# **Key concepts and Matching**

# **Key Concepts and Definitions for True/False and Matching Questions**

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#### 1. Data Science Fundamentals

- Definition of Data Science: An interdisciplinary field that uses scientific methods, processes, algorithms, and systems to extract knowledge and insights from structured and unstructured data.
- Role of a Data Scientist:
  - Collecting and cleaning data.

- Analyzing and interpreting data.
- Building predictive models.
- Communicating insights to stakeholders.

#### Data Science Lifecycle:

- 1. Problem Definition
- 2. Data Collection
- 3. Data Preparation
- 4. Exploratory Data Analysis
- 5. Modeling
- 6. Evaluation
- 7. Deployment
- 8. Monitoring and Maintenance

## **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Data Science is solely about building machine learning models." (False)
- "Exploratory Data Analysis is performed before data cleaning." (False)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Data Collection	Gathering data from various sources
Data Preparation	Cleaning and transforming data
Modeling	Building algorithms to predict outcomes
Deployment	Implementing models into production environments

# 2. Data Collection and Preprocessing

- Data Collection Methods:
  - Surveys
  - Web scraping
  - APIs
  - Sensors

#### Data Cleaning Techniques:

- Handling missing values (deletion, imputation)
- Removing duplicates
- Correcting inconsistencies
- Outlier detection
- Data Integration: Combining data from multiple sources into a coherent dataset.
- Data Transformation:
  - Normalization
  - Encoding categorical variables
  - Aggregation

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Data integration involves combining data from multiple sources." (True)
- "Normalization scales numerical data to have a mean of zero and standard deviation of one." (True)
- "One-hot encoding is used for encoding numerical variables." (False)

#### **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
One-Hot Encoding	Encoding categorical variables into binary vectors
Imputation	Filling missing values with estimates
Standardization	Scaling data to have mean 0 and standard deviation 1
Outlier Detection	Identifying data points significantly different

# 3. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

- Descriptive Statistics:
  - Mean, Median, Mode
  - Variance, Standard Deviation
  - Skewness, Kurtosis
- Visualization Techniques:

- Histograms
- Scatter plots
- Box plots
- Heatmaps

#### Correlation Analysis:

- Pearson correlation coefficient
- Spearman rank correlation

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "A histogram is used to display the distribution of a categorical variable." (False)
- "The Pearson correlation coefficient measures linear correlation between two variables."
  (True)
- "A box plot can help identify outliers in the data." (True)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Scatter Plot	Relationship between two continuous variables
Box Plot	Visual representation of the distribution's quartiles
Heatmap	Visualization of the correlation matrix
Skewness	Measure of the asymmetry of the probability distribution

#### 4. Statistical Foundations

# **Key Concepts:**

#### Measures of Central Tendency:

Mean: Average value.

Median: Middle value in ordered data.

Mode: Most frequent value.

#### Measures of Dispersion:

- Range
- Variance
- Standard Deviation

#### Probability Distributions:

- Normal Distribution
- Binomial Distribution
- Poisson Distribution

#### Hypothesis Testing:

- Null hypothesis (H0)
- Alternative hypothesis (H1)
- p-value
- Significance level (α)

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Standard deviation is the square root of variance." (True)
- "In a normal distribution, the mean, median, and mode are equal." (True)
- "A p-value less than 0.05 typically leads to rejecting the null hypothesis at the 5% significance level." (True)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Null Hypothesis (H0)	Statement of no effect or no difference
Alternative Hypothesis	Statement that there is an effect or a difference
Type I Error	Rejecting a true null hypothesis (false positive)
Type II Error	Failing to reject a false null hypothesis (false negative)

#### 5. Data Visualization

- Principles of Effective Visualization:
  - Clarity
  - Accuracy
  - Efficiency
  - Aesthetics
- Visualization Tools and Libraries:

- Matplotlib
- Seaborn
- Plotly
- Tableau

#### Chart Types and Their Uses:

Line Chart: Trends over time

Bar Chart: Comparing categories

Pie Chart: Proportions of a whole

Heatmap: Correlation between variables

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Seaborn is built on top of Matplotlib and provides a higher-level interface for statistical graphics." (True)
- "A pie chart is the best choice for showing trends over time." (False)
- "Heatmaps are useful for visualizing correlation matrices." (True)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Line Chart	Displaying data trends over intervals
Bar Chart	Comparing quantities across categories
Scatter Plot	Showing relationship between two variables
Histogram	Displaying the distribution of a dataset

# 6. Machine Learning Basics

- Supervised Learning: Learning from labeled data (input-output pairs).
- **Unsupervised Learning**: Finding patterns in unlabeled data.
- Reinforcement Learning: Learning optimal actions through rewards and penalties.
- **Overfitting**: When a model learns the training data too well, including noise, and performs poorly on new data.

