Homework Assignment #3, “Storyboard” of Your Scientific Poster

Using the poster board that you were provided, lay out a draft of your scientific poster. Set it up in three columns and write in the title and byline.*

Sketch out blocks for the major sections (introduction/motivation, methods, results, conclusions, plans for future work [if any], and acknowledgments). Create meaningful, descriptive, content-rich subheadings to guide the viewer. Make sure the navigation among sections is straightforward and intuitive.

Produce drafts of the figures and tables that you plan to use, print them out, and attach them to the poster board. Print out and stick on the text for captions or table titles.

Print out and attach any text you have already written for the various sections of the poster. Remember that less than 25 percent of the total area of the poster should be text.

Inform your adviser that you will be presenting a poster as a PHYS 499 class assignment. Ask if you should be the sole author on the poster, or if you should have co-authors, and what funding should be acknowledged. (Check Celia’s talk on acknowledgments.) Be sure to look at the rules for use of logos on Slide 10. If you are acknowledging federal funding, review the language for the mandatory disclaimer (also given in the talk).

Bring your completed poster board to class on September 18 for peer review during class.

Due: Friday, September 25, 2:00 PM. This assignment is not eligible for rewrite points. Assignments submitted after the deadline will receive a grade of 0.

Total—50 points

Notes/Questions to Ask:

* Author name(s) and affiliation(s).