ABSTRACT – Data Science is an interdisciplinary field that unifies Statistics, Computer Science, and Domain Expertise to understand, analyze, and extract actionable insights from data. As data science is increasingly adopted by all companies in industry, data scientists are no doubt in high demand in the job market. In this talk, I will share my preliminary understanding of data science, and several interesting projects that I have worked on including data center capacity planning for Google Cloud and national yield forecasting with remote sensing imagery in The Climate Corporation. In addition, I will share my personal experience and the lessons that I have learnt over the past few years of being a Data Scientist in Tech industry.

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