

PCK and Reflection in Computer Science Teacher Education

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Project Background I

- July 2009: Telekom Stiftung University Competetition
 - FU Berlin
 - HU Berlin
 - TU Dortmund
 - TU München
- FU Berlin
 - Integrate Labs into Teacher Education
- November 2013: Telekom Stiftung will Announce Partners for Follow-Up
 - FU Berlin / HU Berlin: Labs Into Teacher Education (plus n Partners)





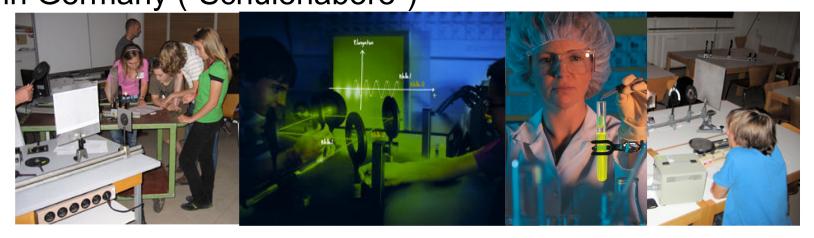


Project Background

Science laboratories for school students in Germany ("Schülerlabore")







Aiming at:

- a. supporting schools in teaching modern science topics and concepts,
- b. increasing students' interests in science, and
- c. Attracting future university students in science and engineering domains



Pictures: PhysLAb @ FU-Berlin

Text: Uhlmann, S., & **Priemer, B.** (2011). Experiments in Schools and Science Labs An Explicit "Nature of Science"-Aspect in a Project for a Science Lab for School Students, Proceedings of GIREP Conference 2010, Reims



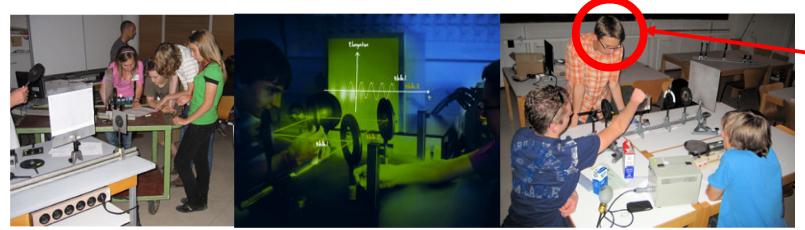
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Science laboratories for CS Teacher students





Teacher Student

- a. Pupils Lab
- b.Internship Lab: Protected environment for pre service teacher students, reduced complexity
- c. Teaching/Learning Lab: Engages teacher students inquiring the learning environment like a researcher, cyclic refinement, group work, and reflection
 - Reserch Lab maybe better term(?)



Project Background

FU laboratory for CS Teacher students



Van Driel: developing PCK:

- (a) focus on teachers' knowledge, beliefs and concerns;
- (b) opportunities to experiment in their own practice;
- (c) collegial **cooperation** or exchange
- (d) **sufficient time for changes** to occur.

Reflection, individually and collectively

OECD-Report: Teachers Matter:

"Develop skills for **reflective practice** and research on-the-job"

Need for "rethinking the role of field experiences" and "development of teachers' learning communities"

Teachers need to become researchers: CS Teachers@Research





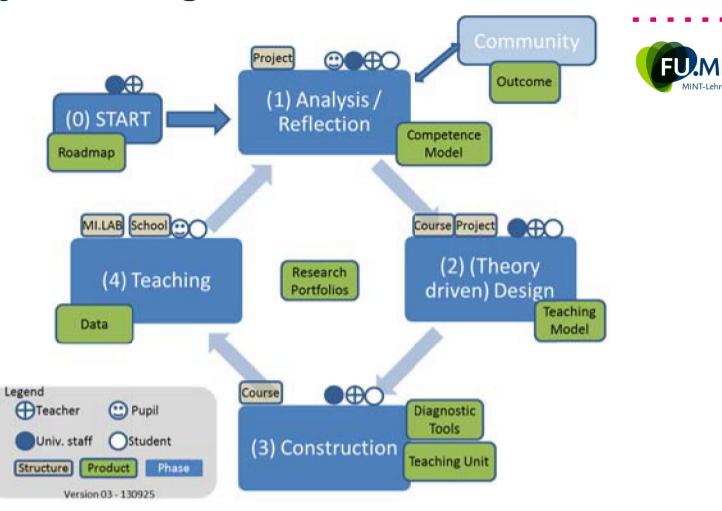
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Table 1: Comparison of design research processes

| Design Based Research [16] | Action Research [2] | Participatory Action Research [22] | Theory oriented development of teaching units [21] | Educational Reconstruc- tion [12] | Derived Model | |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------|--|
| Preparation (goals, starting point, learning trajectory, context) | Entrance | Reflection on action | Analyze learning pre- requisites | Analysis (of Subject matter and educational significance) | Roadmap | |
| Design and Analysis | Data Collection | Question | Set objectives | Research on teaching & learning (learner perspec- tives) | Analysis and Reflection | |
| Collect data and apply interpre- tive frameworks | Interpretation | Fieldwork | Select a learning theory as framework | Development of instruction | (Theory driven) design | |
| Test | Consequences ('practical theory') | Analysis | Connect aspects to a coherent approach | Teaching | Construction | |
| Retrospective analysis (establish trust, ensure generalizability) | Action | Action | Design teaching units and materials | Evaluation of instruction | Teaching | |
| | | | Test and evaluation | | | |
| Iterative (steps 2-4) Iterative | | Iterative | - | Iterative | Iterative (steps 2-5) | |





