

EXPERIENCES IN EDUCATION

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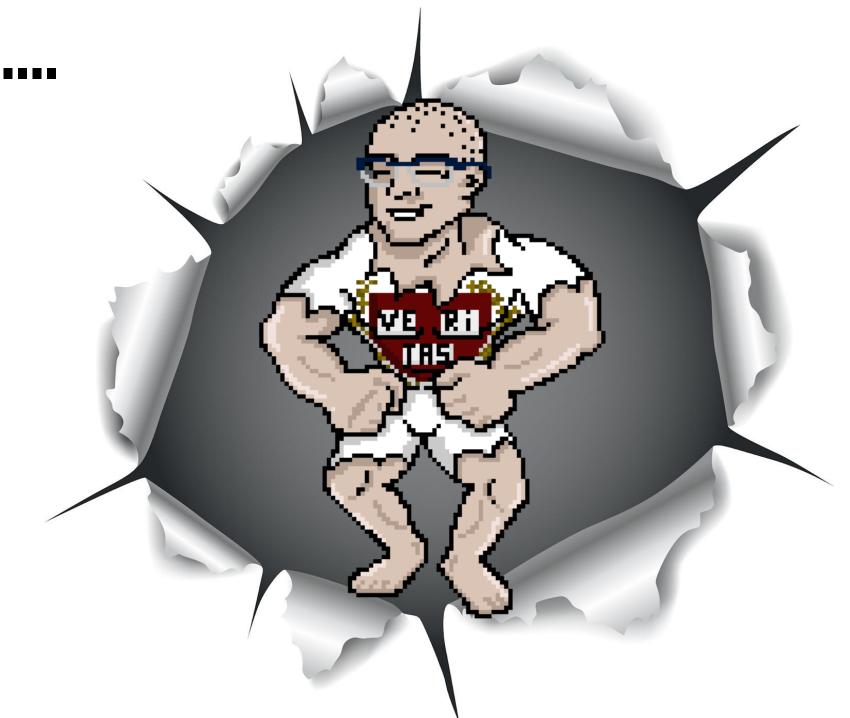
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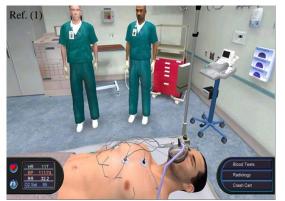
Gamification is "the use of game design elements in non-game contexts".[1]

Gamificatio

Gaming (Rule-based)

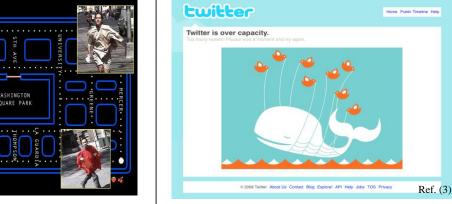
Serious games

Gamification









Digital games

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Playful Design

Game design

elements

Playing (Freedom)

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Borges, S., Durelli, V. H., Reis, H. M., & Isotani, S. (2014). A systematic mapping on gamification applied to education. In Proc. of the 29th annual ACM symposium on applied computing (pp. 216-222).

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Game design elements

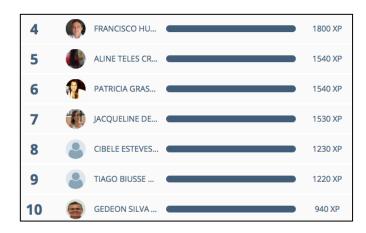
Gamification uses game design elements such as:

- Narrative,
- Aesthetics,
- Avatars,
- feedback,
- Reputation systems,
- Rankings,
- Competition rules,
- Challenges,
- Points,
- Badges,
- Leaderboards,
- etc, ...





Badges



Rankings

Why does research on gamification in education matter?

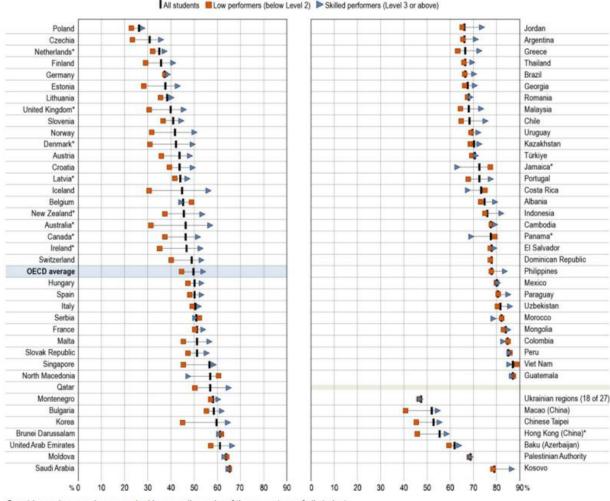


Motivation like enjoying learning new things in school, consistently predicts the uptake of learning strategies.



However, less than half of students in OECD countries reported (intrinsic and instrumental*) motivation to learn

Percentage of students who agree or strongly agree that they love new things in school



Countries and economies are ranked in ascending order of the percentage of all students.

Source: OECD, PISA 2022 Database, Table V.B1.3.4

See Table V.3.1 for StatLink at the end of this chapter.

Some may feel ambivalent about fostering intrinsic motivation through the use of extrinsic motivators

BUT



Game elements in Duolingo

What happened over time?







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Game elements in Duolingo

Cleaner interface





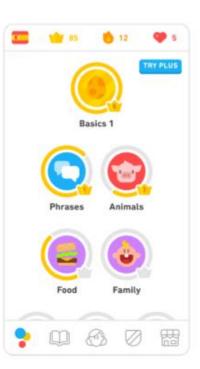
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Game elements in Duolingo

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Emphasis on game elements

- Aesthetics
- Levels
- Points
- context
- Social componentes
- <u>Streak!!!</u>

2012-2014

2014-2018

2018-now



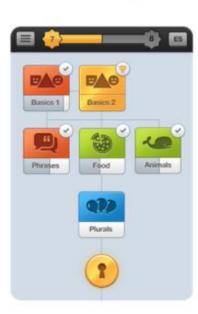
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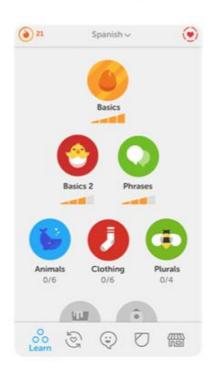


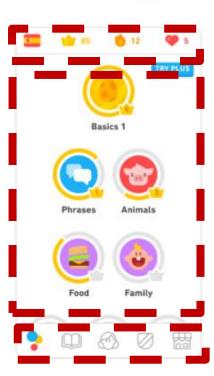
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When used properly, gamification can reduce the problems of lack of engagement/motivation and have positive effects on learning



META-ANALYSIS

The Gamification of Learning: a Meta-analysis



Michael Sailer 1 • Lisa Homner 1

Abstract

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Gamification Benefits

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To do that we need

Acknolwledge the Dark Side



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The Dark Side of Gamification: An Overview of Negative Effects of Gamification in Education

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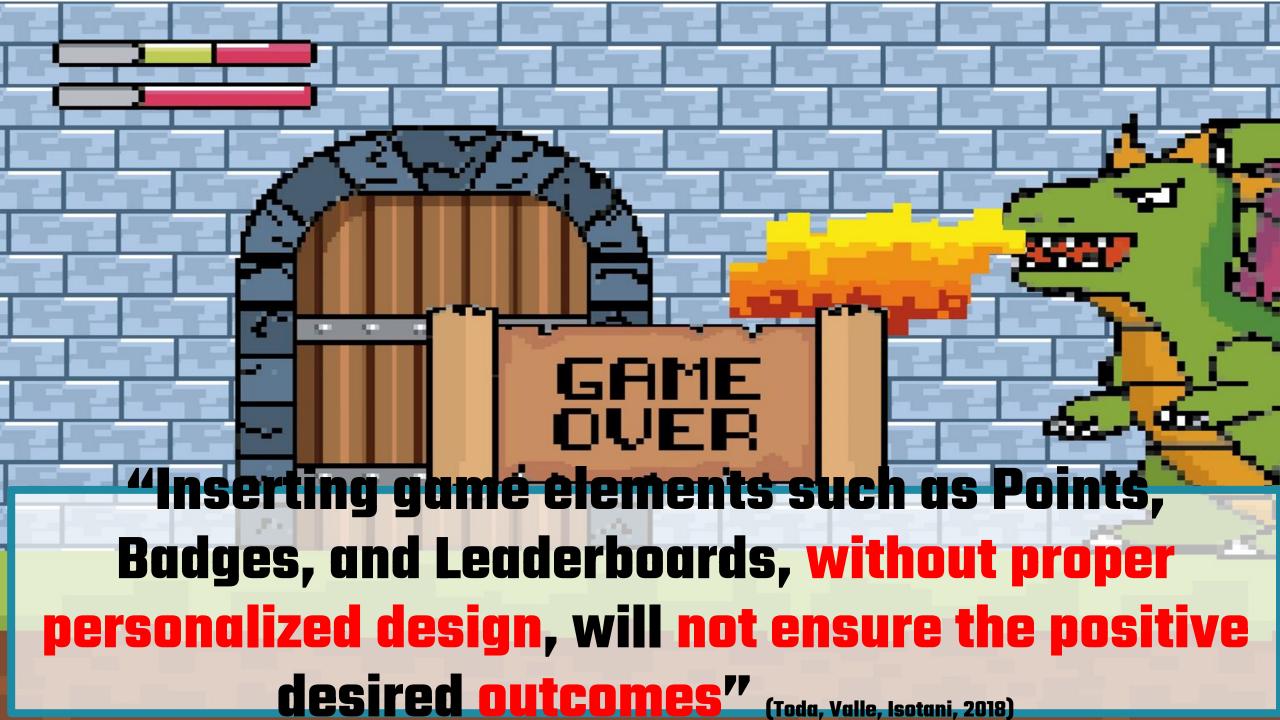
to a negative impact. For instance, Leaderboards are strongly associated to many negative effects mapped in this work. This result is corroborated by the psychology literature regarding ranking systems within learning environments. We believe our work may be useful to guide gamification instructors and specialists to avoid those negative effects in education contexts, by avoiding some game design elements settings.

