

# Information Retrieval & Social Web

CS 525/DS 595

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# Midterm

- The exam will be held in the next class.
- The exam is closed book.
- You may bring one standard 8.5" by 11" piece of paper with any notes you think appropriate or significant (front and back).
- No electronic devices allowed.

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tf-idf weighting

$$w_{t,d} = (1 + \log \text{tf}_{t,d}) \cdot \log \frac{N}{\text{df}_t}$$

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