Collaboration Policy

• Collaboration of any sort on all matters that are not graded is strongly encouraged.

• On Projects, any reference materials may be used except solutions from past years, which can not be consulted in any way.

• On Projects, students may discuss the problems at length with one another, including derivations on the blackboard. But there can be no written transcript whatsoever of a session — upon terminating the session, the blackboard must be erased, and any take-away must be exclusively in each student’s own head. The same applies to discussions with TAs or Instructors.

• The Projects, and the above collaboration rules, are designed to help students learn the material most effectively. The associated assessment (see “Course Information”) is designed to best test students as to what they really know — and can effectively use — in a real-world context.

Students must do their part by honoring the rules. Violations of these rules will be dealt with as per section 10.2 of the MIT Policies and Procedures. If a student is in doubt as to what constitutes acceptable collaboration, he or she should contact an instructor.