

**Meetup Attended:** [SF Python](#)

**Date:** 2/12

**Experience:**

It was sponsored by Yelp and we were gathering at its headquarter with food provided. During that “mingling” time, I was able to connect to four participants

- A researcher from Stanford, focusing on how to use machine learning on improving the images quality and speed for MRI scan
- A data scientist/ software engineer who is working for a startup
- A data scientist who work at air pollution project
- A data analyst, who is working toward data scientist through his company’s mentor programs. His company is State Farm

I am very happy that I was able to connect with the data scientist who is working on the air pollution problem, as her background actually is in sustainability. I have connected with on LinkedIn and will follow up with her soon in hope of having a follow up meetup.

The talks that we heard in the last meetup as follow

- Enabling Fastai Multi-GPU/DDP Training in Jupyter Notebook - Phillip Chu
- Python's best AI package - Cameron Smith
- Unittest AsyncMock - Pranay Suresh
- In-Database Machine Learning w PostgreSQL - Nitin Borwankar
- Removing Unfair Bias in Machine Learning - Upkar Lidder

Among them, I found the PostgreSQL most interesting, as that allow fetching data directly into jupyter notebook through SQL. I don’t know much about the different type of SQL out there, however. More research is needed to see if I can bring that to my company.