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**Monday 14:55-16:40**

**Web Engineering (ウェブ工学)**

**<https://tinyurl.com/webeng-2025>**

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# The Web as a Platform

- Sharing information
  - Docs, news, images, movies, files...
- Mass media
  - TV, movie, newspaper, radio, magazine...
- Services
  - E-commerce, trading, gaming...

# The Web as Data Sources

- Texts
- Images, movies
- Graphs
  - Hyperlink, social network, P2P network...
- Geospatial data
  - Map queries, check-in...
- Time series
  - User traffic, sensor monitoring...

# Goal

- Learn recent trends in Web related research including
  - Search engine, Information Retrieval
  - Natural Language Processing
  - Machine Learning, Data Mining
  - Social Media/Network
  - Big Data
  - Cyber-Physical Systems
  - Internet of Things (IoT)

# Format

- Seminar Style (Online)
- Two or Three students present research papers (published on top conferences/journals) at each session
  - Presentation: 20 min.
  - Q&A: 10 min.

# Organization of sessions

- First half (Session 1 – 4)
  - **Test of time award papers** from WWW, KDD, etc.
- Second half (Session 5 – 10)
  - Recent research papers utilizing **large-scale cyber or physical data** in related fields
    - Web: The Web Conf., WSDM
    - Database: SIGMOD, VLDB, ICDE
    - IR: SIGIR
    - Data mining: KDD, ICDM
    - AI: AAAI, ICWSM
    - NLP: ACL, EMNLP
    - Etc.

