Programmed Instruction Applications to Technology Education

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Cumulative record of Henry

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I am right.



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The organism is always right...



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How it all started (circa 1982)

1. program circle 2. real r, area 3. c This program reads a real number r and prints 4. the area of a circle with radius r. С 5. write (*,*) 'Enter the radius r = ' 6. read (*,*) r area = 3.14159*r*r 7. 8. write (*,*) 'Area = ', area 9. stop 10. end



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20 Years Later (circa 2002)

- 1. import java.applet.Applet;
- 2. import java.awt.Label;
- 3. public class MyProgram extends Applet {
- 4. Label myLabel;
- 5. public void init() {
- 6. myLabel=new Label("This is my first program.");
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- 9.

}

10. }



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What I used to do at UMBC

• Lecture

Write the code on the blackboard and explain it.

Exhort (Verbal persuasion)

- Tell the students to learn a program for a test.
- Test
- Observe
 - Individual differences in test performance.

Neglect

- I did not teach students how to learn.

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What I noticed (The end of denial...)

• Student "Motivation"

- Information Systems students are less keen to study computer programming than are computer science students.
- Students are *insensitive to reinforcers* that are symbols.
- Students lack a history that produces generalized conditioned reinforcers that can sustain learning.



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TERMINOLOGY

applet applet container <applet> tag Applet menu appletviewer boolean primitive type browser built-in data type byte primitive type char primitive type command-line argument coordinate create an object derived class double primitive data type Double.parseDouble method double-precision floating-point number drawLine method of class Graphics drawRect method of class Graphics drawString method of class Graphics extends keyword float primitive type floating-point number Graphics class height of an applet HTML Converter ➡ HTML tag Hypertext Markup Language (HTML) import statement information hiding init method of class JApplet instance variable

instantiate an object

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int primitive type interface invoke a method JApplet class ⇒ java.awt package Java Plug-in Java 2 Runtime Environment (J2RE) javax.swing package local variable logic error long primitive type message ➡ method call Microsoft Internet Explorer Netscape Communicator ⇒ object paint method of class JApplet parameter list pixel (picture element) primitive data type Quit menu item references Reload menu item short primitive type single-precision floating-point number source code start method of class JApplet ➡ subclass superclass text file width of an applet

World Wide Web

SELF-REVIEW EXERCISES

3.1 Fill in the blanks in each of the following.

- a) Class _____ provides methods for drawing.
- b) Java applets begin execution with a series of three method calls: ______ and _____.
- c) Methods ______ and _____ display lines and rectangles.
- d) Keyword ______ indicates that a new class is a subclass of an existing class.
- e) Every Java applet should extend either class _____ or class _____.
- - _____, _____, _____ and _____.
- 3.2 State whether each of the following is *true* or *false*. If *false*, explain why.
 - a) To draw a rectangle, method **drawRect** requires four arguments that specify two points on the applet.
 - b) Method **drawLine** requires four arguments that specify two points on the applet to draw a line.
 - c) Type **Double** is a primitive data type.
 - d) Data type **int** is used to declare a floating-point number.
 - e) Method **Double.parseDouble** converts a **String** to a primitive **double** value.
- **3.3** Write Java statements to accomplish each of the following:
 - a) Display a dialog asking the user to enter a floating-point number.
 - b) Convert a **String** to a floating-point number and store the converted value in **double** variable **age**. Assume that the **String** is stored in **stringValue**.
 - c) Draw the message **"This is a Java program"** on one line on an applet (assume you are defining this statement in the applet's **paint** method) at position (10, 10).
 - d) Draw the message **"This is a Java program"** on two lines on an applet (assume these statements are defined in applet method **paint**) starting at position (10, 10) and where the first line ends with **Java**. Make the two lines start at the same x coordinate.

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What I came to re-value...

- Rote memorization is fundamental to the acquisition of skills that set the occasion for "understanding."
 - "Constructivism" comes later (much, much later...)
- Disciplined study behavior is essential to acquire skill, and many, if not most students, do not know how to study. They don't know what state is "steady."

