

## **Guidelines for graduate students' presentations at the theory lunch**

1. Have a well defined model and at least one interesting theorem. (You don't need a complete paper.)
2. Motivate your work.
3. Make sure it becomes completely clear in your talk what your model is, what your main results are, and why they are true.
4. Be thoroughly familiar with the related literature.
5. Prepare a 60 minute, not a 90 minute presentation. Anticipate that some time will be taken up by questions and discussion.
6. Plan what you want to say while your slides are on the screen. (A good idea is to write this down as notes. It is typically not a good idea to read to the audience line by line what is already on the slides.)
7. Give your slides to your advisor to look over.
8. Rehearse your presentation at least once with fellow students.
9. Ask your advisor to attend your presentation.