Table 3. Negative effects and their respective gamified designs

Negative Effect #	f Elements
Indifference 8	Leaderboard, Badge, Level, Leaderboard and Badge Progression, Social Status, Point, Instant Feedback, Chal- lenge
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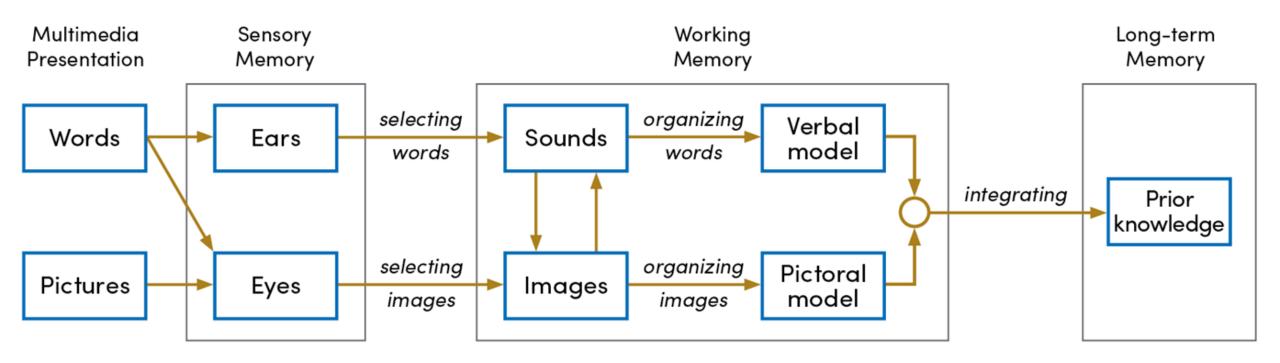
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Declining Effects	4	Leaderboard, Badge, Point, Level	Leaderboard and Point

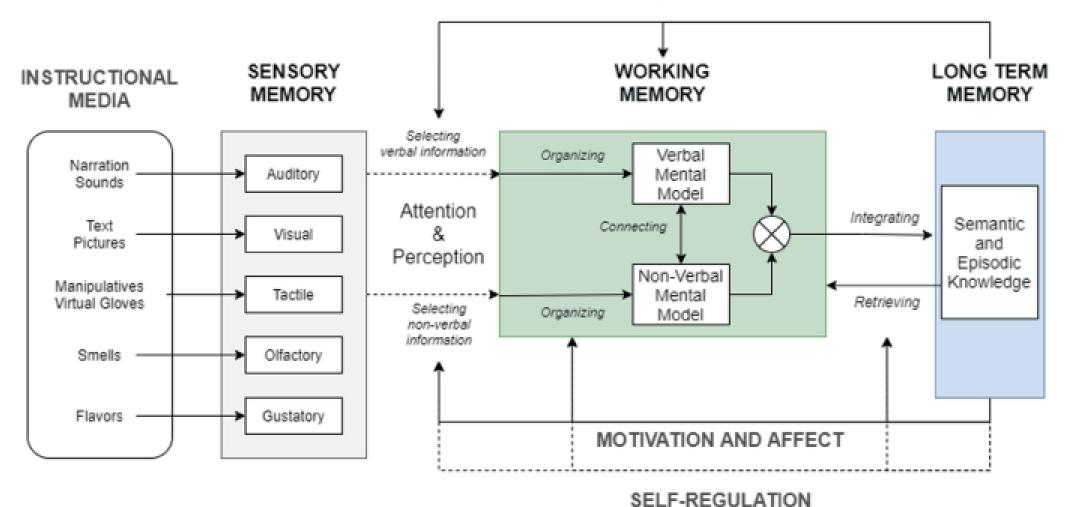


Then, we need to consider a framework of thought to design personalized gamification experiences

Cognitive Theory of Multimedia



SELF-REGULATION

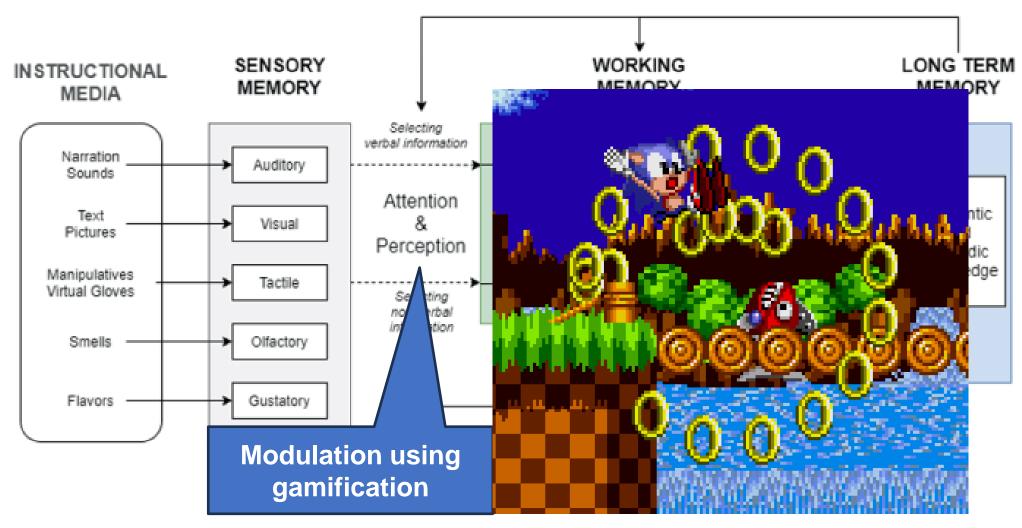


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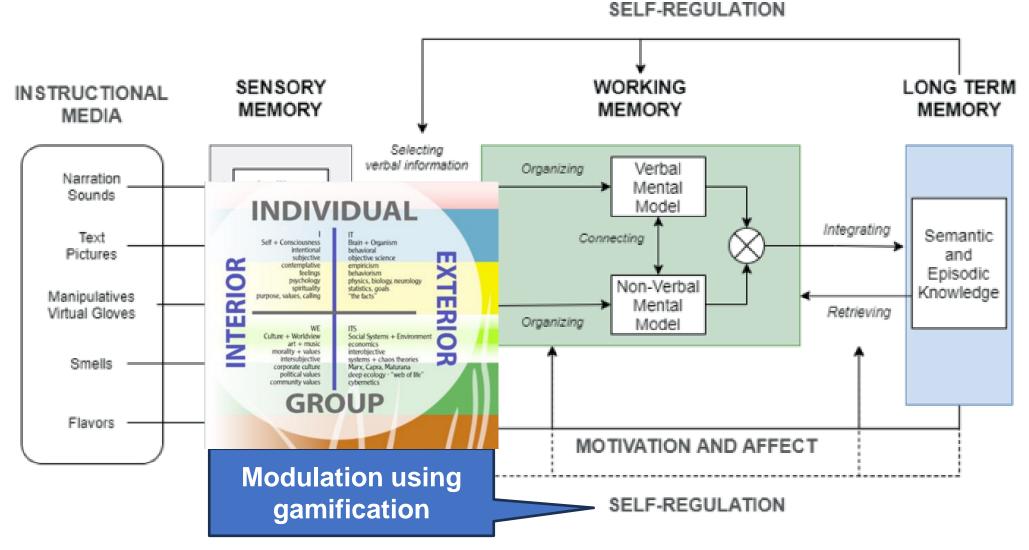
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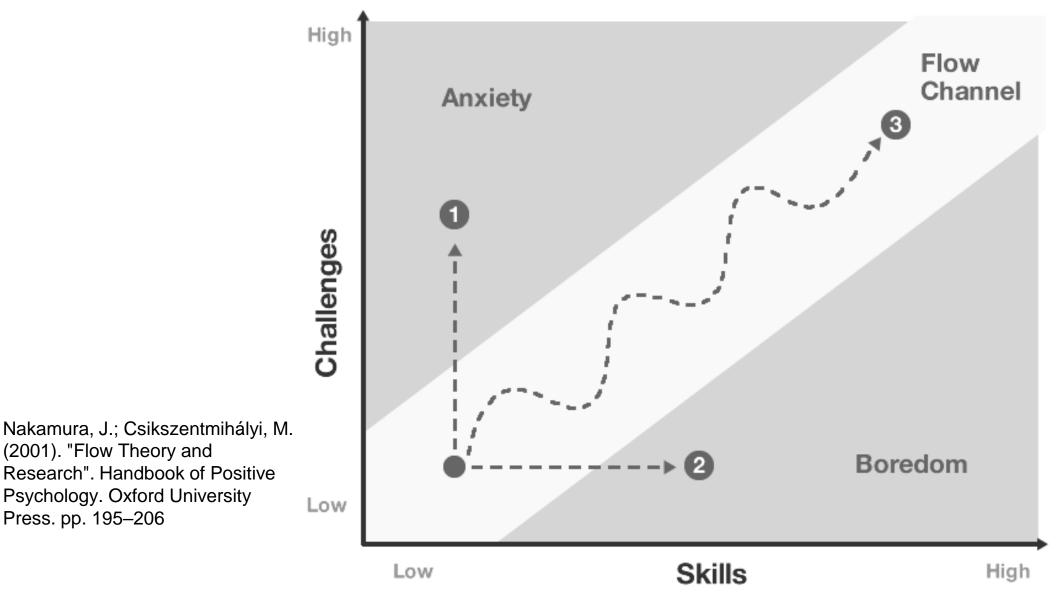
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Modulating Gamification with Flow Theory



