

# Wissenschaftliches Arbeiten und Lehren

## Seminar mit integriertem Praktikum

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# Part I

## Syllabus

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- SPWAL Research Projects
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Source: Martin-Luther-Universität, Halle-Wittenberg



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- ❸ ... we will discuss and review almost entirely English literature.



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## No *in-class* (!) lectures ...

- December 18th (midterm sync)
- December 25th (xmas)
- January 1st (new year)
- January 8th (devoted to writing)



## Script, exercises, literature

- completely available from the download area of the seminar's home page (unless otherwise stated)
- weekly updates
- exercise sheets are available from both UniWorX *and* the download area

## Access to the Download Area

**Seminar Home Page > Downloads** (or directly)

- User-ID:  
**SPWAL**
- Password:  
**ws2018::Munich**



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Web Page

[spwal@nm.ifi.lmu.de](mailto:spwal@nm.ifi.lmu.de)

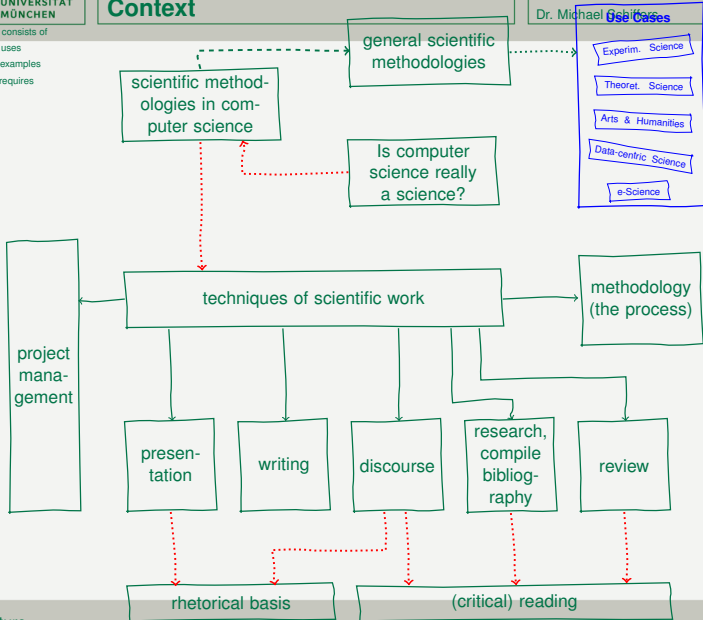


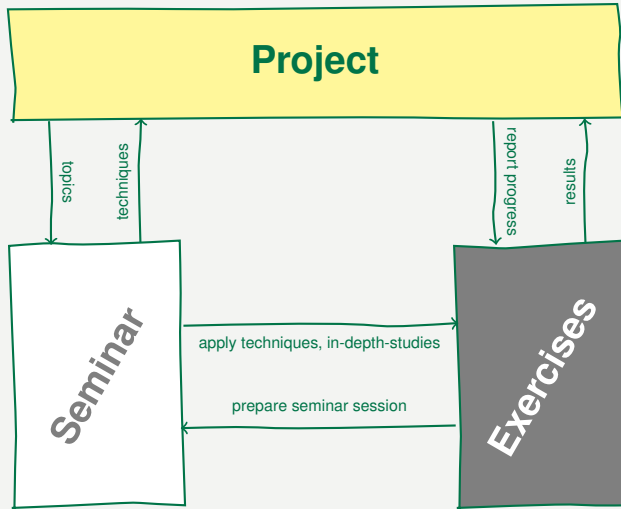


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- : consists of
- - - - - : uses
- ... : examples
- ... : requires







- group exercises *and* individual exercises
- For completing the exercises you have (mostly) six days.
- Download the exercises either from the UniWorX system *or* from the download area of the seminar's home page.
- You *must* submit the solutions via UniWorX! (no exceptions)
- Completion of *all* exercises is mandatory!



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# SPWAL Research Projects

Context and Processes for the Fall Term 2018/19

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criteria

You either ...

