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RESUMO

Os estudos relacionados aos recursos hídricos têm grande importância em muitas áreas, tais como irrigação, abastecimento de água e geração de energia. O uso eficiente desses recursos depende de muitos fatores, dentre eles a estimativa correta de algumas variáveis relacionadas ao ciclo hidrológico, como a evapotranspiração. No entanto, os modelos mais precisos atualmente utilizados para a estimativa da evapotranspiração requerem variáveis que nem sempre estão disponíveis ou são difíceis de se obter em algumas regiões, devido à falta de instrumentos de medição. Nestes casos, a precisão da estimativa da evapotranspiração é diminuída, o que pode comprometer a sua validade dependendo do contexto. Esta pesquisa consistiu na aplicação de técnicas de Ciência dos Dados na análise de dados meteorológicos, fornecidos pelo Instituto Nacional de Meteorologia (INMET), a fim de gerar um modelo para estimar a evapotranspiração, usando uma abordagem orientada a dados. Como um projeto de Ciência dos Dados, esta pesquisa teve alto grau de interação com um especialista de domínio da área de Hidrologia. Este processo interativo foi necessário para a definição da questão de pesquisa, cenários experimentais e da avaliação dos resultados, gerados por execuções sucessivas do ciclo de vida de Ciência dos Dados utilizado nesta pesquisa. Através da interação com o especialista de domínio, foi definido como objetivo principal desta pesquisa a simplificação dos métodos atuais para a estimativa da evapotranspiração, sem perda de precisão em relação aos resultados históricos. A fim de automatizar as execuções experimentais, foi desenvolvido um software contendo funções para todos os passos do ciclo de vida de Ciência dos Dados, para proporcionar facilidade de execução na repetição das etapas quando necessário. Depois de execuções sucessivas do experimento com cenários definidos em conjunto com o especialista de domínio, foi obtido um modelo que atendeu às metas definidas na primeira etapa do ciclo de vida. Finalmente, para análise dos resultados pelo especialista de domínio, foram gerados gráficos para comparar os resultados dos diferentes cenários, bem como mapas com camadas dos biomas e tipos de clima brasileiros, com o objetivo de identificar possíveis padrões entre os resultados e os tipos de vegetação e clima.

Palavras-chave: Ciência dos Dados, Evapotranspiração, Hidrologia.

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ABSTRACT

The studies related to water resources have great relevance in many areas such as irrigation, water supply and power generation. The efficient use of these resources depends on many factors, like the correct estimation of certain variables related to the hydrological cycle, such as evapotranspiration. However, the most precise models currently applied for estimating evapotranspiration require variables that are not always available or are too complex to obtain in some regions, due to the lack of measuring instruments. In these cases, the precision of the evapotranspiration estimative is decreased, compromising its validity depending on the context. This research consisted in the application of Data Science techniques over meteorological data provided by the Brazilian National Institute of Meteorology (INMET), in order to generate a model for estimating evapotranspiration, using a "data-driven" approach. As a Data Science project, this research had high level of interaction with a domain expert from Hydrology area. This interactive process was necessary for definition of the research question, experimental scenarios and for results evaluation, generated by the successive runs of the Data Science lifecycle used in this research. Through interaction with the domain expert, the main objective of this research was defined to simplify the current methods for evapotranspiration estimation, without loss of precision in relation to the historical results. In order to automate the experimental runs, we developed a software program that supports all the steps of the Data Science lifecycle to enable the reproducibility of the experimental results. After successive runs of the experiment with scenarios defined together with the domain expert, we found a model that fits the goals defined in the first step of the lifecycle. Finally, for results analysis by the expert domain, graphs were generated to compare the results of different scenarios, as well as maps with layers of the Brazilian biomes and climate types, aiming to identify possible patterns among results and vegetation and climate type.

Keywords: Data Science, Evapotranspiration, Hydrology.

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Nomenclatures List

ANA	Brazilian National Water Agency
API	Application programming interface
CSV	Comma Separated Values
DAEE	Department of Water and Power of São Paulo
ETc	Crop Evapotranspiration
ETo	Reference Evapotranspiration
ETp	Potencial Evapotranspiration
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
INMET	Instituto Nacional de Meteorologia
KDD	Knowledge Discovery in Databases
\mathbf{PM}	Penman-Monteith equation
NoSQL	Non-relational Database
WMO	World Meteorological Organization

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

With the rapid evolution of the Computer Science area and its integration with several other knowledge areas, more and more data is produced by various means. In the past, data was generated through processing programs and manual entry of information systems users. Currently, data generation is performed by different sources, in addition to traditional information systems. For example, data is generated by sensors for various purposes, such as measurement of meteorological data. Moreover, growing integration between information systems and devices produces a much larger volume of data because data are generated not only by users, but also by computers and many device types, such as sensors.

In addition, the large increase in the number of users of information systems, mainly due to the increase in access to Internet through various devices, multiplied by many times the number of users as well as increased the speed in data generation, causing an avalanche of increasingly complex data.

As quoted by Clive Humby (co-founder of Dunnhumby), "data is the new oil", due to its economic and social value. However, to extract value from these data, some tasks are fundamental (similar to the oil context): exploration, extraction, transformation and storage [18].

With the changes in data generation, there is also a need of changes in data exploration to transform it in value, for supporting and improving the decision making processes. In this context, Data Science emerges as a new approach to extract value from data.

Data Science comprises a set of tools, technologies and methods; according to Loukides [22], it may be considered a more holistic approach for data analysis than

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other established methods, since it deals with all aspects of the data cycle.

Another important characteristic of Data Science is the greater engagement of the domain expert in the process, participating in all phases of the Data Science cycle, for building a solution to a research problem. In other data analysis methods, like the Knowledge Discovery in Databases (KDD), there is the participation of the domain expert in some phases. However, a distinguishing difference of Data Science is that it considers the domain expert as a fundamental component of the research team, not only a participant to define a problem and validate the solution generated in the Data Science cycle. This solution is driven by the domain expert needs, defined through participation of the domain expert in all phases of cycle, aiming to extract value from data. For generation of this value, there is a need to connect the world of data scientists to the domain experts [27], because the solutions built in Data Science cycle only have value if reach the domain experts needs.

With these characteristics, the Data Science approach can be applied to all knowledge areas, supporting researchers and business professionals in the data analysis process. One of these areas is Hydrology, in which data analysis can be used to various purposes, such as studies of climate changes, energy generation and agriculture planning.

1.2 Problem Statement

One of the most important components of the water cycle is evapotranspiration, defined as the sum of water evaporation and vegetation transpiration [56]. The rate of this component represents the water lost by the surface to the atmosphere and can be used in many activities, such as irrigation planning.

Normally, this rate is estimated by mathematical models, using environmental variables like meteorological measurements. The precision of this estimation is very important to better use of water resources, such as minimize the water lost in the irrigation activities.

However, the most precise models use variables that not always are available or are too complex to apply in regions with few instruments to measure the environmental variables. In these cases, the options to deal with this limitation are estimating the missing data or using a more simple model to estimate the evapotranspiration or using remote sensing data. Both options could affect the estimation precision, generating a limitation for the use of the evapotranspiration estimated values. Moreover, the use of a more complex model with all data requires a large number of measurement instruments, decreasing the number of the regions where this model can be applied.

1.3 Conceptual Framework for the Study

The main method currently used to estimate the evapotranspiration is the Penman-Monteith, indicated by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) [1]. The complexity of this method is its main limitation [7], requiring values from many variables that are not always available.

Other simpler methods can be used for the evapotranspiration estimation, such as Thornthwaite method, used by the National Institute of Meteorology from Brazil (INMET) [41]. Although simpler than the Penman-Monteith method, this method underestimates the evapotranspiration in dry regions [24], limiting its use in these regions.

1.4 Research Question

The present work addresses the following research question, defined in collaboration with a Hydrology domain expert: "Is it possible to find a simpler approach to estimate evapotranspiration with an acceptable precision?". The objective defined in this research for simplification of the evapotranspiration estimation is related to use less variables than Penman-Monteith equation in estimation. Regarding to precision, it was defined with domain expert a goal of 10% of root mean square error (RMSE) relative to evapotranspiration average.

1.5 Procedures

For answering the research question, a Data Science Life Cycle was used, with high level of interaction with the domain expert. In this cycle, based in the key principles of the Lean Development, the main objective is to deliver fast results for analysis by the domain experts [9], who can generate new research questions or require some adjustments in the process to produce more valuable results.

1.6 Significance of the Study

This study aims to contribute to the Information Systems area, by means of an application of Data Science techniques using a proposed project cycle. The process and the technologies applied in this research project can be used for other researchers in different domains, or even in the Hydrology area, for extending and validating the results reached with the Data Science application.

Moreover, the results found in this research project can be also used by the researchers in water related areas, such as Hydrology, Climatology and Agriculture. The proposed approach for estimating evapotranspiration can be useful in regions where traditional methods are not suitable due to missing data, or to increase the comparison results among different methods for evapotranspiration's estimation.

1.7 Limitations of the Study

This study uses historical meteorological data provided by INMET, for the 263 measurement stations in the Brazilian territory [42]. Due to missing data in many variables in the historical data series, 188 out of the 263 stations could not be included in this study. Moreover, to increase the number of the stations included in this study, the historical data series used in the experiment was limited to the period between 2010 and 2014. This enabled the inclusion of 30 additional stations in the study.

Some approaches could be used for fill the missing data, like use of values from nearby locations, as recommended by FAO [1], but this approach could impact precision of results. For this reason, it was decided not use these approaches in this research work. However, these limitations should be object of new studies, by extending the period of the historical data series and increasing the number of the measurement stations included.

1.8 Organization of the Study

Chapter 2 contains a detailed background around evapotranspiration and Data Science. The research project is described in Chapter 3, with problem characterization, the proposed solution to answer the main research question and the solution evaluation. In Chapter 4, the whole application of the proposed solution is described, detailing each phase of the Data Science cycle used. The experiment results are discussed in Chapter 5, according to the requirements defined with the domain expert. Finally, Chapter 7 contains the final considerations about this research project, discussing the results, contributions and suggestions for future works.

2. Background

2.1 Evapotranspiration

Evapotranspiration is the term created by Thornthwaite [10] to the combined evaporation of water from soil surface and the water transpired from the vegetation, referred by Thornthwaite as the "reverse of precipitation", because the water evaporated returns to atmosphere that, in turn, returns to surface through precipitations.

The value of evapotranspiration is a rate, expressed in milimeters per unit of time [1] (hour, day, month, etc), that represents the water lost from the surface to atmosphere. This rate can be calculated or measured by many ways and are classified in four types:

- Potencial Evapotranspiration (ETp): when the quantity of water in the soil is near to the surface capacity and the surface is totally covered by a short green crop; [8]
- Reference Evapotranspiration (ETo): evapotranspiration rate from reference surface, that is a hypothetical grass reference with specific characteristics; [1].
- Crop Evapotranspiration (ETc): evapotranspiration from disease-free crops, under optimum soil water conditions and with full production in given climatic conditions; [1].
- Real Evapotranspiration (ETr): water lost in real conditions of atmosphere and soil characteristics.

According to the FAO Guide [1], ETo is independent from soil conditions or vegetation type, depending only on local climatic conditions, while ETc can vary by a coefficient related to crop (called Kc). Then, a evapotranspiration can be calculated for a specific crop by the following equation:

$$\mathsf{ETc} = \mathsf{Kc} * \mathsf{ETo} \tag{2.1}$$

2.1.1 Evapotranspiration Importance

According to Fernandes [6], evapotranspiration has importance in many areas, as some listed below:

- Water supply to cities,
- Design and construction of waterworks,
- Irrigation planning,
- Power generation by hydroelectric plants.

In irrigation activities, for example, evapotranspiration is used for planning the quantity of water to be irrigated in crops, indicating the additional quantity of water needed for plantation development. The water used in this process represents almost 75% of the global consume [7] and a low efficiency in irrigation activities can be responsible for water waste, affecting not only agriculture but all activities which depend on hydric resources, like water supply for human consumption, power generation, climate changes, among other.

Due to its importance, evapotranspiration is subject of many publications by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), like a guide for evapotranspiration used in crops and methods for its estimation [1]. This guide describes many aspects related to evapotranspiration, like basic concepts and calculation procedures, being one of main references about evapotranspiration in the world.

2.1.2 Evapotranspiration Process

As shown in the Figure 2.1, the evapotranspiration process is the part of hydrological cycle in which water returns to atmosphere in vapour state. The vaporized water can form clouds and returns to surface by precipitations. This water can be

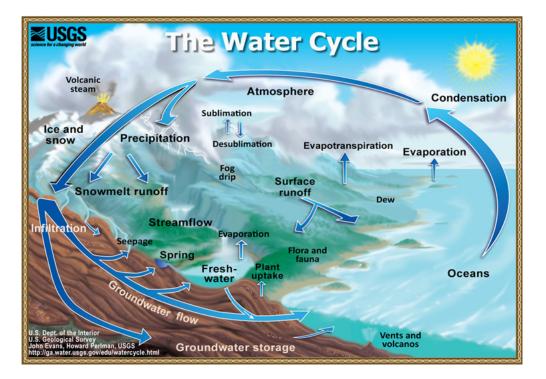


Figure 2.1: Evapotranspiration in Hydrological Cycle [4]

absorbed by vegetation, by the soil and part of it is vaporized again before reaches the surface, depending of environment temperature.

Depending the soil characteristics, the real water quantity absorbed by soil can be only a small portion or the total amount of water received and the water that is not absorbed is available to new evaporation process. Relating to vegetation, the water received is used in the metabolic processes of the plants and, depending of crop characteristic and local conditions, water is transpirated from plants and it is also available to new evaporation process.

The evaporation process consists in transformation of water in liquid state to the gaseous state, using the energy available in the atmosphere to this activity. In the next subsection, the factors that have influence in this process will be explained, also describing what is the main energy source for the evaporation activity.

2.1.3 Factors Influencing the Evapotranspiration

There are many factors that can change the water quantity transformed in vapour by evapotranspiration, like atmospheric and local conditions that, together or individually, can affect the activities in the evapotranspiration process.

The atmospheric conditions are temperature, wind speed, barometric pressure,

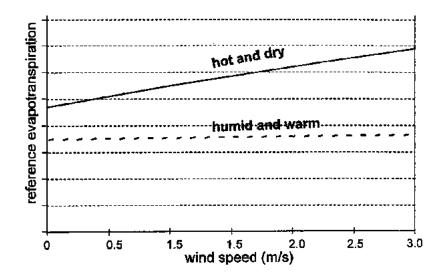
air humidity, solar radiation and nebulosity, while local conditions are related to soil type, vegetation and altitude. All these factors are related each other and evapotranspiration, although can be affected of variation by one, is determined by combination of all of them. According to guide provided by FAO, the main energy source for the evapotranspiration process is the solar radiation. The total amount of energy that reaches the evaporation surface is influenced by location and seasons [1], due to local position in relation to the sun. Moreover, the local nebulosity also affects this amount, because clouds reflecting sunlight, preventing that part or total of the solar radiation reaches the surface evaporation.

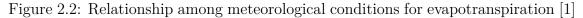
But, only part of the solar radiation that reaches the surface is used to vaporize water, being also used to heat up the atmosphere and the soil, increasing the air temperature, that also influences in evapotranspiration, because the hotter is the air temperature, the greater will be the rate of water lost by evapotranspiration. The main equations used to evapotranspiration estimation, shown in the next subsection, has the air temperature as variable. However, is not possible to conclude that this parameter is fundamental in evapotranspiration estimation. Considering that air temperature is also affected by solar radiation, main source in the evapotranspiration process, and data from this parameter is commonly present in meteorological datasets, could be noticed that air temperature is a very important parameter, maybe a reason for its presence in main models from evapotranspiration estimation.

Another important factor to evapotranspiration is the wind speed, affecting the air temperature and the quantity of water that can be evaporated. In a given location, after water has been vaporized, it can be transported by wind to other locations, making the atmosphere be free for more water vapour. In locations where wind speed is low, there is few transportation of vaporized water and consequently there will be low evapotranspiration rate. Figure 2.2 shows how these factors are related to the evapotranspiration rate.

All these factors can influence the evapotranspiration rate and there are many relationships among them, like the wind speed that influence the air temperature, that also is influenced by solar radiation that, in turn, depends on local nebulosity, the position related to the Sun, seasons, altitude, etc.

Then, due the fact that evapotranspiration is affected by many interrelated variables, the methods for its estimation can use some these variables or all of them, with varying precision of the estimation in relation to actual measures.





2.1.4 Evapotranspiration Measurement

There are two ways to get the evapotranspiration value: direct measuring or estimation. The direct measuring is done by using instruments like lysimeters and eddy covariance sensors, while estimation by using mathematical methods, computer methods and mixed methods.

The lysimeters are a set of instruments for measuring water related data, like evapotranspiration, and are built of many ways, with many types, like drainage, weighing, groundwater, etc. The Figure 2.3 shows one type of lysimeter, a groundwater lysimeter:

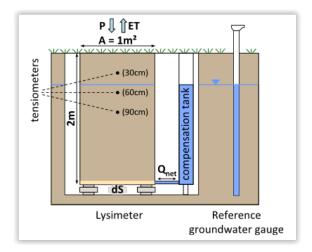


Figure 2.3: A groundwater lysimeter [5]

Independent of type, the use of lysimeters is restricted by its high cost and limited flexibility [16], because a lysimeter station can be a big and expensive construction.

Due to these limitations, the current approach for calculating the evapotranspiration value is its estimation by mathematical methods.

There are many methods for this estimation and the Penman-Monteith (PM) equation is the reference method from the FAO, defined in the Allen's work, that compared many methods and found that the PM equation was the method with greater precision among the other methods when compared to actual values measured [14].

The FAO Penman-Monteith equation was adapted from original Penman-Monteith equation, defining as a reference a hyphothetical crop with height of 0.12 m, surface resistance of 70 s m-1 and an albedo of 0.23. Moreover, this crop reference considers an extension surface of green grass of uniform height, active growing and adequate watered. The resultant Equation 2.2 [1] is:

$$ETo = \frac{0.408\delta(Rn - G) + \gamma \frac{900}{(T + 273)}u2(es - ea)}{\delta + \gamma(1 + 0.34u2)}$$
(2.2)

where

- ETo: reference evapotranspiration [mm day-1],
- Rn: net radiation at the crop surface [MJ m-2 day-1],
- G: soil heat flux density [MJ m-2 day-1],
- T: mean daily air temperature at 2 m height [°C],
- u2: wind speed at 2 m height [m s-1],
- es: saturation vapour pressure [kPa],
- ea: actual vapour pressure [kPa],
- es ea: saturation vapour pressure deficit [kPa],
- δ : slope vapour pressure curve [kPa °C-1],
- γ : psychrometric constant [kPa °C-1].

A common critique about PM method is its strong dependence of availability of the values for all variables of equation. Additionally, this method requires values that not always are simple to get, limiting its application to the locations with all measurement instruments needed for the PM equation variables [14].

An alternative for the missing data, is the estimation of these values or the use of values from the nearby regions, that is the approach recommended by the FAO. A limitation of this approach is related to precision, that can be less than when are used values from the own location [11].

Another method used for estimating evapotranspiration is the Thornthwaite equation [10], that uses less data than PM equation, but estimates the potencial evapotranspiration. This method uses only sun hours and temperature data for estimation and is expressed by Equation 2.3:

$$\mathsf{ETP} = 1.6(\frac{10\mathsf{Ta}}{\mathsf{I}})^{\alpha} \tag{2.3}$$

where,

- ETP: monthly potential evapotranspiration,
- Ta: average daily temperature,
- α : given by Equation 2.4,
- I: head index, dependent on 12 monthly mean temperatures, shown in Equation 2.5.

$$\alpha = (6.75 * 10^{-7})I^3 - (7.71 * 10^{-5})I^2 + (1.792 * 10^{-2})I + 0.49239$$
(2.4)

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^{12} \left(\frac{\text{Tai}}{5}\right)^{1.514} \tag{2.5}$$

This equation considers a standard condition of 12 hours of sunlight and month with 30 days [37] and the corrected monthly ETo is shown in equation 2.6.

$$ETo = 1.6(\frac{L}{12})(\frac{N}{30})(\frac{10Ta}{I})^{\alpha}$$
(2.6)

where,

- ETo: monthly evapotranspiration,
- L: average day length (hours) of the month,
- N: number of days of month,
- Ta: average daily temperature,
- α : given by Equation 2.4,
- I: head index, dependent on 12 monthly mean temperatures, shown in Equation 2.5.

The Thornthwaite equation is the method used by National Institute of Meteorology from Brazil (INMET) for estimating the monthly potential evapotranspiration, used in its meteorological database and for publishing in its agrometeorological reports. This method was designed for places under humid conditions, underestimating the evapotranspiration value when it is applied under dry conditions [24].

