CS5224 Cloud Computing Assignment 1

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1. What is Cloud Foundry software in the context of cloud?

Ans. Cloud foundry is free, open source platform as a service Paas, developed by vmware on which developers can build, test, deploy, run and scale applications.

Cloud Foundry has defined a new type of platform that allows to write software in any language and deploy it to organization's datacenter, on - site via VMWare's vSphere or OpenStack, or off - site on top of a public cloud. So, the users are locked into a single framework or a provider. Cloud Foundry uses container- based architecture to provide own isolated view of system resources and limit the resource usage.

2. In which way does Cloud Foundry help us when developing and updating web applications using boilerplates such as Node.js Boilerplate? (1 mark)

Ans. A boilerplate is a container for an application and its associated runtime environment and predefined services So, boilerplate is usually generic and can be included with minimal changes required. Boilerplate code is efficient and is easy to use.

In cloud foundry, node.js can set up a development environment, deploy an app locally and on the cloud, and then integrate a database service to the app. All of the tools and services are ready to be used and the environment guides how to use it.

3. How does Cloud Foundry software determine dependencies for the application which is uploaded/pushed by a user via the Cloud Foundry command line interface (CLI)? (1 mark)

Ans. When deploying applications via Cloud Foundry manifest.yml and package.json sets the deployment parameters and helps to resolve the dependencies. App dependencies like databases, messaging queue are delivered as services. Services can be bind or unbind to an app.

4. What is the use of VCAP_SERVICES environment variable in IBM Bluemix applications? (1 mark)

Ans. The VCAP_SERVICES environment variable contains information that is required to interact with an IBM Cloud service instance. When a service instance is binding to an application, the fields in this environment variable are set. A running application reads these environment variables after a service is bound to extract the required name-value pairs.

5. Hands-on exercise Example 1 demonstrated a simple example of using a web application to output the result of an SQL script using Node.js. In the example, we output the whole database table into the web interface. **Modify the Node.JS** code such that the output contains **only the first three fields** of the database table, and, push the updated app to cloud. (include necessary screenshots including the web page) (1 mark)

Ans. As the number of rows is not mentioned, I extracted the first three fields from the entire table (all rows).

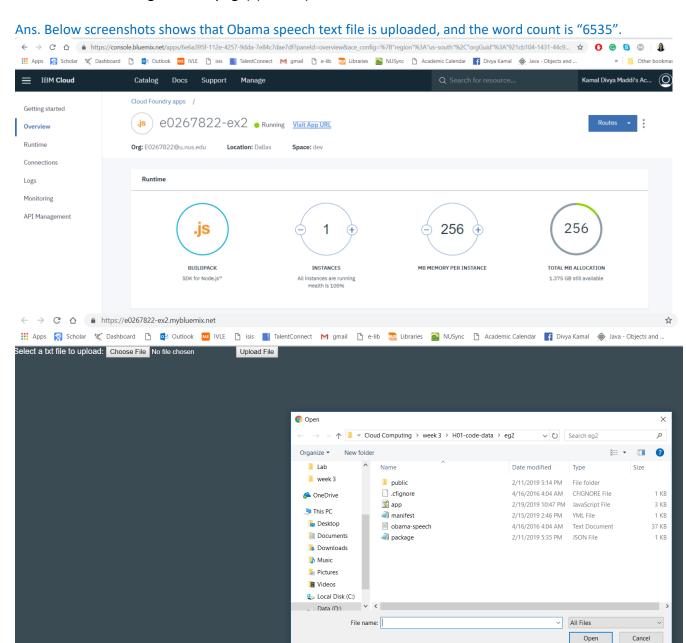
Congratulations. Your connection to Db2 is successful.

