

Academic Sentence Templates

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Describing the Topic

- This has been a topic of interest in ... for nearly half a century.
- There is a long history of ... in a number of discipline.
- In recent years, this area has seen significant advances in...
- Over the years, this field has reached a mature stage.
- Research on ... has a long tradition.
- Work considering ... has a rich background.
- Several research groups have been working on the design of...
- This is still an area of active research.
- Over the past three decades, there has been a sustained research activity in...
- Research in this area is of great interest and with a very active research community.
- Work on this ... has been going on for a number of years.
- A significant amount of research is concerned with this area.

Describing the Problem

- It is well-known that ... comes with it a risk of...
- This is a well-documented problem with this method.
- This is a known concern with the community.
- This is one of the known challenges in this approach.
- This continues to be an open problem that affects also other areas of...
- This problem is a long standing challenge for the community.
- Overall the problem is certainly difficult - both in terms of ... and in terms of...
- The problem of ... may be further compounded by...
- Using this turns out to be even more problematic due to...
- This presents an even greater challenge because of...
- This is a fundamentally difficult problem as...
- The problem becomes even harder in the presence of...
- With this issue two problems remain. Firstly ..., and secondly...
- First and foremost challenge is that...
- There are further issues in terms of...
- One of the biggest issues is the issue of...
- This is cumbersome and non-trivial, especially for...
- There are a number of issues with using...
- So far, there has been no analysis of ...
- To date, there have been no attempts to examine ...
- Up to now, there has been very little research...
- So far, very little research has been carried out on ...
- To date, very little attention has been paid to the role of ...

- Up to now, very little research has addressed..
- Very few studies have assessed/examined/investigated...
- However, what is not yet clear/known/understood is the role/effect/nature/importance of ...
- However, what is not yet clear/known/understood is the extent/the degree to which ...
- It is still not known whether ...
- ... much less is known about X.
- The nature of X remains unclear.
- Currently, there are no data on ...
- What is less clear is the nature of ...
- Very little is currently known about X in ...
- Research to date has not yet determined ...
- What is not yet clear is the impact of X on ...
- There is still uncertainty, however, whether ...
- The response of X to Y is not fully understood.
- Causal factors leading to X remain speculative.
- The neurobiological basis of X is poorly understood.
- Little is known about X and it is not clear what factors ...
- To date, only a limited number of Xs have been identified.
- The mechanisms that underpin X are not fully understood.
- Much uncertainty still exists about the relationship between ...
- This indicates a need to understand the various perceptions of X that exist among ...
- It is now well established that ... However, the influence of X on Y has remained unclear.
- A number of questions regarding ... remain to be addressed.
- This is a classical question that has received considerable attention in...
- Our related question here is :- ...
- These are questions which are currently unanswered, and hence explored here.
- The question of how ... is the area to which this thesis now turns.
- There are, however, questions about what...
- Efforts are directed at eliminating current challenges in...
- Much of the research has therefore focused on...
- Most of the efforts in the community have gone into solving this problem by...
- In order to improve ..., investigators are currently looking at...
- Efforts have been made to overcome this problem by...
- Other authors have attempted to work around this problem using...
- Few studies have explored/focused on/examined how/compared/attempted/examined/provided/
- Very few studies have measured/quantified/assessed/evaluated/addressed/been conducted to
- To date, there has been little clear/solid/reliable/definitive/empirical evidence that ...
- To date, however, there has been no convincing/conclusive/experimental evidence that ...
- Evidence for X has been mixed.
- The evidence for X is in fact ambiguous.