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# Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon

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# **Working with Data**

## Introduction

This exercise shows the methodology to extract useful information from data. Finding interesting links and relationships from large or massive datasets is a typical use of the HPCCSystems High Performance Computing Cluster (HPCC) platform.

In this example, we will download the data files from the Internet Movie Database (IMDB) and see one technique to extract links and find relationships.

Since the concept of actors and movies is conceptually simple; everyone should understand the data and relationships intuitively. However, the data is comprehensive enough to provide a solid example and inspiration for new users to gain skills to attack their own real-world problems with an HPCC.

In this example, we will:

- Download raw data files and supporting documentation about the data
- Analyze the data file to understand its format and contents
- Spray the file to a Data Refinery (THOR) cluster
- Examine the data and determine the pre-processing needed
- Pre-process the data to produce a new data file



While this example will run on a single-node HPCC, you will see a dramatic difference in performance on a multi-node system. The true power of an HPCC is its ability to work on different portions of the data file in parallel. This is known as Massively Parallel Processing (MPP).

# **Processing the Data**

### We get a data file

The Internet Movie Database (IMDB) database is a freely downloadable set of data files about Movies.

It can be downloaded in many formats, including text file format. The set includes approximately 48 files about Actors, Actresses, Directors, Producers, and other aspects of motions pictures.

It is manageable in size (~400MB) and is sufficient in size to exercise an HPCC platform but not too big to download.

The plain text data files are available from the following ftp sites:

- <a href="ftp://ftp.fu-berlin.de/pub/misc/movies/database/">ftp://ftp.fu-berlin.de/pub/misc/movies/database/</a> (Germany)
- <a href="ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/mirrors/ftp.imdb.com/pub/">ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/mirrors/ftp.imdb.com/pub/</a> (Finland)
- <a href="ftp://ftp.sunet.se/pub/tv+movies/imdb/">ftp://ftp.sunet.se/pub/tv+movies/imdb/</a> (Sweden)

The files are compressed using GNUzip to save space and bandwidth.

We will focus initially on two of the larger data sets in the IMDB database

- The Actors Dataset (Approximately 4 million Records)
- The Actresses Dataset (Approximately 2 million Records)
- Download the plain text data files (actors.list.gz and actresses.list.gz) to your local drive using any ftp interface you choose.
- Extract the two data files (actors.list and actresses.list) using any GNUzip interface.

# Analyze the data file to understand its format and its contents

Here is the sample of the data in the Actors.list file from IMDB

```
Koolout' Starks, Johnny Nothing Like the Holidays (2008) [Alexis' Thug] <35>
Subtle Seduction (2008) [Officer Ward]
The Godfather of Green Bay (2005) (as Johnny Starks) [Marcus] <18>
La Chispa', Tony Caceria de judiciales (1997) <11>
Violencia en la sierra (1995) [Victoriano] <4>
```

Notice the actors text file is structured as follows

### Load the Incoming Data File to your Landing Zone

In this step, you will copy the data files to a location from which it can be sprayed to your HPCC cluster. A Landing Zone is a storage location attached to your HPCC. It has a utility running to facilitate file spraying to a cluster.

For smaller data files, maximum of 2GB, you can use the upload/download file utility in ECL Watch. The sample data files are  $\sim$ 400 mb.

Next you will distribute (or Spray) the dataset to all the nodes in the HPCC cluster. The power of the HPCC comes from its ability to assign multiple processors to work on different portions of the data file in parallel.

- 1. Download the sample data files from the ftp sites as described in the previous section, if you have not done so already.
- 2. Extract them to a folder on your local machine.
- 3. In your browser, go to the **ECL Watch** URL. For example, http://nnn.nnn.nnn:8010, where nnn.nnn.nnn is your ESP Server's IP address.



Your IP address could be different from the ones provided in the example images. Please use the IP address provided by **your** installation.

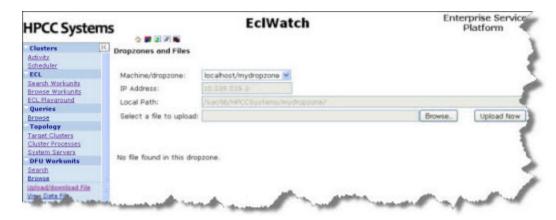
4. From ECL Watch page, click on the Upload/download File link in the menu on the left side.

