Introduction to the MSc Geomatics Graduation thesis (GEO2010 + GEO2020)

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2. What is an MSc thesis?
3. The graduation manual (the rules)
4. The milestones (the Ps)
5. Some research tips
6. How to pick a topic?
7. Questions

New coordinator from September 2021

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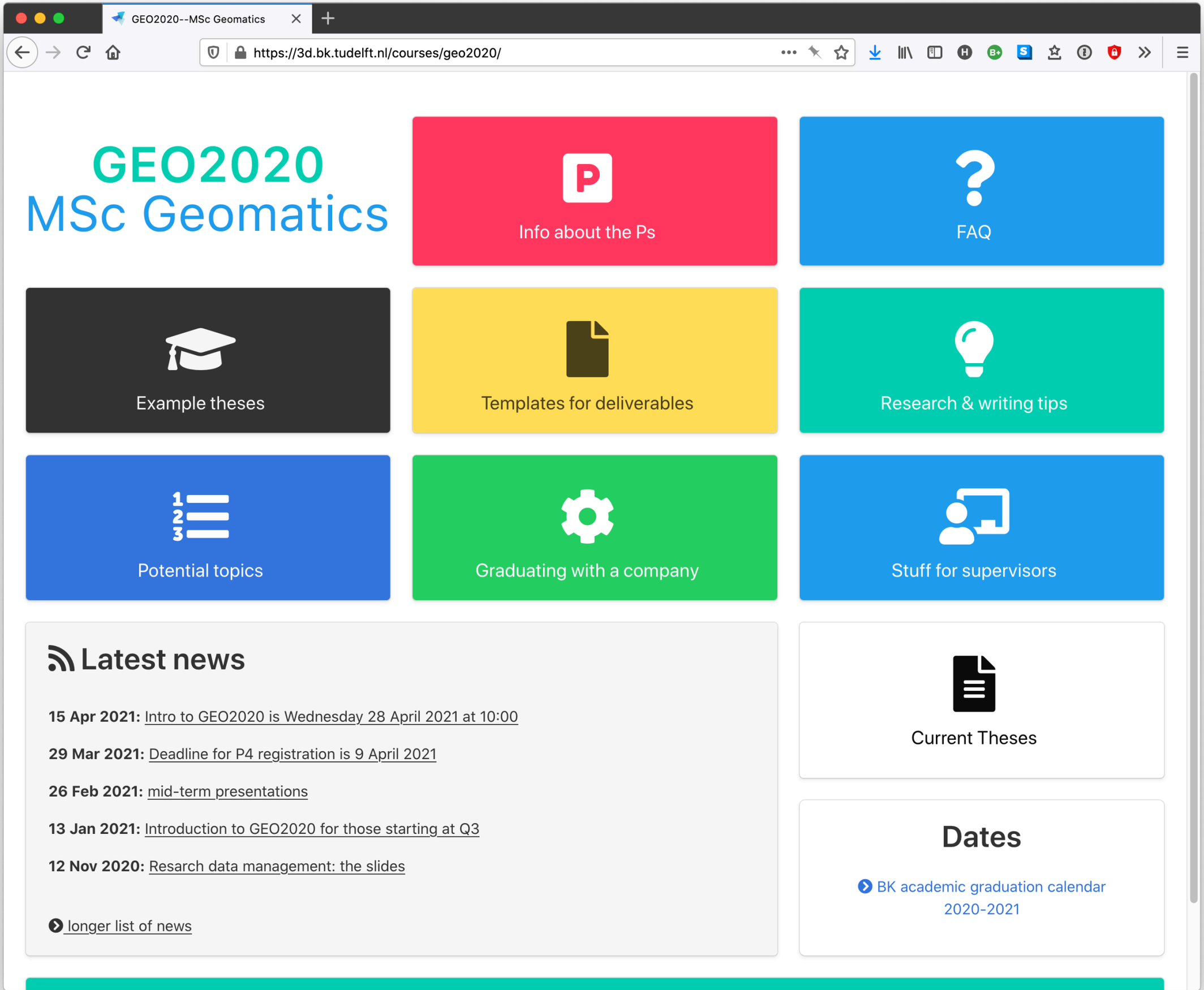
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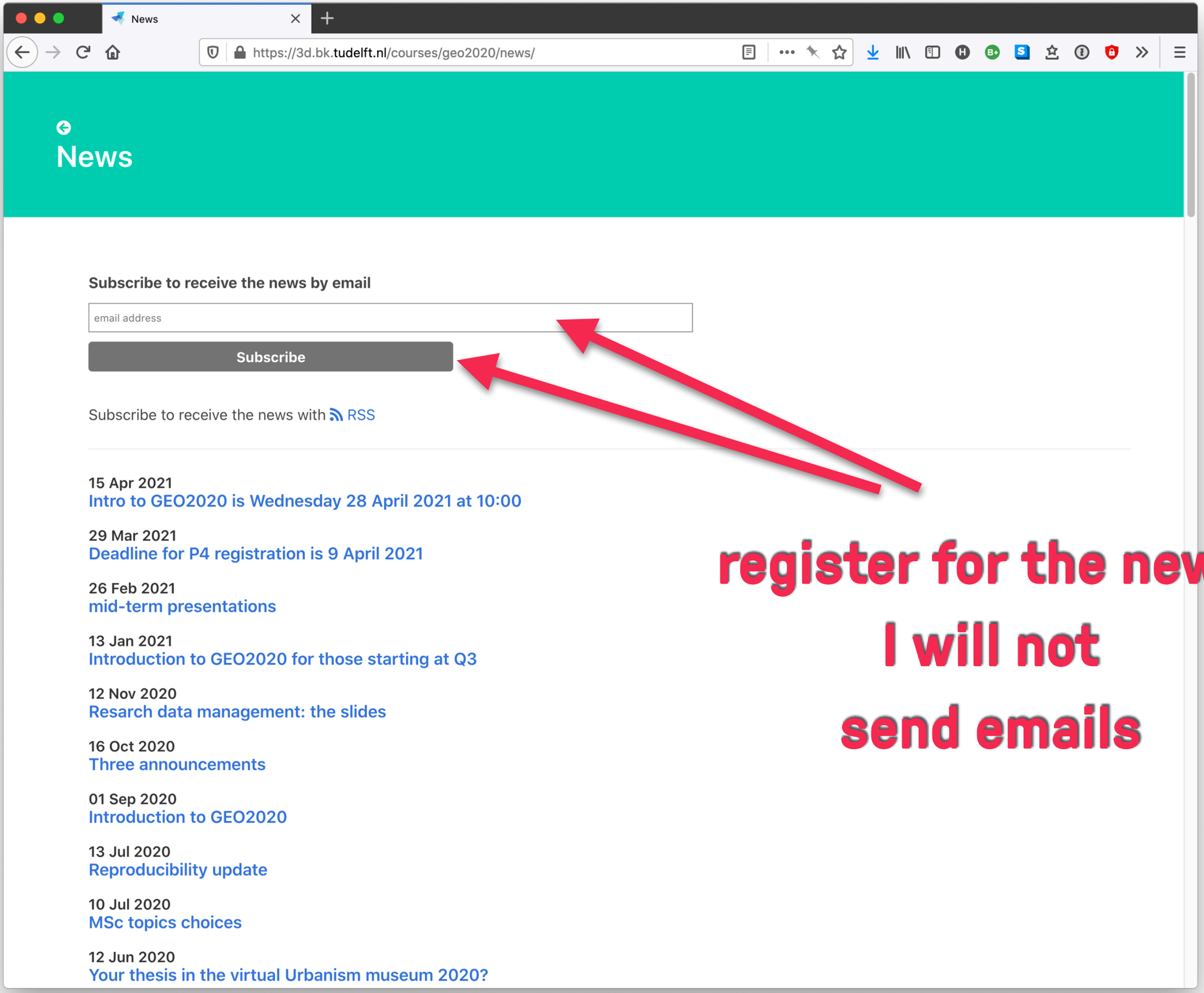
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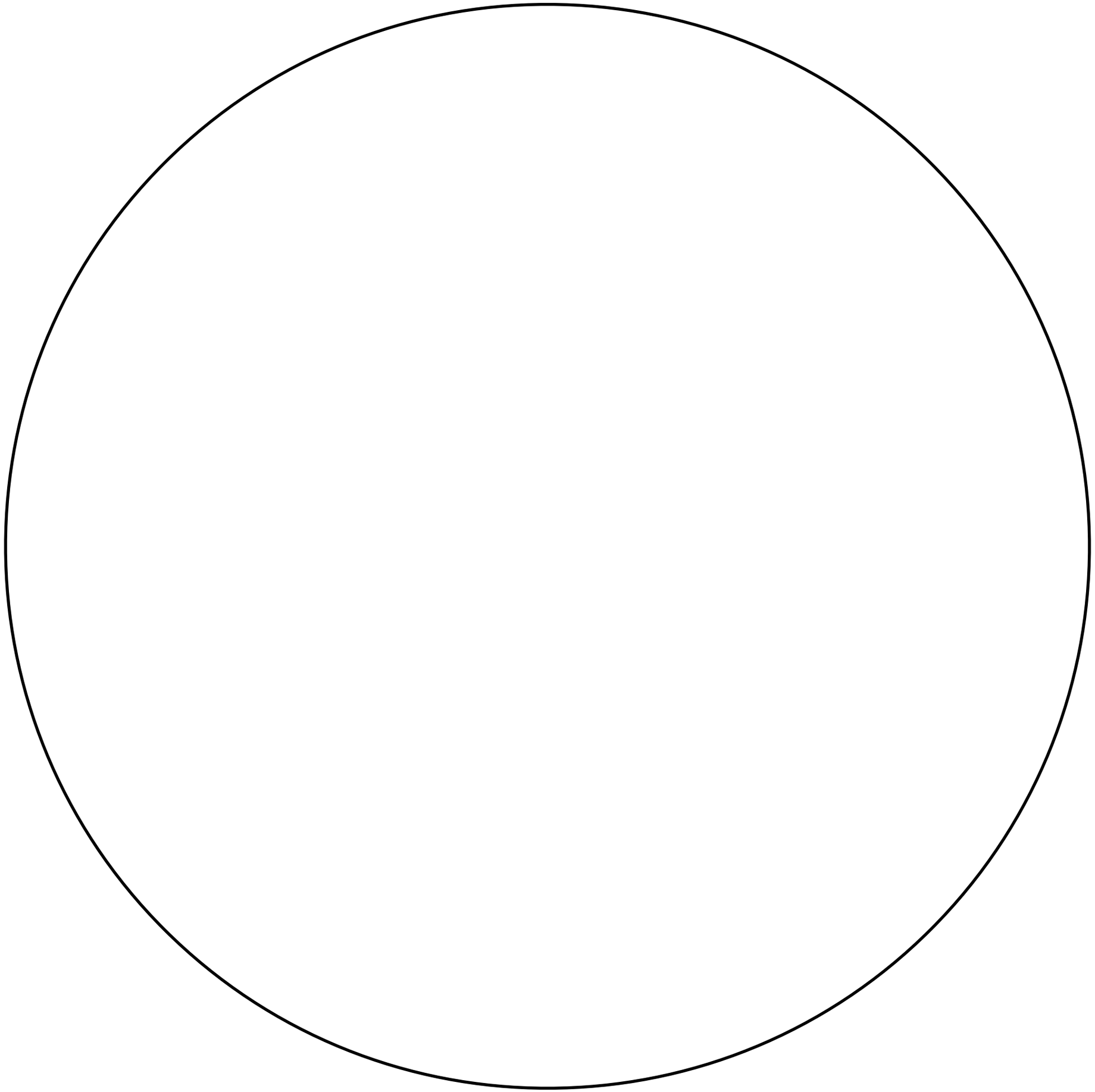
register for the news,
I will not
send emails

