Developing the RESEARCH CONCERN

- First bibliographical approach to the theme delimiting the boundaries of the research.
- Write a one-sentence statement of purpose to focus you on the central issue of the qualitative research study. The ultimate why that drives the study forward, (Saldaña, 2011).

Building the CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

- Build a conceptual framework articulating the literature concepts into indicators. The concepts should be implicit in your research questions. More on design: 
- Use MAXQDA to conduct a bibliographical content analysis with codes and memos in parallel with your data analysis. In MAXQDA you will have in the same project both: your data analysis and the bibliographical analysis.

Foster the THEORETICAL DISCUSSION

- While emerge the results of the data analysis start structuring the discussion between your results and others results, you will feel more confident on discussion final stage.
- Use MAXQDA to organize, trace and represent the relations between the two databases: bibliographical analysis and your own analysis.

ANALYSIS Search, Code and Retrieve the indicators

- Import the inductive indicators of your design easily to MAXQDA.
- Use MAXQDA to perform a prospective analysis of the textual corpus from the literature.
- Perform lexical search and autocode results.
- Manually add analytic codes and memos to the most relevant documents on the literature.

SYNTHESIS The systematic review with a structured search What is Out There

- What do we have to look for? What are the key concepts implicit in the research concern:
  - Study concept 1 in relation with concept 2... compared with concept 3...
  - Build a search system with the key concepts as search strings.
- Where do we have to look for?
  - Everywhere (journals, data bases, handbooks,...)
  - Follow the track of main authors on each concept
- From Mendeley with RS format to MAXQDA to help organize the first references of the research.
- Match RS reference with the MAXQDA to conduct a bibliographical content analysis with codes and memos to the most relevant documents on the literature.
- Develop a Record Card with the keys of the paper in relation with your research.

DISCUSSIÓN Matching our results with other author results

- Use document variables to classify bibliographical documents according to relevance or for discussion purposes.
- The goal is order the bibliographical references sorted by quality, relevance, methodology or dialogue with our results.
- In previous step we coded literature papers so why not convert relational codes: supports, criticize, follows on document variables to order all text and relations.
- Transform into a document a variable to create a network between the two databases: bibliographical analysis and your own analysis.

Data Analysis and Results

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Literature review in the context of a research project is an important challenge and requires systematic processes and clear resources.

Considering three main design moments in the literature review: a) delimiting the research concern, b) structuring the conceptual framework, and c) developing the theoretical discussion; we have structured bibliographical processes that cross each design moment as: a) synthesis, b) analysis and c) discussion. As a result we have described the use of MAXQDA on each design / bibliography moment so the researcher would have clear instructions on how to develop a bibliography analysis matching his/her research design and instructions on how to apply MAXQDA resources.