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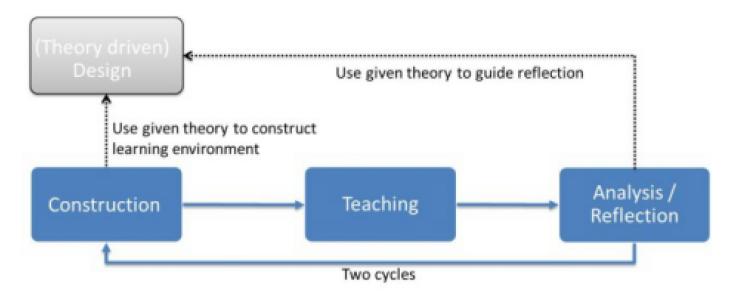


Figure 4: Ba-Module within the concept

Integrate Research in Computing Education and CS Teacher Education



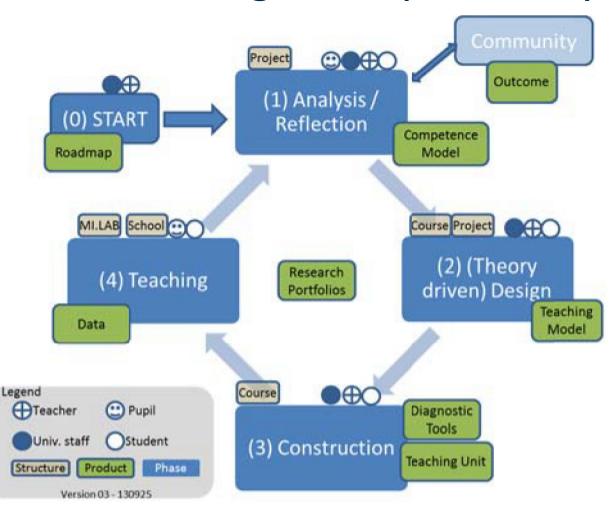


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Repetition: Background (Numbers)









Outline of Seminar

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- Seminar Preparation
- Choice of Topic, based on Community Interest
- Group of external helpers ('Godparents')
- Designing Outline for Pupils Module
 - SmartGrid: Electricity Grid plus new IT-Infrastructure for Control





SmartGrid

White: Electricity Grid

Orange: Future IT Grid

Old:

- Capacity controlled by current demand
- Producer → Consumer

New:

- Prosumer
- Capacity: Optimization between Demand & Production





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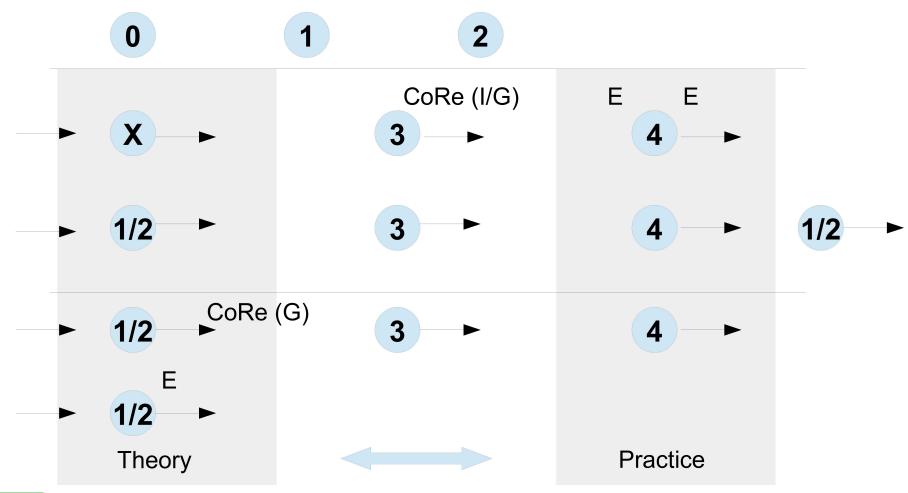
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MindStorms AGG Debate





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Procedure: CORE Questionnaires

- 1. What do you intend the students to learn about this Big Idea?
- 2. Why is it important for the students to know this Big Idea?
- 3. What else do you know about this Big Idea (and you don't intend students to know yet)?
- 4. What are the difficulties/ limitations connected with the teaching of this Big Idea?
- 5. Which knowledge about students' thinking influences your teaching of this Big Idea?
- 6. Which factors influence your teaching of this Big Idea?
- 7. What are your teaching methods (any particular reasons for using these to engage with this Big Idea)?
- 8. What are your specific ways of assessing students' understanding or confusion around this Big Idea?





Results

| Level | Teaching nexus | | | Learning nexus | | | Other | |
|-------|-------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------------|---|---|--|
| | Q1 (what) | Q2 (why) | Q3 (SMK, reduc.) | Q4 (difficulties) | Q5 (prior knowledge) | Q8 (assessment) | Q6 (forces) | Q7 (methods) |
| 1 | topic is named | goals is named, but not justified | (nearly) no knowledge about the topic | teacher centric: tries to cope with the topic herself | mentions parts of the content | teacher just knows (observes) | focus on organizational issues and teaching material; vague impression that pupils perspective is important | |
| 2 | topic and CS connected | NOT CLEAR [not: names more than one goal!]] | deeper content knowledge, but no justification what to leave out | teacher centric: how to reduce / reconstruct | NOT CLEAR | teacher inquires | NOT CLEAR | more methods, and justification for Content |
| 3 | connected to everyday life | goal is justified; connection between CS and real world is made | focus on specific parts of the deep content knowledge, no justification what to leave out | learner centered: knows specific, content related learning obstacles | NOT CLEAR | teacher has methods/aspects to inquiring; | NOT CLEAR | broad knowledge of methods; use of methods is partially justified |

Figure 3: Results of analysis, presented as preliminary competence model





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Teacher Education!

Research

Students' Learning Theory & Practice

Thanks!

