

COGS 9 – Discussion Section A01

Kunal Rustagi (TA): Wed 9AM ([Zoom](#))

Jiesen Zhang (IA): Tues 4PM ([Zoom](#) Pass: 804882)

Bobby Zhu (IA): Tues 12:30PM (CSB 114 and [Zoom](#) Pass: 110985)

Boyong Liu (IA): Wed 2PM ([Zoom](#))

Introductions: Kunal

- 1st year Grad Student
- Major: Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Office Hour: Wednesday 9:00 - 10:00am (Zoom)
- Email: kurustagi@ucsd.edu
- Interests: Cricket, Star Wars, cooking, hiking



Introductions: Boyong

- Fourth Year Math-CS Major
- Office Hour: Wednesday 2:00 - 3:00pm (Zoom)
- Email: bol014@ucsd.edu



Introductions: Bobby

- Second Year Data Science Major
- Position: IA
- Office Hour: Tuesday 12:30-1:30 (Zoom)
- Baking and playing board games



Introductions: Jiesen

- Second year Data Science & Cognitive Science Student
- Office Hour: Wed 4-5 pm
 - CSB 114 & Zoom
- Enthusiastic about literature, movies, and photography



Some Logistics

- Master link: <https://kshannon.github.io/ucsd-cogs9/>
- Discussion section attendance is optional
- These sections are not recorded, however the slides will be uploaded to drive/github and the link will be provided in the master link
- All assignments and final project as a group
- Please try and reach out to us on discord before emailing
- Encourage you to ask questions openly in the discord server, so others can learn as well

Grading

	% of Total Grade	200 Total Points
3 Assignments	30	60 (20 each)
1 Comprehensive Exam	20	40
5 Reading Quizzes (lowest quiz score dropped)	20	40 (10 each)
Final Project pt. 1	10	20
Final Project pt. 2	20	40
Bonus	N/A	5 bonus



You can study together, but must submit quizzes by yourself

Discussion Sections Schedule

Week 3: Introductions + Course Logistics + Making teams + Reading 1 + Python Basics (time permitted)

