

Sabermetrics 101

An Introduction to Baseball Analytics

Discussion Forum Guidelines

The discussion forum for this course presents us with a unique opportunity to collaborate on learning about sabermetrics, and how to apply data science and statistics to conduct our own analysis and exploration.

Accordingly, we ask that you use the discussion space as:

- A forum for discussing topics raised in the course.
- A medium to discuss questions about assignments with peers and course staff.
- A medium for collaboration and the exchange of ideas.
- An online meeting place for social interaction among peers.

In order for discussion boards to run smoothly, please refer to the guidelines below for basic discussion netiquette. Please remember that the participants in the MOOC come from all over the world, representing a variety of cultures and speaking many different languages. Be respectful of others and be aware of the tone of your posts. A few guidelines are outlined below.

- Observe the honor code. We encourage collaboration and help, but please avoid posting or asking for answers.
- Before posting, read what others have previously posted to avoid repeating comments. You can always upvote good posts. (To do so, click on the green “plus” button so that good posts and/or responses can be found more easily. You can search by votes to find the most interesting posts.)
- Never use derogatory language or make insensitive comments. (Please flag inappropriate posts).
- Do not personally attack people. It’s fine to disagree, but use facts and reasons to back up an argument, not personal attacks.
- Stick to the topic of the discussion board.

- Remember that humor is often difficult to convey in text – avoid it if people might not understand what you are trying to say.
- Avoid slang and use appropriate spelling – given the diversity in the class, what might mean something to you will not mean the same thing to someone else. Correct spelling and grammar will help others to understand you and provide useful responses. Avoid using ALL CAPS, abbrv of wrds (abbreviation of words), and excessive punctuation!!!!!!!!!!
- If you reference something, please provide everyone with the link or reference.
- Notify the course staff of bugs or technical issues. Include [STAFF] at the beginning of your post's title – this will help us identify your question or problem and respond to it.

For more information, you can also refer to discussion board best practices at edX.org: [Getting the Most Out of edX Discussion Forums](#).