

1. What key benefit does cloud computing offer users, particularly in contrast to traditional software installations on their local computers? 1 point
 - ☐ Cloud computing requires users to purchase and install their own applications locally.
 - ☐ Cloud computing eliminates the need for users to store any data locally.
 - ☒ Users can access the latest version of applications without purchasing retail copies.
 - ☐ Users have more control over their applications in the cloud.

2. What are the primary advantages of using cloud for data scientists? 1 point
 - ☐ The Cloud allows data scientists to store data locally and use advanced computing algorithms.
 - ☐ The Cloud can only be accessed from laptops, not tablets or phones.
 - ☒ The Cloud enables data scientists to work with large datasets and deploy advanced computing algorithms and tools available centrally.
 - ☐ The Cloud offers up-to-date tools and libraries for data scientists but restricts access to specific time zones.

3. What are the common characteristics of Big Data, often called the "V's of Big Data"? 1 point
 - ☒ Velocity, Volume, Variety, Veracity, and Value
 - ☐ Volume, Vector, and Verification
 - ☐ Vision, Velocity, and Visualization
 - ☐ Variety, Verification, and Value

4. How has the interest in data science and business analytics changed over the last few years, and what is the impact on undergraduate courses in this field? 1 point
 - ☐ Interest in data science has declined, leading to a decrease in enrollment in undergraduate courses.
 - ☐ Interest in data science has remained constant, with no significant changes in enrollment in related undergraduate courses.
 - ☒ Interest in data science and business analytics has increased, leading to a growing number of students enrolling in related undergraduate courses.
 - ☐ Interest in data science has shifted primarily to parents rather than students.

5. Which open-source technology provides distributed storage and processing of big data, allowing scalability and support for various data formats? 1 point
 - ☐ Apache Spark
 - ☒ Apache Hadoop
 - ☐ NoSQL databases
 - ☐ Apache Hive