# Research B (IMCo32) Lecture I: Intro

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#### Aim of the course

- Doing research (as learned in Research A)
- New points:
  - Doing it alone
  - Reviewing, providing feedback on presentations, etc.



#### Research B similar to Research A

- Find topic/supervisor
- Write research proposal
- Do research
- Write a paper
- Present your results





- True research contribution (small but real)
- Reviewing
  - 1 scientific paper + 1 research A paper
- Work on your own topic
- Work on your own



#### About the research contribution

- It should be a real contribution
  - something new, novel
  - advancing the state-of-the-art

- But not necessarily a big one
  - your (and our) time is limited
  - you're still "training" not master project yet
- Still, don't let that hold you back
  - Some Research B results were actually published
  - view this work as work towards master project
     (... and beyond)



#### Course information

- Blackboard is the main platform
  - announcements
  - course calendar
  - assignments
  - grades
  - sheets
  - FAQ
- Make sure you're enrolled !!



### Timetable (overview)

- **September 17**: find supervisor/topic (e-mail!)
- October 2: Research A presentations and 1st individual progress meeting
- Submission of slides for the presentation of the research proposal: October 8, 2013
- Presentation of the research proposal: October 9, 2013
- Submission of review of an actual paper: November 27,
   2013
- Submission of slides for the final presentation of the research project: December 17, 2013
- Final presentations of Research A, December 18, 2013
- Submission of review of a Research A paper, **Dec. 20**
- Final presentation of the project: December 18, 2013
   Submission of the final version of the paper: January 17, 2014



## Standards and obligations

- LaTeX for document preparation
- All students must attend Research A presentations



## Grading

- D1 initial proposal
- D2 presentations
- D3 reviews
- D4 final paper
- Grade = 0.1\*g(D1) + 0.2\*g(D2) + 0.2\*g(D3) + 0.5\*g(D4) p
  - where p is your penalty for missed deadlines



## Deadlines and penalty

Strict!

- Miss intermediate deadline
  - penalty of 0.2 of your final grade per missed deadline
- Miss final deadline
  - by less than a few days, maximum grade is 6
  - otherwise, you failed the course
- You need 5.5 or more to pass ...



## Questions?



