

Boston-Buoy-Data-Analysis

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Download Data

Download Historical data from NOAA National Data Buoy Center. Read data of NDBC Station 44013, years from 1987 to 2019.

Because these txt files have different column names, the initial data is separated into 5 data frames. Take 1987 - 1998 as example. Their original column names are:

```
colnames(merge.data1)
```

```
## [1] "YY" "MM" "DD" "hh" "WD" "WSPD" "GST" "WVHT" "DPD" "APD"
## [11] "MWD" "BAR" "ATMP" "WTMP" "DEWP" "VIS"
```

Combine its date variables into DATE, and time variables into TIME, Add an new variable as MONTH for future group.

```
colnames(merge.data1)
```

```
## [1] "DATE" "MONTH" "TIME" "WD" "WSPD" "GST" "WVHT" "DPD" "APD"
## [10] "MWD" "BAR" "ATMP" "WTMP" "DEWP" "VIS"
```

Do the same with the next 4 data frames.

Combine data frames.

After change the date and time variables, we can combine 5 data frames into 3. Print the column names to find the difference.

```
## [1] "DATE" "MONTH" "TIME" "WD" "WSPD" "GST" "WVHT" "DPD" "APD"
## [10] "MWD" "BAR" "ATMP" "WTMP" "DEWP" "VIS"
```

```
## [1] "DATE" "MONTH" "TIME" "WD" "WSPD" "GST" "WVHT" "DPD" "APD"
## [10] "MWD" "BAR" "ATMP" "WTMP" "DEWP" "VIS" "TIDE"
```

```
## [1] "DATE" "MONTH" "TIME" "WDIR" "WSPD" "GST" "WVHT" "DPD" "APD"
## [10] "MWD" "PRES" "ATMP" "WTMP" "DEWP" "VIS" "TIDE"
```

From the definition on NOAA National Data Buoy Center Website, we find the "BAR" is the historic name of "PRES". Change the column name for data before 2007.

```
names(data_87_99)[names(data_87_99)=="BAR"]="PRES"
names(data_00_06)[names(data_00_06)=="BAR"]="PRES"
```

Add NA for TIDE, WDIR and WD to the data frame as a missing value to make their names as each other. Then combine the data frames into one.

```
data_87_19 <- rbind(data_87_99, data_00_06, data_07_19)
```

Convert the data from character into numeric.

```
str(data_87_19)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 276411 obs. of 17 variables:
## $ DATE : Date, format: "1987-01-01" "1987-01-01" ...
## $ MONTH: Date, format: "1987-01-01" "1987-01-01" ...
## $ TIME : num 0 3600 7200 10800 14400 18000 21600 25200 28800 32400 ...
## $ WD : num 290 290 290 300 290 340 10 10 20 20 ...
## $ WDIR : num NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA ...
## $ WSPD : num 8 7 6 6 5 6 5 4 7 5 ...
## $ GST : num 10 8 8 7 6 7 6 6 8 6 ...
## $ WVHT : num 2.7 2.4 2.5 2.6 2.7 2.4 2.4 2.6 2.5 2.5 ...
## $ DPD : num 11.1 10 11.1 11.1 12.5 14.3 12.5 12.5 12.5 12.5 ...
## $ APD : num 8.6 8 8.3 8.6 8.7 8.4 8.8 9.5 9.2 9.1 ...
## $ MWD : num 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 ...
## $ PRES : num 1024 1024 1024 1024 1025 ...
## $ ATMP : num 2.8 2 1.6 1.3 1 0.7 0.7 0.5 0.4 0.4 ...
## $ WTMP : num 5.9 5.9 5.9 6 5.9 5.9 5.9 5.9 5.9 5.9 ...
## $ DEWP : num 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 999 ...
## $ VIS : num 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 ...
## $ TIDE : chr NA NA NA NA ...
```

