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Algorithms for Data Science

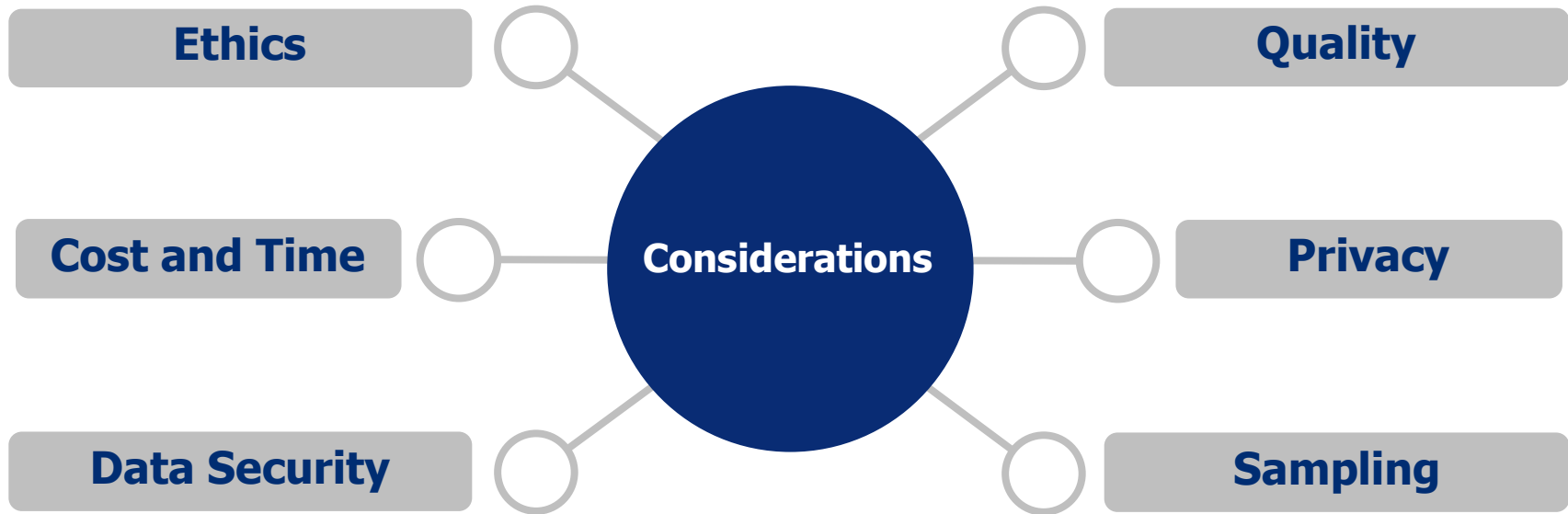
Data Collection

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Involves the gathering of information from various sources to be used for analysis.

- **Primary Sources:** Data collected directly by the research for a specific purpose (e.g. surveys, observations, and experiments)
- **Secondary Sources:** Data collected by someone other than the user (e.g. government publications, online databases, and internal records of organizations)

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Stream Data Collection

- Real-time data streaming requires specific algorithms to handle continuous, fast-paced data inflow.
- Algorithms such as sliding-window algorithms are used to process and analyze data in real time.

Online Sources of Data

- **UCI KDD:** Repository of diverse datasets for machine learning and data mining research.
- **Kaggle:** Online platform offering datasets, competitions, and community resources for data science.
- **KD Nuggets:** Curated datasets and industry insights for data science and machine learning.
- **Data.gov:** U.S. government's open data portal with datasets across various sectors.



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