

# Sports Data Analysis

Week 1





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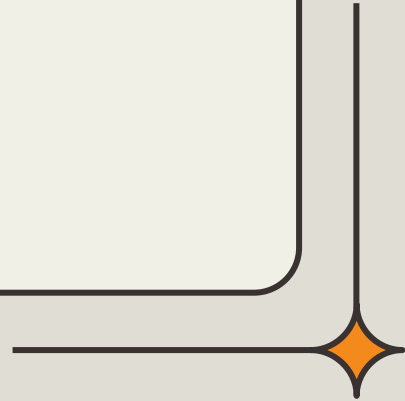
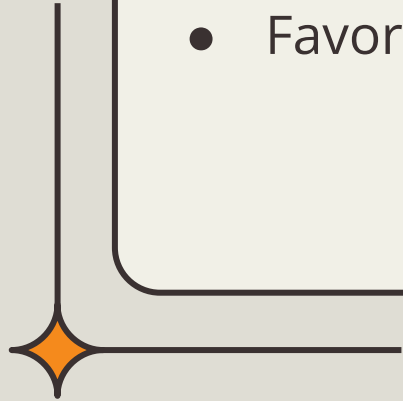


# Icebreaker

Everyone's favorite part :)

## Say:

- Name
- Year and Major
- Hometown
- Favorite sport and/or team/player



# Sports Analytics

## Main Ideas:

- Get sports data
- Clean it up
- Visualize it
- Model/Analyze it

Week	Agenda
1 (9/21)	Intros + Project Group Formation
2 (9/28)	Pandas/NumPy Review
3 (10/5)	Data Cleaning
-	Fall Break
4 (10/19)	Data visualization
5 (10/26)	Data visualization + watch party
6 (11/2)	Model Creation
7 (11/9)	Model Creation + watch party
8 (11/16)	Presentation Prep + watch party

# Datasets



- 2022 World Cup
- 2024 MLB
- 2025 NFL Draft + Combine
- Caitlin Clark College
- Josh Allen 2024-25 (MVP Season)
- Lions 2024-25
- NHL 2024-25
- Pistons Year over Year
- UConn Men's Basketball 2023-24
- Michigan Basketball 2024-25
- Michigan Football 2024-25



# Want Other Data?

The internet's got everything! Only rule: has to be sports-related

Good sources:

- <https://www.sports-reference.com/> (by far the best)
  - [fangraphs.com](https://www.fangraphs.com) (just baseball)
  - ESPN API
  - Pro league APIs
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# Project Ideation

**Split up** by favorite sport: Football, Basketball, Soccer, etc  
(might need an “other” group)

With a few people in that group, **talk** through what question  
you’re interested in analyzing/modeling



**Think About:** What data do you need? What ideas/hypotheses  
do you have? Will you build a model for prediction or just  
analyze?







# What do You Need to Do Today?

- **Do the basic python review:**  
[https://github.com/MichiganDataScienceTeam/F25-SportsDataAnalysis/blob/main/Starter%20Code/pandas\\_numpy\\_michigan\\_football.ipynb](https://github.com/MichiganDataScienceTeam/F25-SportsDataAnalysis/blob/main/Starter%20Code/pandas_numpy_michigan_football.ipynb)
  - **Figure out the dataset** you want to use and/or what (if any) outside data you want – data should be ready to go **in 2 weeks**
  - Watch football and **socialize!**
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# Questions?



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