Elements Of Data Science - F2022

Introduction

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Who am I?

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- Python DS tools
- Exploratory Data Analysis and Visualization
- Data Manipulation including cleaning and transformation
- Hypothesis Testing
- Predictive modeling using ML

What will we be covering? (cont)

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- Clustering
- Dimensionality Reduction
- Natural Language Processing and Topic Modeling
- Dealing with Time Series data
- Recommendation Engines
- Interacting with Databases

Logistics

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TAs: See the course website

Office Hours: See the course website

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- Homeworks via git:
  More instructions to come

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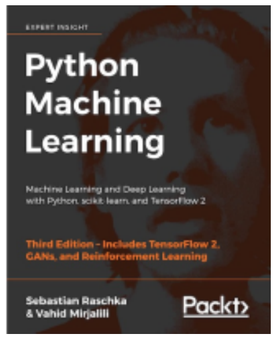
Textbooks

- (PDSH) **Python Data Science Handbook** by Jake VanderPlas
  - Free online
  - Columbia Library
  - 2nd Edition coming soon

- (PML) **Python Machine Learning (3rd Edition)** by Raschka and Mirjalili
  - Columbia Library
  - Associated Github repo
  - New Edition: Machine Learning with PyTorch and Scikit-Learn



Other Useful Texts

- **Data Science from Scratch, 2nd Ed.** by Joel Grus
- **Python for Data Analytics** by Wes McKinney (2nd Edition coming soon)
- **Practical Statistics for Data Scientists: 50+ Essential Concepts Using R and Python** by Bruce, et al.
- **Effective Pandas** by Matt Harrison
- **SQL for Data Scientists** by Renée M. P. Teate

Additional Resources

- See the course website...

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- **Final Exam** (online, ~week of 12/7) 25% of grade

Online Course

- In-class and online (see course page for recordings)
- Use Ed Discussion for questions
- Zoom office hours (TBD)

Expectations

- Attend/view the weekly lecture
- Ask/answer questions via Ed
- Attend Office Hours for additional help
- Complete all quizzes and homeworks on time
- Hopefully learn enough to get through a junior DS job interview

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- Homeworks may be checked for plagiarism
- Copied code will result in 0 points for all involved
- Copying from my slides or online sources: not recommended

Questions re Logistics?

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Data science, also known as data-driven science, is **an interdisciplinary field** about scientific methods, processes, and systems **to extract knowledge or insights from data in various forms**, either structured or unstructured, similar to data mining.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_science

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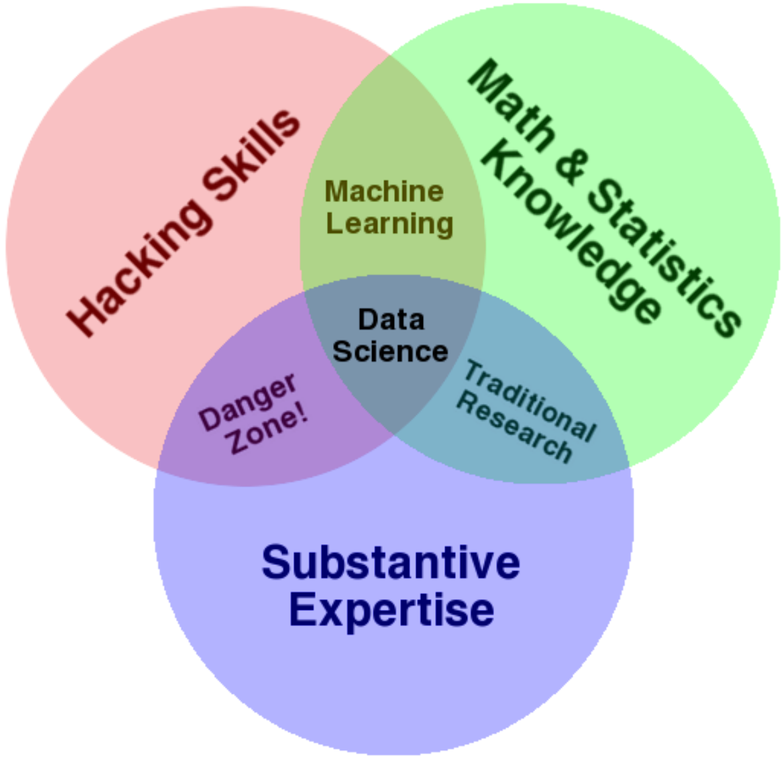

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Can't always get answers to these, but good to ask.

Example DS Projects

- Machine Bias in Criminal Sentencing, Propublica
- Analysis of OkCupid Data
- David Bowie Job Mentions
- NYC Crash Mapper
- NeurIPS 2019 Acceptance Stats
- NeurIPS 2021 Stats
- Demo: Example Flowershop

Questions?