But check #geo2020 on discord (simpler!)

2. What is an MSc thesis?



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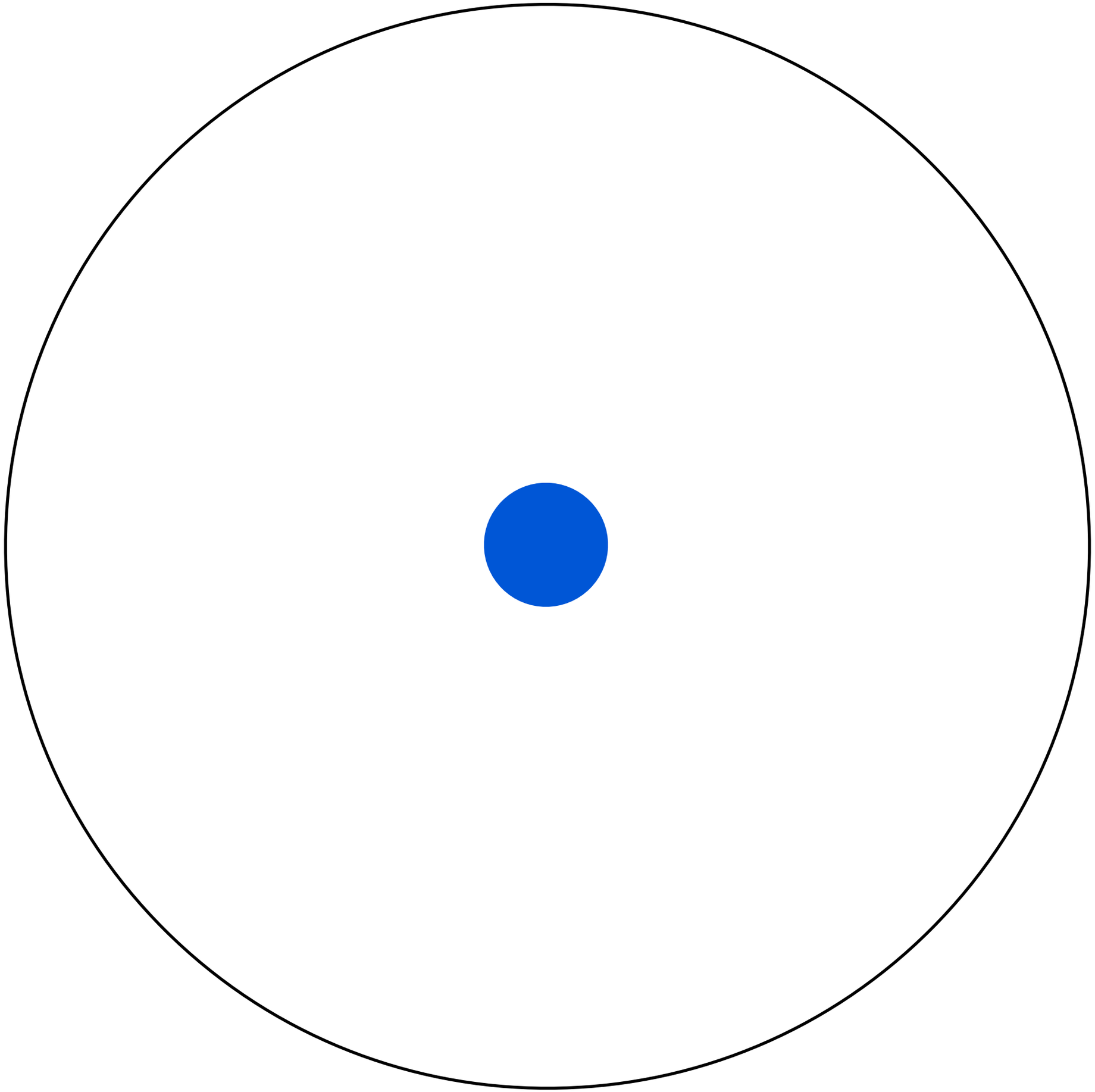
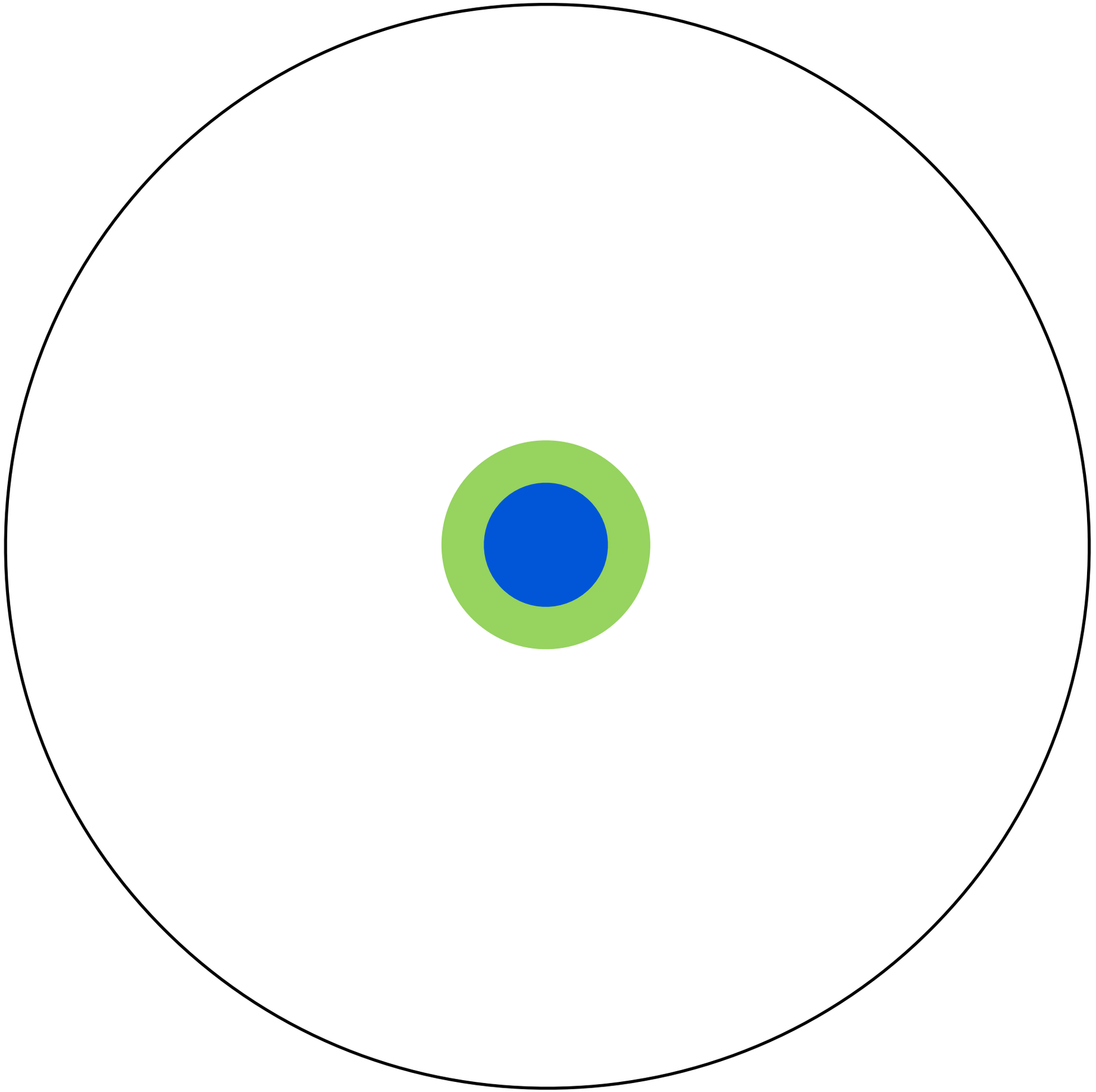