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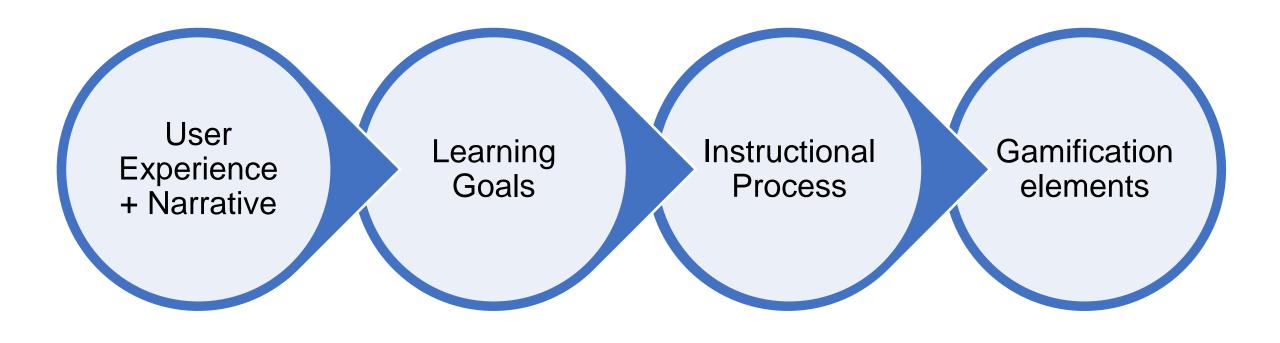
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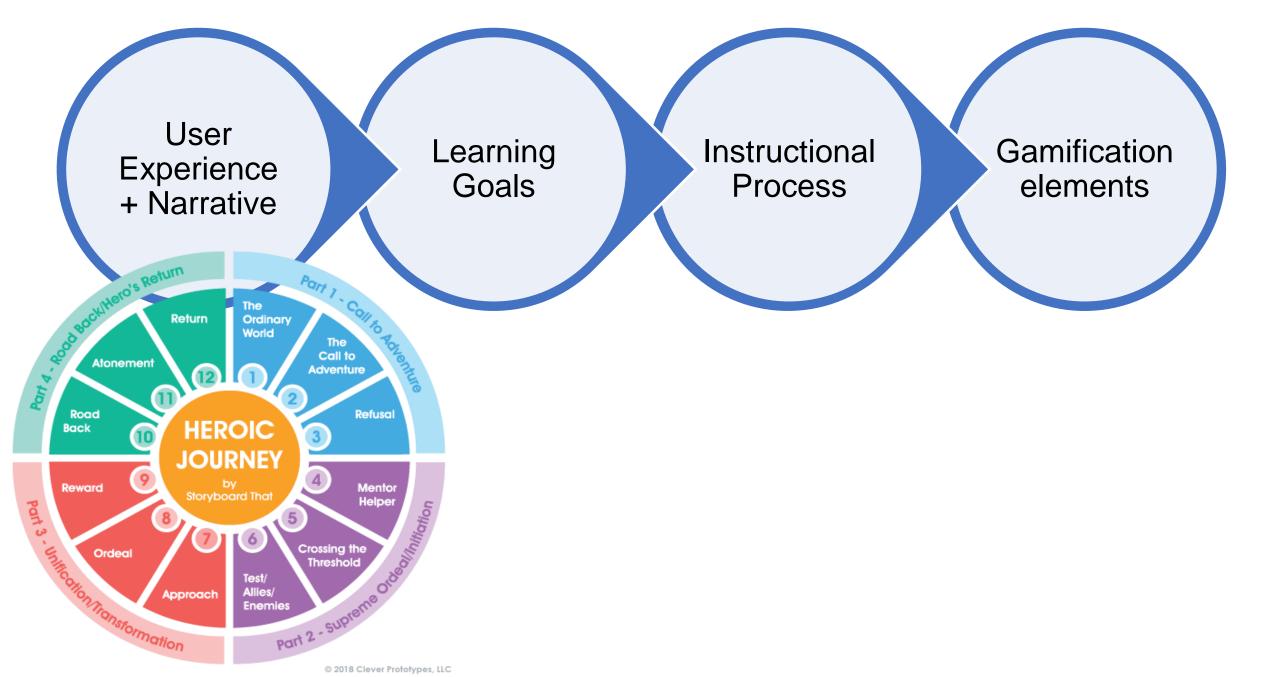
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Proposing a framework to design personalized gamification experiences

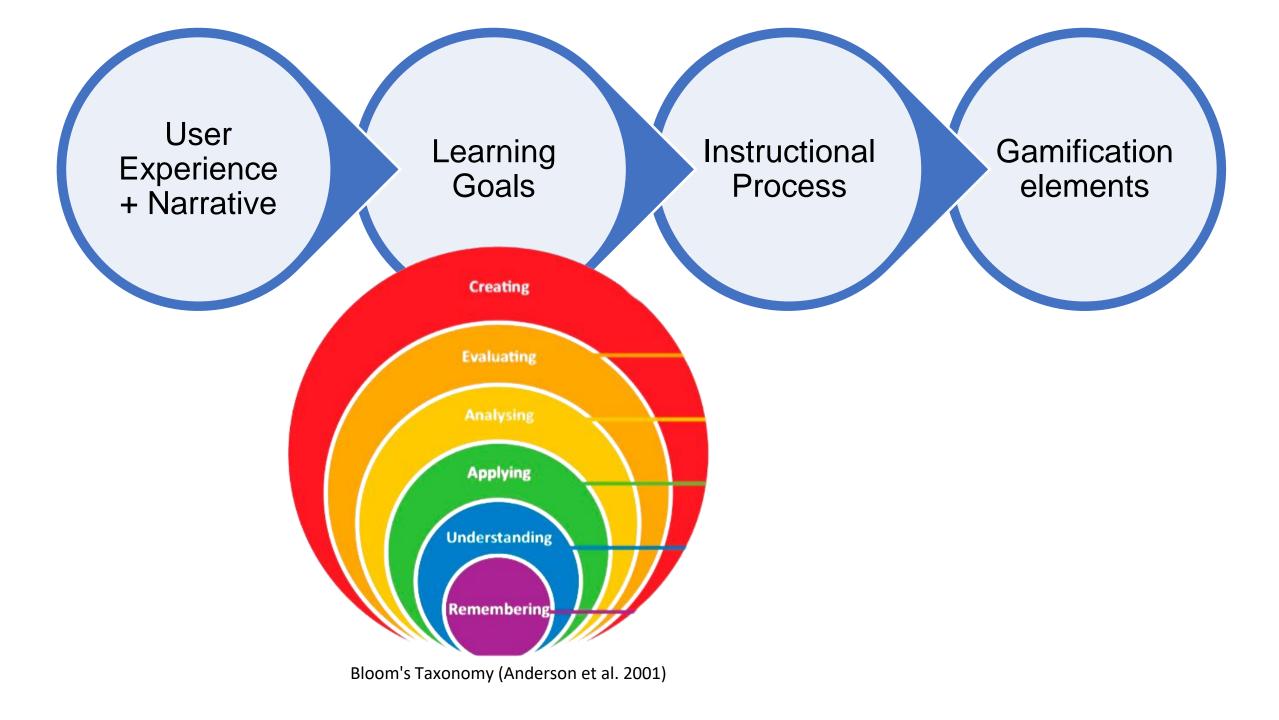
How to design personalized gamification activites?





The Hero's Journey (Vlogler, 2017)

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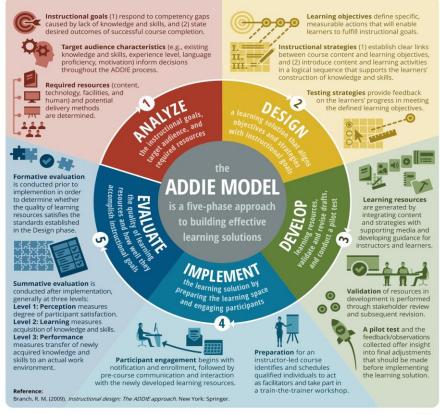


User Experience + Narrative

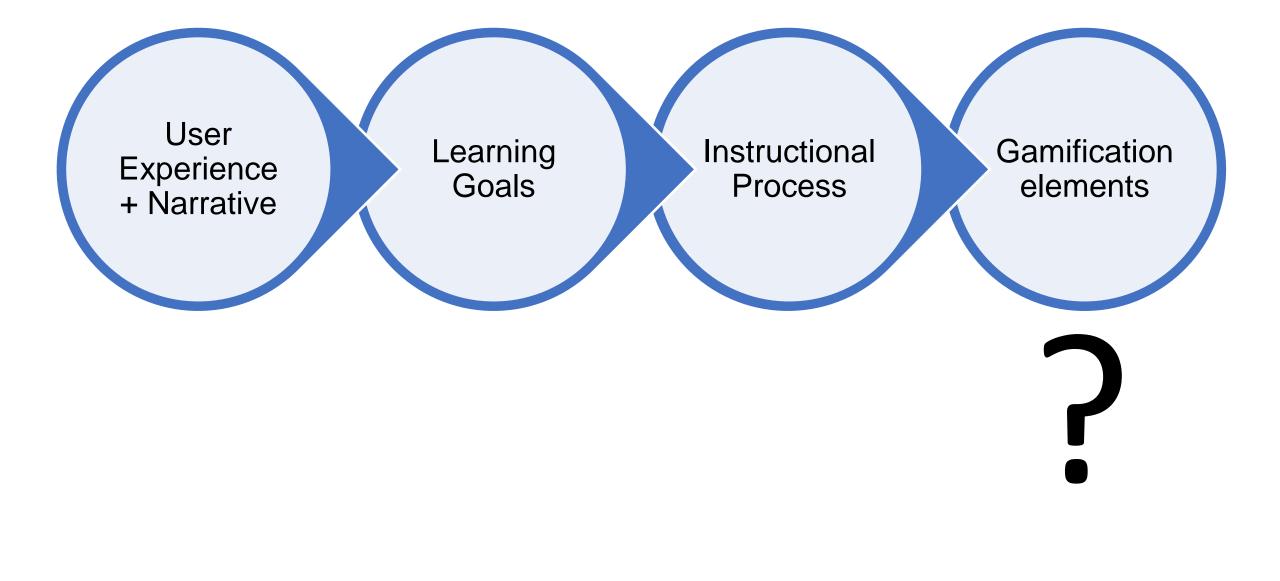
Learning Goals

Instructional Process

Gamification elements







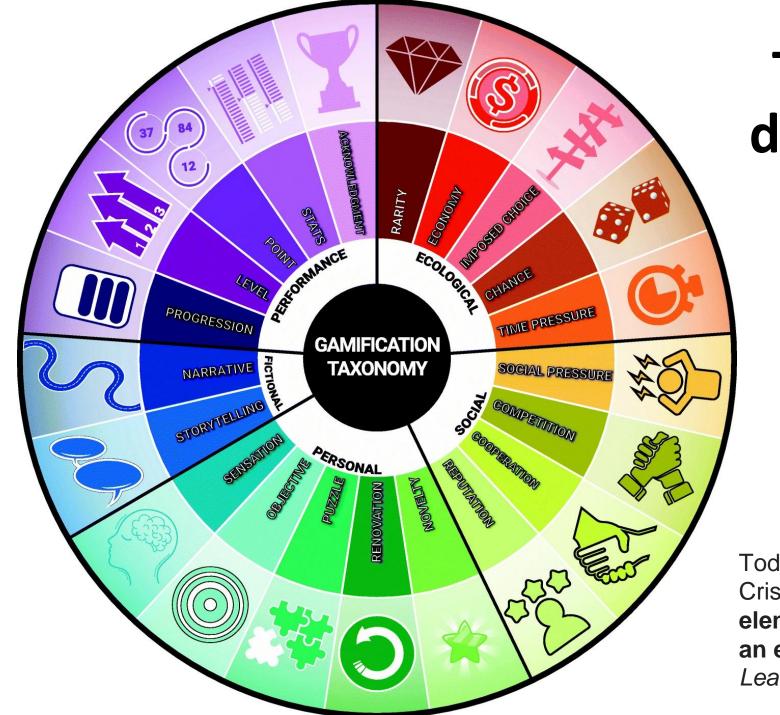
1. How to select game design elements to support learning?

