1. **Mapping the intro:** Find 2 more papers (either papers that you are currently reading for your research, or else something from a recent astro-ph posting). For both papers, map out the introduction in words, paragraph by paragraph (i.e., describe the purpose of each paragraph). Identify whether or not these introductions contain the stylistic elements (e.g., “funnel structure”) we’ve discussed in class. If not, discuss whether you think this is a limitation for the paper, or a valid variant of style.

2. **The Gap in Our Knowledge:** For one of your own past, current, or future research projects, identify the gap in our current knowledge that you were (are or will be) addressing. Next, state what the current hypothesis is that you’re testing. Write your answers clearly in a couple of sentences (up to a paragraph).