*Pass*

*or*

*Fail*

includes comple-  
mentary grade





## To pass successfully, you ...

- need to *successfully* participate in an SRP,
  - „successfully“ means: achieve 70% of all points
- need to submit *all* required exercises in *right time*,
  - „right time“ means: within UniWorX acceptance slot
- need to participate in *all* class room sessions (unless you are absent with valid excuse)

## Note

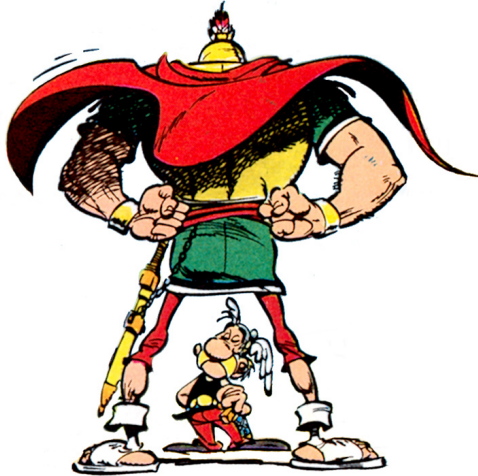
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**Base  
Grade**

„1.0“

**Grades are lowered ...**

- per unexcused absence by 1.0 points
- by low SRP grading (points depend on achievement)
- by 10% of difference between maximally achievable exercise points and actually achieved ones (max 2.0 points)
- by low participation in class room sessions (0.5 points if you neither presented any home work nor your project's current status)



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## Seminar Wissenschaftliches Arbeiten

(Dr. M. Schifflers)

Wintersemester 2018/19

Work Sheet 1

Upload your solutions (via UniWorX only – unless otherwise stated) latest by 20.10.2018, 12:00.

### EXERCISE 1

YOU NEED TO PARTICIPATE in an SPWAL Research Project (SRP). The purpose of an SRP is to do some methodologically sound research in a supervised and controlled hands-on training environment.

However, it is not intended to execute the projects as a „one person show“. Consequently, teamworking is not only strongly recommended, it is definitely essential. In other words, you need to join a team. Be aware that the teams will not change during the semester.

It is very important to understand that hiding yourself behind the team's „firewall“ without contributing to the team's success will be disadvantageous for both the groups's „hygiene“ and your personal grading.

CONSEQUENTLY, THIS EXERCISE consists of the following tasks:

1. Join a team
2. Give your team a name
3. The team agrees on the SPWAL Research Area (SRA).<sup>2</sup>
4. Determine your team's spokesperson.<sup>3</sup>
5. Have the spokesperson send an email to [spwal@nm.ifi.lmu.de](mailto:spwal@nm.ifi.lmu.de) to communicate the team's name, the member list, and the selected SRA.

<sup>1</sup> see the [student's handout](#) in the Seminar-Repository

<sup>2</sup> see the [student's handout](#) in the Seminar-Repository

<sup>3</sup> no panic, this role is relevant only for this exercise

\*You may decide to change the SRA while working on the SEP proposal. But be aware that the final proposal is due on **November 17th** (see the **student's handbook** in the Seminar-Repository).

### Exercise 2

THIS EXERCISE CONSISTS OF A „PAPER STATEMENT“, a type of exercise you will encounter sometimes. Whenever you are requested to prepare a paper statement, you need to fulfill the following objectives – unless otherwise stated:

1. to read the paper
2. to analyze the paper according to given criteria
3. to summarize your analysis<sup>5</sup>
4. to upload your summary to UniWorX
5. to be prepared to present your analysis<sup>6</sup>

<sup>2</sup> maximum 250 to 300 words<sup>a</sup> no formal presentation, maximum three minutes

<sup>2</sup> The paper is [here](#)

<sup>4</sup> The important point here is that you should look at the paper from your personal (and therefore subjective) perspective!

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA for your analysis.<sup>8</sup>

1. Is the paper understandable?
2. Does the paper mention a clear problem statement? Which is it?
3. Do the authors present a solution to the problem? Which one?
4. Is there an explicit and sufficiently elaborated state-of-the-art from where you could determine the gaps the other approaches exhibit?
5. Are you able to identify the methodology the authors apply to solve their problem? If so, explain it. If not, elaborate what you think is missing?
6. What are the main differences between their „Abstract“, their „Introduction“, and their „Conclusions“?

Upload your statement to UniWorX and be prepared to present your analysis.

### EXERCISE 3

USING THE SAME CRITERIA as before, write a paper statement for the paper „Web Enabled Tool for Parallel Application Development and Performance Analysis“. You can find the paper in the [Seminar-Repository](#).<sup>9</sup>

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