Figure 1. Upload/download



Once you click on the Upload/download file link, it will take you to the Dropzones and Files page, where you can choose to **Browse** your machine for a file to upload:

Figure 2. Dropzones and Files



5. Press the **Browse** button to browse the files on your local machine, select the file to upload and then press the **Open** button.

The file you selected should appear in the **Select a file to upload:** field. The data files are named: *actors.list* and *actresses.list* 

- 6. Press on **Upload Now** to complete the file upload.
- 7. Repeat the process for the other data file.

### Spray the Data File to your Data Refinery (THOR) Cluster

To use the data file in our HPCC system, we must "spray" it to all the nodes. A *spray* or *import* is the relocation of a data file from one location (such as a Landing Zone) to multiple file parts on nodes in a cluster.

The distributed or sprayed file is given a *logical-file-name* as follows: ~thor::in::IMDB::actors.list The system maintains a list of logical files and the corresponding physical file locations of the file parts.

• Open ECL Watch using the following URL:

http://nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn:pppp(where nnn.nnn.nnn is your ESP Server's IP Address and pppp is the port. The default port is 8010)

• CLICK on the Spray Delimited hyperlink under the DFU Files menu on the left.

Figure 3. Spray Delimited



The **DFU Spray Delimited** page displays.

• Select mydropzone in the Source Machine/dropzone drop-list.

The IP Address is automatically filled and the Local Path is partially filled with the default folder on your landing zone. Note: The VM and Community Edition typically only has one landing zone defined.

- Complete the Local Path to include the complete file name or use the **Choose File** button to select the file from a list of files in the folder. The file is **actors.list**
- Fill in the rest of the parameters (if they are not filled in already).
  - Max Record Length 8192
  - Separator \,
  - Line Terminator \n,\r\n
  - · Quote: '
- Fill in the Label using the Logical File name desired: : ~thor::in::IMDB::actors.list
- Make sure the **Overwrite** and **Replicate** boxes are checked.

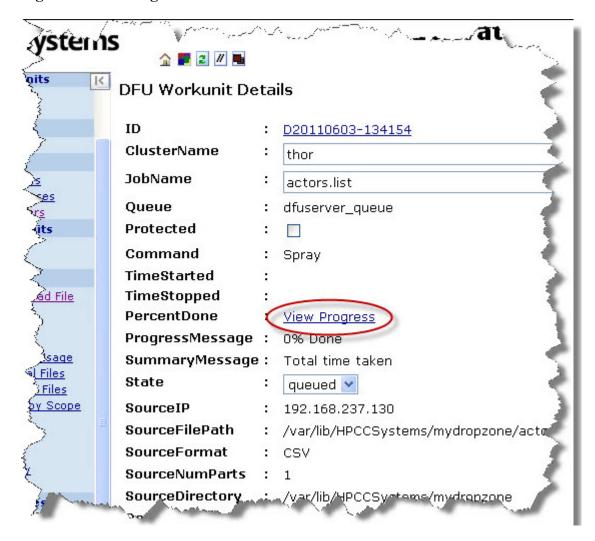
**Note:** This option is only available on systems where replication has been enabled.

Figure 4. Spray the File



• Press the Submit button

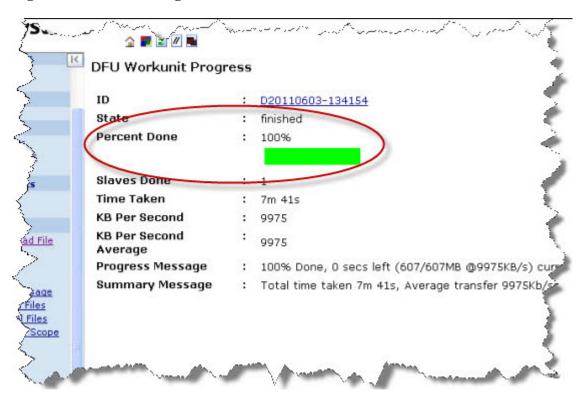
Figure 5. View Progress



• Click the View Progress link

• The Workunit progress page displays.