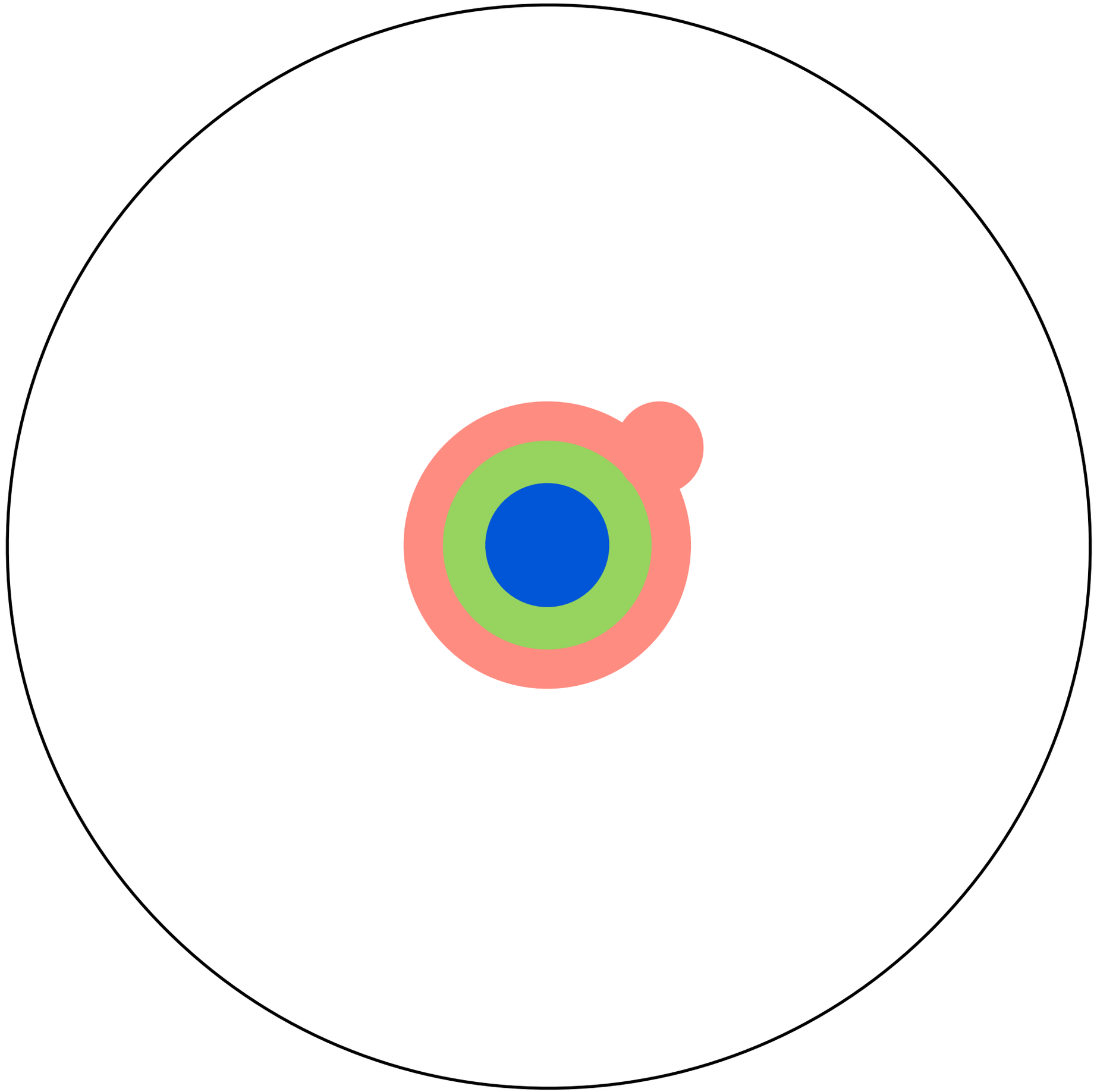
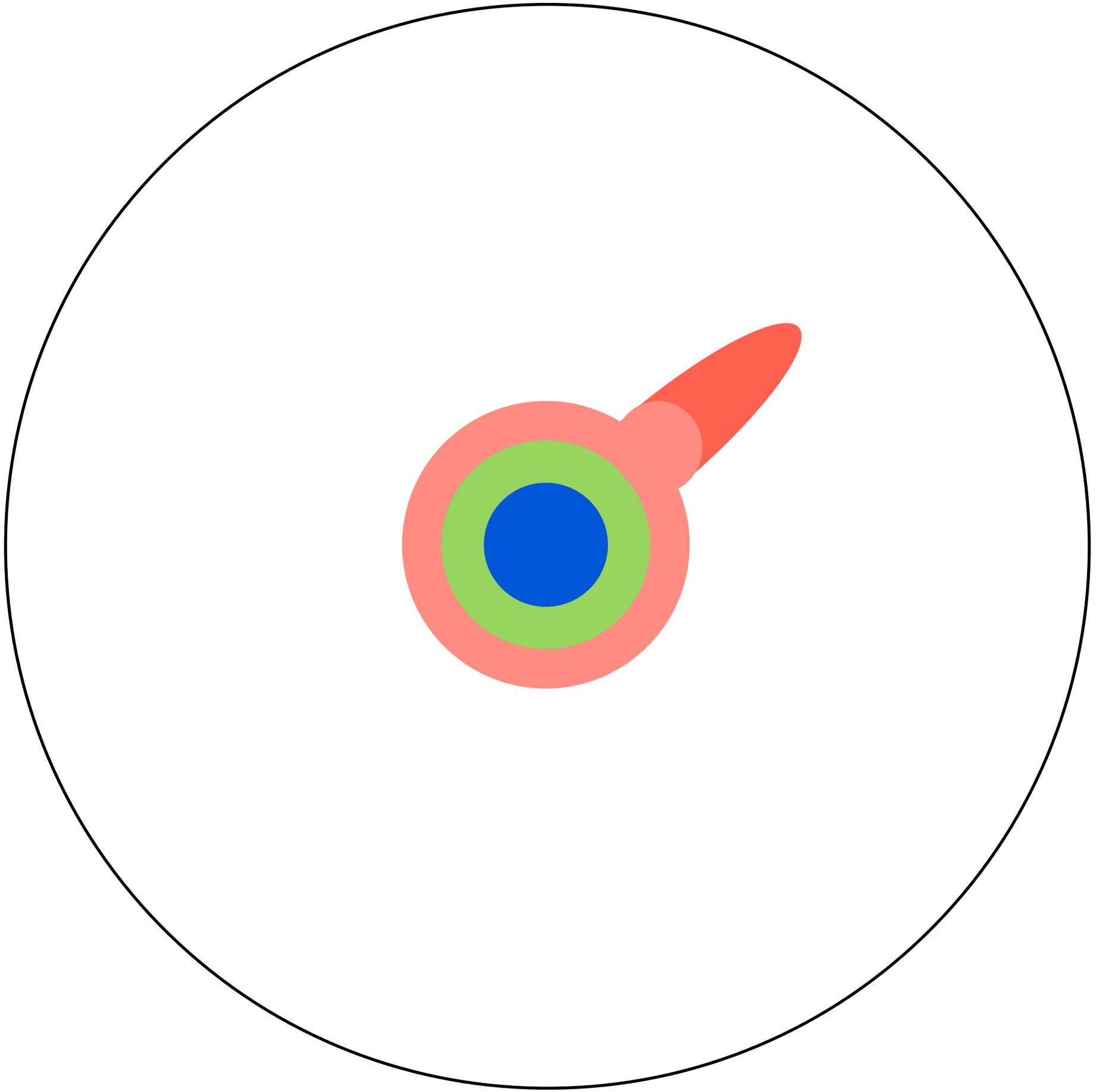
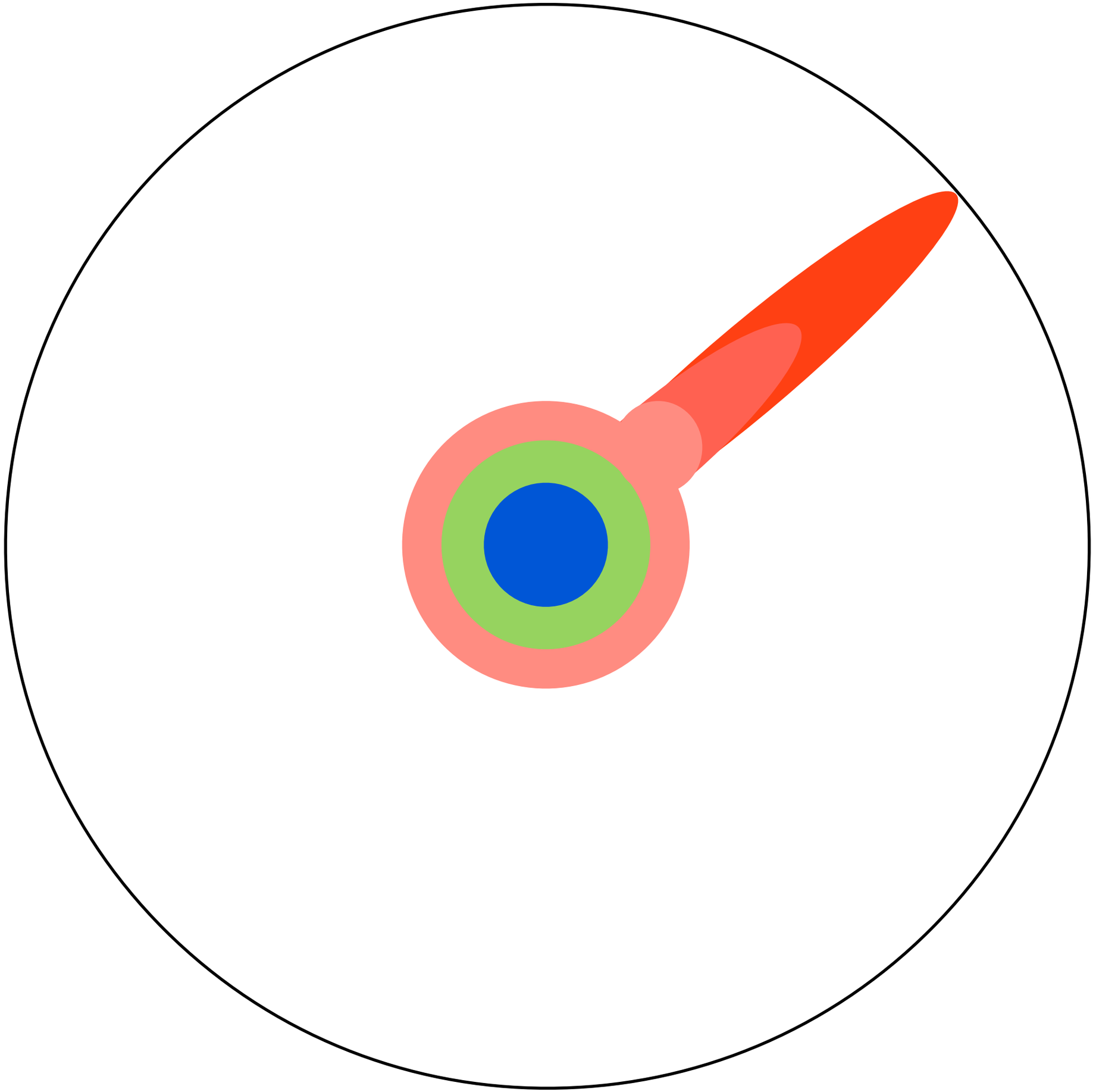
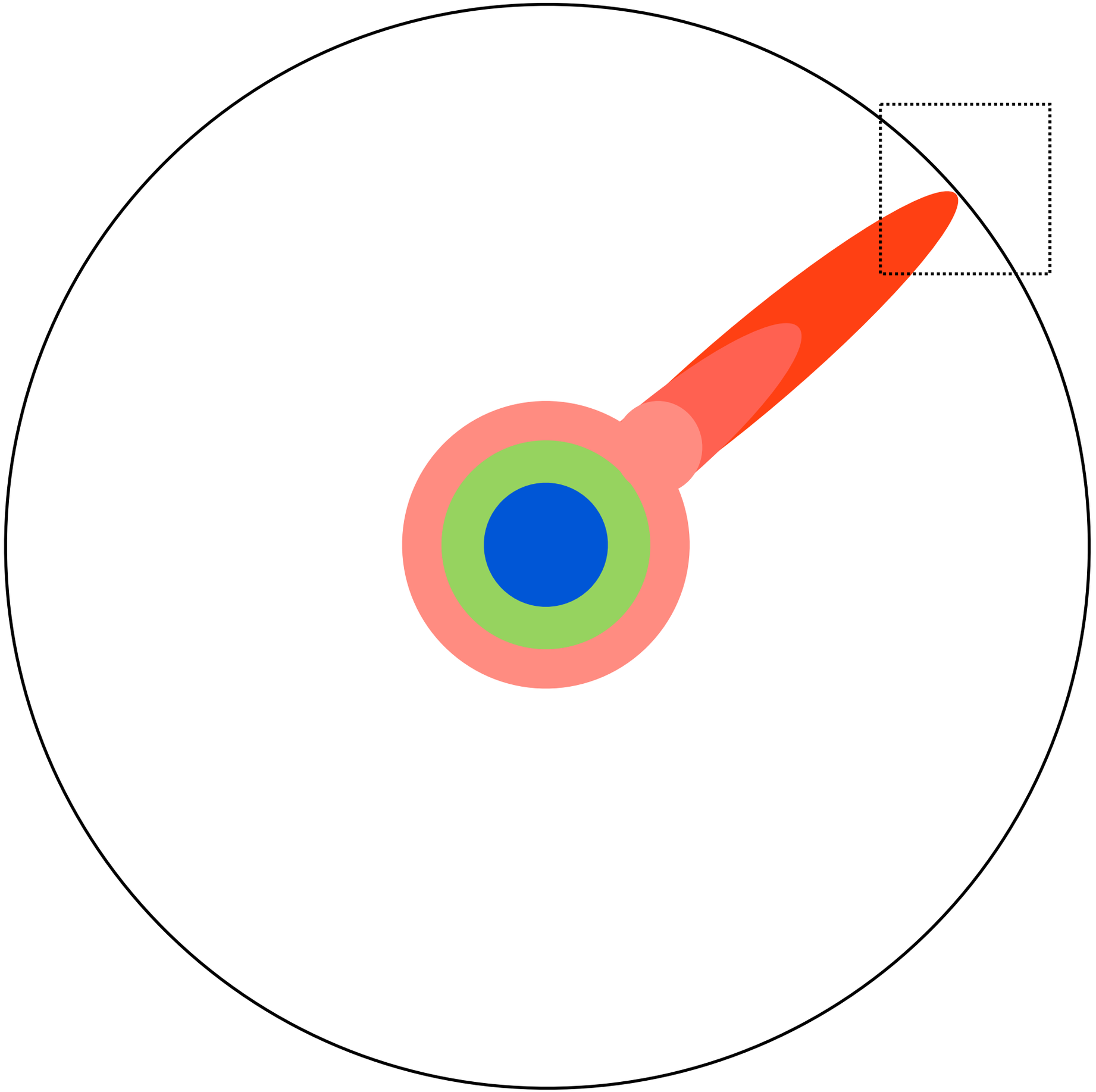


