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Gathering and Collecting Data

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Question 1

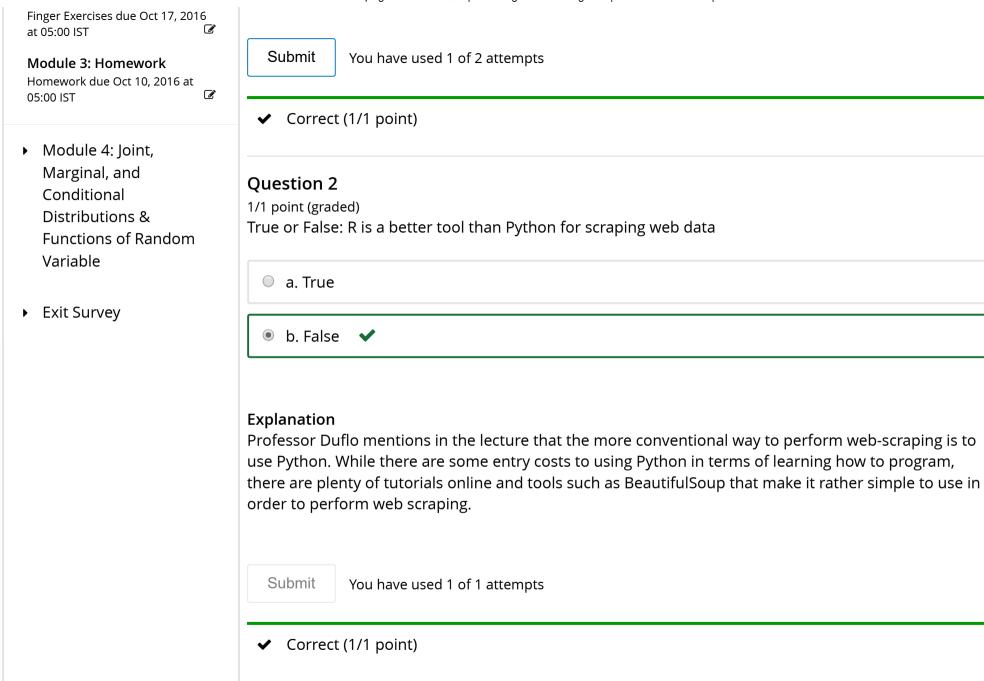
1/1 point (graded) What is "BeautifulSoup"?

- a. A set of tools in R that are preprogrammed to find information on websites
- b. "BeautifulSoup" refers to the API available on some that allows you to easily download data, such as Facebook and Twitter.
- c. A tutorial on web scraping
- d. A set of tools in Python that are preprogrammed to find information on websites



Explanation

As Professor Duflo states in this segment, BeautifulSoup is a Python package that provides tools that are preprogrammed to find information on websites and therefore make web scraping easier, even for those unfamiliar with Python. Most of the things that you might want to do are already available in BeautifulSoup.



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