Week 4: Reading 2 + Python basics + Getting data and wrangling it using Pandas

Week 5: Reading 3 + Assignment 1 + Basics of programming for data science

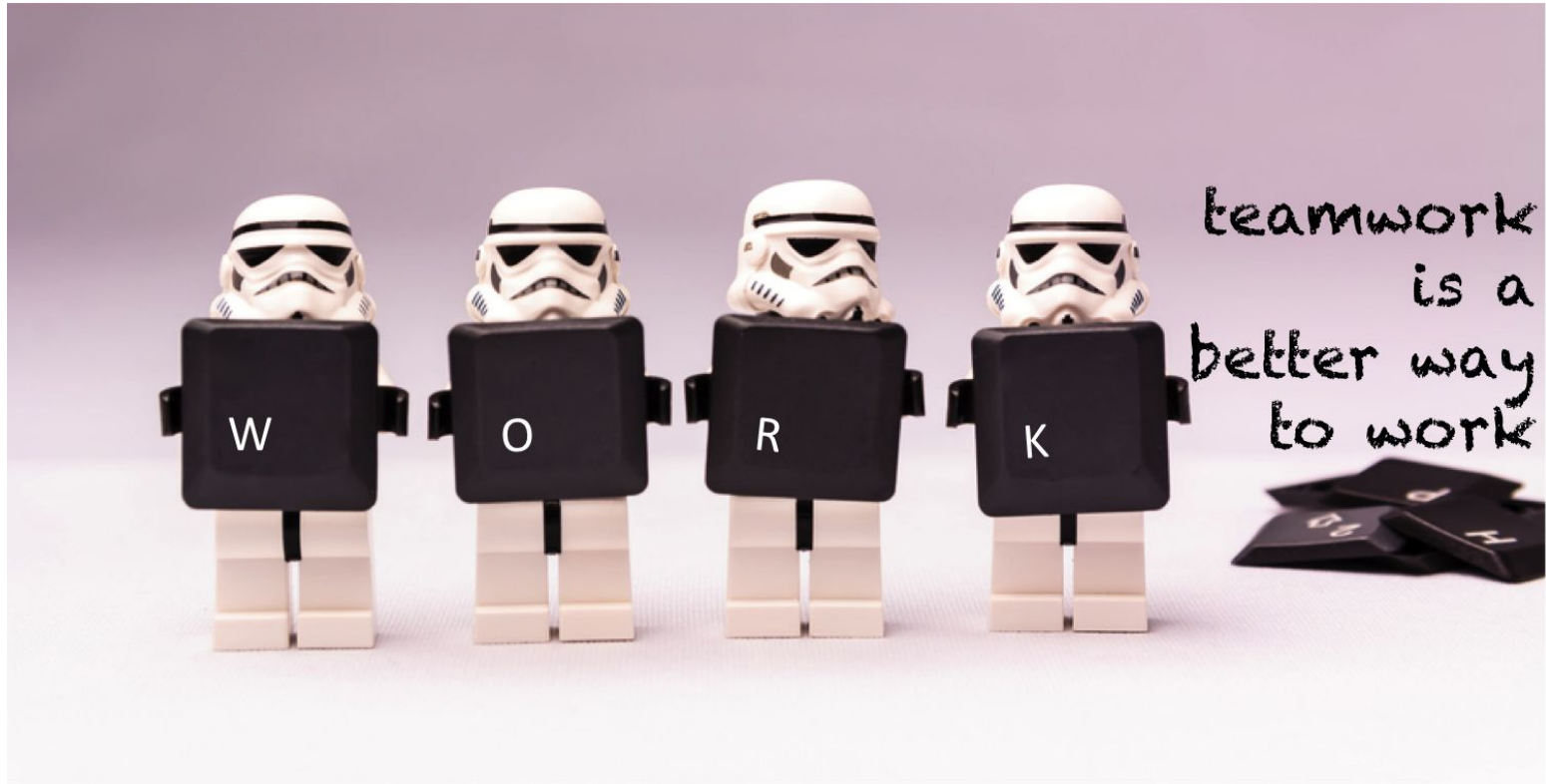
Week 6: Final project - I discussions

Week 7: Reading 4 + Assignment 2 + Data Visualizations and Data exploration

Week 8: Assignment 3 + Machine Learning demo

Week 9: Reading 5 + Closing thoughts

Week 10: Final project - II discussions

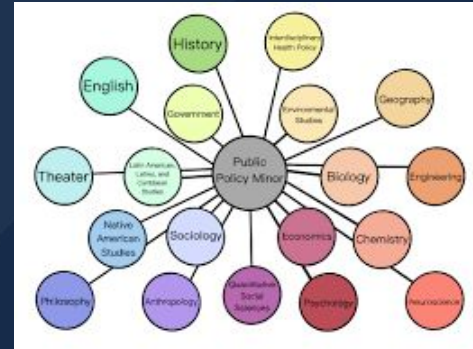


Time to form groups

50 Years of Data Science Part. 1

- Connects the discipline of DS to its 50+ years of history (John Tukey in 1960s)
- DS as an extension of statistics?
- Common Task Framework (e.g., Netflix Challenge)

Tukey's introductory paragraphs



DS as an extension of statistics ?

- (*) Multidisciplinary investigations (25%)
- (*) Models and Methods for Data (20%)
- (*) Computing with Data (15%)
- (*) Pedagogy (15%)
- (*) Tool Evaluation (5%)
- (*) Theory (20%)

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Professor Breiman's paper is an important one for statisticians to read. He and Statistical Science should be applauded ... His conclusions are consistent with how statistics is often practiced in business. -Bruce Hoadley

Common Task Framework and the secret sauce

- A publicly available training dataset
- A set of enrolled competitors
- A scoring referee

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1. Error rates decline by a fixed percentage each year, to an asymptote depending on task and data quality.
2. Progress usually comes from many small improvements; a change of 1% can be a reason to break out the champagne.
3. Shared data plays a crucial role—and is reused in unexpected ways.