**Figure 6. Workunit Progress** 



- Following the same steps you used to spray the actors file, now spray the actresses file.
  - Click on the Spray Delimited link.
  - Select mydropzone in the Source Machine/dropzone drop-list.
  - Enter the file name for the *actresses.list* file, or use the **Choose File** button to select the the *actresses.list* file from a list of files in the folder.
  - Fill in the Label using the Logical File name desired: : ~thor::in::IMDB::actresses.list

Make sure the **Overwrite** and **Replicate** boxes are checked (if available).

• Press the Submit button

After both sprays are complete, we can query the logical files on the HPCC to see the files we sprayed.

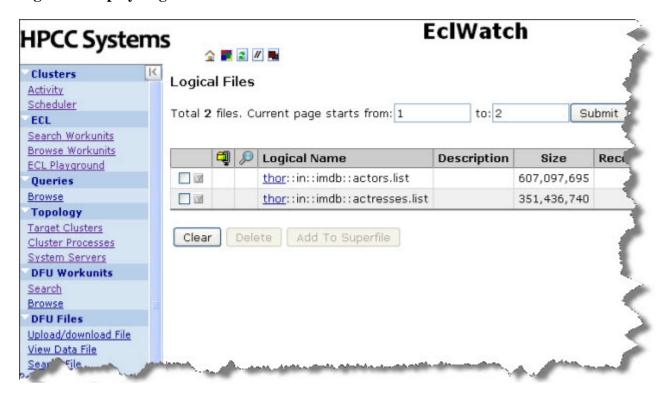
• Click on the Browse Logical Files hyperlink in ECL Watch

Figure 7. Browse Logical Files



The files display in the Logical Files list:

Figure 8. Display Logical Files



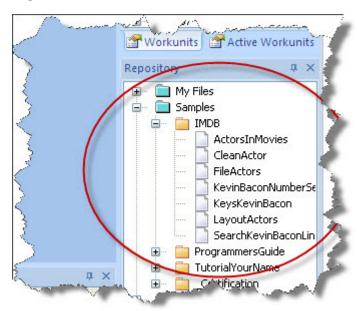
### **Working With the Data**

In this portion of the example, we will write ECL code to make sure we can read the sprayed data file .We will define and execute simple queries on it so we can evaluate it and determine any necessary pre-processing.

- Start the ECL IDE (Start >> All Programs >> HPCC Systems >> ECL IDE )
- Log in to your environment.
- Expand the **Samples** ECL folder in the Repository toolbox.
- Expand the **IMDB** folder inside.

All the ECL files needed to complete this tutorial are located in the IMDB folder.

Figure 9. IMDB ECL Files



• Open the CleanActor ECL file and examine the code.

This code reads and processes the raw text file. The comments below describe the processing:

```
IMPORT Std;

EXPORT STRING CleanActor(STRING infld) := FUNCTION
   //this can be refined later
   s1 := Std.Str.FindReplace(infld, '\'',''); // replace apostrophe
   s2 := Std.Str.FindReplace(s1, '\t',''); //replace tabs
   s3 := Std.Str.FindReplace(s2, '----',''); // replace multiple -----
   return TRIM(s3, LEFT, RIGHT);

END;
```

#### **Examine the Data**

In this section, we will look at the data and determine if there is any pre-processing we want to perform. This is the step in the development process where we convert the raw data into a form we can actually use.

**Note:** The IMDB.FileActors.ecl file specifies the size of the header in the files (actors.list and actresses.list.) The HEADING() value in the example code was accurate at the time we downloaded the IMDB data, but could change at any time. We suggest opening in a text editor and checking the line number where the header ends and actual data begins (as shown below).

