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I interviewed George Palaiokrassas from Greece for this week's #humansofoiss. George is a Postdoc Associate in Electrical Engineering and Yale Institute for Network Science (YINS). He grew up in Athens, Greece and studied electrical & computer engineering at the National Technical University of Athens. George conducted his undergraduate, graduate and postdoc studies there where his research was focused on machine learning and blockchain and he had opportunities to attend many conferences. Eventually he decided to join Yale for new experiences abroad.

At Yale, George's group's study focuses on blockchain, networks and artificial intelligence. His recent work on decentralized finance on blockchain was just published at a conference, where he was able to analyze the blockchain data ever since the first block was created with new algorithms that he developed. There are many topics surrounding blockchain such as cryptography, security, decentralized applications, privacy, and attack detection. By understanding blockchain better, we can improve its security and have a transparent network with data that can't be tampered. He is also a member of the programme committee of international conferences and journals. In the future, he would love to continue in academia and become a professor.

George is a sports fan. He is part of the intramural basketball team and also enjoys working out - I can verify this since I run into at the gym a lot. He enjoys great food as well and told me that Yorkside pizza has good Greek food, such as spanakopita and souvlaki.

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