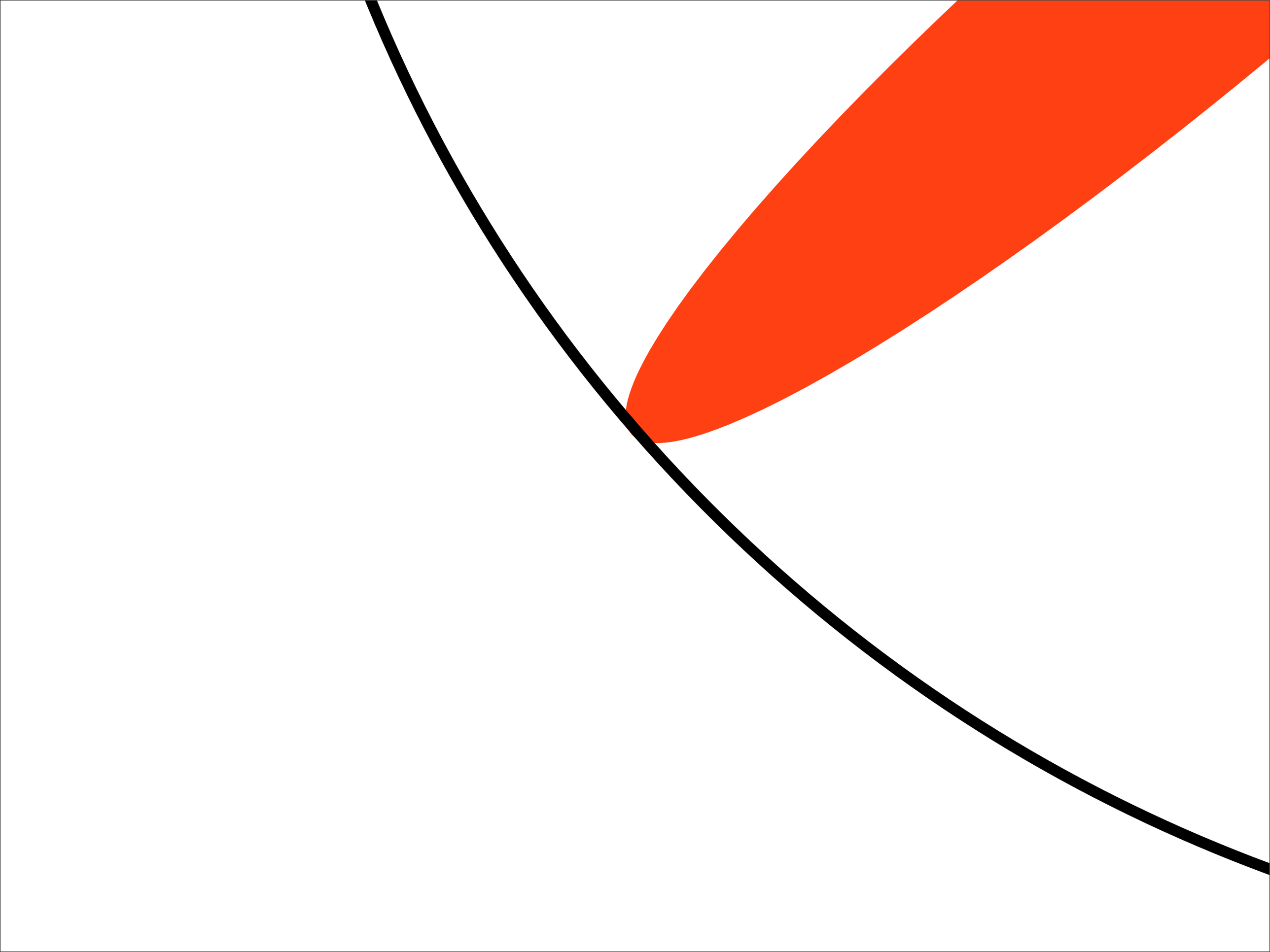


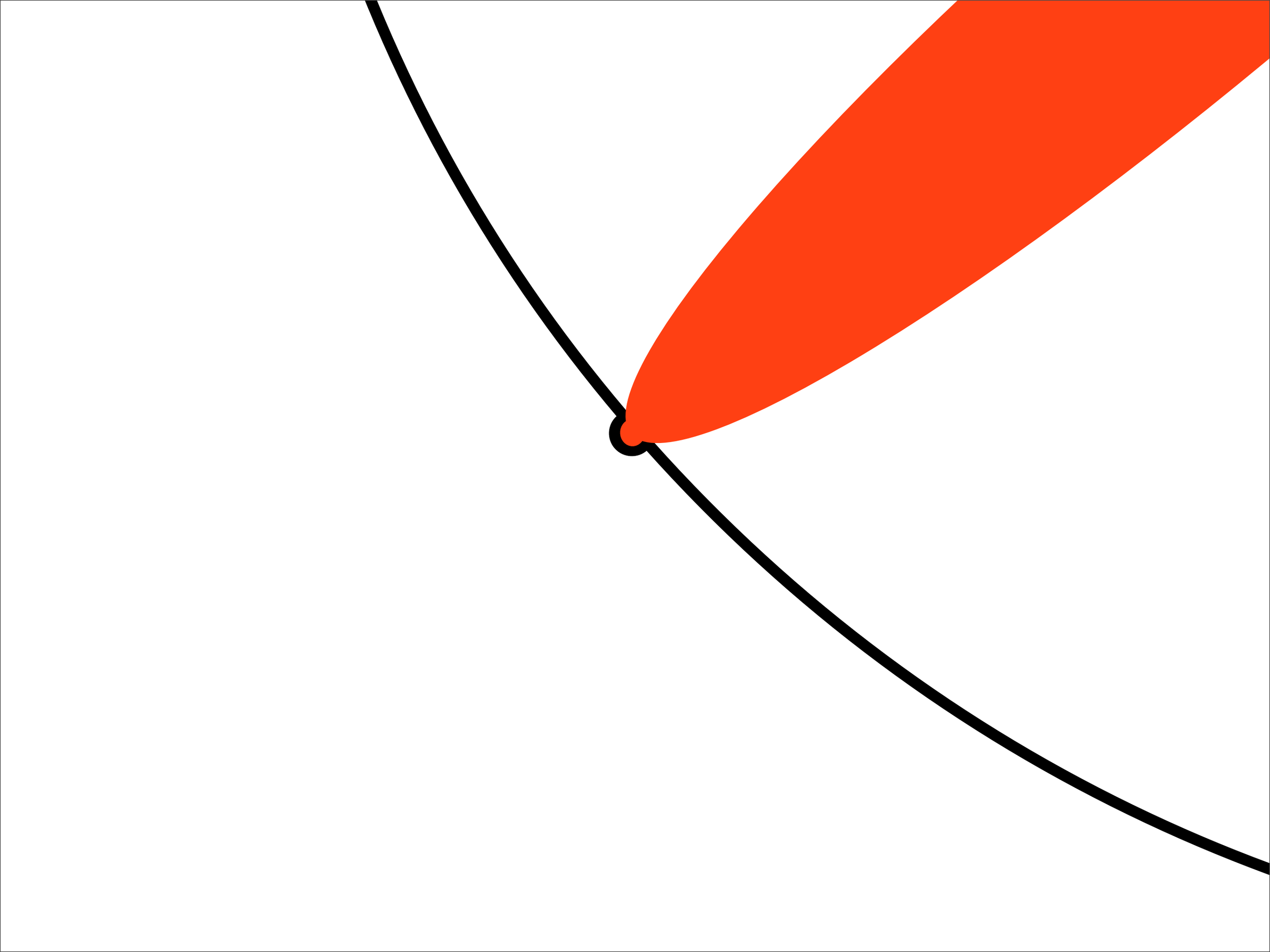








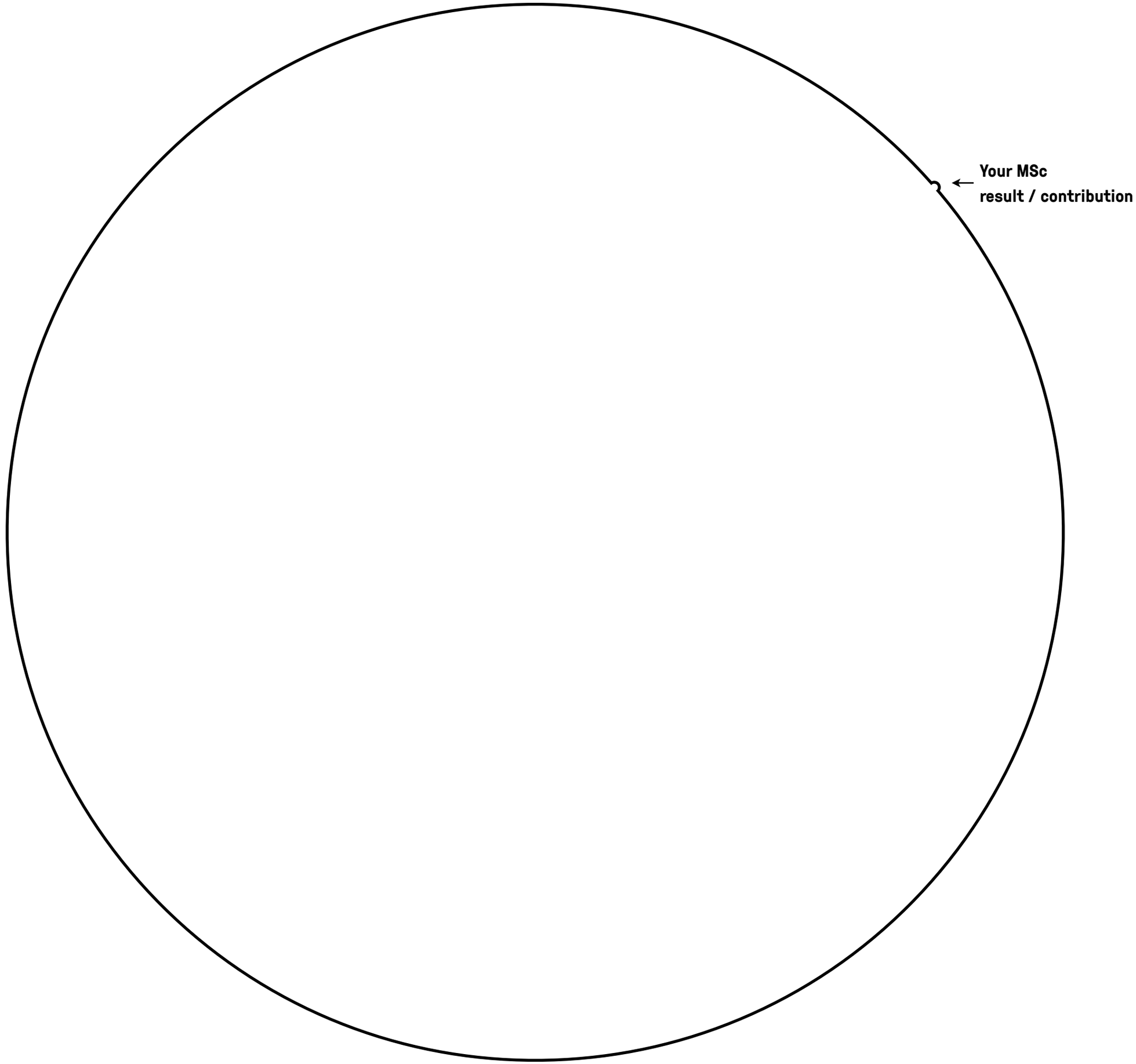




Your (ambitious) MSc result / contribution

or also possible:
2 different fields

Your MSc contribution: “linking” 2 different domains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Deliverables

1. **Scientific thesis**
   - scientific character, reproducible?
   - should document your results and the engineering decisions you took to achieve your main result
2. **Code and/or data**
   - documented, clear, organised
   - efforts to make code/data open and reusable
3. **Presentations**

These aspects are also evaluated

- whether you worked independently or not
- how you carried out the research project
- how complex is your topic
- your main contribution to the state-of-the-art of your area of research

There's a grading scheme for the thesis (rubric)

		10	9	8	7	6
Research	**50%**					
motivation/problem definition	**5%**	**Excellent motivation. The complexity of the problem is very well understood to the details and addressed**	**Very good motivation. The complexity of the problem is well understood and addressed**	**Good motivation. The complexity of the problem is fully taken into consideration**	**Adequate motivation. The complexity of the problem is only partially taken into consideration**	**Just adequate motivation. The complexity of the problem not fully taken into consideration**
theoretical framework	**10%**	**Has independently developed a new piece of theory**	**Has independently collected, processed and integrated theory from different fields or sources and independently applied theory to the performed research**	**Understands and can reproduce directly relevant theory at the level of MSc textbooks, scientific literature and applied theory to the performed research**	**Understands and can reproduce directly relevant theory at the level of MSc textbooks and is able to apply this theory to the performed research, after being shown how to do so**	**Understands and can reproduce directly relevant theory at the level of MSc textbooks, but has difficulties applying theory to performed research**
analysis, research results	**15%**	**Has produced new knowledge and/or methods, not previously available in the world.**	**Has produced new knowledge and/or methods not previously available in the group**	**Has well extended existing knowledge and/or methods, not previously available in the field**	**Has sufficiently extended existing knowledge, data or methods available in the field**	**Has only verified knowledge, data and/or methods available in de field**
conclusion recommendation	**15%**	**Perfectly structured scientific conclusions and judgement of own results, literature and specialists. Recommendations are towards new directions not available in the world**	**Very well balanced scientific conclusions and judgement of own results, literature and specialists. Recommendations are good and sound**	**Good scientific conclusions and judgement of own results, literature and specialists. Recommendations are good and sound**	**Sufficient scientific conclusion and judgement of own results, limited critical attitude towards literature and specialists. Recommendations are adequate**	**Limited scientific conclusions and judgement of own results. Recommendations are just adequate**
