

Academic Honesty

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Teachers Call It Cheating

We call it teamwork

What is Assignment cheating?

- **Not writing the code yourself**
 - Copying someone's code (email, GitHub); teams can share
 - Having someone else write it
 - Generating it with a tool (AI)
- **Giving your code to someone else**
- **Not citing ≥ 2 copied lines of code:**
// Copied from xyz.ca/ex1.html
 - No need to cite my example code or lectures
- **Submitting work you previously submitted for credit (any course, any university)**



What is Exam Cheating?

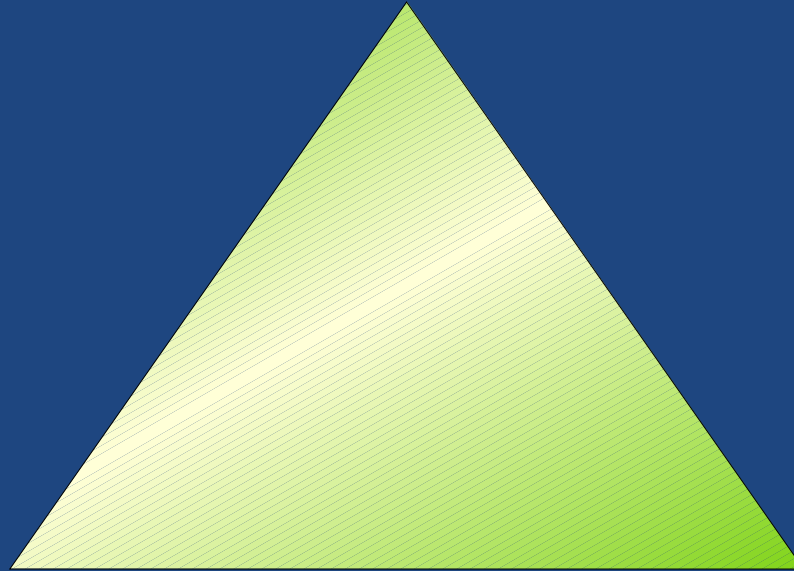


In-Person Exams

- Copying from someone
- Using unacceptable materials during the exam
- Distributing copies of the exam (unauthorized exam material; copyrighted)
- Facilitating someone else to commit academic dishonesty

Fraud Triangle

- Cheating happens in the presence of 3 things:



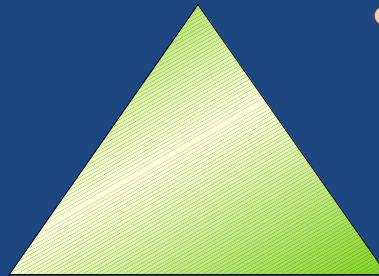
On Reducing Assignment Cheating

Pressure to succeed

- Start early
- Lots of office hours

Rationalize as not unethical

- It cheapens the work of all other students
- Reduces quality of graduates



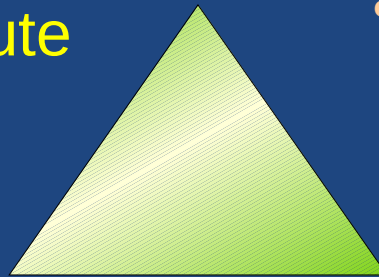
Opportunity to cheat without fear of penalty

- **MOSS run on all solutions**: deep analysis, past assignments
- High penalty for cheating 0 score; report with university
- Content on quizzes / exams

On Reducing Exam Cheating

Pressure to succeed

- Do the assignments to earn marks and learn material
- Study before last minute



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Opportunity to cheat without fear of penalty

- Supervision of exam
- Analysis of MC similarity
- High penalty for cheating (0); report with university; FD?

Helping Friends

- Yes! You can help your friends!
 - You should be done the part they are asking about and you should not use their solution.
 - You should look at their code, not yours.
Don't show them your code or design.
 - You should help them understand, not give them answers.
 - Pretend you are the TA.
- If you pay someone for help, and they don't look at your work then it's cheating.

Use of AI in this course

- Use AI to help you learn by having it:
 - Explain code
 - Quiz you on course content
 - Give debug tips when truly stuck
 - Get help like stack-overflow; must cite e.g., "good C++ random number code")
- Don't use AI to write your code.
Your value to a company is the skills you bring: you must be a strong developer to effectively use AI.
 - Don't let it make design decisions.
 - Don't let it write your code.
 - Don't let it refactor code to clean it up.

I really do care!

- I really do care about:
 - Student learning
 - Student well-being
 - Student accomplishments
 - Student satisfaction
 - Academic honesty
- Please decide that you want to only do your own work.
It's much easier for us all!

