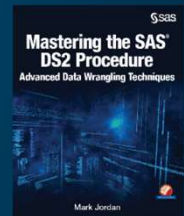


A Brief Introduction to DS2

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Objectives

- Describe the DS2 programming language.
- Identify when it is most appropriate to use the DS2 language.
- Compare the DS2 DATA program to Base SAS DATA step execution.
- Understand basic DS2 Syntax
 - Explain DS2 variable declaration and its effect on variable scope.
 - Name three DS2 system methods and the conditions under which they execute.
- Parallel Processing in DS2
 - Describe the similarities and differences between DS2 DATA and THREAD programs
 - Convert a DS2 DATA program to a DS2 thread.
 - Execute DS2 threads from a DS2 DATA program

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Introduction to DS2



Advanced data
manipulation
language

DATA step-like
syntax

Closely integrated
with SQL

Convenient
reusability

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Base SAS DATA Step

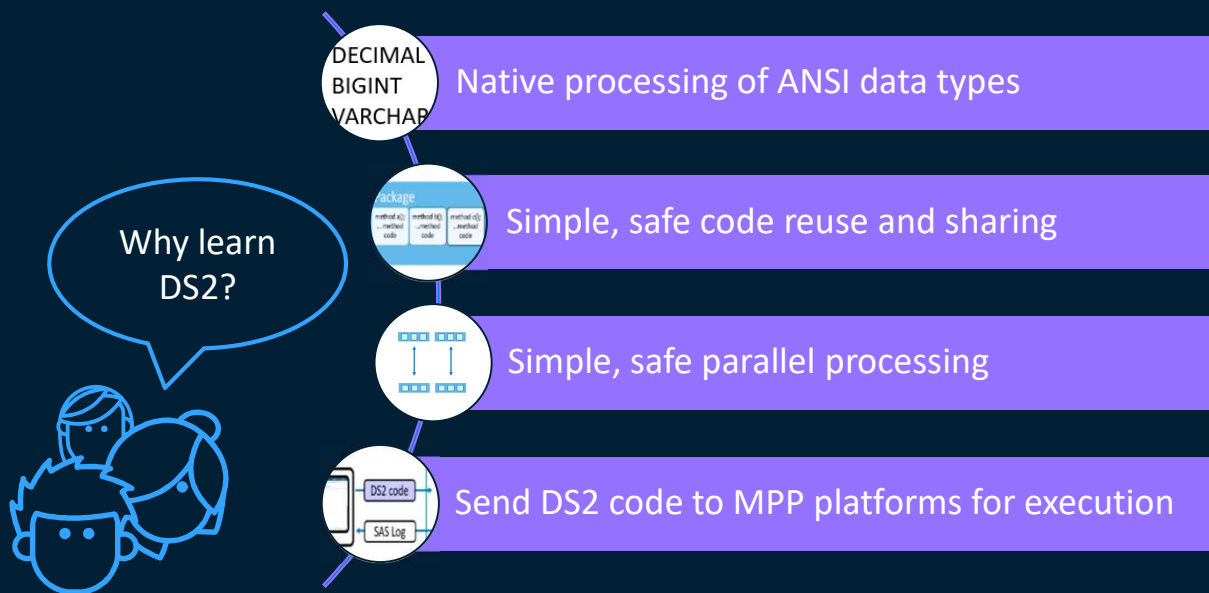
```
data null ;
  Text='Hello, World!';
  put Text=;
run;
```

DS2 Data Program

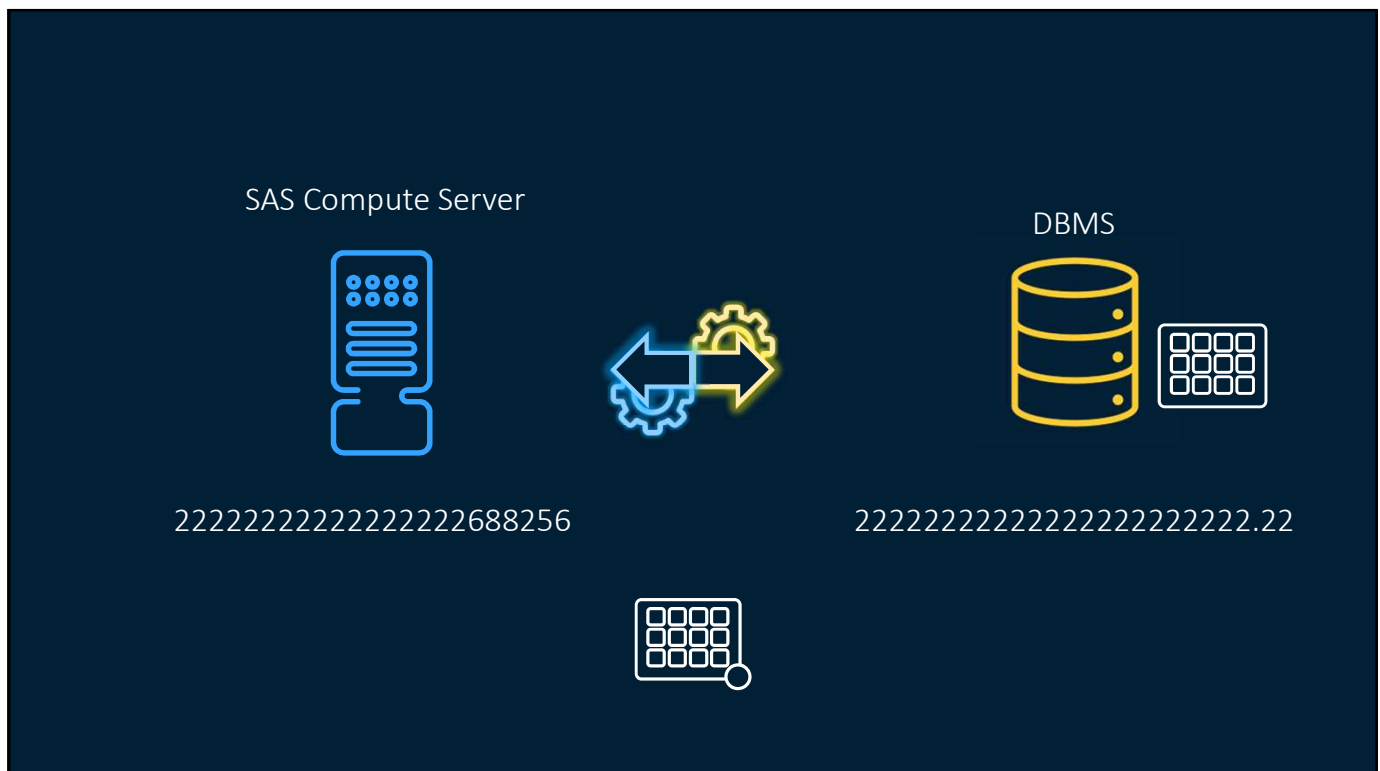
```
data null ;
  method init();
  Text='Hello, World!';
  put Text=;
end;
enddata;
run;
```

