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Transitioning to Online Instruction

(from face-to-face classrooms)



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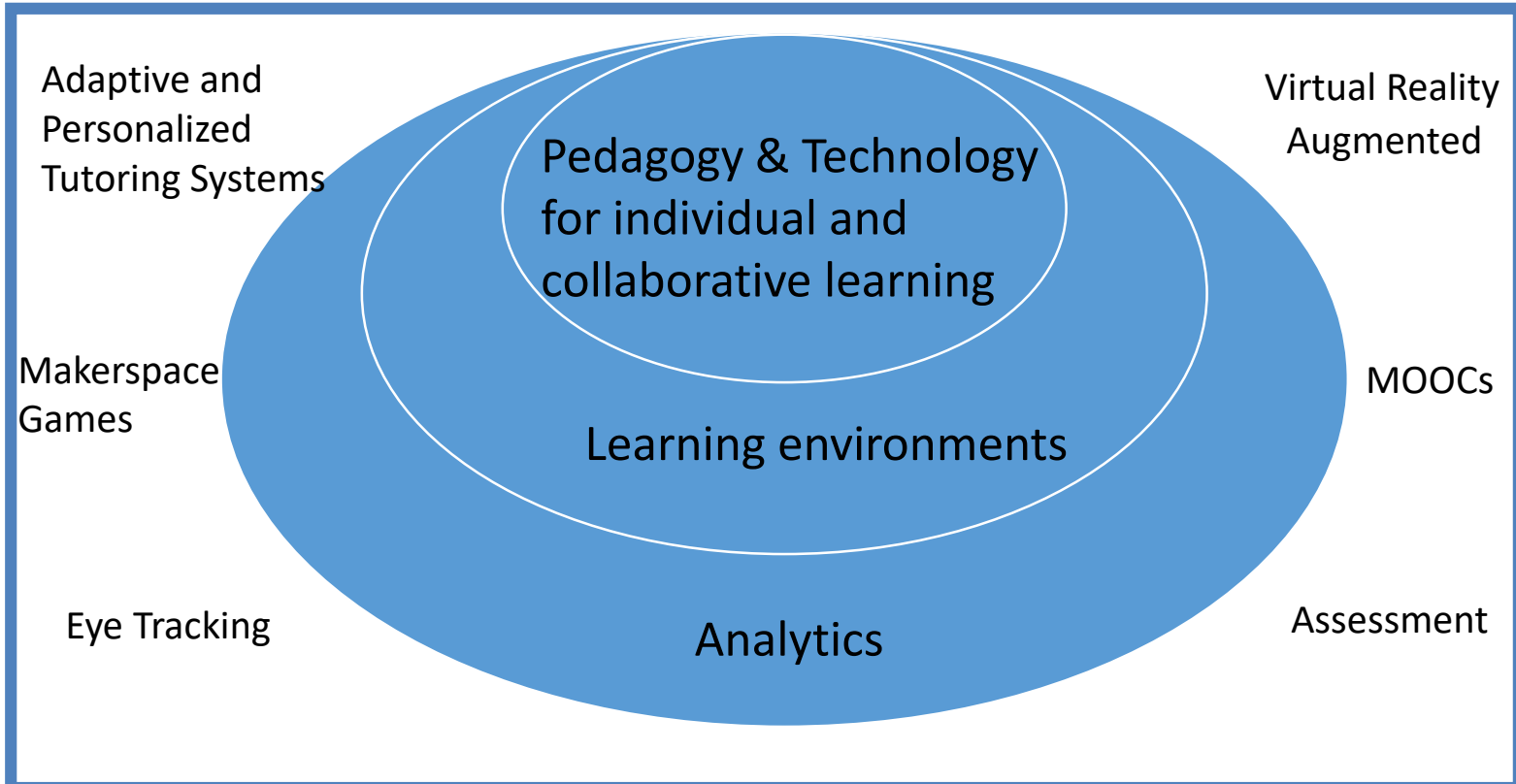
- 5 Core faculty
- Associate faculty from other departments
- 2 Post-docs
- 25 PhD research Scholars; 12 PhDs graduated
- Started an M.Tech program in 2019



(ET is distinct from CDEEP, which provides lecture recording services)



What we do in Educational Technology?





