

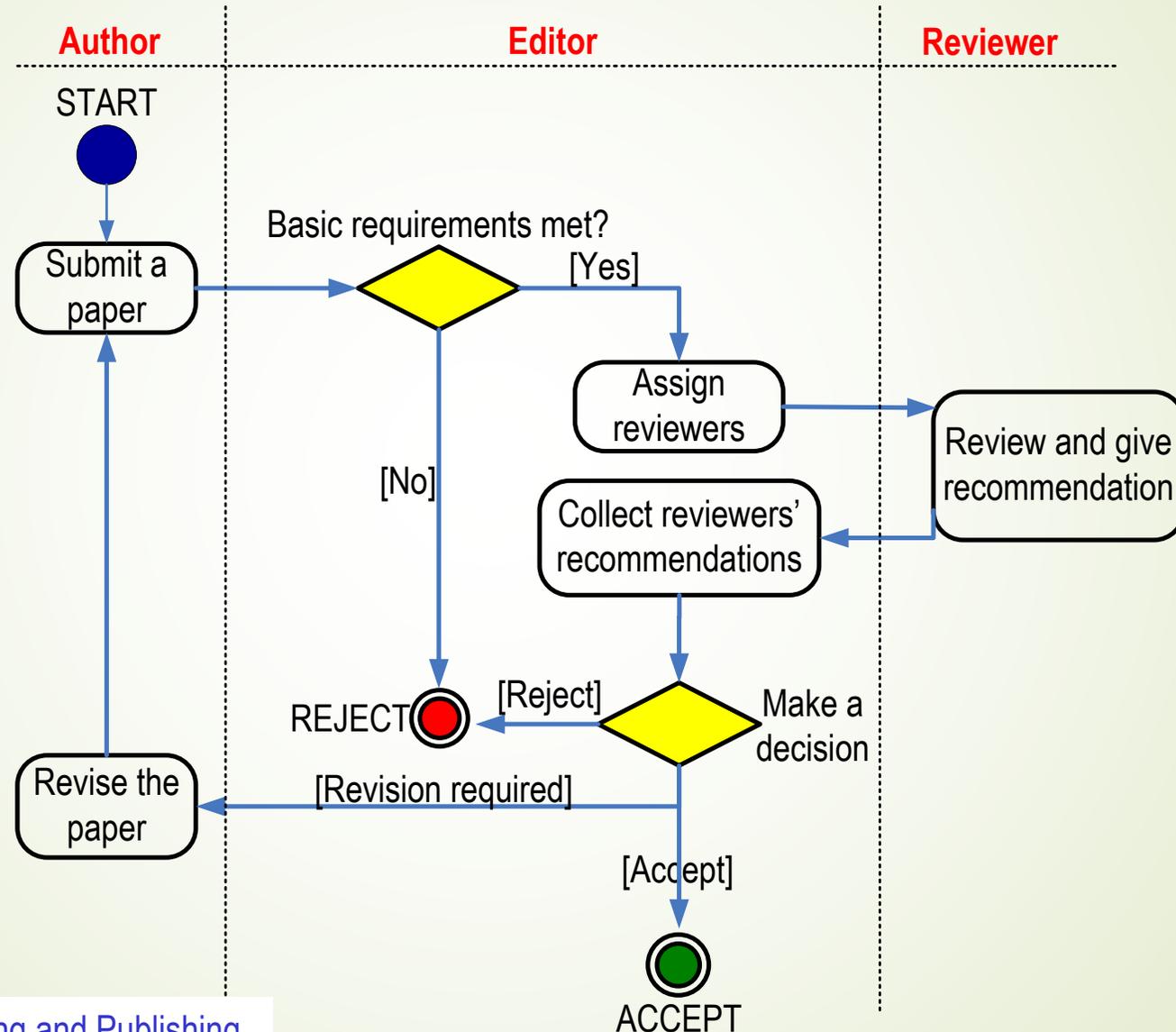
Authors' Response to the Review Comments

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Peer review—responding to reviewers' comments

- **An opportunity, not a criticism**
 - Chance to make a better paper—be conscientious and cooperative
- **Respond promptly**
 - Ask the editor if you need more time
- **Provide point-by-point list of**
 - How each comment was addressed; justification for not addressing any comments
- **Respond to ALL editorial points**—e.g., format, style, author statements

Submission is not a “black hole”



Resubmit or go elsewhere?

