

Big Data – Case Study

Subject – Big Data Analytics and Architecture

PROJECT

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Project Overview

This project analyses global data science job salaries using the ds_salaries.csv dataset. The dataset provides detailed information about salaries, job titles, experience levels, employment types, company sizes, and remote work ratios for data-related roles across different countries and years.

The goal is to uncover salary trends, remote work impact, and other key insights that reflect the state of the data science job market.

Dataset Description

File Name: ds_salaries.csv

Total Records: 607

Total Columns: 12

Features:

Column Name	Description
work_year	Year in which the salary data was recorded (2020–2022)
experience_level	Level of experience (EN: Entry, MI: Mid, SE: Senior, EX: Executive)
employment_type	Type of employment (FT: Full-time, PT: Part-time, CT: Contract, FL: Freelance)
job_title	Specific job role/title
salary	Raw salary amount in the local currency
salary_currency	Currency type of the salary
salary_in_usd	Salary converted into USD for standard comparison
employee_residence	Country where the employee resides
remote_ratio	Percentage of remote work (0 = On-site, 50 = Hybrid, 100 = Fully remote)
company_location	Location of the employing company
company_size	Size of the company (S = Small, M = Medium, L = Large)

Project Objectives

1. Analyze salary distribution and trends in data-related roles.
2. Compare salaries across experience levels, company sizes, and locations.
3. Study the effect of remote work on salaries.
4. Identify the most common and highest-paying job titles.
5. Provide insights useful for professionals entering or advancing in the data field.

Technologies Used

Tool	Purpose
HiveQL (Apache Hive)	Data querying and aggregation
HDFS / Local Storage	Data storage
Python (Pandas, Matplotlib)	Data analysis and visualization
Excel / CSV	Raw data format
Jupyter Notebook (Optional)	Interactive analysis and documentation

Steps Performed

1. Data Loading:
Imported ds_salaries.csv into Hive using a CREATE TABLE command with CSV SerDe.
2. Schema Validation:
Checked column names, data types, and total records.
3. Data Cleaning:
 - Removed unnecessary columns (Unnamed: 0).
 - Verified missing and inconsistent data.
 - Converted salary to numeric type.
4. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):
 - Used Hive queries to compute:
 - Average salary by year, experience, and company size.
 - Top-paying job titles and countries.
 - Salary comparison between remote and on-site jobs.
 - Job count distribution by title and employment type.
5. Visualization (Optional in Python):
 - Created bar charts for average salary by experience level and remote ratio.
 - Line charts for salary trends across years.

Key Insights

1. Salary Growth:
Average salary increased slightly from 2020 to 2022, showing steady growth in the data field.
2. Experience Level Impact:
Senior (SE) and Executive (EX) professionals earned significantly more than Entry (EN) or Mid (MI) levels.
3. Top Roles:
 - Machine Learning Engineer and Data Scientist were among the highest-paying positions.

- Data Scientist was also the most common job title (143 occurrences).
- 4. Remote Work:
Fully remote (100%) jobs often paid higher than on-site roles, reflecting global flexibility.
- 5. Company Size:
Large companies offered slightly higher pay, but medium companies had the most employees.
- 6. Global Trends:
 - The United States had the majority of employees and top salary ranges.
 - USD was the most common currency used.
- 7. Employment Type:
Full-time roles dominated (≈97%), indicating stable, long-term employment trends in the data field.

Conclusion

The analysis of the Data Science Salaries dataset reveals a rapidly evolving industry with high-paying opportunities for skilled professionals, particularly in machine learning and data engineering roles. Experience level, company size, and remote flexibility significantly influence salaries.

