DEGREE: MSc Data Analytics

Module: Big Data Analytics

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Assignment Title: Big Data Analytics with a Special Focus on File Systems

Assignment Type: Report

Word Limit: 3000 words (+/- 300)

Weighting: 100%

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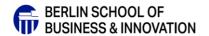
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Introduction

Learning Outcomes:

LO1. Demonstrate the understanding of basic concepts of Big Data, its importance and need in business context.

LO2. Explain the various components of Hadoop and HFDC along with their role in the Big Data ecosystem.

LO3. Summarize the learning on Big Data analytics using Yarn, HDFC and MapReduce.

Assessment Criteria: Weighting 100%

3000 words

Tasks (All tasks are equally weighted):

Task 1. Please offer an example of big data in the real world (in, e.g., a manufacturing system, an engineering system, an agricultural system, a banking system). You need to, systematically and strategically, describe and explain what we mean by 'big data analytics' in this specific scenario. You need to describe and analyse all the fundamental characteristics of big data in your specific scenario. (This task is related to **LO1**)

Task 2. Carefully characterise and analyse Database Management Systems and File Systems. You need to clearly describe and justify why the latter is more appropriate for most of big data analytic approaches. (This task is related to **LO2** and **LO3**)

Task 3. Critically describe and analyse how we can learn from our big data based on file systems. You need to explain what attributes and properties of file systems are more supportive for the learning and decision-making processes. (This task is related to **LO2** and **LO3**)
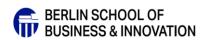
GUIDANCE ON ASSESSMENT

All materials must be properly referenced under Harvard conventions. The length required is 3000 words with tasks equally weighted. The writing style should be formal academic / report writing style with in-text referencing to support your comments and observations. Originality, quality of argument and good structure are required. The report should demonstrate sound understanding and ability to apply knowledge and theory of Big Data Analytics. Additional marks being awarded for juxtaposition and insight of issues.

Grading Criteria

	Generic Criteria	90 - 100	80 - 89	70 - 79	60 - 69	50 - 59	40 - 49	30 - 39	0 - 29
Level 7	**Knowledge of contexts, concepts, technologies and processes** The extent to which knowledge is demonstrated: *relevant contextual or theoretical issues are identified, defined and described* *historical or contemporary practices are identified, defined and described* *appropriate technologies, methods and processes are identified, defined and described*	Exceptional and remarkable critical understanding of current issues and historical contexts demonstrating knowledge at the forefront of the discipline Exceptional and highly original understanding of techniques methods and processes	Excellent and highly sophisticated critical understanding of current issues and historical contexts demonstrating knowledge at the forefront of the discipline An excellent and highly impressive understanding of techniques, materials and processes	Comprehensive critical understanding of current issues and historical contexts much of which is at, or informed by, the forefront of the discipline. Comprehensive knowledge of techniques and processes, and a critical understanding of their potential to advance scholarship in the discipline.	Significant understanding of current issues and historical contexts, much of which is at, or informed by, the forefront of the discipline. Significant knowledge of the techniques and processes applicable to understanding research and advanced scholarship in the discipline	Sound understanding of knowledge of current issues and historical contexts, some of which is at, or informed by, the forefront of the discipline. Sound knowledge of the techniques and processes applicable to research and advanced scholarship in the discipline	Passable understanding of knowledge of current issues and historical contexts, some of which is at, or informed by, the forefront of the discipline. Acceptable knowledge of the techniques and processes applicable to research and advanced scholarship in the discipline	Insufficient understanding of knowledge of the contextual, historical or theoretical issues that inform the discipline. Insufficient knowledge of techniques applicable to research and advanced scholarship in the discipline.	Very poor demonstration of understanding of contextual, historical or theoretical issues that inform the discipline. Very weak knowledge of technologies, methods and processes
	Understanding through application of knowledge The degree to which research methods are demonstrated: *relevant knowledge and information is compared, contrasted, manipulated, translated and interpreted* *knowledge and information is selected, analysed, synthesized and evaluated in order to generate creative ideas, solutions, arguments or hypotheses*	Exceptional and remarkable demonstration of research methods which generate highly developed critical insights into existing knowledge Exceptional and remarkable critical evaluation of existing knowledge leading directly to new hypotheses Exceptional and remarkable judgements made in relation to creative practice, current ideas, arguments and hypotheses	Excellent and highly sophisticated demonstration of research methods leading to impressive critical insights into existing knowledge Excellent and highly sophisticated critical evaluation of existing knowledge working towards new hypotheses Excellent and highly sophisticated judgements made in relation to creative practice, current ideas, arguments and hypotheses	Rigorous use of established methods of research combined with the ability to generate new concepts or insights into existing knowledge. Critical evaluation of current knowledge to evaluate methodological practices and propose new hypotheses. Carefully considered judgements on highly complex or 'under-researched' problems showing evidence of systematic analysis and deduction and creative processes to resolve them.	Confident use of established methods of research combined with the ability to recognise new concepts using existing knowledge. Critical evaluation of current knowledge to analyse methodological practices and propose hypotheses Informed judgements made on highly complex research problems showing evidence of systematic analysis and deduction and creative processes to resolve them	Sound use of established methods of research to develop and interpret existing knowledge. Critical evaluation of current knowledge and recognition of methodological practices. Sound judgements made on complex research problems showing evidence of systematic analysis and deduction and creative processes to resolve them.	Passable use of established methods of research to develop and interpret existing knowledge. Evidence of critical evaluation of current knowledge and recognition of methodological practices. Passable judgements made on complex research problems showing evidence of systematic analysis and deduction and creative processes to resolve them.	Insufficient use of existing methodologies to develop knowledge. Inability to fully understand or interpret relevant knowledge and methodological practices. Research problems are insufficiently complex and require mainly routine analytic and creative processes to resolve them.	Inability to use and interpret existing research methodologies Little or no ability to evaluate existing knowledge Inability to define a research problem and to generate solutions or hypotheses through research and practice