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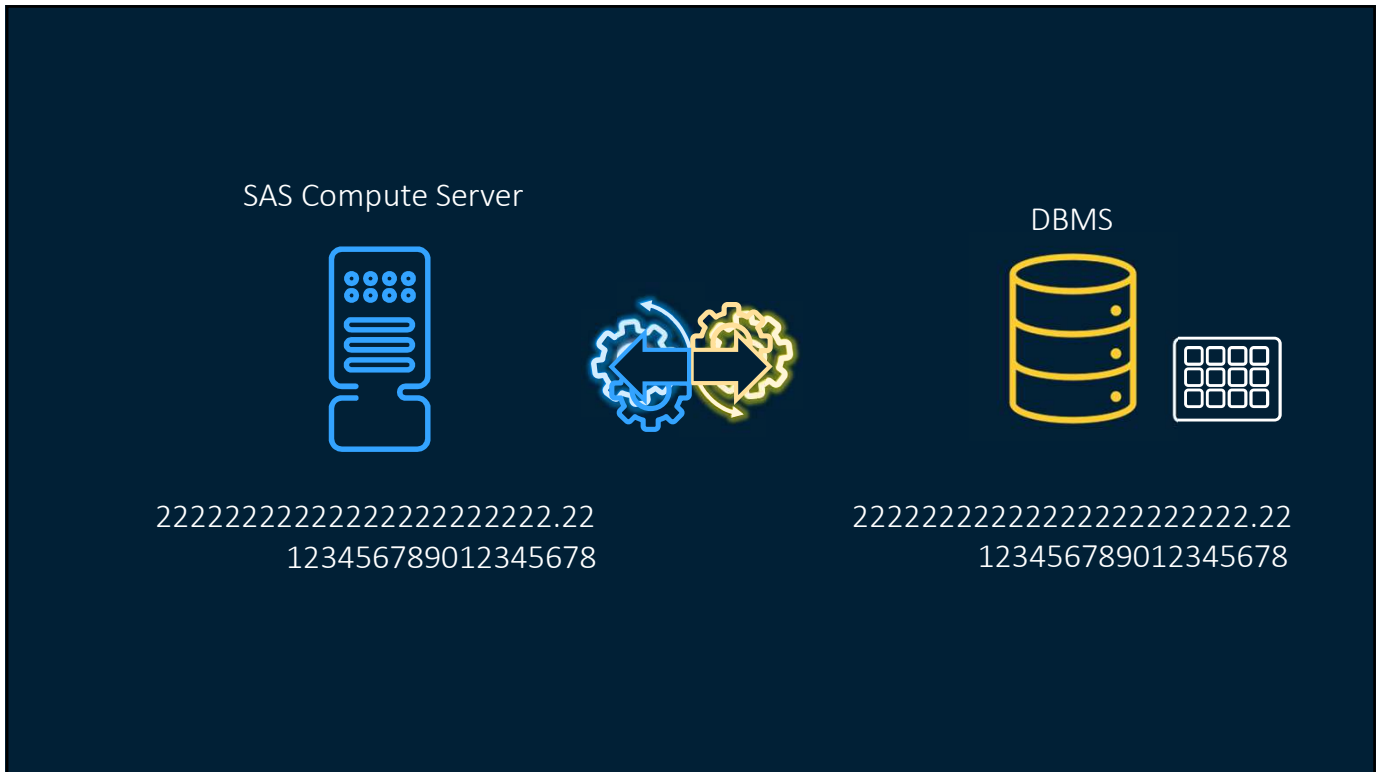
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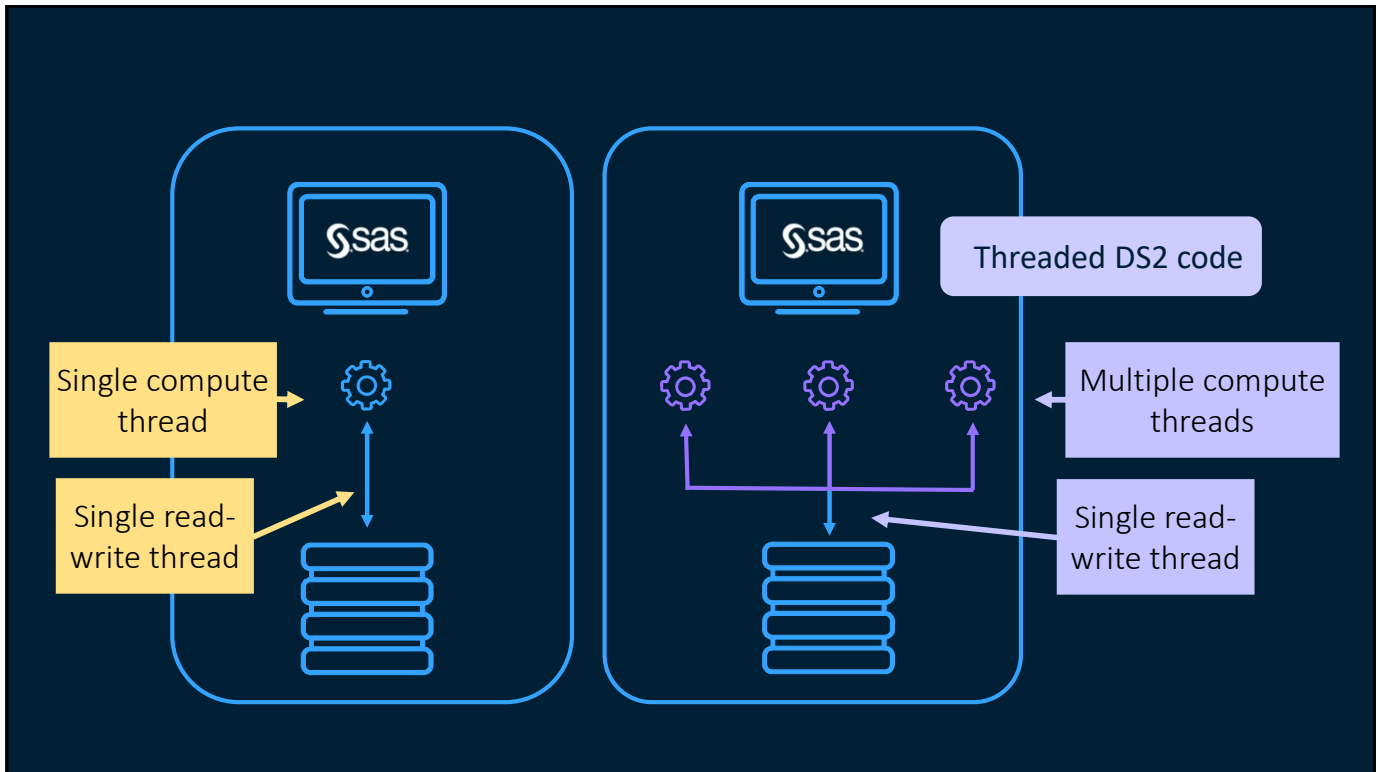
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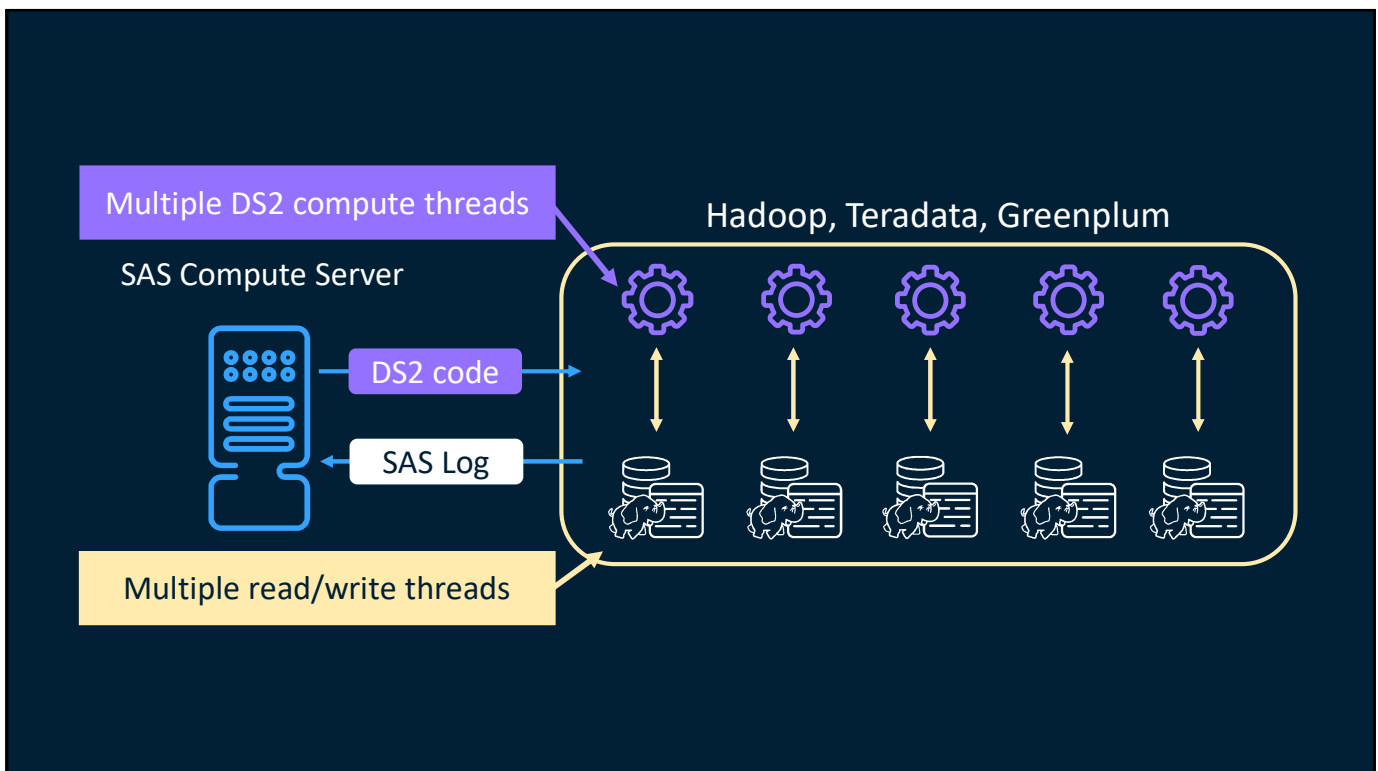