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What I came to re-value, too

- Repetition and overlearning are essential to the learning process.
- Feeling good about yourself after hard work sustains enthusiasm for more learning.



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Regurgitation and beyond the mind

Responding is Good

- Mindful, intentional, informed, purposeful, and accurate responding.
- Rule Governed Behavior
 - Within the context of the interactive tutor, frames of information about general syntax and semantics of Java and object-oriented programming are presented.
 - Multiple-choice tests based on these frames are embedded throughout the tutor.

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What I used to do (again)

Lecture

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The Enlightenment!

Problem

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Solution

- Programmed instruction
- Personalized
 System of
 Instruction
- Successive approximations to mastery

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Programmed Instruction

- A set of structured interactions between a learner and the material to be mastered.
- Structures study behavior that is focused on the *individual learner*.
- Manages the *moment-by-moment interactions* between a learner and a tutor.
- Step-wise progression from elementary knowledge units or facts to the achievement of a complex repertoire that is the objective of learning.



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Acquisition Curve What state is "steady"? How do you get there and know when you've arrived?



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Tactic: Programmed Instruction

- Behavior Analysis
 - Skinner, B.F. (1954). The Science of Learning and the Art of Teaching, *Harvard Educational Review*, 24, 86-97.
 - Skinner, B.F. (1958). Teaching machines. *Science*, *128*, 969-977.

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Eleven Features of Pl (Holland, 1960; Scriven, 1969; Skinner, 1958; Vargas & Vargas, 1991)

- 1. Comprehensibility of each unit or "frame,"
- 2. Tested effectiveness of a set of frames,
- 3. Skip-proof frames,
- 4. Self-correcting tests,
- 5. Automatic encouragement for learning,
- 6. Diagnosis of misunderstandings,
- 7. Adaptations to errors by hints, prompts, and suggestions, cont'd

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- 9. Learner constructed responses based on recall,
- 10. Immediate feedback, successive approximations to a terminal objective, and
- 11. Student-paced progress.

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Down Memory Lane...

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Socrates (cf. Keller)

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By Plato

Written 380 BC Translated by Benjamin Jowett

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Teaching Machines

From the experimental study of learning come devices which arrange optimal conditions for self-instruction.

B. F. Skinner

should go slower are poo unnecessarily punished b failure. Machine instruct mit each student to proc rate.

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The "industrial revolution" which Pressey enbornly refused to come he expressed his disapp "The problems of invertively simple," he wrote, money and engineering redeal could easily be do Table 1. A set of frames designed to teach a third- or fourth-grade pupil to spell the word manufacture.

1. Manufacture means to make or build. Chair factories manufacture chairs. Copy the word here:

2. Part of the word is like part of the word factory. Both parts come from an old word meaning make or build.

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3. Part of the word is like part of the word manual. Both parts come from an old word for *hand*. Many things used to be made by hand.

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4. The same letter goes in both spaces:

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5. The same letter goes in both spaces:

man [fact]re

6. Chair factories

does not lend itself to excerpting. The 10,000 or 15,000 responses made by each

Pressey's Teaching Machines

There is another kind of capital equipment which will encourage the student to take an active role in the instructional process. The possibility was recognized in the 1920's, when Sidney L. Pressey designed several machines for the automatic testing of intelligence and information. A recent model of one of these

EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

A MACHINE FOR AUTOMATIC TEACH-ING OF DRILL MATERIAL

IN a previous number of this journal¹ the writer described a "simple apparatus which

¹ SCHOOL AND SOCIETY, Vol. 23, No. 586, March 20, 1926. S. L. Pressey

CHART I

Through the window (W) in the casing there appears a question of the selective answer type, such as:

To help the poor debtors of England; James Oglethorpe founded the colony of (a) Connecticut (b) Delaware (c) Maryland (d) Georgia.
Computer-Based Tutoring Systems

- 1961-1962
 - PLATO II
 - (Coulson, 1962)
 - CLASS
 - (Bitzer, Braunfelf, & Lichtenberger, 1962)
- One of the first reports of a computerbased instructional program to appear in the general scientific literature was published in the journal *Science* in 1969 (Suppes & Morningstar, 1969).



