

2nd Year Tutorials Semester 1 Weeks 9/10, 11/12

The next **two tutorials** involve an oral presentation of the material you investigated and wrote about during Reading Week. In your most recent tutorial, you should have had an opportunity with your group to reflect on what makes a good oral presentation; this next exercise is an opportunity to put your newly gained insight in to practice.

You are required to assemble a 10 minute presentation that describes some aspect of the 'state of the art' for whatever topic you chose for your reading week essay. Note that the emphasis for your presentation is slightly different to that of the essay: your written piece should have included a synopsis of the article, and charted that technology's progression to the present day; for your presentation you should concentrate on the current 'leading edge' and possible future of that technology (this doesn't exclude the possibility of a short mention of its history or the article, but these shouldn't be the main topic of your talk). You are welcome to prepare whatever visual aids you think are appropriate (but please check with your tutor if you are in any doubt about what technology might be available on the day of your presentation).

It's possible that two people in the same group will have selected the same reading week essay topic. To avoid the group having several extremely similar presentations, please check the topics of the other members of your group by email. If there is a clash of topics, you should co-ordinate with whoever else has the same topic to present on different aspects (for example, if two of you have 'computer viruses' one could present on 'detection strategies', and another on 'how viruses replicate').

Since this exercise spans two tutorial slots, please refer to

http://www.cs.manchester.ac.uk/ugt/year2/assignment_codes.txt

to determine in which of the two slots you are to present your material. Students marked with A, B or C should present in the first tutorial, and D, E or F in the second tutorial.