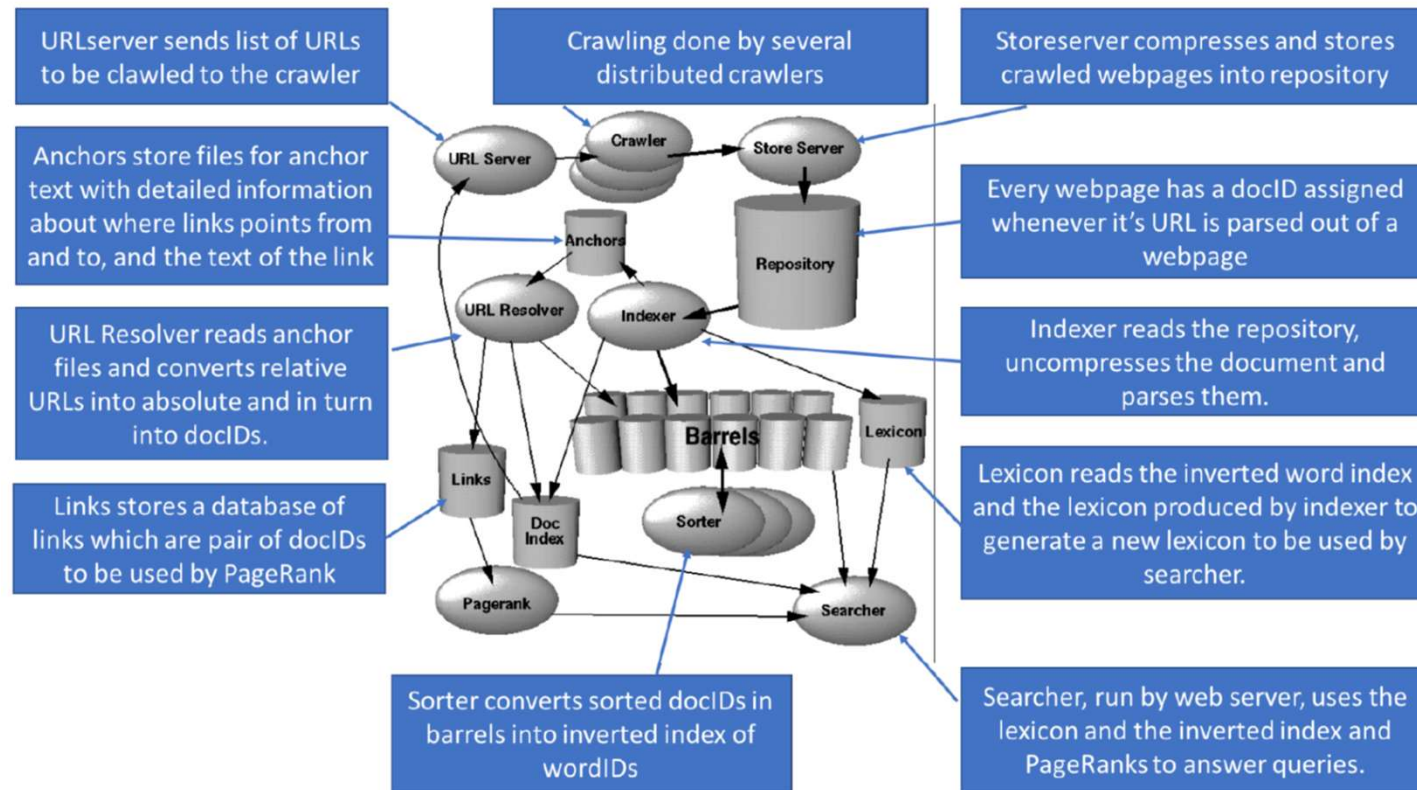
# Test of Time Award Papers

- If you want to present in the first half sessions, you need to choose a test of time award paper in WWW, KDD, SIGIR, etc.
- You can choose any relevant conferences according to your expertise
  - WWW Seoul Test of Time Awards  
<https://www.iw3c2.org/ToT/>
  - KDD Test of Time Awards  
<http://www.kdd.org/awards/kdd-test-of-time-award>
  - SIGIR Test of Time Awards  
<http://sigir.org/awards/test-of-time-awards/>

## WWW2015: Test of Time Awards

The Anatomy of a Large-Scale Hypertextual Web Search Engine [S. Brin, L. Page, WWW1998]

- Google's architecture in the early days

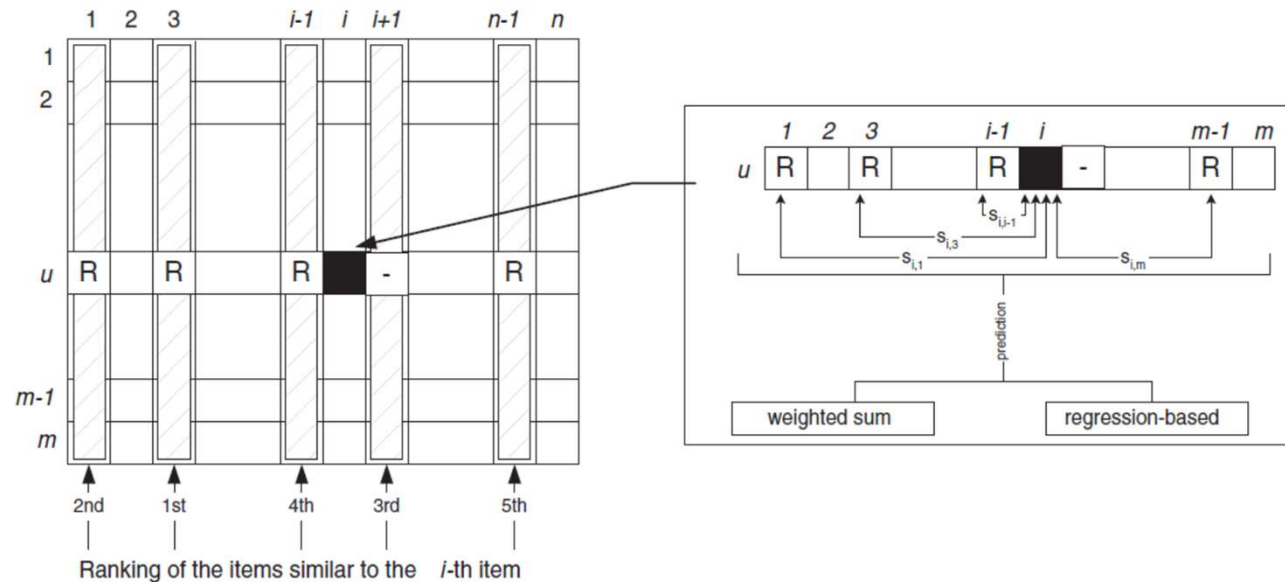




## WWW2016: Test of Time Awards

Item-based collaborative filtering recommendation algorithms [B. Sarwar+, WWW1998]

