RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

French research system, bibliographic methods, how to {write/speak/PhD}

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ABOUT ME, YOU AND THE COURSE

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And you? Where do you come from? Let and you?

The course 10 hours = 3 + 2 + 2 + 3

Arche, personal page Slides, information, useful links

Assessment Presentations about research systems in countries other than France

SOME PRACTICAL WORK!

Create a document in LaTeX that contains a table and a figure. Give each object a caption, put the table caption above the table and the figure caption below the figure.

Create a BibTex file with a few citations in it. Add a sentence that contains these citations and then add a bibliography to your document.

USEFUL LINKS

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https://tex.stackexchange.com/
https://www.tablesgenerator.com/
http://detexify.kirelabs.org/classify.html
https://www.latextemplates.com/
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OUTLINE

French research system

Ph.D. fundings in France

Ph.D.: where and when?

After a Ph.D. (in France)

Scientific communication



EPST

EPST Établissements Publics de Recherche et d'Enseignement Supérieur Public Superior Establishments of Research and Teaching

→ Public research is conducted jointly between universities and research organizations

CNRS

CNRS Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique National Center for Scientific Research

→ Fundamental research in all disciplines of science, created in 1939 http://www.cnrs.fr/en

In 2020 Budget: 3.4 billion €; 32,000 employees.



FIGURE - 10 institutes in the CNRS.

<u>I</u>NRIA

INRIA Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et Automatique French Research Institute for Digital Sciences

→ Computer science and mathematics research for digital technologies, created in 1967 https://www.inria.fr/en/

In 2019 Budget: 230 million €; 4,200 employees.

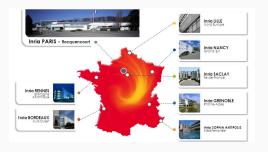


FIGURE - 8 Inria research centers.

OTHER MAJOR EPST

- **INSERM** Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale National Institute of Health and Medical Research
 - → Focuses on health, medical issues and bio-medicine, created in 1964.
- INRA Institut National de Recherche Agronomique National Institute for Agricultural Research
 - → Focuses on research in agriculture, agronomy, nutrition, environment, green bio-technologies, biodiversity, epidemiology. Created in 1946.
- Not an EPST CEA: Commissariat à l'Énergie Atomique (French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission), a national research organization dedicated to nuclear and alternative energies.

FRENCH RESEARCH LABORATORIES

UPR « Unités Propres », consist of only one type of EPST.

Ex: LSPM – Laboratoire des Sciences des Procédés et des Matériaux (Laboratory of Process and Materials Sciences), CNRS UPR 3407

UMR « Unités Mixtes », bring together researchers from several institutes and/or universities

Ex: LORIA, UMR 7503 = Université de Lorraine + CNRS + INRIA

PH.D. FUNDINGS IN FRANCE

TYPES OF FUNDING

- Doctoral contract
- Funding by research institutes
- Industrial funding : CIFRE (Conventions Industrielles de Formation par la Recherche)
- Co-funding by the region/other (institute, laboratory funds)
- Research contracts: with the own resources of a research team (ANR, ERC, other)

DOCTORAL CONTRACT

Who? No age limit, no obligation to have obtained a Master's degree in the prior year.

Selection Local.

Complementary activity? Teaching, scientific and technique information, expert assessment or technological surveillance for companies or community.

Wage 1,684.93 euros raw/month for research activity only; 2,024.70 euros raw/month if complementary activity.

FUNDING BY RESEARCH INSTITUTES

Most EPST have their own money (from government) to fund Ph.D. projects.

Complementary activity? Generally possible. Teaching, scientific and technique information, expert assessment or technological surveillance for companies or community.

Ex: CNRS Bourse Docteur Ingénieur (BDI), requires to have an Engineer diploma. 1,757 euros raw/month.

Ex: INRIA CORDI-S programme. 1,957.54 euros raw/month.

CIFRE

Who? Having obtained a Master's degree in the last three years.

Selection ANRT: Association Nationale de la Recherche Technique (National Association of Technical Research).

Complementary activity? No.

Wage Depends on the company! Minimal 1,957 raw/month.

CO-FUNDING

Each case is different \odot Contact your possible future supervisor(s)!

FUNDING ON RESEARCH CONTRACTS

Your future supervisors may work within a research project funded by a national, European or international agency, and may therefore have a specific budget for a Ph.D. project.

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PH.D.: WHERE AND WHEN?

FANTASTIC FUNDINGS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM

Crawl & stalk & spam:

- Research institutes
- Research centers
- Doctoral schools
- Mailing lists of your favorite research topics :
 - * Linguist List
 - * Liste Langage Naturel (LN)
 - * Groupes de recherche (GdR)

WHEN SHOULD ONE START LOOKING

A.S.A.P.

Ph.D. proposals generally have to be submitted between beginning of February and beginning of April by the supervisors.

Most application campaigns open beginning of May.

