

# Exploring and Analyzing Data with Splunk

This 9-hour course is for users who want to attain operational intelligence level 4, (business insights) and covers exploratory data analysis by using statistical tools and custom visualizations.

## Course Topics

- Analytics Framework
- Exploring and visualizing data
- Cleaning and Preprocessing Data
- Numerical and String based clustering
- Data Correlation
- Meta Transactions
- Detecting Anomalies
- Forecasting

## Prerequisite Knowledge

To be successful, students should have a solid understanding of the following courses:

- Intro to Splunk
- Using Fields
- Scheduling Reports and Alerts
- Visualizations
- Working with Time
- Statistical Processing
- Comparing Values
- Result Modification
- Leveraging Lookups and Sub-searches
- Correlation Analysis
- Search Under the Hood
- Intro to Knowledge Objects
- Creating Field Extractions
- Search Optimization

## Course Format

Instructor-led lecture with labs, delivered via virtual classroom or at your site.

## Course Objectives

### Topic 1 – What is Data Science

- Define terms related to analytics and data science
- Describe the analytics workflow
- Describe Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Examine common Machine Learning myths
- Describe Splunk's Machine Learning tools

### Topic 2 – Exploratory Data Analysis

- Use bin and makecontinuous to restructure and visualize data
- Examine field statistics with fieldsummary
- Transform fields with eval and fillnull
- Clean text with the rex and cleantext commands
- Solve Anscombe's Quartet
- Apply boxplots and 3d scatterplots to visualize data

### Topic 3 – Event Clustering

- Take a behavioral based approach to cluster data
- Cluster numerical fields using the kmeans command
- Cluster based of string similarity with the cluster command
- Find patterns in clusters

### Topic 4– Correlations and Transactions

- Define correlation and co-occurrence
- Use SPL correlation commands
- Use the statistical tests from the Machine Learning Toolkit to correlate fields
- Use streamstats and chart commands to correlate data

### Topic 5– Anomaly Detection

- Define Statistical Outliers
- Use Add-hoc methods of numerical anomaly detection
- Find numerical or categorical anomalies with the AnomalyDetection command

### Topic 6 – Forecasting

- Define forecasting use cases
- Use the predict command to forecast future timeseries



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