

1 Timeline

- September:
 - Discuss starting process, goals, and methodology for the project.
 - Start collecting data and begin code work to implement methodology (i.e., begin analysis).
- October:
 - Continue code work and analysis.
 - Likely more discussions over methods and perhaps some preliminary results.
- November:
 - Continue code work and analysis.
 - Begin creating poster with current results for presentation.
- December:
 - Continue code work and analysis some more.
 - Continue working on poster and associated presentation (begin to finalize it here would be ideal).
- January:
 - Finish poster if not finished already.
 - Present poster with some preliminary results.
 - Begin writing out thesis
 - Should be enough at this point for Chapters 1 - 4 in the outline and some of Chapter 5.
- February:

- More code work and analysis.
 - Continue to work on thesis.
 - Consider starting presentation for seminar here.
- March:
- More analysis. For the thesis, this might start wrapping up soon.
 - Continue to work on thesis.
 - Start working on seminar presentation if not already. Otherwise, continue working on it.
- April:
- Continue analysis.
 - Continue working on thesis.
 - Finalize and give seminar presentation.
 - At this point, it may be worth shifting the main focus from data analysis to working on the presentation and thesis.
- May:
- Start wrapping up data analysis if not already.
 - Continue working on/editing thesis.
 - A workable draft (or at least a rough draft) of the thesis should be done by this point.
- June:
- Ensure data analysis is done by this point.
 - Edit thesis and start to prepare for thesis defense.
- July:

- Finish thesis and continue preparing for thesis defense.
- Defend thesis.
- Post defense, begin month long sleep/hibernation.

· August:

- Continue month of continuous sleep/hibernation until new semester.
- Repeat the whole process again with a much larger project and longer time period and more publications for PhD dissertation.

A few notes to be had here:

- Readings are assumed to be seeded throughout the whole processes and are omitted for the sake of brevity.
- Meetings and discussions are also assumed to happen throughout the process and are also omitted after October for the sake of brevity.
- This point was forgotten before written...