Online instruction

Before you begin a Webinar / Live interaction



- 1) Appoint a moderator: for this session - Prof. Sahana Murthy
 - To keep track of questions being posted on the chat
 - To alert the speaker if any question/comment needs immediate response
 - To 'pass the Mic around' during any interaction phase

- 2) Remind participants of the communication protocol:
 - Please keep your Mic Muted and Video Off
 - Speak only when the moderator says it's your turn

- 3) Share presentation material beforehand (if possible)



A note about this talk

- I set out to make a one hour talk
- IT ran away from me and became a three hour tutorial 😊
- I couldn't bring myself to delete any slides
- They have so much useful information, I feel 😊
- So I have just 'hidden' them for this presentation
- Please download the ppt file and see the hidden slides for details of any point that interest you



Activity 1 – Each one say one

Consider your idea of online instruction, whatever it may be. Which aspect of face-to-face classes will you miss the most if you have to move to online instruction?



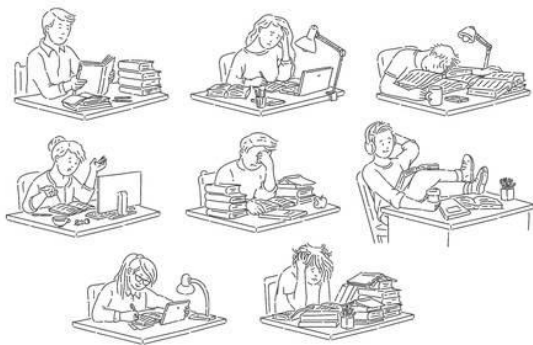
- Take a minute to think about your answer.
- Post your response in the chat window.



Is your response similar to any in this list?

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Making eye contact• Using gestures• Walking around | <p>Moving
→
Online</p> | <p>Possible occasionally [Video call]
Limited gestures [Video]
Not advisable</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seeing students' faces• Adapting in real-time | <p>→</p> | <p>Adapting possible [Feedback]
Not always in real-time [Analytics]</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Writing on the board• Step-by-step derivation | <p>→</p> | <p>Use a tablet [Ex: Wacom]
Possible [Ex: Khan Academy]</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interaction• Doing Q & A | <p>→</p> | <p>Possible, and essential [Forum]
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Face-to-Face vs Online classes



Course Materials



Any Time



Any Where



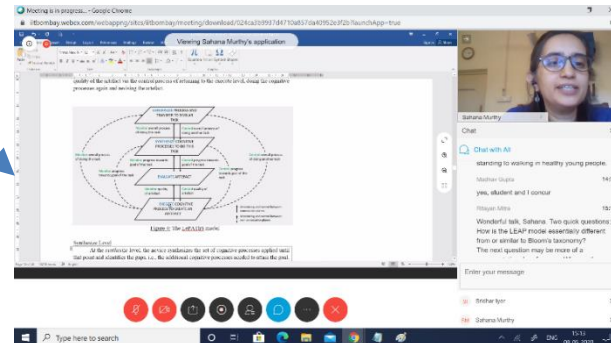
Any Device

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70%

40%

30%





Why bother to change our way of lectures?

What if we do:

1. Go to a virtual classroom (e.g. Zoom meeting)
2. Do a live lecture with students who are able to attend
3. Use the meeting software itself to record the lecture
4. Make the recording available to students who were not able to attend
5. Use Moodle to upload resources, give assignments, have discussions and conduct quizzes



Problems with virtual classrooms

Consider from students' point of view

1) Access issues

- No smart phone

- Shared device

- Lack of flexibility in schedule

- Power, Network

2) Hour-long lecture, and over a screen – engagement?



