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Scientific Writing

Find a Topic

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Learning Goal

Formulating a topic for an academic work

Who already has a topic?

- Raise your hand if you already have a topic.
- Turn to your neighbor and explain in 1 minute how you found it.
- If you do not have any topic yet:
 - ▶ What are you interested in?
 - ▶ How would you approach to find that topic?

Possible Workflow for a Bachelor Thesis

- Look through the research groups
- Topic search: Which topics might interest me?
- Read papers from this topic
- These papers will show, which topics need more research and where the gaps are
- Write an abstract to understand for yourself the problem and the solution

Exercise:

- Open a Pad: pad.gwdg.de
- Try the Workflow
- Note down your findings:
 - What are you interested in?
 - ▶ Why is it interesting?
 - Why it is feasible in a bachelor thesis?
 - What are limitations, gaps or open questions?

Discussion

■ What are your findings?