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Exams (40%): Midterm due on March 16th (20%) and final due on May 11th (20%).

Homework (60%): There will be weekly homework and reading assignments.

Books (optional):
- Pattern recognition and machine learning by Christopher Bishop.
- Deep learning by Aaron Courville, Ian Goodfellow, and Yoshua Bengio.

Academic Integrity: GMU is an Honor Code university; please see the Office for Academic Integrity for a full description of the code and the honor committee process. The principle of academic integrity is taken very seriously, and violations are treated gravely. What does academic integrity mean in this course? Essentially this: when you are responsible for a task, you will perform that task. When you rely on someone else’s work in an aspect of the performance of that task, you will give full credit in the proper, accepted form. Another aspect of academic integrity is the free play of ideas. Vigorous discussion and debate are encouraged in this course, with the firm expectation that all aspects of the class will be conducted with civility and respect for differing ideas, perspectives, and traditions. When in doubt (of any kind) please ask for guidance and clarification.

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