

Project 1

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1 SQL Queries

The following are the SQL queries used to obtain data from the tables.

I live in North Pole, AK, USA. The nearest city available in the city_data table is Seattle. Temperatures for Seattle are available from 1828 to 2013. Therefore, when extracting global data I excluded values for years prior to 1828.

```
SELECT year, city, avg_temp  
FROM city_data  
WHERE city='Seattle';
```

```
SELECT *  
FROM global_data  
WHERE year>=1828 AND year<=2013;
```

2 Organizing and Cleaning Data

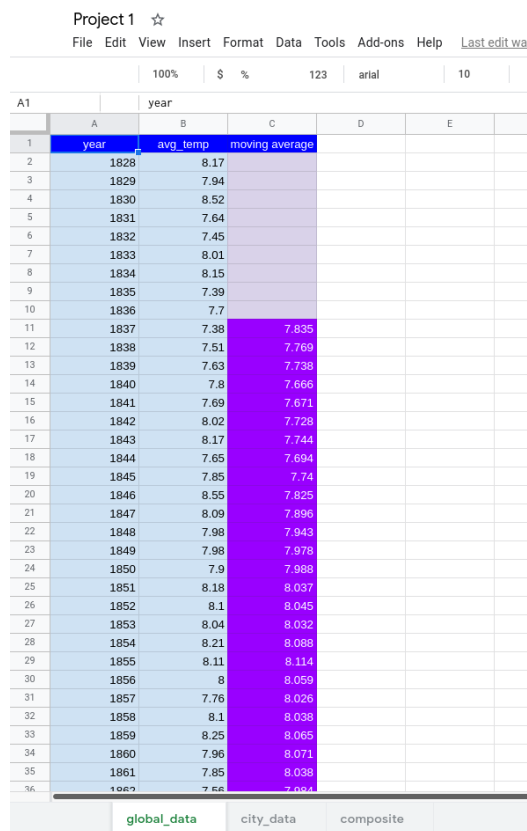
2.1 Global Data

Upon reviewing the CSV data in Google Sheets I found that the `global_data` table provided clean data with no missing values.

I created a moving average column and used the following command to create a moving average that considered 10 years at a time.

```
=average(B2:B11)
```

The following is a screenshot of the result.



	A	B	C	D	E
1	year	avg_temp	moving average		
2	1828	8.17			
3	1829	7.94			
4	1830	8.52			
5	1831	7.64			
6	1832	7.45			
7	1833	8.01			
8	1834	8.15			
9	1835	7.39			
10	1836	7.7			
11	1837	7.38	7.835		
12	1838	7.51	7.769		
13	1839	7.63	7.738		
14	1840	7.8	7.666		
15	1841	7.69	7.671		
16	1842	8.02	7.728		
17	1843	8.17	7.744		
18	1844	7.65	7.894		
19	1845	7.85	7.74		
20	1846	8.55	7.825		
21	1847	8.09	7.896		
22	1848	7.98	7.943		
23	1849	7.98	7.978		
24	1850	7.9	7.988		
25	1851	8.18	8.037		
26	1852	8.1	8.045		
27	1853	8.04	8.032		
28	1854	8.21	8.088		
29	1855	8.11	8.114		
30	1856	8	8.059		
31	1857	7.76	8.026		
32	1858	8.1	8.038		
33	1859	8.25	8.065		
34	1860	7.96	8.071		
35	1861	7.85	8.038		
36	1862	7.58	7.684		

2.2 City Data

The `city_data` table values for Seattle lacked data for several dates.

To repair the missing values, I created an additional column called `wrangled` that used the following spreadsheet command.

```
=IF(C2=0,D1,C2)
```

I applied the above formula to all matching cells in this column. The result was that anywhere data was missing, the cell would automatically fill with the value that was inserted for the prior year.

