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# Final Projects Ideas and Guidelines

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## Project Goals

- Apply knowledge from class lectures and discussions
- Developing a significant piece of software
- Begin master's thesis or PhD dissertation research
- Publish papers

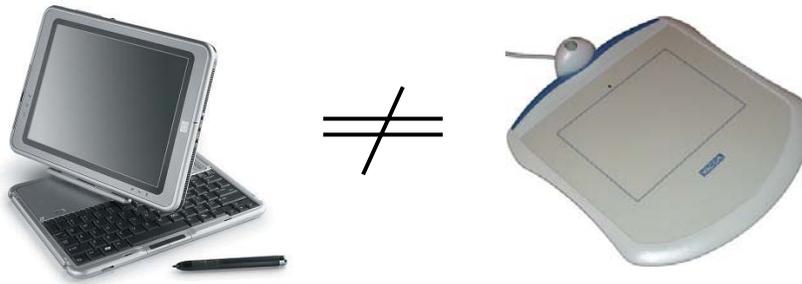
## Project Guidelines

- 6 weeks to do the project
  - scope should fall within timeframe
  - milestones should sync up with project status report days
- Should have some form of evaluation
- Solid code design for reuse
- Research component

## Project Proposal

- Must get proposal approved by professor
- Proposal should include
  - introduction to problem
  - related work
  - what you are going to do
  - what are the novel components
  - how you are going to do it (i.e., strategy)
  - measure of success

## Project Ideas – Wacom Graphire Improvement



Develop UI techniques for enriching experience with Wacom Tablet

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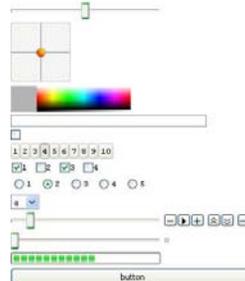
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## Project Ideas – Mathematica 6



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Sketching Interface to Mathematica

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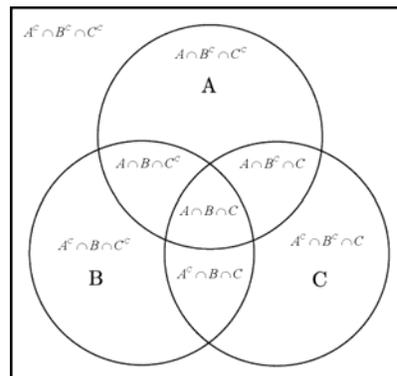
## Project Ideas -- iPhone

- Create a cool touch-based app for the iPhone
- iPhone SDK



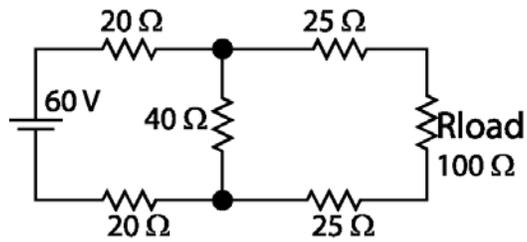
## Project Ideas – Education Tools

- Set Theory tool
  - proof assistant
  - Visualization



## Project Ideas – Circuit Tool

- Sketch out circuit diagrams



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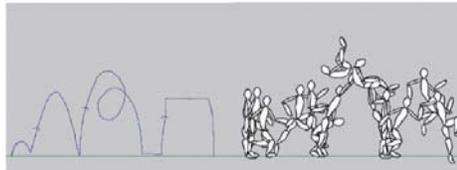
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## Project Ideas – Paper Projects

- Implement a paper and make improvements

- Sketch
- Teddy
- Ladder
- etc...



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