

**CODE. CREATE.  
REPEAT.**

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thinks and think and ponders and asks friends  
and mentors and thinks and sleeps on it and  
thinks and debates and ponders again, then  
second quesses and worries and stresses, and  
then they do nothing...

Go. You don't need permission. You have  
everything you need.

# SO YOU WANT TO DO A SIDE PROJECT...

Where to Start

# DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE

What questions from your previous job can you investigate now with your new tools?



Project repo: Supply Chain-Pick Analysis



# KAGGLE/DATAWORLD

Remember Kaggle from Ryan's 101?  
Click on Data on the left side and your set!  
Kaggle datasets are great because they  
generally include an explanation and  
business questions to answer for you.

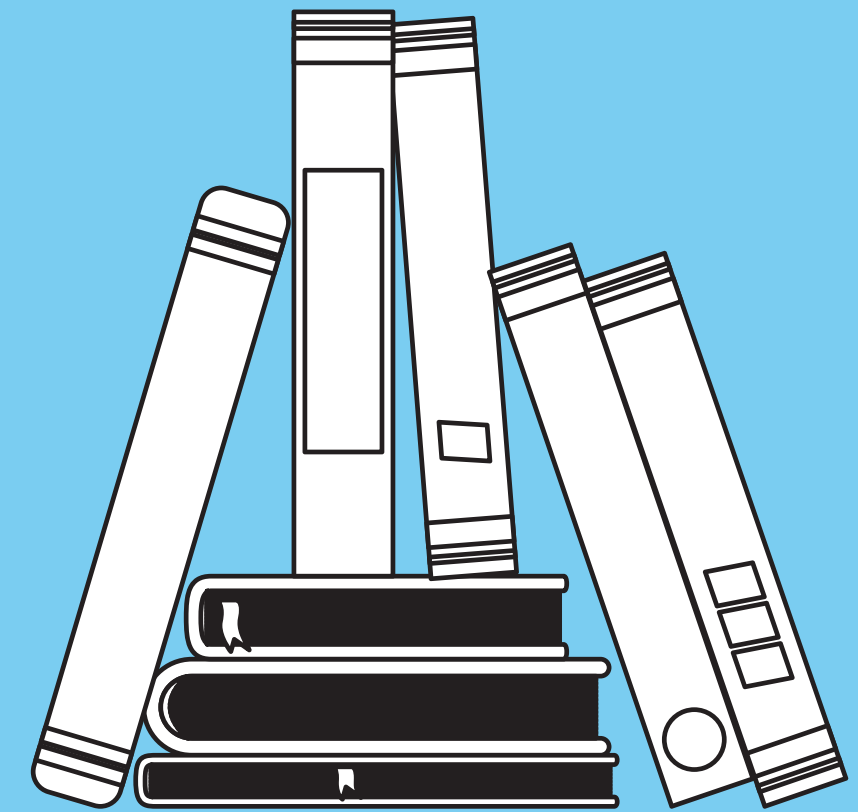
Project repo: HRdataset

# BOOKS, APPS, ETC.

The San Antonio Public Library has books on Python, Spark, Coding, you name it! These frequently have example projects that can be customized.

[Python Crash Course](#) by Eric Matthes

There are even some fun apps to learn/practice basic python on your phone that can inspire larger projects.  
Android app "Programming Hero"



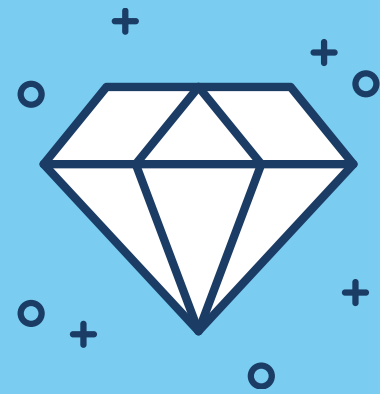
[Project repo: Alien Invasion](#) [& Simple Games](#)



## EXTENDED/ADAPTED CLASS PROJECTS

Check the Curriculum Appendix  
Complete a class project with new dataset  
Expand project addressing data imbalance,  
investigate a new algorithm, etc.

Project repo: NLP HarryPotter



# PUBLISH = SHOUT OUT

- Set up your GitHub .io landing page
- Maybe make a GitShowcase page
- Create a LinkedIn post
- Post in Slack to your cohort and other data science students
- Offer to do a walk through of your findings at a Lunch-N-Learn

# EXTRA TIPS

- The appendix has EVERYONE's github
  - STALK THEM (uh, FOLLOW)
- Complete Extra MySQL Exercises
- Subscribe to Medium
  - It's absolutely worth the \$5/month
- To clone a repo:
  - click the green button "CODE"
  - click the clipboard button
  - in your terminal go to the directory(folder) where you want the new directory for that repo
    - it needs to be one you've already done a "git init" on
  - once there type "git clone" and paste what is in your clipboard

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