Using the `wrangled` column as the primary data column, I then performed the same steps as before to obtain a moving average column of data, with the following result.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	year	city	avg_temp	wrangled	moving average	
2	1828	Seattle	7.13	7.13		
3	1829	Seattle	6.8	6.8		
4	1830	Seattle		6.8		
5	1831	Seattle		6.8		
6	1832	Seattle	3.52	3.52		
7	1833	Seattle	7.48	7.48		
8	1834	Seattle	7.1	7.1		
9	1835	Seattle	5.58	5.58		
10	1836	Seattle	6.74	6.74		
11	1837	Seattle	6.81	6.81	6.476	
12	1838	Seattle	6.59	6.59	6.422	
13	1839	Seattle	7.3	7.3	6.472	
14	1840	Seattle	6.69	6.69	6.461	
15	1841	Seattle	6.81	6.81	6.462	
16	1842	Seattle	6.88	6.88	6.798	
17	1843	Seattle	6.55	6.55	6.705	
18	1844	Seattle	6.41	6.41	6.636	
19	1845	Seattle	6.88	6.88	6.766	
20	1846	Seattle		6.88	6.78	
21	1847	Seattle	8.99	8.99	6.998	
22	1848	Seattle	6.6	6.6	6.999	
23	1849	Seattle	6.68	6.68	6.937	
24	1850	Seattle	7.06	7.06	6.974	
25	1851	Seattle	7.79	7.79	7.072	
26	1852	Seattle	7.08	7.08	7.092	
27	1853	Seattle	7.61	7.61	7.198	
28	1854	Seattle	6.99	6.99	7.256	
29	1855	Seattle	7.31	7.31	7.299	
30	1856	Seattle	7.44	7.44	7.355	
31	1857	Seattle	7.91	7.91	7.247	
32	1858	Seattle	6.91	6.91	7.278	
33	1859	Seattle	6.27	6.27	7.237	
34	1860	Seattle	7.63	7.63	7.294	
35	1861	Seattle	7.18	7.18	7.233	
36	1862	Seattle	6.96	6.96	7.161	

3 Analyzing the Data

3.1 Initial Compilation

In a new spreadsheet I imported the year column and the moving average columns from both the global and city data.

Using the following commands I calculated the correlation coefficient.

```
=correl(B11:B187,C11:C187)
```

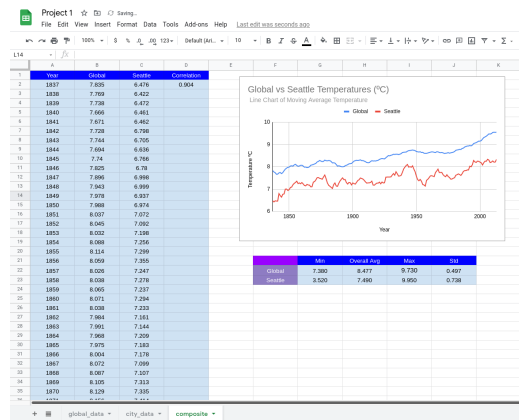
To obtain the min, overall average, max, and standard deviation of the global temperatures, I executed the following spreadsheet commands.

```
=MIN(global_data!B2:B187)  
=AVERAGE(global_data!B2:B187)  
=MAX(global_data!B2:B187)  
=STDEV(global_data!B2:B187)
```

To obtain the Seattle equivalents, I performed the same commands on the matching data (not shown for brevity).

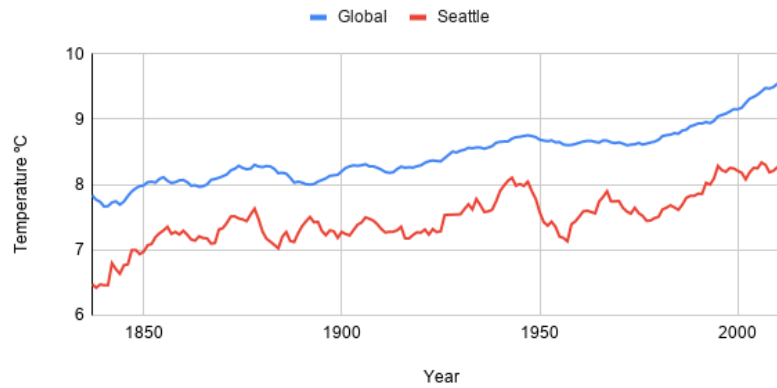
3.2 Line Graph

Using the default Chart Tool in Google Sheets, I generated a line graph to display the data over the indicated years.



Global vs Seattle Temperatures (°C)

Line Chart of Moving Average Temperature



3.3 Observations

- Seattle's overall average of 7.49°C is consistently cooler than the global average of 8.477°C . Perhaps this is due to Seattle's northern latitude.
- Seattle's standard deviation of 0.738°C is far higher than the global standard deviation of 0.497°C . Perhaps this is due to Seattle's frequent inclement weather.
- A correlation coefficient of 0.904 indicates that Seattle's temperature is highly correlated with the global temperature. Perhaps this is due to Seattle's location near the sea. This has the effect of bringing Seattle's temperature into alignment with a far greater surface area due to the manner in which the sea currents conduct temperatures from abroad.
- The temperature does seem to be increasing over the past approximately two hundred years. Seattle's temperature begins at approximately 6.5°C , rises consistently for the given time span, and ends at approximately 8.2°C . The global temperature begins at approximately 7.8°C , rises consistently for the given time span, and ends at approximately 9.6°C . The cause for this rise in temperature is not clear and is hotly debated, sometimes out of a sincere desire to forestall global catastrophe, and sometimes due to political and corporate agendas.