There are some data like "9999", "999", "99", which seems impossible value. They are actually missing value. Replace them with NA.

```
summary(data_87_19, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```

##      DATE      MONTH      TIME      WD
## Min.   :1987-01-01 Min.   :1987-01-01 Min.   :    0 Min.   :  0.0
## 1st Qu.:1995-03-23 1st Qu.:1995-04-01 1st Qu.:21000 1st Qu.:136.0
## Median :2003-06-28 Median :2003-07-01 Median :42600 Median :224.0
## Mean   :2003-07-08 Mean   :2003-07-08 Mean   :42451 Mean   :270.4
## 3rd Qu.:2011-07-04 3rd Qu.:2011-07-01 3rd Qu.:64200 3rd Qu.:299.0
## Max.   :2019-12-31 Max.   :2020-01-01 Max.   :85800 Max.   :999.0
##                                     NA's   :107545
##      WDIR      WSPD      GST      WVHT
## Min.   :  1.0 Min.   : 0.000 Min.   : 0.00 Min.   : 0.000
## 1st Qu.:125.0 1st Qu.: 3.700 1st Qu.: 4.40 1st Qu.: 0.400
## Median :204.0 Median : 5.700 Median : 6.80 Median : 0.660
## Mean   :197.7 Mean   : 9.788 Mean   :11.14 Mean   : 2.095
## 3rd Qu.:281.0 3rd Qu.: 8.600 3rd Qu.:10.40 3rd Qu.: 1.090
## Max.   :999.0 Max.   :99.000 Max.   :99.00 Max.   :99.000
## NA's   :168866
##      DPD      APD      MWD      PRES
## Min.   : 0.000 Min.   : 0.000 Min.   :  0.0 Min.   : 964.6
## 1st Qu.: 4.550 1st Qu.: 3.900 1st Qu.:122.0 1st Qu.:1010.2
## Median : 7.690 Median : 4.800 Median :999.0 Median :1015.7
## Mean   : 9.473 Mean   : 6.186 Mean   :700.9 Mean   :1051.8
## 3rd Qu.:10.000 3rd Qu.: 5.960 3rd Qu.:999.0 3rd Qu.:1021.2
## Max.   :99.000 Max.   :99.000 Max.   :999.0 Max.   :9999.0
##
##      ATMP      WTMP      DEWP      VIS
## Min.   : -19.70 Min.   : -1.80 Min.   : -24.9 Min.   :  0.00
## 1st Qu.:  3.60 1st Qu.:  5.30 1st Qu.:  6.7 1st Qu.:99.00
## Median :  9.70 Median :10.30 Median :20.6 Median :99.00
## Mean   :13.87 Mean   :54.43 Mean  :491.7 Mean  :92.98
## 3rd Qu.:16.70 3rd Qu.:16.50 3rd Qu.:999.0 3rd Qu.:99.00
## Max.   :999.00 Max.   :999.00 Max.   :999.0 Max.   :99.00
##
##      TIDE
## Length:276411
## Class :character
## Mode  :character
##
##
##
##

```

```
summary(data_87_19, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
##      DATE      MONTH      TIME      WD
## Min.   :1987-01-01 Min.   :1987-01-01 Min.   :    0 Min.   :  0.0
## 1st Qu.:1995-03-23 1st Qu.:1995-04-01 1st Qu.:21000 1st Qu.:127.0
## Median :2003-06-28 Median :2003-07-01 Median :42600 Median :211.0
## Mean   :2003-07-08 Mean   :2003-07-08 Mean   :42451 Mean   :197.8
## 3rd Qu.:2011-07-04 3rd Qu.:2011-07-01 3rd Qu.:64200 3rd Qu.:280.0
## Max.   :2019-12-31 Max.   :2020-01-01 Max.   :85800 Max.   :360.0
##                                     NA's   :122835
##      WDIR      WSPD      GST      WVHT
## Min.   :  1.0 Min.   : 0.000 Min.   : 0.0 Min.   :0.000
## 1st Qu.:124.0 1st Qu.: 3.600 1st Qu.: 4.3 1st Qu.:0.400
## Median :203.0 Median : 5.500 Median : 6.6 Median :0.650
## Mean   :195.8 Mean   : 6.079 Mean   : 7.4 Mean   :0.864
## 3rd Qu.:281.0 3rd Qu.: 8.100 3rd Qu.: 9.8 3rd Qu.:1.060
## Max.   :360.0 Max.   :25.700 Max.   :32.4 Max.   :9.100
## NA's   :169114 NA's   :11033 NA's   :11295 NA's   :3467
##      DPD      APD      MWD      PRES
## Min.   : 0.000 Min.   : 0.000 Min.   :  0.0 Min.   : 964.6
## 1st Qu.: 4.550 1st Qu.: 3.900 1st Qu.: 78.0 1st Qu.:1010.2
## Median : 7.690 Median : 4.780 Median : 94.0 Median :1015.7
## Mean   : 7.378 Mean   : 5.007 Mean   :124.3 Mean   :1015.5
## 3rd Qu.:10.000 3rd Qu.: 5.900 3rd Qu.:129.0 3rd Qu.:1021.1
## Max.   :25.000 Max.   :12.100 Max.   :360.0 Max.   :1045.8
## NA's   :6319 NA's   :3467 NA's   :182225 NA's   :1117
##      ATMP      WTMP      DEWP      VIS
## Min.   : -19.700 Min.   : -1.80 Min.   : -24.90 Min.   :  0.00
## 1st Qu.:  3.600 1st Qu.:  5.10 1st Qu.:  -0.50 1st Qu.:  8.10
## Median :  9.700 Median :  9.80 Median :   7.00 Median :  9.40
## Mean   :  9.671 Mean   :10.49 Mean   :   6.28 Mean   :12.48
## 3rd Qu.:16.700 3rd Qu.:15.70 3rd Qu.:14.50 3rd Qu.:11.60
## Max.   :32.100 Max.   :27.80 Max.   :26.10 Max.   :36.00
## NA's   :1172 NA's   :12288 NA's   :135148 NA's   :257172
##      TIDE
## Length:276411
## Class :character
## Mode  :character
##
##
##
##
```

