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## Description

`pkshape` reshapes data for use with `anova`, `pkcross`, and `pkequiv`; see [\[R\] anova](#), [\[R\] pkcross](#), and [\[R\] pkequiv](#). Latin-square and crossover data are often organized in a manner that cannot be analyzed easily with Stata. `pkshape` reorganizes the data in memory for use in Stata.

`pkshape` is one of the `pk` commands. Please read [\[R\] pk](#) before reading this entry.

## Quick start

Reshape data when string sequence variable `seq = TR` or `RT` for patients identified by `idvar` observed at `tvar1` and `tvar2`

```
pkshape idvar seq tvar1 tvar2
```

Same as above, but with numeric `seq = 1` indicating `TR` and `seq = 2` indicating `RT`

```
pkshape idvar seq tvar1 tvar2, order(TR RT)
```

Indicate that period 2 is a washout and the second treatment is administered in period 3

```
pkshape idvar seq tvar1 tvar2 tvar3, order(TOR ROT)
```

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## Syntax

```
pkshape id sequence period1 period2 [periodlist] [, options]
```

Variable *id* specifies unique subject identifiers. Variable *sequence* specifies the sequence (numeric or string) in which treatments were received. Variables *period1*, *period2*, and so on specify the pharmacokinetic measurements such as AUC in the corresponding periods.

<i>options</i>	Description
<code>order(<i>string</i>)</code>	apply treatments in specified order; required with numeric <i>sequence</i>
<code>outcome(<i>newvar</i>)</code>	name for outcome variable; default is <code>outcome(outcome)</code>
<code>treatment(<i>newvar</i>)</code>	name for treatment variable; default is <code>treatment(treat)</code>
<code>carryover(<i>newvar</i>)</code>	name for carryover variable; default is <code>carryover(carry)</code>
<code>sequence(<i>newvar</i>)</code>	name for sequence variable; default is <code>sequence(sequence)</code>
<code>period(<i>newvar</i>)</code>	name for period variable; default is <code>period(period)</code>

## Options

`order(string)` specifies the order in which treatments were applied when generating the sequence, treatment, and carryover variables in the reorganized data. This option is required if the input sequence variable, *sequence*, is numeric. It is not allowed if *sequence* is a string variable. For crossover designs, any washout periods can be indicated with the number 0.

`outcome(newvar)` specifies the name for the outcome variable in the reorganized data. By default, `outcome(outcome)` is used.

`treatment(newvar)` specifies the name for the treatment variable in the reorganized data. By default, `treatment(treat)` is used.

`carryover(newvar)` specifies the name for the carryover variable in the reorganized data. By default, `carryover(carry)` is used.

`sequence(newvar)` specifies the name for the sequence variable in the reorganized data. By default, `sequence(sequence)` is used.

`period(newvar)` specifies the name for the period variable in the reorganized data. By default, `period(period)` is used.

## Remarks and examples

[stata.com](http://www.stata.com)

Often, data from a Latin-square experiment are naturally organized in a manner that Stata cannot manage easily. `pkshape` reorganizes Latin-square data so that they can be used with `anova` (see [\[R\] anova](#)) or any `pk` command. This includes the classic  $2 \times 2$  crossover design commonly used in pharmaceutical research, as well as many other Latin-square designs. When using `pkshape`, newly created variables will automatically be labeled and system value labels will be created. The value label `_treat1b1` will be attached to the treatment and carryover variables, to indicate which treatment is applied in a given period and which treatment is being carried over from the previous period. The value label `_seq1b1` will be attached to the sequence variable, indicating the sequence of treatments.

`pkshape` expects the data to be organized in the same format as that produced by [\[R\] pkcollapse](#)—with variables representing time periods of the study.

