

Feedback

- I found the structure of sentence and paragraphs are really helpful, both in terms of writing and reading. Also in terms of material, I found Halmos book very inspiring. It shows me the journey of how a book (or paper) should be written from the very beginning. As for class arrangement, I like our discussions about others' paper. It's one thing to know the strategies, but it's another thing to apply them. Having others' opinions really help me to know what is my weakness and how to improve writing in practice.
- One thing that surprises me is that there are writing style for mathematic expression. However, good choice of formula and enjoyable expression really make a difference. It's a surprise gain from this course.
- If I need to complain about anything, I guess I would say there is less material for figures and plots. I would like to know more about issues like whether to include plots, arrangement of plots with context, and examples of good captions. But I understand that less emphasize on such issue is partly because they really depend on the concrete topic.
- I probably would also like more emphasize on the structure of the whole paper. The idea of connecting all the parts to tell a story is very important when organizing the paper. Also the idea about motivating each subsection, so that each sub part is a small story of its own is also very helpful. My advisors taught me such ideas after my first draft, and then my paper improved fundamentally. I would really appreciate if I know these principles before writing.