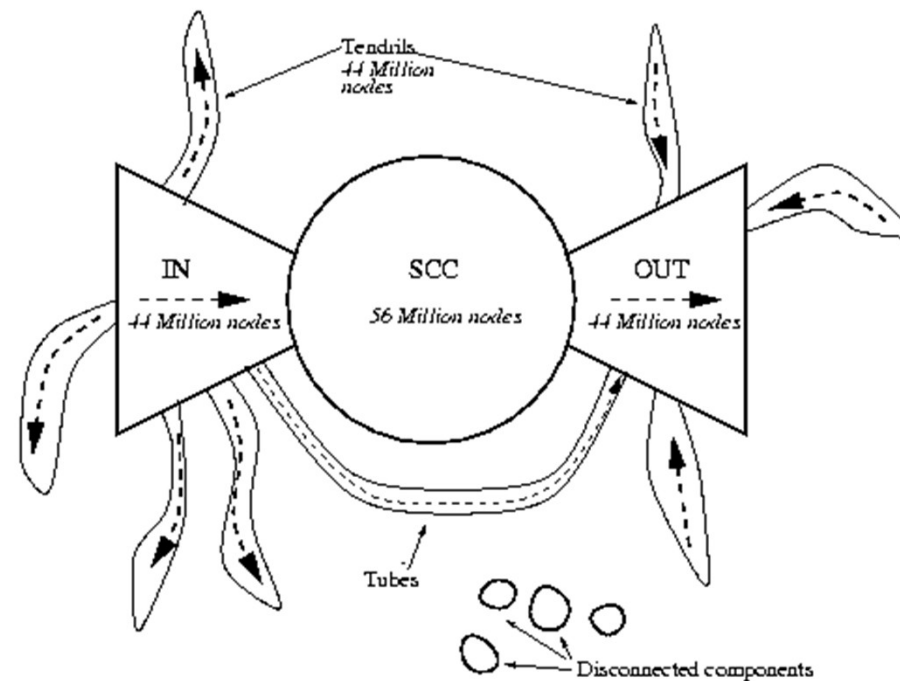
- Many collaborative filtering systems now use this approach



## WWW2017: Test of Time Awards

Graph Structure in the Web [A. Broder+, WWW2000]

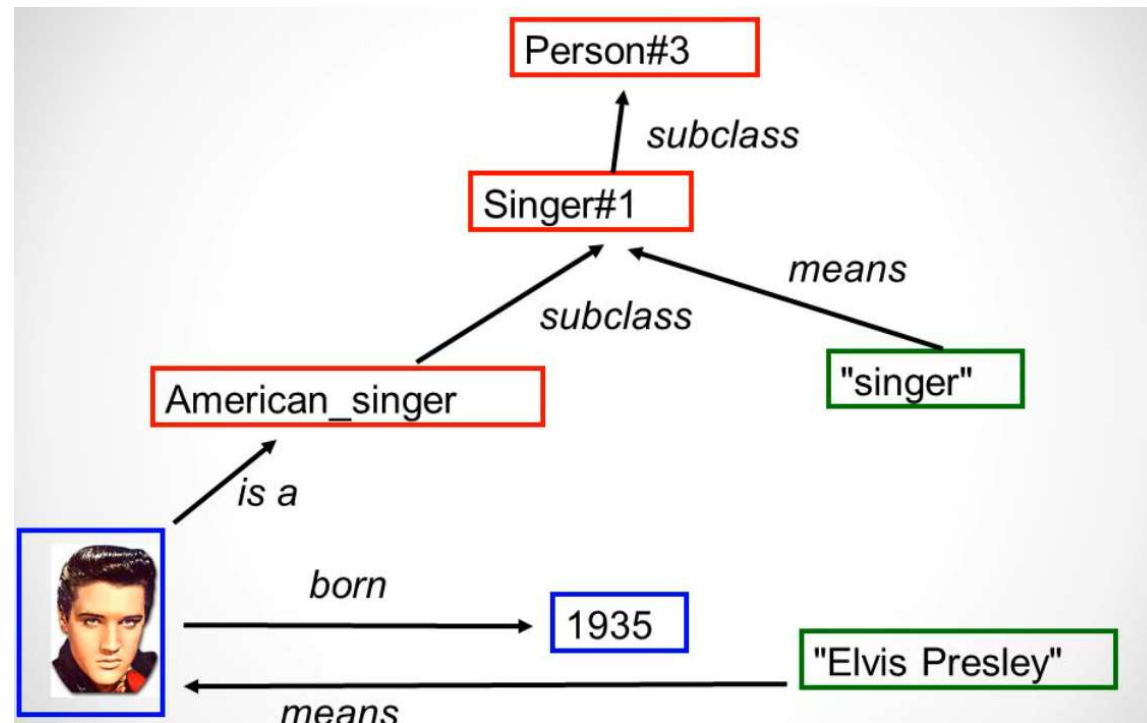
- The first large-scale empirical study of the dynamics of the Web



