CS 444/544 Spring 2011 Lab 4: Final Project

Abstracts due: Wednesday, 27 April 2011, at 11:59pm (by e-mail to jedcrandall@gmail.com)
Presentations: Monday, 2 May 2011, from 2:00pm to 6:00pm

200 points, 100 points for the abstract and 100 points for the presentation.

The two deliverables that everyone will have for the final project are a one-paragraph abstract and a 10- to 15-minute presentation. It's very important that the abstract be well-written and the presentation be well-prepared-for. Each of you will agree with me on other specific deliverables, such as getting something implemented or getting it to work on real hardware. Whether or not you get these things done will be reflected in both the abstract grade and the presentation grade. It's difficult to write an abstract about what you've done if you haven't done much, and difficult to demo something that's not working.

My purpose for this final project is for you to learn about something by doing it or implementing it and then tell the class about it. I don't want to hear a lot of information that's already available. Your abstract and presentation should focus on what you did. It's okay to give some background info, but the majority of the time for your presentation should be for demoing what you did.

The abstract should just be a few sentences, a paragraph at the most, saying what you did and what you found out by doing it.

My expected deliverables from each of you is in a separate PDF. As usual, representing the words, ideas, results, or work of others as your own will be considered cheating and result in a 0 on the assignment.