Notes on writing labs
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Here is a check list for labs. In most cases, most examples do these things, but this list supercedes the examples. The book generally follows these rules and nearly every HCI and CHI paper follows these rules, nearly. This approach is based on the APA Manual of style (a reference used by many fields), CHI conference guidelines, and house style at two different companies.

Cover page
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- Each lab to have authors on the cover, date, title, and page numbers.
- Run through spell before turning in.
- Each lab to have an abstract.
- Each section to be authored, but written as 'we'.

Introduction
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- lays out why you did what you did.
- It includes at least two citations
- it includes picture of interface iff appropriate

Method
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- notes what you did to a detail that it could be done by another group.
- Subheadings are: subjects, materials, design, procedure, analysis
- (analysis only if needed, e.g., all data transcribed by acrobat into xl, or xl macro used, or R used to clean the data).

Results
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- Introduce the results before presenting the graphs or tables.
- Tables can be done with a typewriter, that is, just characters. no vertical lines in them, use alignment.
- not more sig digits than is sensible and supported
- Figures do not have much fill. no box around them. Axis labeled, legend iff more than one line.
- Caption explains the graph, no heading in the graph. no 3d bar plots
- No mentioning Ss by name.
- Use object terms (larger numbers) not subjective terms (better performance).

Discussion/conclusions or Conclusions
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- Note the implications
- Note limitations
- number suggested changes

References
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- are in APA style, like the book and papers
- There are at least two