## WWW2018: Test of Time Awards

YAGO: A Core of Semantic Knowledge Unifying WordNet and Wikipedia [F. Suchanek+, WWW2007]

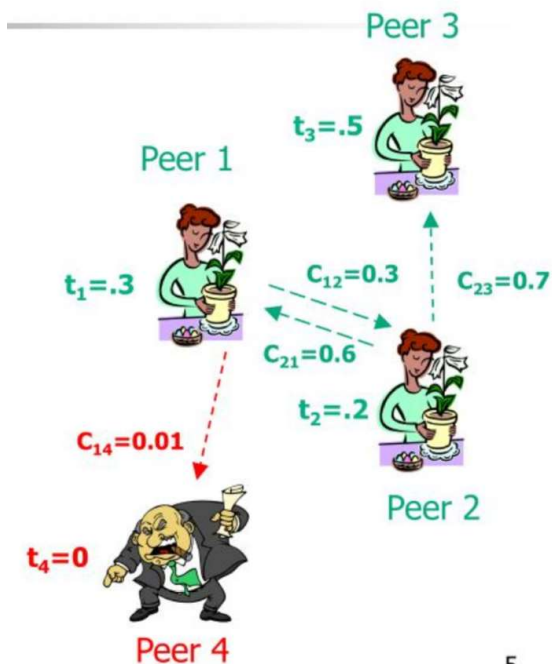
- One of the first projects to extract semantic knowledge graph at large scale from Wikipedia



## WWW2019: Test of Time Awards

The EigenTrust Algorithm for Reputation Management in P2P Networks [Kamvar+, WWW2003]

- In P2P file sharing networks, reduce inauthentic files distributed by malicious peers
  - Goal: Identify sources of inauthentic files by giving each peer a trust value based on its previous behavior
  - Algorithm: Propagate local trust values to friends, friends of friends, and so on
    - Propose a distributed algorithm to calculate this eigen trust value



## WWW2020: Test of Time Awards

### Mining the Peanut Gallery: Opinion Extraction and Semantic Classification of Product Reviews [Dave+, WWW2003]

- Aggregate product reviews in various sites
  - Extract product attributes and aggregate pos/neg about them



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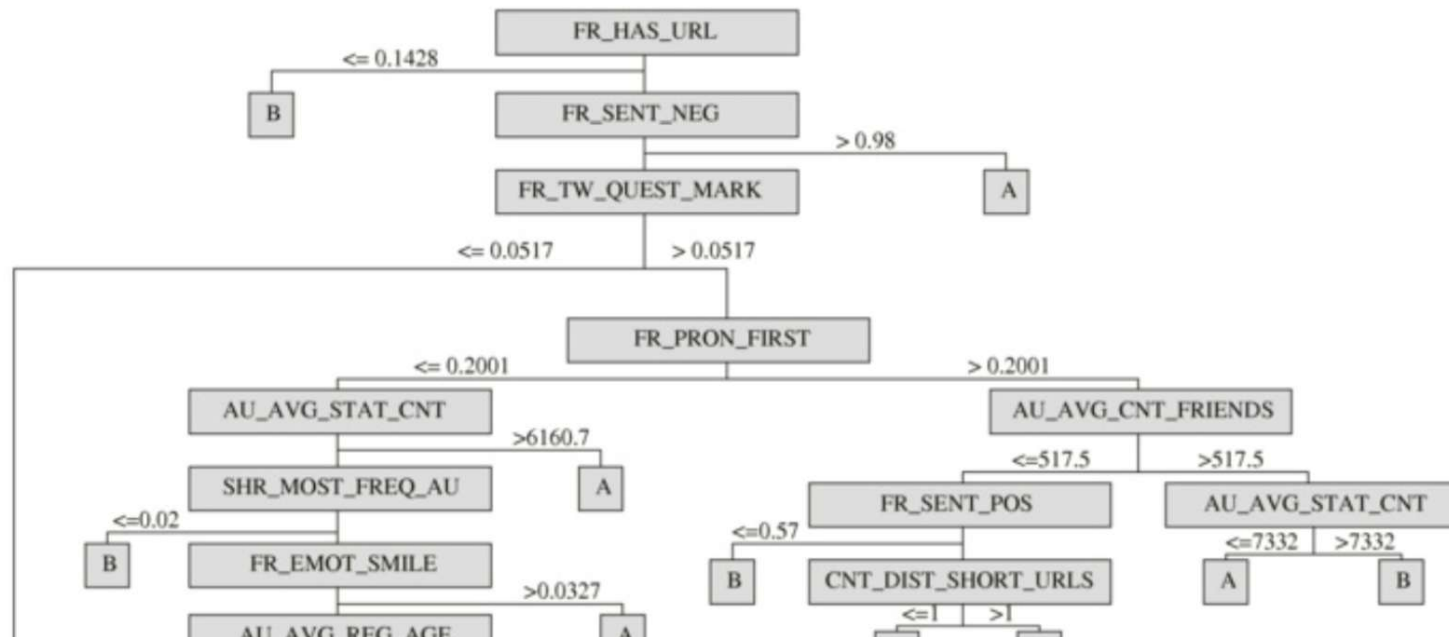
#### the nr70...