To overcome this limitation, the Thornthwaite method was adapted by Camargo et al [17] for using in places with any weather conditions. This modified method substitutes the average air temperature for a effective temperature (Tef) shown in equation 2.11, which expresses the local thermic amplitude. The Thornthwaite-Carmago method is expressed by the Equation 2.7:

$$\mathsf{ETP} = \mathsf{ETp} * \mathsf{COR} \tag{2.7}$$

where,

- COR: correction factor, expressed in 2.8,
- ETp: evapotranspiration without correction, expressed in Equations 2.9 and 2.10.

$$COR = \left(\frac{N}{12}\right) * \left(\frac{NDP}{30}\right) \tag{2.8}$$

where,

• N = fotoperiod of month,

• NDP = days of month.

For Tef < 26.6 Celsius degree

$$\mathsf{ETp} = 16 * (10 * \frac{\mathsf{Tef}}{\mathsf{I}})^{\alpha} \tag{2.9}$$

For Tef ≥ 26.6 Celsius degree

$$\mathsf{ETp} = -415.85 + 32.24 * \mathsf{Tef} - 0.43 * \mathsf{Tef}^2$$
(2.10)

And Tef is defined by:

$$Tef = 0.36 * (3 * Tmax - Tmin)$$
 (2.11)

where,

- Tmax: Max temperature,
- Tmin: Min temperature.

$$\alpha = 0.49239 + 1.7912 * 10^{-2} * I - 7.71 * 10^{-5} * I^{2} + 6.75 * 10^{-7} * I^{3}$$
(2.12)

$$\mathbf{I} = 12 * (0.2 * Ta)^{1.514} \tag{2.13}$$

where, Ta = normal annual average temperature

Another approach to evapotranspiration estimation is the use of remote sensing methods, that use satellite data and estimate the evapotranspiration for large areas, unlike the PM method that is applicable for small areas. However, there are products for evapotranspiration estimation that use algorithms based in PM method, such as MODIS Global Evapotranspiration Project (MOD16) [62].

Despite to advantage of estimation for large areas in remote sensing methods, there are studies that indicate the low precision as the main problem for application of these methods [55].

CHAPTER 2. BACKGROUND

The use of a method for evapotranspiration estimation depends on analysing some aspects as availability of variables and local characteristics. In places with availability of the values of all required variables for the PM equation, this method is better indicated, due to its best precision. However, if there are values of only few variables, simplified methods as Thornthwaite are more indicated. Also, the local conditions must be considered, because some methods have low precision in determined conditions, as Thornthwaite method in dry locations. In these cases, methods like Thornthwaite-Camargo should be used for estimating evapotranspiration. But, all these alternative methods have less precision than the PM method and some adjustments may be necessary for adjustments more precision in relation to the original method.

Then, in the evapotranspiration estimation, the main question is related to precision. It is important because a low precision on the evapotranspiration values can contribute to a wrong management in the activities that depend on this value, like irrigation, that represents about 75% of water consumption in the planet [7]. As examples of areas affected by water waste, it can be quoted: water supply for population, agriculture, the climate changes, power generation, among many other. So, despite evapotranspiration is not well known outside the Hydrology and related areas, it is a subject that can affect the whole planet.

2.2 Data Science

There is not an established definition about what is Data Science and sometimes this term receives similar definitions of other processes for data analysis, like Knowledge Discovery in Databases (KDD) and Data Mining, that is part of KDD process. Although KDD processes can be considered part of the Data Science profile for some authors, as shown in Figure 2.4, there is not a clear boundary of what is Data Science or KDD.

In this way, there are some attempts to define what is Data Science in fact and what the key differentiator in relation to other data analysis processes. Some authors consider Data Science as an expansion from Statistics, like Cleveland [2], that proposed in 2001 some disciplines to expand the technical areas of Statistics, emphasizing the multidisciplinary aspect of the new term created in his publication. In 2013, Drew Conway proposed a Venn Diagram, shown in Figure 2.5, to illustrate the relationship among disciplines in Data Science. For Conway [3], the main

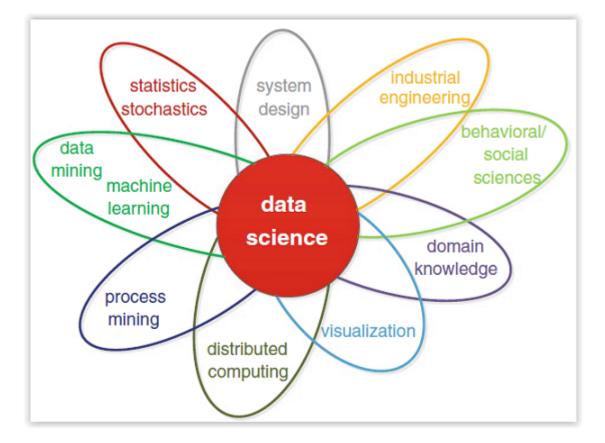


Figure 2.4: Profile of data scientist by van der Aalst [18]

aspect that differentiate his view about Data Science from other definitions, is the Substantive Expertise role in the process, that has more importance in Data Science activities, being part of all research process.

Comparing the definitions from Conway and Cleveland , it is important to notice how the areas are related. While Cleveland cites the multidisciplinary aspect, with other areas including more resources and tools to Statistics, Conway enforces the interdisciplinary aspect, in which Data Science is dependent of all these areas, applied together to answer a research question, sometimes using a big mass of data.

With the data collected from an unlimited number of sources, such as sensors, event logs and models, the data volume is growing in faster way in dimensions as size and complexity, characterizing the Big Data (or Big Data Era), for which the traditional data analytical methods and the processing computing capacity are no more suitable for fast results for needs to the decision making process.

In this context, a new professional is necessary, with skills in many areas to fit the challenges brought by the Big Data. Mattmann [53] pointed out that vast streams of data will require a new type of researchers, with skills in science and

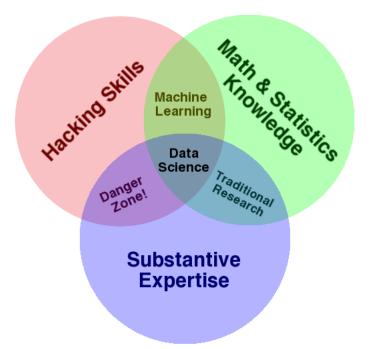


Figure 2.5: Venn Diagram for Data Science proposed by Conway [3]

computing. For him, data scientists need to develop algorithms for analysis and adapt file formats, besides understanding Mathematics, Statistics and Physics.

Similarly, van der Aalst [18] declares that data scientist must have knowledge in many areas and personal skills, like being creative and communicative for making end-to-end solutions, defining the data scientist as "the engineer of the future". The Figure 2.4 illustrates the many areas that data scientist must have knowledge.

This diagram corroborates the definition from Zhu et al [19], for whom Data Science is "an umbrella of theories, methods and technologies for studying data nature". The term "umbrella" is also used by Margolis et al [20], that include domain specific disciplines as biology and medicine in this umbrella.

However, more than only a set of tools, methods and theories, the Data Science aims to get the better of them for integrating and producing solutions to research problems. Moreover, Data Science is more than an approach for data analysis and couldn't to be compared with it, because Data Science goes beyond activities such as data analysis, patterns extraction or knowledge discovering from data. Data Science may include the data analysis and the knowledge discovering but it is not limited to them.

As said by Mike Loukides in [22], the main differentiator key of Data Science is its holistic approach in the whole data life cycle. Data Science applications include activities since understanding how the data were generated until providing answers to the research questions. For these activities, knowledge is necessary in many areas, as shown in Figure 2.4, that must be integrated to provide a solution that supports a research project.

The solution produced by the Data Science application can be materialized in many ways, such as a simple report with results, a set of scripts, software packages or even a complete software solution. This solution can be used as many times as necessary in research process, assuring the reproducibility aspect of scientific methods.

For producing a solution in a Data Science application, many steps are executed, often in an interactive way, and repeated, when necessary. These steps are previously defined in the Data science project and are known as the lifecycle of the Data Science.

2.2.1 Data Science Life Cycle

For Shcherbakov et al [9], Data Science research should be done using a life cycle based in the key principles of Lean Development [57]. The main concepts behind this approach are the fast delivery of preliminar results and the focus in customers, in the interactive process providing results and starting the cycle again with making new research questions. Figure 2.6 shows the phases in the proposed lifecycle.

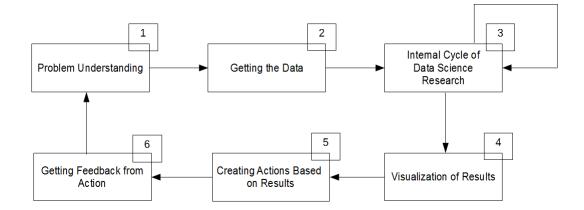


Figure 2.6: Data Science Lifecycle adapted from [9]

The six phases in the proposed life cycle are described bellow:

Problem Understanding: in the first step of the cycle, data scientists and domain specialists interact for defining the research question.

Getting the Data: After the objectives of the research are defined, data sci-

entists have to identify the data sources and ways to getting the data necessary to answer the research questions.

Internal Cycle of Data Science Research: in the internal phase, many tasks are executed, as data exploration, for understanding the datasets characteristics, data integration, data analysis and modelling, to find a fit model to the data and interpretation of results, to decide if results are enough for analysis or whether new execution is necessary.

Visualization of Results: the results are presented for initial analysis and compared with previous results.

Creating Actions Based on Results: the results must be analysed by researchers together with domain experts, to define whether results are positive or negative, needing improvements in the internal cycle and new executions.

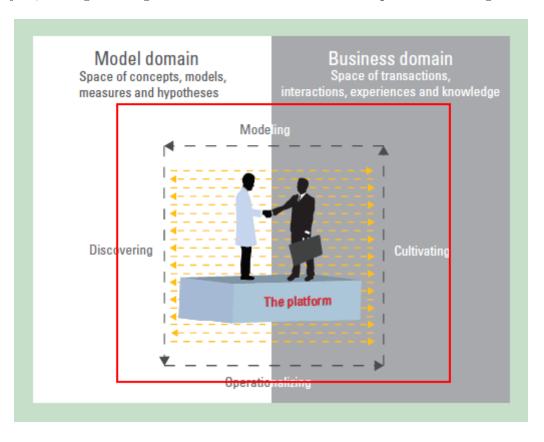
Getting Feedback from Action: From the domain experts, the results are verified according to the initial research question. If the results answer the question, then end-users can use it for their activities. Another possibility, even if results answer the questions, there is the formulation of new research questions from results.

Independent of which cycle is used, a Data Science project starts from end-users needs and ends with an outcome. This outcome can be in many forms, such as a set of scripts or simply some reports, allowing end-users to evaluate the results and to make a decision from that. As an interactive process and focused in needs from end-users, the Data Science lifecycle must have a fundamental component in all steps: the domain knowledge.

2.2.2 Domain Knowledge

An important aspect from Data Science life cycle is its intrinsic relationship with the domain knowledge. It is the fundamental start point for a Data Science project and it is present in the whole cycle. This knowledge, referred as one of the main areas of Data Science, can be integrated in the project through literature reviews and interaction with domain experts. This knowledge is fundamental to define what is useful for a Data Science application and to evaluate the project results.

Viaene [27], discuss the importance of domain knowledge and emphasizes the active participation of a domain expert in a Data Science project in a proposed process, illustrated in Figure 2.7, where the domain expert is part of the whole



project, aiming to bring the data scientist and domain expert to work together.

Figure 2.7: Relationship among Data Scientist and Domain Expert [27]

The correct understanding of needs from the domain users is fundamental and the Data Science application can help domain users to understand a phenomenon or to improve a decision making process, integrating many disciplines and increasing the capacity of utilization of the available data. With the growing of data available in all domains, the Data Science can be used in order to bring more benefits from these data and, in fact, turn it into value.

2.3 Data Science and Natural Sciences

Natural Sciences, like Hydrology, are used to understand the natural phenomenons with many objectives. The study of the climate changes, for example, can help researchers to predict the impacts of each human intervention on the whole world. These studies use historical data from many sources, like measurement instruments, and can generate models for prediction from these data.

Like other areas, Natural Sciences are facing the challenge of the growing availability of the data, with many data sources and more complexity in extracting and integrating information from these data. For Overpeck et al [52], climate date are growing in volume and complexity, as well as users for this data. They pointed out that two major challenges in climate science are to ensure that growing volume of data is easily and freely available and that results could be useful and understandable by a broad interdisciplinary audience.

In the evapotranspiration context, there are multiple data sources and many models for evapotranspiration estimation, built from historical data and evaluated with real measures. However, these models have limitations for their use and a wrong choose of a model might cause impacts such as water wasting.

The studies about evapotranspiration have relationship with many areas, such as agriculture and hydrology, and use data from many sources. Many of these studies are related to specific locations and aim to understand local characteristics of evapotranspiration process, using known models and data collected to estimate evapotranspiration, sometimes comparing some estimation models.

Possibly, the existing data from these locations would be more useful if datadriven approaches are applied, with integration of different data sources, machine learning for search patterns, built software packages for repeating the experiments, among many other techniques and tools for working with data. This set of techniques could extend the studies from a specific location to a more broadly view of evapotranspiration.

In this way, Data Science could be the data-driven approach applied in the evapotranspiration subject, with its holistic approach and integration of many areas, bringing for the well-established models an interdisciplinary view and use of many techniques and tools, enhancing the researches in this area.

3. Research Project

3.1 Introduction

In this Chapter, we present the problem characterization as well as the proposed solution using a Data Science Lifecycle, described in the next sections. In addiction, we detail the metrics used for evaluating the solution, defined together with the domain expert.

3.2 Problem Characterization

Currently, reference evapotranspiration is estimated from equations like Penman-Monteith equation (PM), which is the FAO reference method, and others like Thornthwaite equation, Thornthwaite-Camargo equation, etc. These approaches are heavily dependent on the values of all required variables and, in the absence of one value, the use of these methods can be impracticable.

For dealing with missing data, these methods can use data from the nearby regions, as recommended by FAO. However, there is no guarantee that the data from other regions represent the same behaviour of the variables in the related region and this fact can impact on the estimation precision.

Another possibility is estimating these values using: normals climate tables, empirical equations, statistical approaches, etc. Majidi et al [14] made a study comparing results from different equations in many scenarios of missing data with values from the PM equation with the complete data scenario. This approach showed that even in scenarios with missing data, the PM method has satisfactory performance.

Then, despite the missing data problem is the main shortcoming of the PM

method, there are some approaches to minimize its impact, with varying performance when compared with PM use in the complete data scenario. Another criticism found in the literature about the PM method is its equation complexity, that requires many variables.

Simplified methods, like the Thornthwaite equation and its variations [17], have as an advantage the requirement of fewer variables, but the performance can be dependent on local conditions. Thornthwaite's equation, for example, was proposed for humid conditions and underestimates evapotranspiration in locations with dry conditions [24]. For overcoming this problem, the Thornthwaite-Camargo equation is an adaptation of the Thornthwaite's method [17], for using in any local climatic conditions and has good performance when compared with original equation.

However, these approaches have the same characteristic: the evapotranspiration estimation is model-centric. The problem with it is that each location can have specific characteristics that can require some calibrations in the method used for improving estimation accuracy [7] or does not have data for all required variables of applied model. Evapotranspiration, as mentioned before, depends on the combination of local factors, as climatic conditions, not only one. Then, a method that is more suitable for locations with humid conditions, for example, could not have a good performance depending on the combination of other local factors, such as wind speed, precipitations volume, altitude, latitude, among others. Choosing one or two factors for deciding which method to use and making some calibrations for better performance can introduce complexity in the estimation, even in simplified methods.

In this context, an approach could use the local factors for estimating the evapotranspiration, such as climate type, vegetation and variables availability. It could simplify the estimation process and possibly gain more accurate results, by considering specific local characteristics. This approach could change the current methods, from a model-driven approach for the data-driven one, where the available dataset in a given location is the source for generating a model for evapotranspiration estimation.

From this perspective, the following dissertation research question is made: Is it possible to simplify the evapotranspiration estimation with good precision?

The simplification objective from research question is related to the variables needed in the evapotranspiration estimation. While the Penman-Monteith equation requires nine variables, as shown in Subsection 2.1.4, this research aims to reduce the number of variables required in estimation process. The "good precision" aspect from research question is related to the quality measurements defined in Section 3.4.

3.3 Proposed Solution

3.3.1 Why Data Science?

Through its holistic approach, Data Science can be useful to solve the problem characterized in the previous section. With the integration of disciplines, such as computing and statistics, with scientific methodology, the domain knowledge, and techniques, such as data mining, Data Science is applied in the whole data lifecycle, from extraction to visualization of results. The main objective of a Data Science application is to turn raw data on value, providing end users with a data product that can be used to execute new experiments or to extend the results analysis.

This data product, that can be a set of scripts, software packages and reports, is built through a Data Science lifecycle, refined in many interactions among data scientists and end users, mainly.

This work will adopt a lifecycle proposed by [9], defined as Lean Data Science Lifecycle and shown in Figure 2.6. The motivation for this adoption is its focus on delivering fast results and high interaction with end users, represented in this research by domain experts. These experts have a fundamental role in the problem definition and results evaluation, providing feedback and making new questions to be answered by new experiment executions, when it is necessary.

In the next subsections, this lifecycle will be detailed, describing each step as part of this proposed solution.

3.3.2 Step 1: Problem Understanding

The first step of the lifecycle aims to define the problem, considering the domain knowledge and motivations from the domain expert, helping the researcher to specify the requirements, existing solutions and the gaps in the domain research. This step is very important because it provides the data scientist with a deeper understanding about the domain, the real needs of end-users and what must be delivered to satisfy these needs. At the end of this step, the data scientist defines, together with domain experts, which problem must be solved by Data Science application.

In this work, the following procedures were adopted to understand the domain and, consequently, the problem. Initially, a domain expert was interviewed to get initial information about the domain and related problems. This unstructured interview revealed a set of information about the gaps existing in the domain, as well additional references to provide a clearer understanding of the domain. A study was made in the literature references provided and new questions were formulated to the domain expert.

This process had a high level of interaction between the data scientist and the domain expert, in which the former made questions and got insights for better understanding of users' needs. The later provided answers and evaluated whether the data scientist had understood correctly the problem to be solved or not. Then, the data scientist formulated a clear declaration of the problem and what results that must be reached with the Data Science application. This formulation was evaluated by the domain expert, who also provided more information about the data sources needed for the next step of the lifecycle.

The description of the results from this step was detailed in the Section 3.2.

3.3.3 Step 2: Getting the Data

Data were collected from a meteorological database of the Brazilian Meteorological Institute (INMET). This database contains measurements from 263 weather stations localized in many locations in Brazil [42]. Each weather station collects daily measurements of many meteorological variables, such as maximum and minimum temperatures, air pressure, wind speed, sunlight hours, air humidity, among others. A characteristic of this database is that not every weather station has data for all variables, in other words, there are incomplete datasets in some locations.

The measures were obtained using global protocols, defined by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), and the database contains data since 1961 for most weather stations. These data are available in comma separated value format (CSV) files and must be obtained for each station, through of a web page provided by INMET [42]. The columns of dataset are described in Table 3.1

As a second source of data, the evapotranspiration values were estimated using the Penman-Monteith equation. For this activity, we used an R function called penman present in the SPEI package [31], to estimate the evapotranspiration value.

Dataset Column	Description		
Station	WMO Code for the Station		
Date	Last day of Month		
Hour	Always 0		
Wind Direction	Always 0		
Wind Speed Average	measured in meters per second		
Max Wind Speed Average	measured in meters per second		
Piche Evaporation	measured in milimeters		
Potential Evapotranspira-	measured in milimeters and estimated by		
tion	Thornthwaite equation		
Real Evapotranspiration	measured in milimeters and estimated by		
	Thornthwaite equation		
Total Insolation	measured in hours		
Nebulosity Average	measured in		
Precipitation Days	number of days with precipitation		
Total Precipitation	measured in milimeters		
Average of the Sea Level	measured in milibar		
Pressure			
Pressure Average	measured in milibar		
Max Temperature Average	measured in Celsius degree		
Compensated Temperature	measured in Celsius degree		
Average			
Min Temperature Average	measured in Celsius degree		
Humidity Average	measured in percentage		
Visibility Average	measured in percentage		

Table 3.1.	Description	of the	INMET	Dataset
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This function receives data series for many attributes and estimates the evapotranspiration values and is further detailed in Section 4.4.3.

Initially, we analyzed the use of the software provided by FAO to estimate evapotranspiration, called CROPWAT [63], provided by WMO. However, due to the fact that this software does not provide an API (Application Programming Interface) to automated estimation, its use was discarded.

3.3.4 Step 3: Internal Cycle of Data Science Research

The Internal Cycle of Data Science Research step contains four tasks:

Task Statement: In this task, the data exploration will be executed to understand the characteristics of the datasets that have been gotten in the previous step. Through interaction with the domain expert, the following statistical analysis was suggested: • Available Data: For each dataset, it is calculated the percentage of the missing data for each attribute.

This list can be extended after the analysis of the first results and new data explorations can be made to get the additional information required.

Data Integration: Data obtained from INMET are merged with data generated by the R function penman through Java methods. Moreover, data transformations may be necessary to adjust measure units or data formats.

