

DATA Step

Can I use the automatic variables `_n_` and `_error_` in PROC steps?

We are used to using the automatic variables `_n_` to identify the iteration count, or the boolean `_error_` variable to identify data / logic errors when performing DATA step processing.

The same variables are not available to us in PROC steps.

While the code:

```
data part ;  
  set sashelp.class ;  
  where _n_ > 4 ;  
run ;
```

will work, the code:

```
proc print data = sashelp.class ;  
  where _n_ > 4 ;  
run ;
```

will not.

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