- +2.39: The PhotoStand application is one of the only apps preinstalled on the CLIE to take full advantage of the stunning 320x480 display of the NR70
- +1.54: The Memory Stick support in the NR70 series is well implemented and functional, although there is still a lack of non-memory Memory Sticks for consumer consumption
- +1.44: Unlike the more recent T series CLIEs, the NR70 does not require an add-on adapter for MP3 playback, which is certainly a welcome change
- +1.32: While not as fast as processors found in other handheld platform designs, this CPU allows the NR70 to perform responsively while yielding longer battery life than handhelds with faster processors
- +1.28: As with every Sony PDA before it, the NR70 series is equipped with Sony's own Memory Stick expansion

## WWW2021: Test of Time Awards

Information Credibility on Twitter [Castillo+, WWW2021]

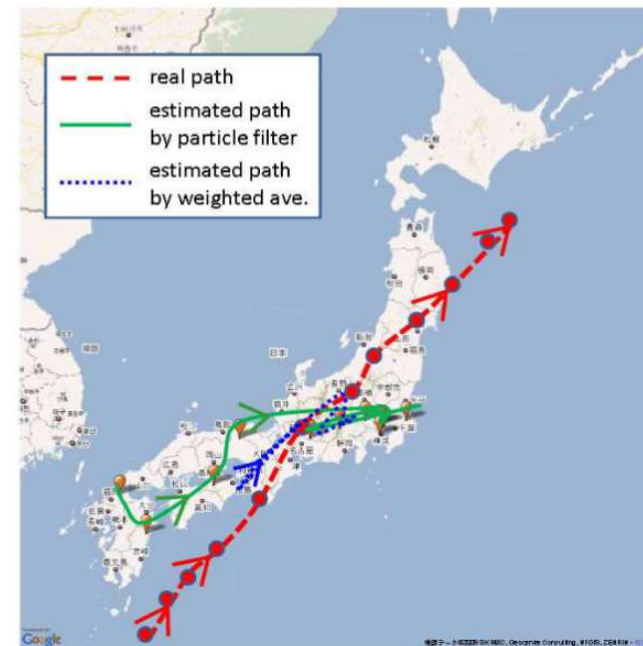
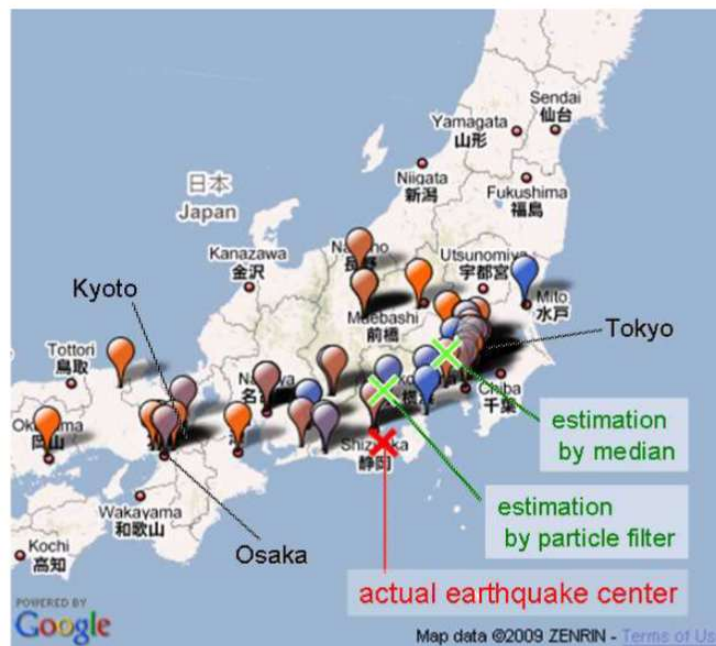
- Classify tweets related to newsworthy events by their **believability**
  - Users believe those tweets are to be true or false



