The Honours Stage Project

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Assessments and submissions

1. Github assignment   Now

2. Ethics checklist   T1 Week 4

   - *May require further ethics approval*

3. Project Definition Document (10%)   T1 Week 4

4. Interim report and midway review   January exam period

5. Final report, software and demo (80%)   T2 Week 12

Definitive dates are on Canvas

Module aims

- To allow you, over two trimesters
  - To demonstrate all-round ability to tackle a substantial piece of discipline-related investigation or design and development work
  - To develop and show project, time and risk management skills
  - To bring the task to a successful conclusion with a quality report, documentation, and presentation
  - To show an appreciation of the social, ethical, professional and commercial aspects of your work
  - To develop in-depth knowledge of your chosen subject area
- It builds upon many of the preceding modules and employs the competencies developed by them.
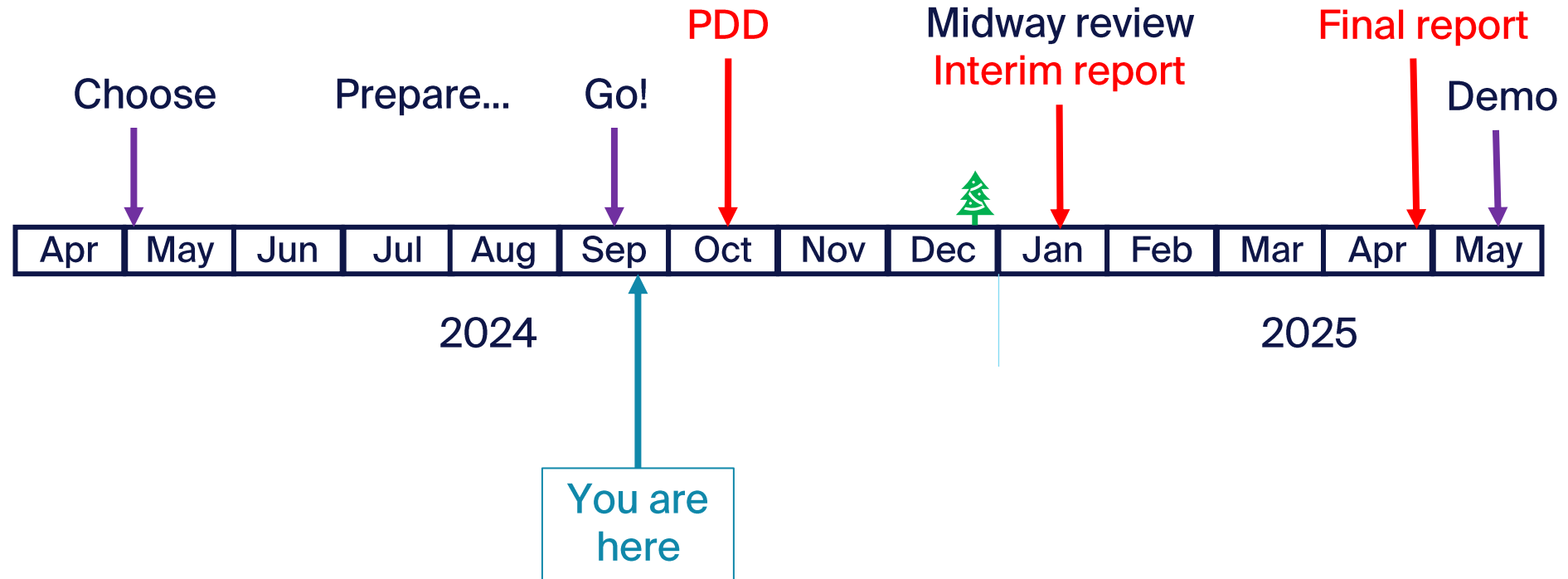
What do you have to do?

- Trimester 1:
  - Github repository (now)
  - Project Definition Document (week 4)
  - Ethics checklist (week 4)

- Trimester 2:
  - Interim Report and Midway Review (Assessment week after Christmas)
  - Ethics review if necessary
  - Final report (week 12 of trimester 2)
    - Demonstration/viva, Software, Video

Project timeline

Support

- Project Supervisor
  - Support and guidance
  - Weekly individual supervision meetings
  - Monitors progress
  - Advises on scope and direction
  - Does *not* manage the project!
- Project second marker
  - All projects are double-marked
  - Second marker offers a different viewpoint
- Lectures
  - Cover important topics and give guidance
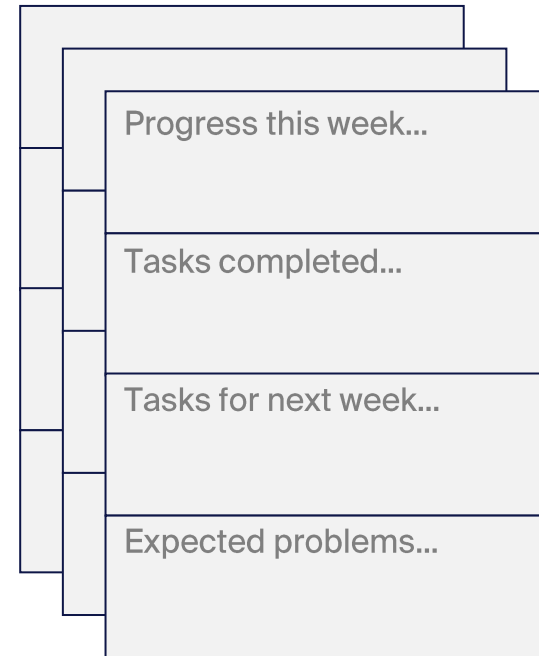
Supervision – what you can expect

- You should expect that your supervisor will:
  - Meet with you each week and monitor your progress
  - Give you advice and guidance on your project
  - Comment on draft reports
- Your supervisor will not:
  - Proof-read your work
  - Drive the project for you
- Your supervisor may not be an expert in the specific subject area of your project!

Your responsibilities

- Your supervisor will expect you to:
  - Work independently
  - Attend all weekly meetings
  - Prepare for meetings in advance
  - Provide materials for comment in plenty of time
  - Organise demonstrations
  - Communicate
  - Manage your time
- But don't be afraid to ask for help

Weekly meetings

- Prepare!

- What have you been doing?

- How are you doing relative to your plan?

- What are you going to do?

- What is blocking your way?

Progress this week...

Tasks completed...

Tasks for next week...

Expected problems...

What to do now?

- **Contact your supervisor**
  - Arrange an initial meeting as soon as possible
  - At that meeting, schedule your regular weekly meetings
- Complete the Github assignment on Canvas
- Do some background reading
- Start thinking about the PDD
  - More details tomorrow
- Start thinking about the ethics review
  - More details next week

- Don't wait!