Data modelling: Using machine learning algorithms, the integrated data in the previous task are analyzed to discover patterns in data of the weather stations and to output a model that represents these data. This model is a math equation to calculate the evapotranspiration in each location, using variables with available data. This step is executed using the scenarios suggested by the domain expert and described in the Subsection 4.5.2.2.

For each scenario, the results are stored for further analysis. As in the Data Exploration task, new scenarios can be added according to the domain expert analysis.

Interpretation of the Results: The results are analyzed to verify whether they can be used in the research project or new executions of the internal cycle are necessary.

The Internal Cycle of this proposed Data Science Lifecycle may be very interactive and incremental, because after each execution the results can generate new questions and insights, to be answered by new rounds of the internal cycle, as illustrated in Figure 3.1.

3.3.5 Step 4: Visualization of Results

The results obtained by the experiment are shown in a set of graphs and tables for providing the domain expert with a clear view on each execution of the experiment for all scenarios defined in the Data Modelling task.

In this research project, a set of maps was required by the domain expert to view and analyze the results, using the Brazilian map as the base and thematic layers, such as climate types and biomes. The intersection of these layers with the Brazilian map aimed to identify possible relations between the results and local characteristics. The georeferential layers generated in this step are illustrated in Section 5.2.1.

3.3.6 Step 5: Creating Actions Based on Results

After evaluating the results, the data scientist and the domain expert define whether the results reached the main objective and whether the experiment had a positive or a negative outcome. From this evaluation, new experiment executions might be necessary and, in this case, the cycle returns to Internal Cycle step.

In case of new experiment executions, some adjustments could be required by the domain expert, such new experiment scenarios or inclusion of the new quality measures for validating the outcomes.

3.3.7 Step 6: Getting Feedback from Action

According to the analysis from the domain expert, the results are reported or new questions may arise, for further experiments. If the results reached the objectives, the experiment can be concluded and the products are delivered, such as software artefacts and reports.

3.4 Solution Evaluation

For validation of the proposed solution, the values of evapotranspiration generated by the models were evaluated using cross validation strategy, in which data are randomly divided into training groups, for discovering a model, and testing groups. For validation of values generated by models discovered in this research, it was used existing values in the historical series, generated by a R function.

With the values generated by the test group, we used the correlation coefficient, developed by Karl Pearson [26], which measures the degree of precision of a value against the original value. This measure has a range between -1 and 1, meaning that more precise the generated value is, the closer to 1 is the coefficient. Table 3.2 shows the classification of the values according to their correlation coefficient [25] with proposed classification intervals by Barros et al [23] and with agreement from domain expert.

Additionally to the correlation coefficient, we used two other measures for evaluating the quality of results: the Mean Absolute Error and the Root Mean Square Error [58]. They are important for complementing the correlation analysis, because a result with high correlation but with high mean absolute error, may indicate that

Coefficient Value	Classification
1	Perfect Positive
$0.70 \ a \ 0.99$	Very Strong Positive
$0.30 a \ 0.69$	Moderate Positive
$0.01 \ a \ 0.29$	Weak Positive
0	None
-0.01 a -0.29	Weak Negative
-0.30 a -0.69	Moderate Negative
-0.70 a -0.99	Very Strong Negative
-1	Perfect Negative

Table 3.2: Evaluation of Correlation Coefficient proposed by Barros et al. [23]

the result is not satisfactory.

This evaluation was made for each scenario defined in the Internal Cycle of the Data Science Lifecycle. The purpose of the multiple scenarios was to evaluate in which conditions the research question, defined in Section 3.2, can be answered and to establish the limits of the proposed approach in this research project.

In this research, the precision was considered as good for a correlation coefficient greater 0.70 or, according to Table 3.2, a Very Strong Positive classification at minimum.

Due to the high level of the interaction in the Data Science lifecycle, other quality measures can be required by the domain expert during the Interpretation Results task in the internal cycle.

4. Experiment

4.1 Introduction

After Problem Understanding phase, described in Chapter 3, we detail in this Chapter the next two phases of the Data Science Lifecycle: Getting the Data and Internal Cycle. Regarding to the second phase, we present the approach used to getting data from INMET and how we process the raw data in order to use in the next phase. About the Internal Cycle, we describe software components used and we report all tasks of the Internal Cycle phase for the two execution rounds of experiment.

4.2 Getting the Data

The data from the INMET database were obtained by manual process because there was not an API to get these data in an automated way. The only option for getting data from the INMET was saving a CSV file for each station, after selecting which attributes would be retrieved in the search. After getting the data in CSV format, a Java program was developed to process the headers of all the CSV files. The header of the CSV files provided by INMET contained some information about the station, such as latitude and longitude, which would be necessary for the experiment.

From the header of each station file, the data about the station were extracted and stored in a collection in the MongoDB, a non-relational database. These data were recorded to be used in the R function to estimate evapotranspiration and to be used in the Results Interpretation task of the internal cycle of the Data Science lifecycle used in this research. Moreover, the coordinates of the each station were necessary for the Results Visualization phase of the Data Science lifecycle. The measured historical data of the meteorological attributes present in each station file were saved to another collection in MongoDB. Besides the use of such data for the modelling task of the internal cycle, these data were also used in the R function to estimate evapotranspiration using the Penman-Monteith model.

4.3 Internal Cycle Description

In this research work, the experiment was conducted mainly during the internal cycle of the Data Science Lifecycle, in which a number of tasks are performed to extract useful information from the original data and to answer the research question defined in the first phase of the lifecycle.

The results generated in this cycle are analyzed in conjunction with the domain expert to determine whether the objectives of the experiment were reached or if further executions of the cycle are necessary, either to improve the experiment or to get more results from new research questions. This process can be repeated as many times as needed until the results provide users (in this research is the domain expert) with useful information to meet the previously set goals.

In this step, it were necessary two rounds of the internal cycle to reaching the defined objectives in previous Chapter. In the first one, it was searched a minimum set of variables to estimate the evapotranspiration value used as template in the Data Modelling task. In the second round, some scenarios were defined for the Data Modelling task, varying the attributes used by the machine learning algorithm.

Aiming to make this process more efficient, an application was developed to automate the following tasks of the internal cycle, described in 3.3.4:

- Data Integration
- Data Modelling
- Interpretation of the Results

This application, described in the next section, enabled the tasks to be performed more quickly, generating results for analysis at each iteration of the internal cycle.

4.3.1 Software Components for the Execution Rounds

An application was developed using the Java language to automate the execution rounds of the internal cycle. In order to store integrated data and results of each execution, this application was integrated with a non-relational database (MongoDB, version 3.2.0) [34]. For the machine learning task, it was built a integration with Weka software, version 3.6, through its API [28]. Moreover, it was used in application an API to integrate with the statistical package R [33], needed for the Data Integration and Interpretation of Results tasks. This API, named JRI (version 0.5.0) [59], was used to load v R dynamic library in a Java Application and provides a Java API for the R functionalities. Figure 4.1 shows the components diagram of the application:

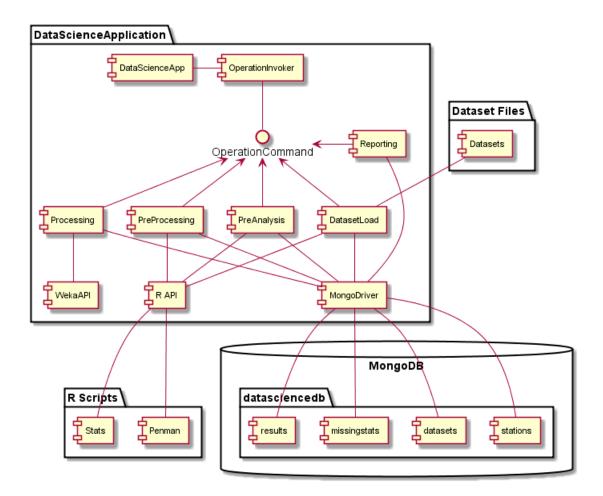


Figure 4.1: Components Diagram of the Application developed

4.3.1.1 Data Science Application

The DataScienceApp was developed using the Command design pattern [60], where each command represented a step in the Data Science Lifecycle. With objects implemented using this pattern, it is easier to queue commands, execute and undo actions, besides other manipulations, such as delegation and sequence. These properties made possible that the Java classes were developed in way that could been executed together or separately, depending on the objective of each scenario. The reason is that in some rounds of the experiment, only a few steps needed to be performed again, such as the Command related to the Data Modelling Task. This ensured flexibility in the execution of lifecycle steps. Source code are available in a public Git repository at https://github.com/professorxavier/datascienceapp.

In addition to the Command classes, the application contains classes for integration with R package, MongoDB database and Weka API.

4.3.1.2 Dataset Files

The files in CSV format extracted from INMET database contained, in addition to monthly measurements, station data such as latitude, longitude and altitude. These data were important to estimate evapotranspiration using the Penman-Monteith method and were used in subsequent analyses.

These files were obtained from INMET through its public Database of Meteorological Data for Education and Research [42] and comprise meteorological measures since 1961 for 263 weather stations in Brazil.

Each CSV file was loaded in Java application in order to separate the station information and data series. After this loading, it was generated a new file with monthly data series (without the header) and the station data, such as latitude and longitude, extracted for storing in database.

4.3.1.3 MongoDB

MongoDB [34] is one of the most popular NoSQL databases and it was used in this experiment mainly to ensure scalability for future applications. With records organized in collections of JSON documents (JavaScript Object Notation) format, data can also be read by a number of applications due to the increasing use of this format for data analysis applications.

For the purpose of this research, four collections were created in MongoDB, illustrated in Figure 4.2:

• Stations : to store data about each station (station name, latitude, longitude,

altitude)

- Datasets: this collection contains the imported historical measurements from CSV files as well as the value of evapotranspiration estimated by using the Penman-Monteith method.
- MissingStats: this collection contains the missing data statistics for each dataset attribute of each station.
- Results: for each execution, the results were stored in documents (format to store data used by MongoDB) in this collection. It was mainly used in the Interpretation of Results task of the internal cycle of Data Science and to generate reports with the experiment results.

Stations	Datasets	MissingStats
 stationname latitude longitude altitude 	 stationname date VelocidadeVentoMedia VelocidadeVentoMaximaMedia EvaporacaoPiche EvapoBHPotencial EvapoBHReal 	 stationname VelocidadeVentoMedia VelocidadeVentoMaximaMedia EvaporacaoPiche EvapoBHPotencial EvapoBHReal
Results	 InsolacaoTotal NebulosidadeMedia 	 InsolacaoTotal NebulosidadeMedia
 stationname experiment coefficient mae rmse rmae rrmse instances latitude longitude longitude 	 NumDiasPrecipitacao PrecipitacaoTotal PressaoNivelMarMedia PressaoMedia TempMaximaMedia TempCompensadaMedia TempMinimaMedia UmidadeRelativaMedia VisibilidadeMedia evp 	 NumDiasPrecipitacao PrecipitacaoTotal PressaoNivelMarMedia PressaoMedia TempMaximaMedia TempCompensadaMedia TempMinimaMedia UmidadeRelativaMedia VisibilidadeMedia
 altitude model		

Figure 4.2: MongoDB collections

4.3.1.4 R Package

The statistical package R [33] is widely used by statisticians due to the large set of included features (organized in packages) that enable different types of analysis on datasets, from varying data sources, such as CSV files and databases. In a Data Science application, the R package is very useful in statistical analysis of data, providing the researcher with a standard set of very powerful tools and enabling the import or development of new functions/packages. In this research project, the use of the R package (version 3.1.3) was justified by its ease in extracting statistics from the CSV files from the INMET and the possibility of creating support functions, for specific analysis. Moreover, the R packages can be accessed by a Java program, a benefit provided by an API for integrating both technologies.

In addition, the R package was crucial to estimate the values of evapotranspiration by Penman-Monteith method, due to the fact that there is a package ready to make this estimate from a data set. FAO provides a tool for this estimate but the same does not allow integration for batch execution. With the function existing in SPEI package [32] [31], described in Section 4.4.3, it was possible to estimate evapotranspiration for the entire selected dataset with a simple command, illustrated below:

penman(x\$TempMinimaMedia,x\$TempMaximaMedia, x\$VelocidadeVentoMedia, NA,latitude, NA,x\$InsolacaoTotal/30, x\$NebulosidadeMedia,NA,NA, x\$UmidadeRelativaMedia,NA,NA, altitude)

In order to use this function of the SPEI package in an automated way, a function was created to process the dataset and filter it through the parameters received, in this case the years interval and the station name. Thus, it was possible to estimate evapotranspiration by the PM method for the datasets of all stations using a few lines of code and in a quick way. Below, it is shown the code of this function:

4.3.1.5 Weka

The Weka Software [28] is a well known software for data mining process, with many works in the literature using it for extracting patterns. This software has many functions for the whole data mining process and a client application with very friendly interface.

However, in order to repeat the data modelling task in the internal cycle for all datasets in multiple scenarios, using the client application was not the most efficient way. Then, using the API provided by the Weka team [61], it was possible to automate the use of the Weka features, with the development of a Java application, described in Figure 4.1, that makes calls to the interfaces provided by the Weka API and executes the processes of the Data Modelling task.

4.4 Execution Overview of the Internal Cycle

4.4.1 General Description

The Internal Cycle of the Data Science lifecycle is interactive with possible multiple runs. Each run has, as final output, a set of results and reports to be analyzed by the researchers. Depending on this analysis, new executions could be required with possible adjusts in the tasks of the Internal Cycle so as to meet new requirements from the domain expert.

This internal cycle is composed of four tasks, where each task provides results for the next task. These tasks are described in the next subsections, with the common information of all execution rounds.

4.4.2 Task Statement

The purpose of this task is to know the characteristics of the datasets in order to plan the execution of the subsequent tasks. For this task, the R package was used due to the availability of several functions for data analysis.

The first analysis of the datasets was executed to evaluate the availability values of each attribute for each station in the interval between 2010 and 2014 and results are presented in a table in Appendix B.1.

In Figure 4.3, the missing values average for each attribute is shown.

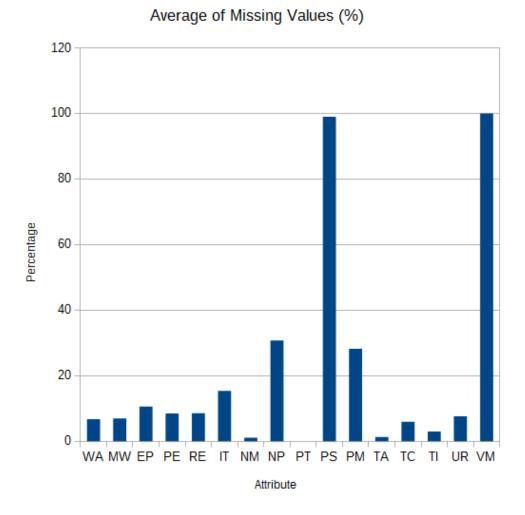


Figure 4.3: Average of Missing Values for Attribute

Where the columns are described below:

- WA: Wind Speed Average
- MW: Max Wind Speed Average
- EP: Piche Evaporation
- PE: Potential Evapotranspiration
- RE: Real Evapotranspiration
- IT: Total Insolation
- NM: Nebulosity Average
- NP: Precipitation Days

- PT: Total Precipitation
- PS: Average of the Sea Level Pressure
- PM: Pressure Average
- TA: Max Temperature Average
- TC: Compensated Temperature Average
- TI: Min Temperature Average
- UR: Humidity Average
- VM: Visibility Average

This graph shows that the attributes with more data absence (more than 20%) were:

- NP: Precipitation Days (30.72%)
- PS: Sea Level Pressure Average (99%)
- PM: Pressure Average (28.18%)
- VM: Visibility Average (100%)

The 20% rate was evaluated together with the domain expert and it was possible to notice that use of attributes with data absence rate higher than 20% would not be used in experiment, in order to produce more results. However, this rate could be changed in other executions runs of experiment.

4.4.3 Data Integration

After loading data from the CSV files into the database, the data integration task was initiated, for which the value of evapotranspiration for each instance of the dataset was estimated. For this estimation, we used an R function present in the package SPEI called *penman* with the following format:

penman(Tmin, Tmax, U2, Ra = NA, lat = NA, Rs = NA, tsun = NA, CC = NA, ed = NA, Tdew = NA, RH = NA, P = NA, P0 = NA, z = NA, crop='short', na.rm = FALSE)

The parameters are described in Table 4.1.

The parameters were filled with data from the datasets but this function only returned the evapotranspiration values if all parameters did not have any null value. Because of this, the initial estimation using this function only returned evapotranspiration values for 77 of the 263 total stations. This initial set was used as a test for the next steps of the cycle and to evaluate the features of the application developed. The evapotranspiration values estimated using this function were stored in Stations database collection to be used in the next task of the internal cycle: the Data Modelling Task.

4.4.4 Data Modelling

In this task, the instances were processed using a machine learning algorithm accessed through the Weka API, with main objective in generate models for the evapotranspiration estimate in each station. The algorithm used was the M5P [29], an classification algorithm based on decision trees, generating models that can be used according with a decision point, as value of some dataset attribute.

This algorithm evaluates the dataset attributes to find the ones that present the greater relevance to the class attribute and generates a model that uses only these attributes, transforming the other ones in a constant value.

M5P is based in M5 algorithm [30] and implemented in Weka version 3.6, executed in this research through of the provided Weka API. Regarding to the meteorological data, M5P algorithm was also used in other experiments to discover models for evapotranspiration using the INMET dataset [12] [13].

For the execution of the MP5 algorithm, the 10-fold cross-validation technique was used for the selection of data for training and testing. In this technique, data are divided into n parts, in which n-1 parts are used for training and one part for testing. The learning process is executed n times and all parts are used as a test at least once. In the end, the results of each processing step are used to calculate the mean and standard deviation of the errors found to calculate the end result. The advantage of this approach is that the training phase is executed using all instances, bringing more reliable results than traditional methods of data partitioning into sets of training and testing.

4.4.5 Interpretation of Results

In this task, the data scientist and the domain expert analyze results from the Data Modelling task, evaluating whether the objective was reached or whether new execution rounds are needed. It is also possible a definition of new requirements for further execution rounds of internal cycle.

In the next subsection, results are presented for each execution of these three tasks of the Internal Cycle.

4.5 Execution Rounds

4.5.1 First Round: Using two evapotranspiration values

4.5.1.1 Data Integration

The R function for estimating evapotranspiration values has many parameters, but only the following parameters are mandatory according to the function documentation:

- Latitude
- Altitude
- Max Temperature
- Min Temperature
- Wind Speed
- Radiation OR Nebulosity OR Sunshine hours

Through interaction with the domain expert, he suggested that only these attributes from the INMET dataset should be used as parameters for the R function, aiming to increase the number of stations datasets used in the experiment. In this way, the evapotranspiration value in the dataset would be estimated using two attributes from station characteristics (latitude and altitude) and four attributes from instances (max temperature, min temperature, wind speed and nebulosity).

Additionally, for a second test in the Internal Cycle phase, he suggested that the humidity attribute be included in the parameters list to measure the possible effects of this attribute in the results, comparing it with the results from the first test. Then, for the first round, two tests were made:

- **First Test**: Execution phase with evapotranspiration value estimated using only mandatory parameters
- Second Test: Execution phase with inclusion of humidity in the mandatory parameters list

4.5.1.2 Data Modelling

For each test, the following data were stored in the database:

- Station Name
- Correlation coefficient between PM evapotranspiration and the one generated by the modelling task execution
- Mean Absolute Error
- Root Mean Square Error

The above list was required by the domain expert in order to analyze the results and to decide the next rounds of the experiment. If the correlation coefficient was high, but the root mean square error was also high, then the results would not be satisfactory.

The execution of the two tests was made using data from 2010 to 2014, in a total of 60 instances. In the first test, it was possible to estimate the evapotranspiration value for 105 stations, due to lack of data for the mandatory parameters of the R function. The number of the stations in the second test was 95, due to the same reason as before. Then, for an accurate comparison, only the stations present in both tests were selected.

4.5.1.3 Interpretation of Results

According to requirements defined by the domain expert for reporting results, comparisons between the two tests were plotted using three values:

- Correlation Coefficient
- Mean Absolute Error

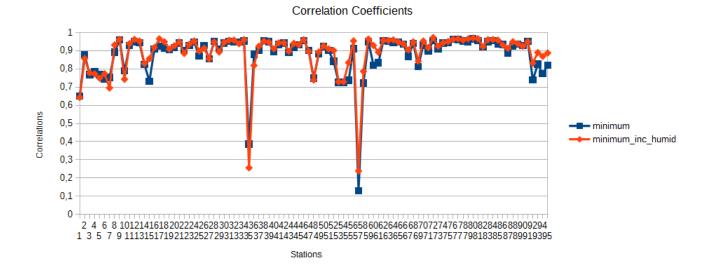


Figure 4.4: Correlation of each station for two tests in the first round

• Root Mean Square Error

The three charts, in Figures 4.4, 4.5 and 4.6, showed little variation in the chosen measures with the inclusion of the humidity parameter. The inclusion of this parameter excluded 10 stations for the execution in this scenario, due to lack of humidity values in the period selected for the experiment.

