

ProjectX 2021 Style & Author Instructions

These guidelines are based largely on ICML's guidelines

Please follow these guidelines in your submission (see latex files for formatting):

Paper Length: Submitted papers can be up to **seven** pages long (not including references), with unlimited space for references and appendix. Any paper exceeding this length will automatically be rejected. All submissions must be electronic, anonymized (this also includes acknowledgements) and must closely follow the formatting guidelines in the templates; otherwise they will automatically be rejected.

Double-blind review:

Authorship: The author list provided in the submission form at the submission deadline will be considered final, and no changes in authorship will be permitted for accepted papers. In general, the author list for submissions should include all, and only, individuals who made substantial contributions to the content of the paper, which can include mentors. Each author listed on a submitted paper will be notified of submissions and decisions.

Supplementary Code Submission: Supplementary material should be code, created by the authors, that directly supports the submission content, and can be formatted however the authors like. Like submissions, supplementary material must be anonymized. To foster reproducibility. Reproducibility of results and easy availability of code may be taken into account in the decision-making process. Supplementary material and code must be submitted by the paper deadline, (31 Jan 2022). Only reviewers and chairs will have access to submitted code and supplementary material, and will be instructed to delete it after the review process.

Reproducibility Checklist: To foster reproducibility of machine learning results, authors will be asked to provide their codebase and document precisely what dataset(s) they used. Supplementary materials must be submitted as a zip file, which must also include a PDF of a reproducibility checklist (which will be provided during the duration of the competition).

Dual Submissions: It is not appropriate to submit papers that are identical (or substantially similar) to versions that have been previously published, or accepted for publication prior to the start of ProjectX 2021. It is however permitted to submit your work in parallel with ProjectX 2021 to conferences, etc.

Previously published papers with substantial overlap written by the authors must be cited in such a way so as to preserve author anonymity. Differences relative to these earlier papers must be explained in the text of the submission. Do note that if the submission does little to build on the results of the authors' previously published paper that is cited, its likely judges will not reward many points for such work.

Reviewing Criteria: Accepted papers must contain novel results or insights that further understanding of machine learning and/or the subtopic assigned to the team, broadly construed. Results can be theoretical or empirical, quantitative or qualitative, or a combination. Papers should make clear their main claim(s) and offer clear evidence in support of those claims. Results will be judged on the degree to which they have been objectively established and/or their potential for scientific, technological, and/or societal impact. Reproducibility of results and easy availability of code will be taken into account in the decision-making process.

Citation and Comparison: Papers are expected to cite all refereed publications relevant to their content, but authors are excused for not knowing about all unpublished work, or work that has been recently posted. Papers (whether refereed or not) appearing less than three months before the submission deadline are considered contemporaneous to ProjectX submissions; authors are not obligated to make detailed comparisons to such papers (though, authors are encouraged to).

Code of Conduct: Authors will be asked to confirm that their submissions accord with the ProjectX Code of Conduct.