Most interesting result

We collected data from specialists to identify the most relevant game elements that can be used in educational contexts to improve participation, motivation and engagement.

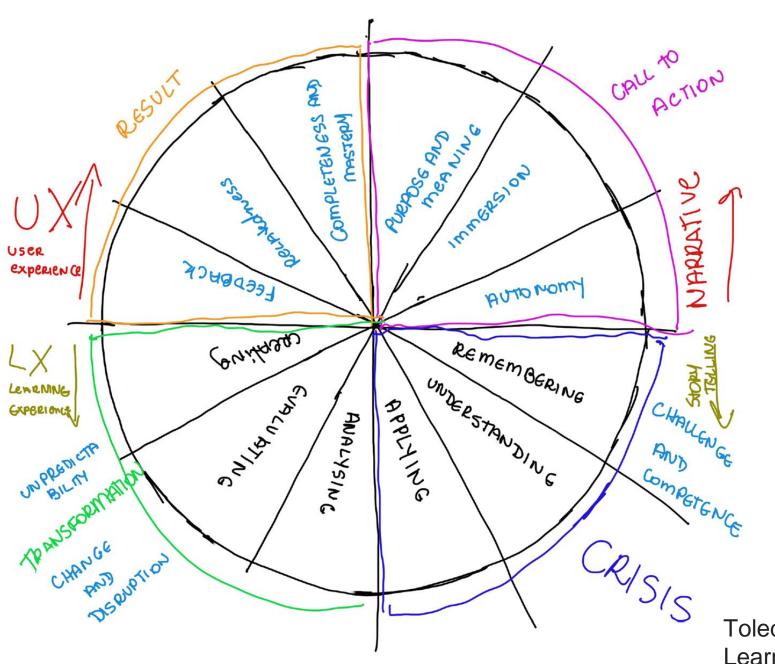
Likert Scale							
Game element	1	2	3	4	5	Mean	SD
Objectives	0%	0%	0%	23%	77%	4.77	0.44
Level	0%	0%	8%	31%	62%	4.54	0.66
Progression	0%	0%	15%	23%	62%	4.46	0.78
Acknowledgement	0%	0%	15%	62%	23%	4.08	0.86
Point	0%	8%	8%	54%	31%	4.08	0.64
Competition	0%	0%	23%	54%	23%	4.00	0.71
Novelty	0%	0%	15%	69%	15%	4.00	0.58
Data	0%	0%	31%	46%	23%	3.92	0.71
Puzzle	0%	8%	23%	38%	31%	3.92	0.95
Classification	0%	8%	8%	77%	8%	3.85	0.76
Scarcity	0%	8%	23%	46%	23%	3.85	0.9
Sensation	0%	15%	15%	38%	31%	3.85	1.07
Cooperation	0%	0%	31%	62%	8%	3.77	0.69
Time pressure	0%	8%	23%	54%	15%	3.77	0.6
Chance	0%	8%	31%	46%	15%	3.69	0.83
Economy	0%	0%	54%	31%	15%	3.62	0.85
Choice	0%	7%	50%	36%	7%	3.43	0.77
Renovation	8%	15%	15%	54%	8%	3.38	1.12
Social pressure	8%	15%	38%	38%	0%	3.08	0.95

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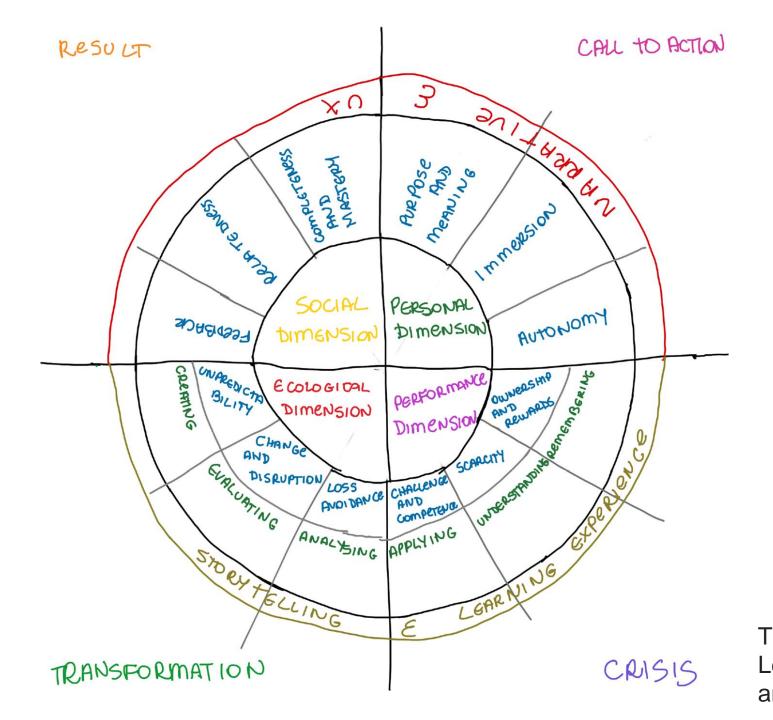
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Student's Journey and Experience + Learning Goals

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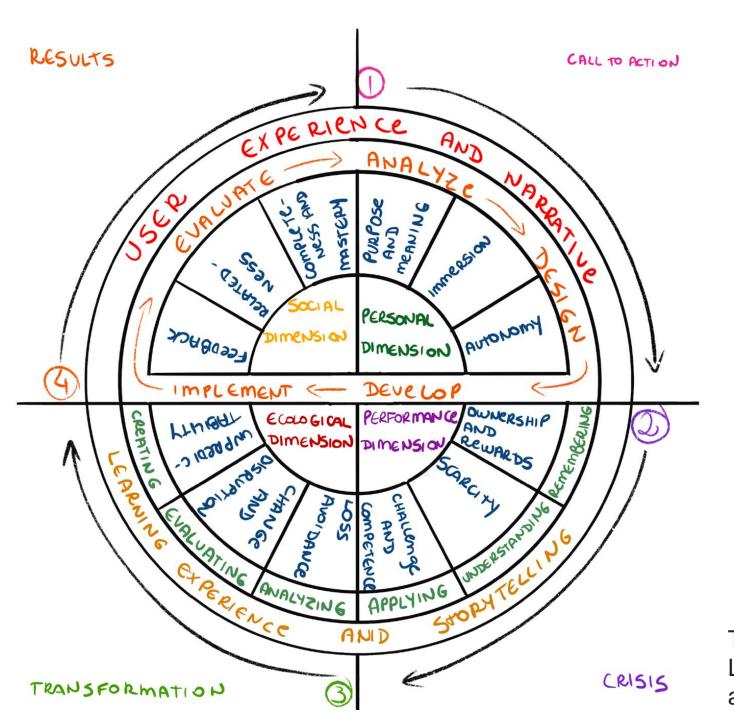


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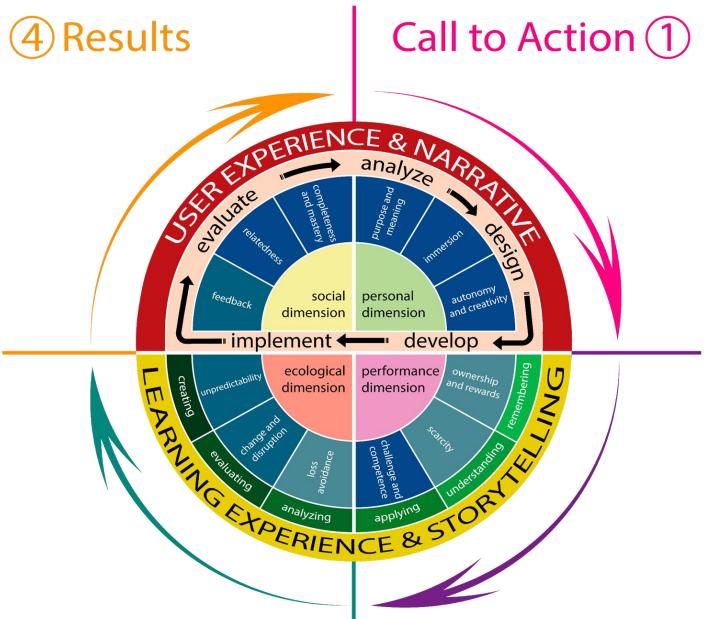
Learning Goals

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3 Transformation

Trials 2

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Step by Step

Act 1: Call to Action

- Purpose and Meaning
- Immersion
- Autonomy and Creativity



Example of use

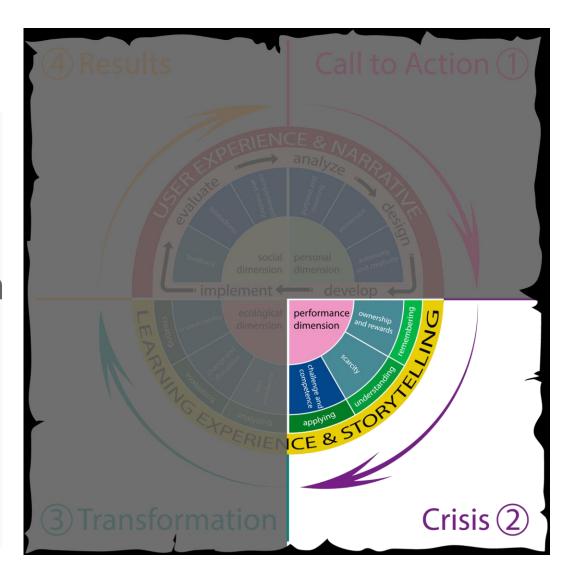
Personal Dimension



Step by Step

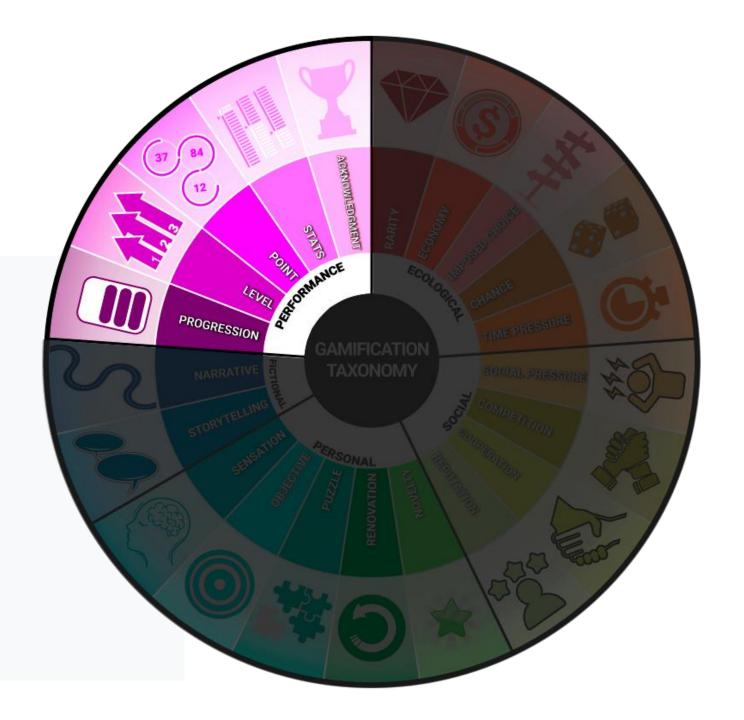
Act 2: Crisis (Conflict)
take the student out of their
'comfort zone', and challenge them
to grow.

