ACL Rolling Review

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Disclaimer

- Do not trust me.
- I haven’t submitted anything to the ACL Rolling Review so far.
- Better read everything yourself.

You can find all the information here:

https://aclrollingreview.org/
Previous (non-rolling) system

1. Select conference
2. Submit paper
3. Get reviews
4. Get responses
5. Notification + reviews
6. Author responses
7. Rewrite the paper
8. Camera ready
9. Publication

- If accepted: camera ready, publication
- If rejected: rewrite the paper
- REJECTED
- ACCEPTED
New ACL-Rolling-Review system

submit paper → get reviews

YES → select conference → submit the paper with reviews

NO SATISFIED WITH THE REVIEWS? → rewrite the paper

ACCEPTED notification → camera ready → publication

REJECTED notification
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Deadline: 15th each month

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NO

rewrite the paper

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Step 1: Centralized Rolling Review

- unified review pool
- review is handled by an “action editor” (~ area chair ???)
- The review process takes roughly 35 days:
  - day 0 - submission deadline
  - days 1 to 4 - action editor assignment
  - days 5 to 7 - desk rejects and reviewer assignment
  - day 7 to 1 month - reviewing
  - 1 month to 1 month + 5 days - meta reviewing (by action editor)
  - 1 month + 5 days - reviews to authors
- Authors may allow their anonymized submission to be publicly available on OpenReview while it is under ARR review ([https://openreview.net/group?id=aclweb.org/ACL/ARR/2021/August](https://openreview.net/group?id=aclweb.org/ACL/ARR/2021/August))
- Standard anonymity period one month before the submission
- If you decide to rewrite and resubmit the paper, you get the same reviewers
  - you can ask for a new reviewer or action editor, but only in “extreme cases”
Step 2: Submission to Publication Venue

- you submit already reviewed papers with reviews to a publication venue
- program chairs of the selected conference will decide whether to accept or reject your paper for presentation
- list of conferences, each has 2 deadlines
  - deadline for last possible submission to ARR
  - deadline for submission of the reviews to the conference
  - [https://aclrollingreview.org/dates](https://aclrollingreview.org/dates)
Reviewers

- Each month, around 7 days after the submission deadline, reviewers who are available that month will receive submissions to review.
- Reviews should be completed by 30 days after the submission deadline.
- So, reviewers will want to be especially available from the 15th to the 22nd of each month.
- Reviewers may choose to mark themselves as unavailable for some period.
- You should manage your reviewing load each month.

- Reviewer Interest Survey:
  - [https://aclrollingreview.org/reviewers](https://aclrollingreview.org/reviewers)
Questions

1. Can I submit my paper+reviews to a conference and, at the same time, rewrite it and resubmit to ARR?