

PEER REVIEW

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The purpose of a peer review is two-fold: (i) to help writers of the peer review develop critical evaluation skills and (ii) to give authors a fresh perspective on their work.

The peer review should be about 2 pages (no more than 3).

The peer review has 2 components:

1. **Summary:** a clear outline of the paper that involve answers to at least the following several questions.

What is the research question?

What is the motivation for the research question?

What is the main thesis?

What is the main argument(s) for the thesis?

What is an objection(s) to the thesis or argument(s)?

2. **Clarification:** identify at least one point that is confusing or in need of clarification.

What didn't make sense?

What terms or explanations were vague?

What gaps were there in the logic of the arguments?

3. **Responses:** develop at least one possible objection to the author's claims that either has not been considered by the author or was weakly presented.