- Ownership and Rewards
- Scarcity
- Challenge and Competence



Step by Step

Performance Dimension

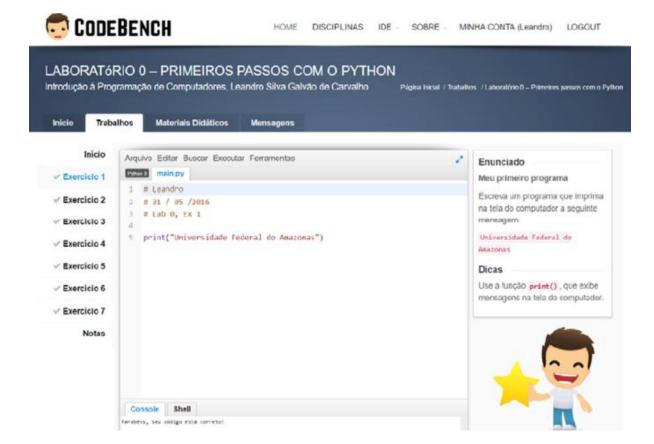


Testing the framework

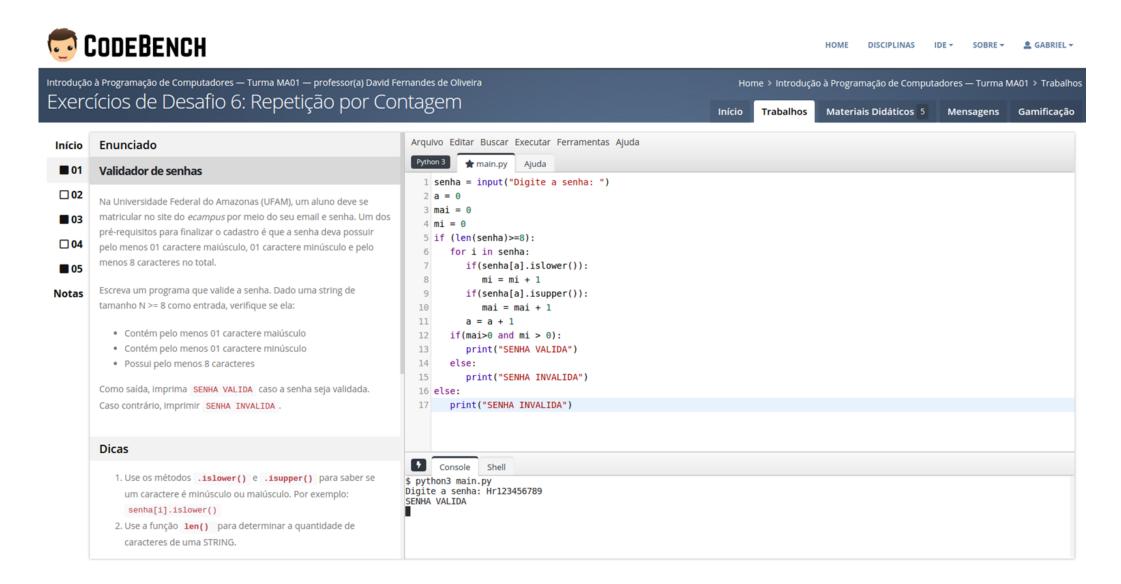
Understanding the impact of personalized gamification over time on Students' behavior

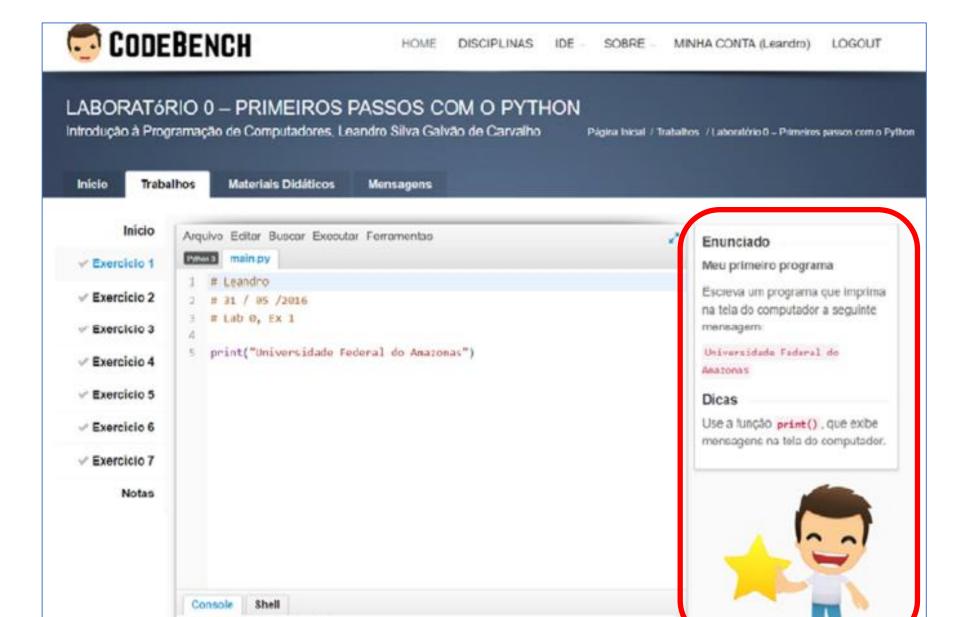
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Online Judge - Experimental Task





Parabéss, seu código está correto:

DISCIPLINAS

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MINHA CONTA (Leandro)

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HOME

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Enredos da gamificação:

Capítulo 1 Geral

Capítulo 2

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Que sucesso! Você ajudou a liberar a ponte que liga a vila Freiheit e a cidade Kalayaan. Isso ajudou muito os dois povoados, pois Kalayaan, é rica em comércios. Entretanto, as demais partes do Reino de Midgard continuam inacessíveis. Um lacaio da Quimera, chamado Stuark, é o culpado por manter as duas vilas isoladas. Stuark está sendo protegido pelo sacerdote. Você precisa encontrar o sacerdote que está no templo trancado a oito cadeados. Só tem uma forma de você abrir o templo: "destrancando os oito cadeados na porta do templo". Para destrancar os cadeados você precisa se unir aos outros aprendizes e juntos resolverem os exercícios de programação no CodeBench. Após cada resolução de exercícios serão sorteadas cartas de recompensa. Faça exercícios até destrancar todos os cadeados. Após abrir o templo, você percorrerá o seu subterrâneo, passará por provações em uma escuridão assustadora, encontrará enigmas e lutará com o terrível Stuark. Corra! Ajude a libertar os povoados!

Nesta cidade você também pode se divertir e ganhar recompensas através de opcionalmente: explorar a cidade; entrevistar cidadãos; encontrar uma entrada para a terra das Fadas Valiosas; realizar compras nas lojas da vila; ou até mesmo ouvir uma música especial no bar sem álcool.



Definições de termos

CARTAS DE RECOMPENSA (CARTAS DE THORIEL)



São as cartas sorteadas para um aluno quando um exercício é resolvido corretamente. As recompensas são: moedas, pontos de experiência, abertura de novos locais exploráveis e progressão

nos capítulos. Também conhecidas como cartas de Thoriel.

EXPERIÊNCIA

Pontos de experiência (EXP) podem ser sorteados ao fim da resolução de exercícios, encontrados explorando ne manac a realizando miceños

LAB Introde

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Objetivos da disciplina

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Emblemas da gamificação

Você pertence ao grupo Bronze, representado pelo emblema abaixo. Existem três grupos: Ouro, Prata e Bronze. O seu grupo é determinado pela quantidade de pontos de experiência (Exp) que você adquiriu dentro do ambiente da gamificação.



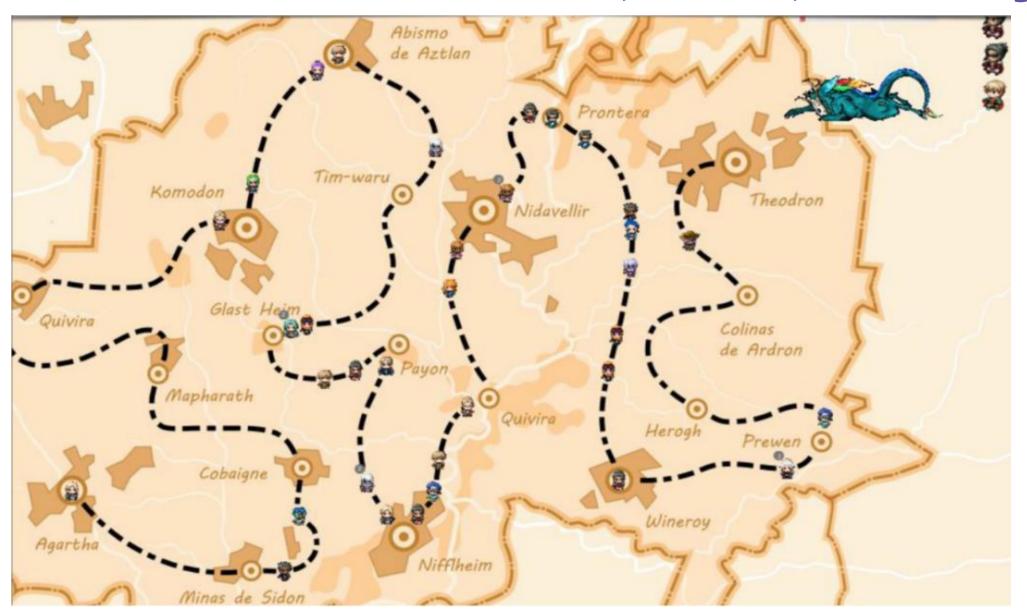
Os emblemas abaixo representam o seu desempenho nas atividades da disciplina de programação. Os emblemas podem ser de Ouro, Prata ou Bronze. O primeiro emblema, de Ouro, representa a sua média nas avaliações (10) feitas até então; o segundo, de Bronze, representa a sua média nas listas de exercícios (0); e o terceiro emblema, de Bronze, representa a frequência com que você acessa o CodeBench.



