Assignment 2 (35%)

Deadline 2 May (week 10)

Topic:

- 1. Literature Review (30%)
- 2. Outline of Research (5%)

Marked by:

Your supervisor

Submission deadline:

Substantial draft: Tuesday 26 April 2pm for review workshop in class

Final submission: Monday 2 May 12noon (week 10)

Both the draft and the final submission must be submitted to Canvas/Turnitin.

Task 1: Literature Review

Prepare a report (around 10 pages) containing a critical review of the previous works you have found related to your research topic. The report should include around 15-20 properly referenced conf. or journal articles and/or books and highlight the gaps you identified in the literature. Organise the review around the questions or claims relevant to your research rather than just listing the papers you have read.

Task 2: Outline of research approach

Prepare a report (around 3 pages) that identifies a research problem (linked to your literature review above) and highlights the contributions you intend to make in your research area. Outline how you plan to evaluate your contributions. You should provide enough details to show that you have thought about how to convince readers. For example, if you intend to measure performance, you should describe what aspects will be measured, and what you will compare the measurements to.

Note:

You must follow the overall structure and guidelines given in class in week 4. You will be given the opportunity to receive feedback in week 9 during class.

Marking scheme

Task 1:

- *Coverage*: most important relevant work covered [5 marks]
- *Identification of contributions*: identified and described in a pertinent way/well summarised and evaluated [5 marks]
- *Identification of research methods*: well identified and described in a pertinent way [7 marks]
- *Organisation*: review shows a deep understanding of the knowledge/work cited well connected to the research topic / effective use of tables and graphs / leads well to gaps in research [8 marks]
- Presentation (of whole assignment): consistent reference style and layout/ clarity
 of presentation and written expression/ academic style/ final editing touches)
 [5 marks]

Task 2:

• Clear statement of the intended contribution / convincing evaluation process that is appropriate to the claim [5 marks]