Alternative Project 3 – Data Science Thought Leadership

This is an alternative project 3 for MSDA DATA 607 students who might want to work in a smaller group. This project's requirements are probably more advanced, since your group will likely need at least one member who already has basic "screen scraping" skills.

I would prefer (but not require) that there are at least five students in a group. Working in groups--especially larger groups--does create challenges, but that is part of the idea! Being able to work effectively on a virtual team is a key "soft skill" for data scientists. As with other Project 3 teams, your team will need to make a presentation during our first meetup after the project is due.

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Who are today's "thought leaders" in data science? What are the topics that data scientists care most about? How do these change over time, and across geographical location?

Use meetup.com and whatever secondary sources you want to frame answers to these and any related questions.