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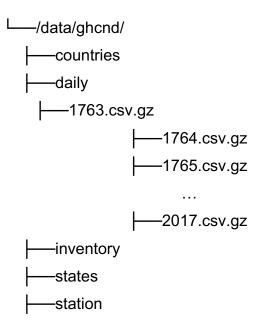
Assignment 1 GHCN Data Analysis using Spark

Processing

Q1.

(a) How is the data structured? Draw a directory tree to represent this in a sensible way.

The GHCN data are divided into two parts. One is the directory of *daily* which describes climates summaries. In this directory, there are 255 csv files in gzip that show the record from year of 1763 to 2017. And the other parts are metadata, containing four files like *countries, inventory, states* and *station*. We can draw the schema of files. The directory tree shows as below,



(b) How many years are contained in *daily*, and how does the size of the data change?

There are 255 years contained in *daily*. The file size increased from 3,367 to 194,390,036, which means data size in 2016 increased dramatically by 57,733 times compared with that in 1763.

(c) What is the total size of all of the data? How much of that is *daily*? The actual total size of all of the data is 13.4GB, the backup size is 107.2GB. *Daily* take up almost entire size. All of the metadata combined only contributes 36.3 MB to the total. As the daily data was compressed, and the actual size of the uncompressed data will be significantly higher. The gzip compression ratio for csv files is usually around 10:1 so this could be between 100 GB and 1 TB.

Q2.

- (a) Define schemas for each of *daily, stations, states, countries* and *inventory*. Please see the attached code.
 - (b) Load 1000 rows of ///data/ghcnd/daily/2017.csv.gz. Was the description of the data accurate? Was there anything unexpected?

The top 10 rows of daily2017 showed as the result 1.

[D	DATE	ELEMENT	VALUE	MEASUREMENT	FLAG	QUALITY FLAG	SOURCE FLAG	OBSERVATION '	TIME
CA1MB000296	20170101	PRCP	0.0	null	r	 null	N	null	
US1NCBC0113	20170101	PRCP	5.0	null	İn	null	N	null	i
ASN00015643	20170101	TMAX	274.0	null	į n	null	a	null	i
ASN00015643	20170101	TMIN	218.0	null	l n	null	a	null	i
ASN00015643	20170101	PRCP	2.0	null	n	null	a	null	i
US1MTMH0019	20170101	PRCP	43.0	null	n	null	N	null	i
US1MTMH0019	20170101	SNOW	28.0	null	n	null	N	null	i
US1MTMH0019	20170101	SNWD	178.0	null	l n	null	N	null	i
ASN00085296	20170101	TMAX	217.0	null	l n	null	a	null	
ASN00085296	20170101	TMIN	127.0	null	n	null	a	null	i

Result 1

Not all description is accurate data type. For example, when I defined the value *Date* as *Datetype* in schema definition for daily2017 schema, there were all null values after loading. However, I can load data correctly when I changed *Datetype* as *Stringtype*. Also, *Timestamptype* was not fit for the value of *OBSERVATION TIME* because it would give us a current time which was confused.

(c) How many rows are in each metadata table? How many stations do not have a WMO ID?

The *countries* data has 218 rows in total, representing 218 distinct countries or territories from around the world.

The *inventories* data has 595,699 rows in total, representing 595,699 sets of elements were recorded by each station, during the time period.

The states data has 74 rows in data, representing 74 states from around the world.

The *stations* data has 103,656 rows in total, representing 103,656 records associated with states and countries.

Metadata Table	Rows
Countries	218
Inventories	595,699
States	74
Stations	103,656

According to the readme text, the null fields of all metadata table represented by whitespace and *WMO ID* was string type value, which means we cannot regard it as null values. I used function *trim* instead of function *isNull*. Finally, I found that there were 95,595 stations do not have a *WMO ID*.

Q3.

(a) Extract the two characters country code from each station code in *stations* and store the output as a new column using the *withColumn* command.

The new stations with new column called *COUNTRYCODE* showed as the result 2. It is important that I found that all country name in *countries* were matched with the country name in station.