• **Underfitting**: When a model is too simple and cannot capture the underlying trend of the data.

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "In supervised learning, the model learns from unlabeled data." (False)
- "Overfitting occurs when a model performs well on training data but poorly on unseen data." (True)
- "K-Means clustering is a supervised learning algorithm." (False)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Overfitting	Model fits training data too closely
Underfitting	Model is too simple to capture data patterns
Supervised Learning	Uses labeled data for training
Unsupervised Learning	Finds patterns without labeled responses

# 7. Data Wrangling and Feature Engineering

#### **Key Concepts:**

- Data Wrangling: Process of cleaning and unifying complex data sets for easy access and analysis.
- Feature Engineering: Creating new input features from existing ones to improve model performance.
- Feature Selection: Selecting the most relevant features to use in model construction.
- Encoding Categorical Variables:
  - One-Hot Encoding
  - Label Encoding

- "Feature engineering involves creating new features from existing data." (True)
- "Label encoding converts categorical variables into binary vectors." (False)
- "Feature selection can help reduce overfitting." (True)

Column A	Column B
One-Hot Encoding	Converts categories into binary columns
Feature Selection	Choosing relevant features for the model
Data Wrangling	Cleaning and unifying complex data sets
Principal Component Analysis	Dimensionality reduction technique

# 8. Big Data Technologies

## **Key Concepts:**

- Big Data Characteristics (5 V's):
  - Volume
  - Velocity
  - Variety
  - Veracity
  - Value
- Hadoop Ecosystem Components:
  - HDFS (Hadoop Distributed File System)
  - MapReduce
  - YARN (Yet Another Resource Negotiator)
- Apache Spark:
  - In-memory data processing
  - Supports batch and real-time analytics
- NoSQL Databases:
  - MongoDB
  - Cassandra
  - HBase

- "HDFS stands for Hadoop Distributed File System." (True)
- "Apache Spark is only capable of batch processing, not real-time analytics." (False)
- "NoSQL databases are designed to handle structured data only." (False)

Column A	Column B
HDFS	Distributed file system in Hadoop
MapReduce	Programming model for processing large data sets
Apache Spark	In-memory data processing framework
NoSQL Database	Non-relational database designed for large data volumes

# 9. Ethics and Data Privacy

## **Key Concepts:**

- Ethical Principles in Data Science:
  - Privacy
  - Fairness
  - Transparency
  - Accountability
  - Security
- Bias in Data and Models:
  - Selection Bias
  - Confirmation Bias
  - Algorithmic Bias
- Privacy Laws and Regulations:
  - GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)
  - CCPA (California Consumer Privacy Act)
  - HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act)

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Algorithmic bias can occur when training data is not representative of the population."
  (True)
- "GDPR is a privacy regulation enforced in the European Union." (True)
- "Anonymizing data completely removes the risk of re-identification." (False)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
GDPR	European Union data protection regulation
Algorithmic Bias	Systematic errors in a computer system
Transparency	Openness in methods and decision-making processes
Informed Consent	Obtaining permission with full disclosure

# 10. Data Mining Techniques

#### **Key Concepts:**

- Classification: Predicting categorical labels.
- Regression: Predicting continuous values.
- Clustering: Grouping similar data points without pre-defined labels.
- Association Rule Mining: Discovering interesting relations between variables in large databases.
- Anomaly Detection: Identifying unusual data points.

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "K-Means is a clustering algorithm used for classification tasks." (False)
- "Association rule mining is commonly used in market basket analysis." (True)
- "Anomaly detection is used to find outliers in the data." (True)

### **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Classification	Predicting discrete labels
Regression	Predicting continuous numerical values
Clustering	Grouping data without labels
Association Rule Mining	Finding relationships between variables

# 11. Supervised Learning Algorithms

## **Key Concepts:**

- Naïve Bayes Classifier:
  - Based on Bayes' Theorem with an assumption of feature independence.
- Support Vector Machine (SVM):
  - Finds the optimal hyperplane that separates classes.
- Decision Trees:
  - Tree-like model of decisions and their possible consequences.
- Random Forest:
  - Ensemble method using multiple decision trees.
- Ensemble Learning:
  - Combining predictions from multiple models.

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Naïve Bayes assumes that all features are dependent on each other." (False)
- "Random Forest reduces overfitting compared to individual decision trees." (True)
- "SVM can only perform linear classification." (False)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Naïve Bayes	Probabilistic classifier with independence assumption
Support Vector Machine	Classifier that finds optimal separating hyperplane
Random Forest	Ensemble of decision trees
Ensemble Learning	Combining multiple models to improve performance

# 12. Unsupervised Learning and Deep Learning

- Unsupervised Learning:
  - Works with unlabeled data to find hidden patterns.
- Deep Learning:
  - Neural networks with multiple layers.

- Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN):
  - Specialized for processing grid-like data (e.g., images).
- Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN):
  - Designed for sequential data.
- Long Short-Term Memory Networks (LSTM):
  - Type of RNN that can learn long-term dependencies.

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Autoencoders are used for unsupervised learning tasks." (True)
- "CNNs are primarily used for natural language processing tasks." (False)
- "LSTMs are a type of RNN that can handle long-term dependencies." (True)

#### **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
CNN	Neural network for image processing
RNN	Neural network for sequential data
LSTM	RNN variant handling long-term dependencies
Autoencoder	Neural network used for unsupervised learning

# 13. Natural Language Processing (NLP)

#### **Key Concepts:**

- **Tokenization**: Splitting text into words or sentences.
- Sentiment Analysis: Determining the emotional tone behind a body of text.
- Lexicons in NLP:
  - VADER (Valence Aware Dictionary for Sentiment Reasoning)
  - SentiWordNet
  - AFINN
- Bag of Words: Representing text as the frequency of words.
- Part-of-Speech Tagging: Assigning grammatical categories to words.

- "Tokenization involves combining multiple words into a single token." (False)
- "VADER is a lexicon and rule-based sentiment analysis tool." (True)
- "Bag of Words model considers the order of words in a sentence." (False)

Column A	Column B
Tokenization	Splitting text into smaller units
Sentiment Analysis	Determining emotional tone of text
Bag of Words	Text representation based on word frequency
Part-of-Speech Tagging	Assigning grammatical categories to words

# 14. Explainable AI (XAI) and Large Language Models (LLMs)

## **Key Concepts:**

- Explainable AI (XAI): Techniques that make the output of AI models understandable to humans.
- LIME (Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanations):
  - Explains individual predictions.
- SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations):
  - Uses game theory for feature attribution.
- Large Language Models (LLMs):
  - Al models trained on large text datasets (e.g., GPT, BERT).

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "LIME is specific to neural network models only." (False)
- "SHAP values can be used to interpret the contribution of each feature to the prediction."
  (True)
- "Large Language Models are only used for text generation." (False)

#### **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
XAI	Making AI decisions understandable
LIME	Local explanations for model predictions
SHAP	Feature attribution using Shapley values
LLM	Large models trained on vast text data

#### 15. Ethics in Data Science

## **Key Concepts:**

- Bias Types:
  - Selection Bias
  - Measurement Bias
  - Algorithmic Bias
- Privacy and Consent:
  - Data ownership
  - Informed consent
- Ethical Principles:
  - Fairness
  - Transparency
  - Accountability
  - Security
- Case Studies:
  - Cambridge Analytica Scandal
  - Amazon's Biased Hiring Algorithm
  - Predictive Policing Issues

- "Algorithmic bias cannot be mitigated once the model is deployed." (False)
- "Informed consent requires that individuals are aware of how their data will be used."
  (True)
- "The Cambridge Analytica scandal involved the misuse of personal data for political advertising." (True)

Column A	Column B
Algorithmic Bias	Systematic errors due to biased data or assumptions
Informed Consent	Individuals agree to data use with full understanding
Fairness	Ensuring equitable treatment in models
Predictive Policing	Using data to forecast criminal activity

# Additional Concepts for True/False and Matching Data Types:

- Structured Data: Data that is organized in a fixed format (e.g., tables).
- Unstructured Data: Data without a predefined data model (e.g., text, images).

## **Machine Learning Terms:**

- **Hyperparameters**: Configuration settings used to tune how models learn.
- Cross-Validation: Technique for assessing how a model will generalize to an independent dataset.

#### **Possible True/False Statements:**

- "Cross-validation helps in reducing overfitting." (True)
- "Hyperparameters are learned during the training of the model." (False)

## **Matching Columns:**

Column A	Column B
Hyperparameters	Settings configured before training
Overfitting	Model fits training data too closely
Cross-Validation	Technique for model validation
Structured Data	Data in a fixed format

Note: Remember that in true/false questions, statements can be slightly altered to test understanding. In matching questions, concepts should be clearly defined to ensure accurate matching.

# **Tips for True/False Questions:**

- Read the statement carefully; look out for absolutes like "always" or "never."
- Consider the definitions and key characteristics of concepts.
- Think about exceptions to general rules.

# **Tips for Matching Questions:**

- Understand each term and its definition.
- Eliminate options that are clearly incorrect to narrow down choices.
- Be aware of similar-sounding terms and avoid confusion.

By familiarizing yourself with these key concepts and their correct associations, you'll be well-prepared to tackle true/false and matching questions on your exam. Good luck with your studies!