

Course project

Project plan due: Oct 23

Deliverable 2: Project plan

The *project plan* will carry 5% of your overall class grade. The proposal should be no more than 2 pages long (including any references). Contents should include:

- the names of all team member(s) and a finalized project title
- a concrete problem statement, no more than a paragraph
- a literature survey, no more than 4-5 references,
- a description of the dataset(s) you will be using,
- a description of the model(s) you will be considering, along with precise statements of what the input is, what the output is, and how you will implement it,
- and a description of anticipated project outcomes. If there are any challenges or concerns, please raise them.

Project plans will be graded uniformly based on answers to the above points. Plan documents should be uploaded in PDF form on Gradescope. If there are multiple team members, then *only one* of you should upload the project plan on Gradescope, while making sure that you have marked your team members during submission.

The goals of the project plan is to:

- finalize your thinking about your project,
- get started with some initial experiments,
- give me a second chance to give you feedback.

The proposal was the idea phase, and most of you had very good project ideas. The project plan moves you closer to realizing those ideas, and the stakes are a bit higher. Start carefully thinking about what precise steps are required for your idea to work. Start to download datasets and/or models. Start running a few preliminary experiments on toy datasets perhaps. You don't need to report any results (those will be needed in the Project Update around Thanksgiving) but at this point, you should have a sense of whether your idea is going to work out or not.