

Research Plan

Title

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Abstract

Max. 1/2 page abstract ...

1 Introduction

- *What is this research plan about?*
- *What are the (high-level) research gaps?*
- *What is the overall goal?*

2 Objectives

This section is optional. Its contents may go into introduction.

- *How can the general overall goal be broken down into subgoals?*
- *What are the planned contributions and how will they close the research gaps?*
- *What will be rendered possible upon completion of this thesis.*

3 Related Work

- *Which major works consider a similar context?*
- *Which works are addressing same/similar problem and why are these works insufficient (Gaps in state of the art)?*
- *Which works use a similar methodology?*

Example references in parentheses format [1, 2] or as textual format as in Pratt and Williamson [3].

4 Approach

Short overview of subtopics.

4.1 Subtopic 1

- *What approach will be used?*
- *Why is the approach promising?*
- *What are the expected results?*

4.2 Subtopic 2

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5 Time Schedule and Planned Publications

- *How can each topic be subdivided into meaningful tasks?*
- *What is the time schedule?*
- *Which publications are planned (list of planned publications)?*

Example Gantt chart shown in fig. 1.

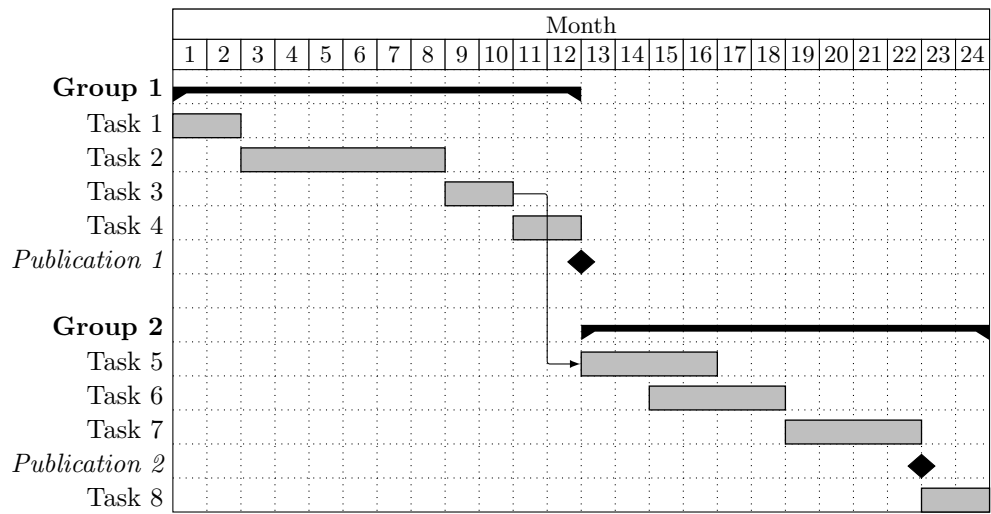


Figure 1: Gantt Chart

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