Presentation Preparation

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A large part of the ISM and Research journey is the actual presentation as this allows us to share our work with the world. Many mediums through which people share their work includes but is not limited to publications and presentations.

This past week I had the chance to the prepare for my final presentation. In doing so, I have been able to enhance my skills as not only a software developer but also a presenter and public speaker through the ISM program.

. With this being the final presentation of the year, there was one aspect that i really needed to take note of: Time. The final presentation is a 27 minute presentation. While this may seem like a long time, for me, it was not enough time! Throughout the ISM program, we have done a wide variety of work with our final products. Therefore, oftentimes there would be too much to talk about. Because of this, it was necessary to deduce a way to synthesize something that may take 10 minutes to talk about into 5 minutes. This speech compression is actually one of many skills I have garnered through the presentation preparation process. Additionally, there were other smaller skills I worked on such as swaying side to side less. Collectively speaking, these made my presentation that much more refined.

Reflecting for the future, it has been extremely beneficial for prepping for this presentation. Even after having gone through a whole year of ISM, there are skills that I am still learning and that just goes to show how expansive the ISM program really is! Looking ahead, it is thanks to experiences such as these that allow me to advance my communication skills to the level they are at now.

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