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Subject: reading and writing very slow

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Hi

I have some 1-2 GB text files (lots of them!), each containing weather data for many thousands of stations for 1 year (per file). I need to get the data out of the year files and into files which have all the data for 1 weather station. It's easy but slow.

I am reading each year file line by line and appending that line to the filename of the station (which is one of the fields on the line). (openw.../append, close). Does opening and closing files so many times have such an overhead? Is there a quicker way?

thanks

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