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## Dedication

“Hello, world.”

## Acknowledgment

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## Abstract

37 From 150 to 200 words of short, direct and complete sentences, the abstract should  
38 be informative enough to serve as a substitute for reading the entire SP document  
39 itself. It states the rationale and the objectives of the research. In the final Special  
40 Problem document (i.e., the document you'll submit for your final defense), the  
41 abstract should also contain a description of your research results, findings, and  
42 contribution(s).

43 Suggested keywords based on ACM Computing Classification system can be found  
44 at [https://dl.acm.org/ccs/ccs\\_flat.cfm](https://dl.acm.org/ccs/ccs_flat.cfm)

45 **Keywords:** Keyword 1, keyword 2, keyword 3, keyword 4, etc.

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<small>68</small>		fully describe the figure in a concise manner such that there is no	
<small>69</small>		need to refer to the text when figuring out the graphic. . . . .	2



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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Overview of the Current State of Technology

This section gives the reader an overview of the specific technology or field in the international or local setting. The information regarding the technology or field should be contemporary and not based on outdated sources. Discussion must not be too technical or too detailed.

This section ends with a discussion on the problem/s faced by or that still exist in the specific technology or field (e.g., limitations of existing software or algorithms). The problem statement would lead to the research objectives.

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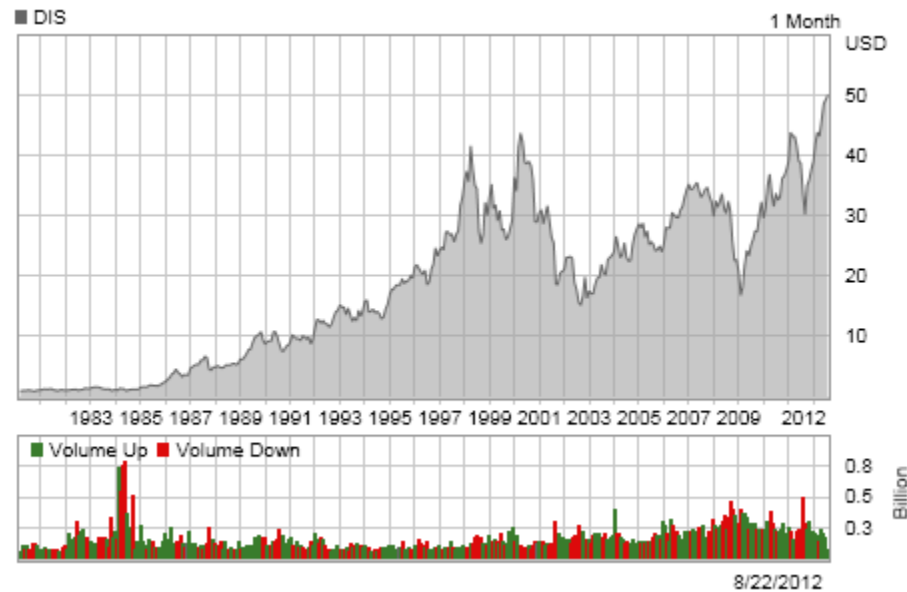


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85 stock from the 1980s to 2012.

86 Some notes on citing references. When using APA format, the author-date method  
 87 of citation is followed. This means that the author’s last name and the year of  
 88 publication for the source should appear in the text, and a complete reference  
 89 should appear in the reference list.

90 Here are some examples on how to do the referencing (note author’s name and  
 91 years are different from commented examples). For APA citation details, refer to  
 92 <http://www.ctan.org/tex-archive/biblio/bibtex/contrib/apacite/>.

- 93 • Kartch (2000) compared reaction times...
- 94 • In a recent study of reaction times (Kartch, 2000)...
- 95 • In 2000, Kartch compared reaction times...

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98     • In 2001, Fedkiw et al., compared reaction times...

99   The following are references from journal articles (Park, Linsen, Kreylos, Owens,  
100   & Hamann, 2006; Pellacini et al., 2005; Sako & Fujimura, 2000). Here's an MS  
101   thesis document (Yee, 2000), and this is from PhD dissertation (Kartch, 2000).  
102   For a book, reference is given as (Parke & Waters, 1996). Proceedings from a  
103   conference samples are (Jobson, Rahman, & Woodell, 1995; Fedkiw et al., 2001;  
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107   those who downloaded papers from ACM or IEEE sites, there is a BibTeX link  
108   that you can click; thereafter, you just simply need to copy and paste the BibTeX  
109   entry into your own bibliography file.

110   The following shows how to include a program source code (or algorithm). The  
111   verbatim environment, as the name suggests, outputs text (including white spaces)  
112   as is...

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113           #include <stdio.h>
114           main()
115           {
116                 printf("Hello world!\n");
117           }
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## 1.2 Problem Statement

DO NOT FORGET to write the statement of the research problem here, i.e., before the Research Objectives.

A problem statement is your research problem written explicitly. The problem statement should do four things:

1. Specify and describe the problem (with appropriate citations)
2. Provide evidence of the problem's existence
3. Explain the consequences of NOT solving the problem
4. Identify what is not known about the problem that should be known.