references	**5%**	**Sources of information are fully clear and elaborated and used fully consistently and conscientiously**	**Sources of information and scientific references are elaborated and used with care.**	**Sources of information and scientific references are clear and used in a consistent manner**	**Sources of information and scientific references are provided but not in a adequate way**	**Sources of information and scientific references are provided but are not complete**
Presentation	**20%**					
written report	**5%**	**Written report has perfect structure, consistency and clarity. No corrections needed to be appointed out by supervisors**	**Written report has a very good structure, consistency and clarity. Virtually no corrections needed to be appointed out by supervisors**	**Written report has good structure, consistency and clarity. limited corrections needed to be appointed out by supervisors**	**Written report has adequate structure, consistency and clarity. Important corrections needed to be appointed out by supervisors**	**Written report has just right with structure, consistency and clarity. Significant corrections needed to be appointed out by supervisors**
oral (answering questions)	**10%**	**Excellent and persuasive speaker. Answers questions perfectly to the point and with depth**	**Very good and persuasive speaker. Answers questions very well. Answers sound and well explained**	**Good speaker, give a clear presentation. Answers questions well. Answers are correct**	**Adequate speaker. Can answer questions. Not all answers are good**	**As a speaker just adequate. Has difficulties answering questions**
graphics and demo presentation	**5%**	**Excellent presentation material. Makes use of all possibilities**	**Very good presentation material. Makes use of possibilities**	**Good presentation material. Appropriate demos**	**Adequate presentation material. No specific demos**	**Presentation material just adequate**
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independence and own initiative, planning	**7%**	**The student proactively initiated (new) methods and approaches. Has complete autonomy**	**Methods and approaches were essentially selected by the student. Very good planning**	**Significant own initiative and input into methods and approaches. Good planning**	**Took occasionally initiative to extend and modify methods and approaches suggested by the supervisor(s). Adequate planning**	**Showed little initiative and executed methods and approaches suggested by the supervisor(s). Difficulties with planning**
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It's available online

3. The graduation manual

Graduation Manual

Master Geomatics

Academic year 2020–2021

For you will be 2021-2022

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Graduation Manual

All the rules are in it, thus read it!

