

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.

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**THREATS TO VALIDITY**

**THREATS TO INTERNAL  
VALIDITY**

**THREATS TO EXTERNAL  
VALIDITY**

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

SECTION 6.4

**CONCLUSIONS**

**WRAP UP**

SECTION 6.5

**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.