Progresso Individual

TOTAL DE PONTOS GANHOS	10.0%
TRABALHOS COM 10.0	10.0%
MENSAGENS LIDAS	0.0%
MATERIAIS BAIXADOS	0.0%

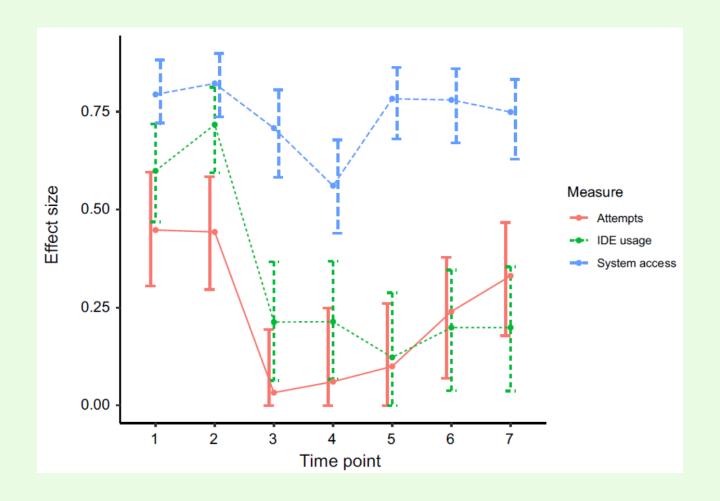
Gamification: Immersive, Social, Challenge



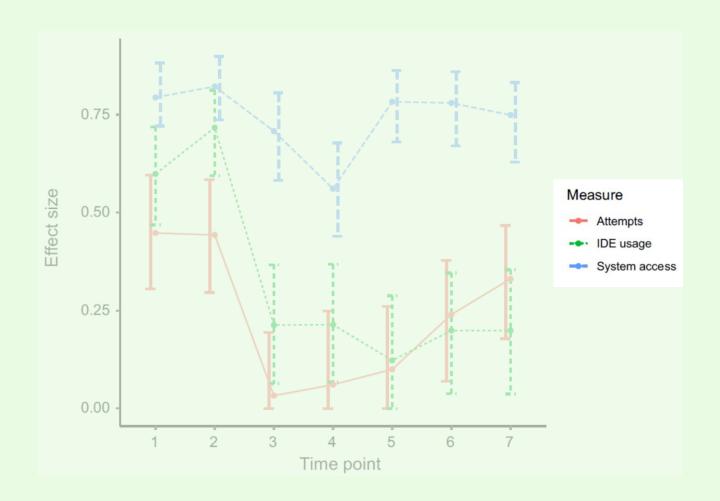
Study Overview

- 2x2 quasi-experimental study
 - Gamification: yes or no
 - Usage time: seven weeks
- Dataset
 - CS1, STEM students from UFAM
 - Data from 756 students (2016 to 2018)
 - Measures: Attempts, IDE usage, system access
- (Robust) Data Analysis
 - Two-way ANOVAs
 - Effect size comparisons per time point

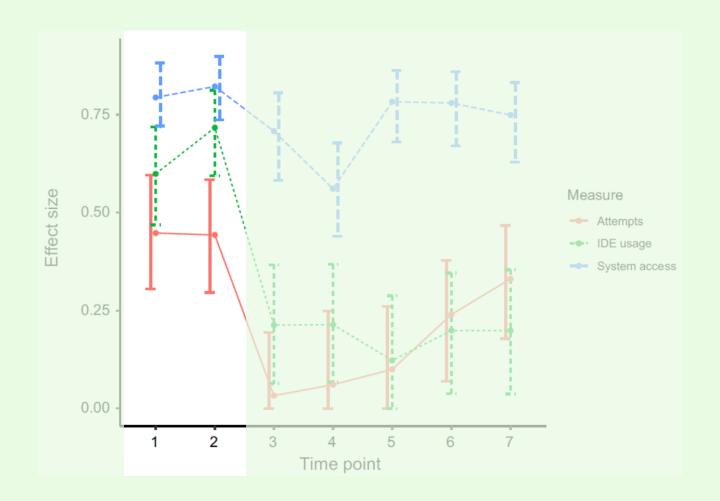
Personalized Gamification's effect over time



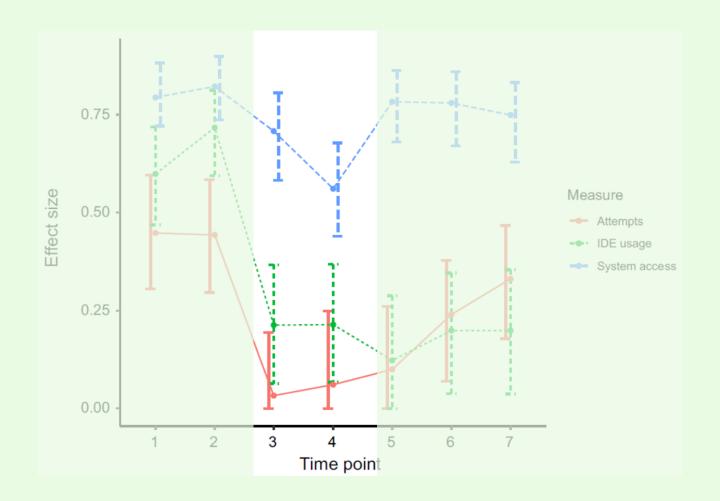
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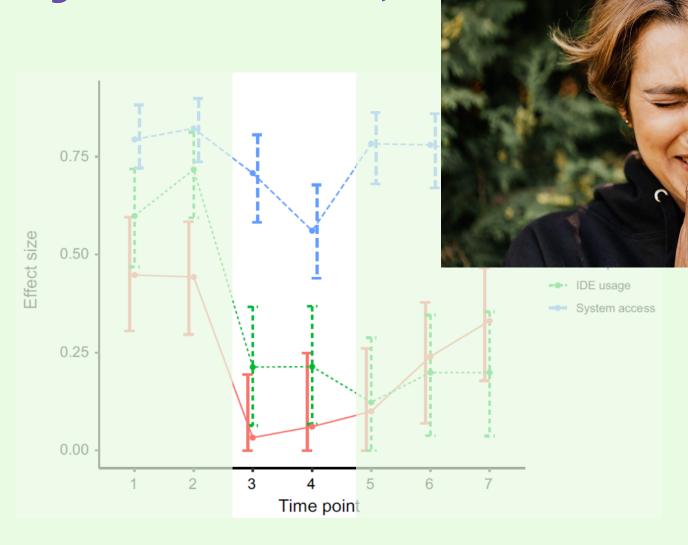
Gamification really works, until ...



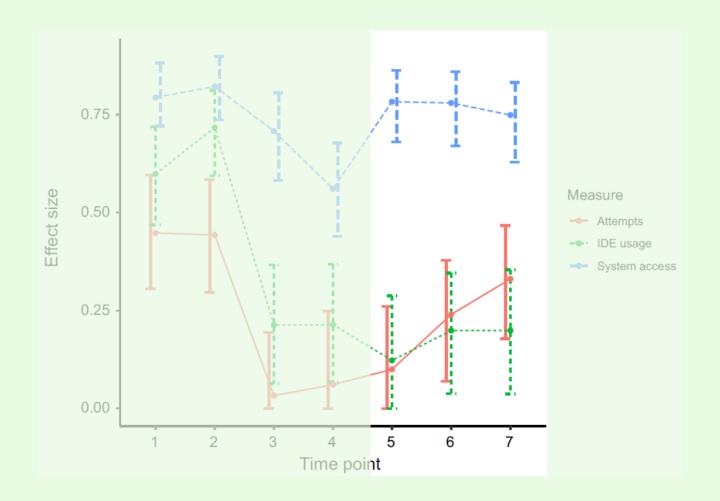
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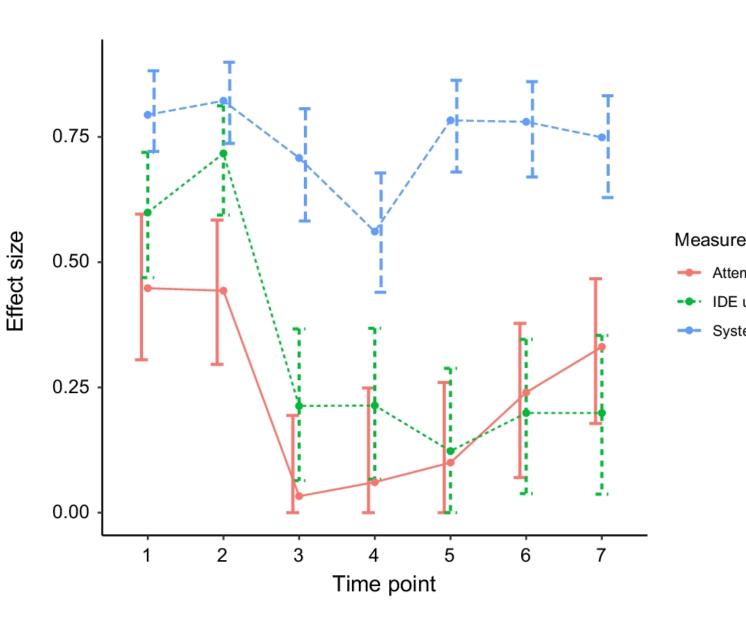


... familiarization brings light



Most interesting result

We found empirical evidence supporting that gamification likely suffers from the novelty effect but also benefits from the familiarization effect, contributing to an overall positive impact on students.