- Never submit the same version of the article elsewhere
- Always use the reviewers comments



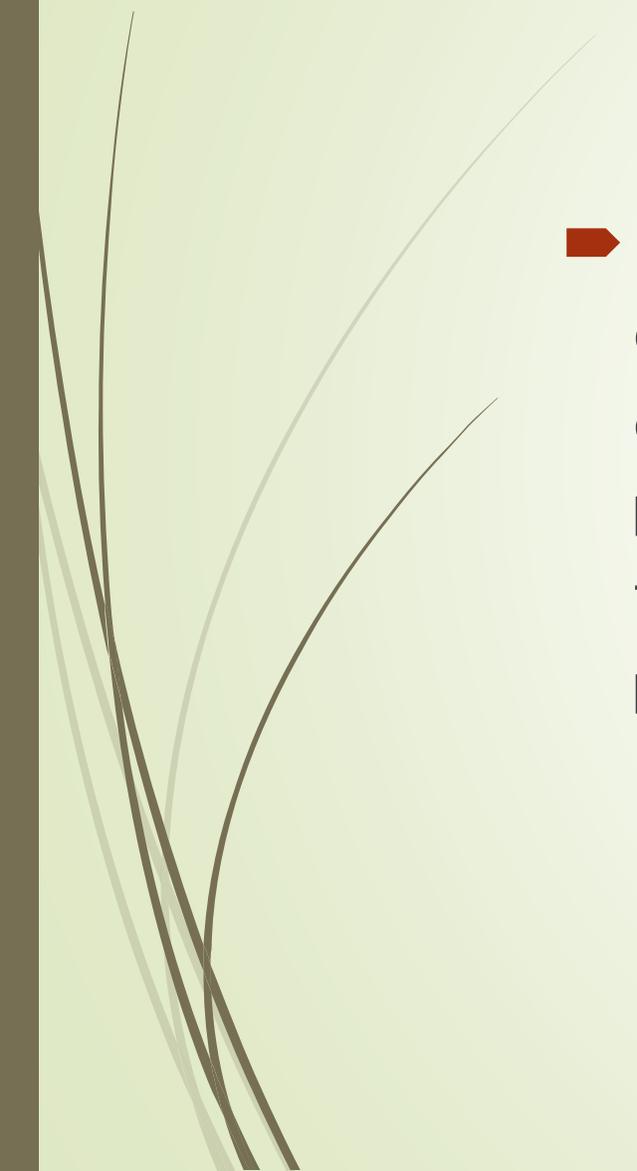
Ten simple rules for writing a response to reviewers

- ▶ William Stafford Noble
- ▶ Published: October 12, 2017
- ▶ <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1005730>

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- Rule 1: Provide an overview, then quote the full set of reviews
 - Rule 2: Be polite and respectful of all reviewers
 - Rule 3: Accept the blame
 - Rule 4: Make the response self-contained
 - Rule 5: Respond to every point raised by the reviewer
 - Rule 6: Use typography to help the reviewer navigate your response
 - Rule 7: Whenever possible, begin your response to each comment with a direct answer to the point being raised
 - Rule 8: When possible, do what the reviewer asks
 - Rule 9: Be clear about what changed relative to the previous version
 - Rule 10: If necessary, write the response twice



Rule 3: Accept the blame

- ▶ If the reviewer failed to understand something, apologize for not making it clear. Even if you are convinced that the text is already clear (i.e., the reviewer simply missed it), consider revising the text and quoting the revised text in your response
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Rule 4: Make the response self-contained

- ▶ When you make changes to the text or to figures, quote the changes directly in the response. If possible, you can refer to the specific line number where the changes were applied, though you should be sure to specify whether you refer to the line numbers from the original or the revised manuscript

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- In your cover letter, answer each critique/comment made by reviewers.
 - Highlight in the revised paper the changes made as a result of the reviewers' comments.
 - Be courteous. A good idea is to start your response with, "I thank the reviewer for this thoughtful suggestion..." (that is, if you think it is thoughtful...)
 - Try to consider carefully each suggestion or comment.
 - If you disagree with a request for a change, but it is easy to implement it and it does not affect the science...do it!
 - If you disagree entirely with a criticism and believe it is scientifically sound, explain why.

