

## SECTION 6.2

### OBJECTIVES HYPOTHESES, RESEARCH QUESTIONS REVISITED OUTCOMES

OBJECTIVES & OUTCOMES

HYPOTHESES & RESULTS

RESEARCH QUESTIONS &  
ANSWERS

- Reviewing the outcomes of this work relative to the research objectives.
- Reviewing the results relative to the hypotheses.
- Reviewing research answers relative to the questions.

## SECTION 6.3

### THESIS CONTRIBUTIONS

OPEN SOURCE FORGE  
ANALYSIS

MODELLING APPROACH

TEAM FACTOR ANALYSIS

- Three broad areas of contribution; mining software repositories, the modelling approach and, insights into the impact of team factors on the structural attributes of software.

## SECTION 6.4

### THREATS TO VALIDITY

THREATS TO INTERNAL  
VALIDITY

THREATS TO EXTERNAL  
VALIDITY

- The limitations of this work and implications on internal and external validity.

## SECTION 6.5

### CONCLUSIONS

## SECTION 6.6

### REFLECTIONS

## SECTION 6.7

### FUTURE WORK

FORKING, BIG DATA,  
IMPROVED MODELS

- Proposals to enable a deeper analysis of forking network analysis.
- Exploring how Big Data could enable cross-forge data mining and provide deeper insights.