# **Esteban Navarro Garaiz**

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## Experience

## **Teamworks (formerly Zelus Analytics)** – Senior Technical Product Manager

2022 - Present. Mexico City, MX

- Manage the development of baseball's intelligence platform, a database with over 1 billion records, empowering data-driven decisions in player evaluation, game planning, and draft strategy
- Devise and maintain a product roadmap that aligns with business objectives and pushes the cutting edge of sports analytics, regularly soliciting stakeholder feedback to inform product development decisions
- Communicate product updates and features to stakeholders and clients through clear documentation, presentations, and reports, ensuring understanding and addressing concerns to drive buy-in and adoption
- Empower and mentor junior team members to excel by fostering a supportive remote culture, providing guidance and professional development. Identify and attract talented individuals from diverse backgrounds who are passionate about innovation and pushing the boundaries of data science

### **Los Angeles Dodgers** – *Quantitative Analyst*

**2020 – 2021.** Los Angeles, CA

- Created probability models to describe catcher defense (additional strikes, blocking, stolen base attempts)
  Used these to create descriptive metrics (framing, blocking and arm) and a projection system on top
- Built a stability / changepoint detection framework for detecting talent changes with confidence intervals
- Lead QA's collaboration with Pro Scouting to prioritize scouting time and improve player acquisition efforts
- Collaborated closely with Player Development to improve analytic tools used in MiLB development

#### Education

# New York University – Center for Data Science

New York, NY

Master of Science in Data Science –3.88/4 GPA

2018 - 2020

- Recipient of a CDS DeepMind Fellowship (\$25,000) and a Fulbright-García Robles Scholarship (\$50,000)
- Course highlights: Machine Learning, Big Data, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Data Engineering for Machine Learning, Optimization and Computational Linear Algebra, Forecasting Time Series Data
- Capstone project for the Brooklyn Nets: Created a two-tier ensemble model for NBA shot prediction using high-dimensional tracking data, providing more stable player evaluation <a href="https://bit.ly/2wZjZtn">https://bit.ly/2wZjZtn</a>

#### Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics - 9.03/10 GPA

**Mexico City** 

2013 - 2018

- Was an Assistant Professor for Probability I, Stochastic Processes 1 and Select Topics in Operations Research
- For my graduation thesis, I created a soccer prediction model, based on the Poisson Distribution, and applied it successfully to the betting market using the Kelly Criterion <a href="https://tinyurl.com/wtpssjt">https://tinyurl.com/wtpssjt</a>

## Speaking

Keynote speaker at 2024 UCONN Sports Analytics Symposium and ITAM Sports Analytics Conference (2X)

#### Skills

- Product and Project Management: SDLC, roadmapping, agile methodology, Scrum/Kanban (Jira, Gitlab)
- Python: Pandas, NumPy, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Seaborn, ScyPy, Pytorch, Tensorflow
- Machine Learning: Random Forests, Deep Learning, NLP, kNN, Boosting, PCA/SVD, regression, time series
- SQL: High querying proficiency. Schema creation and management. Have worked with BigQuery and PosgreSQL
- Cloud and automation: GCS suite (BQ, GCS, GKE, Looker), AWS suite (S3, EC2, ECR, K8S), Airflow, Docker
- Other programming: Git (high competency), R Tidyverse (stats, dplyr, ggplot2, tidyr), Hadoop, Spark
- Other: Leadership, client communication, Spanish (native speaker; bilingual translation), data visualization