

PAPER REVIEW GUIDELINES

Paper Review

As a graduate student in a data science program, you are expected to read and understand research papers at a high level. The goal of the readings is not necessary to master the concepts described in the papers but to extract the relevant insights.

Several readings will be selected and uploaded to the course site. The readings will be selected from recent literature in major journals and conference proceedings in the field of deep learning, image analysis, and NLP.

Please be familiar with all assigned papers and participate in the classroom discussions. You will need to select any **two** papers from the list of readings and submit written reviews as part of your assignments.

Each written review should contain the following:

1. Main idea
 - Title, author, and motivation of the paper
2. Summary of the paper
 - This should be in your own words rather than a copy of the paper's abstract. It demonstrates that you understand the paper.
3. Approach and contributions
 - What approach, analytical or empirical analysis did the authors use to establish the results?
 - What are the main findings and arguments made by the authors?
 - What is the importance of these contributions to machine learning and its applications?
 - What previously established work does the paper build upon and how?
4. Areas for improvements
 - Discuss any weaknesses of the assumptions, experimental setup, technical approach, presentation, reasoning
 - Provide constructive suggestions for improvements and follow up work

Please adhere to the following rules when submitting the written reviews:

- The review should be between 300-500 words.
- Late readings will incur a penalty of 10% per day.
- Plagiarism in any form will not be tolerated. Students are expected to work independently.