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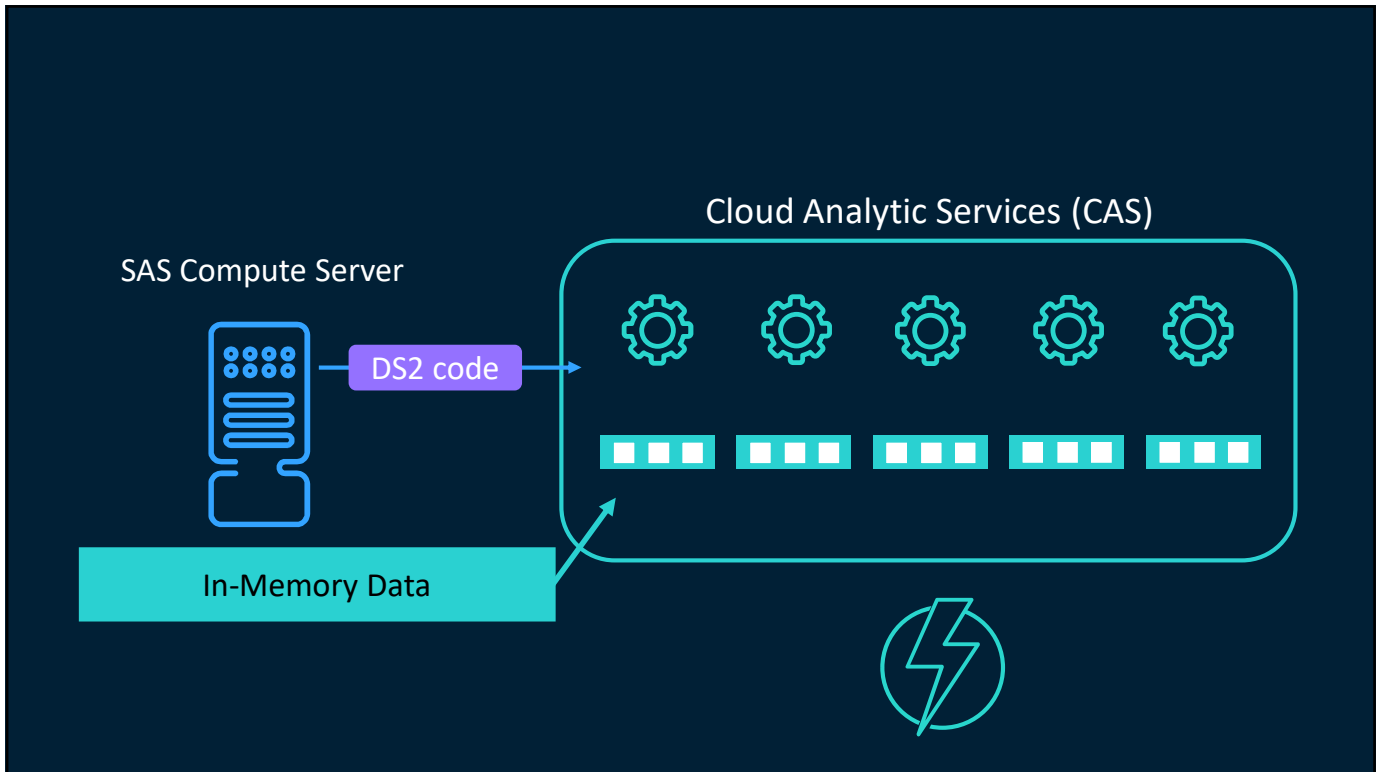
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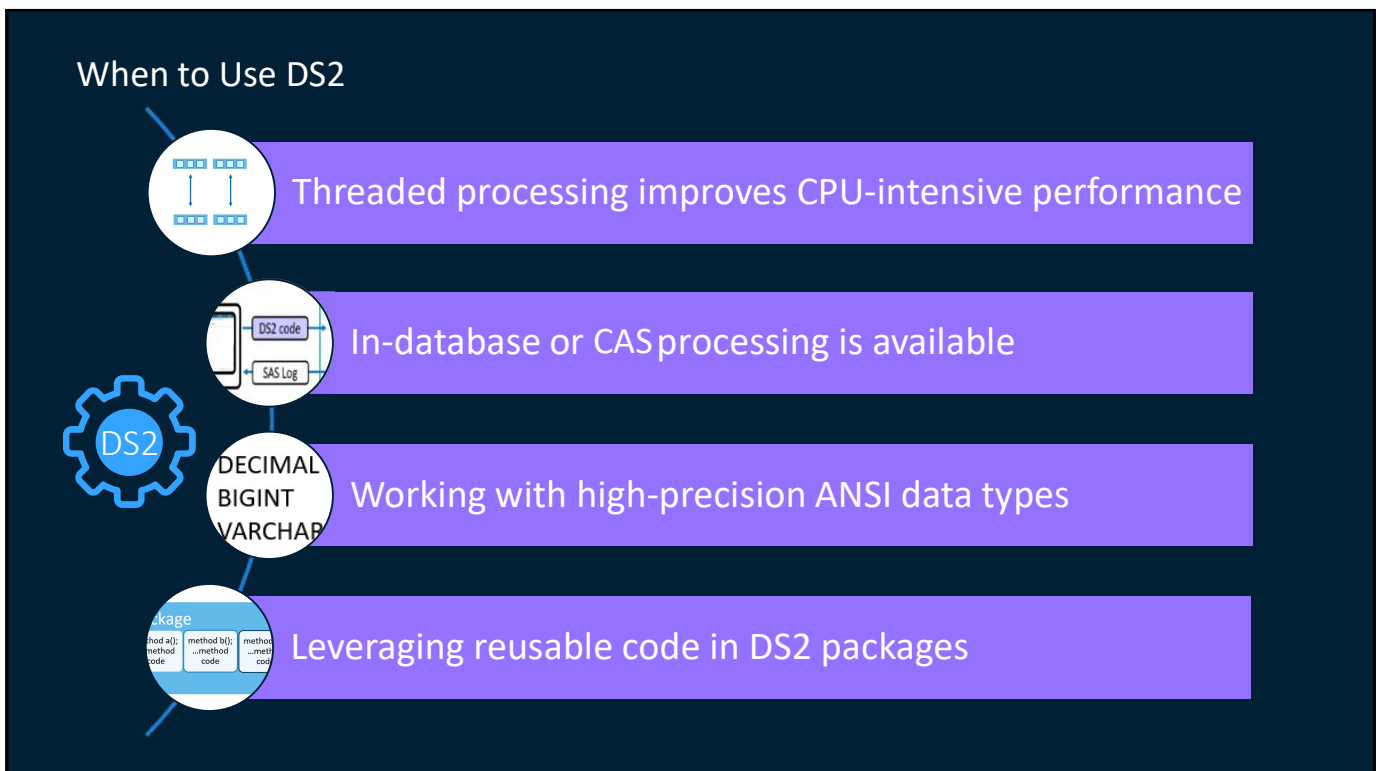
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DS2 Program Types

```
proc ds2;
package work.pgk;
    <more program statements>
endpackage;
run;
thread work.thread;
    <more program statements>
endthread;
run;
data my.table;
    <more program statements>
enddata;
run;
quit;
```

