**Data Science Meet up in St. Louis, MO**

**Using Digital Workers to Solve Business Problems**

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**Notes:**

The meet up group I’ve attended was very enthusiastic about AI and Machine learning and this is my first meet up that I’ve attending on data science networking. The meet up started with introductions and discussions are ethics in AI, which would also be the next meet up topic and they were looking for volunteers to contribute to this ethics board.

Charles Webb from Avanade (Microsoft and Accenture partnership) company presented various topics on how AI has changed over time and importance of it’s actionable insights. Design-Led AI which human centered, iterative, prototype driven approach for successful AI projects were talked about.

Charles also advised about starting small and not building big Olympic stadium type projects especially for AI since it’s important to experiment before implementing. Also discussed about couple of Microsoft’s AI bot’s Tay’s failure and cause of it’s failure and how it inspired the developer to learn from it’s mistakes and create Zoe its next enhanced bot.

The demos were super informative and showed in real time on some of the AI projects that Avanade is working on such as Computer vision for image processing, Chat bots for text processing and metadata repository sharing. Some of the examples were Sallybot, Intelligent Kiosk and building intelligent offline mobile apps that could be helpful in remote areas for testing water samples.

In conclusion, I’ve gained a good amount exposure on AI and some of the applications that others in industry are working on, which helps me in understanding it’s importance in my career.