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Week 2

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CU_M Important Notes for New ML Students ★



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- There is a Discussion Forum area for every numbered Week of the course. Each weekly forum area has a FAQ thread pinned to the top. Please see the week's FAQ, before posting a question on the forum, to see if your question has already been answered.
- Watch all of the Week 1 and Week 2 video lectures before you attempt the first programming assignment.
- The submit script has been modified since the videos were recorded. It no longer asks for what part of the exercise you want to submit. It automatically grades any function you have modified.
- If the submit script crashes with an error message, please read the FAQ thread in the Week 2 Discussion Forum area.
- There are additional test cases and tutorials listed in the Resources menu (in the left-side menu). The test cases are especially helpful in debugging in



situations where you get the expected output in the exercise script, but get no points or errors when submitting



- The submit grader uses its own set of test cases. These test cases use a different size of data set and are more sensitive to small errors than the exercise test cases. Your code must work correctly with any size of data set.
- There are lots of errors in the video lectures. They are documented in the Errata sections of the Resources menu. Please do not report any errata on the Forum unless it is missing from the Errata lists.
- There are no penalties for late work for the weekly deadlines. The weekly deadlines are only there to help you stay on schedule.
- This course offers a certificate - for a fee. If you choose to purchase the certificate, you have 180 days to finish the course from the date you paid the fee. You may need to switch to a later session if you cannot complete the course materials before the session ends. Questions about the certificate should be sent to the Help Center.
- (added 4/16/2017) - Coursera has recently made all of the Discussion Forums from previous course sessions available for current students to view. Be careful when you look at a thread that is a year or two old - lots of things have changed in the course since then - especially what additional Resources are available. And the scripts for submitting your programming exercises for grading were updated in January 2017. So please check the date on a thread before you trust its contents completely.

(added 06 Oct 2017)

- Do not use Octave 4.0.0. It has a defect in one of the functions that are used to submit your work. See the "Resources" menu sections "Installation Issue" or "Tips on Octave OS X" for instructions on getting a newer version.
- Students should NOT be using Octave 3.8.x - it is obsolete and the grader process does not work correctly with certain linux-derived operating systems.
- You may find reference to the "peer certificate" patches, either on the internet or in some older Forum threads. The patches are no longer needed, as those modifications are now built-in to the programming exercise scripts.

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