GMC	01JAN2018	96.4%	AOK	Try Again
7	Smiley's Daughter	11975386	Chevy	01JAN2018	99.8%	AOK	Try Again
8	Smiley's Son	12071884	Jeep	01JAN2018	100.6%	AOK	Try Again
9	Smiley's Son	12871884	Dodge	01JAN2018	107.3%	AOK	Try Again
10	Smiley's Twin	13173691	Jeep	01JAN2018	109.8%	AOK	Try Again
11	Smiley's Wife	13771202	Dodge	01JAN2018	114.8%	AOK	Try Again
12	Smiley's Daughter	13775498	Honda	01JAN2018	114.8%	AOK	Try Again
13	Smiley's Son	14171884	Infinity	01JAN2018	118.1%	AOK	Try Again
14	Smiley's Twin	15373691	Ford	01JAN2018	128.1%	AOK	Try Again
15	Smiley's Son	15471884	Chevy	01JAN2018	128.9%	AOK	Try Again
16	Smiley's Son	16074330	Honda	01JAN2018	134.0%	AOK	Try Again
17	Smiley's Daughter	16175498	Buick	01JAN2018	134.8%	AOK	Try Again
18	Smiley's Wife	16176964	Honda	31DEC2017	134.8%	NOT AOK	Try Again
19	Smiley	16279111	Saturn	01JAN2018	135.7%	AOK	Winner
20	Smiley's Twin	16573691	Chevy	01JAN2018	138.1%	AOK	Try Again

- ❖ Here is the final result with the Calculation, Validation, and Filtration Computed Columns to the right of each of the 20 rows and 4 columns of the SMILEY_COMPANY table.

This PROC SQL also creates the SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN table:

```
PROC SQL;
  CREATE TABLE SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN AS
  SELECT t1.Special_Person,
         t1.Special_Number,
         t1.Special_Car,
         t1.Load_Date,
         /* Special_Number_Percent */
         (t1.Special_Number/t2.National_Average)
         FORMAT=PERCENT8.1 AS Special_Number_Percent,
         /* Date_Validation */
         (CASE
           WHEN t1.Load_Date GE t2.Load_Date_Check
            THEN 'AOK'
           ELSE 'NOT AOK'
         END) AS Date_Validation,
         /* Pace_Car_Winner */
         (CASE
           WHEN t1.Special_Car = t2.Pace_Car
            THEN 'Winner'
           ELSE 'Try Again'
         END) AS Pace_Car_Winner
  FROM SMILEY_COMPANY t1, JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON t2;
QUIT;
```

- ❖ The PROC SQL creates a TABLE called SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN by selecting Special_Person, Special_Number, Special_Car, and Load_Date from the SMILEY_COMPANY table.
- ❖ The Special_Number_Percent, Date_Validation, and Pace_Car_Winner columns are calculated or derived as shown in the GUI example using the 3 columns in the JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON table.
- ❖ Notice the FROM does not contain any type of join between the 2 tables and thus is a Joinless Join.

This DATA Step also creates the SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN table:

```
DATA SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN;
  IF _N_ = 1 THEN SET JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON;
  SET SMILEY_COMPANY;
  FORMAT Special_Number_Percent PERCENT8.1;
  /* Special_Number_Percent */
  Special_Number_Percent = Special_Number/National_Average;
  /* Date_Validation */
  IF Load_Date GE Load_Date_Check
    THEN Date_Validation = 'AOK'
  ELSE Date_Validation = 'NOT AOK'
  END-IF;
  /* Pace_Car_Winner */
  IF Special_Car = Pace_Car
    THEN Pace_Car_Winner = 'Winner'
  ELSE Pace_Car_Winner = 'Try Again'
  END-IF;
RUN;
```

- ❖ The **DATA** step creates a data set called **SMILEY_JOINLESS_JOIN_ALL_AGAIN** by **SETTING** the **JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON** data set ~ before the first observation of the **SMILEY_COMPANY** data set is **SET** ~ thereby causing the single observation to be merged with all of the observations in the **SMILEY_COMPANY** data set.
- ❖ Please be aware that this Joinless Join using the **DATA** step will only work if the data set that is **SET** ~ before the first observation of the second data set is **SET** ~ only contains 1 observation.
- ❖ The **Special_Number_Percent**, **Date_Validation**, and **Pace_Car_Winner** columns are calculated or derived similar to the GUI and **PROC SQL** examples with the exception of using **DATA** step syntax when necessary.