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TWICE!

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Little known fact:

Your supervisors don't know the rules.

It's <u>your</u> responsibility to know them.

4. The milestones (the Ps)

Milestones (the Ps)

- **P1:** Topic defined + 2 supervisors known. You're listed at https://3d.bk.tudelft.nl/courses/geo2020/theses/2021feb/

- **P2**: Full research proposal (go/nogo) + 15min presentation. You have preliminary results

- **P3:** mid-term meeting with your supervisor (up to your supervisors to decide which form it takes)

- **P4:** final go/nogo. You have a full draft thesis. Your supervisors assess whether you can finish within 4-6 weeks.

- **P5:** final defence: thesis finalised + full 30min presentation + diploma/flowers

GEO2010 + GEO2020

- **GEO2010** is for the preparation work and up to the P2 (including it). If you pass P2, you pass GEO2010 (and get the 15 ECTS). There is no grade attached to it, it's either a pass or a fail (a retake is possible though).

- **GEO2020** is for the rest of the graduation trajectory; you get a grade at the end of P5 (and the remaining 30 ECTS).

Admission

(from graduation manual):

1.1 **Admission**

Students may only embark on the graduation work if they have participated in all common core courses and have completed them or at least 50 EC of them.

Students will only be admitted to the P2 if they have completed all core courses (first MSc year) with a maximum of 5 EC unfinished. Students must meet these admission requirements no later than the final registration date of the P2 registrations.

Admission (2)

(from graduation manual):

For final period (P4)

Student has obtained all educational components.

Academic Graduation Calendar 2020 / 2021

Autumn semester

Calendar Week	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	1	2	3	4
Teaching week	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.10	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.6	––	––	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.10

	Aug.				Sept.					Oct.					Nov.					Dec.					Jan.			
Mon	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25
Tues	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27
Thurs	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28
Fri	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29

Spring semester

Calendar Week	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Teaching week	— —	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.10	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.10	4.11

	Feb.				Mar.					Apr.				May					June			
Mon	1	8	15	22	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28
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Wed	3	10	17	24	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
Thurs	4	11	18	25	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1
Fri	5	12	19	26	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2

Summer period

Calendar Week	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34
Summer period	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.8

	July				Aug.			
Mon	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23
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Public Holidays	
Christmas period	: Dec. 21 up and until Jan. 1
Spring Break	: Febr. 1 up and until Febr. 5
Good Friday	: April 2
Easter	: April 5
Kings Day	: April 27
Liberation Day	: May 5
Ascension Day	: May 13 (and 14 free)
Whit Monday	: May 24

Final registration dates for P2
Final application dates for P4: go / no-go
P5 date and final application date for next P4 period: go / no-go
Last date P4 and also final application dates for P5: Public Final Presentations
Public final presentations takes place in the period immediately after the prior P4: go / no-go period

Education
No regular education
P2: Dates presentations: 1 Jan. up and until 20 Jan., 7 June up and until 18 June
P4: Dates go / no-go assesments: 21 Sept. up and until 2 Oct., 30 Nov. up and until 11 Dec., 1 Mar. up and until 12 Mar., 17 May up and until 28 May
P5: Dates final public presentations: 26 Oct. up and until 6 Nov., 21 Jan. up and until 29 Jan., 6 Apr. up and until 16 Apr., 21 June up and until 9 July

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P3 = your choice

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Final application dates for P4: go / no-go
P5 date and final application date for next P4 period: go / no-go
Last date P4 and also final application dates for P5: Public Final Presentations
Public final presentations takes place in the period immediately after the prior P4: go / no-go period

Education
No regular education
P2: Dates presentations: 1 Jan. up and until 20 Jan., 7 June up and until 18 June
P4: Dates go / no-go assesments: 21 Sept. up and until 2 Oct., 30 Nov. up and until 11 Dec., 1 Mar. up and until 12 Mar., 17 May up and until 28 May
P5: Dates final public presentations: 26 Oct. up and until 6 Nov., 21 Jan. up and until 29 Jan., 6 Apr. up and until 16 Apr., 21 June up and until 9 July

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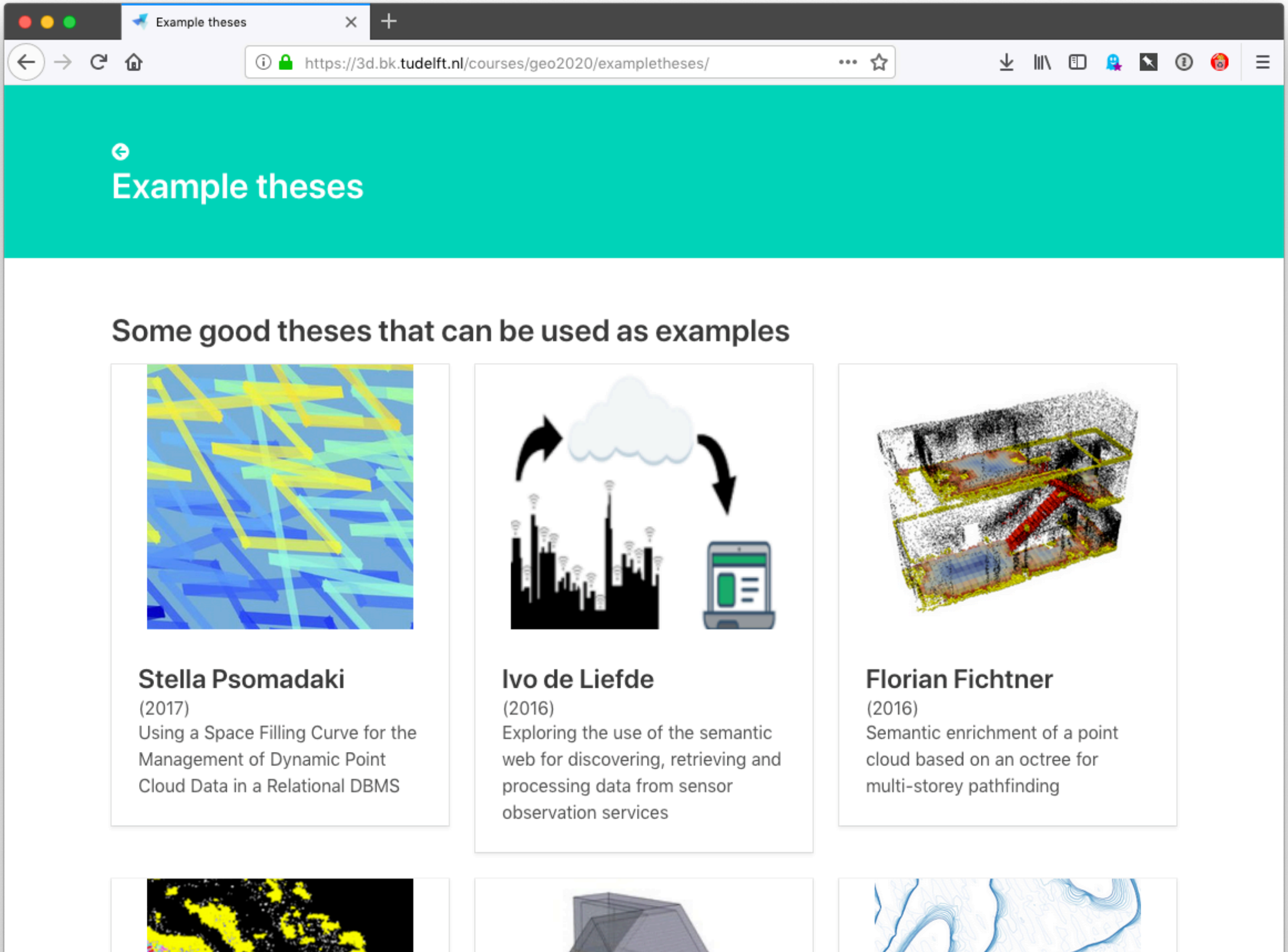
P2: final graduation plan + 15min presentation

- 10-15 pages
- we offer as a template a good one from a previous year
- Structure:
  - an **introduction** in which the relevance of the project and its place in the context of geomatics is described, along with a clearly-defined problem statement;
  - a **related work** section in which the relevant literature is presented and linked to the project;
  - the **research questions** are clearly defined, along with the scope (ie what you will not be doing);
  - overview of the **methodology** to be used;
  - **time planning**—having a Gantt chart is probably a better idea then just a list;
  - since specific **data** and **tools** have to be used, it's good to present these concretely, so that the mentors know that you have a grasp of all aspects of the project;
  - **references**

