

# Welcome to CSS 2!!

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# *Who are you?*

Name

Year and Major

Something you're passionate about or like to do in spare time

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## Lectures:

M / W / F, 8:00-8:50am  
CENTR 222

## Lab:

M, 11:00-11:50am  
W, 9:00-9:50am  
ERCA 117



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If you need to miss a lab or lecture, shoot me an email ahead of time so we can figure out how to keep you on track!

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My commitments to you:

1. Health and safety come first
2. We will stay up to date with the latest UCSD policies
3. I will do everything I can to make this a supportive and successful learning environment!

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Course website: <https://ucsd-css-002.github.io>



View syllabus, class schedule, policies



Download lecture notes, access other resources



UCSD CSS 2

## Welcome to CSS 2

This course explores the use of computational methods across the social sciences. Topics include thinking like a computational social scientist; research design for big data; legal and ethical dimensions of Computational Social Science (CSS). Students will implement demonstrations of these methods in Python.

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## Resources

Campuswire: <https://campuswire.com/p/GAEAAD197>

Use code **2109** to join the course



Ask questions about homework or labs



View other students' questions and the answers they got



Lend a hand by answering other students' questions!



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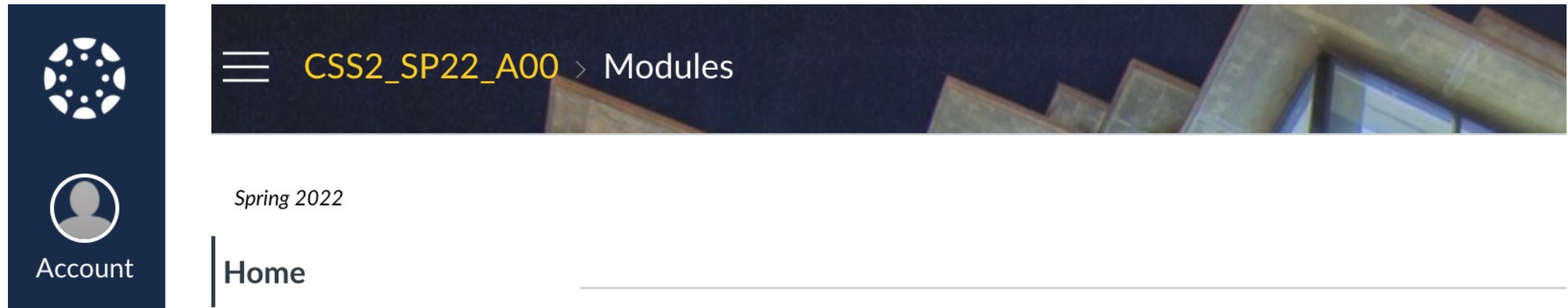
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Canvas: <https://canvas.ucsd.edu/courses/36054>

💡 View grades





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Datahub: <https://datahub.ucsd.edu/>



View, work on, and submit problem sets and labs



Create new jupyter notebook files for taking notes



View feedback from graded problem sets and labs



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  - Group work meant to be finished during the lab
  - Due one week after lab in case you need more time to finish
- Purpose: practice the things demonstrated in lecture, teach and learn from your classmates (and Purva!)

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  - Individual work meant to be completed outside of class
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Present in lab on 6/1, turn in final version by 6/8

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### Week 1

- Python review



IMPORTANT: if you're struggling with the review material this week, we will need to figure out how to get you up to speed!

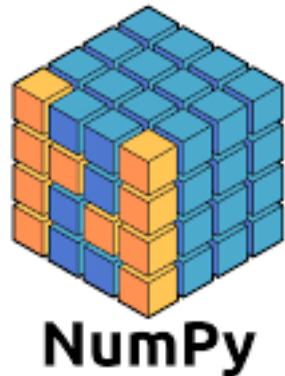
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## Week 2

- Python tools for doing data science
  - numpy
  - pandas



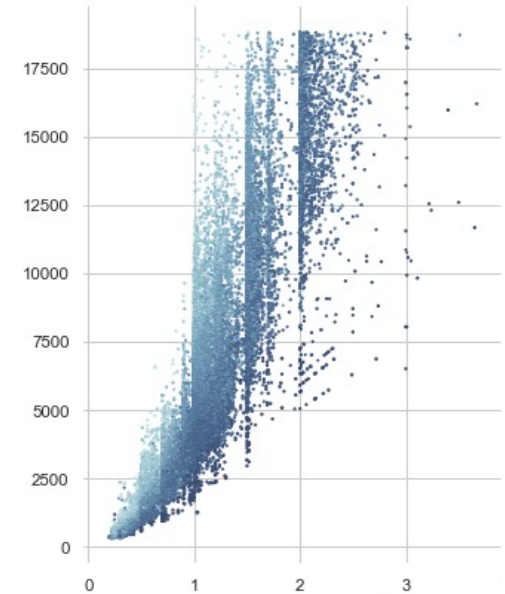
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## Week 3

- Python tools for graphing data
  - matplotlib
  - seaborn



NOTE: in week 3 we will have two *guest lectures* and one recorded lecture so things may be a little hectic!