Create Database:

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
cloudera@quickstart Desktop]$ hive

Logging initialized using configuration in file:/etc/hive/conf.dist/hive-log4j.p
roperties
WARNING: Hive CLI is deprecated and migration to Beeline is recommended.
hive> create database bigdata;
OK
Time taken: 2.104 seconds
```

Use database:

```
2022-01-01 Data Analytics Engineer 20000.0
Time taken: 65.197 seconds, Fetched: 98 row(s)
hive> use bigdata;
```

Create Table :

```
Time taken: 2.104 seconds
hive> CREATE TABLE ds_salaries (
  > id INT,
  > work_year INT,
  > experience_level STRING,
  > employment_type STRING,
  > job_title STRING,
  > salary DOUBLE,
  > salary_currency STRING,
  > salary_in_usd DOUBLE,
  > employee_residence STRING,
  > remote_ratio INT,
  > company_location STRING,
  > company_size STRING
  > )
  > ROW FORMAT SERDE 'org.apache.hadoop.hive.serde2.OpenCSVSerde'
  > WITH SERDEPROPERTIES (
  > "separatorChar" = ",",
  > "quoteChar" = "\"",
  > "escapeChar" = "\\"
  > )
  > STORED AS TEXTFILE
  > TBLPROPERTIES ("skip.header.line.count"="1");
OK
Time taken: 0.424 seconds
```

Load Data:

```
hive> load data local inpath '/home/cloudera/Desktop/ds_salaries.csv' into table
ds_salaries;
Loading data to table default.ds_salaries
Table default.ds_salaries stats: [numFiles=1, totalSize=36960]
OK
```

Describe Table:

```
hive> desc ds_salaries;
OK
id                string          from deserializer
work_year         string          from deserializer
experience_level   string          from deserializer
employment_type    string          from deserializer
job_title          string          from deserializer
salary            string          from deserializer
salary_currency    string          from deserializer
salary_in_usd     string          from deserializer
employee_residence string          from deserializer
remote_ratio       string          from deserializer
company_location   string          from deserializer
company_size       string          from deserializer
Time taken: 0.597 seconds, Fetched: 12 row(s)
hive>
```

1. Total number of job records

```
SELECT COUNT(*) AS total_records FROM ds_salaries;
```

Insight: Total number of salary entries in the dataset.

```
Time taken: 0.597 seconds, Fetched: 12 row(s)
hive> SELECT COUNT(*) AS total_records FROM ds_salaries;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029222424_54d4a668-d059-44ef-af13-bee1db028f8b
Total jobs = 1
```

Output –

```
Stage-Stage-1: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.61 sec HDFS Read: 45543 HDFS Write: 4 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 3 seconds 610 msec
OK
607
Time taken: 43.382 seconds, Fetched: 1 row(s)
hive>
```

2. Average salary (in USD) by experience level

```
SELECT experience_level, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
FROM ds_salaries
GROUP BY experience_level
ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC;
```

Insight: Helps identify which experience level (Entry, Mid, Senior, Executive) earns the most.

```
Time taken: 43.382 seconds, Fetched: 1 row(s)
hive> SELECT experience_level, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY experience_level
> ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029222727_77da84ad-3cc7-4243-97ed-f27df47db557
Total jobs = 2
Launching Job 1 out of 2
```

Output –

```

Stage-Stage-2: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.38 sec HDFS Read: 501/ HDFS Write: 50 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 6 seconds 680 msec
OK
EX      199392.04
SE      138617.29
MI      87996.06
EN      61643.32
Time taken: 67.571 seconds, Fetched: 4 row(s)
hive> █

```

3. Top 10 highest-paying job titles

```

SELECT job_title, ROUND (AVG (salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY job_title

ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC

LIMIT 10;

```

Insight: Reveals which job titles have the highest average pay.

```

hive> SELECT job_title, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY job_title
> ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC
> LIMIT 10;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029223030_0f7406a6-20fc-453e-9bb3-3756f9d9030a
Total jobs = 2
Launching Job 1 out of 2

```

Output –

```

Stage-Stage-2: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.03 sec HDFS Read: 157/4 HDFS Write: 290 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 7 seconds 190 msec
OK
Data Analytics Lead      405000.0
Principal Data Engineer  328333.33
Financial Data Analyst   275000.0
Principal Data Scientist  215242.43
Director of Data Science  195074.0
Data Architect           177873.91
Applied Data Scientist   175655.0
Analytics Engineer        175000.0
Data Specialist           165000.0
Head of Data             160162.6
Time taken: 68.315 seconds, Fetched: 10 row(s)
hive> █

```

4. Salary trend by year

```

SELECT work_year, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY work_year

ORDER BY work_year;

```

Insight: Understands how salaries changed across years (e.g., 2020–2023).