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Example of a Frame PLATO II, 1962

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EACH POSITIVE INTEGER IS REP-RESENTED IN DECIMAL NOTATION BY COMBINING THE TEN DIGITS: 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9. THUS THE SYMBOL '3,549' IS INTERPRETED TO MEAN: $3 \times 10^{3} + 5 \times 10^{2} + 4 \times 10 + 9$ i.e., $3 \times 1000 + 5 \times 100 + 4 \times 10 + 9$.

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Answer Slide PLATO II





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High Density (HD)	Low Density (LD)	Zero Density (ZD)	Control for Time (CT)
Overt	Overt	Passive	Passive
responses	responses	reading, key	reading,
to 176	to every	tapping to	advance when
frames	other frame	advance	HD advanced
1. A player piano			
is told what notes			
to play from a long			
scroll of paper with			
tiny holes punched	tiny holes punched	tiny holes punched	tiny holes punched
through it. The paper			
scroll is like a			
script of commands	script of commands	script of commands	script of commands
that tells the piano			
what ns to play.	what ns to play.	what notes to play.	what notes to play.
2. With a player			
piano, the music	piano, the music	piano, the music	piano, the music
is programmed. The	is programmed. The	is programmed. The	is programmed. The
scroll of paper is			
a script of commands			
that tells the	that tells the	that tells the	that tells the
player what	player piano what	player piano what	player piano what
notes to play.	notes to play.	notes to play.	notes to play.
3. Like a player			
piano, a computer	piano, a computer	piano, a computer	piano, a computer
can be programmed.	can be programmed.	can be programmed.	can be programmed.
A computer program	A computer program	A computer program	A computer program
is like a scpt	is like a scpt	is like a script	is like a script
of commands that	of commands that	of commands that	of commands that
tells the cr	tells the cr	tells the computer	tells the computer
what to do.	what to do.	what to do.	what to do.

From "Degree of Constructed-Response Interaction in computer-Based Programmed Instruction," by K.M. Kritch and D.E. Barstow, 1998, *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, *31*, 387-398.

1. The "statements" that cause a computer program to take actions are called
2. The command that erases any previous material from the screen is the command.
3. The command that tells the program to start a new frame is the command.
Questionnaire Items (1=very much dislike; 2=dislike; 3=neutral; 4=like; 5=very much like)
How would you describe your "attitude" about the instructional program that you
experienced today?
How would you describe your "attitude" about computer assisted instructional programs in

Samle Test Items

general?

How would you describe your "attitude" about computer assisted instructional programs that specifically teach program commands like those taught in the instructional program you just experienced?

From "Degree of Constructed-Response Interaction in computer-Based Programmed Instruction," by K.M. Kritch and D.E. Barstow, 1998, *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, *31*, 387-398.

Learn Unit: Greer & McDonough, 1999 Columbia University Teachers College



Preview: Spring 2002 Course Sections

- Undergraduate class
 - 13 F (median age = 22)
 - 10 M (median age = 22)
- Graduate class
 - 14 F (median age = 26)
 - 9 M (median age = 28)
- Constraints
 - Students rather than "subjects"
 - Fixed 2.5-hr class duration
 - 14 classes in the semester
 - Approach to the data

- Class 1
 - Pre-tutor questionnaires
 - Java Experience
 - Confidence in Java
 - Run the tutor
 - Post-tutor questionnaires
 - Evaluate the tutor
 - Confidence in Java
- Class 2
 - Run the Applet
- Classes 3 14
 - Lectures, demonstrations, supervision

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Each cell is an item to be learned.

