

Disruptions Leveraging Online and Technology Trends to Transform Engineering Education

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Accelerating the Pace of Adoption of Educational Innovations



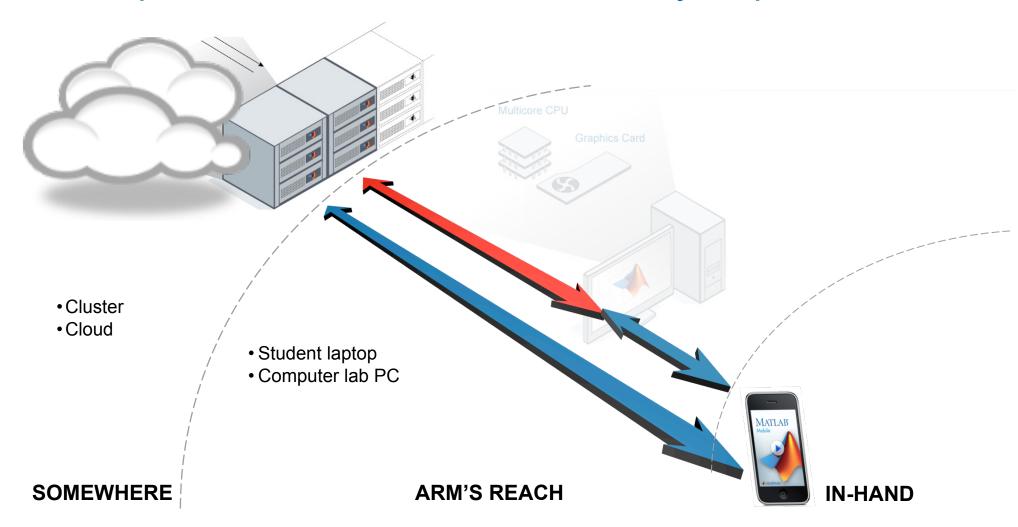
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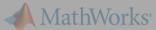
- Students will have laptops and/or tablets
- Students may or may not be physically on campus to use labs
- Students want and expect to work from anywhere
- Computer labs shrinking or disappearing, or reserved for physical experiments
- Servers and clouds (private and public) at various stages of implementation and use
- Learning "in place" is redefined
- Distance learning → Equidistance learning?



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Response: Provide as much flexibility as possible









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Response: Personal real-time systems for students

Inexpensive Processors



Easy-to-Build Devices



Consumer Products





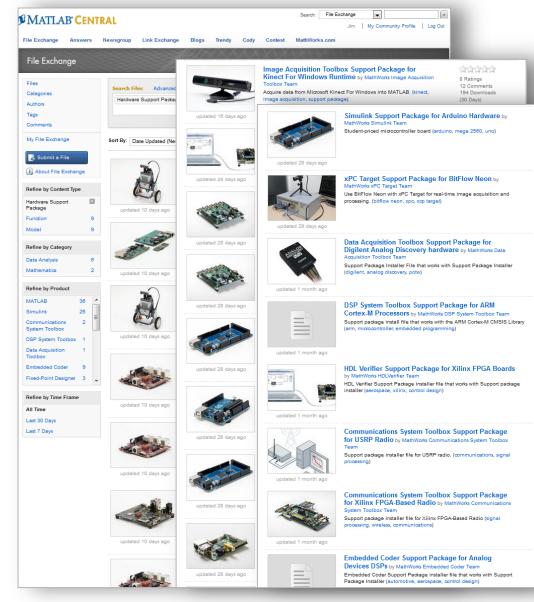




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- Open-source hardware
- Mass-market systems
- Education-oriented systems
- Industry-proven systems





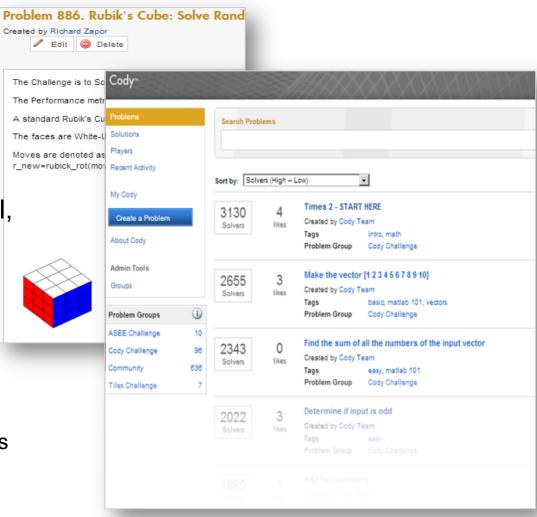
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Response: Interaction, Gamification, Authoring

