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There is a small and narrow door in Alcobaça monastery: if the monks were not able to pass through that door, they should fast during 3 days, drinking water and eating dry bread.

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- "Yo soy yo y mi circunstancia" (Ortega y Gasset)
"I am myself and my circumstance"
- Research is not an assembly line.
- Research is not (just) doing new/different things.
- Writing a paper is not (just) reporting your work.
- Describing methodology \neq providing instructions
(must be in the paper) (must be available in web)
- Reproducing an experiment \neq confirming previous results from others
- Devil is always in the details...