Preparing Flight Delay Data

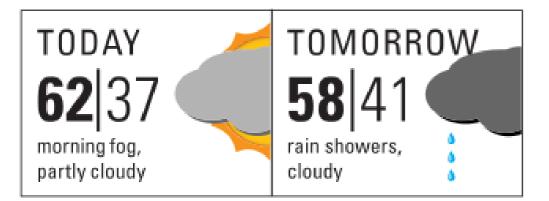
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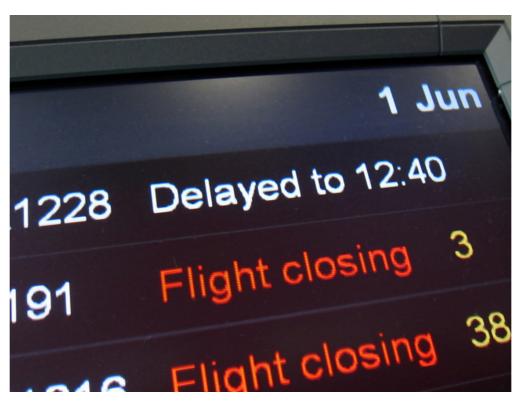


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Case study: Analyzing flight delays





Limitations of Dask DataFrames

- Reading data into Dask DataFrames:
 - A single file
 - Using glob on many files
- Limitations:
 - Unsupported file formats
 - Cleaning files independently
 - Nested subdirectories tricky with glob

Sample account data

accounts/Alice.csv:

```
date,amount
2016-01-31,103.15
2016-02-25,114.17
2016-03-06,4.03
2016-05-20,150.48
```

accounts/Bob.csv:

```
date, amount

2016-01-04, 99.68

2016-02-09, 146.41

2016-02-21, -42.94

2016-03-14, 0.26
```



Reading/cleaning in a function

```
import pandas as pd
from dask import delayed
@delayed

def pipeline(filename, account_name):
    df = pd.read_csv(filename)
    df['account_name'] = account_name
    return df
```



Using dd.from_delayed()

```
delayed_dfs = []
for account in ['Bob', 'Alice', 'Dave']:
    fname = 'accounts/{}.csv'.format(account)
    delayed_dfs.append(pipeline(fname, account))
import dask.dataframe as dd
dask_df = dd.from_delayed(delayed_dfs)
dask_df['amount'].mean().compute()
```

10.56476

Flight delays and weather

- Cleaning flight delays
 - \circ Use .replace(): 0 \to NaN
- Cleaning weather data
 - 'PrecipitationIn': text → numeric
 - Add column for airport code

Flight delays data

```
df = pd.read_csv('flightdelays-2016-1.csv')
df.columns
```



Flight delays data

```
df['WEATHER_DELAY'].tail()
```

```
89160 NaN
89161 0.0
89162 NaN
89163 NaN
89164 NaN
Name: WEATHER_DELAY, dtype: float64
```

Replacing values

```
0 6
1 0
2 6
3 5
4 7
dtype: int64
```

```
0 NaN
1 0.0
2 NaN
3 5.0
4 7.0
dtype: float64
```

series

Let's practice!

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Preparing Weather Data

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Daily weather data

```
import pandas as pd

df = pd.read_csv('DEN.csv', parse_dates=True, index_col='Date')

df.columns
```



Daily weather data

```
df.loc['March 2016', ['PrecipitationIn','Events']].tail()
```

PrecipitationIn	Events	
0.00	NaN	
0.00	NaN	
0.04	Rain-Thunderstorm	
0.04	Rain-Snow	
0.01	Snow	
	0.00 0.00 0.04 0.04	0.00 NaN 0.00 NaN 0.04 Rain-Thunderstorm 0.04 Rain-Snow



Examining PrecipitationIn & Events columns

```
df['PrecipitationIn'][0]
type(df['PrecipitationIn'][0])
'0.00'
str
df[['PrecipitationIn', 'Events']].info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 366 entries, 0 to 365
Data columns (total 2 columns):
PrecipitationIn 366 non-null object
        115 non-null object
Events
dtypes: object(2)
memory usage: 5.8+ KB
```



Converting to numeric values

```
series
```

```
0    0
1         M
2         2
3         1.5
4         E
dtype: object
```

```
0  0.0
1  NaN
2  2.0
3  1.5
4  NaN
dtype: float64
```

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Merging & Persisting DataFrames

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Merging DataFrames

- Pandas: pd.merge()
- Pandas: pd.DataFrame.merge()
- Dask: dask.dataframe.merge()



Merging example

left_df

right_df

	cat_left	value_left	
0	d	4	
1	d	9	
2	b	1	
3	d	7	
4	С	3	

cat_right	value_right
b	9
С	2
f	0
d	8
a	8
	b c f d

Merging example

```
      cat_left
      value_left cat_right
      value_right

      0
      d
      4
      d
      8

      1
      d
      9
      d
      8

      2
      d
      7
      d
      8

      3
      b
      1
      b
      9

      4
      c
      3
      c
      2
```

Dask DataFrame pipelines

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Repeated reads & performance

```
import dask.dataframe as dd

df = dd.read_csv('flightdelays-2016-*.csv')

%time print(df.WEATHER_DELAY.mean().compute())
```

```
2.701183508773752
CPU times: user 3.35 s, sys: 719 ms, total: 4.07 s
Wall time: 1.64 s
```

```
%time print(df.WEATHER_DELAY.std().compute())
```

```
21.230502105
CPU times: user 3.33 s, sys: 706 ms, total: 4.04 s
Wall time: 1.61 s
```



Repeated reads & performance

```
%time print(df.WEATHER_DELAY.count().compute())
```

```
192563
CPU times: user 3.36 s, sys: 695 ms, total: 4.06 s
Wall time: 1.66 s
```



Using persistence

```
%time persisted_df = df.persist()
```

```
CPU times: user 3.32 s, sys: 688 ms, total: 4.01 s
Wall time: 1.59 s
```

%time print(persisted_df.WEATHER_DELAY.mean().compute())

```
2.701183508773752
CPU times: user 15.1 ms, sys: 9.24 ms, total: 24.3 ms
Wall time: 18.5 ms
```



Using persistence

%time print(persisted_df.WEATHER_DELAY.std().compute())

```
21.230502105
CPU times: user 29.6 ms, sys: 12.5 ms, total: 42.1 ms
Wall time: 29.5 ms
```

%time print(persisted_df.WEATHER_DELAY.count().compute())

```
192563
CPU times: user 9.88 ms, sys: 2.98 ms, total: 12.9 ms
Wall time: 9.43 ms
```



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Final thoughts

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What you've learned

- How to:
 - Use Dask data structures and delayed functions
 - Set up data analysis pipelines with deferred computation
 - ... while working with real-world data!

Next steps

- Deploying Dask on your own cluster
- Integrating with other Python libraries
- Dynamic task scheduling and data management
- https://dask.org/

Congratulations!

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