IRDS Preliminaries
Introduction to Research in Data Science

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Objectives

- Gain experience in practical data analysis
- Overview of current research
- Help in choosing a supervisor and project for your MSc and PhD

Overall this course is less technical. Designed to tie together other courses in programme.
Format

- Course activities
  - Six “normal lectures” on data analysis and databases. Preparatory for project. (Weeks 1-3)
  - Fourteen guest lectures from potential supervisors (Weeks 4-11)
  - Labs (3 sessions / Weeks 3,4,6)
  - Small practical project (due Week 10)

- Marking
  - 80% written report from small practical project
  - 20% presentation from small practical project
  - NB No exam for this course

- Lectures: In this room, Monday, Thursdays 16:10 - 17:00
- Labs/Tutorials: Choose via Doodle poll
All lectures and slides available at course web site:
http://www.inf.ed.ac.uk/teaching/courses/irds/