D	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	ELEVATION	STATE	STATIONNAME	GSNFLAG	HCN/CRNFLAG	WMOID	COUNTRYCODE
CW00011604	17.1167		10.1	+ 	ST JOHNS COOLIDGE FLD		+ 	+ - 	AC
CW00011647	17.1333	-61.7833	19.2		ST JOHNS		i	j i	AC
E000041196	25.333	55.517	34.0		SHARJAH INTER. AIRP	GSN	i	41196	AE
EM00041194	25.255	55.364	10.4	i	DUBAI INTL		İ	41194	AE
EM00041217	24.433	54.651	26.8		ABU DHABI INTL		i	41217	AE

Result 2

(b) LEFT JOIN *stations* with *countries* using the output from part a The new stations that left join *countries* showed as the result 3.

OUNTRYCODE	ID	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	ELEVATION	STATE	STATIONNAME	GSNFLAG	HCN/CRNFLAG	WMOID	COUNTRYNAM	E [
AC	ACW00011604	17.1167	-61.7833	10.1		ST JOHNS COOLIDGE FLD	 			Antigua an	d Barbuda
C	ACW00011647	17.1333	-61.7833	19.2		ST JOHNS	i			Antigua an	d Barbuda
E	AE000041196	25.333	55.517	34.0		SHARJAH INTER. AIRP	GSN		41196	United Ara	b Emirates
E	AEM00041194	25.255	55.364	10.4		DUBAI INTL	i		41194	United Ara	b Emirates
E	AEM00041217	24.433	54.651	26.8		ABU DHABI INTL	i		41217	United Ara	b Emirates

Result 3.

(c) LEFT JOIN *stations* and *states*, allowing for the fact that states codes are only provided for *stations* in the US.

The new stations that left join *states* showed as the result 4. There were only 65,920 stations have *state name* matched. However, the total records of *stations* were 103,656, which was due to the fact that stated codes are only provided for *stations* in the US.

ATE	COUNTRYCODE	ID	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	ELEVATION	STATIONNAME	GSNFLAG	HCN/CRNFLAG	WMOID	COUNTRYNAME		STATENAME
	AC	ACW00011604	17.1167	-61.7833	10.1	ST JOHNS COOLIDGE FLD	 	 		Antigua and	Barbuda	null
	AC	ACW00011647	17.1333	-61.7833	19.2	ST JOHNS	i	i i		Antigua and	Barbuda	null i
	AE	AE000041196	25.333	55.517	34.0	SHARJAH INTER. AIRP	GSN	i i	41196	United Arab	Emirates	null i
	AE	AEM00041194	25.255	55.364	10.4	DUBAI INTL	i	i i	41194	United Arab	Emirates	null i
	AE	AEM00041217	24.433	54.651	26.8	ABU DHABI INTL	i	i i	41217	United Arab	Emirates	null i

Result 4.

(d) Based on *inventory*, what was the first and last year that each station was active and collected any element at all?

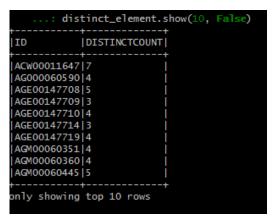
The *inventory* with details of first year and last year showed as the result 5. First, I grouped *ID* to get a range of first year and last year of each station. Then aggregating the minimum of *FRISTYEAR* as the first year and the maximum *LASTYEAR* as the last year of each station.

: year_element.show(10,False)							
ID	FIRSTYEAR	LASTERYEAR	į				
ACW00011647 AEM00041217 AG0000605 90 AGE00147706 AGE00147708 AGE00147710 AGE00147711 AGE00147714 AGE00147714	1983 1892 1893 1879 1879 1909 1880 1896	1970 2017 2017 1920 2017 1938 2009 1938 1938 2017	- 				
only showing	+	+	+				

Result 5.

How many different elements has each stations collected overall?

The stations with different elements counts showed as the result 6. I just need *group* the *ID* and get unique count of *ELEMENT* that each station had.



Result 6.

Count separately the number of core elements and the number of "other" elements that each station has collected overall.

