



**EE627WS-Data Acquisition/Modeling/Analysis –
Big Data Analytics**
School of Engineering and Science
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Prerequisite(s): EE603
Corequisite(s): None
Cross-listed with: None

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Exposing the student to analytic tools used for data acquisitions, processing and modeling with the challenges in the big-data era. Tapping into the powerful tool of data analytics to create strategic advantage and identify new business opportunities. The studied datasets can vary from the traditional pure numerical data sets to more text related social network data. It includes the data pre-processing, feature extraction, model comparisons and selections, model induction and related forecasting or predictions.

Helping students extend the concepts learned in the EE prerequisites courses to more concrete applications scenarios, like predictive modeling, time series forecasting, e-Business recommendation systems etc, and learn how to apply appropriate analytic techniques and tools to analyzing the big data sets.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Analyze time-series and provide forecast
- Process huge volume set of data
- Prune and tune big data for feature selections
- Extra data inference/insights
- Tune the recommender system

COURSE MATERIALS

Textbook(s): No assigned textbook.
Materials: Lecture notes are posted weekly.

TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE

	Topic(s)	Assignment
Week 1	Introduction Feature Engineering, XGBoost	
Week 2	Time series analysis (I)	HW #1 due via canvas
Week 3	Time series analysis (II)	
Week 4	Market basket analysis /	
Week 5	Linear regression & logistic regression	
Week 6	Ensemble learning: Bagging and Boosting	
Week 7	Recommendation systems: Two-Tower Model	
Week 8	Deep Retrieval & Cold Start	
Week 9	Midterm	
Week 10	Final Project and Feature Engineering	
Week 11	From Hadoop to Spark Programming	
Week 12	Recommendation in PySpark	
Week 13	From Neural Networks to Deep Learning	
Week 14	Final Test	
	Final Project Due	

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Other (calculator)	X	

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