In the SAS windowing environment, program blocks without a RUN before the QUIT statement won't execute.

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Data programs

- begin with a DATA statement
- end with an ENDDATA statement
- require a RUN statement to execute.

```
data my.table;
```

```
enddata;
run;
```

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Methods

- Begin with a METHOD statement
- End with an END statement
- Contain all executable statements in the program
- System or user-defined

```
data my.table;  
  method myMethod(double x);  
    put 'myMethod';  
  end;  
  method init();  
    put 'INIT';  
  end;  
enddata;  
run;
```

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System Methods Control Data Program Flow



INIT

- Called when data program begins execution
- Each statement executed only once
- At END, automatically calls the RUN method

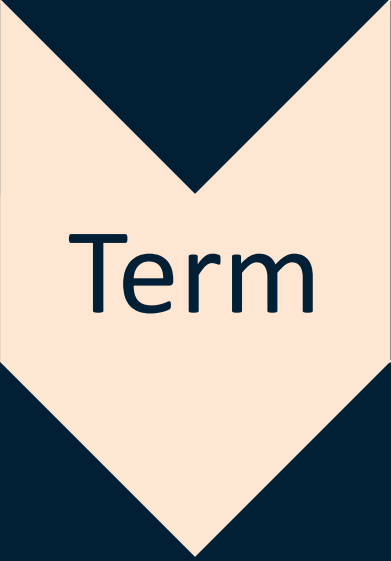
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RUN

- Starts only when called by INIT
- At END, implicit OUTPUT and RETURN
- Loops until input data is exhausted
- When out of data, automatically calls TERM

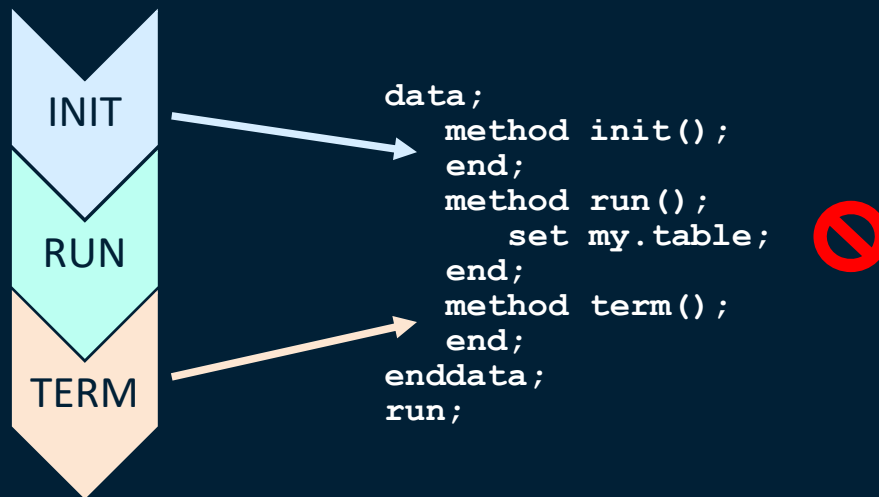
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Term

