Group Assignment: Problem Set #4

The last 3 weeks of this course are devoted to group presentations. There are 6 days with one presentation per day. The number of people in class is such that groups of 2-3 people are permitted. I leave open the possibility of groups of 1, but don’t bet on it.

Here’s what I want you to do in this assignment. Look through the recent database literature given on the course web page:

http://www.cs.utexas.edu/users/dsb/cs386d/#Presentations

Take your time to read the abstracts of papers from recent years. Choose 3 (three) topics that interest you, rank them and send this list in an email to the Akanksha (the TA). She will collect the responses and post them on a web page or file posted via Piazza for all to see. You will then have time to see the interests of others, and to decide who to work with.

There are SO many topics in databases from which you can choose, I ask that you find a topic for which no other group claims. If there is a conflict between two (or more) groups on a topic, instead of duking it out, I or Akanksha will make a decision and randomly give the topic to one group, letting the others to find another topic. So I’d rather have you all decide this for yourselves. It is possible for, say, 2 groups to claim a wide area – if you split the area so that the topics are distinct, you are OK.