Donoho's six divisions

- Data Gathering, Preparation, and Exploration
- Data Representation and Transformation
- Computing with Data
- Data Modeling
- Data Visualization and Presentation
- Science about Data Science

Data Gathering, Preparation, and Exploration

For example, a data team can **gather** data

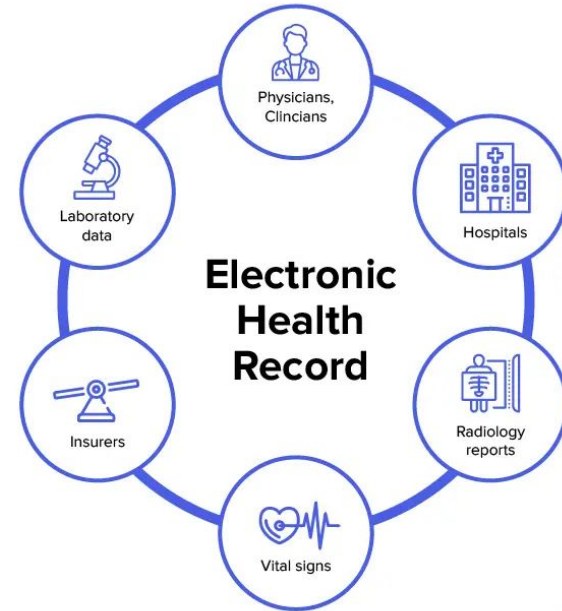
- about patient demographics, medical history and drug efficacy,
- from clinical trials, electronic health record, and public datasets,

prepare the data,

- by data cleaning,
- such as removing any missing or inconsistent values,

and **explore** the data,

- by creating visualizations,
- such as histograms and scatter plots,
- to understand the distribution and identify patterns from the data.



Opps, there are missing values in the data frame, which need to be handled properly.

	Employee Name	Job Title	Base Pay	Overtime Pay	Other Pay	Benefits	Total Pay
0	David xxxxx	Fire Battalion Chief	81917.0	172590.0	68870.00	21784.0	323377.0
1	Scott xxxxx	Chief Operating Officer	255000.0	NaN	31164.00	49921.0	NaN
2	Glen xxxxx	NaN	85904.0	120682.0	99408.00	26470.0	305994.0
3	David xxxxx	Fire Battalion Chief	100110.0	118798.0	62895.00	28142.0	281803.0
4	Daniel xxxxx	NaN	41389.0	196284.0	42027.00	20125.0	279700.0
5	Mark xxxxx	Retirement Administrator	240000.0	NaN	6190.00	52051.0	NaN
6	Edward xxxxx	NaN	46020.0	171896.0	59944.00	19669.0	277860.0
7	Andrea xxxxx	Independent Budget Anlyst	224099.0	NaN	13413.00	47651.0	NaN
8	Stacey xxxxx	Asst Chief Oper Ofcr	215000.0	NaN	20352.00	49139.0	NaN
9	Eric xxxxx	Fire Engineer	31869.0	149615.0	61107.00	32243.0	242591.0

Data Representation and Transformation

- After exploring the data, the team would **represent** and **transform** the data in a way that is suitable for analysis and modeling.
- This could include **feature engineering**, **normalization**, and **dimensionality reduction**.

Computing with Data

- Involves using computational techniques to analyze the data, such as **statistical inference, machine learning, and data mining**.
- These can include popular languages such as **R** and **Python**, and many more.