Problems with recorded virtual classrooms

Uploading recordings of live sessions may be useful

Not sufficient because

- **Glitches** in recordings (voice break, frozen frame) – lose student attention
- Many students **study for the test** - even short lectures (~10 min) are not watched fully by most; high variability in student motivation
- Network **bandwidth** issues – connectivity, mobile data plan
- Lecture alone not enough – need activities for deeper engagement



Emergency remote teaching

Giving a lecture in a virtual classroom + Uploading its recording, is a form of emergency remote teaching (ERT)

- Primary objective of ERT - provide temporary access to instruction and instructional material in a manner that is quick to set up and reasonably easy to access, during an emergency
- Typically, ERT attempts to mimic the actions in a face-to-face class
- ERT is likely to be ineffective for student engagement and learning

This mode should be used sparingly (< 20% of the course)

Online instruction



The goal is to exploit the power of the online medium and utilize it to promote effective student learning

Online instruction involves

- Making course materials available for asynchronous access
- Giving immediate practice activities and timely feedback to students
- Conducting synchronous meetings to address queries and do tutorials
- Providing a forum for learners to discuss the content with each other and the instructor

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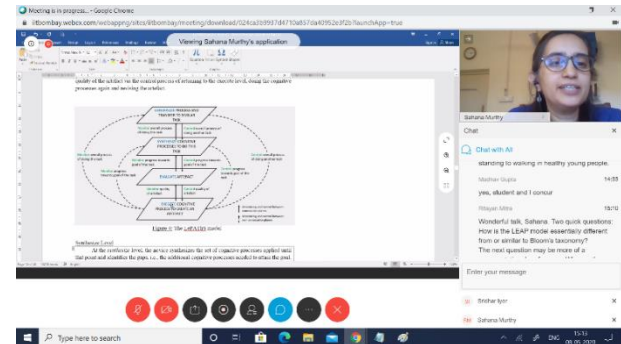
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Activity 2 – Self-select your level

How comfortable are you with having to do online instruction? Choose the option that best describes you. No need to disclose your choice.

1. **I am comfortable.** Ex: I already use Moodle lessons or create flipped class videos or have discussion on Piazza
2. **I think I can manage with some training.** Ex: I use Moodle for conducting quizzes. I am comfortable with learning new software
3. **I am daunted by having to move online.** Ex: I use only the most basic features in Moodle



What do the options indicate?

If you chose option 1
(I am comfortable)

Moving
→
Online

Read the conceptual parts of [iitb-teachonline](https://www.iitb.ac.in/teachonline/) course. Take your own decisions about which tools to use.

If you chose option 2
(I think I can manage)



Go through the course in some detail, both the concepts and the technology tools. Note the recommendations. Do what works for you.

If you chose option 3
(I am daunted)



Don't Panic. Go through the conceptual parts. Your TAs, CDEEP staff and other colleagues are there to help you with the technology parts.



Pause here – for feedback to speaker

In a face to face class, I would pause here and say “Is this making sense?”. Then look around the class to get feedback

In this Webinar: Let me ask the same question now,



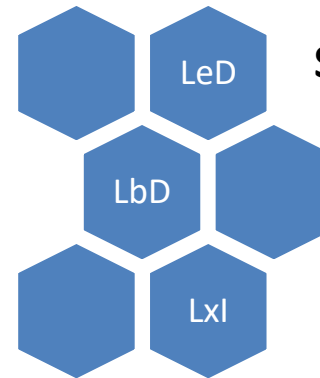
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Concepts overview

