

Paper Review Reports – Graduate Students

Throughout this course you will be given current research papers to read and review. In general, you will be given 2 weeks to read these papers and consider the results, and write a 1–2 page summary of each paper.

In your review, you should (briefly!) address the following issues:

- What is the paper’s main result and contribution?
- Does the paper sufficiently support the conclusions?
- What new did you learn from this paper?
- What problems or questions are left unsolved (“open problems”)?
- Are there additional directions for related future research that you can think of?
- Identify a paper or two that would allow an interested person to explore this topic further (these can either be key references from the paper itself, or can be results of searches through research databases or the web).

These points should be clearly woven into a narrative report — don’t make a bullet list or answer these as if they were individual questions! In your review, remember that everything you write should be your own words, so don’t copy any text (including conclusions) from the paper.