HOW TO HAND IT IN
To submit your reviews, submit the files via email to…

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* NOTE * You will lose points if you do not hand in homework as specified.

WHEN TO HAND IT IN
Before the start of class on the due date. See the course calendar for review due dates.

* NOTE * Late reviews will not be graded.

WHAT TO HAND IT IN
Each week you will review two papers. Each review should be roughly 1 type-written page. I’m talking about 11-point, Times, single-spaced. So, roughly 500 words. As a point of reference, this document is in 11-point Times, single-spaced and has 353 words

Follow the guideline below when preparing your review. EACH paper review must be in its OWN document (word 2003, ascii text and adobe acrobat are acceptable formats). The filename of each review must be in the form <your last name>_review<number of review>. For example, if this is Bryan Pardo’s third review, then the title would be “pardo_review3.pdf”.

In the review you will provide the following.

(1) Title and author of paper

(2) Summary of paper

This needs to be only 1-3 sentences, but it demonstrates that you understand the paper and, moreover, can summarize it more concisely than the authors in their abstract. If you can’t, then maybe the authors have not gotten the point across.

(3) What good thing did you get out of the paper. (one paragraph)

There must be something positive you can say about having read the paper. Good idea? It taught you how to or how NOT to write a paper? Interesting problem? Good figures? You learned something? It gave you an idea for follow up work?

(4) Major comments (a couple of paragraphs)

Discuss the author's assumptions, technical approach, analysis, results, conclusions, reference, etc. Be constructive, if possible, by suggesting improvements.

(5) Minor comments

Comment on style, figures, grammar, etc. If any of these are especially poor and detract from the overall presentation or somehow really great, then they might escalate to the 'major comments' section. It is acceptable to write these comments in list (or bullet) form.