These results were presented to the domain expert and, although the correlation coefficients are high in most stations, we observed that the mean absolute error and root mean square error could suggest non-satisfactory results and the need for a new execution round, with new questions.

4.5.2 Second Round: Varying the attributes set

4.5.2.1 Data Integration

After analysis of the results from the first round execution by the domain expert, we observed that the inclusion of a new parameter besides the mandatory ones for estimating the evapotranspiration value did not bring a substantial improvement and reduced the number of stations used in the experiment.

In this way, we established that only the mandatory attributes would be used for estimating the evapotranspiration value using the R function in the SPEI Package, as in the Data Integration task of the first test of the first round. In this round, the Integration Task was executed once, since the estimation of the original evap-

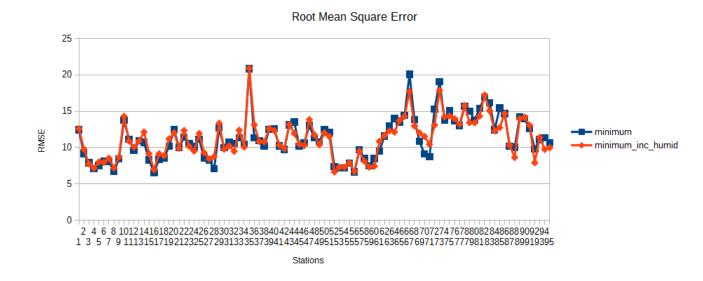


Figure 4.5: Root mean square error of each station for two tests in the first round

otranspiration value was made using the same method, with only the mandatory parameters.

4.5.2.2 Data Modelling

A new suggestion was made by the domain expert for the second round of execution of the Data Modelling task: varying the attributes used in the machine learning algorithm and analyzing the variations with the inclusion of each attribute.

The new scenarios were:

- Scenario 1: Same attributes of the R function parameters: the same attributes used for evapotranspiration estimating in the Data Integration task would be selected (max temperature, min temperature, wind speed and nebulosity);
- Scenario 2: Inclusion of Sunshine hours;
- Scenario 3: Inclusion of Total Precipitation;
- Scenario 4: Inclusion of Sunshine Hours and Total Precipitation.

The objectives of these inclusions were to:

• Analyze the variation with the inclusion of each attribute;

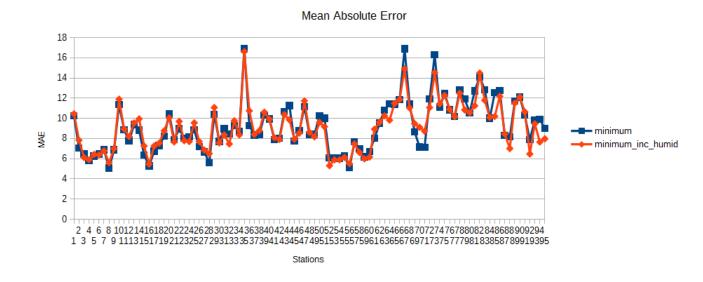


Figure 4.6: Mean absolute error of each station for two tests in the first round

• Search for better results.

Moreover, as a metric for the quality of the results, the domain expert required the inclusion of two new measures: the Mean Absolute Error and the Root Mean Square Error values in relation to the Real Values Average, calculated by division between errors and average of PM evaponstranspiration average, and called Relative Mean Absolute Error and Relative Root Mean Square Error and described below:

$$RRMSE = \left(\frac{\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{instances} evp}{instances}\right)}{RMSE}\right)$$
(4.1)

$$\mathsf{RMAE} = \left(\frac{\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\text{instances}} evp}{\text{instances}}\right)}{\mathsf{MAE}}\right)$$
(4.2)

Then, for this round, the quality measures were:

- Coefficient Correlation
- Mean Absolute Error
- Root Mean Square Error
- Relative Mean Absolute Error (in %)
- Relative Root Mean Square Error (in %)

The reason for the inclusion of these new measures was explained by the domain expert to be that the error measures are more meaningful when calculated in relation to the actual values. Additionally, the domain expert has pointed out that the acceptable results could not be above 10%, although this metric could be different depending on the domain expert goals and application type.

According to results of the First Round in 4.5.1, even using the minimum set of attributes, the execution could only be made for 105 stations, which contain complete datasets for minimum attributes set in the period between 2010 and 2014.

4.5.2.3 Interpretation of Results

After the execution of the Data Modelling for the four defined scenarios, little variation was observed with the inclusion of the Sunshine Hours or Total Precipitation attributes in the dataset for the machine learning algorithm. Summarized results are shown in the Table 4.2, with average values for Correlation Coefficient, Mean Absolute Error (MAE), Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) and the relative errors, Relative Mean Absolute Error (RMAE) and Relative Root Mean Square Error (RRMSE).

In relation to the Correlation Coefficient, the best results were reached in Scenario 4, but the differences among the four scenarios were too low to define the best scenario when considering the grouped results for all stations.

Additionally, regarding relative errors, the best results were also reached in Scenario 4, with the inclusion of Sunshine Hours and Total Precipitation. In this Scenario, the improvement was of about 6.52% for the RMAE in relation to Scenario 1. Scenario 2, with the inclusion of Sunshine Hours, had an improvement of around 3.74% in relation to Scenario 1.

Among the three modified scenarios, Scenario 3 was the one that had the lowest improvement in relation to Scenario 1, although Sunshine Hours had a higher missing data rate when compared to Total Precipitation, according to the Figure 4.3. One possible explanation for this fact is that Sunshine Hours is the main energy source to evapotranspiration process.

In addition to the average results, a comparison among scenarios by station was required. When comparing the correlation coefficient from four scenarios by station, as shown in Figure 4.7, the same observation can be made: there is little variation among the four scenarios.

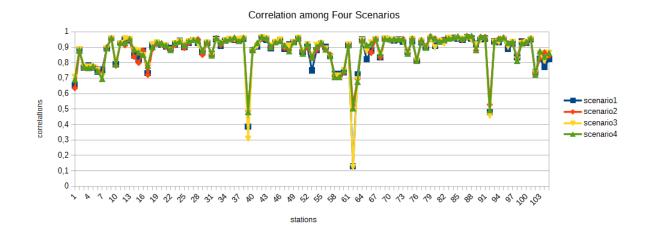


Figure 4.7: Comparing correlation among four scenarios

The following Figures 4.8, 4.9,4.10 and 4.11 show the comparison among the four scenarios in relation to other quality measures.

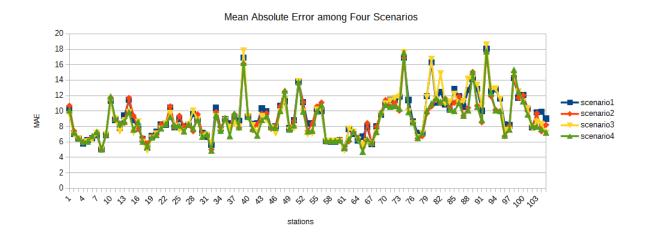


Figure 4.8: Comparing MAE among four scenarios

In Figures 4.7, 4.8 and 4.9, the differences among the four scenarios are not evident and the results seem similar. However, when Figures 4.10 and 4.11 were analyzed, the improvement brought by the inclusion of Total Precipitation and Sunshine Hours attributes is more evident.

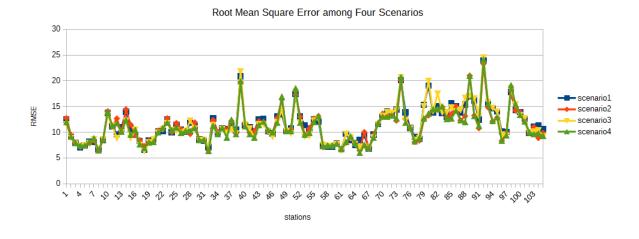


Figure 4.9: Comparing RMSE among four scenarios

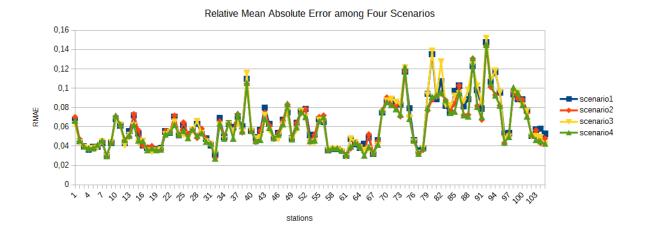


Figure 4.10: Comparing RMAE among four scenarios

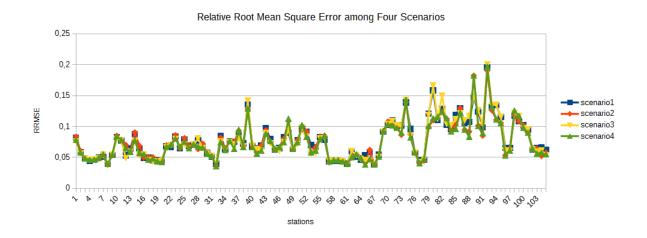


Figure 4.11: Comparing RRMSE among four scenarios

Parame-	Description
ter	
lat	a numeric vector with the latitude of the site or sites, in degrees.
na.rm	optional, a logical value indicating whether NA values should be
	stripped from the computations.
Tmax	a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean daily maximum temperatures, ^o C.
Tmin	a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean daily minimum temperatures, ^o C.
Ra	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean daily external radiation, MJ m-2 d-1.
Pre	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly total precipitation, mm.
U2	a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean daily wind speeds at 2 m height, m s-1.
Rs	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean daily incoming solar radiation, MJ m-2 d-1.
tsun	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean daily bright sunshine hours, h.
CC	optional, numeric a vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean cloud cover, %.
ed	optional, numeric a vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean actual vapour pressure at 2 m height, kPa.
Tdew	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean daily dewpoint temperature (used for estimating ed), $^{\circ}C$
RH	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean relative humidity (used for estimating ed), %.
Р	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean atmospheric pressure at surface, kPa.
P0	optional, a numeric vector, matrix or time series of monthly mean atmospheric pressure at sea level (used for estimating P), kPa.
Ζ	optional, a numeric vector of the elevation of the site or sites, m above sea level.
crop	optional, character string, type of reference crop. Either one of 'short' (default) or 'tall'.

Table 4.1: Parameters description of the R Function for estimate Penman-evapotranspiration , extracted from [32]

Table 4.2:	Summarized	Results for	Second Round
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Scenario	Correlation	MAE	RMSE	RMAE	RRMSE
Scenario 1	0.875494	9.357803	11.508730	6.37%	7.84%
Scenario 2	0.883078	9.034326	11.231186	6.14%	7.64%
Scenario 3	0.880310	9.143260	11.314148	6.25%	7.73%
Scenario 4	0.886452	8.804461	11.045946	5.98%	7.52%

5. Results Analysis

5.1 Introduction

So far, referring to the Data Scienca Lifecycle in Figure 2.6, in Chapter 3, the Problem Understanding step was detailed. In Chapter 4, we described the Getting Data step as well as the runs of the Internal Cycle. Now, we are ready to follow to the remaining steps of the Data Science Lifecycle, namely:

- Visualization of Results
- Create Actions Based in Results and
- Feedback out of Actions

5.2 Visualization of Results

5.2.1 Using Maps for Analysing Results

The domain expert requested that the final results be plotted in various types of maps related to measurement made at the measuring station. According to the expert, the map view could show patterns both in the level of errors found and in the correlation values of the estimated values in the generated equations during the data modelling task.

In addition to plotting the points on the maps, the domain expert suggested that intersections of the maps be made with weather and biomes layers, for example. The purpose of these intersections was to find possible patterns in the results related to local climate and other geographic features such as vegetation.

All these maps were created using the QGis Software [35] and the JavaScript

Library Leaflet [36], which enabled the plotting of points and the intersection of climate layers and biomes.

5.2.2 Climate Map

Following the suggestion made by the domain expert, maps were created with errors inserted in climate layers aiming to identify possible relations among the results and climate. These layers were extracted from an updated climate world map of the Köppen-Geiger climate classification [39], shown in Figures 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4. The points represent the Relative Root Mean Square Error (RRMSE) values obtained in each scenario.

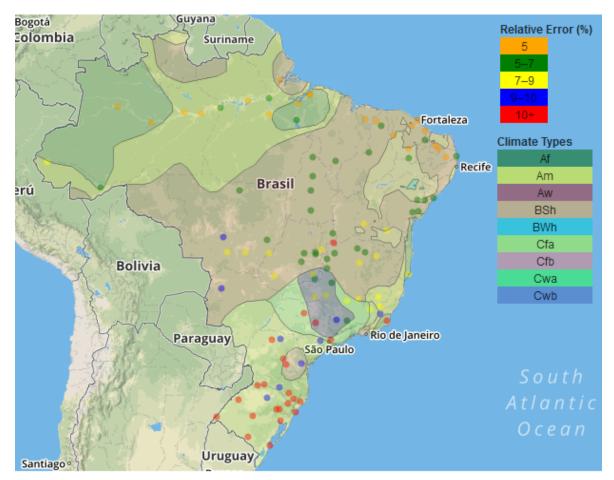


Figure 5.1: Errors points in Climate Layers for Scenario 1

According to [39], the Brazilian climate can be classified in nine types:

- Tropical Rainforest (Af): Tcold ≥ 18 and Pdry ≥ 60
- Tropical Monsoon (Am): Tcold $\geq = 18$ and Not (Af) & Pdry $\geq = 100$ –MAP/25
- Tropical Savannah (Aw): Tcold >= 18 and Not (Af) & Pdry < 100–MAP/25

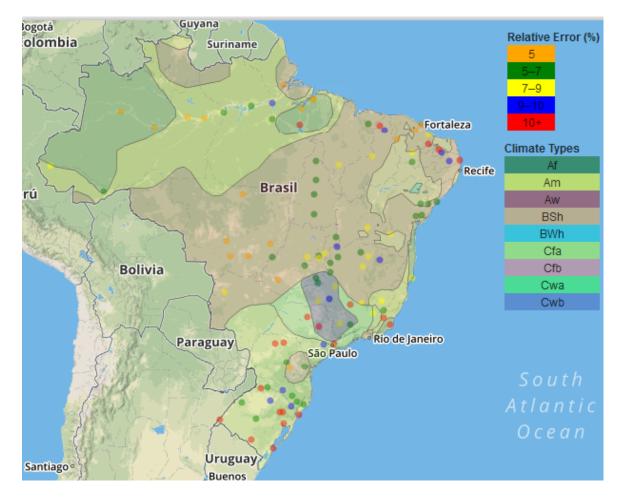


Figure 5.2: Errors points in Climate Layers for Scenario 2

- Arid Steppe Hot (BSh): MAP < 10×Pthreshold and MAP >= 5×Pthreshold and MAT >= 18
- Arid Desert Hot (BWh): MAP < $10\times \rm{Pthreshold}$ and MAP < $5\times \rm{Pthreshold}$ and MAT >= 18
- Temperate Without Dry Season and Hot Summer (Cfa): Thot >= 10 & 0 <Tcold < 18 and Not (Cs) or (Cw) and Thot >= 22
- Temperate Withoud Dry Season and Warm Summer (Cfb): Thot >= 10 & 0 < Tcold < 18 and and Not (Cs) or (Cw)and Not (a) & Tmon10 >= 4
- Temperate With Dry Winter and Hot Summer (Cwa): Thot >= 10 & 0 < Tcold < 18 and and Pwdry < Pswet/10 and Thot >= 22
- Temperate With Dry Winter and Warm Summer (Cwb): Thot >= 10 & 0 < Tcold < 18 and Pwdry < Pswet/10 and Not (a) & Tmon10 >= 4

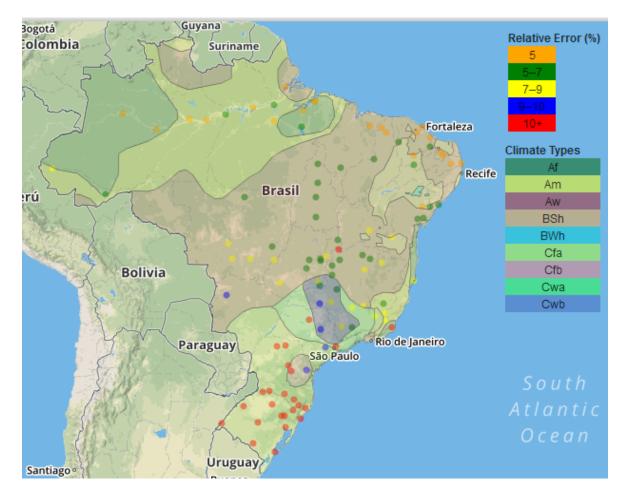


Figure 5.3: Errors points in Climate Layers for Scenario 3

- MAP = mean annual precipitation (in mm)
- MAT = mean annual temperature (in °C)
- Thot = temperature of the hottest month (in °C)
- Tcold = temperature of the coldest month (in °C)
- Tmon10 = number of months where the temperature is above 10 (units)
- Pdry = precipitation of the driest month (in mm)
- Psdry = precipitation of the driest month in summer (in mm)
- Pwdry = precipitation of the driest month in winter (in mm)
- Pswet = precipitation of the wettest month in summer (in mm)
- Pwwet = precipitation of the wettest month in winter (in mm)

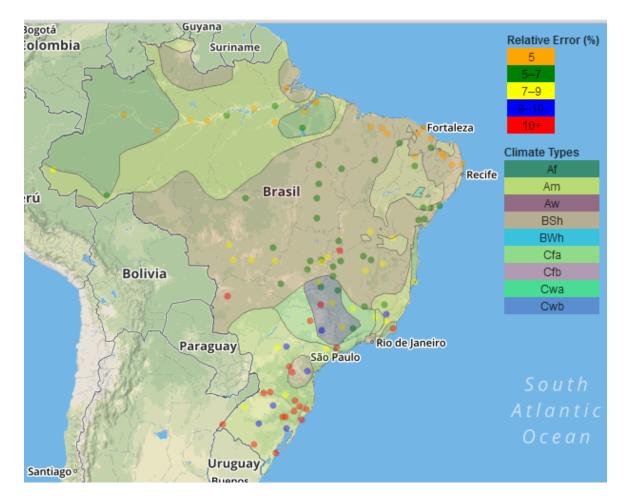


Figure 5.4: Errors points in Climate Layers for Scenario 4

Pthreshold = varies according to the following rules (if 70% of MAP occurs in winter then Pthreshold = 2 x MAT, if 70% of MAP occurs in summer then Pthreshold = 2 x MAT + 28, otherwise Pthreshold = 2 x MAT + 14). Summer (winter) is defined as the warmer (cooler) six month period of ONDJFM and AMJJAS (in mm).

Scenarios 2 and 4, shown in Figures 5.2 and 5.4, presented differences in some climate types in relation to Scenario 1, shown in Figure 5.1. In Scenario 2, with the inclusion of the Sunshine Hours attribute, there was an improvement in some points for the Cfa climate type, which is characterized as Temperate without Dry Season and Hot Summer. In the same Scenario, for the Aw climate type, there was an decrease in error on many points in central region and decrease on some points and northeast region. This climate type is characterized as having average temperature higher than 18 °C during the whole year and, typically, a dry season.

When comparing Scenarios 1 and 4, the same behaviour was observed for the Cfa climate type, with improvements in some points, and an undefined behavior

for the Aw climate type, with improvements in some points and error increasing in other points. In other climate types, no significant differences were observed with the inclusion of the referred attributes in the three scenarios.

Additionally, it was requested maps with evapotranspiration average for each scenario, as shown in Figures 5.5, 5.6, 5.7 and 5.8.

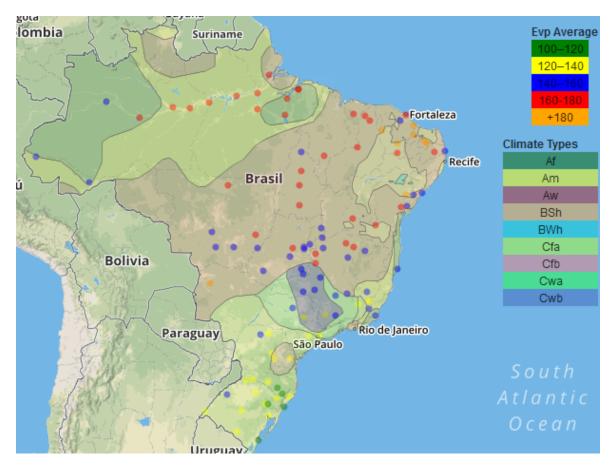


Figure 5.5: Evapotranspiration average for Scenario 1

5.2.3 Biomes Map

A biome can be defined as a regional biotic community characterized by the dominant forms of plant life and the predominant climate. There are six biomes in Brazil [43]:

- The Amazon: it is the largest biome in Brazil, with a wide vegetation of about 2,500 species of trees (1/3 of all tropical wood in the world) and 30,000 plant species, representing 30% of the species in South America.
- Cerrado: it is the second largest biome in South America, with headwaters of three major river basins in South America, resulting in a high potential

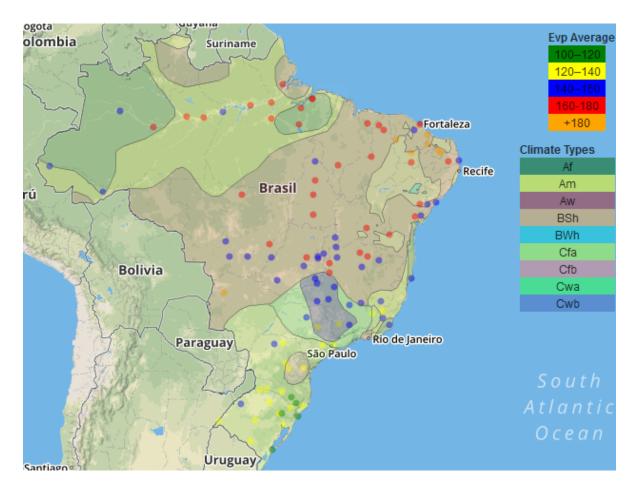


Figure 5.6: Evapotranspiration average for Scenario 2

aquifer.

