Code/Model Plagiarism (1 of 2)

What is NOT ok?

- Copying a previous student's models and changing the filename (to avoid detection)
- Copying a previous student's code and
 - doing find/replace so the variable/ function names are different
 - Just adding more comments to the original code
 - Minor reordering of code blocks to try to avoid detection

Detection

- Turnitin on code submissions is easy to get around
- However, I have several Matlab scripts, Excel macros and other tools to compare files and to find big patches of code similarity
- Also, I have run the subject from inception, and the tutors Jonathan and Sheila have been involved from the start too
- The combination of identical files and code which overlaps (without any fundamental IP addition) plus a difficulty explaining pieces of code, makes plagiarism detection and misconduct proceedings straightforward (but emotionally draining for everyone)
- We care about the subject integrity and learning outcomes!!

Code/Model Plagiarism (2 of 2)

- What is ok?
 - Write your own code from scratch
 - Tell us clearly in the demo that you got someone else's model/code and don't want to be marked on it, but you included it for some reason (e.g. safety)
 - Use our subject's, toolbox's (or an internet source's) code/models with clear reference to it

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%% IsCollision
% This is based upon the output of questions 2.5 and 2.6
% Given a robot model (robot), and trajectory (i.e. joint st
% and triangle obstacles in the environment (faces, vertex, facture function result = IsCollision(self,robot,qMatrix,faces,vertex)
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        %% Load the table downloaded from http://tf3dm.com/3d-model/wooden-table-49763.html
        [f,v,data] = plyread('table.ply','tri') File Exchange
         % Scale the colours to be 0-to-1 (they
        vertexColours = [data.vertex.red, data.
                                                       File Exchange now awards reputation points!
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        % Then plot the trisurf
        tableMesh h = trisurf(f, v(:, 1), v(:, 2),
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        keyboard
                                                                          Loading colour an manipulating ply model files into Matlab using plyread
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        % clf
        % Load R2D2 from % http://tf3dm.com/3d-model/puo-4029-44927.html coloured in Blende
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Let's do better in future!