The stations with the count of core, other and distinct elements showed as result 7. According to the readme text, the core element includes that *PRCP*, *SNOW*, *SNWD*, *TMAX* and *TMIN*. First, I counted the stations when they have core elements. Then *OTHERCOUNT* can be achieved by subtracting the *DISTRINCTCOUNT*,

: num	ber_core_o	ther_element.s	how(10,False)
ID	CORECOUNT	DISTINCTCOUNT	OTHERCOUNT
ACW00011647 AEM00041217 AG000060590 AGE00147706 AGE00147709 AGE00147710 AGE00147711 AGE00147714 AGE00147714	3 3 4 3 3 3 3	+	
only showing	+	+ ws	++

Result 7.

How many stations collect all five core elements?

There are total 20,224 stations that collected all five core elements. And the stations that have all five core elements showed as the result 8. To get this result, I *filtered* the stations that the *CORECOUNT* number equals to five and count them.

Result 8.

How many only collection precipitations?

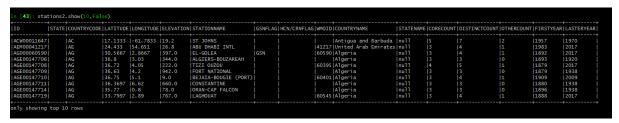
The number of stations only collect precipitation are 15,970 stations, which showed as result 9. I just need *filter* the *ELEMENT* containing *PRCP* and count the result.

		n_element. n_element.	***	
+			+	
ID	ELEMENT	CORECOUNT	OTHERCOUNT	
+		+		
AJ000037679		1	0	
AJ000037831		1	0	
AJ000037912		1	0	
AJ000037981		1	0	
AM000037683		1	0	
AM000037698		1	0	
AM000037786		1	0	
AM000037802	PRCP	1	0	
AM000037873	PRCP	1	0	
AM000037954	PRCP	1	0	
AR000000002	PRCP	1	0	
AR000000004	PRCP	1	0	
AR00000012	PRCP	1	0	
AR00000013	PRCP	1	0	
ASN00001003		1	0	
ASN00002004	PRCP	1	oi	
ASN00002027	PRCP	1	oj	
A5N00002033		1	oi	
A5N00002034		1	oi	
ASN00002039		1	o i	
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Out[82]: 1597	70			

Result 9.

(e) Left join stations and output from d

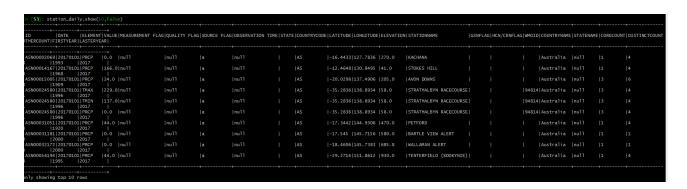
The new stations that left join the previous output showed as result 10. I chose Parquet format to save it. Because this format is designed to bring efficient columnar storage of data compared the row-based files like CSV. And queries of Parquet files does not need reading all raw data which means we can save money and get better performance.



Result 10.

(f) How expensive do you think it would be to LEFT JOIN all of daily and stations? Could you determine if there are any stations in daily that are not in stations without using LEFT JOIN.

The new daily that limited with 1000 rows and left join the stations showed as result 11.



Result 11.

There are no stations in the subset of daily 2017 that are not in stations at all.

It would be at high cost to left join all of *daily* and *stations*. There are 24 variables in the new daily that left join *daily* and *stations*. the cost of join operation of 1000 rows of 2017daily would be O(1000 * 24) which costs at least 3 seconds, however, there are 21,904,999 rows in 2017daily and total 255 years of all *daily* data, leading the

cost of join whole daily with station would be O(m*24), even the complexity can be reduced to O(m+n), it is still an expensive operation.

Another way is to do subtraction. The code as follows,

```
count null = station daily.select(["ID"]).subtract(stations2.select(["ID"]))
```

Analysis

Q1

(a) How many *stations* are there in total? How many *stations* have been active in 2017?

First I got the distinct count of station *ID* and then filtered them by the *FIRSTYEAR* that less than 2017 and the *LASTYEAR* that large than 2017. Next, I counted the number of stations by filtering them with different network. The result as followed.

There are total 103,656 stations. 37,546 stations have been active in 2017.

There are 991 stations in GCOS Surface Network(GSN).

There are 1,218 stations in the US Historical Climatology Network(HCN).

There are 230 stations in the US Climate Reference Network(CRN).