Application of technical and professional skills							
The degree to which: *appropriate materials and media are selected, tested and utilised to realise and present ideas and solutions* *appropriate technologies, methods and processes are demonstrated* *transferable, professional skills are effectively demonstrated* *self management and independent learning are demonstrated*	Exceptional and remarkable critical and evaluative skills utilised leading to highly original solutions to very complex problems Outstanding application of advanced technical skills that fundamentally challenges current understanding and practices Exceptional and remarkable demonstration of professionalism, self-management and independent learning	Excellent and highly sophisticated critical and evaluative skills utilised leading to impressive solutions to very complex problems Highly impressive application of advanced technical skills that challenge current understanding and practices Excellent demonstration of professionalism, self-management and independent learning	Evidence of a high level of critical and evaluative skills in order to create original solutions to a range of highly complex problems. Application of advanced skills, techniques and processes that challenge knowledge and understanding of the discipline. Demonstration of a very high level of professionalism, self-management and independent learning	Evidence of the critical and evaluative skills necessary to construct solutions to a range of complex problems Application of advanced skills, techniques and processes that contribute to knowledge and understanding of the discipline. Demonstration of a competent level of professionalism, self-management and independent learning	Evidence of the critical and evaluative skills necessary to identify solutions to a range of complex problems. Application of advanced skills techniques and processes that sustain independent learning in the discipline. Clear demonstration of professionalism, self-management and independent learning	Evidence of the critical and evaluative skills necessary to identify solutions to a range of varied problems. Application of advanced skills techniques and processes that sustain independent learning in the discipline. Acceptable demonstration of professionalism, self-management and independent learning	Inability to demonstrate the critical and evaluative skills necessary to identify solutions to problems Insufficient ability to demonstrate the skills necessary for sustained independent learning Insufficient evidence of professional and transferable skills	Very poor ability to apply appropriate materials and media to present ideas and solutions Very poor judgement shown in choice of methods and processes Inability to manage self, meet deadlines, work professionally and independently