- Starts only when called by RUN
- Each statement executed only once
- At END, DS2 program execution terminates

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Declaration Statements



```

data;
  dcl double Amount;
  retain Amount 0;
  method run();
    dcl int year;
    set orion.banks;
    amount=1000;
    do year=1 to 5;
      amount=sum(amount, amount*rate);
    end;
  end;
enddata;

```

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Variable declaration

```
DECLARE|DCL data-type variable-list
<HAVING LABEL 'string' | FORMAT | INFORMAT>;
```

```
/* Declare three DOUBLE variables formatted dollar12.2*/
dcl double Var1 Var2 Var3 having format dollar12.2;

/* Declare a high-precision fixed point numeric variable */
dcl decimal(35,5) Var1;

/* Declare a fixed-width character variable labeled 'My Text'*/
dcl char(25) Var1 having label 'My Text';
```

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```
data;
  dcl double Value;
  method run();
    set orion.banks;
    do Month='JAN','FEB','MAR';
      do i=1 to 3;
        Value=10*i;
        if i > x then output;
      end;
    end;
  end;
enddata;
run;
```

```
WARNING: No DECLARE for referenced variable month;
creating it as a global variable of type char(3).
WARNING: No DECLARE for referenced variable i;
creating it as a global variable of type double.
WARNING: No DECLARE for referenced variable x;
creating it as a global variable of type double.
```

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DATA Step

- KEEP
- DROP
- RETAIN

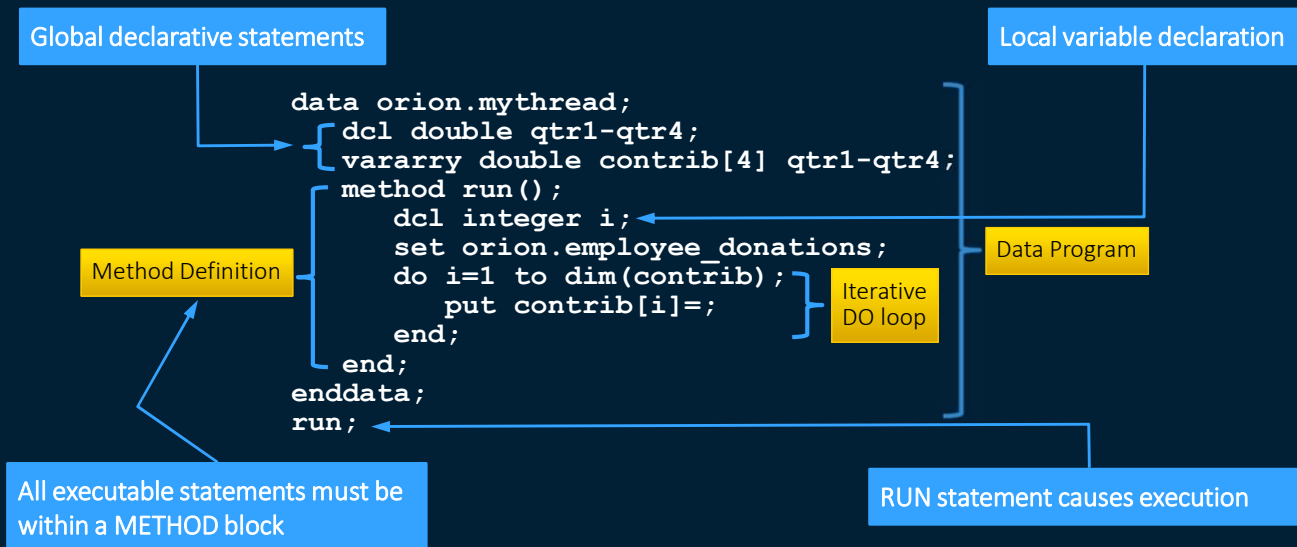
DS2

- KEEP
- DROP
- RETAIN

ERROR: Compilation error.

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DS2 data program block structure



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Package programs

DS2 packages are collections of methods and variables stored in SAS libraries.

- Simplify re-using code in DS2 DATA and Thread programs.
- Predefined packages ship with SAS to extend DS2 capabilities.
- User-defined packages enable easy, secure sharing of proprietary algorithms.
- Packages enable object-oriented programming for the DS2 language
 - Can accept parameters when instantiated
 - Can include user-defined constructor and destructor methods
 - Global variables in a package are private to the package instance and do not affect the PDV of the DATA program in which they are used

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Package programs

Global variable declarations
(private to the instance)

Local variable declarations
(private to the method)

