

Home Work - 08

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Technical Presentation—Self Critique

1. I think I was able to effectively express what I intended. I incorporated as many videos and pictures as possible to get my point across and I believe it helped.
2. Compared to the lightning talk my delivery was much better. However, I can work on my speaking speed. From watching myself talk, the feeling I get is that the pace I talk at varies a lot throughout the presentation. Sometimes it becomes too slow, other times too fast. There were a few stutters in the beginning part of the presentation. I also tend to end my sentences at a low volume which can make it hard to understand. In terms of distracting mannerism, I was frequently fixing my mask.
3. I think I was dressed appropriately. Dress Codes in CS conferences aren't as heavily enforced from what I've gathered from watching conference talks. So in that regard, I think my attire was fine.
4. I think my presentation had an appropriate number of slides. I was also prepared in case the demo video doesn't work (and it didn't work) by keeping a copy of the video with me.
5. I tried to keep my presentation easily approachable. I tried to keep the technical aspects as high level as possible and I believe I was successful in doing that. From the questions I received, I would say some people understood it all while some didn't.
6. I practiced my presentation multiple times standing up with a timer and made adjustments to the slides in order to make everything fit together within the time limit. Compared to my previous presentation, I think this time my preparation was more effective.
7. I was well within the time limit with my presentation. However, with questions I went slightly over time (by 30 seconds I believe).

I didn't do anything in particular to manage the time for questions and answers.

8. The most important thing I learned is that you need to practice your presentation no matter how well you think you already know the subject.