How to More Effectively Engage with Highly Technical "Over-Your-Head" Seminar Talks

Abstract:

Do you ever wonder how some researchers can understand technical seminar talks and ask inquisitive questions? You probably never formally learned how to effectively listen and evaluate important technical information from seminar speakers. Like many others, you likely passively learned techniques from watching faculty ask questions, and yet never harnessed a repeatable strategy to quickly evaluate difficult material. In this one-hour, interactive workshop, Dr. Tanya Garcia will walk you through different exercises to 1) Evaluate and generate creative questions on highly technical material that is outside your comfort zone, 2) Change your physiology (mindset, focus, language) to increase your confidence in approaching new material, and 3) Network with seminar speakers in a fun way.

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