How we can start??

- We appreciate the time and efforts by the editor and referees in reviewing this manuscript. We have addressed all issues indicated in the review report, and believed that the revised version can meet the journal publication requirements.

Dear Editor-in-Chief and Referees:

Thank you for your kind letter of “Decision on Manuscript ID 2036-6344-1-RV” on the 17th February, 2010. The title of the manuscript is: “Analysis of the inexact Uzawa algorithms for nonlinear saddle point problems” (by Jian-Lei Li and Liang Li). We are very grateful to your and the reviewers’ comments and thoughtful suggestions. We are sorry for the linguistic quality of the original manuscript. Based on these comments and suggestions, we have made careful modifications to the original manuscript, and carefully proof-read the manuscript to minimize typographical and grammatical errors. We believe that the manuscript has been greatly improved and hope it has reached your magazine’s standard.

Once again, we acknowledge your comments very much, which are valuable in improving the quality of our manuscript.



Response to Comments from Reviewer 1

- ▶ **Comment 1:**

- ▶ *In this paper the authors present a model that uses an AHP based framework, interfaced with fuzzy logic to establish ...*

- ▶ **Response:**

- ▶ We greatly appreciate the reviewer's efforts to carefully review the paper and the valuable suggestions offered. As suggested by the reviewer, we have added references correspondingly to justify the selection of some criteria used in this study. Please refer to page 5-7 in the revised manuscript. In this study, we have



➤ **Comment 2:**

➤ *Further, all the six criteria are in the "higher the better" or "the lower the better category". In Model Formulation, (Step1),*

➤ **Response:**

➤ Thanks for the comments. In the case study, "the medium the better" indicators are not used. To avoid the confusion, we have eliminated the "the medium the better" indicator in the revised manuscript.



■ **Comment 3:**

■ *In steps 2 and 3, the authors present the framework for determining a_{ij} , w_i and w_j , and in step 4, they show how the weights are utilized in determining the final scores. But they do not discuss what information they needed to compute these weights for the case study. They should clarify this.*

■ **Response:**

■ Thanks for the comments. Please note that the information needed to compute the weights can be obtained by solving the proposed non-linear optimization model (Eq. 12-16).

Point-by-point response to the Reviewer's comments

- We were delighted to receive the comments from the Reviewer for the above noted manuscript. We wish to thank the Editor and Reviewer very much for their careful and thoughtful reviews and insightful comments and suggestions to improve the quality and impact of the manuscript. We have addressed each of the concerns below, on a point-by-point basis, making changes to the manuscript accordingly, which are underlined and highlighted in red. We believe that the manuscript has been significantly strengthened as a result of their recommendations. We very much appreciate the opportunity to submit this revised manuscript, and do hope that, with these changes and clarifications, our work might be suitable for publication in World Journal of Clinical Cases.



Point-by-point response to the Reviewer's comments

- 1. Reviewer comment: If available, provide information about the death of the patient.
- Author response: We thank the reviewer to underline this important issue.
- Author action: This sentence was rewritten to read as:
Regretfully, the patient died from multiple organ failures at three months postoperatively (page 5, lines 136-137)

Point-by-point response to the Reviewer's comments

- 2. Reviewer comment: Introduction Lines 64: "...therapeutic outcome ...has been remarkably improved...", not "elevated"
- Author response: Thank you very much for this useful comment.
- Author action: This sentence was rewritten to read as:
Though the therapeutic outcome of paratesticular RMS has been remarkably improved, it still depends on the tumor grade, distant disease and tumor cell histology[4, 5] (page 3, lines 63-65).



THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION