

LinkedIn Data Scientist Interviews

Accepted Offer | Positive Experience | Average Interview

Interview

contacted by HR and then 1 round of phone screen with coding tests on sql. cover pretty basic thing. followed by on-site interview with 7 interviewers testing different areas. the interview was pretty comprehensive and covers almost all areas related to the job.

Interview Questions

- SQL, Coding (R/Python), Product Case, Machine Learning, Stats
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No Offer | Negative Experience

Interview

Recruiter phone interview followed by one technical phone round based on mostly SQL and R. Onsite interview for 5 hours with product managers and data scientist. Questions were mostly focused on A/B and one stats/probability round. Disappointed with the recruiter who didn't bother to give me the feedback in spite of sending her multiple emails. The company providing recruiting platform needs to improve their recruiting process. Interview experience was good, though I am rating it as negative since I value feedback. Show Less

Interview Questions

- design A/B test
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No Offer | Positive Experience | Easy Interview

Interview

I talked to her about my project experience, she asked details in some machine learning algorithm though she's an HR. And we also talked about some creative questions. Overall she's a nice person to talk to and I thought it was a good conversation, however, it turns out later that she didn't think so.

Interview Questions

- Describe a previous project [1 Answer](#)
 - How can you help to improve sales given a LinkedIn database
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Accepted Offer
Negative Experience
Average Interview

Interview

The consumer analytics team is basically all H1bs, with only Chinese H1bs in leadership. No vacation, long hours, and coworkers that had no understanding of product analytics to name a few of the perks that came out during the interview. I could barely understand their questions during the interview. They got angry when I asked them to repeat.

Hiring manager is arrogant, deceptive and clearly favors Chinese H1bs over non-Chinese employees. Admitted team was struggling and the sense I got is that they might go through a reorg with Microsoft purchase.

It was clear that the team lacked any understanding of the users of LinkedIn. LinkedIn is struggling to grow or get users to remain on platform. They have no clue how to fix it. I sensed layoffs are a coming. [Show Less](#)

Interview Questions

- What product metrics do you construct? How to tell if your experiment is successful?
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Interview

Phone call with a recruiter followed by a technical phone screen.

The recruiter was nice enough but the interviewer had an extremely heavy accent that was nearly indecipherable and seemed distracted during the interview. He also seemed to be unfamiliar with the interview question or was not well-rehearsed and I could hear obvious paper flipping and presumably note checking in the background as he asked questions

Interview Questions

- What is the optimization problem for a SVM?
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Accepted Offer | Positive Experience | Easy Interview

Interview

I have emailed a recruiter, sent her my resume and she got back to me to schedule a chat. The chat with the recruiter was about cultural fit. She checked that I cared about LinkedIn mission and its core values. Nothing hard if you genuinely want to work there.

After that I was sent a takehome challenge to be completed in 3/4 hours. As others were saying, if you prepare on the book "a collection of data science takehome challenges", you will be good. If you don't have time to go through all of them, just focus on the one related to predicting employee salaries...

Before applying, I would suggest to practice on that book challenges and save R or Python scripts to then reuse them. That will save you a lot of time. Also, under time pressure, it is going to be so much easier if you have the main scripts ready.

After the challenge, I went for the onsite. I was really scared, but it was actually easier than I thought.

There were some probability puzzles, but really simple if you have a basic understanding of probability and if you prepared on the heard on wall street book.

There was also one question where I had to describe how to implement and test a model to catch fake profiles. But the interviewer didn't ask me to go too much into details. It was mostly about which features I think would matter. I think they wanted to see if I had product sense.

One day after the onsite, I got the offer.[Show Less](#)

Interview Questions

- Can't tell you the actual questions, but if you have basic machine learning knowledge and you prepare on the books "heard on wall street" (for the onsite) and "collection of takehome challenges" (for the takehome step) you are good. Everything is in those 2 books.
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No Offer

Positive Experience

Average Interview

Application

I applied online. The process took a week. I interviewed at LinkedIn in December 2015.

Interview

A recruiter reached out to me a few days after I applied online. The second round phone interview was with a hiring manager, ask me a few questions about my passed experiences. The hiring manager was really nice, we were experiencing a cutting off, so she paste the questions to me. It wasn't hard. But my skill set was not solid enough.

Interview Questions

- How many lines do you think a users' daily login table has? And a general SQL question about joining two table with some conditions.
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No Offer

Positive Experience

Average Interview

Application

I applied online. The process took 3 weeks. I interviewed at LinkedIn in March 2015.

