

Software Engineering Project

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Goals

Project

- ▶ Realistic software development experience
- ▶ Produce finalized application, usable and maintainable
- ▶ More programming experience

Software Engineering

- ▶ Problems: large code base, large team, long time
- ▶ Various “solutions”:
 methodology, design, coding techniques, tools. . .
- ▶ Fundamental concepts as well as some practical techniques

Organization

Lectures

- ▶ Principles of software engineering
- ▶ Architecture, design and modeling
- ▶ Rigorous software development, testing and debugging
- ▶ Tutorials on various useful tools

Project

- ▶ Complete software project, from design to release & demo
- ▶ Mandatory project meetings whenever no lecture
- ▶ Evaluation based on final release and individual activity

(Lecture 1)

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Apart from that, you can do
whatever you want!



Project descriptions

Start with a relatively precise description of your project:

- ▶ Avoid endless discussions on what you want to do.
- ▶ Set yourself a clear goal:
good for **motivation** (before) + **self-criticism** (after).

Contents

Not much more than two pages, containing two parts:

1. General description
2. Precise goals (immediate, final, optional)

Need not be present: technological choices, implementation details, organization in subgroups.

Some examples given on the website of the course.

Project proposals

Try to think of something

- ▶ **Large** \rightsquigarrow be ambitious!
- ▶ **Modular** \rightsquigarrow propose a decomposition in sub-projects.
- ▶ **Interesting** \rightsquigarrow exploit various skills, make it fun or useful.

Have an idea?

- ▶ Prepare a project description, let everybody know.
- ▶ **Next time (sept. 22)**: present your proposals.
- ▶ Groups will be formed based on interest.
- ▶ Work on final project descriptions, due by **oct. 29**.

Some ideas

Example project proposals may be found on our website:

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- ▶ Banking assistant
- ▶ Smart subtitle system

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. . . but you'll probably have better ideas ;)