- Pantanal: Despite being the Brazilian biome with the smallest land area, Pantanal is one of the largest continuous humid extensions of the planet.
- Caatinga: it occupies about 11% of the Brazilian territory, where aproximately 27 million people live. About 80% of its original ecosystems have been changed, mainly through deforestation and fires.
- Atlantic Forest: it is formed by a set of forest formations and associated ecosystems such as salt marshes, mangroves and high fields. The native vegetation is reduced to about 22% of its original size, containing about 20,000 plant species.
- Pampa: The Natural Pampa landscapes are characterized by the predominance of native fields, but there is also the presence of other types of forests, riparian forests, and slope forests, among others.

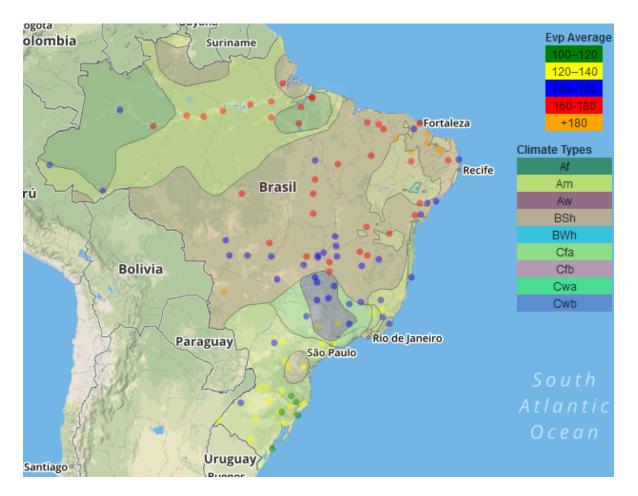


Figure 5.7: Evapotranspiration average for Scenario 3

Aiming to identify possible relationships between the results and the biomes, a second map was made using layers with the Brazilian biomes, provided by the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) [38]. These layers were obtained in April/2016, through files in GeoJSON format available in the Brazilian Portal Open Data [40], a Brazilian platform that provides access to data from many areas.

The maps with the intersection between error points and biomes layers for each scenario are shown in Figures 5.9, 5.10, 5.11 e 5.12. As well as the Climate Maps, the points represent the RRMSE values obtained in each scenario.

Through an analysis made together with the domain expert on the four maps of all scenarios, some significant differences were observed in relation to the biomes. Between Scenarios 1 and 2, there were many points with better results in four biomes: Cerrado, Pantanal, Atlantic Forest and Pampa. However, in Caatinga biome, there were many points with worst results. in Amazon Biome, worst results were found on some points.

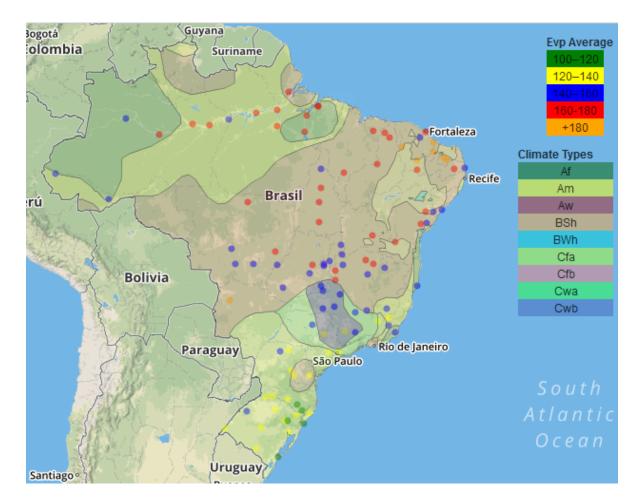


Figure 5.8: Evapotranspiration average for Scenario 4

Comparing with Scenario 3, there were more points with worst results than points with better ones, with no significant regional patterns, occurring the same in comparison between Scenarios 1 and 4.

The differences in errors between scenarios, discussed previously in Section 5.2.2, are an evidence of a tight relationship with climate types more than biomes characteristics.

5.3 Create Actions Based in Results

5.3.1 Objectives

The main objective of this phase is, after analyzing the results, to decide if more executions are required or if the results reached the objectives defined in the Problem Understanding phase. Together with the outcomes of the Visualization of Results phase, new summarized reports were provided so as to compare the results with the

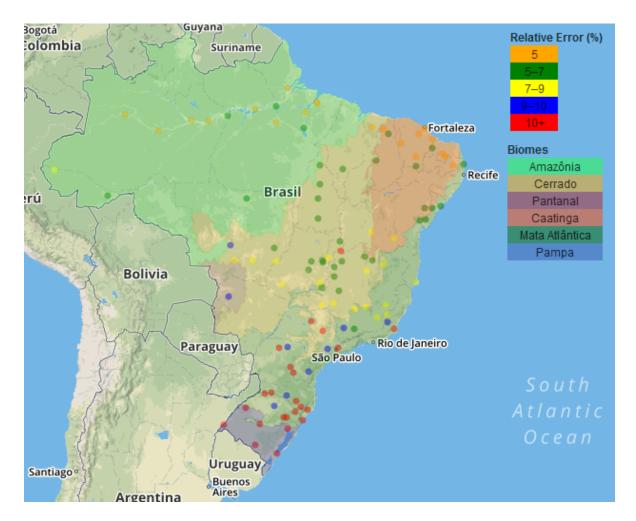


Figure 5.9: Errors points in Biomas Layers for Scenario 1

quality measures indicated in Section 3.4 and new quality measures required during the execution rounds.

5.3.2 Correlation Coefficient Results

According to the evaluation proposed in Section 3.4, the correlation coefficients found were analyzed according to Table 3.2. It was established that acceptable results for this coefficient must be classified as "Very Strong Positive" at least; in other words, the coefficients must be higher than 0.70.

Table 5.1: Number of Stations with Correlation Coefficients classified according to Table 3.2

Classification	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Scenario 3	Scenario 4
Very Strong Positive	101	101	101	99
Moderate Positive	3	2	3	6
Weak Positive	1	2	1	0

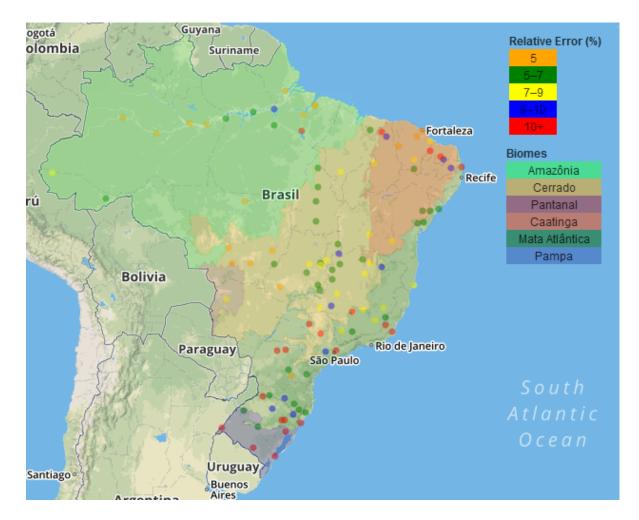


Figure 5.10: Errors points in Biomas Layers for Scenario 2

In all scenarios and in most stations, the objective was reached, with only a small difference in Scenario 4. This scenario also had the greater number of stations with "Moderate Positive" classification. Regarding the "Weak Positive" classification, Scenarios 2 and 4 had no station.

Like other graphics, this table showed that there were no major gains among the scenarios. The similar number of stations with correlation coefficients classified as "Very Strong Positive" show that, for the correlation, the scenario with the minimum set of attributes (Scenario 1) would be sufficient to estimate evapotranspiration with good precision.

5.3.3 Relative Errors Results

It was established by the domain expert that the values of Mean Absolute Error or Root Mean Square Error would be acceptable if the percentage of them in relation to the evapotranspiration average of the station were not higher than 10%, as de-

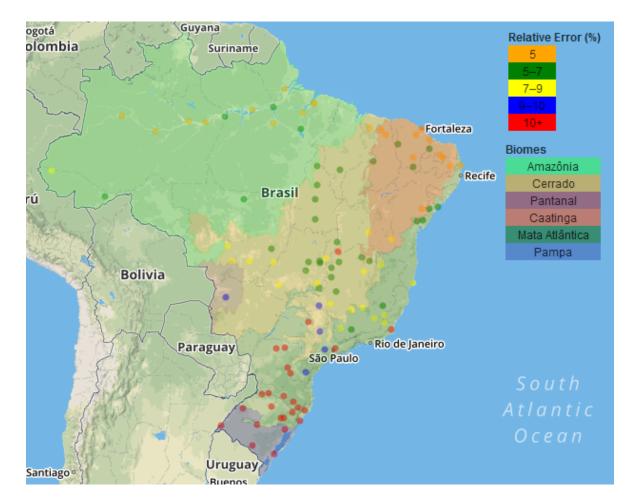


Figure 5.11: Errors points in Biomas Layers for Scenario 3

tailed in Section 4.5.2.2. These measures, called RMAE and RRMSE, respectively, are summarized in Tables 5.2 and 5.3.

RMAE	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Scenario 3	Scenario 4
Less than 10%	96	99	96	99
Greater Than 10%	9	6	9	6

Table 5.2: Number of Stations with RMAE

Scenarios 2 and 4 had better results than other, occurring the same with RRMSE quality measure.

5.4 Feedback out of Actions

After analyzing the results and with the positive outcomes described in the previous section, we concluded that the experiment reached the initial objectives, after the domain expert evaluation.

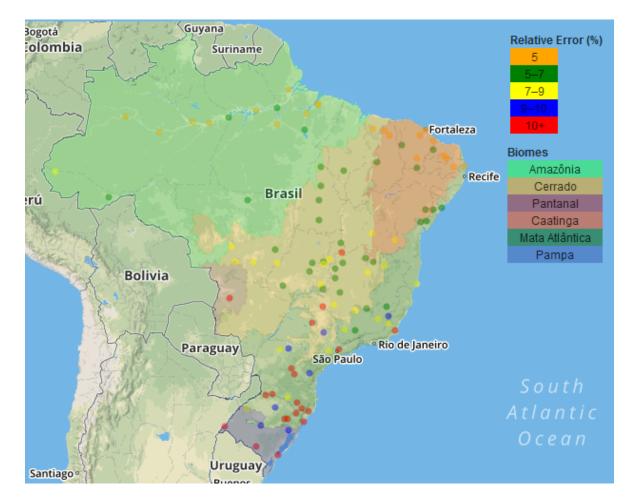


Figure 5.12: Errors points in Biomas Layers for Scenario 4

RRMSE	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Scenario 3	Scenario 4
Less than 10%	85	87	82	87
Greater Than 10%	20	18	23	18

Table 5.3: Number of Stations with RRMSE

The models generated in this research work required less attributes than PM equation, as described in Table A.1, simplifying the evapotranspiration estimation process. The PM equation requires nine attributes while models generated in this research work, illustrated in Table A.1, has five or six attributes, depending on location and shown in Table 5.4.

Regarding to precision, the results had acceptable outcomes, according to results shown in Section 5.3 and the quality metrics detailed in Section 3.4.

Therefore, a report was required by the domain expert with the results reached in the Second Round of Execution, detailing:

PM Method	Data Science Approach
Wind speed	Wind speed
Net radiation at the crop surface	Nebulosity Average
Soil heat flux density	Max Temperature Average
Mean daily air temperature	Min Temperature Average
Saturation vapour pressure	Total Precipitation
Actual vapour pressure	Total Insolation
Saturation vapour pressure deficit	
Slope vapour pressure curve	
Psychrometric constant	

Table 5.4: Comparison of Required Variables

- Station
- Correlation Coefficient
- MAE
- RMSE
- RMAE
- RRMSE
- Generated Equations

This report was produced using the Reporting Command, illustrated in Figure 4.1, from the software developed for the experiment execution and is shown in Table A.1.

6. Related Works

6.1 Evapotranspiration

In relation to evapotranspiration, there are several studies about Data Mining application for discovering alternative methods to estimate evapotranspiration.

Aiming to reach an efficient irrigation management and water resources planning, Holman et al [45] proposed the use of Gaussian processes, a supervised learning model, to estimate the daily crop evapotranspiration (ET). Initially, they evaluated the data sources, analyzed some aspects of data sources such as continuity of series and availability of parameters. To select the best model, between the estimated reference ET and actual value, the root mean square error (RMSE) was used and by comparing with results obtained with linear regression (LR) models, they obtained more accuracy using the Gaussian process models.

For Shiri et al [47], commonly, many data mining applications consider only a single data set assignment, as well as models are trained and tested using data of the same station. An important limitation of this approach is that the generalization of the developed models could not evaluated outside the training station. To solve this problem, their work evaluates the performance of Gene Expression Programming based models for estimating reference evapotranspiration according to temporal and spatial criteria in some locations in Iran. Results shown that in some locations, the locally trained models obtained better results that externally ones. In contrast, in other locations, externally trained models obtained better results. They concluded that externally trained models might be a valid alternative to locally trained ones, specially if there are not sufficient available local data for training a model.

Regarding to required data limitation from the Penman-Monteith equation, El-Shafie et al [48] proposed a modification for the Multi LayerPeceptron-Artificial Neural Network (MLP-ANN) modelling, named Ensemble Neural Network (ENN), and applied for predicting daily potential evapotranspiration. This model was applied in two regions with different climatic conditions and used data from 1975 to 2005 of only three parameters as input pattern: maximum and minimum daily temperature and solar radiation. Due to lack of lysimeters measures, data generate from the PM method were used as reference ETo in order to evaluate the proposed model. Results showed that this modified model outperformed the original one, with satisfactory level of accuracy.

Xavier et al [49] developed grids of daily precipitation, evapotranspiration, and the five climate variables generally required to estimate evapotranspiration in Brazil, using data between 1980 and 2013, with the objective of providing a gridded meteorological data set. They used data from the National Institute of Meteorology (INMET), the National Water Agency (ANA), and the Department of Water and Power of São Paulo (DAEE) and, using some quality measures, they applied a quality control check discarding all data that failed in quality measures. To create the gridded daily data, they used an interpolation method chosen from the evaluation of six interpolation methods. Another interesting characteristic of this research was the method used to present data: a scatter diagram in the Brazilian map, providing an evaluation by region. As conclusions, they observed that performance depends on both the amount of data available and the season.

Other studies refer to use remotely sensed data to estimate evapotranspiration. Li et al [54] made a review of methodologies for evapotranspiration estimation using this method for getting data. For them, the remote sensing technology has many advantages over local measurements, such as data generation for large areas in short time and it is practical for using in areas where measurements are difficult. However, for Liou and Kar [55], some methods using this technology have low accuracy while other have limitations over mountainous areas.

6.2 Data Science

Due to its multidisciplinary nature, the application of the Data Science techniques is a subject of several scientific papers in different areas of knowledge, such as Climate Changes, Agriculture, Health, Business Process Management, etc.

Regarding Hydrology, many research work consisted of reports of experiences of the application of data mining, with several objectives. In Hewett research [44], data mining was used to generate predictive models of future water inflows of a lake in Florida. The author applied table compression induction and results were compared with three data analyses techniques: neural networks, decision tree and associational rule mining. The table compression induction aims to solve the problem with large tables, transforming the original table in a table with fewer and more general rules. This technique produced a lower error rate than other data mining techniques compared.

Another work using data mining was produced by Keskin et al [46], that used data mining for evaporation estimation, using daily pan evaporation data of three lakes in Turkey. REP tree, KStar, decision table, artificial neural networks and multilinear regression were the algorithms used in the research, with the best results obtained with REP tree.

For Zanin [50], Data Science may provide insights in analysis of historical data sets that cannot be easily discovered just by manual analysis or by relying on expert judgement. His research used Data Science techniques to improve the analysis of historical data in air transport and ATM, limited by the difficulties inherent to study of heterogeneous data sets. In the conclusions, he pointed out an important aspect of Data Science application in order to solve common problems: 'listen to the data'. Shcherbakov et al [9] proposed a Lean Data Science Lifecycle with study case made for energy time series analysis. They used Python scripts for Task Statement and Data Integration tasks and used a chart for the Visualization of Results phase of proposed lifecycle.

Regarding to the transportation systems, Lin [51] proposed an integrated approach for data science applications in intelligent transportation systems (ITS). This approach comprises the integration of multiple steps in the data analysis process or the integration of different models to build a more powerful one. For evaluation, two case studies were made: to border crossing delay prediction and traffic accident data analysis. To create an integrated database, multiple data sources were used such as fixed sensors data, connected vehicles data, traffic accident data, social media data. Some algorithms were used to analyze data and to create a forecasting model, such as MP5 tree.

6.3 Summary

The study of related works shown that there is extensive research using computer techniques in evapotranspiration subject and some aspects can be highlighted from these researches.

The first one regards to the objective of simplifying the currently methods to estimate evapotranspiration. Although many works are only experience reports of data mining processes, it is clear that data-driven approaches may be an alternative for the currently methods used. The studies presented in this section showed a diverse use of techniques to propose new methods for evapotranspiration estimation, such as Gaussian processes and neural networks. It was also observed the form to present the results, such as in Xavier et al research [49], with the use of maps to view the results. A second aspect is related to comparison methods. Despite of the PM model limitations, this method is normally used to compare results of the alternative methods. This fact is due to absence of real measures of evapotranspiration and because PM model is the reference from the FAO.

Related to the Data Science techniques application, there are some experience reports in different domains. Many of these reports have described data mining application, which is only one technique of the Data Science set. Some researches were based in proposed lifecycle for Data Science application, such as the research conducted by Shcherbakov et al [9].

In Lin research [51], many techniques from Data Science were used, comprising from data integration to visualization of results. This research seems to be the closest one to a complete Data Science application, using the key differentiator defined by Loukides [22]: a holistic approach with data and not only the use of some techniques.

This approach is the main difference from this research project in relation to the related works presented in this Chapter. These works were focused in simplify the evapotranspiration estimation but using only one specific technique, such as data mining or interpolation. By other side, this research work was applied on phases of data lifecycle and had deeply interaction with the domain expert, in all step of the Data Science lifecycle. In addiction, the approach presented in this research was focused in product delivery for end users and providing the repeatability characteristic of experiment.

7. Conclusions

7.1 Final Considerations

This research project applied techniques from Data Science to solve a known problem in the Hydrology domain: the estimation of evapotranspiration, a critical component in the water cycle.

Currently, there are many methods to estimate evapotranspiration, such as the Penman-Monteith and Thornthwaite models. The former is considered to be the most precise model and is recommended by FAO. However, it is described in the literature as a very complex model, requiring many variables, which restricts its use in regions that do not have measurements for all required variables. The second model, used by INMET, is simpler when compared to the Penman-Monteith model, but it underestimates evapotranspiration under dry conditions.

Despite of the advantages and disadvantages of both models, they share one common characteristic: since the evapotranspiration process using these approaches is model-driven, the measurement of the required variables is mandatory. In the absence of values of any variable, their application are not possible. One recommendation for the missing data problem is to use values from near locations. Although it partially solves the missing data problem, this approach has a cost on precision.

Based on the limitations in current models, the persent work addressed the following research question: Is it possible to simplify evapotranspiration estimation with good precision?

Considering the above, this research proposed a new approach to estimate evapotranspiration values, based on a key difference from current models: the estimation is data-driven. In other words, our evapotranspiration estimation models are built from the data gathered at the measurement stations. In order to accomplish this goal, Data Science techniques were used. They offer a new way to extract value from data, generating products to solve research questions. There are other techniques to work with data, some of them included in the set of Data Science tools and methods. However, the key characteristic of Data Science is its holistic approach to working with data, with the application of its techniques on the whole data cycle.

Another important change brought by Data Science is the high level of engagement of domain experts in the research process. Data Science can be applied for all knowledge areas, but it is not required that data scientists have deep knowledge about many domains. Therefore, the domain expert is a fundamental component in the Data Science lifecycle, participating from the problem definition step to the evaluation of results. Although data scientists could bring insights and propose new strategies, the domain expert is the one who has enough knowledge to validate results and propose solutions.

