

Project Report Guidelines

Written report due Dec 9, midnight

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Programming Project

- One (written) report per team
- Grading is based on
 - Quality of work (50%)
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- Grading baseline
 - 13 pts each for work/report when adequate (total = 26)
 - +2 pts each when excellent work (total=4)
- Report : 6-10 pages, not including
 - Title page
 - References
 - Appendix
- Do not print supporting materials, e.g. source code

Language/Environment

- Any language/environment is fine
- Any particular absolute performance is not required
- However, while world-beating performance is not expected, more than just trivial performance is expected
- Focus is on scientifically sound, competent engineering

Major items to cover

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 - Define problem you are solving (brief)
 - Describe your approach
 - Define algorithm(s), define heuristic
 - Describe/analyze properties
 - Assess performance, describe/analyze experimental results
 - Your work is fundamentally experimental work!
 - Make observations

Competiton

- Is **optional** - there is no penalty for not participating
- We will email a set of benchmark problems, a few per problem type, shortly before the due date.
- Run benchmarks of your problem, include results in your written report, as **Appendix**
 - List each individual instance (run in case of Othello)
 - Also summary statistics
- SLS -> Probability of solving a problem if there is a solution, within some timelimit.

Submission

- Written report (pdf)
- by 12/9 midnight on gradescope
- Zip source/exe/pdf/etc and upload
 - location TBD
 - Include a ReadMe.txt with make/run instructions.