Interview

The process took 3 weeks. The recruiter was helpful. Questions were simple and basic. There was a coding round and an interview with a hiring manager. The coding round was simple and the interviewer was helpful. Interview about the hiring manager were mostly about problem solving ad coming up with metrics

Interview Questions

- Coding round had mostly SQL questions and one question on file handling that was just basic logic.

I was asked to come up with some of the factors that could be used to produce certain algorithms ('people you may know,' and an algorithm to discover when a person is starting to search for new job).

No Offer | Average Interview

Interview

The Interviewer ask the running up staircase with n steps question which need to get how many possible ways to run up the stairs. Each time you can hop either 1 step, 2 steps or 3 steps at a time. In addition, he asks some question about my research such as graph algorithms.

Interview Questions

- The unexpected question is that the HR told me the interview will ask questions about sql but the interviewer ask the quesions about algorithm which I prepare nothing for that.

I had 3 phone interviews with Linkedin data scientists. Everyone I spoke to was very bright, thoughtful and polite and made a great impression. On the first two calls I was asked how I would solve some of the problems Linkedin worked on (ex: people you may know) and on the third call I had a more technical coding interview. However I didn't have a machine learning background at the...

Interview

There should be two rounds of phone interviews and one on-site interview. I applied for the position in LinkedIn career page. A recruiter contacted me the next day and scheduled my first phone screen. After the first phone screen, the recruiter contacted me regarding the next round of the phone screen.

Interview Questions

- I passed the first phone screen (basic data mining questions, including the concepts of classification and clustering; and a simple dp question which is quite similar to "Climbing Stairs"), and failed the second one right after I came back from another state (basic nlp questions, like named entity extraction, and basic data mining questions, like SVM, naive bayes; and a sampling question which is quite similar to Reservoir sampling).

First had a phone interview with 2 engineers. Two basic questions were asked.

Then invited to an onsite in Sunnyvale and Mountain View. The onsite consists of 4 rounds -- two coding (data structure + algorithms; 2 questions per round) + one system design + one manager (/behavior) round. Got an offer in about two weeks.

Interview

I was first contacted by a recruiter. Two phone interviews were arranged. The first interviewer asked some basic questions about my resume and then we went into the technical questions. Two questions were asked, both about searching in sorted arrays of numbers. The second interview was almost identical, except that the question was more about algorithm design, which required general problem solving skill.

Interview Questions

- Questions are not difficult. It is important to review basic algorithm design and know how to talk through the interview, and know when to ask for help.
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Interview

I went through a process of 4 Phone Interviews. The first was from a recruiter and was pretty straightforward. The others were much more difficult, but all of the interviewers were cordial and professional. They were prompt about letting me know when I was eliminated from consideration, which I appreciated, though the process seemed to drag out longer than it should have.

Interview Questions

- I don't recall exactly, but they asked about how I would approach several scenarios. This would be very difficult to answer well if you have not worked at a similar company and know what sorts of data are available to answer the question.
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Interview

3 Telephonic interviews and 4 on-site interviews. Interview questions were not very difficult. In fact, between telephonic and onsite interviews lots of repeat questions were asked, which I thought was unprofessional. The whole process took more than 3 months. Overall easy / average interview. I did not get the offer.

Interview Questions

- Basic modeling, statistics
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Interview Questions

- Talk about a product that you wanna build at linkedin [1 Answer](#)
 - generating a sorted vector from two sorted vectors.
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No Offer | Negative Experience | Easy Interview

Interview

I was contacted by linkedin recruiter for data scientist position for which my background does not at all match. Similarly I had interview with LinkedIn in exact same way for some front end technologies. It is ridiculous to know the company with largest professional network can not find right people for right jobs. LinkedIn recruiters are very rude even after telling them my background is different and I want to pursue different role. They will make you give an interview for some random position in their mind for you and do not allow you to interview for positions for which you are a good match. [Show Less](#)

Interview Questions

- design recommendation engine for jobs
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Interview Questions

- find out k most frequent numbers from incoming stream of numbers one the fly.
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Interview

Had two phone interviews with data science group. One was more design questions, machine learning background check etc. The second interview was strictly coding, algorithms and stuff.

Interview Questions

- Implement pow function. [Answer Question](#)
 - Segment a long string into a set of valid words using a dictionary. Return false if the string cannot be segmented. What is the complexity of your solution?
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