Save data as BuoyData.Rdata

```
save(data_87_19, file='BuoyData.Rdata')
```

Data Select

According to the summary, there are over 10,000 NAs in variables “WD”, “WDIR”, “MWD”, “VIS”, “TIDE” and “DEWP”, so we select other variables from the data frame.

Remove rows with NA, group the data by day(month), calculate the mean value of variables by day(month).

```
tmpdata <- na.omit(tmpdata)
planes3 <- group_by(tmpdata, DATE)
delay3 <- summarise(planes3, WSPD = mean(WSPD, na.rm = TRUE),
                    GST = mean(GST, na.rm = TRUE),
                    WVHT = mean(WVHT, na.rm = TRUE),
                    DPD = mean(DPD, na.rm = TRUE),
                    APD = mean(APD, na.rm = TRUE),
                    PRES = mean(PRES, na.rm = TRUE),
                    ATMP = mean(ATMP, na.rm = TRUE),
                    WTMP = mean(WTMP, na.rm = TRUE))
```

```
## `summarise()` ungrouping output (override with `.groups` argument)
```

Delay3 is the data frame grouped by day.

```
head(delay3, n=3)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 9
##   DATE          WSPD   GST WVHT   DPD   APD  PRES  ATMP  WTMP
##   <date>      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 1987-01-01     4   5.25  2.08 11.9   8.44 1025.   1.7   5.89
## 2 1987-01-02  11.7 14.6   2.76  9.46  6.87 1005.   3.06  5.84
## 3 1987-01-03  10.0 12.3   1.92 10.4   6.08  999.  -1.12  5.72
```

```
planes4 <- group_by(tmpdata, MONTH)
delay4 <- summarise(planes4, WSPD = mean(WSPD, na.rm = TRUE),
                    GST = mean(GST, na.rm = TRUE),
                    WVHT = mean(WVHT, na.rm = TRUE),
                    DPD = mean(DPD, na.rm = TRUE),
                    APD = mean(APD, na.rm = TRUE),
                    PRES = mean(PRES, na.rm = TRUE),
                    ATMP = mean(ATMP, na.rm = TRUE),
                    WTMP = mean(WTMP, na.rm = TRUE))
```

```
## `summarise()` ungrouping output (override with `.groups` argument)
```

Delay4 is the data frame grouped by month.