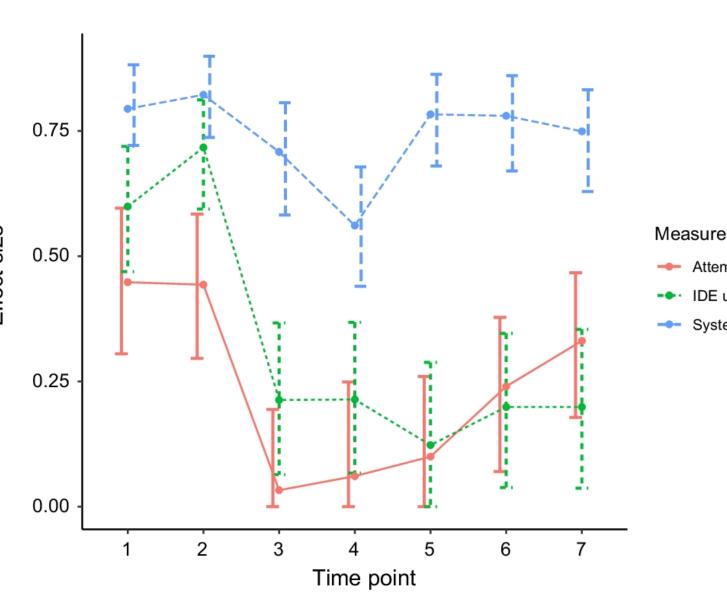
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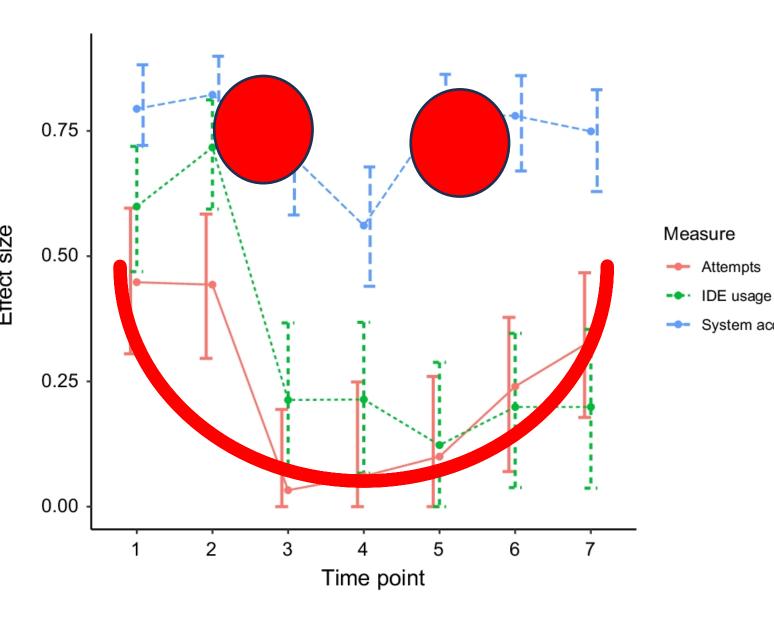
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How to assist teachers to use our framework and augment their capabilities to design gamification scenarios considering other contextual variables?

 Data collected from 361 individuals from 19 different countries

- We investigate how to semi-automatically tailor gamification designs to users considering:
- geographic location, learning activity types, gender, game preferences, previous game experiences, etc.

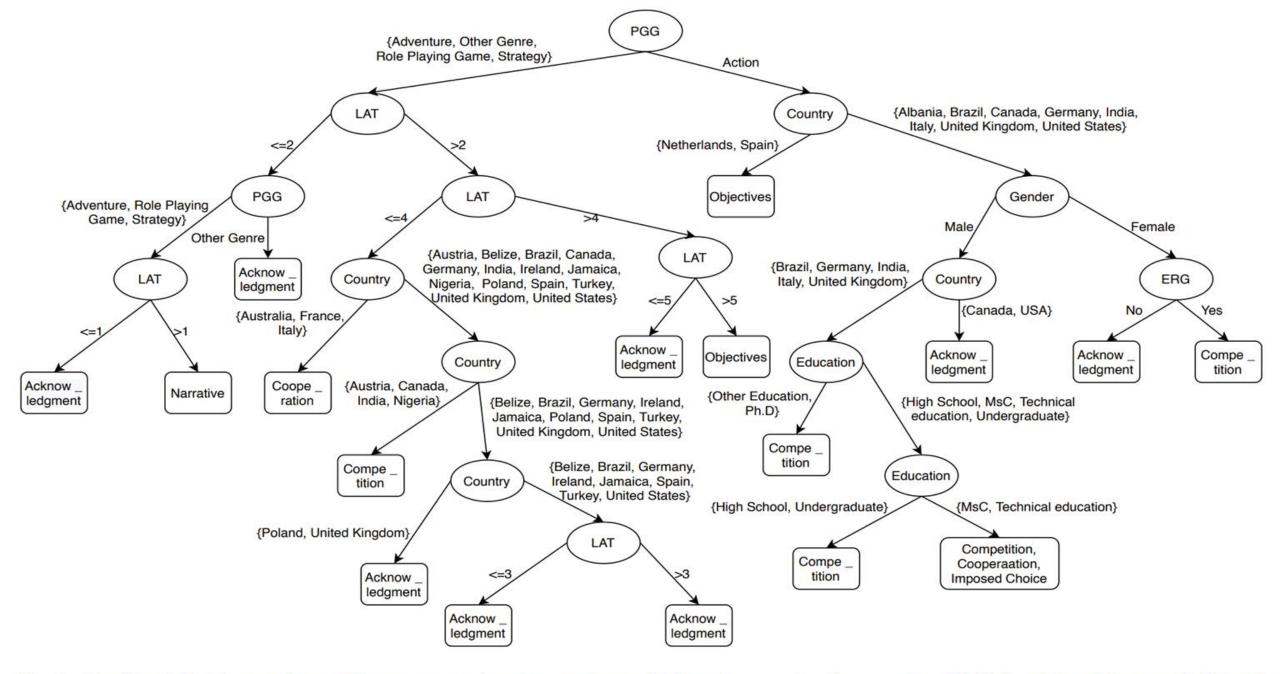


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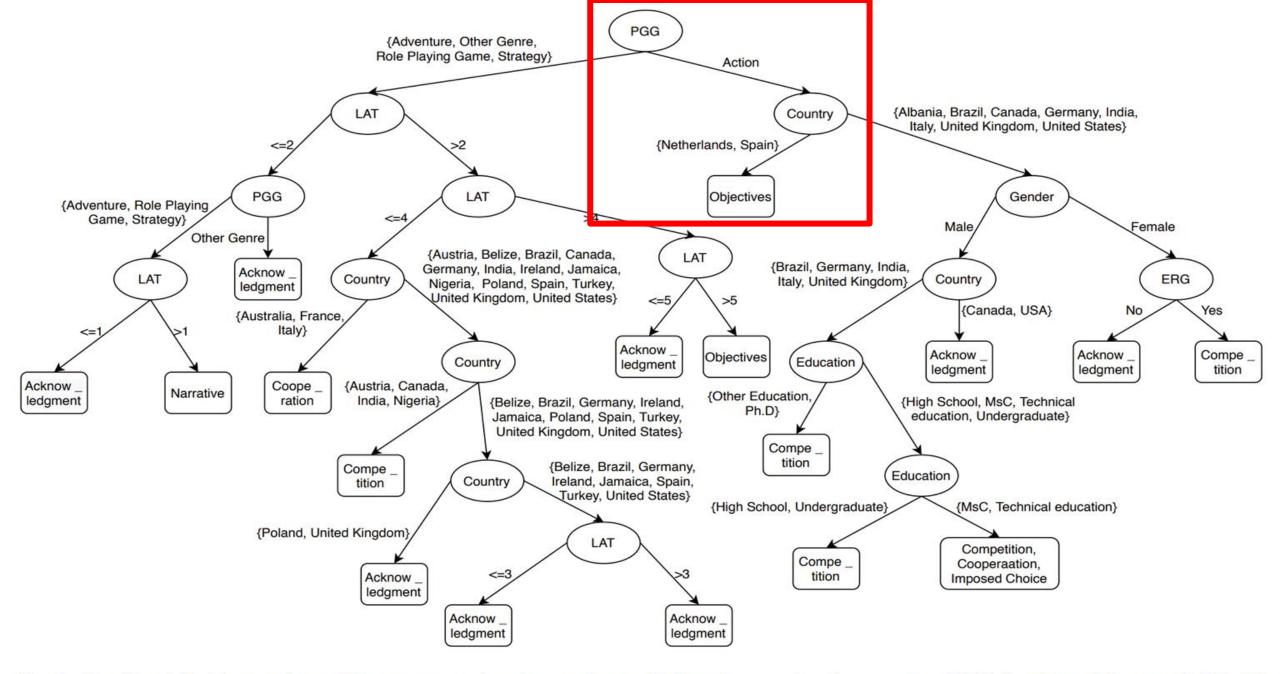
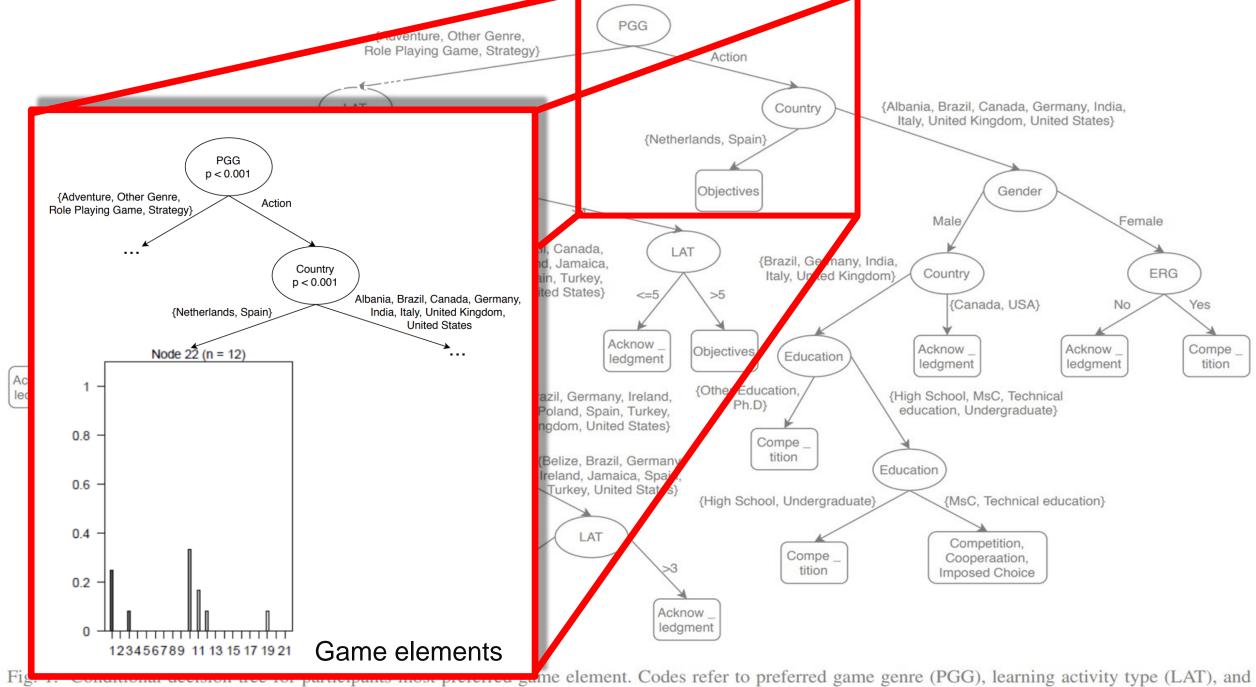