#### Figure 10. actors.list in text editor

```
RULES
             Movies and recurring TV roles only, no guest appearances
Please submit entries in the format outlined at the end of the list
              Feel free to submit new actresses
"xxxxx"
                            a television series
a television mini-series
 XXXXX
[xxxxxx]
                            character name
                            character name
number to indicate billing position in credits
TV movie, or made for cable movie
made for video movie (this category does NOT include TV
episodes repackaged for video, guest appearances in
variety/comedy specials released on video, or
                            This is the last line of the heading
THE ACTRES
                                         Titles
 Steff", Stefanie Oxmann Mcgaha Night of the Demons (2009) (uncredited) [Got
The Bad Lieutenant: Port of Call — New Orleans (2009)
                                                                                                                              [Goth raver]
& Ashour, Lucienne
                                         "Four Star Revue" (1950) {(#1.15)} [Guest Vaudevillans]
& Company, Monica Bill Barnes
                                                      This American Life Live! (2012) (TV) [Dancers]
&Aacutelvarez, Michelle Minesis (2012)
                                                                    [Sonia]
                                                                              {99 Problems (#5.17)} (uncredited) [Herself] 
{A Very Supernatural Christnas (#3.8)} (uncre 
{Abandon All Hope (#5.10)} (uncredited) [Her 
{Atter School Special (#4.13)} (uncredited)
                                                                   (2005)
(2005)
'67 Impala
                                          Supernatural
                                                                                                                                                   (uncredited)
                                                                                                                                                                           [Herself]
                                          Supernatural
                                                                    2005)
                                          Supernatural
                                          Supernatural
```

• Open a new Builder window (CTRL+N) and write the following code:

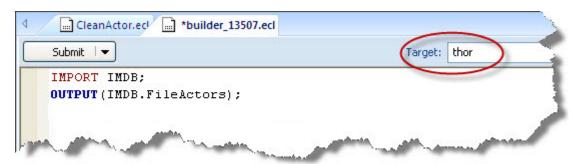
```
IMPORT IMDB;
OUTPUT(IMDB.FileActors);
```

• Press the syntax check button on the main toolbar (or press F7).

It is always a good idea to check syntax before submitting.

• Make sure the selected cluster is your *thor* cluster, then press the **Submit** button.

Figure 11. Submit to Thor

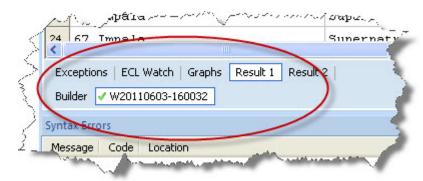


• When the Workunit completes it displays a green checkmark.

**Note:** Depending on the size of your cluster and the speed of your server(s), this process could take several minutes. If you are running this on a virtual machine, it could take as long as 45 minutes to complete.

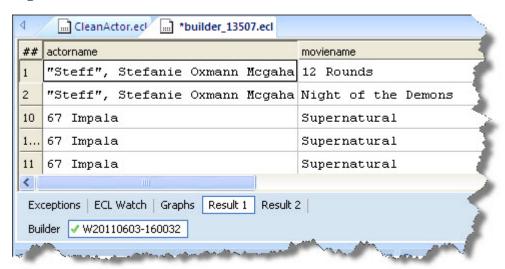
• Select the Workunit tab (the one with the number and the checkmark next to it) and select the **Result 1** tab.

Figure 12. Select Workunit



• Scroll down to see more records.

#### Figure 13. See more records



· Close the Builder Window.

### Processing the Data: Extract, Transform, and Load

In this section, we will write code to transform the original actor data as follows:

- From the raw actors data, we will do an ETL operation (Extract, Transform, Load) to build an actor\_movie relation set.
- We will also construct a Kevin Bacon degrees of separation lookup set. This is the structure we will query to answer the question:

How many degrees of separation exist between Actor X and Kevin Bacon?

For example: Using Jon Lovitz as the actor, we want information as follows:

Jon Lovitz ( (was in) Movie X ( (with) Actor2 ((who was in) Movie Y ( (with) Kevin Bacon

We will then write this new file to our Thor cluster so it can be used in parameterized queries.

- In the ECL IDE, go to the Repository panel and expand the IMDB folder.
- Open the ECL File ActorsInMovies.