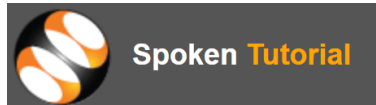


Six principles

One slide on each



Principle #1



Curate before you create



Principle #2

Learning Dialog



Content



Reflection Spot



Content

Keep videos short,
and insert reflection spots



Principle #3

Learning by Doing

MCQs, short answer
Objective/Subjective

Activities

with



Customised
Constructive
Feedback

Give practice opportunity,
immediately and frequently,
and give feedback

Principle #4

Learning eXtension Trajectories

Resources for Trajectory 1



Weblinks



Documents



Activities



Videos



Others



Assimilation
Quiz

Resources for Trajectory n



Weblinks



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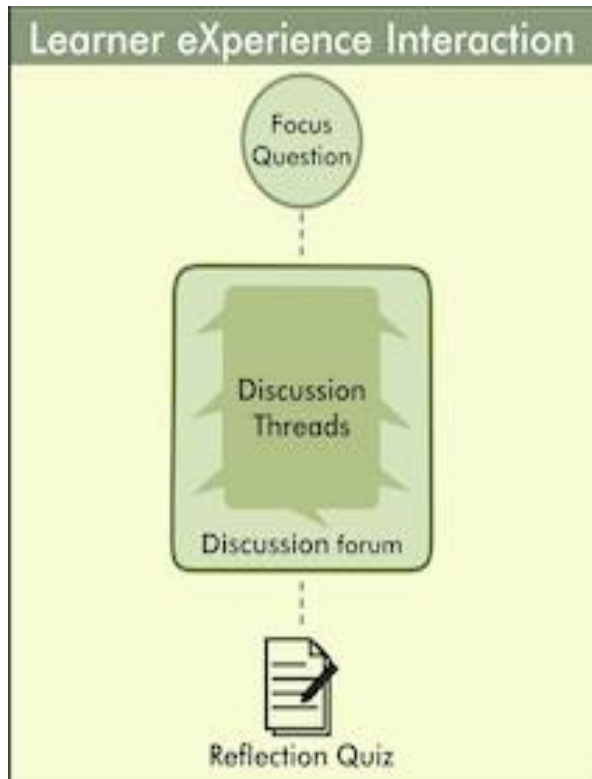
Others



Assimilation
Quiz

Provide diverse resources to cater to different students, and incentivize the access to resources

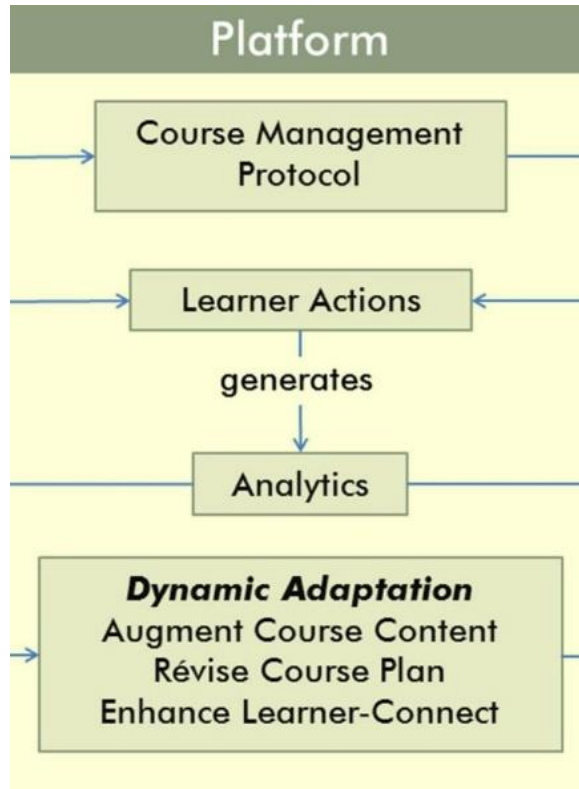
Principle #5



Leverage peer-learning,
to bring in diverse perspectives
and solutions,
discover additional resources,
and avoid isolation issues



