



# Research directions I'm interested in that touch themes of DMRCP

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#### Core stances that I adopt

- basically constructivist understanding of learning (of mathematics)
- cultural perspective on mathematical practices
- socio-empirically informed perspective
- paradigm of qualitative empirical research

### Themes I am currently working on



- Mathematical explanation, argumentation and proof, particularly in contexts of teaching and learning mathematics
- Problem-solving in mathematics, also particularly in contexts of teaching and learning mathematics

## (Empirical) methods I am currently working with

- Half-structured interviews
- Thinking aloud-studies
- Case studies
- Videography (of working processes, of classroom lessons, ...)
- Interactionist analysis
- Semiotic analysis
- Design-research studies (on designing teacher education modules, e.g., on proof and argumentation)
- Mixed-methods



#### Possible research directions

- philosophical issues, e.g.:
  - grounding conceptions of explanation and justification.
  - grounding models of scientific discovery.
- semiotic issues, e.g.:
  - role of language and signs, particularly diagrammatic reasoning.
  - possible relations to cognitive science.
- psychological, sociological and "cultural" issues, e.g.
  - beliefs and attitudes.
  - activity-theoretical and anthropological didactical perspectives.
  - norms and values.



Mathematical explanation, argumentation and proof

Problem-solving in mathematics