There are 14 stations that are in both GSN and HCN.

(b) Count the total number of stations in each country, and store the output in countires using withColumnRenamed command. Do the same for states. The total number of *stations* in each country showed as the result 12. I counted the station *ID* after grouping them with *COUNTRYCODE*.

Result 12.

The same operation on states. The result showed as the result 13.

```
...: states2.show(5,False)
+----+
|STATE|STATIONCOUNT|
+----+
|NT |137 |
|SK |758 |
|MB |697 |
|ON |1730 |
|NB |264 |
+----+
only showing top 5 rows
```

Result 13.

(c) How many stations are there in the Southern Hemisphere only?

There are 25,337 stations in the Southern Hemisphere, which showed as the result

14. I counted the station *ID* after filtering the *LATITUDE* below the zero.

Result 14.

How many stations are there in total in the territories of the United States around the world?

There were 57,227 stations in the territories of the United States around the world. I selected the *COUNTRYNAME* containing United Stated and counted the station *ID*, which showed as the result 15.

```
station_USA.show(20
station_USA.count()
                  ICOUNTRYNAME
   00914138|American Samoa
                                              [United States]
[United States]
   00914424|American Samoa
      0914873|American Samoa [United States]
     0914800|Northern Mariana Islands [United States
0041408|Northern Mariana Islands [United States
0041412|Northern Mariana Islands [United States
         14468|Guam [United States
41407|Guam [United States
41414|Guam [United States
                  Johnston Atoll [United States]
|Palmyra Atoll [United States]
|Palmyra Atoll [United States]
                4|Palmyra Atoli
                                          United States
 1PRCY0001|Puerto
                                          United States
Q1PRISO001|Puerto Rico
 y showing top 20 rows
           57227
```

Result 15.

Q2

(a) Computes the geographical distance between two stations using their latitude and longitude as arguments.

The geographical distance between two stations showed as the result 16. First I made the function called *compute_distance* to compute the geographical distance of two points. Then wrapping this function by pyspark function *udf that allows* me to lambda using functions on multiple column values. The important process is to *CROSS JOIN* stations and finally filtered different station ID.

: test	t_distance	show(5,Fal	se)			
ID1	LATITUDE1	LONGITUDE1	ID2	LATITUDE2	LONGITUDE2	distance
AQC00914021 AQC00914021 AQC00914021 AQC00914021 AQC00914021	-14.2667 -14.2667 -14.2667	-170.5833 -170.5833 -170.5833	AQC00914424 AQC00914873 CQC00914800	-14.2333 -14.35 14.1333		118.66
only showing	top 5 rows	+ 5	+	+	+	++

Result 16.

(b) Compute the pairwise distances between all stations in New Zealand. And what two stations are the geographically closest in New Zealand?The pairwise distances between all stations in New Zealand showed as the result 17. I selected all observations of New Zealand by filtering the COUNTRYNAME including New Zealand, and then did the same operation as previous.

```
[68]: distance_stations_newzealand.show(5,False)
            |LATITUDE1|LONGITUDE1|ID2
                                              |LATITUDE2|LONGITUDE2|distance|
NZ000093012 | -35.1
                      173.267
                                  |NZM00093110|-37.0
                                                         174.8
                                                                    270.57
NZM00093110 | -37.0
                                  |NZ000093012|-35.1
                      174.8
                                                         173.267
                                                                     270.57
NZ000093012|-35.1
                      173.267
                                  |NZ000936150|-42.717
                                                                     876.51
                                                         170.983
NZ000093012 | -35.1
                                  |NZ000939450|-52.55
                                                         169.167
                      173.267
                                                                     1970.45
NZ000093012 | -35.1
                      173.267
                                  |NZM00093678|-42.417
                                                         173.7
                                                                     809.78
only showing top 5 rows
```

Result 17.

