Peer-Graded Assignment: Analyzing Big Data with SQL

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Assignment

Recommend which pair of United States airports should be connected with a high-speed passenger rail tunnel. To do this, write and run a SELECT statement to return pairs of airports that are between **300** and **400** miles apart and that had at least **5,000** (five thousand) flights per year on average *in each direction* between them. Arrange the rows to identify which one of these pairs of airports has largest total number of seats on the planes that flew between them. Your SELECT statement must return all the information required to fill in the table below.

Recommendation

I recommend the following tunnel route:

| | First Direction | Second Direction |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
| Three-letter airport code for origin | BET | BOS |
| Three-letter airport code for destination | ANC | DCA |
| Average flight distance in miles | 399 | 399 |
| Average number of flights per year | 6278.19 | 5664.39 |
| Average annual passenger capacity | 21217.59 | 19176.29 |
| Average arrival delay in minutes | 8.3 | 97.7 |

(Replace AAA and BBB with the actual airport codes and fill in all the cells of the table.)

Method

I identified this route by running the following SELECT statement using Impala on the VM:

SELECT fly.flights.origin, fly.flights.dest, fly.flights.distance, sum(isnull((fly.flights.flight)/10, 0)) as avg_flight, sum(isnull((fly.planes.seats)/10, 0)) as avg_seats, sum(isnull((fly.flights.arr_delay)/10, 0)) as avg_delay from fly.flights

RIGHT OUTER JOIN fly.planes ON fly.flights.tailnum = fly.planes.tailnum where (fly.flights.distance> 300 AND fly.flights.distance<400) GROUP BY fly.flights.tailnum, fly.flights.origin, fly.flights.dest, fly.flights.distance
ORDER BY avg_seats DESC, avg_flight DESC, avg_delay DESC;

(Fill in the blank to indicate whether you used Hive or Impala, and fill in the SQL query.)

Notes

My preference order is for selection of flights is most seats -> most flights -> most arrival delay