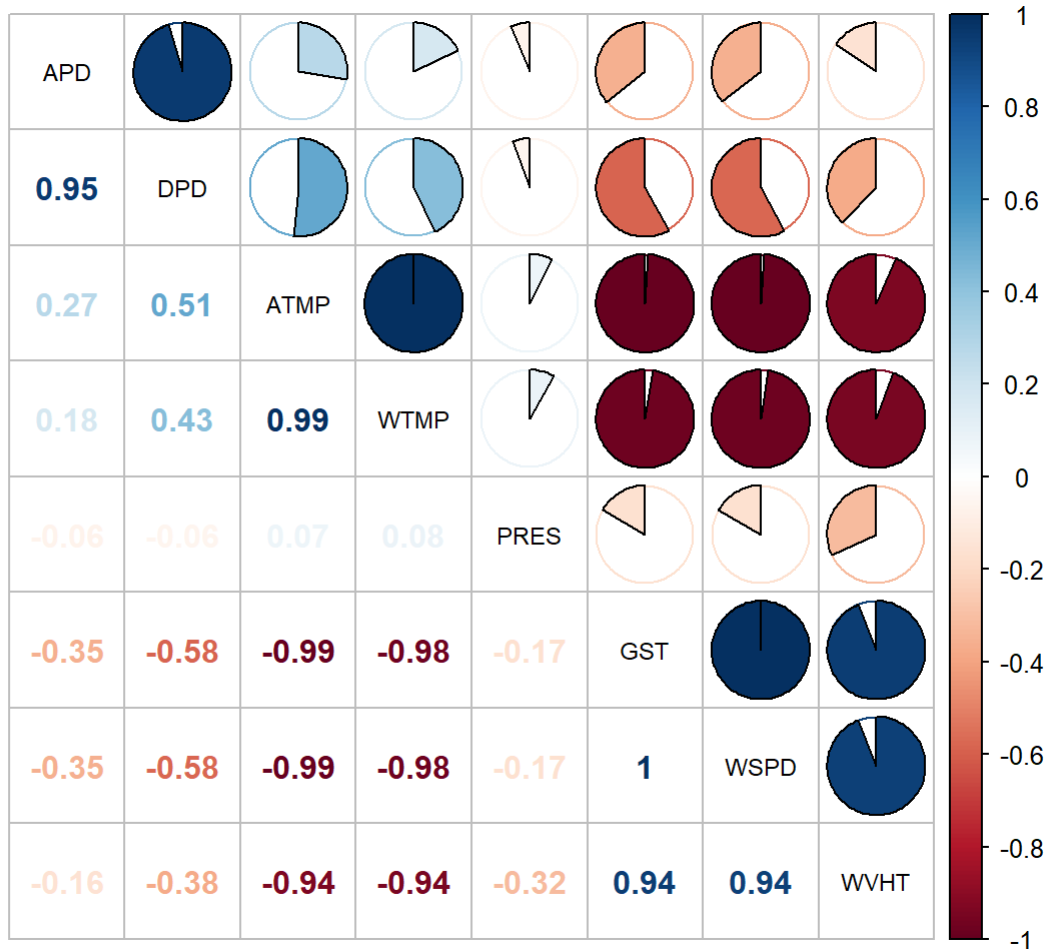
```
head(delay4, n=3)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 9
##   MONTH          WSPD   GST WVHT   DPD   APD  PRES  ATMP  WTMP
##   <date>      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 1987-01-01   7.48  9.24 0.890  6.07  4.50 1010.   1.75   5.33
## 2 1987-02-01   7.41  9.31 1.11   7.71  5.36 1011.  -2.23   3.69
## 3 1987-03-01   6.19  7.67 0.907  6.68  4.94 1019.  -0.480  2.40
```

