6.033 critique #3: preparation worksheet

Paper	GFS
Summary of system: What is it? What does it do?	
Does GFS respond to a previous system? What problem is solved by GFS?	
Modules of system & their interactions	
Design goals (use evidence from text)	

	Relevant (y/n)	If no, why not? If yes, is goal met?	Evidence from text
Scalability			
Security			

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Fault-tolerance/ handling failures			
Simplicity			

Additional design goals	Is this goal met? Explain	Evidence from text

Other analysis (limitations, context, notable success)	
Criteria most important to *this system* and why	

Before beginning to write, think about how you might organize your critique. You might assess each module in turn, or each design goal. You might order design goals by importance (e. g. most to least important) or by strength (strongest to weakest— or the reverse!) Use your introduction to forecast and your conclusion to recap.