```

package orion.mymethods;
  dcl integer PkgVar1;
  method c2f(double Tc) returns double;
    dcl integer LocVar1;
    return (Tc*9/5)+32;
  end;
  method f2c(double Tf) returns double;
    return (Tf-32)*9/5;
  end;
endpackage;
run;
  
```

Methods

Package

RUN statement causes execution

NOTE: Created package mymethods in
data set orion.mymethods.

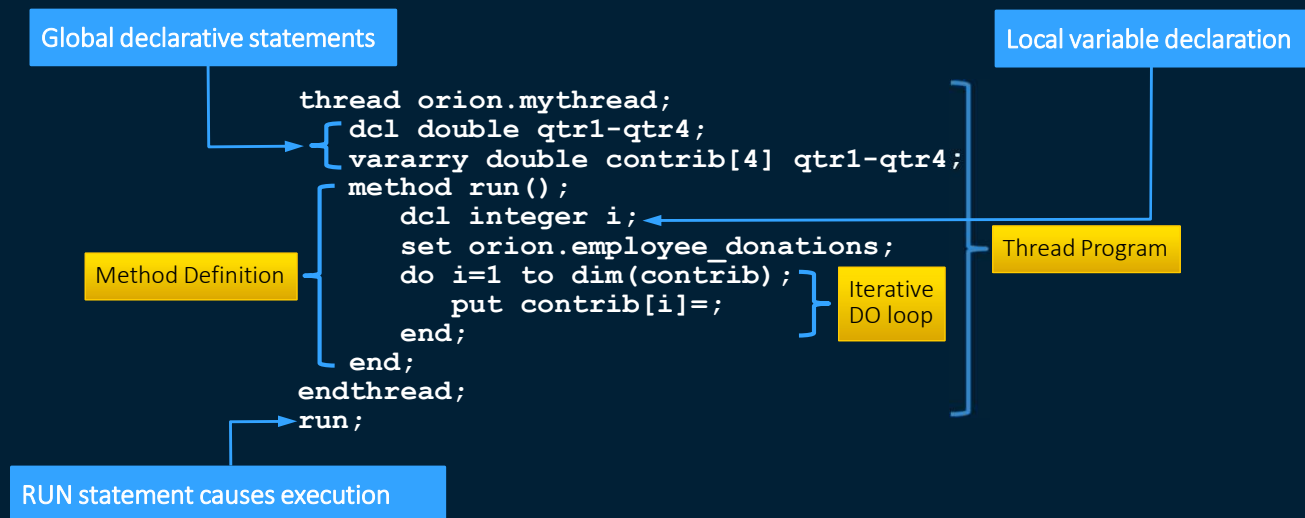
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Thread programs

- Threads are programs stored in SAS libraries and used for parallel processing in DS2
- Similar to DATA programs in that they
 - Enforce a more structured programming syntax
 - Require all executable code to be included in a method definition
 - Require at least explicitly written system method
 - Global variables appear in the PDV of the DATA program in which they are used
- Similar to DS2 packages in that they
 - can be re-used when stored in permanent SAS libraries.
 - can contain user-defined methods.
 - can accept parameters

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Thread programs



NOTE: Created thread mythread in data set orion.mythread.

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User-Defined Methods

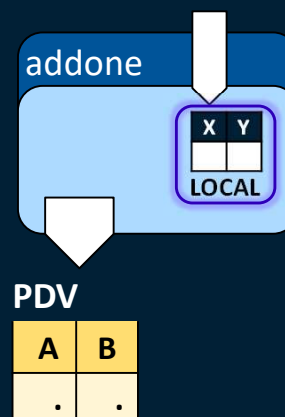
```
METHOD Name (<IN_OUT>data-type Parameter1 ...)
              ,<IN_OUT>data-type ParameterN
              <RETURNS data-type>;
... more DS2 code ...
<RETURN value>;
END;
```

- can accept parameters
- parameters can be either standard or IN_OUT
- IN_OUT parameter values can be modified
- can return a value
- execute only when called
- can be called multiple times

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Returning a value

```
dcl int A B;
method addone(int x) returns int;
  dcl int y;
  y=x+1;
  return y;
end;
method init();
  B=3;
  A=addone(B-2);
end;
```

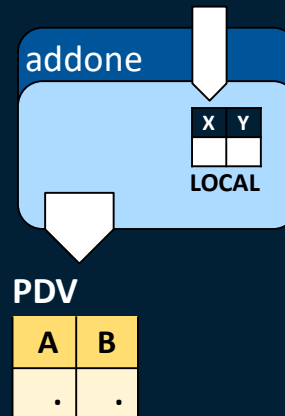


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```

dcl int A B;
method addone(int x) returns int;
  dcl int y;
  y=x+1;
  return y;
end;
method init();
  B=3;
  A=addone(B-2);
end;

```



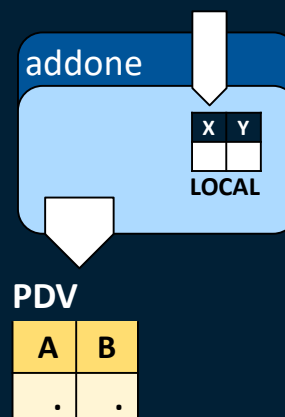
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Standard Parameters

```

dcl int A B;
method addone(int x) returns int;
  dcl int y;
  y=x+1;
  return y;
end;
method init();
  B=3;
  A=addone(B-2);
end;

```

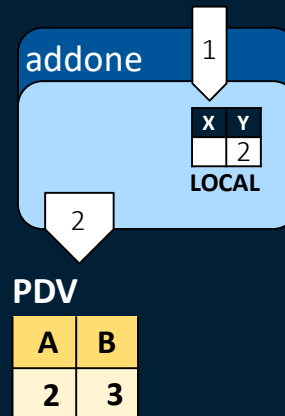


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```

dcl int A B;
method addone(int x) returns int;
  dcl int y;
  y=x+1;
  return y;
end;
method init();
  B=3;
  A=addone(B-2);
end;

```



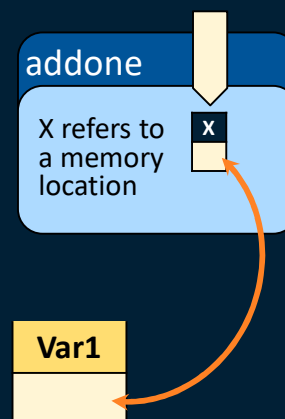
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IN_OUT Parameters

```

method addone(in_out int X);
  x=x+1;
end;

```



```

ERROR: Parse failed: method addone
(in_out >>> vararray <<< int x[4]);

```

```

ERROR: In call of addone: argument 1 is 'in_out'; therefore, the type
of the argument must be identical to the type of the method
parameter (requires int, found double)

