Unit 9: Looking Ahead

Social Networking

Lesson 60

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Overview of unit

Objectives:
- Understand where to take your data science adventures from here

1. How to think about yourself
2. Building skills
3. Networking
4. Landing a job in data science

Lesson overview

Objectives

- Understand the importance of knowing people

Outline

- Develop and maintain a professional network
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It's important

Second to competence, your social network is the most important resource you have as a data scientist.

It will…
- bring you happiness (fun times, funny memes, and cool projects)
- help you solve problems (sometimes better than stackoverflow)
- bring you opportunities (jobs, ideas, activities)

How to do it

- Attend meetups (even virtual ones)
- Attend conferences/workshops
  - They're often free while you're a student!
- Join clubs (or start them)
- Contribute to open-source projects / initiatives
- Give tutorials & lessons

Start now.

You belong in the community!

✓ You like working with data

✓ You're interested in doing more cool data science projects

✓ You know how to SSH into a Unix server

Lesson wrap-up

Takeaways

- Get connected to the community
- Grow your professional social network

Up next

- Landing a job