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## Big Data Exercise 2

1. [15 points] Find the column names in the Opioid dataset. The naive way is to gunzip the .gz file and run head -1 on the result, but you likely don't have enough disk space.

Conveniently, zcat can read the file and write the unzipped contents into stdout, which can be piped into head -1.

- a. I used the following command to answer this question: zcat

```
arcos_all_washpost.tsv.gz | head -1
```

- i. Gzcat decompresses and outputs the content of the

arcos\_all\_washpost.tsv.gsv file. I used gzcat because I ran this command

on my mac laptop and gzcat is the mac version of zcat. Head -1 outputs

the header row of the data and resulted in the below output.

- b. REPORTER\_DEA\_NO REPORTER\_BUS\_ACT    REPORTER\_NAME  
REPORTER\_ADDL\_CO\_INFO REPORTER\_ADDRESS1  
REPORTER\_ADDRESS2    REPORTER\_CITY REPORTER\_STATE  
REPORTER\_ZIP REPORTER\_COUNTY BUYER\_DEA\_NO  
BUYER\_BUS\_ACT BUYER\_NAME    BUYER\_ADDL\_CO\_INFO  
BUYER\_ADDRESS1    BUYER\_ADDRESS2 BUYER\_CITY  
BUYER\_STATE BUYER\_ZIP    BUYER\_COUNTY  
TRANSACTION\_CODE DRUG\_CODE    NDC\_NO DRUG\_NAME  
QUANTITY    UNIT ACTION\_INDICATOR ORDER\_FORM\_NO  
CORRECTION\_NO STRENGTH    TRANSACTION\_DATE  
CALC\_BASE\_WT\_IN\_GM DOSAGE\_UNIT TRANSACTION\_ID

Product\_Name Ingredient\_Name Measure MME\_Conversion\_Factor

Combined\_Labeler\_Name Revised\_Company\_Name Reporter\_family dos\_str

2. [15 points] Find the number of rows in the Opioid dataset by processing the zcat output, stripping the header row, and counting the remaining lines using wc.

- I ran the following command to find the number of rows minus the headers:
- `zcat arcos_all_washpost.tsv.gz | awk 'NR > 1' | wc -l`
- The resulting output of the above command was: 178,598,026.
- I used zcat to look into the unzipped file. Awk 'NR > 1' was used to skip the header row. And finally, wc -l was used to count up the remaining number of rows in the file.
- I switched to my windows pc on this question so my commands would run faster, which is why I switched from gzcat to zcat.

3. [20 points] Find the names of all the drugs named in the dataset.

- I used the following python program to print all the unique drug names into a text file called "drug\_names.txt"

```
import gzip
```

```
def get_drugs():
```

```
    drug_names = set() # Set to avoid duplicates
```

```
    with gzip.open('arcos_all_washpost.tsv.gz', 'rt') as f:
```

```
        header = f.readline()
```

```
drug_column_index = header.strip().split('\t').index('DRUG_NAME') # Find the
index for the drug name column
```

```
for line in f:
```

```
    drug_names.add(line.strip().split('\t')[drug_column_index]) # Add drug
names to the set
```

```
return drug_names
```

```
def write_drugs(drug_names):
```

```
    with open('drug_names.txt', 'w') as f:
```

```
        for drug in (drug_names): # for loop of the set the set
```

```
            f.write(drug + '\n') # Write each drug name to the file
```

```
drug_names = get_drugs()
```

```
write_drugs(drug_names)
```

b. The output of the text file was:

i. HYDROCODONE

ii. OXYCODONE

4. [20 points] Estimate the number of rows for each year in the dataset. There may be enough space in the shell, but this exercise requires you to assume that that's not the case. So here's a potential strategy: Use the shuf command to extract, say, random 7,500 rows

from the output of zcat. Find the proportion of rows for each year in this extract.

Assuming that the distribution of the random 7,500 rows is similar to the distribution in the whole file, estimate the number of rows for each year.

- a. I used the following python program to estimate the number of rows in each year.

```
import gzip
```

```
import random
```

```
from datetime import datetime
```

```
def estimate_years(file_path, sample_size=7500, total_rows=178598026):
```

```
    with gzip.open(file_path, 'rt') as f:
```

```
        header = f.readline()
```

```
        columns = header.strip().split('\t')
```

```
        transaction_date_index = columns.index('TRANSACTION_DATE') # Find the column
index
```

```
        # Extract a random sample of rows
```

```
        sample = []
```

```
        for i, line in enumerate(f):
```

```
            if random.random() < sample_size / total_rows:
```

```
                fields = line.strip().split('\t')
```

```

if len(fields) > transaction_date_index: # Ensure the column exists

    date_str = fields[transaction_date_index] # Extract the date

    # print(f"Processing row {i + 1}: Date = {date_str}") # Debug: Print the date being
processed

    try:

        # Parse the date in "Month/Day/Year" format and extract the year

        date = datetime.strptime(date_str, '%m%d%Y') #formatting the date

        year = date.year

        sample.append(year)

    except ValueError:

        # Skipping null dates

        print(f"Skipping invalid date: {date_str}") # Debug: Print invalid dates

        continue

    else:

        print(f"Skipping row {i + 1}: Missing TRANSACTION_DATE") #Used to debug
rows

if len(sample) >= sample_size:

    break

```

```

# Count the occurrences of each year in the sample

year_counts = {}

for year in sample:

    year_counts[year] = year_counts.get(year, 0) + 1


# Step 3: Estimate the rows

scaling_factor = total_rows / sample_size

estimated_counts = {year: count * scaling_factor for year, count in year_counts.items()}


# Print answer

print("\nYear\tEstimated Rows")

for year, count in sorted(estimated_counts.items()):

    print(f'{year}\t{count:.0f}')


if __name__ == "__main__":

    file_path = 'arcos_all_washpost.tsv.gz' # Path to the dataset (I had trouble at first so I had to
navigate straight to the directory)

    estimate_years(file_path)

```

b. The output of this file was:

- i. Year    Estimated Rows
- ii. 2006    19741035
- iii. 2007    23670192
- iv. 2008    24432210
- v. 2009    26003873
- vi. 2010    27194526
- vii. 2011    28623310
- viii. 2012    28932880

- c. I averaged the estimated rows and got 25,514,004 rows per year according to this sample of 7500 entries.
  - d. I attempted this first in shell, but kept running into issues. I have more experience writing python scripts, so I switched to it because I felt more comfortable debugging python.
5. [15 points] Obtain the count of rows for June 2012 by extracting all such rows from `arcos_all_washpost.tsv.gz` and running `wc` on the extracted rows.
- a. I ran the command: `zgrep -P '\t06[0-9]{2}2012\t' arcos_all_washpost.tsv.gz | wc -l`
    - i. The result was: 2,323,389
6. [15 points] Estimate the count of rows for June 2012 based on answers to questions 1, 2, and 4 and compare that count with your findings from Q5.
- a. There are around 25,514,004 rows per year according to my answer to question four. Dividing this by 12, to get the monthly average, equals 2,126,167 rows for June 2012. This is around 200,000 off the actual number of rows in June 2012.

This is a pretty good estimate considering the data used was only a 7500 random sample of the 178 million rows.