



«Human-Centered Data Science»

Exercise 2

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Changes to the programming assignments

No more mandatory reflection assignments for the exercises!

In order to actively participate in this course, you need to fulfil the following requirements:

- » You need to submit (n-1) written reflections and actively do them [planned are 11]
- » You need to submit (n-1) scheduled (programming) assignments and actively work on them [planned are 6]

Each actively done reflection / assignment gives you **1 point**. You need **(n-1) points** for each submission type.

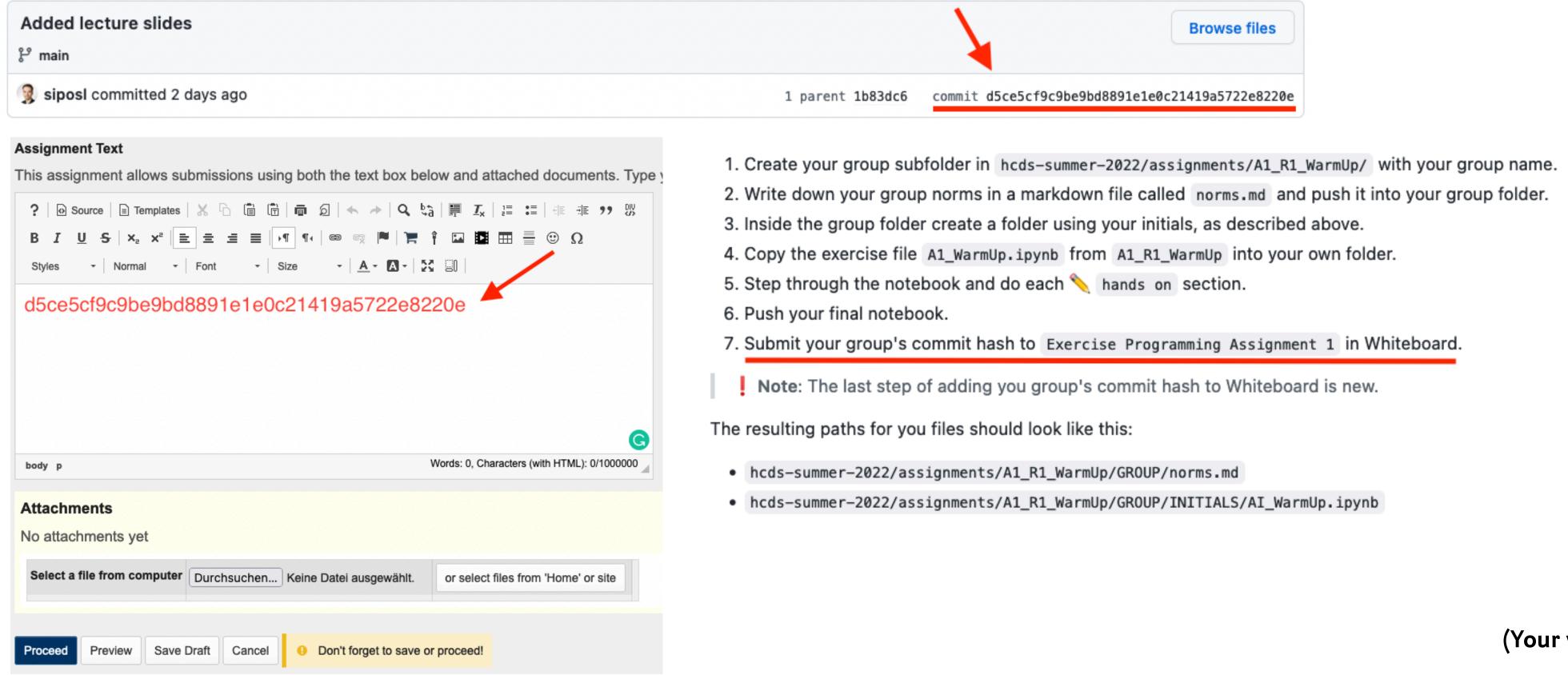
» Please commit a **feedback.txt** file to your assignment folder!





Changes to the programming assignments

You need to submit your group's commit hash to Whiteboard!





(Your view may differ)





