

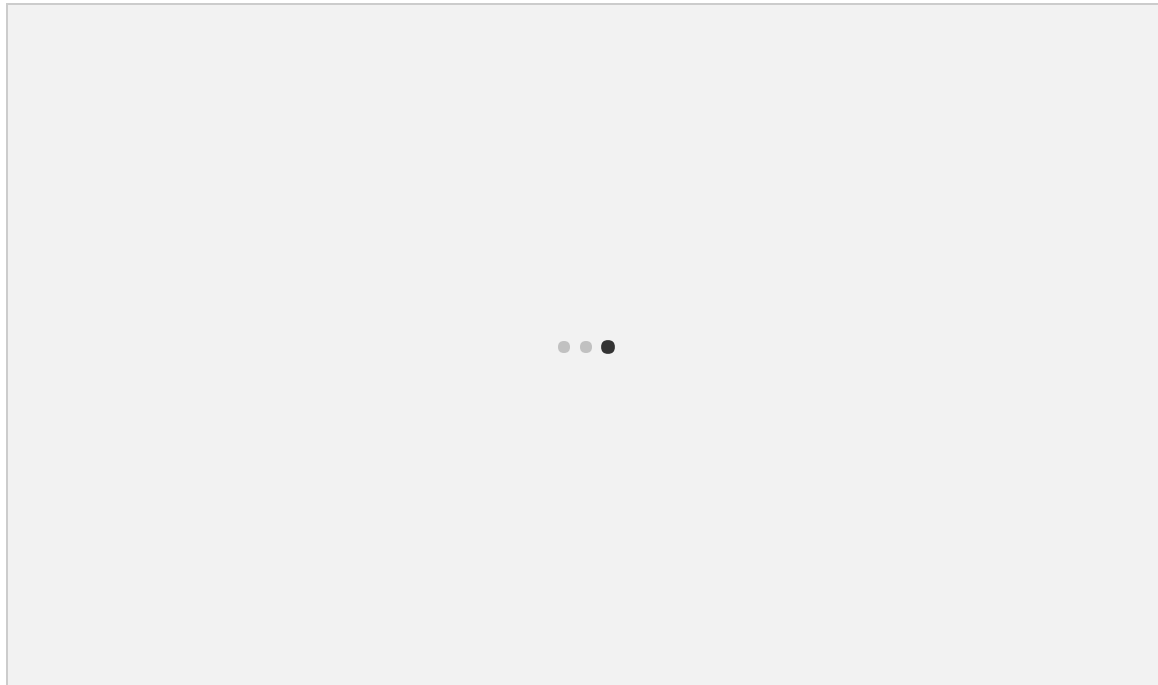
Group Update Presentations

Due: start of class, Wednesday 3/15

In class on Wednesday, each group will present an update of their work so far on their research project. These presentations are expected to be shorter than the prior presentations, lasting 9 minutes each, with 3 minutes allotted for the class to ask questions following each presentation. These presentations should outline your groups' progress since the last presentation, particularly in regards to the finalization of your research question, experimental design (if conducting a laboratory experiment), and any implementation accomplished thus far. At a high level, I'd expect each group to be converging on the fourth phase and beginning to transition to the fifth phase of the research process outlined in *Methodological Fit in*

Management Field Research:

- Design a study
- Collect and analyze data



You'll note that one limitation in the above model is there is no "implementation" phase, which is often a critical (and time-consuming!) phase of research. Remember that this process is iterative - you might have changed certain aspects of your research question or experimental design since the last presentation - that's OK (but make sure to detail it in your presentation).

The things I'm looking for this time around are:

- Has the group finalized their specific research question?
- Has the group more-or-less finalized their study design (thinking about independent and dependent variables, control conditions, measures, reliability and validity, etc. as appropriate)

- Has the group started any implementation yet (e.g., initial robot programming or developing the experimental task)?
- Does the group's plan seem feasible within the bounds of getting to some data collection and analysis by the end of the semester?
- Do all group members seem to be contributing? Make sure that everyone gives some part of the presentation

You can structure the presentation however you'd like, although my recommendation is something along the lines of:

- Introduction: Re-introduce all members of the group and remind us what your topic is
- What is your specific research question (i.e., in one sentence)? Has this changed since the last presentation?
- Walk us through your study design (highlight any portions that have changed since the last presentation)
- How will you ensure reliability and validity? What kinds of measures do you plan to use? Note that these questions are important to consider even for non-laboratory studies
- What has been accomplished so far?
- What is your group's timeline for the rest of the semester? (e.g., see the research phases above)