The Erdős Institute

2024 Spring Data Science Boot Camp

Introduction

Welcome!

- Welcome to the Spring 2024 Data Science Boot Camp!
- In this boot camp we will:
 - Learn some python
 - Learn some data science
 - Complete a data science project

Top two resources

- Boot Camp Website, https://www.erdosinstitute.org/programs/spring-2024/data-science-boot-camp/
- 2. Erdős Institute Slack
 - a. Look for spring-2024-cohort channel

Lecturer

- Steven Gubkin, PhD
 - Head of Training and Assessment at Erdős since 01/01/24
 - First time lecturing this bootcamp!
- Graduated from OSU Math in 2016
- Taught math at Cleveland State from 2016 2023



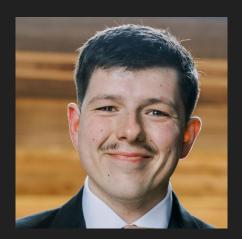
Group Project Coordinator

- Alec Clott, PhD
 - Head of Data Science Projects
 - Sr. Principal, Quantitative Analytics and Data Science at Gartner
- Graduated from OSU Political Science in 2021



Alumni Advisor

- Matthew Osborne, PhD
 - Boot Camp Lecturer from 2020 to 2023
 - Senior Operational Analyst at NetJets
- Graduated from OSU Math in 2020



Your contact for access

- Amalya Lehmann, PhD
 - o PhD in Music History, Literature, and Theory from UC Berkeley
- Your top contact for:
 - Slack channel access
 - GitHub repository access



The Erdős Institute Projects

Spring 2024

Goals

- An opportunity to work with real-world data and produce findings in a short time-span
- Focus on substantive areas (quant finance, wearables, health, policy, UX, etc.) and techniques (NLP, time-series, etc.)
- Building your portfolio is crucial in the data science market, provides a framework for job interviews

Projects

- Portfolio-worthy data science project/product
- Includes:
 - 5-minute overview video and presentation
 - Annotated GitHub
 - Executive Summary
- Reviewed by project judges
- Top 5 projects will present to all participants in our closing ceremony for the Spring 2024 Bootcamp

Team Formation

Background of Bootcamp attendees

- Hundreds of students from all over the world
- Some of you may know other attendees, others of you won't
- Many different backgrounds (subject areas, experience with coding)*
- Various types of data science career goals
- Various goals for the bootcamp
- Various goals for the projects

*And that is totally fine and expected!

Read these documents

https://www.erdosinstitute.org/programs/spring-2024/data-science-boot-camp/

(Project Information at Bottom)

Project Expectations

Overall Structure

- **Team size:** 3-4 people
 - Can choose group or...
 - Can be matched with others based on your job goals or data science interests
- **Goals:** "portfolio" project
 - Can be used in job interviews (when the time comes)
 - Results have business value
 - Communicate to lay-people <u>and</u> team of data scientists

Structure

- Group meetings -- each group decides how much time they want to spend
- Weekly office hour w/ Alec (open to all)
- Check-in with project mentor on a regular basis (15-30 min)

Project Requirements

- Instructions at the bottom of the Spring 2024 Data Science Bootcamp Page
- In order to get an Erdős certificate, you must complete a data science project start to finish
 - Project must be coded in Python
 - Have an annotated GitHub repository
 - Executive summary of your project results and implications
 - For presentation day:
 - <u>5-min</u> pre-recorded PowerPoint presentation detailing project process from start to finish
 - Judges will vote on winners!
 - More info will be given closer to project day

Your To-Do List

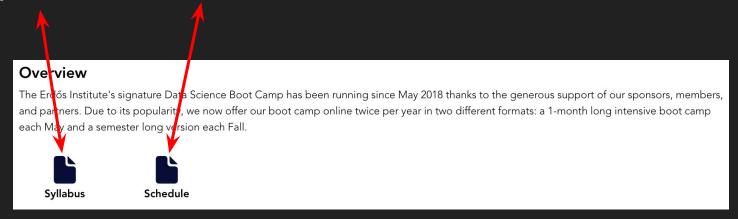
First Four Important Dates:

| 11:59 PM | Consult the project database, and watch at least 3 previous top projects from Erdos Alumni. |
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| Feb 29, 2024 11:59 PM | Watch video about Project Formation This should help answer any Q's you may have going into project formation |
| Mar 1, 2024 4:30 PM | Project Pitch Hour Opportunity to meet with other Erdos Fellows and form teams and propose topics. |
| Mar 8, 2024 11:59 PM | Submit Team Proposal or Idea to Project Formation Page If you want to propose a project, or have an idea for a project, submit it by this date. |