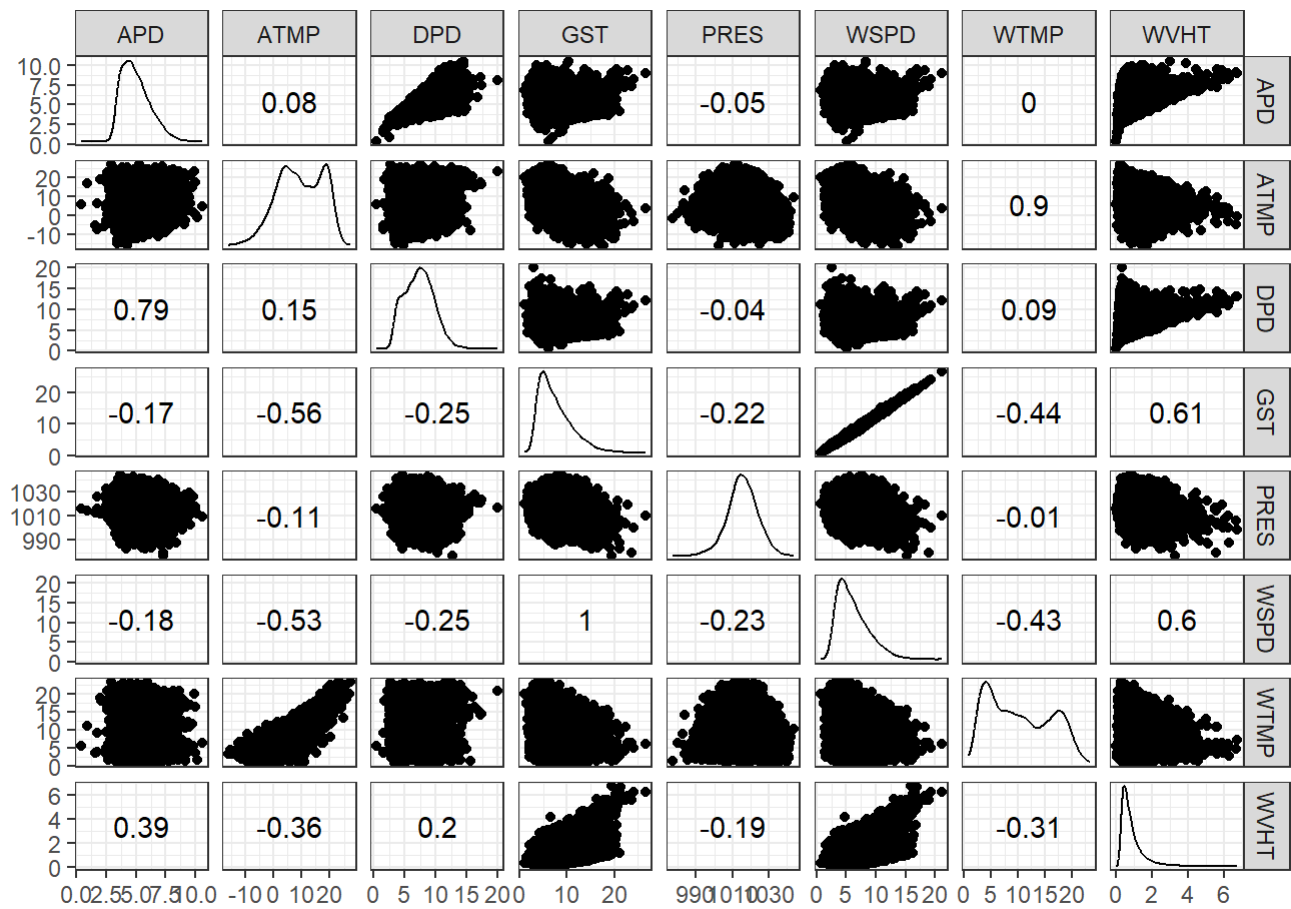
Correlation between different variables

We make plot correlation between these variables.

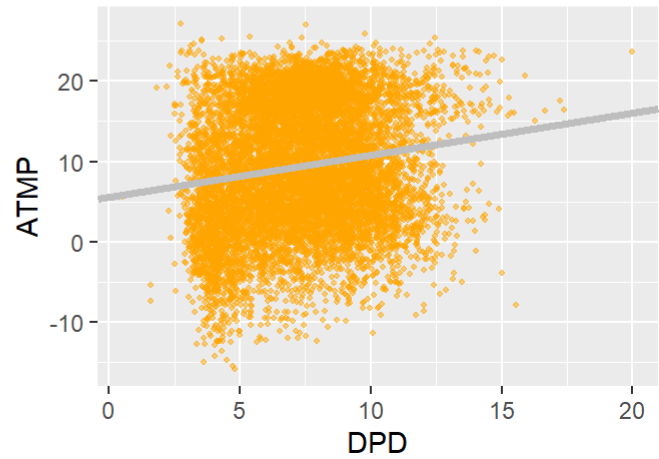
```
corrplot(corr = res_cor, order = "AOE", type="upper", method="pie", tl.pos = "d", tl.cex = 0.75, tl.col = "black")
corrplot(corr = res_cor, add=TRUE, type="lower", method="number", order="AOE", diag=FALSE, tl.pos="n", cl.pos="n")
```



Plot variables in matrix, we can find ATMP have high correlation with WSPD, GST, WVHT and DPD.



