SSY145 Wireless Networks

Quiz A1 Answer Key

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The solutions are marked in **boldface**.

- 1. Which of the following statement is(are) correct about sections of an academic paper according to George M. Whitesides?
 - (a) The abstract should be done at the beginning of writing a paper.

 Motivation: False. The abstract can be done when the paper is complete.
 - (b) The Conclusion section of an academic paper should be written as a list of short phrases or sentences.Motivation: False. This refers to the Conclusion section in an outline, not an academic

paper.

- (c) The results and discussion are usually combined.
- (d) The main purpose of the Conclusion section is to shortly repeat what is in the Results section.

Motivation: Do not repeat what is in the Results section, unless special emphasis is needed. It should add a new, higher level of analysis, and should indicate explicitly the significance of the work.

- 2. Which of the following statement is(are) correct about constructing an outline of a paper according to George M. Whitesides?
 - (a) An outline should contain significant amount of text to be readable. Motivation: False. An outline itself contains little text.
 - (b) One should start to construct an outline after finishing a project.

 Motivation: False. Start writing possible outlines for papers early in a project.
 - (c) The outline should be organized around text.Motivation: False. Organize the outline and the paper around easily assimilated data tables, equations, figures, schemes rather than around text.
 - (d) None of the above.
- 3. Which of the following statement is(are) correct about the tense in an academic paper?
 - (a) When describing experimental results, use the present tense. Motivation: False. Use past tense.
 - (b) When attributing a statement or idea to a person, use the past tense. Motivation: True. An author's opinions can change with time. When attributing a statement or idea to a person, use the past tense.
 - (c) When discussing concepts, use the present tense.

 Motivation: True. Concepts are always here and now.

- (d) All of the above.
- 4. Which of the following statement for the theoretical development of an article is(are) false?
 - (a) In contrast to variance theories, process theories use events and states to help explain dynamic phenomena. Thus, in a review, the results of variance and process research are independent elements.
 - Motivation: False. Do not treat the results of variance and process research as independent elements of a review. Rather, make every effort to show how these two approaches reveal a deeper understanding of the topic.
 - (b) Variance theories incorporate dependent variables that cause variation in independent variables.
 - Motivation: False. Variance theories incorporate independent variables that cause variation in dependent variables.
 - (c) Models and propositions capture relationships between variables and represent theories.
 - Motivation: False. Models and propositions capture relationships between variables, but do not, on their own, represent theories.
 - (d) Extending current theories is a difficult task and is often the weakest part of a review, so it is the least important part of a review.
 - Motivation: False. It is the most important part of a review.