The code in this ECL file looks like this:

```
* Produce a slimmed down version of the IMDB actor AND actress files to
  * permit more efficient join operations.
  \mbox{\ensuremath{\star}} Filter out the movie records we do not want in building our KBacon Number sets.
  * /
IMPORT $ AS IMDB;
IMPORT Std;
// Filter out TV movies, Videos AND some documentary type collections
ds_IMDB := IMDB.FileActors(actorname!='' AND moviename != '' AND
                           Std.Str.Find(moviename, 'Boffo',1) = 0 AND
                            Std.Str.Find(moviename,'Slasher Film',1) = 0 AND
                           movie_type != 'Video' AND isTVseries = 'N' AND
                           movie_type != 'For TV');
//Slim the records down to bare essentials for searching AND joining
slim_IMDB_rec := RECORD
  STRING50 actor;
 STRING150 movie;
END;
slim_IMDB_rec slim_it(ds_IMDB L):= TRANSFORM
 SELF.actor := Std.Str.FindReplace(L.actorname,'(I)','');
 SELF.movie := L.moviename;;
END;
IMDB_names := PROJECT(ds_IMDB, slim_it(LEFT));
export ActorsInMovies := IMDB_Names : persist('~temp::IMDB::ActorsInMovies');;
```

This defines a relational data set:-- actor:movie. We will use this definition later.

# **Getting Useful Information from Data**

### Links and Degrees of Separation

Now that we have our data in a useful format, have a relation defined, and the file is in place, we can write code to use the new data file.

We want to know how many actors are a distance *N* from Kevin Bacon. To accomplish this, we will construct sets of Kevin Bacon's costars that are KBacon number apart.

• Open the KevinBaconNumberSets ECL file.

