

Exercise 6

A more complicated Spark problem including joins and some simple stats

Prior Knowledge

Unix Command Line Shell
Simple Python
Spark Python
Simple SQL syntax

Learning Objectives

Pulling together your skills from previous exercises
Geospatial indexing
Statistical correlation

Software Requirements

(see separate document for installation of these)

- Apache Spark 2.0.0
- Python 2.7.12
- Jupyter Notebooks

Overall plan – Dealing with Incident data from San Francisco Police Department

1. Make a new directory and get the data files:

```
mkdir ~/join
cd join
mkdir incidents
cd incidents
wget https://freo.me/sfpdincidents -O sfpd.csv.gz
cd ..
mkdir weather
cd weather
wget https://freo.me/bigwd2014 -O wd2014.zip
unzip wd2014.zip
rm wd2014.zip
cd ..
```

2. The file join/incidents/sfpd.csv.gz contains every SFPD police incident since 2003, dated, located and categorized.
3. Our aim is to take the SF Wind and Temperature data from 2014 and correlate it with the police reports. To do that, we are going to first identify the nearest weather station to each incident.
4. Once we have done that, we can identify how many incidents happened per hour per day by nearest weather station, and then we can also join

that with the average temperature and wind speed for those periods.

5. If all that succeeds we can attempt to use a statistical correlation between the number of incidents and the associated weather to see if there is a correlation.

PART A – Processing the wind data

You can reference it locally within Spark using:

```
df = spark.read.csv('local:/home/big/join/weather/*.csv', header = True)
```

Hint: if you want to easily parse text into datetime objects in Python:

```
from dateutil.parser import parse
from datetime import datetime

dt = parse(datestring) # returns datetime.datetime
```

In our case we want to produce the date and the hour. The following function takes the date given by the CSV and turns it into a tuple of (String, int) where String is the date e.g. "2014-01-01" and int is the hour from 0-23

```
def date_and_hour(s):
    dt = parse(s.replace('?', ' '))
    hour = dt.hour
    return (dt.strftime("%Y-%m-%d"), hour)
```

In order to do our analysis, we need to calculate the average wind speed and temperature for each 1 hour period, per station.

Another problem we have is bad data. Some records have all the numbers as 0.0, which I take to be a bad sign.

I recommend filtering data out where the wind speed and temperature are 0.0, and also where there are missing values.

There are lots of options, all of which have merit. My approach is to create a key of a tuple (Station, date, hour) where hour in {0-23}. The values of this RDD are (avg vel, avg temp). See where you get!

If you get stuck, there is a sample program for Part A here:

<https://freo.me/big-join-part-a>

Note the file locations and headers in that sample code may be slightly different.

PART B – Locating the incident data.

Each incident has a geo-location (Lat, Long). Our aim is to create an RDD with the same key as the first step, but with value “count of incidents”. In order to do this, we need to associate the incidents to their nearest weather station.

Luckily there is a Python library (actually many!) that supports this. To install this library, on the Ubuntu terminal command line, type:

```
sudo pip install scipy
```

*HINT: If you need to use numpy, scipy or other Python tools on **Spark EC2** instead of locally, then you need to install them on all instances (i.e. the slaves as well), not just the master. There is a blog about it here:*

<https://datarus.wordpress.com/2014/08/24/how-to-install-python-and-non-python-packages-on-the-slave-nodes-in-spark/>

You will see a lot of build log go by, including a number of warnings. Don't worry!

scipy.spatial includes an algorithm KDTree (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-d_tree) that will find the nearest point from a set to another point.

If you can create an RDD with the following entry format:

(date, hour, [Y,X])

then the following snippet will remap that into:

(date, hour, location)

where location is e.g. SF04.

For example this will remap:

(“2014-01-01”, 09, [37.4834543, -122.3187302])

to

(“2014-01-01”, 09, “SF17”)

Snippet: <http://freo.me/oxclo-locate>

I recommend that you filter out only 2014 dates before you apply the location test.

From there it is a simple task to remap this data into:

((date, hour, location), 1)

and then count using reduceByKey.

If you get stuck, there is some code here: <https://freo.me/big-wind-join-b>

PART C – Joining the data and looking for correlations.

Finally we need to join this data. Spark has a helpful capability. If you have two RDDs with the same keys then you can join them. So if you have

(k,v) and (k,w) then you will get $(k,(v,w))$

Finally once you have joined the data you can try some statistics. Spark has a built in test for correlation using either the Pearson or Spearman correlation statistics.

The following code snippet will create a correlation matrix looking for correlation between the incidents and the temperature and wind speed:

```
# assume we have the wind averaged in RDD windaveraged
# and the incident counts in incidentsreduced
# and the keys for both are the same format

joined = windaveraged.join(incidentsreduced)

from pyspark.mllib.linalg import Vectors
from pyspark.mllib.stat import Statistics

#remap the data into a Vector of [t, w, i]
vecs = joined.map(lambda ((s,d,h),((t,w),i)):
    Vectors.dense([t,w,i]))
print(Statistics.corr(vecs))
```

Is there any correlation?

Congratulations! You have completed this lab.