1. What is your project topic? (please give the title and a brief description)

2. What are the data sources (links)? and briefly describe the data. (ex1) number of samples and features for tabular data (ex2) scraped (text/sound/image or other type) data from xyz website that has N training examples

3. Have you done some exploratory data analysis/visualization and started initial approach?

Initial approach can include:

1) search for research papers or internet articles or someone else's git to reference

2) you have some ideas and are on a way to implementing those

\*\* Please share with us what your findings are through your initial search and initial analysis and any concerns or questions, or the areas that you want us to help or comment on. We'll give feedback on those.

\*\* Please do not worry about the formality of this short report nor spend too much time/effort refining the writing. This is for the progress checking so that students are on track with their projects and so we can suggest ways to avoid a rabbit hole or time consuming direction. Please think of it as your opportunity to get early feedback from us and make your project more successful.

\*\* We will also hold zoom discussion sessions during the regular lecture time, office hours, as well as additional by-appointment zoom meeting as requested. Attendance is not graded on those, but please take an advantage of more feedback as much as you'd like.

\*\* This progress check-ins will be graded not based on the content or how refined the writing is or whether your team is making a progress or not, but will be based on whether submitted or not; everyone gets scores if they submit something about their progress. One consolidated submission is enough per each team. The grade will be some small portion of the final project (say 10%, that means as long as your team submit something through progress check-ins, you'll earn 10% in the final project)

\*\* For the time management wise, if you have done item 1 and 2, and are doing 3, you're doing well. If you are still looking for project topic (step1), and/or data (step2), you may need to speed up a little- please reach out to us for discussion (or we will also reach out your team if we find through your progress report submission that somehow your team needs more speed)