Principle #6

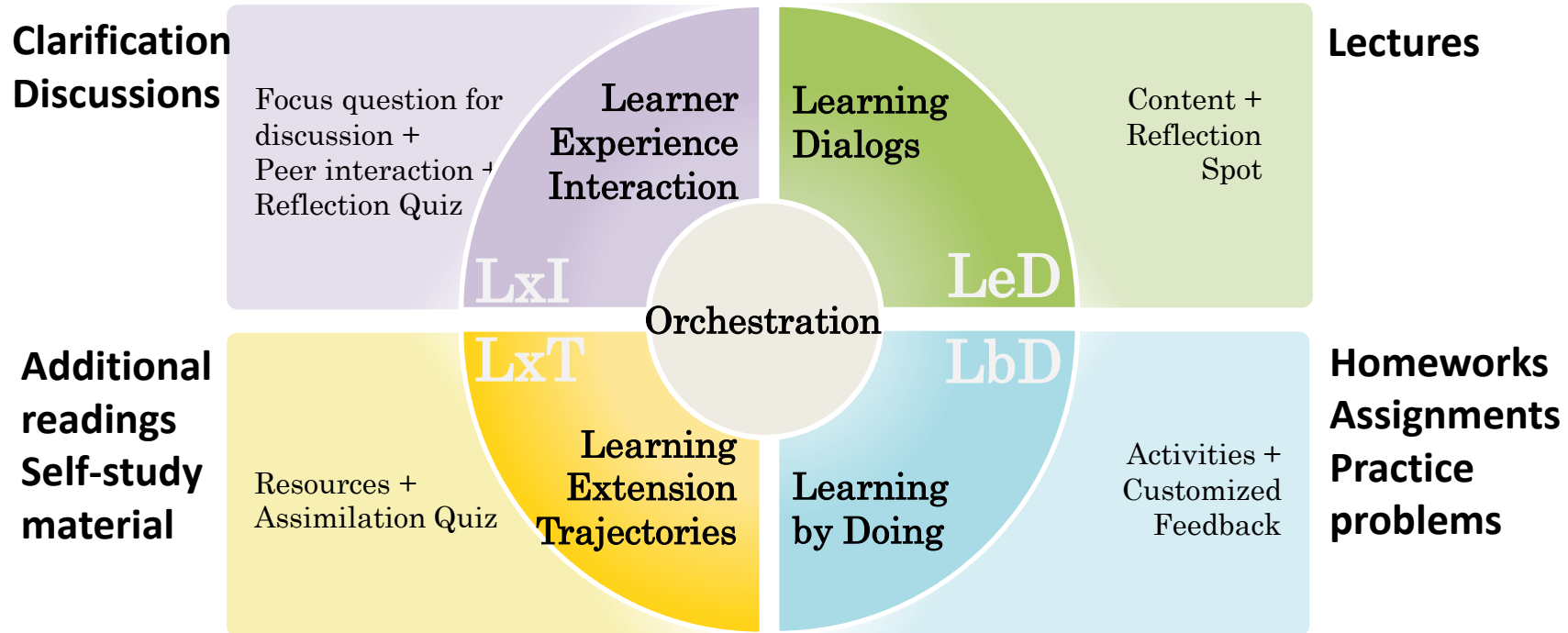


Respond to student actions, in a timely and appropriate manner



The LCM model – operationalizes the principles

www.lcm-model.org





Transitioning to online - Conceptual summary

Your face-to-face course:

- Lectures and Notes
- Homeworks, Assignments
- Additional Readings
- Interesting Debates, Discussions
- Proctored Exams



Your corresponding online course:

- **LeD** – chunk each lecture into sections and include reflection spot in each chunk
- **LbD** - chunk each homework into sections corresponding to each LeD and include immediately
- **LxT** – close the loop for additional readings with an Assimilation Quiz
- **LxI** - Give focus questions for discussions and close the loop with Reflection Quiz
- Depends on technology and policy



Technologies overview



Hardware resources

Capturing lectures

- Camera/ webcam
- Headphone/ Earbuds
- Tablet / Paper
- Recorder/ Mobile phones

Editing lecture videos

- Laptop/ Desktop

Uploading videos

- Server space
- Internet (bandwidth)

Institutional Resources

Studios (Recording)