Use on-line or in MATLAB

 Motivates learning with social, scoring, badges, ranking, progress & feeds

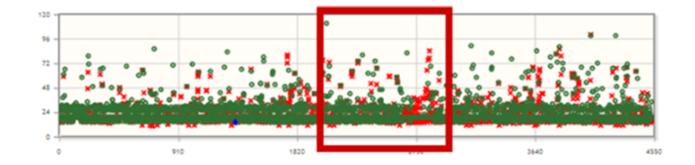
- First 16 months online:
 - Over 1000 problems created
 - Over 14,000 players
 - Over 225,000 solution attempts





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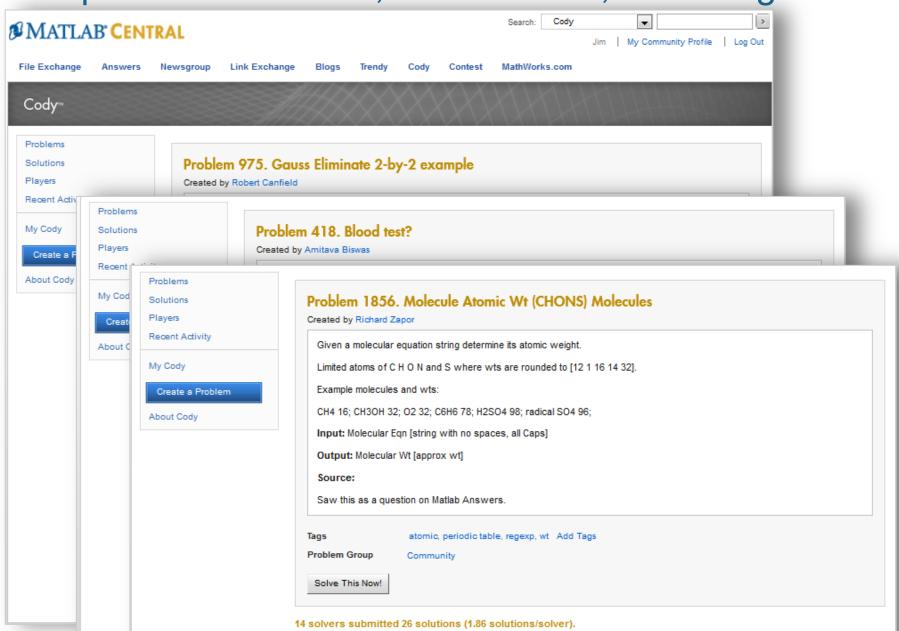
- Try out new problems on the user community, not students
- Quickly see learning gaps meriting lecture follow-up





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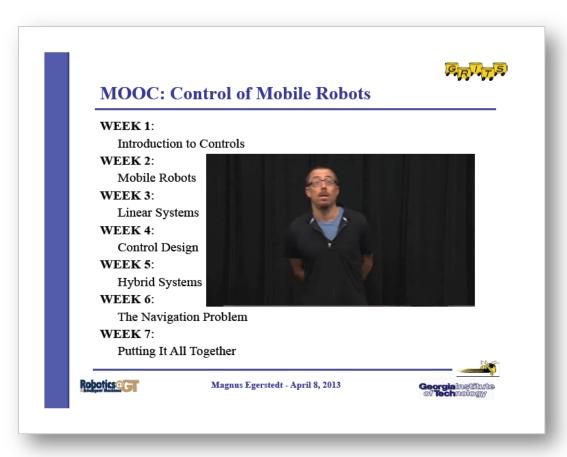




Trend: MOOCs and Blended Learning

Response: Make MATLAB Accessible

- Download MATLAB onto student-owned computers
- Offer Student
 Version to MOOC
 course attendees