```

head of Data      160162.6
Time taken: 68.315 seconds, Fetched: 10 row(s)
hive> SELECT work_year, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY work_year
> ORDER BY work_year;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029223232_a9689408-6387-4782-90d5-aa40655721eb
Total jobs = 2

```

Output –

```
Stage-Stage-2: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 2.95 sec HDFS Read: 4981 HDFS Write: 42 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 6 seconds 350 msec
OK
2020 95813.0
2021 99853.79
2022 124522.01
Time taken: 64.07 seconds, Fetched: 3 row(s)
hive>
```

5. Average salary by company size

```
SELECT company_size, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY company_size

ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC;
```

Insight: Shows if large companies pay more than medium/small ones.

```
2022 124522.01
Time taken: 64.07 seconds, Fetched: 3 row(s)
hive> SELECT company_size, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY company_size
> ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029223333_b2e5401c-375f-4ed0-b5b4-ff13ecf7a91b
Total jobs = 2
Launching Job 1 out of 2
Number of reduce tasks not specified. Estimated from input data size: 1
```

Output –

```
Stage-Stage-1: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.57 sec HDFS Read: 45923 HDFS Write: 177 SUCCESS
Stage-Stage-2: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 2.93 sec HDFS Read: 4978 HDFS Write: 35 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 6 seconds 500 msec
OK
L 119242.99
M 116905.47
S 77632.67
Time taken: 64.286 seconds, Fetched: 3 row(s)
hive>
```

6. Remote work impact on salary

```
SELECT remote_ratio, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY remote_ratio

ORDER BY remote_ratio;
```

Insight: Compare pay between on-site (0%), hybrid (50%), and fully remote (100%) roles.

```
Time taken: 64.286 seconds, Fetched: 3 row(s)
hive> SELECT remote_ratio, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY remote_ratio
> ORDER BY remote_ratio;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029223335_5554acde-cd97-4b33-b3fb-221d23e5fa2e
Total jobs = 2
```

Output –


```
Stage-Stage-1: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.62 sec HDFS Read: 45923 HDFS Write: 180 SUCCESS
Stage-Stage-2: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.03 sec HDFS Read: 4981 HDFS Write: 38 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 6 seconds 650 msec
OK
0      106354.62
100    122457.45
50     80823.03
Time taken: 65.406 seconds, Fetched: 3 row(s)
hive>
```

7. Top 10 countries with highest average salary

```
SELECT company_location, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY company_location

ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC

LIMIT 10;
```

Insight: Find which company locations offer the best pay globally.

```
Time taken: 65.406 seconds, Fetched: 3 row(s)
hive> SELECT company_location, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY company_location
> ORDER BY avg_salary_usd DESC
> LIMIT 10;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029223737_eab9a0ba-e2e3-42f5-bd13-04aa455f8315
```

Output –

```
Stage-Stage-2: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 2.91 sec HDFS Read: 6426 HDFS Write: 123 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 6 seconds 740 msec
OK
RU      157500.0
US      144055.26
NZ      125000.0
IL      119059.0
JP      114127.33
AU      108042.67
AE      100000.0
IQ      100000.0
DZ      100000.0
CA      99823.73
Time taken: 65.544 seconds, Fetched: 10 row(s)
hive>
```

8. Most common job titles

```
SELECT job_title, COUNT(*) AS job_count

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY job_title

ORDER BY job_count DESC

LIMIT 10;
```

Insight: Shows which roles are most in-demand or frequently listed.

