

There are two final project presentations, and you and your group should plan to attend exactly one of them. The first is December 4th from 2-5pm. The second is December 14th from 2-4pm. *We highly recommend attending the first.* As your project writeup is due on December 5th, you will not be graded on any work done after this date. The first date will include colleagues from across the university who will discuss your work with you. Please invite your department to this first session. Both will be in Gross Hall 3rd floor (Winter Garden).

1 Project poster

If you are presenting your poster at the main poster session (highly recommended) on December 4th, 2013 from 2-5pm in Gross Hall 3rd floor (Winter Garden):

- The poster template should be 36×42 (It does not matter which orientation they are, as long as one side is 36 inches and the other is 42)
 - See <http://phdposters.com/templates.php>, 42" high templates for a PowerPoint template
 - See <https://www.sharelatex.com/templates/> for Beamer L^AT_EX templates (ensure they are 36×42)
- Name your poster `<netid>_poster.pdf` for the member of your group that will act as contact if there are problems with the PDF
- At the top of your poster, clearly put the title of the project and the names and NetIDs of every member of your group
- Your poster should minimally have a motivation panel, a data panel, a methods panel, and a results panel (the largest of the panels by far)
- Images and figures play a big role in explaining approaches and results. Both in the poster and paper, think carefully about what figures will guide your discussion
- Convert this poster to a PDF and carefully look over the PDF to ensure that it has all of your images and equations on it
- Upload a single PDF poster per group to the dropbox on Sakai on Monday 12/2 before 5pm (the earlier the better). There is a limit on the size of files that can be uploaded to Sakai, so pay attention to this when you are uploading.
- Send us an email (sta561-ta@duke.edu) when you have uploaded your poster and you are ready to have it printed. Include in the email the name of the poster.
- *If the PDF of the poster goes up to Sakai later than 5pm on Monday 12/2, it will be your responsibility (both logistically and financially) to get it printed*

- Some departments and groups (e.g., CBB) have in-house free poster printing. If you have the ability to do this, see if you can plan for this (and you might be able to get it printed later than the class deadline)

At the poster session on Wednesday, Dec 4th from 2-5pm:

- We will set up your poster for you
- You should show up at 2pm and expect to stay until 5pm, as a group
- If you or any member of your group cannot be there the whole time (this is fine), please send us an email so we can make sure we have an opportunity to talk with everyone (sta561-ta@duke.edu)
- Bring along at least five 8.5×11 (normal paper sized) miniature-sized printouts of your poster (they don't need to be color) – the TAs and the professor will pick these up to remember the work and the presentation
- You will not be graded on your poster; however, your grade will depend on the ability of each member of the group to explain parts of the project to the professor and TAs

2 Project write-up

- The project write-up should be in the format described by the template on the course website
- *All write ups are due on Thursday, Dec 5th by 5pm on Sakai, regardless of when you are presenting at the poster session.* There are no late days for the project write ups
- The write up should be four pages long, not counting bibliography
- Please write the name, department, and NetIDs of each of the group members clearly on the top of the writeup
- The write up should consist minimally of the following sections
 - Abstract
 - Introduction/Motivation (may include related work section)
 - Models and Methods
 - Results (including comparisons and validation)
 - Conclusions
 - Bibliography (not included in four page limit, so cite often)

3 Final exam (CS students taking this course for AI/ML credit only)

- Please show up to *one of the two* poster sessions (ideally the first one)
- We will administer the final exam during the first hour or so of the poster session
- For the remaining time in the poster session, you can stand by your poster and talk to people about your project work
- The TAs and professor are aware you are taking the final, so they will make sure they come and talk to you about your poster and project after you have finished with the final