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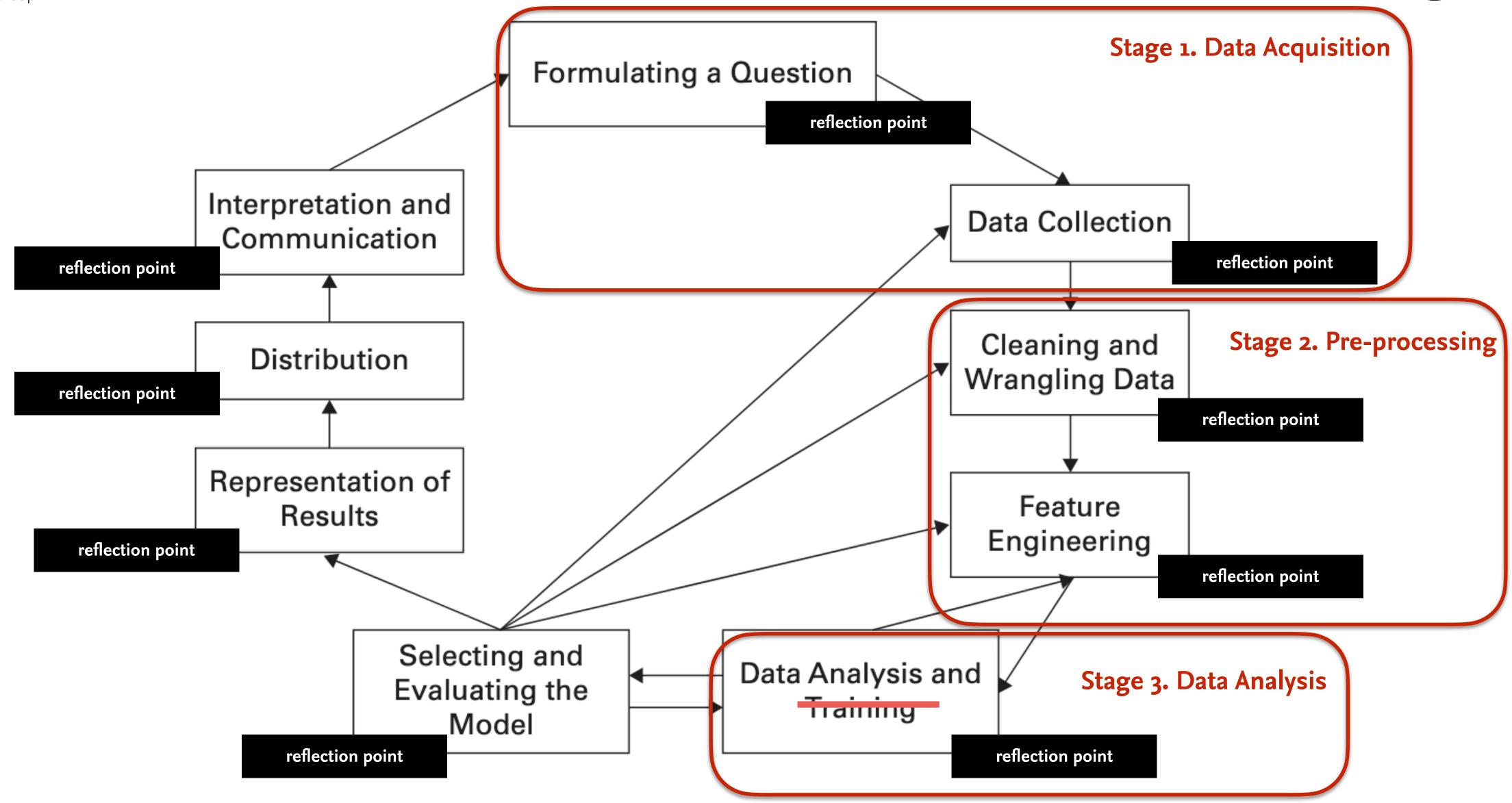
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Data Acquisition, Pre-processing and Data Analysis

https://github.com/FUB-HCC/hcds-summer-2022/wiki/02_exercise











First stages of the data science workflow

Consider the first three stages of a typical DS workflow (data acquisition, processing, analysis)

For each stage, think about:

- » Your prior experiences with it
- » What are you doing there?
- » How do you do it?
- » What are you not supposed to do?

Get into your groups!

We get back together at: 11:05 a.m.







Data Acquisition

What to do:

- Precise formulation of your question
- Look at the web (Google, Kaggle, Github, Iris Privacy Concern)
- Understanding how the data was generated
- Reputation of data source
- Properly design your survey

What not to do:

- Don't forget to acquire what have previously decided on
- No mishandling of data (e.g. be mindful with who you share it with)
- Don't overload the source with traffic (i.e. when you are crawling data)

(Result of the group discussion)





Pre-processing

What to do:

- Clean up missing values, outliers
- Think about dropping rows or not
- Think about introducing protected attributes
- Splitting data into training and test
- Scale, normalize the data properly
- Think about your data structures (e.g. sparse matrices)
- Think about feature selection and dimensional reduction
- Packages: Numpy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, Pyspark

What not to do:

- Don't just use the mean of numerical data (e.g. replacing missing values with it)
- Don't introduce more biases
- Don't give up
- Don't rush through it (spend about 70-80% of your time on it)
- Don't obfuscate your data

(Result of the group discussion)







Data Analysis

What to do:

- Look at rows with missing values; is there are pattern?
- Think about your axes
- Look at the outliers
- Visualize your dataset
- Plotting: Matplotlib, Plotly
- Try to understand your data (e.g. patterns, relationships)

What not to do:

- Axes: Don't cut them off
- Don't fool yourself or others (e.g. don't present your data to suite your question)

(Result of the group discussion)





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Next Time

you will have ...

- 1. actively participated in the lecture
- 2. submitted the first lecture reflection (Due 05.05.22 4 p.m.)
- 3. submitted the first programming assignment (Due 10.05.22 10 a.m.)
- 4. survived last week (and hopefully enjoyed it)

Have fun!