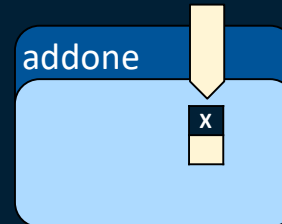
```

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```

dcl int A;
method addone(in_out int X);
    x=x+1;
end;
method init();
    A=3-2;
    addone(A);
end;

```



PDV

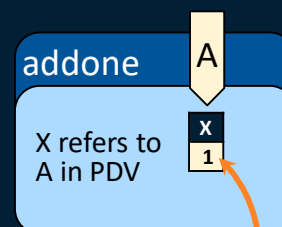
A
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```

dcl int A;
method addone(in_out int X);
    x=x+1;
end;
method init();
    A=3-2;
    addone(A);
end;

```



PDV

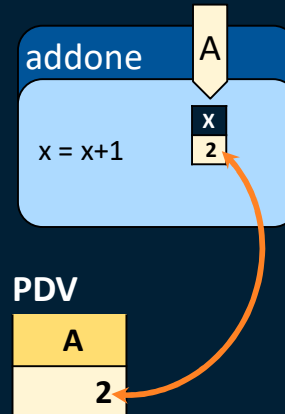
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```

dcl int A;
method addone(in_out int X);
    x=x+1;
end;
method init();
    A=3-2;
    addone (A) ;
end;

```

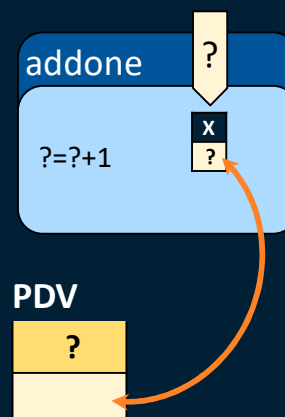


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```

method addone(in_out int X);
    x=x+1;
end;
method init();
    addone (3-2) ;
end;

```



ERROR: Compilation error.
 ERROR: In call of addone: argument 1 is 'in_out'; therefore, the argument must be a modifiable value.
 ERROR: Line 22: Attempt to obtain a value from a void expression.

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Variable Scope

```

data;
  dcl double Value;
  method init();
    Value=5000;
  end;
  method run();
    set orion.banks;
    Total=sum(value,value*rate);
  end;
  method term();
    dcl char(12) Value;
    Value='Just Testing';
    put Value=;
  end;
enddata;
run;

```



PDV

Value	Name	Rate	Total
N 8	\$ 29	N 8	N 8

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DATA step vs. DS2 data program

```

data _null_;
  /* Section 1 */
  if _n_=1 then do;
    Text='**> Starting';
    put Text;
  end;

  /* Section 2 */
  set orion.banks end=last;
  put _all_;

  /* Section 3 */
  if last then do;
    Text='**> All done!';
    put Text;
  end;

run;

```

```

data _null_;
  /* Section 1 */
  method init();
    Text='**> Starting';
    put Text;
  end;

  /* Section 2 */
  method run();
    set orion.banks;
    put _all_;
  end;

  /* Section 3 */
  method term();
    Text='**> All done!';
    put Text;
  end;

enddata;
run;

```

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Converting to DATA Step DS2

```
PROC DSTODS2 IN=fully-qualified-DATA-step-file-name
              OUT=ds2-program-file-name
              OUTDIR=path-for-output-file;
```

```
proc dstods2 in = "&path/demos/ds203d02a.sas"
              out = "ds203d02a_ds2.sas"
              outdir = "&path/demos/";
run;
```

```
set orion.banks /* END = LAST */;
```

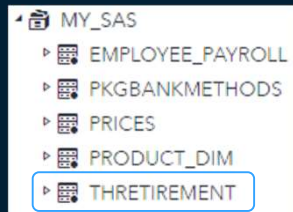
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Converting a DS2 Data Program to a Thread

```
thread my_sas.thRetirement;
  dcl package my_sas.pkgBankMethods bank();
  dcl double valueInitial valueFinal having format dollar12.2;
  keep Employee_ID, Employee_Name value;;
  dcl int _count;
  keep Employee_ID, Employee_Name value;;
  method run();
    dcl int duration;
    set orion.employees;
    valueInitial=Salary*.1;
    Duration=year(today())-year(employee_hire_date);
    valueFinal=bank.interest(ValueInitial,.04, Duration);
  end;
  method term();
    put '*** Thread' _threadid_ 'of' _nthreads_ 'processed'
        _count_ 'rows on' _hostname_;
  end;
endthread;
```

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NOTE: Created thread thretirement in data set my_sas.thretirement.



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```
data;
  dcl thread my_sas.thRetirement ret;
  method run();
    set from ret threads=3;
  end;
enddata;
run;
```

threadid=1

Total	Employee_ID	Qtr1	Qtr2	Qtr3	Qtr4
.	.	.	.	.	.

threadid=2

Total	Employee_ID	Qtr1	Qtr2	Qtr3	Qtr4
.	.	.	.	.	.

threadid=3

Total	Employee_ID	Qtr1	Qtr2	Qtr3	Qtr4
.	.	.	.	.	.

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The THREADS= option specifies the number of threads to execute in parallel.

- Over threading can negatively affect performance.
- &SYSNCPU is a good starting point

```
set from ret threads=&SYSNCPU;
```

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Executing DS2 Threads in Base SAS and in CAS

This demonstration illustrates improving performance of a CPU-bound DATA step using DS2 threaded processing.

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Questions?



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