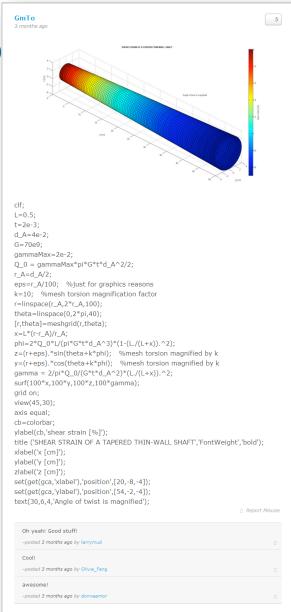




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 Interactive MATLAB programming in the MOOC platform, leveraging features for assignments and auto-grading





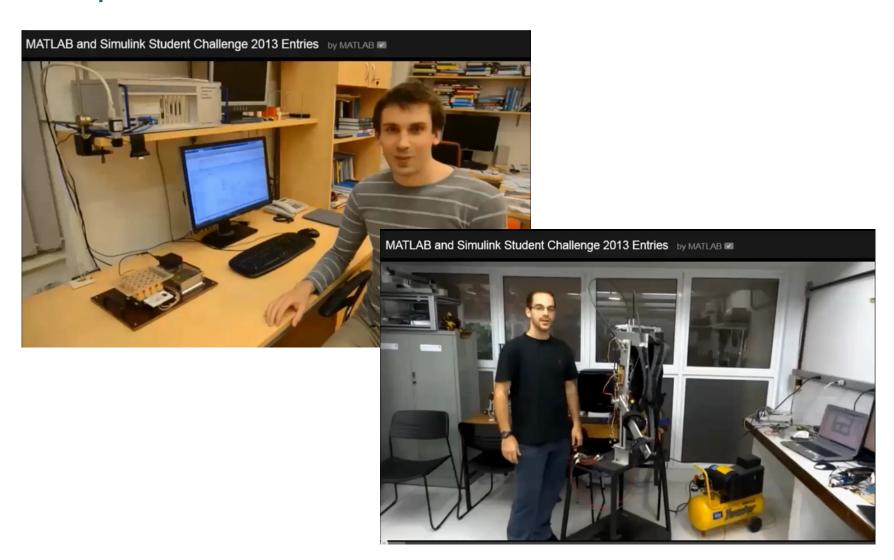
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Response: More... smaller-scale, virtualized





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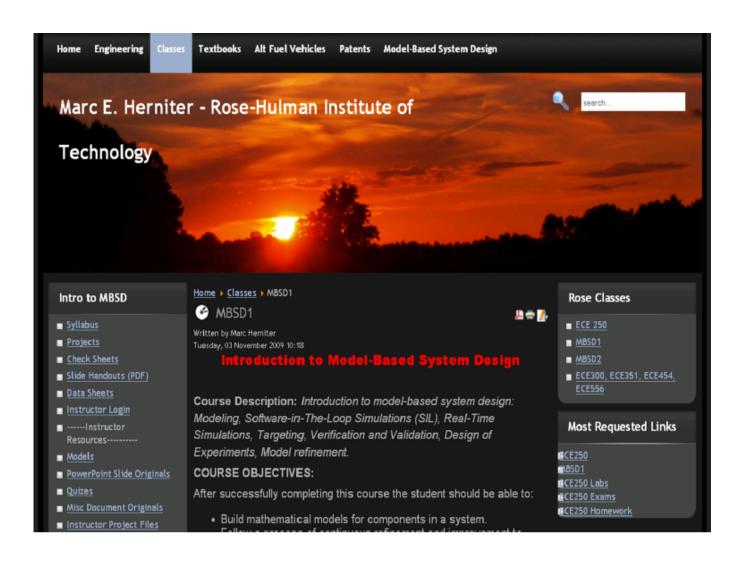


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Trend: Focus on the system level in industry

Response: Guidance and exposure to education





Online and Technology Trends

- Computing resources in flux
- Hands-on with low-cost, open-source hardware
- Gamified on-line content
- MOOCs and Blended Learning
- Student competitions big/small, live/virtual
- Systems thinking

What trends do you want to accelerate?