The closes station is *NZM00093439* and *NZ000093417*, which is *52.09km*. The result as below.

```
distance_stations_newzealand.show(5,False)
            |LATITUDE1|LONGITUDE1|ID2
                                              |LATITUDE2|LONGITUDE2|distance|
NZM00093439 -41.333
                      174.8
                                 |NZ000093417|-40.9
                                                        174.983
                                                                    152.09
NZM00093678 -42.417
                      173.7
                                 |NZM00093439|-41.333
                                                        174.8
                                                                    171.3
NZM00093678 | -42.417
                                 |NZM00093781|-43.489
                      173.7
                                                        172.532
                                                                    175.7
NZ000936150|-42.717
                      170.983
                                 |NZM00093781|-43.489
                                                        172.532
                                                                    192.05
                                 |NZ000093417|-40.9
NZM00093678 -42.417
                                                        174.983
                                                                    220.29
                      173.7
only showing top 5 rows
```

Result 18.

Q3

(a) How many blocks are required for the daily climate summaries for the year 2017? What about the year 2010? What are the individual block sizes for the year 2010?

The default block size of HDFS is 134,217,728 Byte (about 134MB). Two number of blocks for year 2010 are required and the average block size is 103,590,865 Byte (about 103MB). The result showed as the result 19. It is possible for spark to load and apply transformation in parallel for year 2010 as it was allocated two blocks.

```
Connecting to namemode via http://mode0:9870/fsck?ugri-jpel186path=0x2FddtaNEphcndN2Fdds1\px2F2010.csv.gz  
SEXC started by jpel16 (auth:SIMPLE) from /192.168.40.10 for path /data/ghcnd/daily/2010.csv.gz at Thu Aug 29 09:55:12 NZST 2019
SEATUS: HEALTHY
Number of data-nodes: 32
Number of racks: 1
Total dirs: 0
Total syminks: 0
Replicated Blocks: 207381730 8
Total files: 207381730 8
Total files: 207381730 8
Total files: 207381730 8
Total files: 207381730 8
Total blocks (validated): 2 (avg. block size 103590865 B)
Whinselly replicated blocks: 0 (0.00 %)
Over-replicated blocks: 0 (0.00 %)
Wis-replicated blocks: 0 (0.00 %)
```

Result 19.

However, only one block is required for 2017, as the file size is smaller than the default block size. We can see the output from the result 20. So, that means that it is impossible to do parallel operation.

Result 20

(b) Load the count the number of rows in daily for each of the years 2010 and 2017. How many tasks were executed by each stage of each job? Did the number of tasks executed correspond to the number of blocks in each input?

The number of rows in *daily* for 2017 and 2010 are 21,904,999 and 36,946,080 respectively.

One task executed in each stage of each job. The details as below. After counting the number of rows in daily for each of the years 2010 and 2017, there were two jobs showed as the figure 1. One for operations on 2010 and the other for 2017.

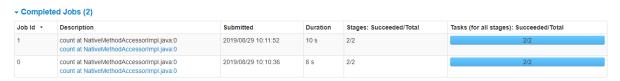


Figure 1

When did operations on year 2017, there were two stage for job0.

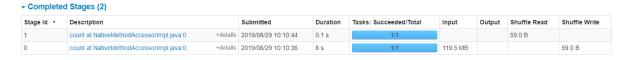


Figure 2

There was one task for each stage. One task for stage0 and one task for stage 1.

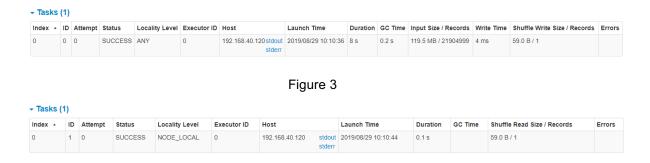


Figure 4

When did operations for year 2010 there were also two stage for job 1



Figure 5

One task for stage 2, and one task for stage 3.

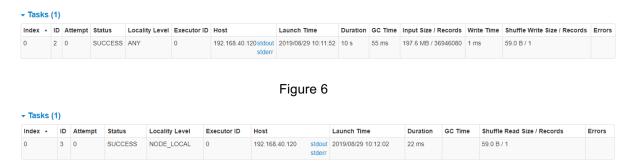


Figure 7

In conclusion, I found that the number of tasks executed does not matter the number of blocks in each inputs.

(c) Load and count the number of rows in daily from 2010 to 2015. How many tasks were executed by each stage, and how does this number correspond to your input. How spark partitions input files that are compressed.

The rows in daily from 2010 to 2015 is 207,716,098.

