Paper Responses

For each paper we read you will write a 1–1.5 page response to be submitted through moodle. Your response should contain the following three sections.

1 Definitions

Identify at least three core terms or concepts used in the paper that were previously unfamiliar to you. Using web references, the course textbooks, and other papers the authors cite to understand them and then explain each in your own words. Also list terms that you were unable to decipher with reasonable effort.

2 Summary

Summarize the paper, with the target audience of a discerning reader who is not necessarily familiar with the subfield. Highlighting the problem it is solving, and discuss why that problem is interesting and important. Briefly explain the paper's approach to solving the problem, how it builds on related work, the novel contribution the paper provides, and how it measures results. Consider limitations of the paper's techniques or results and how they might be overcome. If the paper is widely cited, try to determine what contribution it is being cited for. Mention any ideas you have for extending or improving the paper.

3 Discussion Questions

Propose at least two questions for the class to discuss. Anything that you found provocative, unclear or otherwise interesting is likely to be a good subject for discussion.