Relevant topics of this workshop for Soleb:
— Robust anchoring to dynamic third-party documents.
— Styling selections and annotations
— Web storage and management of annotations
— Client side APIs and methods for the implementation of annotation systems
— Practical experience with annotation systems
— Annotation of data

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