### Note

Data or ideas and their respective registration or communication can be topologically paired — for instance, the former as a circle with cross hairs and the latter as a fill pattern (Perdicoúlis, 2014a). Such a configuration depicts *ailments* of exactness — i.e. accuracy and/ or precision (Perdicoúlis, 2014c) — that are crucial in scientific or technical writing (Perdicoúlis, 2012, 2014b). While such ailments *impair* the visualisation, conceptualisation, processing, transmission, exploration, understanding, and/ or debate of information, they can be *resolved* with an appropriate investment in (a) building appropriate competences (e.g. through courses or workshops) and (b) direct practical assistance (e.g. through supervision or coaching).
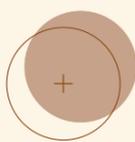
1   Exact
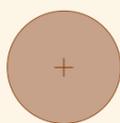
accurate (to the point) & precise (resolution, coherence)

2   Dilution
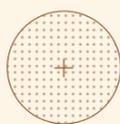
accurate but imprecise ('diluted') — e.g. causing uncertainty
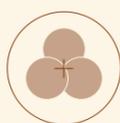
3   Deviation

precise but inaccurate ('off') — i.e. drifts away from the subject

4   Omission

precise and accurate, but 'short' — i.e. missing important information
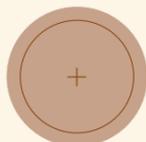
5   Fragmentation

precise in parts, but not coherent — e.g. un-related facts, or non-sequitur

6   Redundancy

precise, but with repetitions — i.e. tedious or dubious

7   Overkill

precise but overwhelming — i.e. overdose of information

8   Inconsistency

precise in parts, but confusing overall — e.g. issuing conflicting statements

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