This ECL code counts the number of actors with "bacon numbers" starting from 1 thru 7, that is up to 7 Levels of separation. We will use this later to do searches by building an index.

```
ATTRIBUTE PURPOSE:
Produce a series of sets for Actors and Movies that are : distance-0
away (KBacons Direct movies ), distance-2 Away KBacon's Costars Movies ,
distance-3 away - Movies of Costars of Costars etc all the way upto level 7
The nested attributes below are shown here together for the benefit of the reader.
Notes on variable naming convention used for costars and movies
KBMovies : Movies Kevin Bacon Worked in (distance 0)
KBCoStars : Stars who worked in KBMovies (distance 1
                      : Stars who worked in KBMovies
                                                          (distance 1)
KBCoStars

KBCoStarMovies : Movies worked in by KBCoStars
                           except KBMovies (distance 1)
KBCo2Stars : Stars(Actors) who worked in KBCoStarMovies (distance 2)

KBCo2StarMovies : Movies worked in by KBCo2Stars

except KBCoStarMovies (distance 2)
KBCo3StarMovies : Stars(Actors) who worked in KBCo2StarMovies (distance 3)
KBCo3StarMovies : Movies worked in by KBCo3Stars
                           except KBCo2StarMovies (distance 3)
IMPORT Std;
IMPORT IMDB;
EXPORT KevinBaconNumberSets := MODULE
 // Constructing a proper name match function is an art within itself
  // For simplicity we will define a name as matching if both first and last name
  //are found within the string
 NameMatch(string full_name, string fname, string lname) :=
   Std.Str.Find(full_name,fname,1) > 0 AND
   Std.Str.Find(full_name,lname,1) > 0;
  //---- Get KBacon Movies
  AllKBEntries := IMDB.ActorsInMovies(NameMatch(actor,'Kevin','Bacon'));
  EXPORT KBMovies := DEDUP(AllKBEntries, movie, ALL); // Each movie should ONLY occur once
  //---- Get KBacon CoStars
  CoStars := IMDB.ActorsInMovies(Movie IN SET(KBMovies, Movie));
  EXPORT KBCoStars := DEDUP( CoStars(actor<>'Kevin Bacon'), actor, ALL);
  //---- Get KBacon Costars' Movies
  // CSM = First find all of the movies that a KBCoStar has been in
 CSM := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies,KBCoStars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
```

```
TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
             movie,ALL);
// Now we need to remove all of those that KB was in himself
// We can use a set; KB has not been in (quite!) that many movies
EXPORT KBCoStarMovies := CSM(movie NOT IN SET(KBMovies, movie));
//---- Bacon # 2 Actors
// To be a Co2Star of Kevin Bacon you must have appeared in a movie with a
//CoStar of Kevin Bacon
// This corresponds to having a Bacon number of 2
// We are now getting towards the expensive part of the process
KBCo2S := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCoStarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                     TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
                actor, ALL);
// KCCo2S = ALL Actors appearing in Movies of KBacon's CoActors
// The above is all the people in the movies; but some will have been co-stars of KB
//directly - these must be removed
// The LEFT ONLY join removes items in one list from another
EXPORT KBCo2Stars := JOIN(KBCo2S, KBCoStars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                          TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
//---- bacon # 2 Movies
// Co2SM = what movies have all the Co2Stars been in?
Co2SM := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCo2Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                    TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
               movie, ALL);
// Co2SM = ALL Movies KBCo2Stars have been in
// Of course some of these movies will have CoStars in too and thus will already have
//been listed. Note this list will not contain any Kevin Bacon movies OR the movie would
//have been reached earlier!
Export KBCo2StarMovies := JOIN(Co2SM, KBCoStarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                               TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
//---- bacon #3 Actors
// Find people with a Bacon number of 3
// This code is very similar to KBCo2Stars; one might be tempted to common up into a
// function or macro. However it is worth looking at the attribute counts first; we may be
// down to a small enough set that we can start using in-memory functions (e.g., SET) again.
KBCo3S := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCo2StarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                     TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
                actor, ALL);
// KBCo3S = ALL CoStars in KBCo2Star Movies
// The above is all the people in the movies; but some will have been co2stars of KB
// directly - these must be removed. The LEFT ONLY join removes items in one list from
// another. There should not be any direct CoStars in this list (or the movie would have
// been a CoStarMovie not a CoCoStarMovie)
EXPORT KBCo3Stars := JOIN(KBCo3S, KBCo2Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                          TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
//---- bacon #3 Movies
// So what movies have all the KBCo3Stars been in?
Co3SM := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCo3Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                    TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
               movie, ALL);
// Co3SM = ALL Movies KBCo3Stars have been in
```

```
// Of course some of these movies will have KBCo2Stars in too and thus will already have
 // been listed. Note We ONLY have to remove one level back from the list; previous levels
 // cannot be reached by definition
 EXPORT KBCo3StarMovies := JOIN(Co3SM, KBCo2StarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                                TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
 //----bacon #4 Actors
 KBCo4S := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCo3StarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                      TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
                 actor, ALL);
 EXPORT KBCo4Stars := JOIN(KBCo4S, KBCo3Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                           TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
 //---- bacon #4 Movies
 // So what movies have all the Co4Stars been in?
 Co4SM := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCo4Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                     TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
                movie, ALL);
 // Co4SM = ALL Movies KBCo4Stars have been in
 // Of course some of these movies will have Co3Stars in too and thus will already have
 // been listed. Note We ONLY have to remove one level back from the list; previous levels
 // cannot be reached by definition
 EXPORT KBCo4StarMovies := JOIN(Co4SM, KBCo3StarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                                TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
 //---- bacon #5 Stars
 KBCo5S := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCo4StarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                      TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
                 actor, ALL);
 EXPORT KBCo5Stars := JOIN(KBCo5S, KBCo4Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                           TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
//---- bacon #5 Movies
 Co5SM := DEDUP(JOIN(IMDB.ActorsInMovies, KBCo5Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                     TRANSFORM(LEFT), LOOKUP),
                movie,ALL);
 EXPORT KBCo5StarMovies := JOIN(Co5SM, KBCo4StarMovies, LEFT.movie=RIGHT.movie,
                                TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
 //---- bacon #6 Stars
 // Find people with a Bacon number of 6
 // KBCo5 is getting small again - can move back down to the SET?
 KBCo6S := DEDUP(IMDB.ActorsInMovies(movie IN SET(KBCo5StarMovies, movie)),
                  actor, ALL);
 EXPORT KBCo6Stars := JOIN(KBCo6S, KBCo5Stars, LEFT.actor=RIGHT.actor,
                           TRANSFORM(LEFT), LEFT ONLY);
 //---- bacon #6 Movies
 Co6SM := DEDUP(IMDB.ActorsInMovies(actor IN SET(KBCo6Stars, actor)), movie, ALL);
 EXPORT KBCo6StarMovies := Co6SM(movie NOT IN SET(KBCo5StarMovies, movie));
 //---- bacon #7 Movies
 // Find people with a Bacon number of 7
 KBCo7S := DEDUP(IMDB.ActorsInMovies(movie IN SET(KBCo6StarMovies,movie)), actor, ALL);
 EXPORT KBCo7Stars := KBCo7S(actor NOT IN SET(KBCo6Stars, actor));
```

```
//---- We just have to count them all !! (How many holes in Albert Hall?)
 EXPORT doCounts := PARALLEL(
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBMovies), NAMED('KBMovies')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCoStars), NAMED('KBCoStars')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCoStarMovies), NAMED('KBCoStarMovies')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo2Stars), NAMED('KBCo2Stars')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo2StarMovies), NAMED('KBCo2StarMovies')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo3Stars), NAMED('KBCo3Stars')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo3StarMovies), NAMED('KBCo3StarMovies')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo4Stars), NAMED('KBCo4Stars')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo4StarMovies), NAMED('KBCo4StarMovies')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo5Stars), NAMED('KBCo5Stars')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo5StarMovies), NAMED('KBCo5StarMovies')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo6Stars), NAMED('KBCo6Stars')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo6StarMovies), NAMED('KBCo6StarMovies')),
   OUTPUT(COUNT(KBCo7Stars), NAMED('KBCo7Stars')),
   OUTPUT(KBCo7Stars)
 );
END;
```

