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Introduction

By default, SAS creates new files by using the native representation of the CPU that runs SAS. For example, when using a PC, a file is created that has ASCII characters and byte-swapped integers. The new options `OUTREP=` and `TRANTAB=` have been created to give you complete flexibility when using CEDA. These options are both data set and `LIBNAME` options and can be used together or individually. As data set options, they apply to an individual open; as `LIBNAME` options, they provide defaults for the entire library.

For more information about the `LIBNAME` syntax, see Chapter 10, “Syntax for Remote Library Services (RLS),” on page 77.

The `OUTREP=` Option

The `OUTREP=` option allows you to create new files in a foreign host format and is used on `OUTPUT` opens. This is useful when the readers of a file are using a different CPU than the creator of the file.

For a list of supported values, see `OUTREP=` option under “`LIBNAME` Syntax” on page 78.

The `TRANTAB=` Option

The `TRANTAB=` option allows you to provide a translation table that is used for character conversion. SAS searches for translation tables in `SASUSER.PROFILE.CATALOG` and in `SASHELP.BASE.CATALOG`.

For more information, see *SAS Language Reference: Dictionary*.

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