AFTER A PH.D. (IN FRANCE)

RESEARCH CAREER PERSPECTIVES

ATER Attaché Temporaire de Recherche et d'Enseignement (Temporary Research and Teaching Officer) in a University – 2 years at most

Post-doctorate Contract researcher, in France or abroad

Maître de conférence Assistant, then associate professor – university lecturer and researcher, on local competitive recruitment of universities, requires a CNU qualification

Chargé de Recherche civil servant researcher in one of the EPST – on national or local competitive recruitment depending on the EPST)

Lecturer/researcher of the private sector

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

National and European funding plans:

ANR Agence Nationale de la Recherche (National Research Agency): individual or collaborative national or international calls for proposals

Region Generally devoted to a specific theme and regional collaborations between public and private organizations

Programs of research institutes

European Commission Ex: Horizon 2020 Programme

EVALUATION OF FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Criteria common to all types of calls:

- Subject relevance (bibliography, sate-of-the art, clear presentation of the objectives).
- Scientific excellence and innovative aspects for technological research.
- Quality of the project structure/implementation and its feasibility.
- Global impact of the project.

Then, depending of the call type:

- Presence of the industrial sector via industrial partners
- International collaborations



THE HOURGLASS

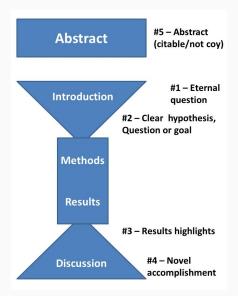


FIGURE - 5 sections: abstract, intro, methods, results, discussion (AIMRD).

GENERAL STRUCTURE

- 1. **General introduction of the subject** (with plan explanation)
- 2. Detailed presentation of the subject and objectives

State-of-the-art: existing work (theoretical & technical)
Presentation of your objectives and hypotheses: put into
the context of the existing works

3. Your methods

Presentation of your methods (e.g. your new method compared to the existing works)

4. Your results

Result presentation Result analysis/Discussion

- 5. Conclusion
- 6. Bibliography
- 7. Potential Annexes

TYPOGRAPHY

TYPOGRAPHY MATTERS.

I want to be able to write texts in English, but also en français. Yet: typography rules are different in those languages! There must be more than 1,000.5 rules in English, 1 000,5 en français. I would give \$3 billion and 3 milliards € to learn them!

TYPOGRAPHY

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English https://www.loveofgraphics.com/typography/
    typographic-rules-to-remember/
French
    http://www.schplaf.org/kf/VadeMecum_Memoire.php
Both https:
    //www.mancko.com/typography-punctuation/en/
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IN LATEX

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English "bla" → "bla"

French "bla" → « bla »
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Attention please: guillemets (French quotation marks) need space!

POSTERS & PRESENTATIONS

- The most important part is the content use simple styles and avoid dense poster/slides.
- **Colours** the most important keywords could be coloured, or in **bold**.
- **Text** the less text the better. No full sentences; graphics/pictures help to visualise.
- **Details** your presentation should lead people to read your paper, you don't have to pack everything in it.

POSTERS

Attract people main idea and main findings should be clear (1 min).

Talk to people a poster is a base. Prepare a speech (2-5 mn) that goes quickly through the poster.

Font the title should be readable from about 3-5 meters, the rest from about 1-2 meter.

Reading path generally easier: left to right, up to bottom, either by columns or by rows.

Structure follow the paper: motivations (what is the problem, why it is interesting) maybe an example, then approach and contributions, experiments, results and a conclusion.

PRESENTATIONS

Time/slide 1 slide per minute (at most!)

Outline for short presentations, don't repeat the outline.

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What not to do:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KbSPPFYxx3o.

TYPOS (AND HOW TO AVOID THEM)

- Use spell-checkers (ex (on-line, English): http://www.reverso.net/spell-checker/ english-spelling-grammar/).
- THEN: look out for:

Homogeneity caps, punctuation, general style.
Logic outline, transitions.
Formulations https://www.deepl.com/
Rehearse rehearse, rehearse.

"The term 'bullet-point' comes from people firing guns at annoying presenters."

PLAGIARISM

DEMO

SCIENCE

Any claim must be justified by a citation.

Any extract from a published work (book, report, article, internet,etc), must be quoted.

CITATION RULES

Harvard system alphabetical ordering in the "Bibliography" section, no numbering. The citation is made with the author's last name, followed by their first name, and the year of publishing.

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- **Mixed systems** references numbered and ordered according to the alphabetical order in the "Bibliography" section; cited with their numbers.

BIBTEX

The BibTeX software of MEX provides us with a large choice of bibliography styles, giving both, the citation format in the main text and the reference format of the "Bibliography" section.

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              Demily, Caroline and Franck, Nicolas
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    Publisher = {Cambridge University Press},
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https://enthese.hypotheses.org/
http://www.winlp.org/winlp-2019-workshop/
poster-slides-tips/
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USEFUL LINKS

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How to communicate with professors?
   https://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/
   college-resource-center/
   communicating-with-professors/
How to write an academic resume/CV https:
   //gradschool.cornell.edu/academic-progress/
   pathways-to-success/prepare-for-your-career/
   take-action/resumes-and-cvs/
Feel-good advice for presentations and posters writing
   http://www.winlp.org/winlp-2019-workshop/
   poster-slides-tips/
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