### A Graphical Notation for Topic Maps

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# A Graphical Notation: Why?

- No official standard yet
- Several approaches:
  - GTM Draft
  - UML based
  - OWL based

## DATA – vs KNOWLEDGE Modeling

- Existing approaches very data modeling dedicated
- Question: is a more knowledge dedicated approach feasible?
- Let's think about
  - Mindmapping
  - Colors, shapes and patterns
  - Visualisation approaches
  - Creativity techniques

### Further requirements

- Easy to understand (TM experts as well as non experts)
- Applicable for drawing sketches
- Applicable for printing (papers, books)
- Use for discuss, explain and develop Topic Maps:
  - To SHARE Topic Maps

# Diploma Thesis Approach

- Set up requirements for
  - Notate Topic Maps elements
  - Notations in general
- Evaluate potential notations and approaches
- Result: a suggestion for a graphical notation standard

#### Interested?

- You have comments, remarks, questions about or are just interested in the topic?
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- Thank you!

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