## 1.3 Research Objectives

### 1.3.1 General Objective

This subsection states the over-all goal that must be achieved to answer the problem. Address the following: Given your research challenge or opportunity, how do you intend to solve it? What is the output of your research?

### 1.3.2 Specific Objectives

This subsection is an elaboration of the general objective. It states the specific steps that must be undertaken to accomplish the general objective. These objec-

135 tives must be **S**pecific, **M**easurable, **A**ttainable, **R**ealistic, **T**ime-bounded. A spe-  
136 cific objective start with “to <verb>” for example: to design/survey/review/analyze.

137 Studying a particular programming language or development tool (e.g., to study  
138 Windows/Object-Oriented/Graphics/C++ programming) to accomplish the gen-  
139 eral objective is inherent in all thesis and, therefore, must not be included here.

- 140 1. To review related literature, compare and contrast existing algorithms (on  
141 what problem?);
- 142 2. To develop a new algorithm (for what purpose?)
- 143 3. To analyze the algorithm (based on what criteria?)

## 144 1.4 Scope and Limitations of the Research

145 This section discusses the boundaries (with respect to the objectives) of the re-  
146 search and the constraints within which the research was developed.

## 147 1.5 Significance of the Research

148 This section explains why research was done in this area. It rationalizes the ob-  
149 jective of the research with that of the stated problem. Avoid including sentences  
150 such as “This research is beneficial to the proponent/department/college” as this  
151 is already an inherent requirement of all BSCS majors. Focus on the research’s  
152 contribution to the Computer Science field.



153 The following are guide questions that may help your formulate the significance  
154 of your research.

- 155     • What is the relevance of your work to the computer science community?
  - 156         – What are your technical contributions, in terms of algorithms, or ap-  
157             proaches, or new domain?
  - 158         – What is your value-added compared to existing systems?
- 159     • What are your contributions to society in general?
  - 160         – Who benefits from your system?
  - 161         – Who are your target users and how this system benefit them?

## Chapter 2

### Review of Related Literature

This chapter discusses the features, capabilities, and limitations of existing research, algorithms, or software that are related/similar to the Special Problem.

The reviewed works and software must be arranged either in chronological order, or by area (from general to specific). Observe a consistent format when presenting each of the reviewed works. This must be selected in consultation with the adviser.

**DO NOT FORGET to cite your references.**

A literature review must do these things:

- be organized around and related directly to the thesis or research question you are developing
- synthesize results into a summary of what is and is not known
- identify areas of controversy in the literature

- 175 • formulate questions that need further research

176 A literature review is a piece of discursive prose, not a list describing or summa-  
177 rizing one piece of literature after another. It's usually a bad sign to see every  
178 paragraph beginning with the name of a researcher. Instead, organize the litera-  
179 ture review into sections that present themes or identify trends, including relevant  
180 theory. You are not trying to list all the materials published, but to synthesize  
181 and evaluate them according to the guiding concept of your thesis or research  
182 question. You should also state the limits or gaps of their researches wherein you  
183 will try to fill these gaps in accordance to your research problem and objectives.

## 184 2.1 Theme 1 Title

185 This chapter contains a review of research papers that:

- 186 • Describes work on a research area that is similar or relevant to yours
- 187 • Describes work on a domain that is similar or relevant to yours
- 188 • Uses an algorithm that may be useful to your work
- 189 • Uses a software / tool that may be useful to your work

190 It also contains a review of software systems that:

- 191 • Belongs to a research area similar to yours
- 192 • Addresses a need or domain similar to yours
- 193 • Is your predecessor

194 **2.2 Theme 2 Title**

195 **2.3 Chapter Summary**

196 Should include a table of related studies comparing them based on several criteria.

197 Highlight research gaps and the research problem.



## Chapter 3

# Research Methodology

This chapter lists and discusses the specific steps and activities that were performed to accomplish the project. The discussion covers the activities from pre-proposal to Final SP Writing.

### 3.1 Research Activities

Research activities include inquiry, survey, research, brainstorming, canvassing, consultation, review, interview, observe, experiment, design, test, document, etc. Be sure that for each method, process, or algorithm used, there is a justification why that method was chosen. The methodology also includes the following information:

- who is responsible for the task
- the resource person to be contacted

- 211      • what were done
- 212      • when and how long the activity was done
- 213      • where it was done
- 214      • why should the activity was done

## 215 **Chapter 4**

## 216 **Results and Discussions**

217 This chapter presents the results or the system of your SP. Include screenshots,  
218 tables, or graphs and provide the discussion of results.





## 219 **Chapter 5**

## 220 **Conclusion**

221 This chapter summarizes your SP and provides conclusions regarding your results  
222 and analyses. Provide recommendations on what ought to be done with your SP  
223 or provide further directions on the topic you covered.



## Chapter 6

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## <sup>252</sup> **Appendix A**

## <sup>253</sup> **Code Snippets**



## 254 **Appendix B**

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