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

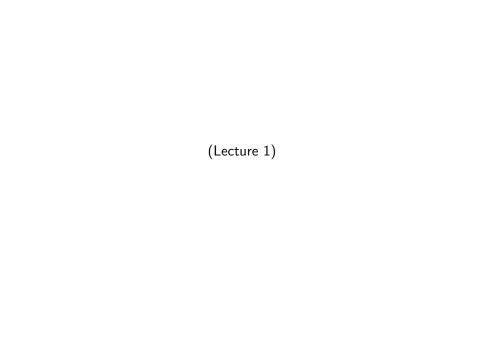
Organization

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



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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 → be ambitious!
- ► Modular → propose a decomposition in sub-projects.
- ▶ Interesting → 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

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- Banking assistant
- Smart subtitle system

Other ideas:

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- ▶ Static analysis tools for your favorite programming language
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...but you'll probably have better ideas ;)
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