Design a Quarterly Report PDF utilizing the results of the Joinless Join of the 3 tables with No Relationships At All:

JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON			
Filter and Sort Query Builder Data Describe Graph Analyze Export Send To			
1	National_Average	Load_Date_Check	Pace_Car
	12000000	01JAN2018	Saturn

- ❖ The Smiley Company has requested a quarterly report of the results of the Joinless Join of the 3 tables with No Relationships At All that we designed earlier in the paper.

```
ODS PDF FILE='d:\HOW\Phelps\SMILEY COMPANY.PDF' NOTOC;
TITLE 'SMILEY COMPANY - QUARTERLY VALIDATION PARAMETERS';
PROC REPORT DATA=JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON NOWD;
  COLUMNS National_Average Load_Date_Check Pace_Car;
  DEFINE National_Average / STYLE={WIDTH=25mm JUST=CENTER} "National Average";
  DEFINE Load_Date_Check / STYLE={WIDTH=25mm JUST=CENTER} "Load Date Check";
  DEFINE Pace_Car / STYLE={WIDTH=25mm JUST=CENTER} "Pace Car";
RUN;
ODS PDF CLOSE;
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- ❖ The ODS PDF FILE statement opens the SMILEY COMPANY.PDF with no table of contents - NOTOC.
- ❖ The TITLE statement includes the title shown at the top of the PDF.
- ❖ PROC REPORT is used to report the contents of the JOINLESS_JOIN_NOTHING_IN_COMMON table in the PDF with no default report window - NOWD.
- ❖ The COLUMNS statement tells PROC REPORT which columns to include in the report.
- ❖ The DEFINE statements provide a WIDTH and justification along with renaming each column.
- ❖ The ODS PDF CLOSE statement closes the PDF.

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SMILEY COMPANY - QUARTERLY VALIDATION PARAMETERS		
National Average	Load Date Check	Pace Car
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Yea!!!

Strike up the band,

Toss the confetti,

Release the balloons!

Applause... Applause... Applause...

Bring out the treats for everyone!



CONCLUSION

The **Joinless Join** empowers you to creatively overcome the limits of a standard Join or Merge and enables you to expand the power of Base SAS and SAS Enterprise Guide in new ways. **The Power To Know** how to design a Joinless Join sets off **The Power To Create** tables based upon, dependencies, indirect relationships, or no relationships at all which leads to **The Power To Automate** projects even when tables cannot be directly joined or merged ~ 😊 try saying that statement really fast for fun 😊!

The Joinless Join bridges the research impasse you experience when needing to combine data from tables which do not contain like columns or the same variable name. New worlds of table creations, calculations, validations, filtrations, and PROC REPORTing have opened up to greatly expand your data transformation and analysis toolkit. Begin thinking about how you can benefit from the power and versatility of the Joinless Join.



*How wonderful it is that we need not wait a single minute
before starting to improve ourselves and our world!*

Anne Frank

SAS Programming is like a series of intricate and fluid domino designs and you are the **Designer**. Your desire to design a quality program fuels your thoroughness and attention to detail. As a SAS Professional, your inquisitive nature, research oriented mindset, and solution driven focus are among your greatest assets.



*Your life is like a campfire at night -
You never know how many people will see it
and be comforted and guided by your light.*

Claire Draper

Rule #6: Study hard and learn all you can.

😊 Roy Rogers Riders Club Rules 😊

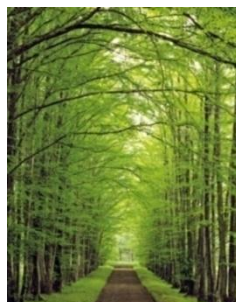


Always remember – *It's not what the SAS World holds for you, it's what **YOU** bring to it!* Continue to develop and build on your many skills and talents. Keep looking for different ways to share your God-given abilities and ideas. You will soon discover new and creative ways to design your SAS programs. Plan on coming back to the MWSUG Regional Conference next year to shed some light on the exciting things you are learning. All of us are on the SAS journey with you and we look forward to your teaching sessions in the future.

As we conclude, we want to introduce you to our **SAS Mascot, Smiley**. Smiley represents the **SAS Joy** which each of us experience as we find better ways to accomplish mighty and worthy deeds using SAS. The three of us, along with Professor Domino, hope we have expanded and enriched your SAS knowledge.

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Writing is a permanent legacy.

John C. Maxwell

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