Week 10 - Reflection

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Articles

1. Bhattavharjee (2013): The Diederik Stapel case [https://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/28/magazine/diederik-stapels-audacious-academic-fraud.html]

2. Carole Cadwalladr and Emma Graham-Harrison (2018): Cambridge Analytica/Facebook case [https://www.theguardian.com/news/2018/mar/17/cambridge-analytica-facebook-influence-us-election]

Questions:

1. What is the research and who is (are) the person (people) behind the story?

2. What moral issue did the research breach in this case? Relate your answer to the ASA guidelines.

3. How was the moral breach discovered, and what were the consequences?

4. How did this ethical breach adversely affect the offender? How did it affect his or her colleagues? How did it affect other people (e.g., medical patients)?

5. If you were a statistician involved in this study, how might you have prevented the fraud?