- CDEEP (ones used for f2f class)
- Smaller studios (offline recording)

Platform (LMS)

- Peak load calculations
- Server size, Internet bandwidth

Meetings (Live interaction online)

- Internet bandwidth, Software licenses



Software resources

Purposes and corresponding technologies

Creating Content

- Video creation – Examples: OBS, Screen recorder, Zoom
- Activity creation - Examples: Moodle, Mentimeter, Padlet

Delivering Content

- Platform – Examples: BodhiTree, IITBombayX, Moodle
- Video hosting – Examples: YouTube, Drive, KPoint

Live interaction – Examples – Zoom, Meet, BigBlueButton, WebEx

For details of technologies visit the course page - [iitb-teachonline](https://www.iitb.ac.in/teachonline)



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Website walk-through

Preparing content
Delivering content
Interacting with students
Making decisions



Activity 4 – Demo

Switch from WebEx window to your browser

Go to <https://sites.google.com/view/iitb-teachonline/>

Follow along with my commentary to browse the course

Switch back to WebEx window after the demo



Options for your course

Technology choices

Pedagogical strategies

Pros-cons of choices



A good option

Use [BodhiTree](#). It has in-built support to create content as per LCM model
+
Have one live interaction per week (using Zoom or any tool you prefer)

Advantages: Exploits the power of online instruction. Has analytics and exam features

Disadv: Not yet integrated with LDAP login; some learning involved if you are used to Moodle

Alternative platform: Use [IITBombayX](#).

Advantages: Several large scale courses have been held; Support staff available

Disadv: Learning curve to figure out how to implement LCM model in the platform



An *acceptable* option

Use Moodle + YouTube + Zoom

Pedagogical strategy:

- Record your lectures (using OBS or Zoom or CDEEP)
- Upload lectures on YouTube or Google Drive and Post the link in Moodle
- Create activities, assignments and quizzes in Moodle
- Have one live interaction per week (using Zoom or any tool you prefer)

Advantages: Sufficient tech-support available; Low additional investment for Institute

Disadv: *Partially* utilizes the power of online instruction; Moodle expertise play a major role



An *emergency* option

Use Zoom + YouTube + Moodle
(emergency remote teaching)

Pedagogical strategy:

- Do lectures in a virtual classroom (using Zoom or any tool), and record the live sessions
- Upload the recording on YouTube/ Google Drive and Post the link in Moodle
- Use Moodle features that you are familiar with, to give assignments and quizzes

Advantages: Easy to implement

Disadv: Not learner-centric

Recommendation: Include Activity slides in the live session,
as demonstrated in this talk



Combination of options

Identify the content that you feel you *must* do yourself Create this content as close to LCM model as you can	50%
Identify the content that is amenable to curation Find OER resources and give activities	30%
Identify the content that could be left to live session Do live interaction and upload video	20%

*The percentages are only indicative. They vary depending on institute policy



Time management

Content creation for online instruction takes at least 4X times as compared to the corresponding face-to-face class

Hence:

- Curate resources
- Give activities to assimilate the content
- Get TAs to help with technology
- Consult colleagues who have used the technology



Take-away

- There is no single correct way of conducting online courses, just as in face-to-face teaching
 - It is not necessary for all faculty to have the same approach
- Be aware of the trade-offs and take considered decisions, not to mimic face-to-face teaching as a *default*
- It is sufficient if you start wherever you are comfortable and go up the levels gradually



Topics not covered in this talk

- How to incorporate Virtual Labs
- What to do about physical labs

- How to conduct remote exams
- What to do about proctoring

- What about learning analytics
- How to use analytics meaningfully
- ...



What next?

We create a 2 weeks course on Moodle

Take you through the modules of [iitb-teachonline course](#)

Provide help and feedback for you to create LCM elements

First run of the course – June 1 to June 15, 2020

Will have one live interaction per week

Sign up for getting the synchronous feel of a course, and interesting discussions with other IITB colleagues



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