• Open a new Builder Window and type:

```
IMPORT IMDB;
IMDB.KevinBaconNumberSets.doCounts;
```

• Check the syntax then press the **Submit** button.

**Note:** Depending on the size of your cluster and the speed of your server(s), this process could take several minutes. If you are running this on a virtual machine, it could take as long as an hour to complete.

• When the process completes, each row shown below becomes it's own result tab. You will get a sample of the output as follows:

Note: The data files for this tutorial change frequently, your results may vary from those shown in this document.

KB Movies	71
KB Co Stars	3520
KB Co Star Movies	33504
KB Co 2 Stars	430145
KB Co 2 Star Movies	251867
KB Co 3 Stars	896009
KB Co 3 Star Movies	51650
KB Co 4 Stars	102729
KB Co 4 Star Movies	2634
KB Co 5 Stars	6080
KB Co 5 Star Movies	190
KB Co 6 Stars	450
KB Co 6 Star Movies	14
KB Co 7 Stars	22

# **Next Steps**

Now that you have successfully processed the data and established links, what's next?

Two more ECL files are included in the IMDB folder that you can use in conjunction with the examples you have already worked through in this tutorial:

• KeysKevinBacon -- Builds an index of actors/actresses and the movies they have starred in.

You must build this index before you can run queries to find the degree of separation between Kevin Bacon and an actor of your choice.

To build the index, open a builder window and type the following code:

```
IMPORT IMDB;
IMDB.KeysKevinBacon.BuildAll;
```

Press the **Submit** button to run the ECL code and build the index.

SearchKevinBaconLinks -- Searches the index you built to give you the degree of separation between an actor and Kevin Bacon.

For example, to find the degree of separation between Kevin Bacon and Andi Everingham, open a builder window and type the following code:

```
IMPORT IMDB;
IMDB.SearchKevinBaconLinks('Everingham, Andi');
```

Make sure the selected cluster is your *hThor* cluster, then press the **Submit** button to run the query.

When it has completed, click on the Workunit ID tab.

Two results are shown.

Result1 shows the degree of separation between the actor and Kevin Bacon.

Interpret the results as follows:

Actor is at level 1 - The actor you chose and Kevin Bacon starred in a movie together.

Actor is at level 2 - The actor you chose starred in a movie with an actor who starred in a movie with Kevin Bacon.

The higher the level, the greater the degree of separation between the actor you chose and Kevin Bacon.

In this example, the actor is at level 6, indicating that there are 6 degrees of separation between Andi Everingham and Kevin Bacon.

Result2 shows the level (degree of separation), the name of the actor and the movie they starred in.

Each line shows an actor and the movie they starred in which links them to each other and eventually to Kevin Bacon.

Have fun finding the degrees of separation between any actor and Kevin Bacon.

Remember to build the index first.