

# ASSIGNMENT 1: EXPLORING BIG DATA IN SPECIFIC DOMAINS

## Chapter 1: Understanding Big Data

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### ASSIGNMENT OVERVIEW:

The purpose of this assignment is to delve into the foundational concepts of Big Data as presented in Chapter 1. Each student, focusing on their specific area of study (social media, smart city, healthcare, etc.), will explore how Big Data concepts apply to their domain.

#### Task 1: Define Big Data Characteristics

Volume, Velocity, Variety, Veracity, and Value: Explain how each of the Five Vs of Big Data applies to datasets in your chosen domain. Provide real-world examples specific to your domain for each characteristic.

#### Task 2: Explore Data Types

Structured Data: Identify and describe examples of structured data in your domain. Discuss how structured data is commonly generated and utilized.

Unstructured Data: Highlight instances of unstructured data within your domain. Discuss the challenges and opportunities associated with handling unstructured data.

Semi-structured Data: Investigate the presence of semi-structured data in your domain. Explain how this type of data is used and any specific preprocessing requirements.

Metadata: Explore how metadata is employed in your domain. Provide examples of metadata tags and their significance in the context of Big Data processing.

#### Task 3: Analyze Data Analytics Types

Descriptive Analytics: Discuss how descriptive analytics can be applied in your domain. Provide specific examples of questions that descriptive analytics can answer.

Diagnostic Analytics: Explore scenarios in your domain where diagnostic analytics could be beneficial. Discuss the complexity of the queries and the types of analysis involved.

Predictive Analytics: Investigate how predictive analytics can be used in your domain to anticipate future events. Provide examples of questions that predictive analytics can help answer.

Prescriptive Analytics: Analyze the potential applications of prescriptive analytics in your domain. Discuss how the results of prescriptive analytics can inform decision-making.

#### Task 4: Case Study Application

Case Study Background: Research and present a case study related to Big Data in your specific domain. Discuss the challenges faced, the solutions implemented, and the outcomes achieved. Relate the case study to the concepts presented in Chapter 1.

#### Task 5: Reflection

Interdisciplinary Nature: Reflect on the interdisciplinary nature of Big Data analysis in your domain. Discuss how the blend of mathematics, statistics, computer science, and domain-specific expertise contributes to the complexity and richness of Big Data applications.

#### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Prepare a report summarizing your findings for each task.

Include relevant examples, illustrations, or diagrams to support your explanations.

Provide proper citations for any external sources used.

Submit your assignment in a format suitable for academic presentation (e.g., a well-organized document).

#### GRADING CRITERIA:

Demonstration of understanding of Big Data concepts in the specific domain.

Depth and relevance of examples provided.

Clarity and organization of the report.

Integration of case study and real-world applications.

Thoughtful reflection on the interdisciplinary nature of Big Data analysis.