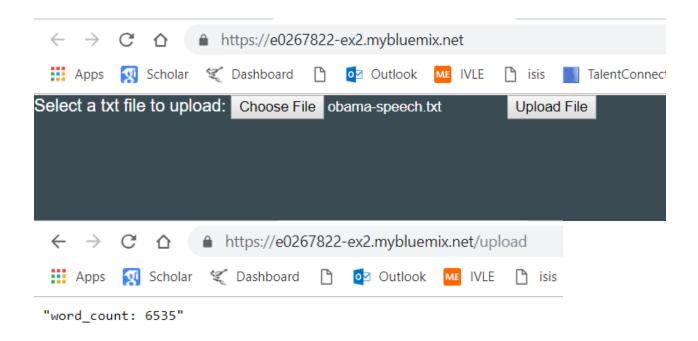
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MDG	Madagascar	Madagascar
MWI	Malawi	Malawi
MYS	Malaysia	Malaysia
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MLI	Mali	Mali
MLT	Malta	Malta
MHL	Marshall Islands	Marshall Islands
MRT	Mauritania	Mauritania
MUS	Mauritius	Mauritius
MEX	Mexico	Mexico
FSM	Micronesia	Micronesia, Fed. Sts.
MEA	Middle East & North Africa (all income levels) Middle East & North Africa (all income levels)
MNA	Middle East & North Africa (developing only)	Middle East & North Africa
MIC	Middle income	Middle income
MDA	Moldova	Moldova
MCO	Monaco	Monaco
MNG	Mongolia	Mongolia
MNE	Montenegro	Montenegro
MAR	Morocco	Morocco
MOZ	Mozambique	Mozambique
MMR	Myanmar	Myanmar
NAM	Namibia	Namibia
NPL	Nepal	Nepal
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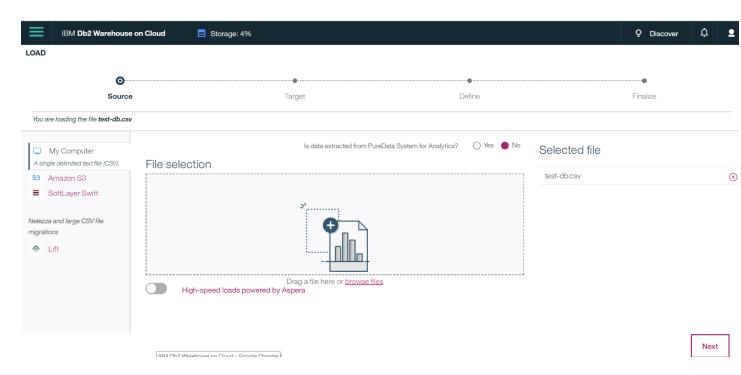
6. Hands-on exercise Example 2 demonstrated a simple example of using Bluemix Personality Insights. Modify the app.js of Example 2 such that the output is **word count for input text**. (Hint: output the "word_count" field of the json you get from Personality Insights). View this

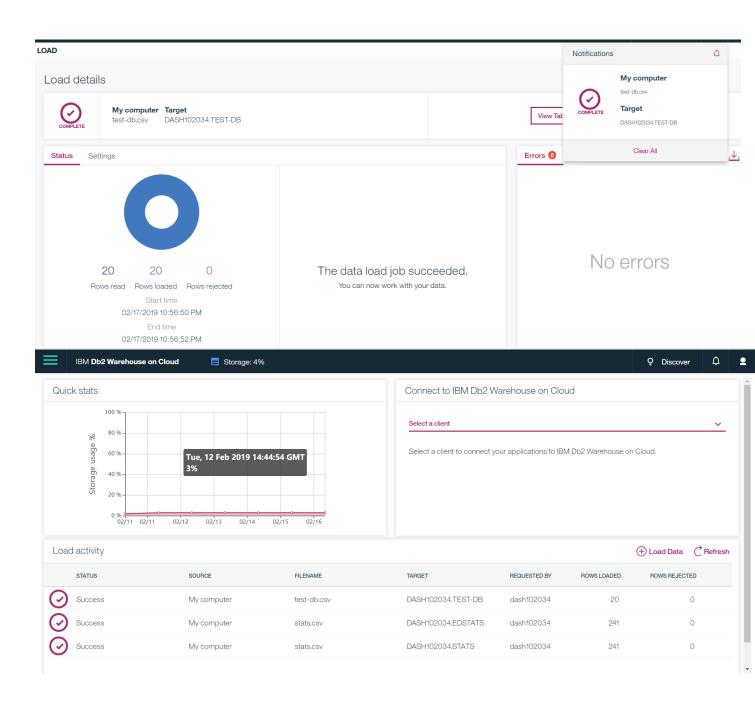
demo (https://personality-insights-demo.ng.bluemix.net/) for assistant. (include necessary screenshots including the web page) (2 mark)





7. Download the test-db.csv (contains data of students in a school) from the course web page. Upload the test-db.csv file as a new table in the same database you created in **Example 1** in the hands-on exercise. (please include screenshots) (1 marks)



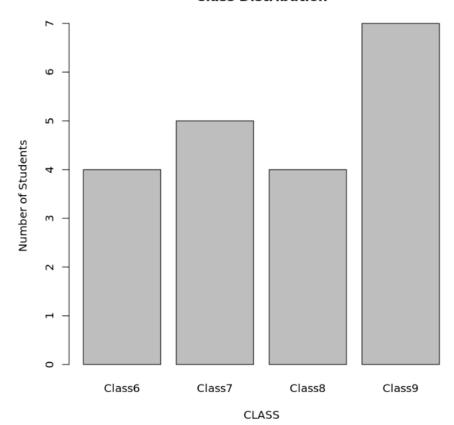


8. Using an R script, draw the class distribution bar chart, where x-axis denotes the class and y-axis denote the number of students. (please include screenshots) (1 marks)

Ans. There are 4 students in Class 6, 5 students in Class 7, 4 students in Class 8, 7 students in Class 9. Below bar chart depicts the same.



Class Distribution



9. Using an SQL script, find the number of students that are in grade 9 and studying history. (please include screenshots) (1 marks)

Ans. There are 4 students from class 9 studying history which can be seen in result set