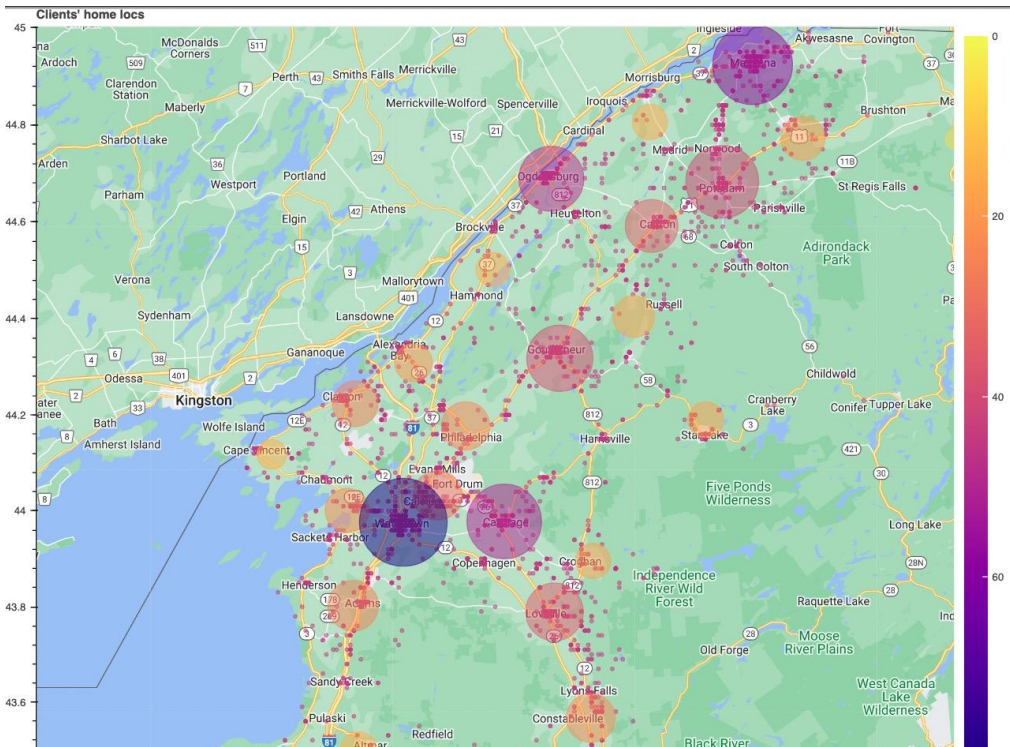
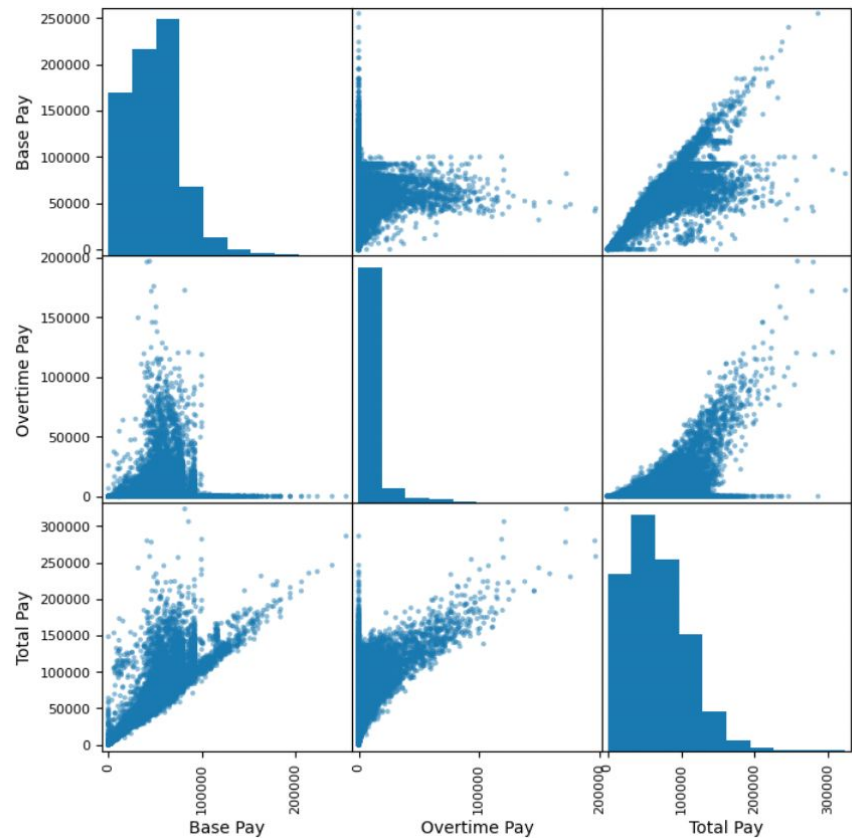
Data Modeling

- In this stage, the data science team would build mathematical models to explain the underlying patterns in the data.
- For example, the data team predict the likelihood of drug efficacy based on patient characteristics using machine learning algorithms, such as logistic regression and decision trees.

Data Visualization and Presentation

- The data team would create visual representations of the data, such as heatmaps and bar charts, to make it easier to understand and interpret the data.
- For example, they could create interactive dashboards that allow the medical team to explore the data and gain insights, and also prepare the results of the project in a way that is easy to understand and present to stakeholders.

Examples of Data Visualization



Science about Data Science

- “Tukey proposed that ‘a science of data analysis’ exists and should be recognized as among the most complicated of all sciences.”
- It involves monitoring the performance of the model, validating the findings, and understanding the ethical and legal implications of the results.
- Additionally, it involves staying current with the latest developments and trends in data science and being able to reflect on the processes and methods used throughout the project.