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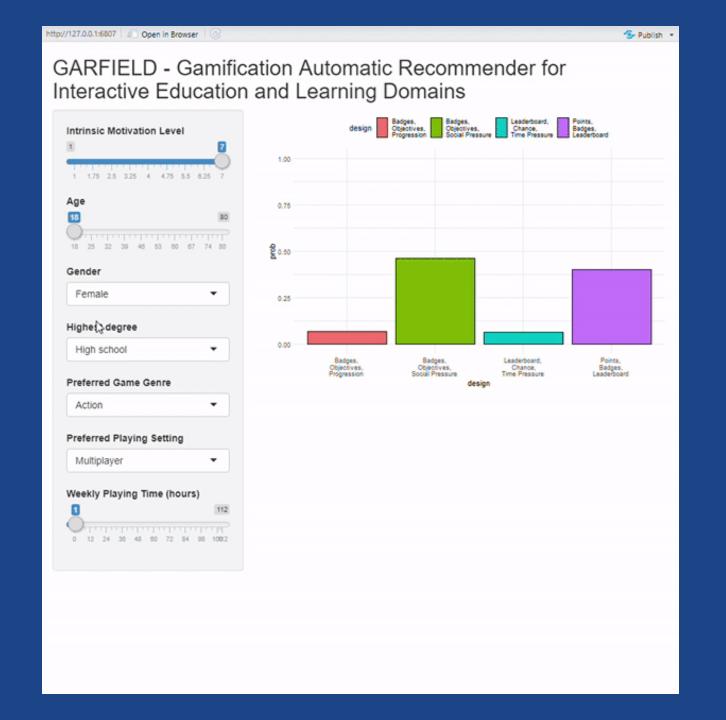






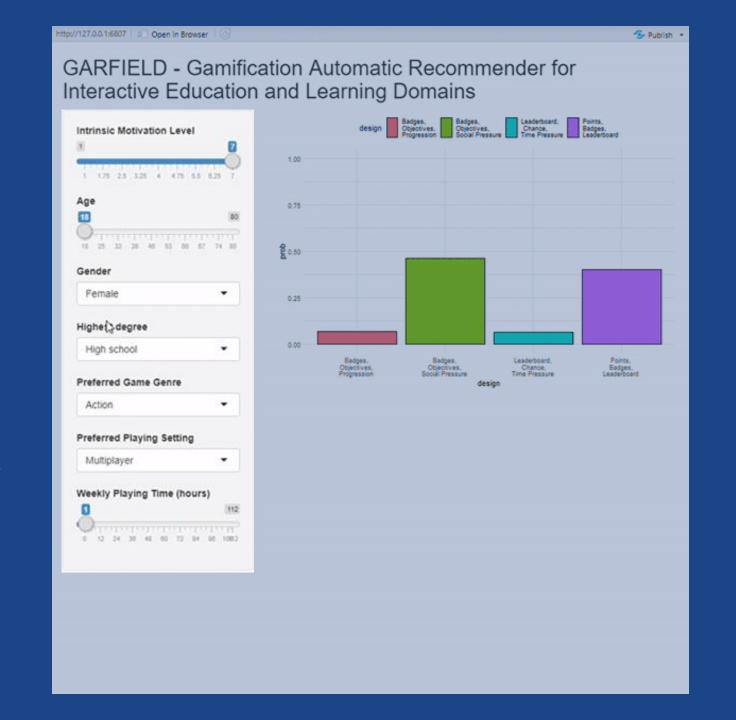
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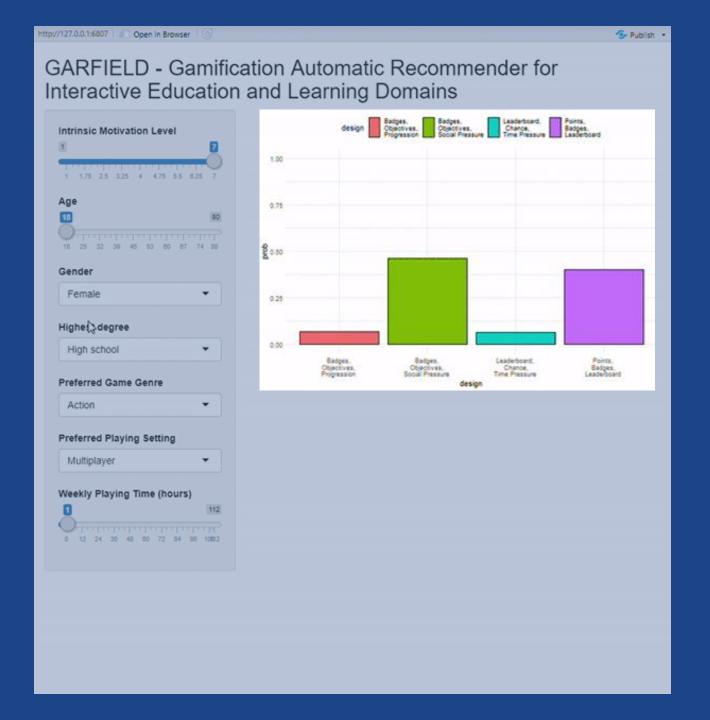
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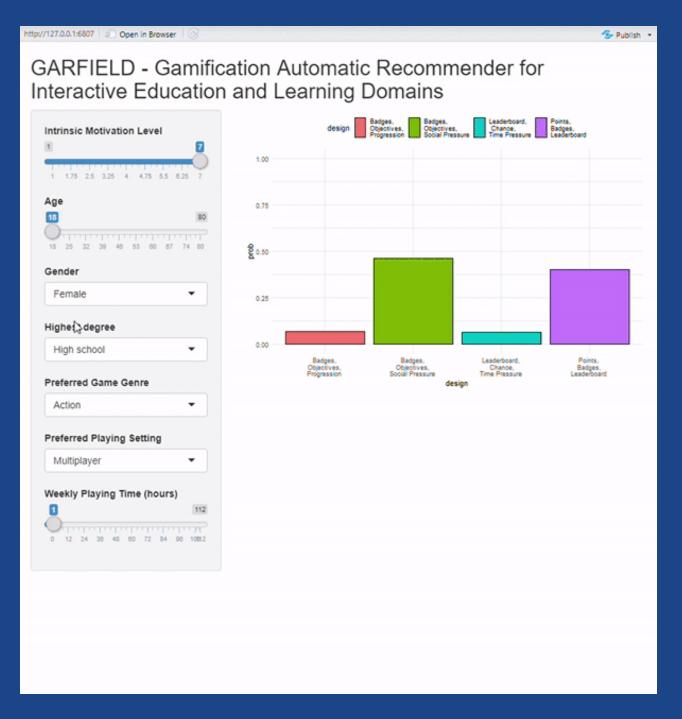
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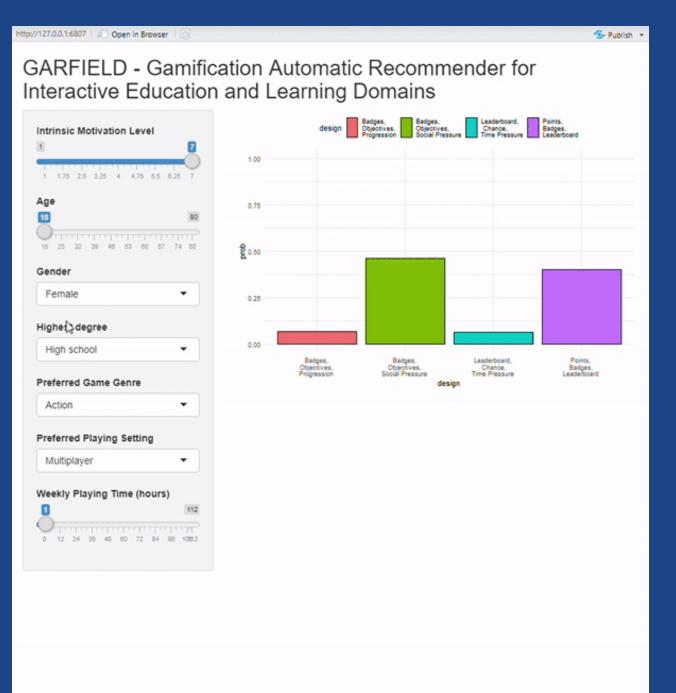




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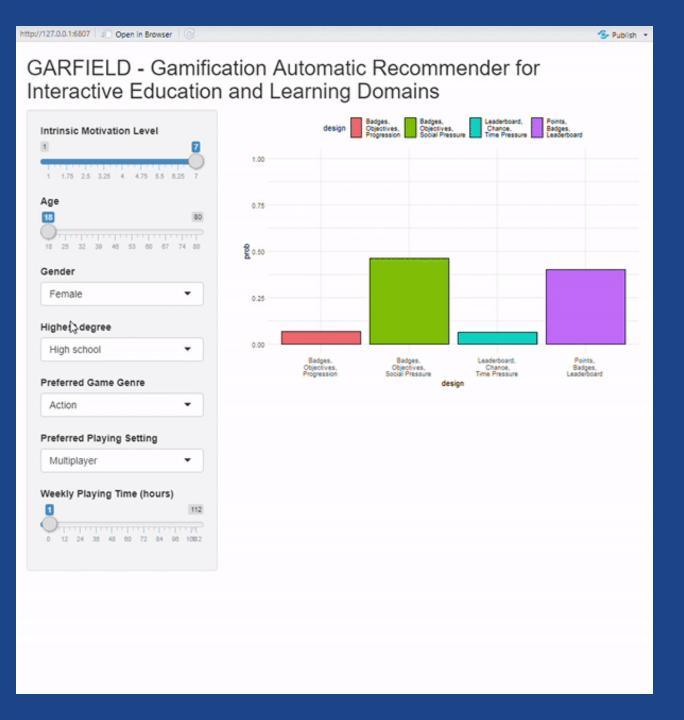
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Transparent



Personalized Gamification works, but how it works, for whom, and for how long remain open questions to be explored.



Challenges



How to maximize the benefits of personalized gamification, so that students are both engaged in playing but also focused on learning?



How to better design AI technologies to accurately guides teachers during to design of gamified educational experiences?



How can we use data-driven gamification designs to promote equity and equality in education?



How to reduce the dependence of questionnaires to identify users' preferences and player types?

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