For stage 4 there are 6 tasks

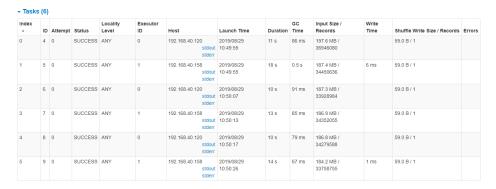


Figure 8

For stage 5 there are 1 task

▼ Tasks (1	Tasks (1)											
Index *	ID	Attempt	Status	Locality Level	Executor ID	Host		Launch Time	Duration	GC Time	Shuffle Read Size / Records	Errors
0	10	0	SUCCESS	NODE_LOCAL	1		stdout stderr	2019/08/29 10:50:40	0.2 s		354.0 B / 6	

Figure 9

When files were stored as gzip that are not splitting, there are no way to avoid reading the file in its entirely on one core. In order to parallelize work, the nth chunk depends on the n-1-th chunk's position. But it is impossible to read gzip stream. So, Spark decompresses the file first in its entirety before it can shuffle it to increase parallelism.

(d) Based on parts(b) and (c) what level of parallelism can you achieve when loading and applying transformations to daily? Can you think of any way you could increase this level of parallelism ether in Spark or by additional preprocessing?

There are 255 files in daily. As the number of tasks may equal the input of files, so Spark can reach at most 255 tasks at every stage.

Q4

(a) Count the number of rows in daily.

There are 2,624,027,105 rows in daily.

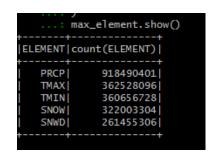
(b) Filter daily using the filter command to obtain the subset of observations containing the five core elements described in inventory. How many

observations are there for each of five core numbers. Which elements has the most observations? Is this element consistent with Processing Q3?

The number of observations for each of the five core elements

The number of observations for each of five core numbers showed as the result 21. There are 918,490,401 observations recording *Precipitation* values. I filtered *stations* that have core elements and grouped by *ELEMENT*. The next step was aggregating the count of observations.

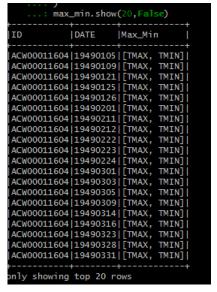
The result is consistent with processing Q3. In processing Q3, the number of stations only collect precipitation are 15,970 stations, accounting for 78% of total core elements.

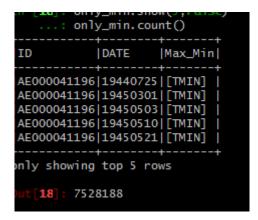


Result 21.

(c) How many observations of *TMIN* do not have a corresponding observation of *TMAX*.

There are 7,528,188 observations of *TMIN* do not have a corresponding observation of *TMAX* showed as the result 23. I filtered the stations that have maximum temperature and minimum temperature and *withcolumn* a new column to store this output as a set. This showed as the result 22. Finally, I filtered the set only contains the minimum temperature to get the result.





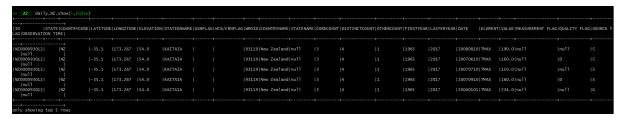
Result 22. Result 23

How many different stations contributed to these observations? Do they belong to the GSN, HCN, or CRN?

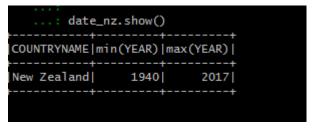
These observations contains 26,625 stations. And there are 2,111 stations belong to GSN, HCN or CRN.

(d) How many observations are there, and how many years are covered by the observations.

There are 447,017 observations in New Zealand that have minimum temperature and maximum temperature records. And those observations cover from year 1940 to 2017. The results showed as below,

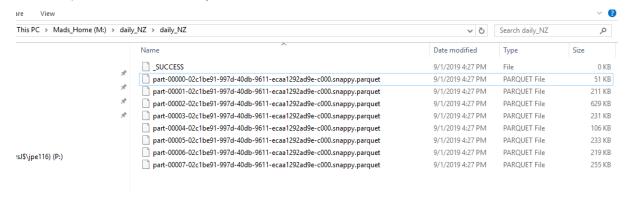


Result 24.