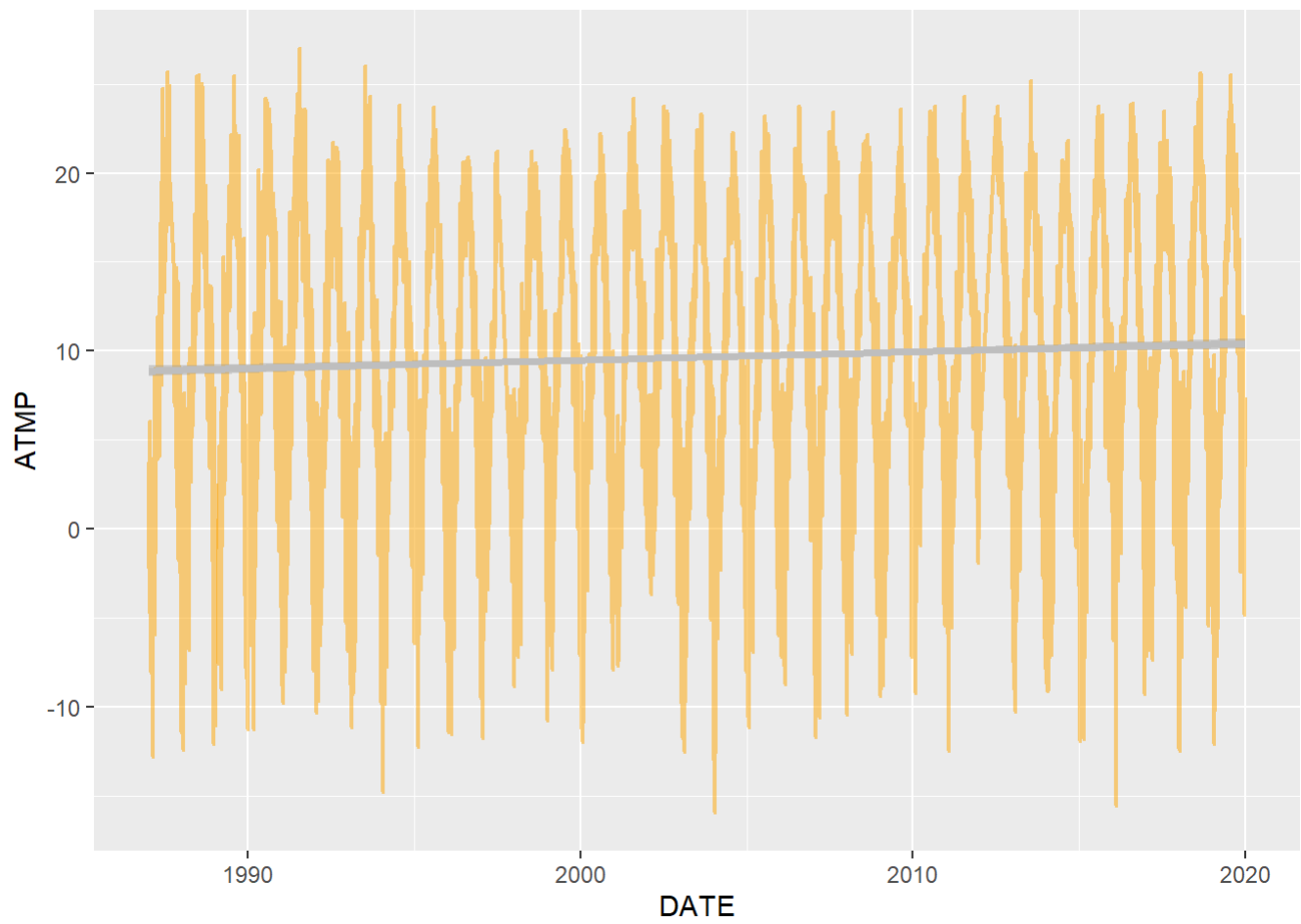
Plot the relationship between ATMP and WSPD, GST, WVHT and DPD with ggplot.