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## Week 4

- Python data modeling fundamentals
  - cleaning and structuring your data
  - formatting and processing your data



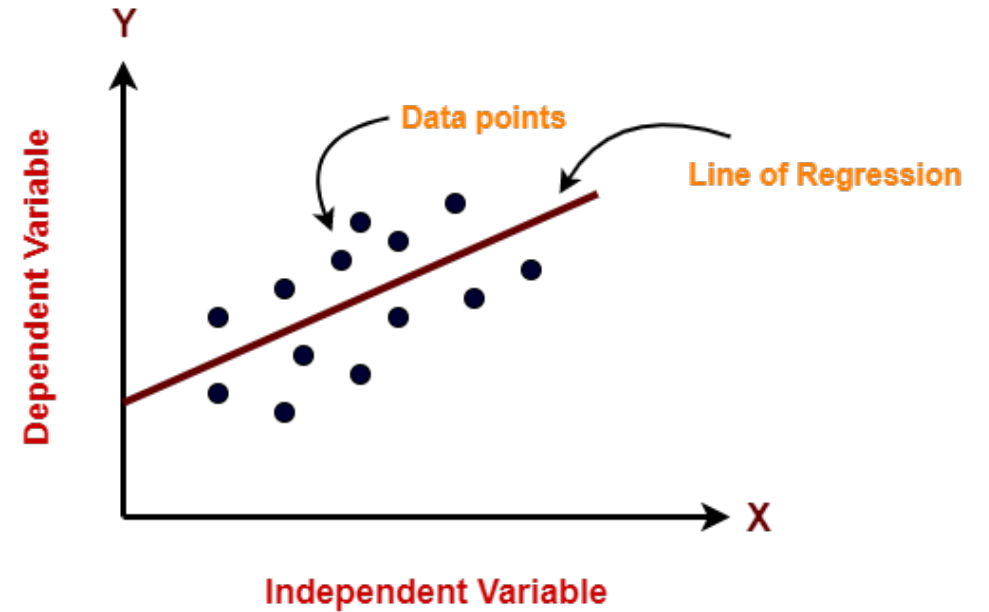
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## Week 5

- Using models to make *predictions*
  - linear regression and friends



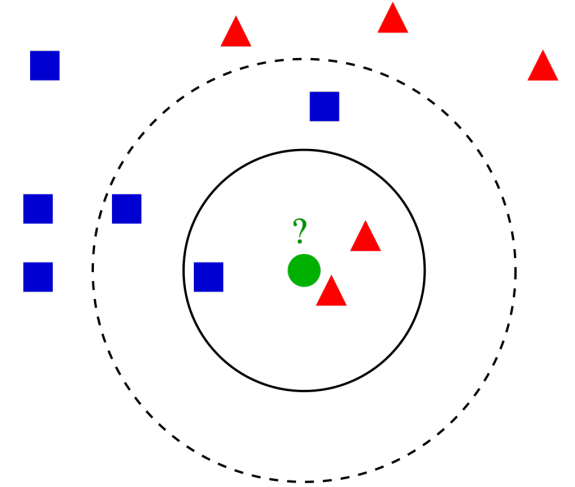
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## Week 6

- Using models to perform *classification*
  - k-nearest neighbors, logistic regression, and friends



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## Week 7

- Using models to perform *classification* cont'd.
- Special topic: ethics in data science





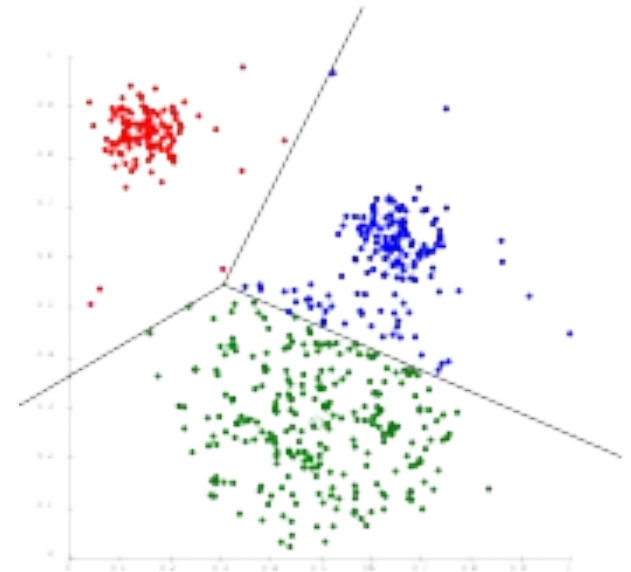
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## Week 8

- Using models to perform *clustering*
  - *supervised* versus *unsupervised* modeling
  - k-means clustering and friends



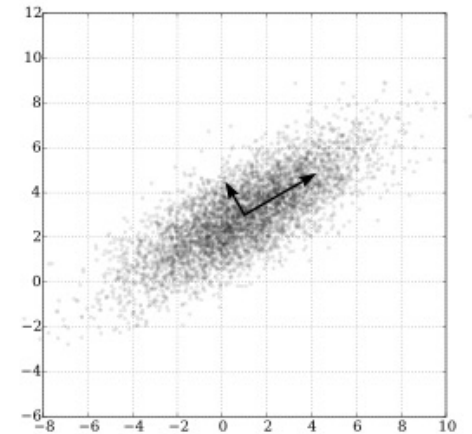
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## Week 9

- Using models to perform *dimensionality reduction*
  - principal components analysis and friends



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## Week 10

- Review
- Plus work on your final projects

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*Questions?*