Result 25.

The output in local directory as below.

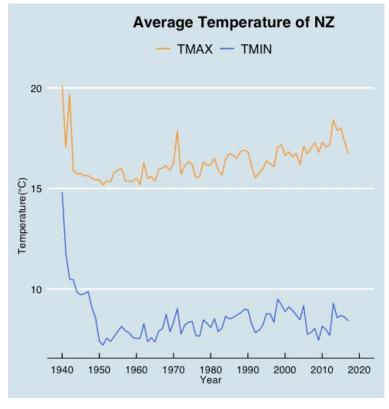


Figures 10

The number of rows in the part files of CSV files matched the number of observations using Spark.

Plot the time series of TMIN and TMAX on the same axis for each station in New Zealand. And plot the average time series for the entire country.

The average time series for the entire country as the result 26. And the other plots for each station as appendix.



Result 26

(e) Group the precipitation observations by year and country. Compute the average rainfall in each year for each country.

Which country has the highest average rainfall in a single year across the entire dataset.

Plot the cumulative rainfall for each country.

The precipitation observations by year and country showed as the result 27. The highest average rainfall happens in Equatorial Guinea in year 2000.

```
average_rainfall.cache(
average_rainfall.show()
                  COUNTRYNAME | COUNTRYCODE |
                                                             AVG_RAINFALL
         Equatorial Guinea
                                                                      4361.0
                                                DR
LA
                                                                      3414.0
                         Belize
                                                      2244.714285714286
                                                BH|1755.545454545
                         Belize
1978|Netherlands Antil...
1979|Netherlands Antil...
                                                1487.72
HO|1469.6122448979593
NT| 1332.3787878787878
                                                     1284.138888888889
       Trinidad and
                                                 TD
       Equatorial Guinea
|Martinique [France]
    showing top 20 rows
```

Result 27.

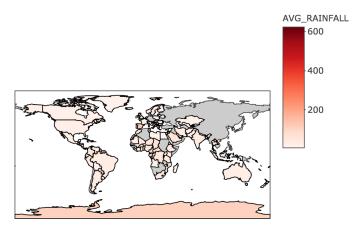
The cumulative rainfall for each country showed as the result 28.

```
cummu_rainfall_country.show(5,False)
                                   AVG_RAINFALL
COUNTRYCODE | COUNTRYNAME
            |Equatorial Guinea
                                   1623.6077594289269
EΚ
ВН
           |Belize
                                   192.37566641740898
                                   |182.55250413781388|
C5
            Costa Rica
            |Tokelau [New Zealand] |179.44281097228026|
TL
            |New Caledonia [France]|172.84295899940219|
NC
only showing top 5 rows
```

Result 28

The plot as below,



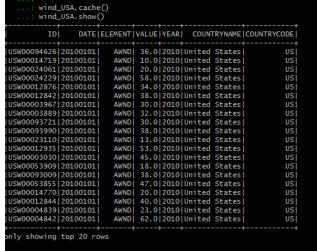


Result 29.

Challenges

Q1

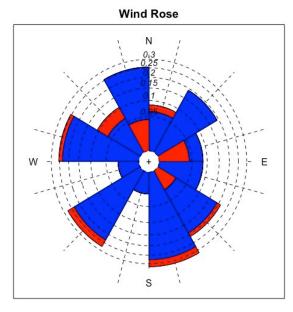
I am interested in research wind speed and wind direction value of the USA. First, I can obtain the overall information that observations including *ELEMENT* of *AWND* and *AWDR* in the territory of United States. Then the years that these observations covered can be found. Finally, I visualized the data of wind speed and wind direction of two stations in 2017. So, the overall information showed as followed. Then the year data showed as the result 31.

