

- 1. The problem is open-book, open-software, open-internet, and open-resource. Use anyone or anything you can think of to help you come up with the best answer. But you must appropriately reference any resources used, from conversations with NCSD member mentors to online references or textbooks. Failure to properly credit sources is a serious professional grievance, and in this competition it would result in disqualification.
- 2. The judges will not be able to ask you clarifying questions. Please include everything in your submission you believe is necessary for the judges to understand your solution, such as descriptive text, images, tables, sample calculations, etc.
- 3. Email your submission to ncsd.competition@gmail.com
- 4. Submission file names should be formatted as follows: yourlastname filetitle.fileextension
- 5. Submissions should be small enough to send as an attachment. The judges will not open attachments via Google Drive or run codes/models/software. You can send the files as proof, but please describe what you did and how it worked accurately and completely.
- 6. No late submissions will be accepted. Submissions must be received by noon Eastern Standard Time on October 31st.