

Universidad de León

School of Industrial, Computer and Aerospace Engineering

Courses on Computer Networks and Distributed Systems

Guidelines for composing the course practices Lab Books

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- Compose a chapter for each practice. There's no need of any abstract, introduction or motivation sections. This is about a laboratory journal book which records and documents your *personal* results and is not to be published anyhow.
- I will assess your Lab Books on the basis of their thoroughness, clarity and their exhaustiveness
- Overall, the document layout must be clear, consistent and tidy
- Please, copy each original problem statement from the practice scripts and thereafter compose your solution
- Explain the main results obtained in each exercise, preferably in English. Write about the essential aspects of the exercise at hand. You don't need to write much, but your writing should be sharp. Follow these guidelines:
 - Each paragraph should convey a single idea.
 - Screen dumps, diagrams, listings and tables must be captioned and indexed and be relevant to the narrative
 - Remark the difficulties you found and how you resolved them
 - Cite the references that you have consulted, either in Internet or elsewhere
 - Avoid copying materials directly from Internet except when necessary, and always reference the sources, credit the authors
 - The greatest value of your work stems from your own thinking, your observations and your conclusions!
- Your work must be original and present the results that you yourself obtained in the Lab sessions. Screen shots may be shared by a few

students; furthermore, the pictures and other multimedia elements must be relevant to the practice they're included in and must be properly interpreted and marked

- Generating text with the results of your practices is a method of documenting your practices that is considered superior to generating screen shots. In both cases, an accompanying explanation is always helpful and it is required. Linux stdout redirection is very powerful and very helpful; we usually do a short demo thereof on the 2nd Lab Session in the semester.
- Include a section of references if necessary
- **LabBook** submission:
 - Upload a single pdf file containing your LabBook document
 - Do the upload to the Agora Virtual Campus Homework Task entitled *Lab Book Submission*
 - Carefully read the concrete deadline that applies to your course