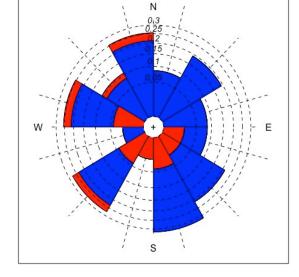


: wind_USA_year.s	how()	
COUNTRYNAME mi	n(YEAR) ma	x(YEAR)
American Samoa [U	1984	2017
Puerto Rico [Unit	1984	2017
United States	1982	2017
Midway Islands [U	1986	1995
Northern Mariana	2006	2017
Virgin Islands [U	1994	2017
Wake Island [Unit	1984	1997
Guam [United States]	1984	2017
Johnston Atoll [U	1984	1995
+		+

Result 30 Result 31.

After choosing the stations that have the top 2 daily wind speed in 2017, my aim is to visual data of station USS0006N04S, USS0006P10S. The plot showed as the result 32 and 33.





Wind Rose

Result32- USS0006N04S

Result 33 - USS0006P10S

Q2

There are 7,688,694 rows in *daily* marked with failed flag. The result showed as the result 34.

In my opinion, the quality of the dataset is acceptable. There are main reasons. First, the data is complete and continuous. *Daily* covers the data of 255 years without

missing any year. Second, the redundant of data is limit. In term of this case, all field is considered as important items and long data frame is better than wide data frame. At last, the data is worth trusty. There are total 2,624,027,105 observations in *daily*, which means 99.7% of the observations passed the quality assurance check.

```
fail_quality_check.count()
                           |ELEMENT|VALUE|MEASUREMENT FLAG|QUALITY FLAG|SOURCE FLAG|OBSERVATION TIME|
ID
               DATE
NOE00109640 | 20100101 | PRCP
                                      |0.0 |null
                                                                                                     null
                                      |100.0|null
                                                                    İΙ
NOE00109640 | 20100101 | SNWD
                                                                                                      null
                                                                                                     null
null
USR0000AHLM | 20100101 | TMAX
                                      0.0
                                                                    D
|USR0000AHLM|20100101|TMIN
|RSM00031961|20100101|SNWD
|USR0000ALIR|20100101|TMAX
                                      0.0
                                                                    D
                                      79.0
                                             null
                                                                    ΙI
                                                                                                      null
                                      39.0
                                                                                     ΙU
                                                                                                      Inu11
FR069029001|20100101|TMIN
USW00094814|20100101|WESD
                                             null
                                      35.0
                                                                                      ΙE
                                                                                                      nu11
                                      0.0
                                             null
USW00094010|20100101|5NOW
USW00094010|20100101|5NWD
                                      |51.0 |null
                                                                                                      nu11
                                      |152.0|null
                                                                    I
                                                                                     0
                                                                                                     |null
only showing top 10 rows
         7688694
```

Result 34.

I am interested in finding the relationship between wind speed and season in the USA, and I wonder know if we can predict season by the wind speed value. So, I used the wind_USA data frame from previous then sampling randomly them by the size of 500. Next, I chose the top 300 records as training data and the rest as testing data. Following training dataset were ready, I built the model by K-nearest neighbour method. When I chose K = 3, the output showed as followed. And the mean error rate is 45%.

```
knn.pred 1 2 3 4
    1 31 9 4 42
    2 0 0 0 1
    3 0 0 0 0
    4 37 11 5 60
> # get the mean square of error
> mean(knn.pred == test$sn)
[1] 0.455
```

Result 35.

However, when k = 1, the output showed as followed. The mean error rate is still 43% which means the prediction is very poor.

```
knn.pred 1 2 3 4

1 29 9 2 37

2 1 0 3 3

3 1 1 0 6

4 37 10 4 57

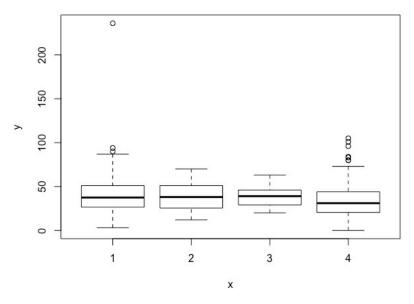
> # get he mean square of error

> mean(knn.pred == test$sn)

[1] 0.43
```

Result 36.

Actually, I can see no patterns when I plot the data of wind speed and season directly. This showed as followed. I also try to find the relationship between wind speed and day or month, as a result, the relationship both are weak. Maybe the prediction would be better with the multiple variables such as temperature and pressure.



Result 37.

Appendix

