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Course of defence: Defence: reviewers propose B/68, C/62 and D/59. More coherent literature review is demanded and also better debate on gravity model, the analysis is based on rather small sample of data, also historical context of the topic should be done better. Instead of focus the paper is divided to a lot of subtopics, some opinions are adopted uncritically, without verification. The main problem is the construction of the paper where small sample of data is analyzed as large sample of data and the conclusions do not reflect this disproportion. Student explained how this could be done next time, also additional questions were answered correctly, the proposed grade is B/65.

Result of defence: excellent (B)

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