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- A short summary of the basic findings of the paper and their significance for theory and practice
- The submission category/genre you chose among those described in the instructions for authors (to help clarify the evaluation criteria)

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We would like to submit this as a [genre / submission category], as described in the instructions for authors, which we have read and believe to have understood.

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