Each row is a row to be learned.

32 items.

21 atomic units.

Row 1	import	java.applet.Applet	;			
Row 2	import	java.awt.Label	;			
Row 3	public	class	MyProgram	extends	Applet	{
Row 4	Label	myLabel	;			
Row 5	public	void	init()	{		
Row 6	myLabel	=	new	Label("This is my first program.")	;	
Row 7	add(myLabel)	;				
Row 8	myLabel	•	setVisible(true)	;		
Row 9	}					
Row 10	}					

Item Learning

Item learning example: import

Objectives:

- 1. Learn the meaning of the item.
- 2. Learn the serial context of the item.
- 3. Learn the general context of the item.
- 4. Learn to construct the item.

import java.applet.Applet;

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Serial Stream

Serial learning example: import java.applet.Applet;

Objectives: 1. Learn the serial order of the items.

import java.applet.Applet;



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Advanced Serial Stream

Serial Stream with Advanced Units

Objectives:

- 1. Learn the serial context of a group of items.
- 2. Learn the general context of a group of items.
- 3. Learn to construct a group of items as a single unit.

import java.applet.Applet; import java.awt.Label;

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Serial Stream as a Unit (Intraverbal-Plus)

Serial Stream Unit

Objectives:

1. Learn the serial stream as one unit.

import java.applet.Applet; import java.awt.Label; public class myProgram extends Applet { Label myLabel; public void init() {

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1 = No experience. (I am a novice in Java.)

5 = Extensive experience. (I am an expert in Java.)

Advanced Organizers



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Run the Applet





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Program Overview

N Java program. You may resize this window.

The lines displayed in the adjacent box consist of lines of Java code. This tutor will teach you to understand and to write the code in the program. You do not need to study the program that is displayed. The program is displayed for you now only to show you what you will be able to do when you complete the tutor.

Examine the adjacent lines of code to see the general appearance of a Java program and the types of symbols and expressions that appear. You are not expected to understand these lines of code

Proceed..

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import java.applet.Applet; import java.awt.Label; public class MyProgram extends Applet { Label myLabel; public void init() { myLabel = new Label("This is my first program."); add(myLabel); myLabeLsetVisible(true); } }

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HTML Overview



<HTML> The lines displayed in the adjacent box <TTTLE>MyProgram.HTML</TTTLE> consist of HTML tags and parameters to <BODY BGCOLOR=black> run the MyProgram.class program, which is <CENTER> produced by compiling the Java code. The <APPLET CODE = "MyProgram.class" HEIGHT = 300 WIDTH = 300> lines are created with a text editor and </APPLET> saved as MyProgram.HTML. There is no </CENTER> compilation with the HTML file. It is used </BODY> as it was written in the editor. </HTML> The Java class file, which is executed as an Applet, is started by using MyProgram.HTML as the target file in the browser URL. 2 Proceed...

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Item Familiarity Interface (Input Errors)





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Item Identification (Selection Errors)

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Item Learning



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Observe the Item in Context





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Read the Description (General Rules)





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Item Multiple-Choice Test (Selection Errors)



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Input the Item from Recall (Input Errors)





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Row Familiarity (Input Errors)





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Row Identification (Selection Errors)





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Row Interface (Input and Test Errors)

	n: Pass 1 of 3	
Row 1		Explain the cod
Row 2		
Row 3		
Row 4		
Row 5		
Row 6		
Row 7		
Row 8		
Row 9		

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Row Interfaces

Pass 1

- Similar to Item interface
- Observe the code
- Read the meaning of a row
- Take a multiple-choice test after correct input

Pass 2

- Observe the code
- Repeat input until correct

Pass 3

 Whenever observe the code on a row, clear all rows, and start over

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Explanation of a Row

N Row 1 Explanation

The code in Row 1 refers to the Applet.class file that is contained within the applet package, which is a subdirectory of files related to Applets. The import line allows subsequent references to Applet.class to be written in a shorthand notation, such as ...extends Applet {... Without the import statement, the programmer would have to write ...extends java.applet.Applet. The reason that we need this is because the compiler must be told where to find the Applet.class file since that file will not be in your directory when you write and run this Java program. The Applet.class file is located in a different directory

Close

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Observe the Code

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N Java Tutoring System: Pass 1 of 3

Row 1	import java.applet.applet;	Show the code?
Row 2		
Row 3		
Row 4		
Row 5		
Row 6		
Row 7		
Row 8		
Row 9		
Row 10		

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Take Test After Correct Input

N. Java Tutoring System: Pass 1 of 3

Row 1	import java.applet.Applet;	
Row 2	import java.awt.Label;	
Row 3	public class MyProgram extends Applet {	Take Test
Row 4		
Row 5		
Row 6		
Row 7		
Row 8		
Row 9		
ow 10		



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Text Window (Input Errors)

N Text Editor Emulation - 🗆 × Type the program in the white space below, and select the Submit button. Do not use the Tab key. Please do not use notes. Try to enter the program from your memory. If you can't remember the program, just select Submit, and you can see the code again. import java.applet.Applet; import java.awt.Label; public class MyProgram extends Applet{ Label myLabel; public void init(){ myLabel=new Label("This is my first program."); add(myLabel); myLabel.setVisible(true); Submit Clear 🚰 Unsigned Java Applet Window

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Next Class Period

1. Modified Personalized System of Instruction

Lecture and Collaborate

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"GOOD-BYE, TEACHER . . . "1 FRED S. KELLER

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY²

When I was a boy, and school "let out" for the summer, we used to celebrate our freedom from educational control by chanting:

Good-bye scholars, good-bye school; Good-bye teacher, darned old fool!

We really didn't think of our teacher as deficient in judgment, or as a clown or jester. We were simply escaping from restraint, dinliving reinforcement theorist who ever learne Morse code in the absence of reinforcemen

It was a long, frustrating job. It taught m that drop-out learning could be just as difficul as in-school learning and it led me to wonde about easier possible ways of mastering a skill Years later, after returning to school and fir. ishing my formal education, I came back to this classical learning problem, with the ain of making International Moree code loss main

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2. Run the Applet

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Software Self-Efficacy: Confidence in Using the Items of Code





1 = Not at all confident. I do not know how to use the symbol.5 = Totally confident. I know how to use the symbol.



- 1 = Totally negative. I did not like the tutor.
- 5 = Totally positive. I liked the tutor.

U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.07, p > .05.

C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.02, p > .05.



1 = Totally negative. The tutor was difficult to use.

5 = Totally positive. The tutor was easy to use.

U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.37, p > .05.

C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.00, p > .05.



1 = Totally negative. The tutor did not help me to learn Java.5 = Totally positive. The tutor did help me to learn Java.

U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.04, p > .05.

C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 3.44, p > .05.



U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 16.23, p < .01.

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Binomial Test: C and N-C Groups

- For a final "multivariate" comparison between completers and non-completers, a binomial test was conducted based on the **item familiarity, item identification, item, and item test interfaces**. Too few non-completers were represented in the remaining interfaces for a meaningful comparison, even though the test requires no assumptions about distribution or sample size.
- Within each class, a "+" was assigned if the mean for the non-completer group was higher than the mean for the corresponding completer group. If the mean was lower, a "-" was assigned. For the eight comparisons, there were eight "+" outcomes.
- A binomial test showed that the probability of this outcome occurring by chance is **0.004**.



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U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.15, p > .05. C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 1.65, p > .05.



U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 3.99, p < .05.

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C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 5.07, p < .05.





C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 7.75, p < .01.



U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 8.50, p < .01.

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C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 7.55, p < .01.



U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.21, p > .05. C vs. N-C: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 3.64, p > .05.





U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi Square = 3.95, p < .05.

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U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 2.73, p > .05.