For this research, a hydrology expert has taken the role of domain expert, proposing research questions, discussing strategies, suggesting new experiment scenarios and validating the outcomes. In the application of Data Science in this research, we adopted a Data Science lifecycle based on Lean Development. This lifecycle was used for its high level of interaction and fast delivery of results to be evaluated by the domain expert.

In the internal cycle of the adopted Data Science lifecycle, two rounds of execution were needed, with adjusts suggested by the domain expert. After the execution of the second round and the interpretation of the results, it was required by the domain expert that results be summarized in graphs and plotted in maps. The objective of this phase was to check whether the results had a positive outcome and identify possible relationships with the results and regional characteristics.

After analyzing the results, the domain expert concluded that these results presented a positive outcome, reaching the goals defined in the solution evaluation section and the new quality measures defined during the internal cycle.

With the models generated in this approach for evapotranspiration estimation, it was possible to simplify the estimation process, requiring less variables than Penman-Monteith model, decreasing from nine required variables to five or six, depending on model generated for each measurement station used in this research, as shown in Table 5.4. Regarding to the quality metrics for precision, defined in the Subsection 4.5.2.2, this research it was successfull for the most stations used in experiment steps, as shown in Tables 5.2 and 5.3.

Thus, it was possible to conclude that this research reached its objective with positive outcomes, according to the goals defined in previous Chapters.

7.2 Contributions

This research contributed to both areas of Information Systems and Hydrology. For Information Systems research, the Data Science application using a lifecycle based on the Lean Development showed the importance of the domain expert in a Data Science research project as well the need for fast deliveries so as to guarantee the high level of interaction with the domain expert.

Regarding the artifacts and methods used, this research showed how Data Science is more than a data analysis method. In order to provide the results required by the domain expert, many tools and technologies were needed and they were integrated by a developed software. This research used programming languages such as Java and R, a data mining tool (Weka), a non-relational database (MongoDB), and tools for results visualization in georeferenced forms.

Basic statistics analysis was also used to generate information about the datasets in preliminary phases of the Data Science lifecycle as well as in the intermediary and final phases, in the evaluation of results.

As for areas related to water studies, such as Hydrology, this research contributed with a new approach to analyze meteorological data for the estimation of evapotranspiration.

Furthermore, the results plotted in maps with climate and biomes layers provided a view of this approach in relation to regional characteristics, such as climate and vegetation. Besides, these maps could be used for new experiments in other topics or even in the subject of evapotranspiration.

The simplified models for evapotranspiration estimation could also be considered a contribution of this work. Researchers would be able to use these models to estimate evapotranspiration as well as to compare them with other methods.

7.3 Future Work

Many works could originate from this research. An extension of this work, using more measurement stations and increasing the number of instances, could produce more information about evapotranspiration estimation.

Also, a deeper study could be made about the relationships of the local characteristics, such as climate and vegetation. Other environmental aspects, such as soil types, could also be the subject of new studies. The soil type has an important relation with the evapotranspiration rate, depending on the soil's water absorption capacity.

In this study, a minimum set of attributes for evapotranspiration estimation was used with the inclusion of two other attributes: total precipitation and sunshine hours. Other studies could be made using other climatic and meteorological attributes and evaluating the impact of the inclusion of these attributes. This research had, as initial objective, a less number possible of variables used in the evapotranspiration estimation. However, new studies can be made using all variables presents in meteorological datasets, that could show which variables are more important in the evapotranspiration estimation.

The algorithm used for the Data Modelling task was M5P, as shown in 4.4.5. New studies could be made with other algorithms, comparing them and evaluating which algorithm would be better for a defined conditions set, such as variables available or physical local conditions.

The approach used here could also be used to fill the missing data in the data historical series, increasing the range of periods for further studies. Another suggestion could be the use of the Data Science approach applied here to study the possible errors in the data historical series.

Regarding Data Science studies, the lifecycle adopted here could be object of study with proposals of changes and studying the impact of these changes in the results. In this suggestion, the main object of study could be the own process of Data Science application, proposing alternatives lifecycles, identifying better practices for the lifecycle tasks, etc.

Finally, the approach used here could be used in other knowledge areas, such as biodiversity or health. These areas have many data from different sources that could be used in some research projects.

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A.Detailed Results for All Stations

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Station Name	Correla-	MAE	RMSE	RMAE	RRMSE	Models
	tion					
ac_cruzeirodosul	0.690391	10.06740	11.93523	0.066046	0.078299	LM num: 1 => evp = 12.5601 * WA + 1.7313 * NM + 0.1026 * TP + 8.0377
						* MT - 0.5111 * MiT - 135.3684 LM num: 2 => evp = 9.695 * WA - 0.0438 *
						TI + 0.9552 * NM + 0.0288 * TP + 7.1695 * MT + 4.7761 * MiT - 194.49LM
						num: 3 => evp = 12.0649 * WA - 0.0438 * TI - 0.1202 * NM + 0.0288 * TP
						+ 5.2802 * MT + 3.479 * MiT - 93.7352LM num: 4 => evp = 12.948 * WA
						- 0.0438 * TI - 0.3353 * NM + 0.0288 * TP + 5.1052 * MT + 3.479 * MiT -
						86.0698LM num: 5 => evp = 6.9064 * WA - 0.0361 * TI + 0.9552 * NM +
						0.0267 * TP + 3.8427 * MT + 1.0144 * MiT + 2.9716
ac_riobranco	0.880516	7.221780	9.109672	0.045981	0.058002	LM num: 1 => evp = 28.5399 * WA + 9.2182 * NM + 0.0373 * TP + 10.7059
						* MT - 281.097
am_coari	0.773381	6.423996	7.858785	0.039349	0.048138	LM num: 1 => evp = 16.1824 * WA + 4.7045 * NM + 0.0226 * TP + 6.0739
						* MT - 97.8831LM num: 2 => evp = 8.7229 * WA + 3.863 * NM - 0.0037 *
						TP + 5.4842 * MT - 52.4685LM num: 3 => evp = 5.9118 * WA + 6.3825 *
						NM + 0.0098 * TP + 12.0924 * MT - 283.4719
$am_fonteboa$	0.764455	6.046596	7.384419	0.037910	0.046298	LM num: 1 => evp = 9.7419 * NM + 14.263 * MT - 369.7485
am_itacoatiara	0.777869	6.058515	7.395250	0.037801	0.046141	LM num: 1 => evp = 39.2211 * WA + 5.0083 * NM + 0.0233 * TP + 7.809
						* MT - 160.7222
am_manaus	0.744311	6.764233	8.081658	0.041340	0.049391	LM num: 1 => evp = 9.7355 * WA - 0.1587 * TI + 1.8461 * NM + 0.0219
						* TP + 12.9947 * MT - 262.8247
$am_parintins$	0.694584	7.296429	8.830467	0.045614	0.055204	LM num: 1 => evp = 3.2888 * WA - 0.0064 * TI + 4.2563 * NM + 3.9279 *
						MT - 0.6045 * MiT + 17.833LM num: 2 => evp = 3.2888 * WA - 0.0064 *
						TI + 2.5736 * NM + 4.3614 * MT + 0.3824 * MiT - 3.9908LM num: 3 =>
						evp = 8.4111 * WA - 0.0095 * TI + 2.5769 * NM + 0.0157 * TP + 4.8861 *
						MT + 2.8377 * MiT - 82.2519
ap_macapa	0.898560	4.986404	6.497315	0.029817	0.038852	LM num: 1 => evp = 14.2305 * WA - 0.033 * TI + 4.7602 * MT - 6.8756
baalagoinhas	0.958187	6.970123	8.599386	0.044087	0.054393	LM num: 1 => evp = 40.5553 * WA + 7.7993 * MT - 155.6012
ba_bomjesus-	0.787464	11.88252	13.99465	0.071573	0.084295	LM num: 1 => evp = 0.1006 * TI + 9.756 * NM + 0.081 * TP + 9.5387 *
dalapa						MT - 220.9816

bacaravelas	0.926407	9.005550	11.29342	0.062249	0.078063	LM num: 1 => evp = 28.6745 * WA + 5.4723 * NM + 14.6622 * MT -
						371.5959
bacipo	0.926505	8.361942	11.69584	0.046394	0.064892	LM num: 1 => evp = 26.6686 * WA + 5.5898 * NM + 0.1255 * TP + 17.0235
						* MT - 8.1806 * MiT - 314.9227
ba_feiradesantana	0.952307	8.629320	10.05246	0.050863	0.059252	LM num: 1 => evp = 19.4011 * WA - 0.0814 * TI - 5.7426 * NM + 0.1108
						* TP + 13.4312 * MT - 5.6783 * MiT - 149.643
baituacu	0.884323	9.862507	12.34818	0.061732	0.077290	LM num: 1 => evp = 23.9634 * WA + 0.1823 * TI + 10.1044 * NM + 0.1548
						* TP + 10.3698 * MT - 312.2645
cebarbalha	0.864496	7.581262	9.486599	0.045526	0.056968	LM num: 1 => evp = 10.0855 * WA + 0.1411 * TI + 4.7999 * NM + 0.0705
						* TP + 9.8497 * MT - 234.9181
cecrateus	0.849791	8.562495	10.46908	0.044794	0.054768	LM num: 1 => evp = 0.0967 * TP + 12.78 * MT - 248.6993
ce_fortaleza	0.778497	5.991667	7.649599	0.035820	0.045732	LM num: 1 => evp = 2.6397 * WA + 0.1754 * TI + 4.9852 * NM + 0.0447
						* TP + 12.1733 * MT - 302.9193 LM num: 2 => evp = 3.2996 * WA + 0.035
						* TI + 0.0228 * TP + 12.3165 * MT - 237.8026
ceguaramiranga	0.899673	5.434244	6.909544	0.037558	0.047754	LM num: 1 => evp = 4.5187 * NM + 0.0434 * TP + 14.7655 * MT - 4.4592
						* MiT - 193.0077
ceiguatu	0.930777	6.574101	8.037068	0.035649	0.043582	LM num: 1 => evp = 12.3046 * WA + 0.0398 * TP + 8.6911 * MT + 6.7259
						* MiT - 295.8653
ce_jaguaruana	0.925790	6.911890	8.092358	0.036143	0.042315	LM num: 1 => evp = 13.8823 * WA + 0.1893 * TI + 2.6729 * MT + 2.8604
						* MiT - 62.6764
$df_brasilia$	0.911877	7.730520	9.921597	0.052061	0.066817	LM num: 1 => evp = 12.6467 * WA + 5.3918 * NM + 0.0618 * TP + 10.933
						* MT - 213.355
df_roncador	0.881647	8.298197	10.78292	0.054251	0.070495	LM num: 1 => evp = 14.4381 * WA + 6.919 * NM + 0.034 * TP + 10.7174
						* MT - 214.1632
goaragarcas	0.926295	9.193125	11.82595	0.062105	0.079891	LM num: 1 => evp = 7.7563 * WA - 0.0248 * TI + 8.2192 * NM + 0.0227 *
						TP + 8.4923 * MT + 1.1625 * MiT - 215.2804LM num: 2 => evp = 11.8388
						* WA - 0.0165 * TI + 4.5766 * NM + 0.0806 * TP + 4.9916 * MT + 2.7367
						* MiT - 106.7189 LM num: 3 => evp = 10.9377 * WA - 0.0165 * TI + 4.2617
						* NM + 0.0266 * TP + 4.0925 * MT + 2.4716 * MiT - 52.1642
gocatalao	0.937545	8.076088	10.38639	0.052252	0.067199	LM num: 1 => evp = 16.5974 * WA + 9.894 * NM + 0.038 * TP + 13.002
						* MT - 2.7732 * MiT - 258.4117

goformosa	0.910863	8.106126	10.90883	0.055805	0.075099	LM num: 1 => evp = 23.0851 * WA - 0.2026 * TI + 5.9085 * NM + 11.5951
						* MT - 193.3139
go_goiania	0.938229	7.380511	9.890492	0.048193	0.064583	LM num: $1 = \operatorname{evp} = 51.0842 * WA + 9.0291 * NM + 0.0582 * TP + 8.3844$
						* MT - 224.4238
goipameri	0.946459	8.272277	10.25602	0.057259	0.070990	LM num: 1 => evp = 38.5638 * WA + 8.8475 * NM + 7.6014 * MT + 2.7112
						* MiT - 201.6557
go_jatai	0.945535	7.752084	10.28976	0.050909	0.067575	LM num: 1 => evp = 24.8943 * WA + 0.0769 * TI + 4.0192 * NM + 4.5435
						* MT + 1.743 * MiT - 106.1963 LM num: 2 => evp = 22.5983 * WA + 0.0769
						* TI + 4.0192 * NM + 5.3459 * MT + 1.743 * MiT - 122.7843LM num: 3
						=> evp = 23.4637 * WA + 0.1534 * TI + 8.5118 * NM + 6.8692 * MT +
						1.1092 * MiT - 181.0113LM num: 4 => evp = 24.6991 * WA + 0.1534 * TI +
						8.5118 * NM + 6.8692 * MT + 1.1092 * MiT - 181.7157LM num: 5 => \exp =
						11.9872 * WA + 0.1534 * TI + 8.5118 * NM + 6.7568 * MT + 1.1092 * MiT -
						163.0864LM num: 6 => evp = 14.2119 * WA + 0.1956 * TI + 8.969 * NM +
						3.6818 * MT + 1.1092 * MiT - 70.3039LM num: 7 => evp = 14.2119 * WA
						+ 0.2456 * TI + 10.0572 * NM + 3.6818 * MT + 1.1092 * MiT - 87.5728LM
						num: 8 => evp = 14.7889 * WA + 0.2346 * TI + 10.1857 * NM + 3.6818 *
						MT + 1.1092 * MiT - 86.4705LM num: $9 = 5 \text{ evp} = 14.7889 \text{ * WA} + 0.2346$
						* TI + 10.1857 * NM + 3.6818 * MT + 1.1092 * MiT - 86.4526LM num: 1
						=>0 evp = 14.2119 * WA + 0.2346 * TI + 10.1672 * NM + 3.6818 * MT +
						1.1092 * MiT - 85.1073
go_pirenopolis	0.878950	8.803028	10.81574	0.053429	0.065645	LM num: $1 = 0.098 \text{ evp} = 22.4184 \text{ WA} + 6.8688 \text{ WM} + 0.098 \text{ WP} + 9.5369 \text{ evp}$
						* MT - 232.804
goposse	0.931125	6.657817	8.442997	0.044322	0.056206	LM num: 1 => evp = 19.5259 * WA + 2.8257 * NM + 0.0349 * TP + 9.4319
						* MT + 2.7699 * MiT - 236.9848LM num: 2 => evp = -4.2871 * WA +
						3.0885 * NM + 0.0381 * TP + 7.2936 * MT - 2.9195 * MiT - 20.8226
ma_balsas	0.847816	6.988021	8.553390	0.042704	0.052270	LM num: 1 => evp = 31.1953 * WA + 10.2242 * NM + 0.0279 * TP +
						11.2012 * MT - 285.2129
machapadinha	0.960740	4.872455	6.399559	0.027270	0.035817	LM num: 1 => evp = 9.6608 * WA + 0.2748 * TI + 11.8022 * NM + 0.0228
						* TP + 11.939 * MT - 364.2609

mg_araxa	0.929139	9.486400	11.22469	0.063140	0.074710	LM num: $1 = $ evp = 13.4453 * WA + 4.9762 * NM + 0.0764 * TP + 11.6495
						* MT - 242.6294
mg_arinos	0.946260	7.391903	9.635445	0.047589	0.062033	LM num: 1 => evp = 26.1314 * WA + 10.1994 * NM + 0.0457 * TP +
						10.9614 * MT - 269.3661
mgbambui	0.952069	9.096161	10.83707	0.064147	0.076424	LM num: $1 = $ evp = 33.1668 * WA + 3.9959 * NM + 0.0477 * TP + 8.9939
						* MT + 2.9152 * MiT - 226.8061
mg_belohorizonte	0.963111	6.752426	8.981649	0.047865	0.063667	LM num: 1 => evp = 16.9987 * WA + 0.3015 * TI + 16.1549 * NM + 0.0501
						* TP + 13.2861 * MT - 4.6429 * MiT - 306.2294
mgcaparao	0.938585	9.658303	12.40308	0.073704	0.094650	LM num: 1 => evp = 37.0853 * WA + 15.0626 * NM + 0.052 * TP + 17.1631
						* MT - 5.225 * MiT - 362.5151
mg_caratinga	0.961650	7.903542	9.566662	0.054819	0.066355	LM num: 1 => evp = 27.2713 * WA + 0.1827 * TI + 13.9657 * NM + 0.0522
						* TP + 8.3783 * MT - 264.1515
mg_formoso	0.482340	16.20675	19.86183	0.105232	0.128965	LM num: 1 => evp = -38.9165 * WA + 0.2903 * TI + 7.1142 * NM +
						106.3845
mg_janauba	0.886613	9.227944	11.13636	0.055391	0.066846	LM num: 1 => evp = 14.2843 * WA + 0.2756 * TI + 5.7971 * NM + 0.0351
						* TP + 11.8857 * MT - 1.5318 * MiT - 316.7335LM num: 2 => evp = 1.6987
						* WA + 0.062 * TI + 4.6377 * NM + 0.0648 * TP + 6.4952 * MT - 7.6484 *
						MiT + 77.8515LM num: 3 => evp = 1.6987 * WA + 0.0452 * TI + 4.6377
						* NM + 0.0648 * TP + 6.4952 * MT - 7.2945 * MiT + 71.8556LM num: 4
						=> evp = 4.3047 * WA + 0.2209 * TI + 8.1622 * NM + 0.0559 * TP +
						5.7386 * MT - 3.7352 * MiT - 26.307 LM num: 5 => evp = 5.1973 * WA +
						0.2169 * TI + 8.1622 * NM + 0.0559 * TP + 5.7386 * MT - 3.7352 * MiT -
						27.6627LM num: 6 => evp = 5.1973 * WA + 0.2167 * TI + 8.1622 * NM +
						0.0559 * TP + 5.7386 * MT - 3.7352 * MiT - 27.6351 LM num: 7 => evp =
						5.3548 * WA + 0.2209 * TI + 8.1622 * NM + 0.0559 * TP + 5.7386 * MT -
						3.7352 * MiT - 28.6933 L M num: 8 => evp = 4.1116 * WA + 0.2123 * TI +
						7.9011 * NM + 0.0559 * TP + 5.7386 * MT - 3.7352 * MiT - 22.9315
mg_januaria	0.927785	7.657949	9.583381	0.045005	0.056321	LM num: 1 => evp = 36.2143 * WA + 0.4052 * TI + 11.6934 * NM + 0.0767
						* TP + 4.9247 * MT + 4.5769 * MiT - 299.5716
mg_lavras	0.966296	6.820644	8.960971	0.046175	0.060665	LM num: $1 => evp = 28.8424 * WA + 0.2104 * TI + 11.5835 * NM + 0.0636$
						* TP + 12.1619 * MT - 2.7672 * MiT - 323.5264

mgmachado	0.958367	8.792671	11.37055	0.068106	0.088074	LM num: 1 => evp = 19.4013 * WA + 0.0965 * TP + 8.7357 * MT + 3.772 * MiT - 188.8687
mg_montesclaros	0.902745	9.318920	12.03593	0.058920	0.076098	LM num: $1 => \exp = 32.0382 * WA + 0.0745 * TI + 3.7662 * NM + 0.2002 * TP + 9.8342 * MT - 248.6927LM num: 2 => \exp = 18.3812 * WA + 0.1111 * TI + 2.2193 * NM + 0.0603 * TP + 3.4649 * MT + 2.7944 * MiT - 64.0723LM num: 3 => \exp = 14.651 * WA + 0.1261 * TI + 2.3075 * NM + 0.0678 * TP + 3.4649 * MT + 1.5764 * MiT - 34.2879LM num: 4 => \exp P + 1.5764 * MiT - 34.2879LM num: 4 => \exp P + 1.5764 * MiT - 34.2879LM num: 4 => \exp P + 1.5764 * MiT - 34.2879LM num: 4 => \exp P + 1.5764 * MiT - 33.5699LM num: 5 => \exp P = 14.651 * WA + 0.1488 * TI + 1.5764 * MiT - 33.5699LM num: 5 => \exp P = 14.651 * WA + 0.1488 * TI + 1.5764 * MiT - 30.7089 + 0.0689 * TP + 3.4649 * MT + 1.5764 * MiT - 30.7089$
mgparacatu	0.931682	7.889487	10.38855	0.048483	0.063840	LM num: 1 => evp = 16.5796 * WA + 5.1468 * NM + 0.0479 * TP + 11.2349 * MT - 248.1669
mg_patosdeminas	0.940189	7.795464	10.02294	0.052031	0.066898	LM num: 1 => evp = 20.4759 * WA + 0.0721 * TP + 6.9068 * MT + 7.0573 * MiT - 205.0217
mg_salinas	0.911573	9.999499	11.78539	0.062828	0.074050	LM num: $1 => evp = 27.1191 * WA + 0.1137 * TI - 0.5301 * NM + 0.3177$ * TP + 6.5743 * MT + 1.673 * MiT - 162.5245LM num: $2 => evp = 18.1751$ * WA + 0.22 * TI + 1.6786 * NM + 0.0972 * TP + 1.2325 * MT + 1.3999 * MiT + 15.957
mg_uberaba	0.873771	12.62212	16.92395	0.083892	0.112485	LM num: 1 => evp = 18.4199 * WA + 10.5561 * NM + 11.177 * MT - 258.1711
mg_unai	0.933001	7.581619	10.22387	0.047115	0.063535	LM num: 1 => evp = 29.5703 * WA + 7.8003 * NM + 0.0534 * TP + 10.6123 * MT - 266.127
mgvicosa	0.960096	8.138096	10.20853	0.059549	0.074699	LM num: 1 => evp = 36.7065 * WA + 10.3377 * NM + 10.4323 * MT - 244.5609
msnhumirim	0.859688	13.69731	18.53838	0.075496	0.102179	LM num: 1 => evp = 10.788 * WA + 0.0692 * TP + 12.7211 * MT - 273.8304

