# **Bachelor and Master Theses**

## 1. First contact

- Apply for a topic on our website, propose your own topic, or ask us for a topic.
- Meet potential supervisor to discuss the topic.

## 2. Exposé

- Necessary condition for acceptance of your thesis
- 3-5 pages (already in our Latex template, see below)
- Content (example):
  - i. Motivation / research question / relevance of topic
  - ii. Literature / research gap
  - iii. Method / model / data
  - iv. Preliminary structure
  - v. Timetable

## 3. Registration / start of thesis

- After Prof Ott accepts your exposé
- Official registration via Studienbüro<sup>1</sup> (day of submission is determined)
- Start of thesis

## 4. Regular meetings

- Meetings with supervisor for questions, feedback, etc.
- Take protocol of the meetings (use the protocol template on our website).

## 5. LaTex template for theses

- You have to use the LaTex template on our website.
- There is literature on scientific writing in the KIT library.

# 6. Presentation (Abschlussarbeiten-Kolloquium)

- You have to presents the current state of your thesis at least once in front of the chair (20 min. presentation + 20 min. discussion)
- The final title of your thesis is determined in your first presentation.
- Participate in the presentations of our other current bachelor and master students.

#### 7. Submission of thesis

- Two printed copies (double sided is ok, not the cheapest bookbinding)
- CD with thesis as PDF, .tex files, code, data, literature, etc. (also USB possible)
- Provide one printed copy to the second examiner (if applicable).

#### 8. Poster

- Poster presentation of the finished thesis (it is possibly to make the poster presentation after your thesis submission date, but not later than 2-3 weeks).
- We may present your poster on our website and/or in our hallway (you don't need to include your name).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> More information: https://www.wiwi.kit.edu/anmeldungAbschlussarbeit.php.