## ▷ Example 1

Consider the example data published in [Chow and Liu \(2009, 71\)](#). There are 24 patients, 12 in each sequence. Sequence 1 is the reference formulation followed by the test formulation; sequence 2 is the test formulation followed by the reference formulation. The measurements reported are the  $AUC_{0,t_{max}}$  for each patient and for each period.

```
. use https://www.stata-press.com/data/r18/chowliu
. list, sep(4)
```

	id	seq	period1	period2
1.	1	1	74.675	73.675
2.	4	1	96.4	93.25
3.	5	1	101.95	102.125
4.	6	1	79.05	69.45
5.	11	1	79.05	69.025
6.	12	1	85.95	68.7
7.	15	1	69.725	59.425
8.	16	1	86.275	76.125
9.	19	1	112.675	114.875
10.	20	1	99.525	116.25
11.	23	1	89.425	64.175
12.	24	1	55.175	74.575
13.	2	2	74.825	37.35
14.	3	2	86.875	51.925
15.	7	2	81.675	72.175
16.	8	2	92.7	77.5
17.	9	2	50.45	71.875
18.	10	2	66.125	94.025
19.	13	2	122.45	124.975
20.	14	2	99.075	85.225
21.	17	2	86.35	95.925
22.	18	2	49.925	67.1
23.	21	2	42.7	59.425
24.	22	2	91.725	114.05

Because the outcome for one person is in two different variables, the treatment that was applied to an individual is a function of the period and the sequence. To analyze this treatment using `anova`, all the outcomes must be in one variable, and each covariate must be in its own variable. To reorganize these data, use `pkshape`:

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```
. pkshape id seq period1 period2, order(RT TR)
. sort seq id period
. list, sep(8)
```

	id	sequence	outcome	treat	carry	period
1.	1	RT	74.675	R	0	1
2.	1	RT	73.675	T	R	2
3.	4	RT	96.4	R	0	1
4.	4	RT	93.25	T	R	2
5.	5	RT	101.95	R	0	1
6.	5	RT	102.125	T	R	2
7.	6	RT	79.05	R	0	1
8.	6	RT	69.45	T	R	2
9.	11	RT	79.05	R	0	1
10.	11	RT	69.025	T	R	2
11.	12	RT	85.95	R	0	1
12.	12	RT	68.7	T	R	2
13.	15	RT	69.725	R	0	1
14.	15	RT	59.425	T	R	2
15.	16	RT	86.275	R	0	1
16.	16	RT	76.125	T	R	2
17.	19	RT	112.675	R	0	1
18.	19	RT	114.875	T	R	2
19.	20	RT	99.525	R	0	1
20.	20	RT	116.25	T	R	2
21.	23	RT	89.425	R	0	1
22.	23	RT	64.175	T	R	2
23.	24	RT	55.175	R	0	1
24.	24	RT	74.575	T	R	2
25.	2	TR	74.825	T	0	1
26.	2	TR	37.35	R	T	2
27.	3	TR	86.875	T	0	1
28.	3	TR	51.925	R	T	2
29.	7	TR	81.675	T	0	1
30.	7	TR	72.175	R	T	2
31.	8	TR	92.7	T	0	1
32.	8	TR	77.5	R	T	2
33.	9	TR	50.45	T	0	1
34.	9	TR	71.875	R	T	2
35.	10	TR	66.125	T	0	1
36.	10	TR	94.025	R	T	2
37.	13	TR	122.45	T	0	1
38.	13	TR	124.975	R	T	2
39.	14	TR	99.075	T	0	1
40.	14	TR	85.225	R	T	2
41.	17	TR	86.35	T	0	1
42.	17	TR	95.925	R	T	2
43.	18	TR	49.925	T	0	1
44.	18	TR	67.1	R	T	2
45.	21	TR	42.7	T	0	1
46.	21	TR	59.425	R	T	2
47.	22	TR	91.725	T	0	1
48.	22	TR	114.05	R	T	2

Now, the data are organized into separate variables that indicate each factor level for each of the covariates, so the data may be used with `anova` or `pkcross`; see [R] [anova](#) and [R] [pkcross](#).

Initially, the output from `list` displayed sequence values 1 and 2, but now we see sequences RT and TR listed for the individuals. `pkshape` used the information we provided in the `order()` option to assign value labels to the numeric variables `sequence`, `treat`, and `carry`. Because we did not specify any new variable names, the default names were used.

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## ▶ Example 2

Consider the study of background music on bank teller productivity published in [Kutner et al. \(2005\)](#). The data are

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	18(D)	17(C)	14(A)	21(B)	17(E)
2	13(C)	34(B)	21(E)	16(A)	15(D)
3	7(A)	29(D)	32(B)	27(E)	13(C)
4	17(E)	13(A)	24(C)	31(D)	25(B)
5	21(B)	26(E)	26(D)	31(C)	7(A)

The numbers are the productivity scores, and the letters represent the treatment. We entered the data into Stata:

```
. use https://www.stata-press.com/data/r18/music, clear
  (Background music and teller productivity)
. list
```

	id	seq	day1	day2	day3	day4	day5
1.	1	dcabe	18	17	14	21	17
2.	2	cbead	13	34	21	16	15
3.	3	adbec	7	29	32	27	13
4.	4	eacdb	17	13	24	31	25
5.	5	bedca	21	26	26	31	7

We reshape these data with `pkshape`:

```
. pkshape id seq day1 day2 day3 day4 day5
. sort id period
. list, sep(0)
```

	id	sequence	outcome	treat	carry	period
1.	1	dcabe	18	d	0	1
2.	1	dcabe	17	c	d	2
3.	1	dcabe	14	a	c	3
4.	1	dcabe	21	b	a	4
5.	1	dcabe	17	e	b	5
6.	2	cbead	13	c	0	1
7.	2	cbead	34	b	c	2
8.	2	cbead	21	e	b	3
9.	2	cbead	16	a	e	4
10.	2	cbead	15	d	a	5
11.	3	adbec	7	a	0	1
12.	3	adbec	29	d	a	2
13.	3	adbec	32	b	d	3
14.	3	adbec	27	e	b	4
15.	3	adbec	13	c	e	5
16.	4	eaedb	17	e	0	1
17.	4	eaedb	13	a	e	2
18.	4	eaedb	24	c	a	3
19.	4	eaedb	31	d	c	4
20.	4	eaedb	25	b	d	5
21.	5	bedca	21	b	0	1
22.	5	bedca	26	e	b	2
23.	5	bedca	26	d	e	3
24.	5	bedca	31	c	d	4
25.	5	bedca	7	a	c	5

Here the `sequence` variable is a string variable that specifies how the treatments were applied. The characters in this string variable are used to assign value labels to the newly created `sequence`, `treat`, and `carry` variables. We could now produce an ANOVA table:

```
. anova outcome sequence period treat
```

	Number of obs =	25	R-squared =	0.8666	
	Root MSE =	3.96232	Adj R-squared =	0.7331	
Source	Partial SS	df	MS	F	Prob>F
Model	1223.6	12	101.96667	6.49	0.0014
sequence	82	4	20.5	1.31	0.3226
period	477.2	4	119.3	7.60	0.0027
treat	664.4	4	166.1	10.58	0.0007
Residual	188.4	12	15.7		
Total	1412	24	58.833333		

## ▷ Example 3

Consider the Latin-square crossover example published in [Kutner et al. \(2005\)](#). The example is about apple sales given different methods for displaying apples.

Pattern	Store	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
1	1	9(B)	12(C)	15(A)
	2	4(B)	12(C)	9(A)
2	1	12(A)	14(B)	3(C)
	2	13(A)	14(B)	3(C)
3	1	7(C)	18(A)	6(B)
	2	5(C)	20(A)	4(B)

We entered the data into Stata:

```
. use https://www.stata-press.com/data/r18/applesales, clear
(Display impact on apple sales)
. list, sep(2)
```

	id	seq	p1	p2	p3	square
1.	1	1	9	12	15	1
2.	2	1	4	12	9	2
3.	3	2	12	14	3	1
4.	4	2	13	14	3	2
5.	5	3	7	18	6	1
6.	6	3	5	20	4	2

Now, the data can be reorganized using descriptive names for the outcome variables.

```
. pkshape id seq p1 p2 p3, order(bca abc cab) seq(pattern) treat(displays)
. anova outcome pattern period displays id|pattern
```

	Number of obs =	18	R-squared =	0.9562	
	Root MSE =	1.59426	Adj R-squared =	0.9069	
Source	Partial SS	df	MS	F	Prob>F
Model	443.66667	9	49.296296	19.40	0.0002
pattern	.33333333	2	.16666667	0.07	0.9370
period	233.333333	2	116.66667	45.90	0.0000
displays	189	2	94.5	37.18	0.0001
id pattern	21	3	7	2.75	0.1120
Residual	20.3333333	8	2.5416667		
Total	464	17	27.294118		

These are the same results reported by [Kutner et al. \(2005\)](#).

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## Also see

[R] [pk](#) — Pharmacokinetic (biopharmaceutical) data

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