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mt_diamantino	0.920305	9.944041	11.85307	0.070095	0.083551	LM num: 1 => evp = 1.2661 * NM + 0.0406 * TP + 3.8086 * MT + 4.3029 *
						MiT - 102.2053LM num: 2 => evp = 1.2661 * NM + 0.0406 * TP + 3.8086 *
						MT + 4.3311 * MiT - 101.6444 LM num: 3 => evp = 1.2661 * NM + 0.0406
						* TP + 4.4654 * MT + 4.1612 * MiT - 117.8596LM num: 4 => evp = 2.2233
						* NM + 0.0426 * TP + 3.0929 * MT + 8.0595 * MiT - 141.8167LM num:
						$5 = 8 \exp = 3.0295 * NM + 0.0426 * TP + 3.1385 * MT + 8.7635 * MiT - 100000000000000000000000000000000000$
						159.8428LM num: 6 => evp = -0.7449 * NM + 0.0377 * TP + 1.5876 * MT
						+ 4.6317 * MiT + 9.2743
mtmatupa	0.835660	7.327967	9.456004	0.044980	0.058042	LM num: 1 => evp = 21.5345 * WA + 6.5562 * NM + 0.0655 * TP + 9.8559
						* MT - 240.8183
mtnovaxav	0.902907	7.452761	9.829058	0.045940	0.060588	LM num: 1 => evp = 16.2825 * WA + 9.239 * NM + 0.0647 * TP + 9.6519
						* MT - 235.4472
mt_padrericardo	0.929645	9.916809	11.99946	0.065699	0.079497	LM num: 1 => evp = 50.2686 * WA + 6.0666 * NM + 0.0768 * TP + 6.7192
						* MT + 2.1323 * MiT - 195.4071
mt_poxoreo	0.884362	10.77570	13.15449	0.069732	0.085125	LM num: 1 => evp = 32.3291 * WA + 0.0687 * TP + 6.0712 * MT + 5.1921
						* MiT - 183.8707
pa_altamira	0.846103	6.157039	7.297892	0.036305	0.043033	LM num: 1 => evp = 24.2641 * WA - 0.0894 * TI + 3.2178 * NM + 0.0184
						* TP + 12.7793 * MT - 300.0798
pa_belem	0.705041	6.138715	7.454722	0.037567	0.045621	LM num: 1 => evp = 32.3733 * WA - 0.05 * TI + 0.5902 * NM + 0.0147 *
						TP + 1.9018 * MT + 0.7464 * MiT + 47.306LM num: 2 => evp = 33.1559 *
						WA - 0.0579 * TI + 0.5902 * NM + 0.0174 * TP + 1.9018 * MT + 0.7464 *
						MiT + 42.9463LM num: 3 => evp = 23.2311 * WA - 0.0519 * TI + 0.5902 *
						NM + 0.0134 * TP + 4.1577 * MT + 0.7464 * MiT - 15.3476LM num: 4 =>
						evp = 16.8426 * WA - 0.0174 * TI + 0.9721 * NM - 0.0195 * TP + 1.3195 *
						MT + 1.2293 * MiT + 76.5246

pa_belterra	0.705041	6.138715	7.454722	0.037567	0.045621	LM num: 1 => evp = 32.3733 * WA - 0.05 * TI + 0.5902 * NM + 0.0147 *
						$\label{eq:transform} TP+1.9018*MT+0.7464*MiT+47.306LMnum:2=>evp=33.1559*$
						WA - 0.0579 * TI + 0.5902 * NM + 0.0174 * TP + 1.9018 * MT + 0.7464 *
						MiT + 42.9463LM num: 3 => evp = 23.2311 * WA - 0.0519 * TI + 0.5902 *
						NM + 0.0134 * TP + 4.1577 * MT + 0.7464 * MiT - 15.3476LM num: 4 =>
						evp = 16.8426 * WA - 0.0174 * TI + 0.9721 * NM - 0.0195 * TP + 1.3195 *
						MT + 1.2293 * MiT + 76.5246
pa_cameta	0.749036	6.207892	7.726488	0.034876	0.043408	LM num: 1 => evp = 26.1674 * WA + 0.0229 * TP + 6.417 * MT - 108.8703
pa_montealegre	0.911722	5.261753	6.723069	0.031064	0.039692	LM num: $1 = $ evp = 9.7162 * WA + 4.1091 * NM + 0.0349 * TP + 14.5221
						* MT - 3.3364 * MiT - 272.4407
pa_portodemoz	0.502303	6.335198	8.117571	0.039237	0.050276	LM num: 1 => evp = -0.2093 * TI + 10.0929 * MT - 122.234
pa_tucurui	0.676186	7.269021	9.196236	0.043517	0.055054	LM num: 1 => evp = 47.6255 * WA + 8.7769 * NM + 8.1538 * MT -
						215.5945
pb_campina-	0.943562	6.441633	7.908882	0.039760	0.048817	LM num: 1 => evp = 14.366 * WA + 0.0849 * TI + 7.9456 * MT - 139.2845
grande						
pb_joaopessoa	0.914053	4.733549	5.987428	0.030037	0.037993	LM num: 1 => evp = 0.2822 * TI + 9.5926 * NM - 0.0196 * TP + 4.0212 *
						MT + 2.1285 * MiT - 130.5901
picaldeirao	0.923348	6.300949	7.564045	0.039061	0.046892	LM num: $1 = \text{evp} = 17.0604 \text{ * WA} + 2.4241 \text{ * NM} + 0.0865 \text{ * TP} + 8.1274$
						* MT + 2.3877 * MiT - 198.6417
piesperantina	0.953996	5.845046	6.925065	0.032502	0.038507	LM num: $1 = \operatorname{evp} = 24.8773 * WA + 5.9619 * NM + 0.0297 * TP + 9.4183$
						* MT - 213.6602
pifloriano	0.856507	7.295227	8.904385	0.041581	0.050753	LM num: 1 => evp = 8.0982 * WA + 2.904 * NM + 0.0576 * TP + 5.8544
						* MT + 7.7757 * MiT - 243.8438
prcuritiba	0.954892	9.782963	11.76302	0.077185	0.092807	LM num: 1 => evp = 37.0302 * WA + 7.6669 * NM + 13.0632 * MT - 2.5147
						* MiT - 284.9454

pr_irati	0.950412	10.77222	13.03811	0.085352	0.103306	LM num: $1 = $ evp = 14.0041 * WA + 0.076 * TI + 2.0225 * NM + 8.9955 *
						MT + 0.6521 * MiT - 155.6082LM num: 2 => evp = 20.5043 * WA + 0.076
						* TI + 2.0225 * NM + 7.3065 * MT + 0.6521 * MiT - 125.0437LM num:
						3 => evp = 20.2429 * WA + 0.0478 * TI + 2.0225 * NM + 7.2397 * MT
						+ 0.6521 * MiT - 116.5276 LM num: 4 => evp = 20.2429 * WA + 0.0507 *
						TI + 2.0225 * NM + 7.2397 * MT + 0.6521 * MiT - 116.8127LM num: 5
						=> evp = 20.2429 * WA + 0.0447 * TI + 2.0225 * NM + 7.2397 * MT +
						0.6521 * MiT - 116.5142LM num: 6 => evp = 7.3035 * WA + 0.3914 * TI
						+ 10.7249 * NM + 2.7119 * MT + 2.9758 * MiT - 113.3291
pr_ivai	0.952045	10.55906	12.96263	0.082553	0.101344	LM num: 1 => evp = 38.1208 * WA + 0.3468 * TI + 15.8355 * NM + 9.5107
						* MT - 317.7868
pr_londrina	0.951066	10.64055	13.24590	0.078429	0.097632	LM num: 1 => evp = 36.8536 * WA + 0.2447 * TI + 9.9393 * NM + 0.0658
						* TP + 7.7378 * MT + 2.5249 * MiT - 274.4481
prmaringa	0.950792	10.32567	12.69671	0.072771	0.089482	LM num: 1 => evp = 0.4833 * TI + 18.012 * NM + 10.0114 * MT - 341.4188
rj_campos	0.859589	17.55504	20.68683	0.121604	0.143298	LM num: 1 => evp = 14.0776 * WA + 9.205 * NM + 15.4142 * MT -
						373.9671
rj_itaperuna	0.957017	9.806118	11.80445	0.068142	0.082028	LM num: 1 => evp = 40.4579 * WA + 0.1586 * TI + 6.2521 * NM + 0.1784 *
						TP + 7.3843 * MT + 1.0043 * MiT - 217.9165LM num: 2 => evp = 18.2204
						* WA + 0.2893 * TI + 16.6303 * NM + 0.0317 * TP + 4.7947 * MT +
						0.8034 * MiT - 177.1504 LM num: 3 => evp = 18.2204 * WA + 0.2893 * TI
						+ 15.6768 * NM + 0.0317 * TP + 4.7947 * MT + 0.8034 * MiT - 167.0039LM
						num: 4 => evp = 17.0759 * WA + 0.3836 * TI + 10.8829 * NM + 0.0632 *
						TP + 4.3911 * MT + 2.4313 * MiT - 178.3865
rn_apodi	0.811862	8.536918	10.85400	0.045497	0.057846	LM num: 1 => evp = 8.2726 * WA + 5.3489 * NM + 7.6491 * MT -
						131.7656LM num: 2 => evp = 13.1267 * WA + 2.3919 * NM + 4.0499 * MT
						+ 4.5388 * MiT - 102.3684
rn_cruzeta	0.945346	6.490725	8.212998	0.032232	0.040785	LM num: 1 => evp = 13.4453 * WA + 0.2187 * TI + 5.2137 * NM + 0.0493
						* TP + 10.6656 * MT - 302.1195
rn_florania	0.898293	7.083830	8.828166	0.037733	0.047025	LM num: 1 => evp = 6.9245 * WA + 0.1262 * TI + 5.3385 * NM + 13.8862
						* MT - 7.2246 * MiT - 193.8257

rs_bage	0.970313	10.03166	12.68993	0.079329	0.100351	LM num: $1 = \operatorname{evp} = 15.9649 * WA + 0.1953 * TI + 5.0952 * NM + 6.8198 *$
						MT - 158.7619LM num: 2 => evp = 20.5768 * WA + 0.6069 * TI + 16.0898
						* NM + 7.0003 * MT - 304.6563
rs_bentogoncalves	0.954602	10.95841	13.63154	0.090940	0.113124	LM num: 1 => evp = 0.5942 * TI + 18.9282 * NM + 7.151 * MT - 263.8386
rs_bomjesus	0.937223	11.60511	14.44763	0.092662	0.115359	LM num: 1 => evp = 15.9688 * WA + 0.044 * TI + 2.7653 * NM + 11.2604
						* MT - 1.6134 * MiT - 182.8138 LM num: 2 => evp = 3.9249 * WA + 0.0525
						* TI + 3.3049 * NM + 13.6981 * MT - 6.2618 * MiT - 129.91
rscaxiasdosul	0.948360	11.18511	14.53857	0.095683	0.124370	LM num: 1 => evp = 11.8416 * WA + 0.3461 * TI + 18.0296 * NM +
						12.8249 * MT - 3.7624 * MiT - 315.0845
rs_irai	0.954861	11.62500	15.02126	0.087517	0.113086	LM num: 1 => evp = 41.1603 * WA - 0.0532 * TI + 0.0109 * TP + 8.336 *
						MT + 1.3484 * MiT - 170.3798LM num: 2 => evp = 30.4396 * WA + 0.2123
						* TI + 0.0113 * TP + 2.0326 * MT + 5.4696 * MiT - 75.0883
rs_passofundo	0.963537	10.17709	12.58176	0.074659	0.092300	LM num: 1 => evp = 15.3156 * WA + 0.0681 * TP + 14.396 * MT - 3.868
						* MiT - 224.1047
rs_portoalegre	0.969865	9.995214	12.68966	0.075644	0.096035	LM num: 1 => evp = 11.4245 * WA + 0.6115 * TI + 16.6083 * NM + 5.2807
						* MT - 235.1891
rs_riogrande	0.953556	11.00755	14.16211	0.094911	0.122111	LM num: 1 => evp = 20.4175 * WA - 0.0794 * TP + 6.3327 * MT + 2.6616
						* MiT - 125.5135
rssantamaria	0.971978	9.393328	12.32945	0.072184	0.094747	LM num: 1 => evp = 24.9375 * WA + 0.5202 * TI + 8.5366 * NM + 3.952
						* MT + 3.0345 * MiT - 217.0161
rs_saoluizgonzaga	0.973600	10.09465	11.94886	0.070319	0.083236	LM num: $1 = $ evp = 24.1798 * WA + 0.1703 * TI + 0.0718 * TP + 11.7004
						* MT - 2.6723 * MiT - 240.9944
rs_torres	0.880358	15.05377	20.99299	0.130775	0.182370	LM num: 1 => evp = 19.5685 * WA + 0.1016 * TI + 1.6533 * MT + 8.044
						* MiT - 110.9689
rs_uruguaiana	0.967651	10.51170	13.11763	0.080395	0.100326	LM num: 1 => evp = 19.5522 * WA + 0.3313 * TI + 0.0585 * TP + 4.6584
						* MT + 3.0216 * MiT - 142.8652
sccamposnovos	0.964853	8.855667	11.22147	0.069850	0.088510	LM num: 1 => evp = 9.7883 * WA + 0.433 * TI + 17.1077 * NM + 8.9426
						* MT - 282.2889
scchapeco	0.491474	17.73588	24.09192	0.145011	0.196979	LM num: 1 => evp = -20.1829 * WA - 0.4285 * TI - 10.463 * NM - 0.0601
						* TP - 2.2403 * MT + 360.8894

sclages	0.936085	12.32548	15.50609	0.104716	0.131738	LM num: 1 => evp = 13.1161 * WA + 0.1158 * TI + 0.0508 * TP + 10.1489 * MT - 154.4362
scsaojoaquim	0.954378	10.09212	12.19527	0.092371	0.111620	LM num: 1 => evp = 0.2488 * Tl + 17.0619 * NM + 19.1452 * MT - 11.2671 * Mir - 290.7802
scurussanga	0.962804	9.983518	12.84483	0.082166	0.105715	LM num: 1 => evp = 41.9507 * WA + 0.4304 * TI + 25.3565 * NM + 11.0581 * MT - 2.8127 * MiT - 397.2959
se_aracaju	0.926369	6.808359	8.318509	0.043650	0.053332	LM num: 1 => evp = 28.4251 * WA + 0.1549 * TI + 5.175 * NM - 0.0368 * TP + 9.7625 * MT - 261.9951
se_itabaianinha	0.934141	7.596102	9.367640	0.049605	0.061173	LM num: 1 => evp = 32.8865 * WA - 0.0436 * TP + 8.8844 * MT - 158.4875
spcatanduva	0.810247	15.32745	19.12990	0.100665	0.125638	LM num: 1 => evp = 0.1085 * TP + 5.6948 * MT + 6.2497 * MiT - 141.4358
sp_guarulhos	0.925102	12.51228	15.41221	0.095074	0.117109	LM num: 1 => evp = 38.4606 * WA + 7.2835 * NM + 0.05 * TP + 13.4959 * MT - 4.5419 * MIT - 256.6884
sp_saocarlos	0.934325	11.22939	13.32765	0.082193	0.097551	LM num: 1 => evp = 31.0999 * WA + 8.4714 * NM + 0.0802 * TP + 13.5434 * MT - 2.662 * MiT - 282.0747
sp_sorocaba	0.957501	9.525498	12.04030	0.070935	0.089663	LM num: 1 => evp = 57.1991 * WA + 0.2134 * TI + 11.3246 * NM + 0.0662 * TP + 9.1129 * MT - 281.1564
to_araguaina	0.720064	8.086361	10.00242	0.051810	0.064086	LM num: 1 => evp = 15.0965 * WA + 7.5426 * NM + 0.0127 * TP + 10.9891 * MT - 258.1433LM num: 2 => evp = 57.9284 * WA + 2.2197 * NM + 0.0102 * TP + 5.9276 * MT - 83.671
to_palmas	0.873956	8.009348	9.611805	0.046649	0.055982	LM num: 1 => evp = 19.1598 * WA - 0.1382 * TI + 2.2535 * NM + 0.0764 * TP + 7.7729 * MT + 3.6849 * MiT - 196.7724
to_pedroafonso	0.837023	7.624799	9.757686	0.044795	0.057326	LM num: 1 => evp = 18.058 * WA + 7.6789 * NM + 0.0599 * TP + 12.4526 * MT - 326.1009
topeixe	0.861773	7.221892	9.315713	0.042319	0.054589	LM num: 1 => evp = 19.7706 * WA + 8.9772 * NM + 0.0853 * TP + 10.2125 * MT - 3.172 * MiT - 196.332

B.Availability of data for All Stations

stationname	WA	мw	EP	PE	RE	IT	NM	NP	РТ	\mathbf{PS}	РМ	тА	тс	ті	UR	VМ
ac_cruzeirodosul	0	0	18.34	3.34	3.34	0	0	31.67	0	91.67	1.67	0	0	0	0	100
ac_riobranco	0	0	16.67	1.67	1.67	0	0	31.67	0	86.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
ac_tarauaca	0	0	16.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	100	0	1.67	1.67	0	100
al_aguabranca	3.71	3.71	3.71	3.71	3.71	3.71	3.71	38.89	0	100	3.71	3.71	3.71	3.71	3.71	100
al_maceio	100	100	48.34	0	0	81.67	0	36.67	0	100	86.67	0	5	1.67	5	100
al_palmeiras-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
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al_paodeacucar	0	7.02	14.04	7.02	7.02	19.3	8.78	47.37	0	100	85.97	7.02	8.78	8.78	8.78	100
al_portodepedras	0	5.27	5.27	7.02	7.02	7.02	7.02	21.06	0	100	92.99	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	100
am_barcelos	1.67	1.67	15	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	18.34	0	100	100	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	100
am_benjamincon-	5	3.34	21.67	16.67	16.67	10	8.34	35	0	100	100	5	5	5	5	100
stant																
am_coari	0	0	15	6.67	6.67	100	0	18.34	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	100
am_codajas	0	0	20	3.34	3.34	0	0	35	0	100	100	1.67	3.34	0	1.67	100
am_eurunepe	0	0	16.67	1.67	1.67	0	0	18.34	0	100	100	3.34	3.34	0	0	100
am_fonteboa	0	0	15	1.67	1.67	3.34	0	31.67	0	88.34	88.34	0	0	0	0	100
am_iauarete	1.7	0	15.26	10.17	10.17	3.39	1.7	32.21	0	100	10.17	1.7	15.26	11.87	3.39	100
am_itacoatiara	0	0	15	0	0	15	0	20	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	100
am_labrea	0	0	16.67	1.67	1.67	45	0	35	0	90	86.67	1.67	1.67	0	3.34	100
am_manaus	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	91.67	91.67	0	0	0	0	100
am_manicore	0	0	15	0	0	58.34	0	18.34	0	91.67	100	1.67	1.67	0	0	100
am_parintins	0	0	15	0	0	25	0	20	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	100
am_sgdacachoeira	3.34	1.67	18.34	6.67	6.67	3.34	3.34	31.67	0	100	100	1.67	3.34	3.34	1.67	100
am_tefe	1.67	1.67	18.34	3.34	3.34	1.67	1.67	35	0	100	100	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	100
ap_macapa	0	0	3.34	0	0	1.67	0	31.67	0	83.34	90	0	0	0	0	100
ba_alagoinhas	0	0	15	0	0	98.34	0	36.67	0	100	40	0	0	0	0	100
ba_barra	20	20	100	5	5	5	3.34	26.67	0	100	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	50	100
ba_barreiras	1.86	1.86	14.82	3.71	3.71	1.86	1.86	40.75	0	75.93	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	100	100
ba_bomjesus-	0	0	13.34	3.34	3.34	1.67	0	23.34	0	95	0	0	0	0	0	100
dalapa																
ba_caetite	53.34	48.34	13.34	0	0	3.34	0	20	0	100	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	100
ba_canavieiras	0	0	13.34	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	85	8.34	65	60	3.34	100
ba_caravelas	0	0	11.67	0	0	88.34	0	33.34	0	85	80	0	0	0	0	100
ba_carinhanha	10.17	6.78	20.34	11.87	11.87	32.21	8.48	32.21	0	100	6.78	6.78	6.78	6.78	100	100
ba_cipo	0	0	11.67	0	0	1.67	0	31.67	0	100	23.34	0	0	0	0	100

