



# Physics 691 20 Minute Colloquium







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- Talks are 20 minutes and will be timed. You will be given a 2 minute warning, and then you will be 'cut off'.
- 5 minutes will be alloted for questions, during which time the next speaker will set up.

- Every student will fill in the 12 question bubble sheet and any additional (anonymous) comments they wish to add.
- You will be given the 'results' of the bubble sheets as well as written comments from me within a week.



# **Fundamental Components of a Good Talk**



Good Slides

Good Presence



### **Evaluating the Talks**

- Anonymous Bubble sheets will have the whole class to assess:
  - Quality of talk in general
  - Quality of 'story' (too hard, too easy...)
  - Quality of slides
  - Quality of presentation
- Arrange to have your supervisor come
- Two talks per day please be on time!
- IF you cannot attend or present, it will be YOUR responsibility to trade for a different spot. If the circumstances are extenuating, we will work around it, but conference travel or exam schedule does not count.



## Evaluating the Talks

#### RATING ELEMENTS

- Organization Big picture and research focus presented logically?
- 2) Clarity of Presentation Did you understand it?
- 3) Clarity of Visuals Did the slides make sense? Were they relevant?
- 4) Pacing Was the speed of presentation too fast? Too slow?
- 5) **Volume** Could you hear the presenter?
- 6) Enthusiasm Was the speaker excited or bored about the presentation?
- 7) **Effectiveness** Did you learn something?
- 8) Font size Could you read the slides easily?
- 9) Color scheme Were the colors visually appealing or distracting?
- 10) Posture, body positioning, eye contact
- 11) Preparation Did it come across as prepared or just thrown together?
- 12) Overall evaluation



# **Evaluating the Talks**

- (a) excellent I hope I do as well!
- (b) very good room for improvement, but still well done
- (c) acceptable I could overlook the problems
- (d) needs a lot of work
- (e) not applicable [note: this one should rarely be used]

•	March 3 Talk 1: Jo-Anne Brown; Organization and 'rules' Talk 2: Golnoosh; Supervisor: Maya Paczuski March 10:
Physics •	Talk 3: <b>Jayme;</b> Supervisor: <b>Gene Milone</b> Talk 4: <b>Adam;</b> Supervisor: <b>Mike Wieser March 17:</b>
691	Talk 5: <b>Jalal</b> ; Supervisor: <b>Nasser Moazzen-Ahmadi</b> Talk 6: <b>Farokh</b> ; Supervisor: <b>Nasser Moazzen-Ahmadi</b>
e 20 Minute	March 24: Talk 7: Sadegh; Supervisor: Barry Sanders Talk 8:Neda; Supervisor: Barry Sanders, Alex Lvovsky
Talk Schodulo	March 31: Talk 9:Erick; Supervisor: Alex Lvovsky Talk 10:Pantita; Supervisor: Alex Lvovsky
Schedule •	April 7: Talk 11: Jeff; Supervisor: Eric Donovan Talk 12: Taparati; Supervisor: Rachid Ouyed
•	April 14: Talk 13:Mojtaba; Supervisor: Nasser Moazzen-Ahmac Talk 14:Mandana; Supervisor: Andrew Yau April 15 (12:30pm in ST 126):
_	Talk 15: <b>Ghislain;</b> Supervisor: <b>Jörn Davidsen</b> Talk 16: <b>Khabat;</b> Supervisor: <b>Christoph Simon</b>