P1 = ~15 November 2021

5. Some research tips

Read many scientific papers and theses



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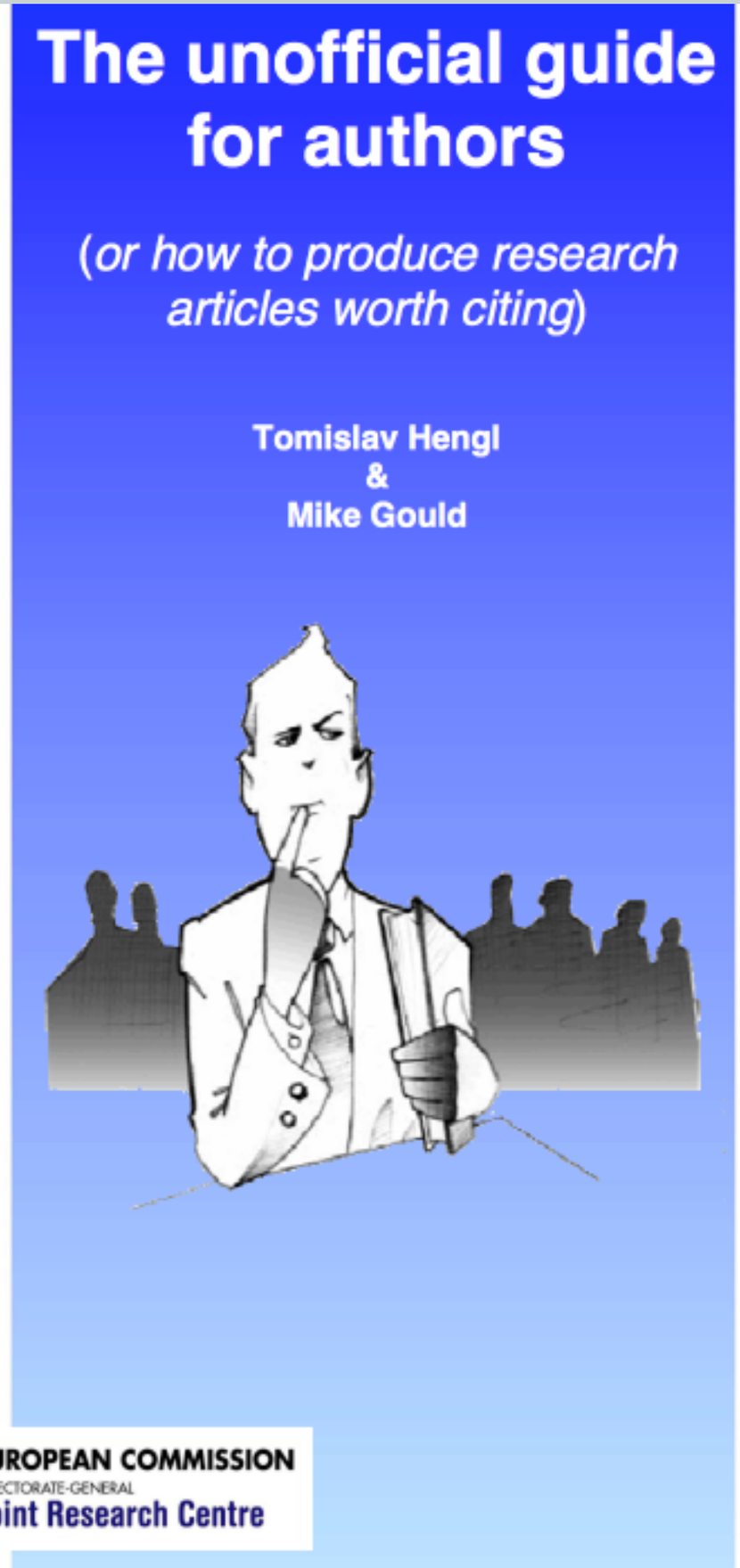

Use LaTeX (and not Word)

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1.2 CROSS-REFERENCES

The command `autoref` can be used for chapters, sections, subsections, figures, tables, etc.

Chapter 1 is what you are currently reading, and its name is INTRODUCTION. Section 1.8 is about pseudo-code, and Section 1.3.1 is about something else. The next chapter (RELATED WORK; TITLE WHICH CAN SPAN MULTIPLE LINES), is on page 7.

1.3 FIGURES

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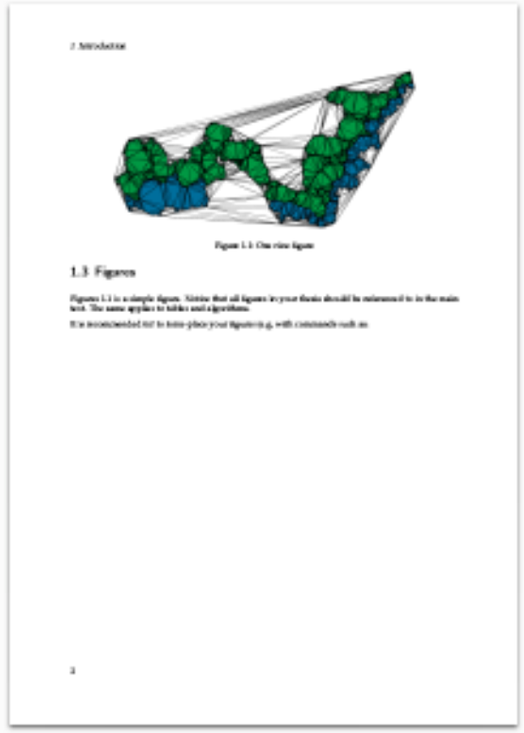

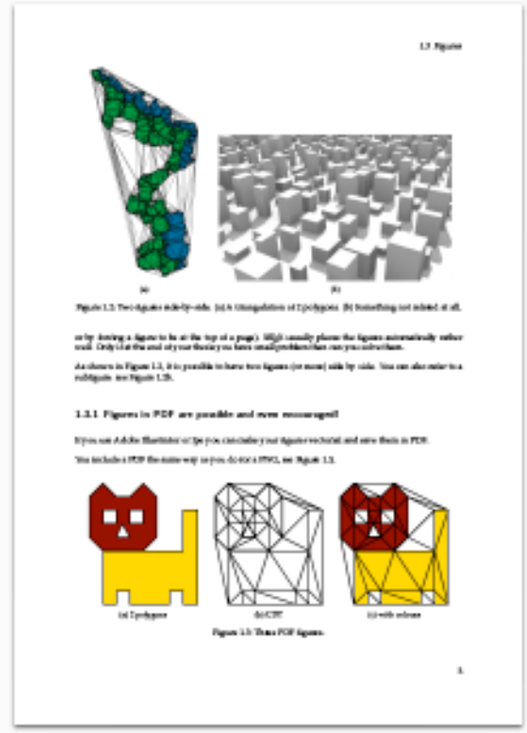

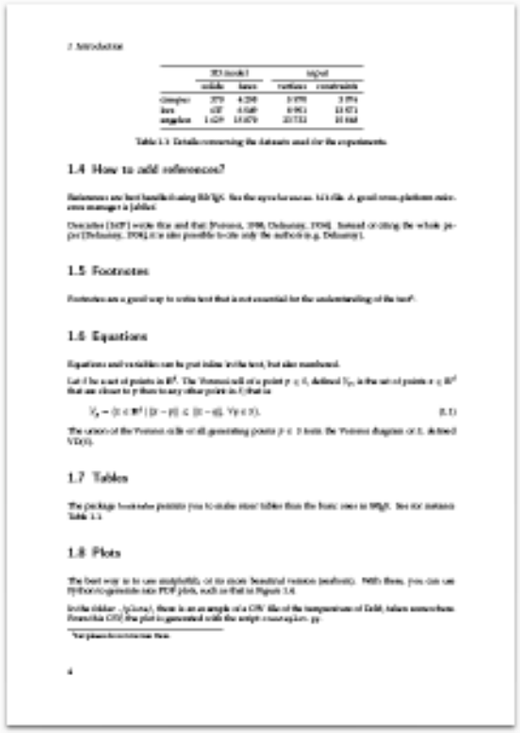

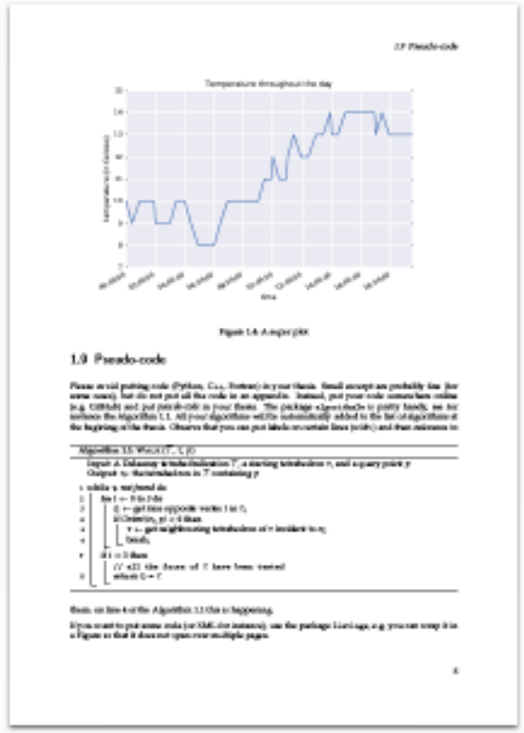

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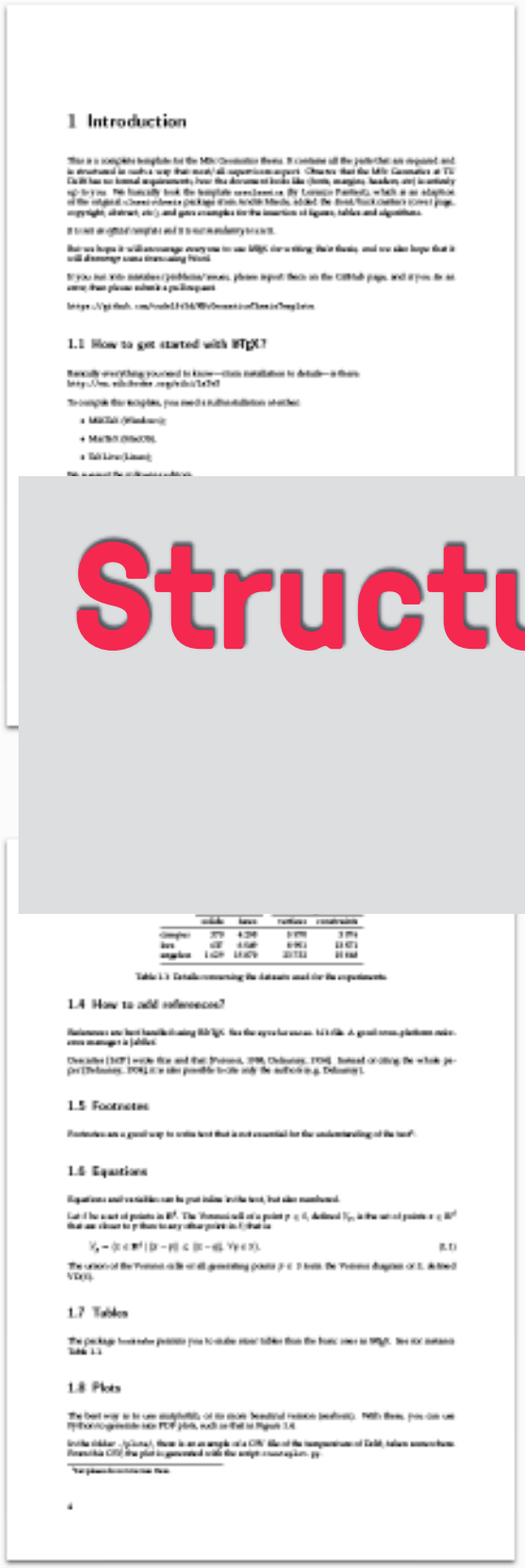
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Table 1.1: Details concerning the datasets used for the experiments.