Table B.1: Availability of data for each attribute, between 2010 and 2014

ba_correntina	18.97	18.97	24.14	8.63	8.63	6.9	5.18	43.11	0	100	5.18	5.18	5.18	5.18	100	100
ba_cruzdasalmas	100	100	15	100	100	25	0	31.67	0	100	0	100	100	68.34	100	100
ba_feiradesantana	0	0	15	100	100	0	0	36.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
ba_guaratinga	96.67	93.34	11.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	0	18.34	0	100	0	26.67	26.67	0	0	100
ba_irece	30	28.34	100	3.34	3.34	3.34	0	23.34	0	100	0	0	11.67	11.67	0	100
ba_itaberava	81.67	80	100	0	0	3.34	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
ba_itirucu	8.34	8.34	25	8.34	8.34	10	8.34	36.67	0	100	8.34	8.34	8.34	8.34	100	100
ba_ituacu	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	3.34	100
ba_jacobina	6.67	1.67	18.34	0	0	3.34	0	20	0	91.67	0	6.67	6.67	0	0	100
ba_lencois	0	0	13.34	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	90	0	0	5	5	0	100
ba_montesanto	21.67	21.67	11.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	5	5	0	0	100
ba_mor-	0	0	11.67	0	0	1.67	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rodochapeu																
ba_pauloafonso	0	6.67	71.67	11.67	11.67	8.34	5	36.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
ba_remanso	0	41.67	100	0	0	5	0	26.67	0	100	3.34	0	0	0	0	100
ba_salvador	0	0	11.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	95	85	0	0	0	0	100
ba_santaritade-	0	15	15	3.34	3.34	3.34	1.67	38.34	0	100	1.67	10	10	1.67	3.34	100
cassia																
ba_senhordobon-	0	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	10.53	5.27	0	0	100	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	100	100
fim																
ba_serrinha	0	18.34	11.67	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	0	10	10	0	0	100
ba_vitoriadacon-	0	8.34	13.34	0	0	1.67	0	36.67	0	93.34	0	0	15	16.67	0	100
quista																
ce_acarau	23.08	15.39	38.47	53.85	53.85	30.77	23.08	15.39	0	100	69.24	15.39	15.39	15.39	15.39	100
ce_barbalha	0	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	100
ce_campossales	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	20	0	100	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	100
ce_crateus	0	0	0	1.73	1.73	1.73	0	18.97	0	86.21	0	0	0	0	1.73	100
ce_fortaleza	0	0	16.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	93.34	91.67	0	0	0	0	100
ce_guaramiranga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
ce_iguatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
ce_jaguaruana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.34	0	100	93.34	0	0	0	0	100
ce_moradanova	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.82	0	100	83.64	0	0	0	0	100
ce_quixeramobim	0	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	80	0	0	0	0	0	100
ce_sobral	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	0	36.67		100	40	0	0	0	0	100
ce_taua	0	1.82	3.64	5.46	5.46	12.73	1.82	21.82		100	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	100
df_brasilia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.67		93.34	0	0	0	0	0	100
df_roncador	0	0	5.09	100	100	23.73	0	49.16		100	0	0	30.51	0	30.51	100
es_saomateus	100	100	0.05	0	0	0	0	35.6	0	91.53	84.75		0	0	16.95	100
es_vitoria	43.34	43.34	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	36.67		90	81.67		1.67	1.67	35	100
go_aragarcas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
go_aragarcas	0	0	0	1.67	1.67	100	0	33.34		100	0	0	0	0	0	100
goformosa	0	0	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	33.34		100	0	0	0	0	0	100
	0	0	0	0		100	0		0		0	0	0	0	0	100
go_goiania					0			20		91.67						
go_ipameri	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	33.34		100	0	0	0	0	0	100
go_itumbiara	3.58	0	7.15	92.86	92.86	7.15	3.58	17.86		100	100	0	71.43	71.43	14.29	100
go_jatai	0	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	6.67	100
go_pirenopolis	0	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
go_posse	0	0	0	0	0	76.67	0	35	0	81.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
go_rioverde	3.39	3.39	5.09	5.09	5.09	8.48	6.78	32.21	0	100	3.39	6.78	6.78	3.39	3.39	100
ma_altoparnaiba	6.67	3.34	3.34	0	0	3.34	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
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ma_balsas	0	0	5	0	0	3.34	0	21.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
ma_barradocorda	0	0	3.34	0	0	3.34	0	16.67	0	90	0	28.34	28.34	0	0	100
ma_carolina	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	35	0	85	0	3.34	3.34	0	0	100
ma_caxias	11.67	11.67	8.34	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	21.67	0	0	0	0	100
ma_chapadinha	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	21.67	0	100	25	0	0	0	0	100
ma_colinas	21.67	18.34	8.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	36.67	0	100	3.34	3.34	8.34	13.34	3.34	100
ma_imperatriz	0	0	5	1.67	1.67	6.67	0	35	0	100	0	13.34	13.34	3.34	0	100
ma_saoluis	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	93.34	90	28.34	28.34	0	0	100
ma_turiacu	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	88.34	0	13.34	35	0	100
ma_zedoca	0	3.34	5	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	76.67	5	5	0	0	100
mg_aimores	3.78	3.78	3.78	5.67	5.67	3.78	3.78	30.19	0	100	79.25	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.78	100
mg_aracuai	0	0	1.67	1.67	1.67	100	0	36.67	0	100	0	5	5	0	0	100
mg_araxa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	86.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_arinos	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_bambui	0	0	0	3.34	3.34	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_barbacena	0	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	41.67	41.67	0	0	100
mg_belohorizonte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.67	0	83.34	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_bomdespacho	1.67	1.67	1.67	100	100	1.67	1.67	38.34	0	100	100	11.67	15	1.67	3.34	100
mg_caldas	65	63.34	5	100	100	10	0	40	0	100	100	0	5	0	3.34	100
mg_caparao	0	0	3.34	23.34	23.34	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_capinopolis	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	18.34	18.34	0	0	100
mg_caratinga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	86.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_carbonita	100	100	0	100	100	100	0	40	0	100	100	0	3.34	0	3.34	100
mg_cdomatoden-	5	1.67	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	35	0	100	1.67	0	0	0	0	100
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mg_coronel-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
pacheco					·				•						·	
mg_curvelo	0	0	3.34	78.34	78.34	100	0	43.34	0	100	100	31.67	38.34	5	1.67	100
mg_diamantina	0	0	0	0	0	1.67	0	35	0	100	0	26.67	26.67	0	5	100
	0	0	1.67	3.34	3.34	0	0	35	0	100	0	3.34	3.34	0	0	100
mg_divinopolis	8.34		33.34			30	20	55.01	0	100	0	0	26.67	0		
mg_espinosa	100	0		5	5										26.67	
mg_florestal		100	15	43.34	43.34	100	100	43.34	0	100	100	1.67	100	100	100	100
mg_formoso	0	0	0	1.82	1.82	1.82	0	34.55		100	100	0	0	0	0	100
mg_frutal	2.44	2.44	4.88	4.88	4.88	9.76	2.44	4.88	0	100	9.76	43.91	43.91		9.76	100
mg_ibirite	10.53			100	100	100	0	35.09		100	100	35.09	35.09	0	1.76	100
mg_itamarandiba	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	35	0	100	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	100
mg_ituiutaba	0	0	0	46.67	46.67	1.67	0	35	0	100	0	38.34	40	20	40	100
mg_janauba	0	0	1.67	1.67	1.67	0	0	38.34	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	100
mg_januaria	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_joaopinheiro	0	0	1.67	0	0	100	0	35	0	86.67	0	10	10	0	0	100
mg_juizdefora	1.67	0	6.67	5	5	5	1.67	35	0	100	0	5	5	0	1.67	100
mg_juramento	0	0	1.67	100	100	0	0	38.34	0	100	100	0	43.34	41.67	1.67	100
mg_lambari	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	0	0	100	100	0	100	100	100	100
mg_lavras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_machado	0	0	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_mocambinho	6.67	0	23.34	10	10	10	6.67	6.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_monteazul	18.34	18.34	41.67	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	0	1.67	1.67	1.67	0	100
mg_montesclaros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	81.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_paracatu	0	0	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mg_patosdeminas			· ·			0	0	35	0	100 1	0 1	0	0 1	0	0	

mg_pirapora		3.34	5	11.67	11.67	8.34	6.67	35	0	100	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	100
mg_pompeu	5	0	3.34	0	0	100	0.07	35	0	100	0	13.34	13.34	0	0	100
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
_	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	35	0	100	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	100
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	23.08	23.08	23.08	100	100	26.93 0	23.08	3.85	0	100	100	7.7	23.08	23.08	23.08	100
	15	13.34	0	3.34	3.34	-	0	35	0	100	0	0	8.34	8.34	0	100
_	0	0	0	0	0	1.67	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	35	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	100
	0	0	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
	61.12	61.12	87.04	3.71	3.71	29.63	0	11.12	0	88.89	37.04	3.71	87.04	87.04	27.78	100
	0	0	74.08	0	0	16.67	0	24.08	0	100	0	75.93	100	100	74.08	100
	0	0	7.32	100	100	7.32	0	19.52	0	100	97.57	0	24.4	0	24.4	100
	0	0	11.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	0	18.34	0	88.34	0	0	0	1.67	16.67	100
ms_pontapora	0	0	21.67	0	0	100	0	18.34	0	90	0	28.34	28.34	18.34	0	100
mt_caceres	100	100	57.7	9.62	9.62	7.7	7.7	36.54	0	100	7.7	9.62	9.62	7.7	7.7	100
mt_canarana	0	0	63.34	0	0	3.34	0	33.34	0	100	0	18.34	18.34	0	0	100
mt_cuiaba	100	100	65	0	1.67	0	3.34	38.34	0	93.34	0	0	6.67	6.67	0	100
mt_diamantino	0	0	60	0	0	100	0	33.34	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mt_glebaceleste	7.7	7.7	51.93	9.62	9.62	7.7	7.7	30.77	0	90.39	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	100
mt_matupa	0	0	51.67	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mt_novaxav	0	0	58.34	1.67	1.67	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mt_padrericardo	0	0	68.34	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	1.67	0	0	0	0	100
mt_poxoreo	0	0	56.67	0	0	0	0	33.34	0	91.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
mt_rondonopolis	8.34	5	68.34	11.67	11.67	100	8.34	41.67	0	100	100	8.34	11.67	8.34	5	100
mt_saojosedori-	8.34	8.34	61.67	5	5	8.34	8.34	33.34	0	100	8.34	20	23.34	13.34	8.34	100
oclaro																
pa_altamira	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	86.67	25	0	0	0	0	100
pa_belem	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	90	78.34	0	0	0	0	100
pa_belterra	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	90	78.34	0	0	0	0	100
pa_breves	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	31.67	0	100	81.67	0	11.67	23.34	0	100
pa_cameta	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	83.34	0	0	0	0	100
pa_conce-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
icaodoaraguaia																
pa_itaituva	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	91.67	90	0	0	28.34	0	100
pa_maraba	5	5	11.67	0	0	13.34	0	31.67	0	90	38.34	6.67	6.67	1.67	0	100
pa_montealegre	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	100	23.34	0	0	0	0	100
pa_obidos	6.67	6.67	11.67	6.67	6.67	10	6.67	35	0	100	90	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.67	100
pa_portodemoz	0	0	3.45	0	0	0	0	36.21	0	100	84.49	0	0	0	0	100
pa_saofelix-	8.34	8.34	18.34	56.67	56.67	25	8.34	31.67	0	100	8.34	18.34	66.67	8.34	66.67	100
doxingu																
pa_soure	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	81.67	1.67	1.67	0	0	100
	25.43	25.43	8.48	3.39	3.39	27.12	1.7	30.51	0	100	81.36	8.48	8.48	1.7	1.7	100
	0	0	3.34	0	0	6.67	0	33.34	0	100	83.34	0	0	0	0	100
-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	3.34	3.34	0	0	100
-	0	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
grande																
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	80	0	0	0	0	100
	3.39	3.39	6.78	0	0	15.26	0	20.34	0	100	0	6.78	6.78	0	0	100
		0	0	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	96.67	0	0	1.67	0	0	100
pb patos	0 1						-				-	-		~	-	
	0	3.78	5.67	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.78	22.65	0	100	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.78	100

pe_cabrobo	1.82	1.82	5.46	1.82	3.64	1.82	1.82	40	0	100	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	100
pe_garanhuns	3.34	1.67	10	6.67	6.67	31.67	6.67	38.34	0	100	1.67	3.34	100	83.34	100	100
pe_ouricuri	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pe_petrolina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.67	0	93.34	0	0	0	0	0	100
pe_recife	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	90	85	0	0	0	0	100
pe_surubim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pe_triunfo	0	0	0	0	0	1.67	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	13.34	100
pi_bomjesusdopi-	5.18	5.18	5.18	5.18	8.63	8.63	5.18	31.04	0	100	5.18	5.18	5.18	5.18	5.18	100
aui																
pi_caldeirao	0	0	5	3.34	3.34	18.34	0	41.67	0	100	100	0	13.34	0	15	100
pi_caracol	1.79	1.79	1.79	5.36	5.36	3.58	3.58	25	0	100	1.79	1.79	1.79	1.79	1.79	100
pi_esperantina	0	0	0	3.34	3.34	0	0	40	0	100	100	0	8.34	0	8.34	100
pi_floriano	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.67	0	85	1.67	0	0	0	0	100
pi_luzilandia	5.09	1.7	61.02	20.34	20.34	15.26	6.78	44.07	0	100	100	1.7	8.48	1.7	10.17	100
pi_parnaiba	0	0	0	0	0	1.67	0	36.67	0	81.67	93.34	0	100	73.34	100	100
pi_paulistana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.46	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pi_picos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.69	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pi_piripiri	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pi_saojoaodopiaui	0	0	1.67	0	0	0	0	25	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pi_teresina	0	0	3.34	0	3.34	0	0	36.67	0	91.67	95	1.67	11.67	11.67	5	100
pi_valedogurgueia	0	0	0	5	5	1.67	0	38.34	0	100	100	0	8.34	0	8.34	100
pr_campomourao	0	0	5	0	0	28.34	0	36.67	0	96.67	0	25	25	1.67	0	100
pr_castro	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	30	30	0	0	100
pr_curitiba	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	86.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
pr_irati	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	93.34	0	0	0	0	0	100
pr_ivai	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pr_londrina	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	20	0	88.34	0	0	0	0	0	100
	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
pr_maringa	76.67	76.67	5	1.67	1.67	100	0	18.34	0	100	85	18.34	18.34	0	0	100
pr_paranagua		0	0	0	0			35	0	93.34			0	0	0	100
rj_campos	0					100	0				88.34	0				
rj_cordeiro	1.73	1.73	3.45	1.73	1.73	5.18	1.73	18.97	0	100	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	63.8	100
rj_itaperuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	60	0	0	0	0	100
rj_patidoalferes	1.7	1.7	3.39	8.48	8.48	45.77	5.09	30.51		100	100	1.7	8.48	1.7	22.04	100
rj_resende	1.67	1.67	5	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	36.67		86.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	20	100
rj_riodejaneiro	26.67	26.67	0	1.67	3.34	100	0	31.67		100	91.67	0	0	0	0	100
rn_apodi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32.76		100	13.8	0	0	0	0	100
rn_cearamirim	3.39	3.39	47.46	3.39	3.39	8.48	3.39	23.73	0	100	84.75	3.39	3.39	3.39	3.39	100
rn_cruzeta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rn_florania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rn_macau	0	0	3.34	0	0	36.67	0	38.34	0	100	86.67	0	20	30	18.34	100
rn_natal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	90	86.67	0	0	0	0	100
rn_serido	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rr_boavista	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	100	1.67	1.67	0	0	100
rr_caracarai	0	0	15	3.34	3.34	33.34	1.67	21.67	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	100
rs_bage	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	78.34	0	0	0	0	0	100
rs_bentogoncalves	0	0	0	100	100	0	0	27.09	0	100	100	0	2.09	0	0	100
rs_bomjesus	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rs_caxiasdosul	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rs_cruzalta	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	0	1.67	1.67	0	100
rs_encruzilhada-	11.67	11.67	6.67	0	0	0	0	18.34		100	0	0	0	0	0	100

rs_irai	0	0	8.34	8.34	8.34	0	0	18.34	0	91.67	0	0	0	0	0	100
rs_lagoavermelha	100	100	6.67	1.67	1.67	0	0	35	0	100	0	1.67	1.67	0	0	100
rs_passofundo	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rs_pelotas	6.67	6.67	6.67	0	0	6.67	6.67	41.67	6.67	100	93.34	6.67	18.34	6.67	15	100
rs_portoalegre	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	91.67	91.67	0	0	0	0	100
rs_riogrande	0	0	6.67	0	0	96.67	0	36.67	0	100	88.34	0	0	0	0	100
rs_santamaria	0	0	6.67	1.67	1.67	0	0	35	0	100	71.67	0	0	0	0	100
rs_santanadolivra-	0	0	0.07	2.09	2.09	2.09	2.09	18.75	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
mento	0	Ŭ	0	2.05	2.05	2.05	2.05	10.70	0	100		Ŭ	Ŭ	0	0	100
rs_santavitori-	1.67	1.67	6.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	90	88.34	0	0	0	0	100
adopalmar	1.07	1.07	0.07	0	Ŭ	0	0	10.34	0	50	88.54	0	0	0	0	100
	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	18.24	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
rs_saoluizgonzaga	0	0	6.67	0	0	1.67	0	18.34	0	100		0	0	0	0	100
rs_torres								35			88.34					
rs_uruguaiana	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	86.67	0	0	0	0	100
sc_camposnovos	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
sc_chapeco	0	0	7.41	1.86	1.86	0	0	40.75	0	100	0	0	1.86	0	1.86	100
sc_florianopolis	1.67	1.67	6.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	83.34	78.34	0	0	0	0	100
sc_indaial	0	0	23.34	21.67	21.67	0	0	36.67	0	100	88.34	16.67	20	20	10	100
sc_lages	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	36.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
sc_saojoaquim	0	0	6.67	0	0	0	0	35	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
sc_urussanga	0	0	0	100	100	0	0	37.5	0	100	100	0	16.08	0	12.5	100
se_aracaju	0	0	100	0	0	1.67	0	36.67	0	93.34	80	0	0	0	0	100
se_itabaianinha	0	0	11.67	0	0	0	0	18.34	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
se_propria	0	1.67	100	0	0	1.67	0	20	0	100	90	0	0	0	0	100
sp_avare	12.25	6.13	75.52	42.86	42.86	100	26.54	20.41	0	100	6.13	38.78	38.78	6.13	81.64	100
sp_camposdojor-	100	100	15	1.67	1.67	100	0	31.67	0	100	100	18.34	61.67	25	66.67	100
dao																
sp_catanduva	0	0	3.51	0	0	29.83	0	33.34	0	68.43	0	0	0	0	64.92	100
sp_franca	0	0	3.34	0	0	0	0	33.34	0	100	95	8.34	8.34	0	0	100
sp_guarulhos	0	0	6.78	0	0	0	0	35.6	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
sp_presidentepru-	6.9	6.9	79.32	13.8	13.8	51.73	13.8	6.9	0	72.42	6.9	10.35	13.8	6.9	100	100
dente																
sp_saocarlos	0	0	26.67	0	0	15	0	33.34	0	85	0	0	0	0	0	100
sp_saopaulo	0	0	0	0	0	1.67	0	18.34	0	81.67	0	3.34	3.34	0	0	100
sp_saosimao	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	33.34	0	100	0	0	45	45	0	100
sp_sorocaba	0	0	1.67	100	100	0	0	36.67	0	100	100	0	0	0	0	100
sp_taubate	100	100	28.58	10.72	10.72	17.86	10.72	26.79	0	100	10.72	14.29	14.29	10.72	100	100
sp_votuporanga	100	100	91.67	23.34	23.34	51.67	0	35	0	98.34	35	98.34	98.34	88.34	90	100
to_araguaina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
to_palmas	0	0	0	0	0	1.67	0	31.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
to_pedroafonso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.67	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100

Where the columns are described below:

- WA: Wind Speed Average
- MW: Max Wind Speed Average
- EP: Piche Evaporation

- PE: Potential Evapotranspiration
- RE: Real Evapotranspiration
- IT: Total Insolation
- NM: Nebulosity Average
- NP: Precipitation Days
- PT: Total Precipitation
- PS: Average of the Sea Level Pressure
- PM: Pressure Average
- TA: Max Temperature Average
- TC: Compensated Temperature Average
- TI: Min Temperature Average
- UR: Humidity Average
- VM: Visibility Average