Row Interface Errors and Code Displays





Linear trend: All except U errors.

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Row Input Errors: Undergraduate



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Show Code on a Row: Graduate



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U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.25, p > .05.



U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.57, p > .05.



U vs. G: Kruskal-Wallis Chi-Square = 0.52, p > .05.

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- Pre-Training/Post-Training Assessment
- Graduate students
- Rule-Based questions
- Row questions



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- Which of the following lines most likely would be used to reference Frame.class, which is a class file built-in to Java?
 - 1. import java.awt.frame;
 - 2. import java.awt.Frame.class;
 - 3. import java.awt.Frame;
 - 4. import java.awt.frame.class;
 - 5. Not ready to answer.

- Which of the following lines most likely would be used to construct an instance of a Button class
 - 1. myButton = new Button.class("Hello");
 - 2. myButton = new Button("Hello");
 - 3. myButton = button.class("Hello");
 - 4. myButton = Button("Hello");
 - 5. Not ready to answer.



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- Which of the following lines most likely would be used to add a Button object to a container?
 - 1. Add(an instance name);
 - 2. Add(a class name);
 - 3. add(a class name);
 - 4. add(an instance name);
 - 5. Not ready to answer.

- Which of the following lines most likely overrides a method that is contained in the Applet.class file?
 - 1. public void stop(){ lines of Java code here }
 - 2. public void Stop{} { lines of Java code here }
 - 3. Public void Stop() (lines of Java code here)
 - 4. Public void stop() { lines of Java code here }
 - 5. Not ready to answer.



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The below is the Java program that you will learn or have learned, and it is organized into ten rows of code. Answer the ten questions below as best you can at this point in your learning. Please circle your choice of answer for each of the ten multiple-choice questions.

- Row 1: import java.applet.Applet;
- Row 2: import java.awt.Label;
- Row 3: public class MyProgram extends Applet {
- Row 4: Label myLabel;
- Row 5: public void init() {
- Row 6: myLabel = new Label(\"This is my first program.\");
- Row 7: add(myLabel);
- Row 8: myLabel.setVisible(true);
- Row 9: }
- Row 10: }

- 2. What is the overall objective of the code in Row 2?
- a. Create a shorthand notation to reference the built-in Label class.
- b. Create a shorthand notation to reference the built-in label class.
- c. Copy the Abstract Windowing Toolkit.Label directory.
- d. The objective is to import the awt.label file.
- e. Not ready to answer.

- 3. What is the overall objective of the code in Row 3?
- a. Name a class, MyProgram, that will be a superclass of the Applet class.
- b. Name a class, myProgram, that will be a subclass of the Applet class.
- c. Override the extends Applet modifiers.
- d. Name a class, MyProgram, that will be a subclass of the Applet class.
- e. Not ready to answer.





Observations

- Class differences were evident in the acquisition process.
- Our assessments did not capture the antecedent conditions.
- Learning outcomes appeared equivalent.
 - At least measured on a single occasion
 - Were both classes at the same "steady state"?
- Non-completers could be identified early
 - Adaptive systems
- We need to work on this.

Conclusions...

- Structured rehearsal is effective.
- Repetition is an undervalued factor in learning and retention.
- The tutor generated opportunities for overlearning.
- Providing a successful learning experience early prepares and motivates the student to handle advanced programming techniques taught in conventional ways.



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Conclusions

- Software self-efficacy can be enhanced by using the tutor.
- General rules can be acquired by using the tutor.
- Students like the tutor.
 - Notable exceptions



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How Programmed Instruction Helps...

- Generates a *history of study behavior* in students who may lack the study skills and discipline to master the Java code on their own initiative.
- This *frees the student* to acquire more advanced levels of skill independent of the support provided by the tutoring system.

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How Programmed Instruction Helps

- **Software self-efficacy** is a by-product of effective mastery: enactive mastery.
- It makes information technology accessible to learners who might otherwise draw away from it.



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Hmmm...

Let's see now...













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