Stat 222: Mousestyles participation

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1 Self evaluation

Email me a 3-page self evaluation with [STAT222 SELFEVAL] in the subject line by 5PM on Friday, May 13th.

Your self evaluation should be structured as follows:

- 1. Briefly describe your background.
- 2. Discuss two significant pull request that you worked on for the final project.
- 3. Discuss one pull request for which you did a significant part of the review.
- 4. Conclude by answering a few questions.

For most of you, the project workflow was probably new. So I would particularly like to hear how you adapted to the process and which parts you found most difficult to master. Were there specific barriers you had to overcome? How did you do that?

1.1 Background

In a paragraph briefly describe your programming background. Have you worked on any big software projects before? How much experience with Git and Python did you have before this class? Had you ever written automated unit tests before? Had you ever had your code peer-reviewed before?

1.2 Pull requests

Choose two pull requests that you worked on for the final project. It is OK to discuss a pull request, which was ultimately not merged in the project repository either because it is unfinished or because it was rejected. One of the pull requests should involve you contributing a significant function or piece of code. The other pull request should involve you working on the text of the report. Please provide links to the two pull requests.

For each pull request discuss the review process. How did your code or text contribution evolve during the review process? Did you uncover bugs or errors in your code and/or text as a result of the review process or the tests? If you cowrote the pull request, please list your coauthors. Did you rebase or merge from upstream master? How did you decide whether to merge from master or rebase? In the end, was your pull request merged? Why or why not? What did your pull request contribute to the overall project?

1.3 Pull request review

Choose one pull request for which you did a significant part of the review. Please include a link to the pull request.

Describe what the pull request included (e.g., what functions or part of the report did it address). Did you find any errors in the code or text? How did the pull request author(s) respond to your review? Where you able to improve the pull request? If so, in what way did you improve it?

1.4 Questions

Finally address the following questions:

- 1. How did you improve your understanding of Git and Python during the project? Did you do outside reading? If so, what resources did you find helpful?
- 2. How did you help organize the work that your team did?
- 3. What did you contribute to the team (in addition to the above pull requests)?
- 4. What did you learn about your project that you think was most surprising or interesting?
- 5. Is there anything else you think I should know?
- 6. What is the most valuable thing you got out of the class?
- 7. Which aspect of the class did you find least valuable?

2 General instructions

Here are few things to keep in mind while working on your self evaluation:

- 1. Take responsibility for failures and shortcomings.
- 2. Do not embellish.
- 3. Outline constraints you faced as well as reasons performance was hampered.

- 4. Include your weakness, but view them as opportunities for improvement.
- 5. Provide feedback on your experience during the project, course, and program.
- 6. Stay objective.
- 7. Demonstrate areas of growth.
- 8. Highlight skills acquired.
- 9. Include a discussion of problem-solving abilities you used during the project.