# **Leo Ding**

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### Education

September 2020 - Present (Expected May 2023)

**New York University** – Joint Computer Science and Data Science Degree GPA: 3.90

Relevant Coursework: Processing Big Data for Analytics Applications, Data Management and Analysis, Probability and Statistics

## **Projects**

- Soccer Analytics
  - o sought to find key metrics to predict winning in soccer
  - analyzed a decade worth of data from three top European leagues
  - used Logistic Regression to classify winners and losers
  - o ran **K-Means** to determine potential difference in skill
  - o found, unsurprisingly, that scoring goals is the main factor for winning
  - o findings also reinforce 'home team advantage' idea
- Hidden Markov Model Part Of Speech Tagger
  - trained algorithm to assign parts of speech to words
  - o made decisions based on prior and word transition probabilities
- Spam Classifier
  - used **TfidfVectorizer** to determine word importance in SMS messages
  - o created a **Logistic Regression** model to classify spam messages
- Movie Ratings Analysis
  - applied Principal Component Analysis to effectively reduce features for analysis
  - used Multiple Linear Regressions to evaluate relationships between movies

#### **Technical Skills**

 Python, Java, PostgreSQL, HDFS, MapReduce, Hive, Impala, Spark, GitHub, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

# **Experience**

Data Science Lead - NASA SPOCS

- automated experiment regarding virulence and antibiotic resistance in E. coli in microgravity environments
- decided data collection and analysis needs for proposed project
- collaborated with university students from USC, UCLA, and UC Berkeley

### **Activities**

I enjoy solving Rubik's Cubes and am a fan of Formula 1.