1.4 How to add references?

References are best handled using BibTeX. See the sys/bibliography.bib file. A good cross-platform reference manager is JabRef.

Over at the [MiT] wrote this and that [Pearson, 1996, Delhomme, 1978]. Instead of citing the whole paper [Delhomme, 1978], it is also possible to cite only the author (e.g. Delhomme).

1.5 Footnotes

Footnotes are a good way to write text that is not essential for the understanding of the text[4].

1.6 Equations

Equations and variables can be put inline in the text, but also numbered.

Let S be a set of points in $\mathbb{R}^2$. The Voronoi cell or a point $p \in S$, defined V_p, is the set of points $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ that are closer to p than to any other point in S (that is

$$V_p = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \|x - p\| \leq \|x - q\|, \ \forall q \in S \}. \tag{1.1}$$

The union of the Voronoi cells of all generating points $p \in S$ form the Voronoi diagram of S, defined $VD(S)$.

1.7 Tables

The package booktabs provides you to make nicer tables than the basic ones in LaTeX. See for instance Table 1.1.

1.8 Plots

The best way is to use matplotlib, or its more beautiful version (seaborn). With them, you can use Python to generate nice PDF plots, such as that in Figure 1.4.

In the folder ./sys/data/, there is an example of a CSV file of the temperature of Delft, taken somewhere. From this CSV, the plot is generated with the script create_plot.py.

[4] Just like this one.

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Figure 1.1: One view figure

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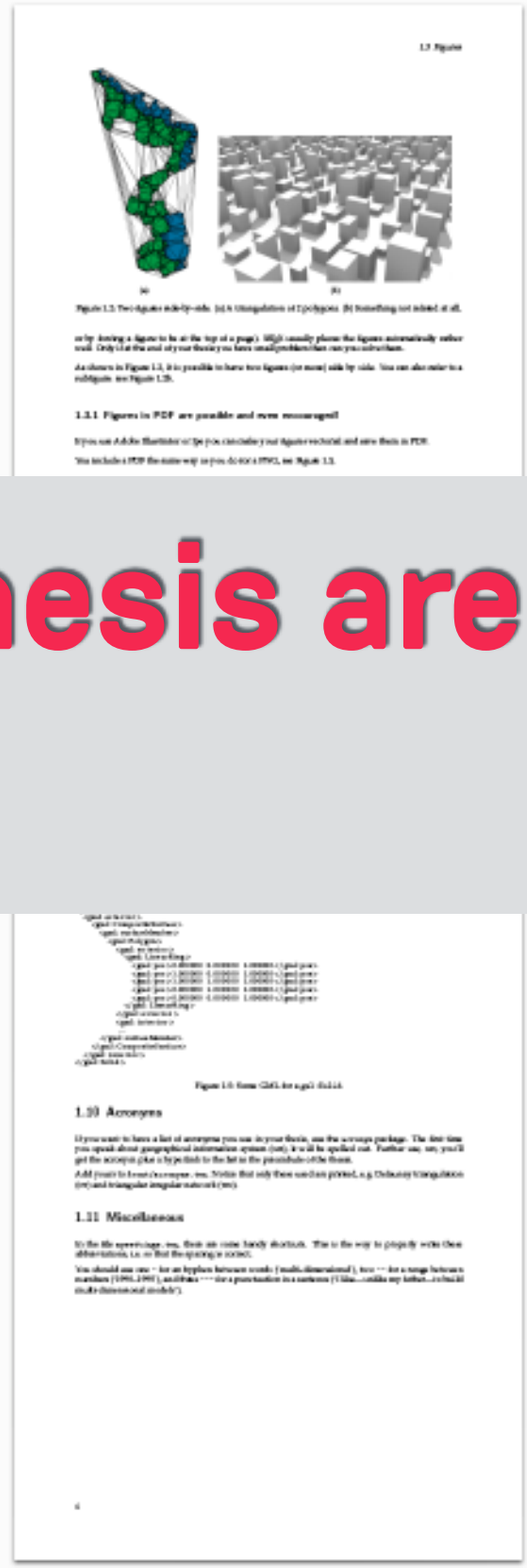
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(a) (b)

Figure 1.2: Two figures side-by-side. (a) A triangulation of 12 polygons. (b) Something not related at all.

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As shown in Figure 1.2, it is possible to have two figures (or more) side by side. You can also refer to a subfigure, see Figure 1.2b.

1.3.1 Figures in PDF are possible and even encouraged!

If you use Adobe Illustrator or the you can save your figures vectorial and save them in PDF.

You include a PDF file same way as you do with a PNG, see Figure 1.3.

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Other ones?

- Use a reference manager (eg Endnote, JabRef, Mendeley)
- Start writing *early* in the process (it takes more than 2 weeks to write 75 pages…)
- Use vector figures/plots (~~Windows Paint~~, Adobe Illustrator)
- Report on the good and the bad aspects of your method
- Eat vegetables every day, and sport
- It’s not a sprint, it’s a marathon

6. How to pick a topic?

How do I pick a topic?

- ➡️ 3d.bk.tudelft.nl/courses/geo2020/potentialtopics/
- Each staff has 3-4 potential topics to offer
- You are allowed to propose own topic to staff (speak directly to them first)
- By July 1st, you need to submit your top 3 topics, in order of preferences
- We will try to balance everything and let you know ASAP

My personal advice

1. Pick a supervisor you like and think you can work with for ~9 months.

2. Pick a topic that you **love**, otherwise it'll be painful...

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- most of us have a personal website
- look at the research interests, publications, theses supervised, etc

You need 2 mentors (=supervisors)

- **1st supervisor**: daily supervisor (anyone involved in MSc Geomatics, including PhD students)
- **2nd supervisor**: another specialist in the area, anywhere at TU Delft.

→ at least one of your mentors should hold a PhD degree

Can I do my thesis work at a company?

Yes and no.

That is, you are allowed to pick a topic that is proposed by a company. However, the main mentor of the project has to be a staff of the university and the project has to be a *scientific one*.

Order is (1) speak to staff here; (2) speak to company.

graduation

internship

Open science requirements

Most staff follow the *open science requirements*, which means that even if you carry out the work in collaboration with a company you need to publish your thesis openly, have the code open, no embargoes, etc.

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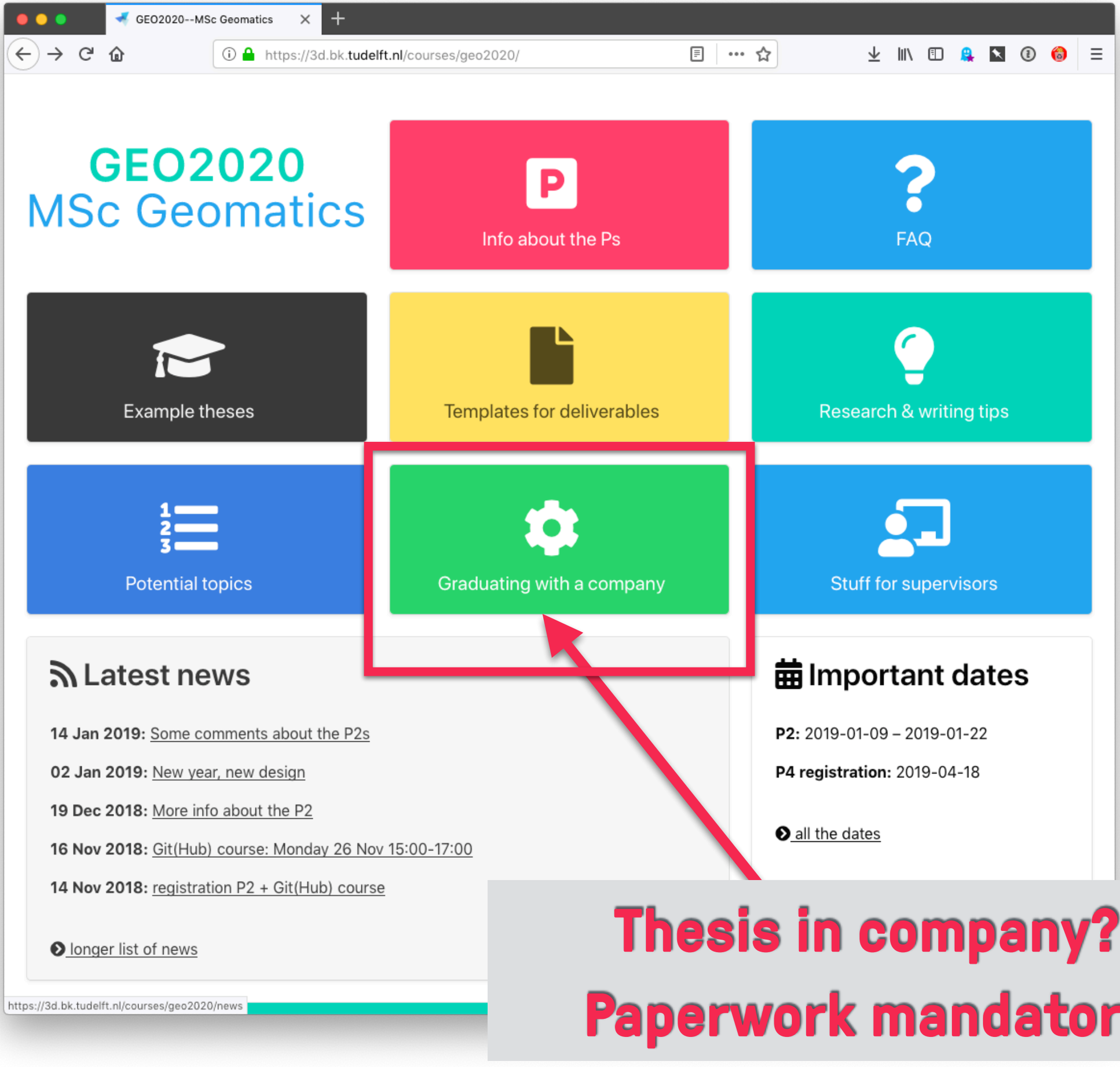
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19 Dec 2018: More info about the P2
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Thesis in company?
Paperwork mandatory

7. Questions?

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