Sample Questions

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SAS Big Data Programming and Loading

Question 1

In the example below, the input data set is a Hive table accessed using a SAS/ACCESS to Hadoop LIBNAME statement.

```
proc freq data=hivelib.myhivetable;
  class month;
  by year;
run;
```

Which statement is true about this program?

- A. The procedure will fail unless the table HIVELIB.MYHIVETABLE is already stored ordered by YEAR.
- B. SAS will generate a HiveQL query to return the data to SAS ordered by YEAR so that the procedure receives the data ordered by YEAR as required.
- C. BY statements do not require the data be received by the procedure in any specific order.
- D. BY statements are not supported for Hive tables because it is not possible to order data that is distributed on different nodes of the Hadoop cluster.

```
correct_answer = "B"
```

Question 2

When working with data stored in Hadoop, which SAS function is NOT passed to Hive by default?

```
A. DATE
```

```
B. HOUR
```

- C. VAR
- D. UPCASE

```
correct_answer = "A"
```

Question 3

What is an advantage of using a LIBNAME statement to interact with your Hadoop cluster?

- A. It enables you to submit user-written HiveQL code to Hive.
- B. The GENERATE_PIG_CODE= option enables you to bypass Hive and generate Pig Latin code.
- C. It enables some SAS procedures to push processing into Hive.
- D. It ensures that Hive will handle all processing.

correct_answer = "C"

Question 4

Refer to the log message shown below:

```
58
           proc ds2;
59
            data test;
60
             dcl double date;
61
              method run();
62
                set work.one;
63
                mm = 2i
64
              end;
65
              enddata;
66
             run;
ERROR: Compilation error.
ERROR: Parse encountered type when expecting identifier.
ERROR: Parse failed on line 60: dcl double >>> date <<< ;
NOTE: PROC DS2 has set option NOEXEC and will continue to prepare stateme:
             quit;
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```

Which of the following changes will fix the errors shown in the log?

A. Replace line 60 with dcl double 'date';

B. Replace line 60 with dcl double "date";

C. Replace line 60 with dcl string date;

D. Replace line 60 with dcl double 'date'n;

correct_answer = "B"

Question 5

Which statement creates a temporary array within DS2?

```
A. vararray double a[2];
```

```
B. vararray double a(2);
```

```
C. array a(2) s1-s2;
```

```
D. dcl double a[2];
```

```
correct_answer = "D"
```

Question 6

The following SAS program is submitted:

```
proc ds2;
data work.sasorders;
  dcl timestamp order_timestamp;
  dcl double order_datetime;
  method run();
  set orders;
  order_timestamp = to_timestamp(order_datetime);
  end;
enddata;
run;
quit;
```

What happens when the program is executed?

A. -- The variable order_timestamp is created and processed as an ANSI timestamp value in the DS2 program.

-- The order_timestamp value is converted to a SAS datetime when it is written to the output SAS data set.

B. -- The variable order_timestamp is created and processed as an ANSI timestamp value in the DS2 program.

-- The output data set stores the values as a SAS timestamp value.

- C. -- The variable order_timestamp is converted to a SAS time value.-- The output data set stores this as the number of seconds since midnight.
- D. -- The program does not execute because order_datetime is a SAS datetime value.

correct_answer = "A"

Question 7

Which operator is NOT a diagnostic operator for testing a Pig program?

- A. DUMP
- B. ILLUSTRATE
- C. EXPLAIN
- D. SPLIT

```
correct_answer = "D"
```

Question 8

Web server logs are written in an HDFS directory. The following lines indicate the format and an example of the comma-separated values for one line in the log file.

IP address, timestamp, request, status, size
192.168.12.41,24/Nov/2015:10:09:58 -0500, "GET /services/config.xml HTTP/

Which CREATE TABLE statement enables a Hive query to access each of the fields?

- A. create external table weblogs (ip string, dt string, req string, status int, sz string) row format delimited fields terminated by ',' location '/data/weblogs';
- B. create external table weblogs (ip string, dt string, req string, status int, sz string) fields terminated by ',' location '/data/weblogs';
- C. create external table weblogs (ip string, rest string) row format delimited fields terminated by ',' location '/data/weblogs';
- D. create external table weblogs (ip string, dt string, req string, status int, sz string) fields delimited fields by ',' location '/data/weblogs';

correct_answer = "A"

Question 9

Many temporary tables may be created in the LASR server by PROC IMSTAT analysis actions. What happens to temporary tables when a PROC IMSTAT session is terminated?

- A. All temporary tables are saved to the SAS server WORK library.
- B. All temporary tables are purged from the LASR server.
- C. The last temporary table created is saved to the SAS WORK library.
- D. The last temporary table created is saved to storage in the HDFS.

```
correct_answer = "B"
```

Question 10

This question will ask you to provide a line of missing code.

Which line of code would you insert to get the mean and standard deviation of INCOME and AGE, calculated separately for GENDER variable values F (female) and M (male)?

```
proc imstat;
  table mylasr.bankdata(tag="&TagString");
  <insert code here>
run;
A. summary income age / groupby=gender;
B. crosstab income*gender age*gender;
C. summary income age / by=gender;
D. univariate income age / by=gender;
correct_answer="A"
```