

# **Mechatronics and Robotics Project -Course Overview**

**VU 376.099 (6 SWS, 9 ECTS)**

# General Remarks

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- A project is typically for one student for a semester work volume.
- Two presentations and a final report per project.
  - Interim presentation of the SOTA (+ first results): about 1.5 - 2 month after the semester
  - Presentation of the final results: at the end of the semester
  - Final Report: the end of the semester
  - The detail schedule will be notified by the supervisor
- Lecture: How to conduct research and write a report
  - Before the interim presentation: Check in TISS for the schedule
  - **Compulsory attendance!**

# Procedure for the individual Project

- Select a project
  - Read through the project list, choose projects that you are interested in
  - Contact the supervisor by email or visit his office.
  - Official project acceptance by supervisor  
: **an agreement** of the **project goal &** project schedule between the student and the supervisor
  - Student can start any time as long as the supervisor agrees, but **an early acceptance & start in the semester is desirable** for a better alignment with the given presentation & lecture schedule)
- Planning research with a supervision
  - Set **a regular supervision meeting** (weekly/biweekly), and define a reserach plan
  - Learn how to manage progress of the project with the supervisor support
- Work on the project
- Give an interim presentation
- Work on the final results
- Compose a final report
- Give the final presentation
- Submit the 6-page final report and all research data to the supervisor for grading



# Grading

- Lab work for the project : 40 %
  - Short communications with supervisor, lab note, commitment, difficulty level of the project, scheduling of the work
- Presentations : 20 %
  - 2 presentations: interim presentation (mainly project definition), and final presentations (final outcome)
- Final report : 40%
  - Quality of project description, quality of the results
- The grade is decided considering mainly your effort during the project not just the quality/quantity/success of results of the project.
- The project should be closed **in a year** at latest. – do not elongate the project duration too much without any reason.