

**Computer Engineering Department  
Bilkent University**

**CS533  
Spring 2010  
Term Project Timeline  
March 17, 2010  
April 30, 2010 Updated**

**Project Pointers: Major step with Deadline (all class time, exceptions are indicated)**

1. March 29, 2010; Monday: Declare your partners and tentative project topic. Expected group size is four students (there are 25 students in the class so I expect to have 6 to 8 groups). Exceptions, with justification, are possible.
2. April 12, 2010; Monday: One-two page project plan which involves a) description of the problem, b) motivation/importance, c) methodology, d) expected results, e) references. I understand that as the project progresses there can be deviations from this preliminary description.
3. May 10, 2010; Monday by 5:00 pm ~~May 3, 2010; Monday~~: A short manuscript in the form of ACM Conference poster papers (<http://www.sigir2009.org/Calls/posters>, ~2 pages): more detailed form of the items defined in step 2 and your progress so far. Make sure that it has everything: nice title, abstract, keywords, ACM categories, introduction, ... references.
4. May 3, 5, 10, 12, 2010; 2x (Monday-Wednesday) (as needed): Project presentations (please bring a handout to the classroom). There will be a peer evaluation for each project presentation. Please note that you cannot skip your classmates' presentations; attendance is mandatory.
5. May 24, 2010, Monday by noon time: Project report in the form of ACM conference papers (<http://www.sigir2009.org/Calls/papers>, ~8 pages). It involves submission of the developed programs with a short report for the programs (their structure, etc.). No need to exaggerate, a short program report is enough. You may be required to do a demo.
6. Possible topics (I plan to provide more details later, I may change the list and am open to your suggestions):
  - a. Social maps of Orhan Pamuk novels
  - b. A stylometric analysis of James Joyce's Ulysses (contains 18 episodes)
  - c. Text categorization for Turkish news
  - d. N-gram based Turkish information retrieval
  - e. Extension of a named entity recognizer for Turkish
  - f. Tagging Turkish news pictures (something that involves pictures)
  - g. Sentiment analysis in Turkish (for news articles or products like cellular phones)
  - h. Incremental clustering
  - i. Fuzzy and/or parallel clustering