

Guidelines for using Discord in this competition

Ask questions to your fellow data scientists on Discord, server: "Data Science Competition 2023" ([invite link](#)). You are also allowed to ask questions to the lab that contacted you, represented here by Natacha Galmiche (natacha.galmiche@uib.no) either on the "general-questions" and "technical-issues" channels or by direct messages on Discord if your question really needs to be private.

General

First of all, remember that this Discord server is here to help you learn, and that this document is here so that we can help you more efficiently. It is not impossible that in some cases, ignoring some guidelines is necessary, just try to be reasonable. :)

1. Please, use your real name, it helps us follow-up with you.
2. **Don't hesitate to ask questions** even when they sound silly to you and/or if you think you are the only one having this problem. You are probably helping others as well who were stuck just like you! :) Before sending your question, simply:
 1. Make sure you are in the right channel.
 2. Check if your question has already been asked and answered.
3. **Don't hesitate to reply to each others**, we also learn a lot when we have to explain something! :)
4. To write multiline python code on discord, simply copy paste your python code, and wrap it using ````python` on top and ````` at the end as follows:

```
```python
def myfun():
 print("Hello World!")
```
```

Will be rendered as:

```
def myfun():
    print("Hello World!")
```

5. **Don't use screenshots of your code/errors**. Instead copy paste your code and style it as a multiline python code (see point above). It helps us give you a fixed version of your code.

Asking questions

1. **Make sure that there is a *specific question* in your message**. (e.g. avoid "Here is my code, can someone tell me what is wrong with it?"). If your problem requires greater assistance than a series of specific questions/answers can provide, then group sessions are here to help you!

2. Describe in a few words what you are trying to achieve.
3. **If there is an error** when running your code, **copy paste the error**, and tell us **which line** of your code caused this error.
4. Public posts are preferred over private messages (unless your message includes too much of a working solution). Thus, your post may help other students, even if it seemed a priori very specific to you. You will also get an answer more quickly since any of us can reply.