## WWW2022: Test of Time Awards

Earthquake Shakes Twitter Users:  
Real-time Event Detection by Social Sensors  
[Sakaki+, WWW2010]

- Detecting real world events using Twitter as Sensor



## WWW2023: Test of Time Awards

### A Contextual-Bandit Approach to Personalized News Article Recommendation

[Li+, WWW2010]

- A learning algorithm sequentially selects articles to serve users based on contextual information
  - Users and articles, while simultaneously adapting its article-selection strategy based on user-click feedback



Figure 1: A snapshot of the “Featured” tab in the Today Module on Yahoo! Front Page. By default, the article at F1 position is highlighted at the story position.



# Recent research papers

- If you want to present in the last half sessions, you need to choose:
  - Choose full research papers (over 8 pages) in top conferences/journals published in recent 4 years (2022 – 2025)
  - **DO NOT** choose workshop, poster, and preprint (e.g. arXiv.org) papers
  - Topics of the papers should include **experiments with a large-scale data collected from the Web or real world**
  - Cross-disciplinary papers are recommended

# Presentation

- Talk: 20 min., QA: 10 min.
- Language: **Japanese or English**
- Slides must be written in **English** and include:
  - Importance of the paper in the research area
  - Motivation, purpose, and goal
  - Novelty (compared with related work)
  - Method
  - Experimental results
  - Strong points and weak points

# Slack

- We use slack.com to announcement and chat in sessions
- I will check your questions and comments in sessions and mark them if they are “good” (Mark will become scores for your credits)
- After receiving your e-mail, I will invite you to **webeng2025.slack.com**
- Your name in slack should be “Your\_Name\_StudentID”  
(Please do not use nicknames)

# Credits

- Point system:
  - **90** points (優) Excellent
  - **80** points (良) Good
  - **70** points (可) Pass
  - Less than 70 points (不可)
- Scores:
  - Presentation: **50** pts. (**required**)
  - Non-trivial question/comment: **10** pts./session  
(Do not count multiple times in a session)
  - Attendance: **0** pts.

# Schedule

<http://tinyurl.com/webeng-2025>

Date		Session
10/6	Mon	Guidance
10/13	Mon	Holiday
10/20	Mon	Session 1: Test of time award papers
10/27	Mon	Session 2: Test of time award papers
11/3	Mon	Holiday
11/6	Thu	Cancel
11/10	Mon	Session 3: Test of time award papers
11/17	Mon	Session 4: Test of time award papers
11/24	Mon	Holiday
11/25	Tue	Session 5: Recent papers
12/1	Mon	Cancel
12/8	Mon	Session 6: Recent papers
12/15	Mon	Session 7: Recent papers
1/5	Mon	Session 8: Recent papers
1/12	Mon	Holiday
1/19	Mon	Session 9: Recent papers
1/26	Mon	Session 10: Recent papers
2/1	Mon	Spare

# Assignment

- Today, we decide presenters for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> sessions
- **All students should e-mail following info. by 17 Oct.**
  - Student ID Number, Name, e-mail for slack
  - 3 candidate dates for presentation, and
  - 3 papers you want to present with complete bib info.
    - Authors, Title, Conference/Journal, pages, year
  - Language that will be used in the presentation
- **Assignment & Schedule will be released on 20 Oct.**
- Note:
  - Students who select earlier day have more chance to present a preferred paper
  - Let me know ASAP, if you change the paper to present