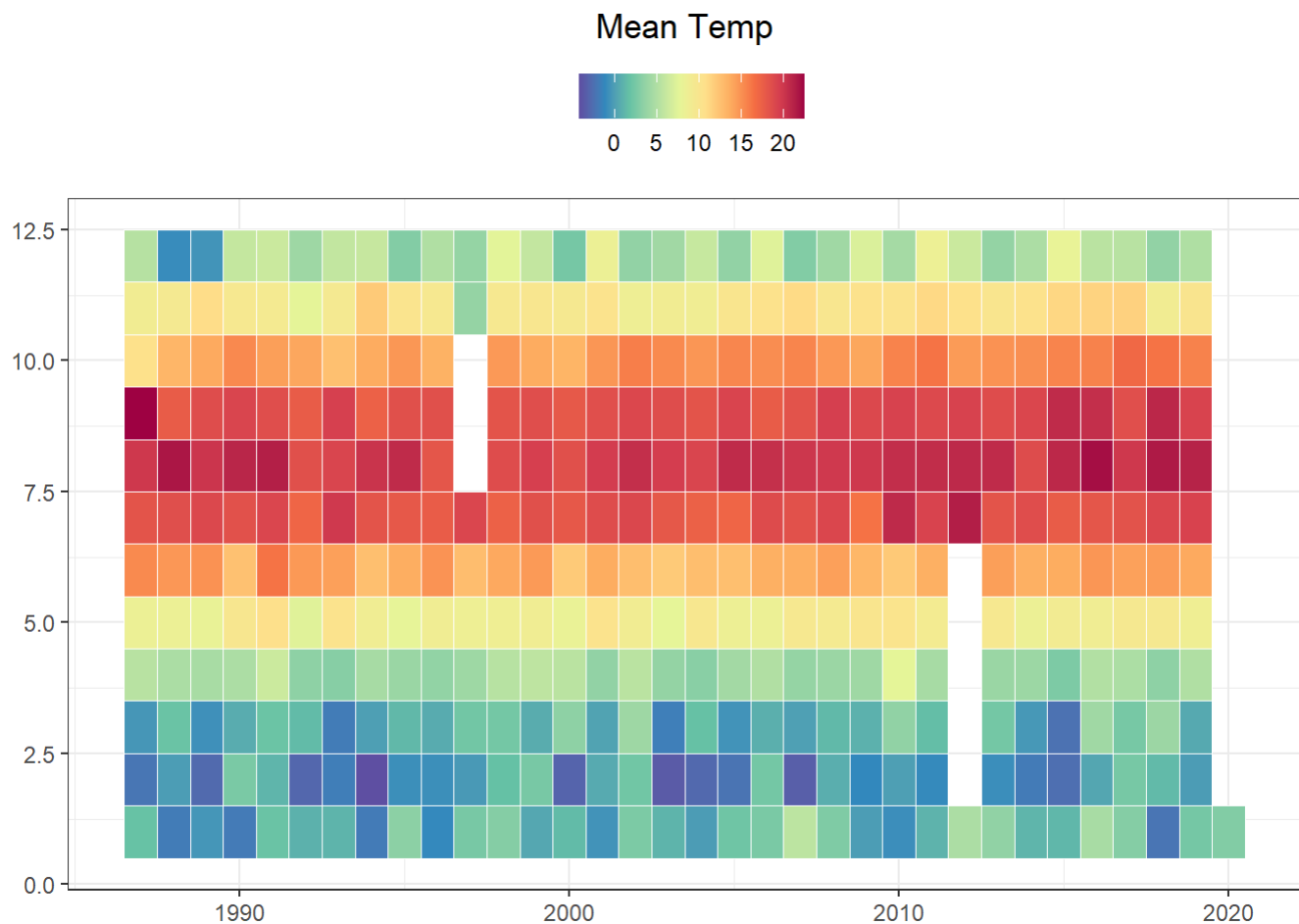
Time and Temperature

Plot the Date and Temperature, add smooth line to show the trends.

```
## Warning: Removed 1 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
```

Plot a heatmap to show the trends of temperature with DATE.



Do regression of Temperature of DATE:

```
fit_date<-lm(data=delay3, ATMP~DATE)
summary(fit_date)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ATMP ~ DATE, data = delay3)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -25.942  -5.951  -0.201   7.068  18.721
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  6.389e+00  2.883e-01  22.16  <2e-16 ***
## DATE         2.402e-04  2.219e-05  10.82  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 7.829 on 10657 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.01087,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.01078
## F-statistic: 117.2 on 1 and 10657 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
coef(fit_date)
```

```
##      (Intercept)          DATE  
## 6.3887626487 0.0002401496
```

We can see the slope is small, but the p-value shows this coefficient is significantly different from zero!

Conclusion

The temperature is raising by time!

It can be seen from the figure and the slope coefficient that although the daily temperature increase is tiny, after 30 years of continuous accumulation, the global average temperature has risen by over 2 degrees, which means that the global temperature will rise by nearly 7 degrees within a century. This is a significant increment.