DATA 606

Day 4

Timeline

9/24 (Today): In-class peer-review of your literature reviews (full, 10-15 pages). Next week you will edit/augment and submit your literature review full draft to **Dan**, and I'll assign it to another anonymous peer-reviewer.

10/1: You'll turn in your full draft intro and literature review, and will owe commentary and review by 10/8. Dan will also provide feedback on your literature reviews on 10/8.

10/8: Peer reviews are shared in class, Dan provides his feedback on your literature reviews. You'll work on your final draft for intro and literature review, which will formally be turned in on 10/15.

Purpose of Review

- Improve clarity, coherence, and completeness.
 - Clarity: Is it written well enough to where you understand the concepts?
 - Coherence: Do topics naturally emerge, and within topics are the concepts covered clearly related?
 - Completeness: Does the literature review strike you as deep enough? You may need to do a
 brief google scholar or other search to confirm this if it's out of your field. For these literature
 reviews, you're generally approaching hundred(s) of citations.

Other Criteria

- Comprehensiveness
 - Do you notice anything missing?
- Relevance
 - Based on the introduction, are all of the sections of the literature review (and related topics)
 clearly relevant to the dissertation?
- Organization & Structure
 - Is the overall organization clear? Does it flow well with clear subheadings?

Other Criteria

- Recency of sources
 - Make sure you're not over-relying on older sources
- Over-citing a single source
 - You don't want to be using a single source for all points. You're building on a domain of knowledge, not one paper.
- Critical contrasts
 - Rather than simply list all papers and what they say, good literature reviews contrast points and approaches of different papers.

How we'll provide feedback

Two modalities:

- 1) You will have a PDF to fill out which gauges your impressions on different dimensions of the literature review, and provide explicit examples.
- 2) You will provide broad commentary, similar to a paper review. This should take the form of at least 20 explicit critiques that are not already noted on your PDF form.