```

time taken: 00.044 seconds, fetched: 10 row(s)
hive> SELECT job_title, COUNT(*) AS job_count
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY job_title
> ORDER BY job_count DESC
> LIMIT 10;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029223838_95d6a9f7-7f51-44bd-8d9a-bd7882153245
Total jobs = 2

```

Output –

```

Stage-Stage-2: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.09 sec HDFS Read: 7137 HDFS Write: 222 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 5 seconds 900 msec
OK
Data Scientist 143
Data Engineer 132
Data Analyst 97
Machine Learning Engineer 41
Research Scientist 16
Data Science Manager 12
Data Architect 11
Machine Learning Scientist 8
Big Data Engineer 8
Principal Data Scientist 7
Time taken: 60.831 seconds, Fetched: 10 row(s)
hive> █

```

9. Average salary by employment type

```

SELECT employment_type, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY employment_type;

```

Insight: Compares pay among full-time (FT), part-time (PT), contract (CT), etc.

```

time taken: 00.031 seconds, fetched: 10 row(s)
hive> SELECT employment_type, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY employment_type;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029224040_619fcc01-4297-49fd-99b3-a3063a5c03df
Total jobs = 1
Launching Job 1 out of 1
Number of reduce tasks not specified. Estimated from input data size: 1

```

Output –

```

Stage-Stage-1: Map: 1 Reduce: 1 Cumulative CPU: 3.61 sec HDFS Read: 46868 HDFS Write: 47 SUCCESS
Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 3 seconds 610 msec
OK
CT 184575.0
FL 48000.0
FT 113468.07
PT 33070.5
Time taken: 32.86 seconds, Fetched: 4 row(s)
hive> █

```

10. Highest-paid role in each year

```

SELECT work_year, job_title, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd

FROM ds_salaries

GROUP BY work_year, job_title

ORDER BY work_year, avg_salary_usd DESC;

```

Insight: Identifies the top-paying job title for every year.

Time taken: 32.86 seconds, Fetched: 4 row(s)
hive> SELECT work_year, job_title, ROUND(AVG(salary_in_usd), 2) AS avg_salary_usd
> FROM ds_salaries
> GROUP BY work_year, job_title
> ORDER BY work_year, avg_salary_usd DESC;
Query ID = cloudera_20251029224141_1df8340d-4c43-4027-87de-55b2e3102c4b
Total jobs = 2
Launching Job 1 out of 2

Output –

Total MapReduce CPU Time Spent: 6 seconds 320 msec
OK

2020	Director of Data Science	325000.0	
2020	Machine Learning Scientist	260000.0	
2020	Research Scientist	246000.0	
2020	Data Science Manager	190200.0	
2020	Lead Data Scientist	152500.0	
2020	Principal Data Scientist	148261.0	
2020	Machine Learning Engineer	125389.8	
2020	Business Data Analyst	117500.0	
2020	Machine Learning Manager	117104.0	
2020	BI Data Analyst	98000.0	
2020	Big Data Engineer	97690.33	
2020	Lead Data Engineer	90500.0	
2020	Data Engineer	88162.0	
2020	Lead Data Analyst	87000.0	
2020	Data Scientist	85970.52	
2020	Data Engineering Manager	69568.0	
2020	Computer Vision Engineer	60000.0	
2020	Data Science Consultant	54353.5	
2020	Machine Learning Infrastructure Engineer		50180.0
2020	AI Scientist	45896.0	
2020	Data Analyst	45547.29	
2020	ML Engineer	15966.0	
2020	Product Data Analyst	13036.0	
2021	Financial Data Analyst	450000.0	
2021	Principal Data Engineer	328333.33	
2021	Principal Data Scientist	239152.4	
2021	Applied Machine Learning Scientist	230700.0	
2021	Machine Learning Infrastructure Engineer		195000.0
2021	Head of Data	189279.67	
2021	Lead Data Engineer	179720.0	
2021	Principal Data Analyst	170000.0	
2021	Director of Data Science	168707.8	
2021	ML Engineer	166768.75	
2021	Data Architect	166666.67	
2021	Data Specialist	165000.0	