Note: You can find these dates at the bottom of the course website

Boot Camp Format: Non-Project Portion

- 12 Live Lectures
- 12 Problem Solving Sessions
- All Zoom links can be found in your Erdős profile or on the course website
- Syllabus and Schedule can be found on the course website



Lectures

- Live lectures 3:00 4:30 PM ET every Monday until 04/22/2024
 - Will be recorded and uploaded to the website
- Every lecture jupyter notebook already has a pre-recorded lectures on the website

Problem Sessions

- One hour to work on problem sets in small groups
- Every Thursday 3:00 4:00
 - Will not be recorded
- TAs will rotate between groups to assist and observe
- Each problem session also has a "prep notebook" for those wanting to practice.
- First one 02/08/2024

Math Hour and Office Hour

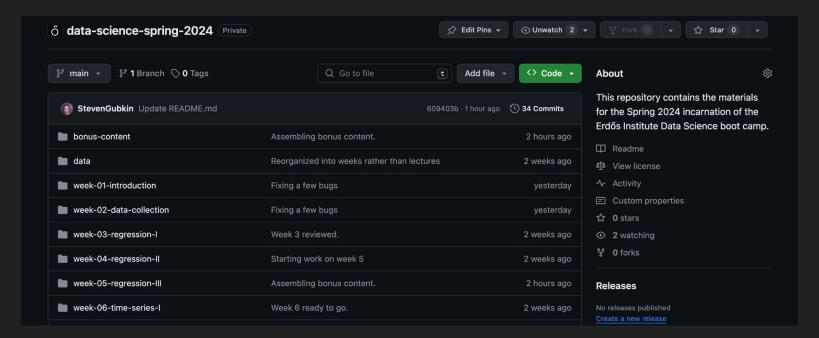
- Math hour is every Tuesday 10:00 to 11:00
 - First two are review of linear algebra, multivariate calculus, and prob/stats needed for the rest of the math hours.
 - Rest cover the math underlying the techniques covered the previous day in lecture.
- Office Hour is every Tuesday 11:00 to 12:00
 - Ask anything about course content, projects, debugging, etc.

Getting Set Up

- Clone the repository
- Be able to open a jupyter notebook

The GitHub Repository

- Link can be found on the course website
- Contains all of the educational content for the boot camp



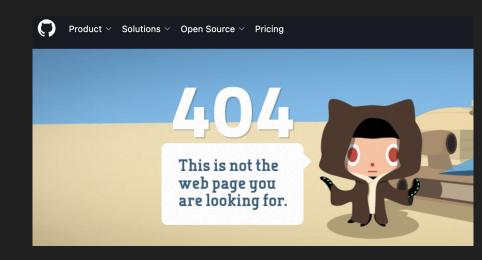
The GitHub Repository - Steps

- 1. Sign into your GitHub account
- 2. Clone the repository onto your computer
 - a. Can find instructions in the "First Steps" section of the website
- Everyday of the boot camp you will need to "pull" the updates to the repository
 - a. Look for "Giting Started with GitHub" in the "First Steps" section of the website
- Can be useful to make a copy of the folder in your computer for your edits

The GitHub Repository - 404 Issue

If you receive the 404 Error when clicking repo link:

- Check you are signed in
- Check that you have added your GitHub link to your Erdős profile
- Message Amalya about being added to the repository



Jupyter Notebooks

- All educational content contained in jupyter notebooks
- Allows combination of Word document style text and python code
- Let's look at an example

Jupyter Notebooks - Getting Set Up

- Follow Step 3 Under "First Steps" on website
- Lots of options:
 - Visual Studio Code: I use this one
 - Jupyter Notebook
 - Anaconda Navigator
 - Many other options

Questions & Concerns?