SNE-projects 2017-2018

Coordinator:
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With help of os3 team!
Goals

- To gain practical experience
- To work on real problems in a foreign context
- To (re)gain collaboration skills
- To practice public presentation skills
- To practice data analysis and presentation skills
- To practice defending your solution to a problem
- To practice report writing skills
- To have a good time
Timeline

• Two project months
  – January
  – presentations first week February
    – for us alone
    – Feedback
    – B1.23
  – June
  – presentations First week July
    – in the auditorium with public
    – C0.110
Per project month

• 4 weeks FULL TIME!
  – Week 1:
    • Familiarize
    • Make a concrete work proposal
  – Week 2-3
    • Do the work agreed on
  – Week 4
    • Write report
  – Week 5…
    • In case of RP2 June month also work/report
    • Presentation in Wednesday meeting
Subjects

• Organizations we have relationships with:
  – SURFnet
  – SURFsara
  – UvA - IvI - OS3 - SNE
  – HvA, VU, etc.
  – SME’s
  – Others (inter)national (DELOITTE, KPMG, UNINET, etc.)

• Orientation in October, November, April, May

• Check end of November and in December!
  Be prepared to defend choice!

• When choosing subjects take into account the master courses given before the project months.
Work proposal

• Latest at Friday of first week
• Should contain
  – Updated description of the problem
  – Research questions
  – Literature / model / theory
  – Research & Experiments to be done
  – Planning
  – Ethical issues section
• Can be basis for report later!
Report

• Should contain
  – Description of the problem
  – Research question
  – Literature / model / theory
  – Research done
  – Experiments or proof of concept done
  – Evaluation of experiments or proof of concept
  – Reflection on Literature / model / theory
  – Ethical issues section
  – Conclusions and suggestions for further research
web link

• Web site:
  – http://rp.os3.nl
  – http://rp.delaat.net

• eMail:
  – rp@os3.nl ➔ Always!!!
  – delaat@uva.nl
  – If all else fails: cees@delaat.net
    (I could use a SNE master :-))

• NOTE:
• Always start subject line with rp# where # is the number of rp you have chosen!
• Advantages: I can find email and do not have to search for rp number.
Selection
• Preferably do not choose subjects that will be covered in subsequent courses.

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• Preference for pairs because:
  – students can help each other when one gets stuck in a problem...
  – investigate more solutions in parallel
  – learn to collaborate
  – contribution of each student must be clear in report and presentation
• However, doing an RP alone is also allowed
• At the presentations pairs get 30 minutes, singles get 20 minutes.

Feedback during RP
• During both RP1 as RP2 a group meeting on the third monday afternoon 15h00.
• Purpose is to exchange progress information and discuss potential or real encountered problems.

Fifth week
• Optionally week 5 of the RP in June is available to continue and finish research.
• Presentation will be on wednesday, report must be submitted by friday of the fifth week.

RP order
• A student must successfully complete RP1 before starting RP2.
• RP1 and RP2 can be done arbitrarily in January or June.
• If failed for RP2, it is allowed to redo a RP2 at any time.

Evaluation
• Advice from the supervisor about the research done on location.
• Advice on presentation and report is welcome.
• this information must be delivered by supervisor before end of fifth week.
• report and presentation are evaluated by the OS3 team.
• Marks for presentation are determined before end of fifth week.
• Evaluation and if needed corrections of report can take up to 6 weeks (pending holidays in July.
• If rest is positive there is an opportunity to correct the report.
• average and the mark for report must be 6 or more and the other marks must be more than or equal 5.

Publication of results
• the marks will be posted on blackboard.

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Communication
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Process - 1

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• The grade depends on a weighted average of four sub-grades
  – 40% the research on the subject
  – 20% the report structure and layout
  – 20% the presentation
  – 20% the work at the location, the attitude, etc.
Process - 2

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- A student has passed if:
  - the grade is equal or higher than 6.0 and
  - none of the sub-grades is less than 4 and
  - the grade for report and research must be 6.0 or higher
  - the end grade averages resulting in 5.5 are always rounded to 6.0

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Non Goals

• To be the default groups coffee maker
• To do trivial software installs
• To pull cables as main activity
• To sort out all software cd’s
• Etc. etc. etc.
Have fun!

Questions?