

Personalization and User Modelling for Distributed Learning and Collaboration in Professional Context

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Outline

Motivation and Applications

Knowledge about Users and Learning Resources

Reasoning

Can that be followed also in more open collaborative context? Conclusions

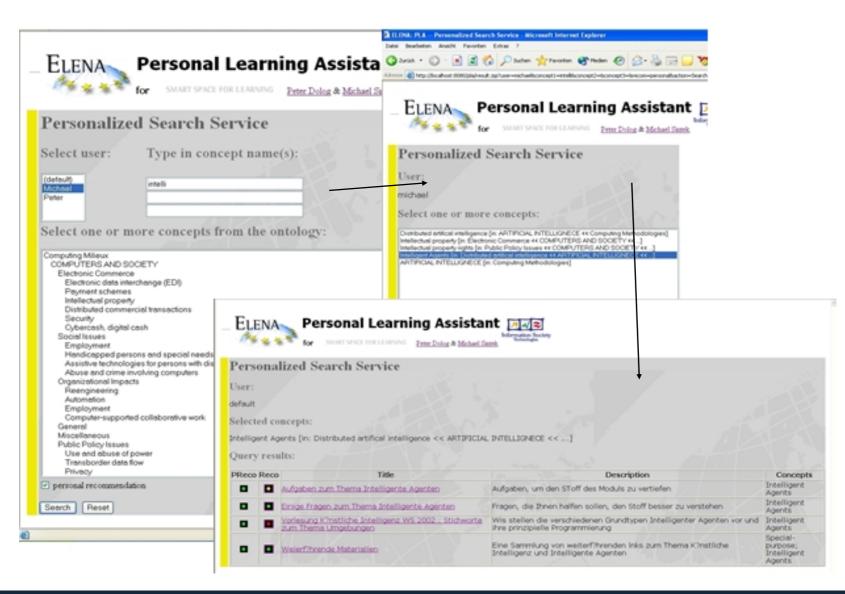


Adaptation and Learning Instruction

Learners differ (background, learning style, attention, interest, preference, ...)
Instruction should adapt to that as teachers adapt based on the feedback from the students in the class room

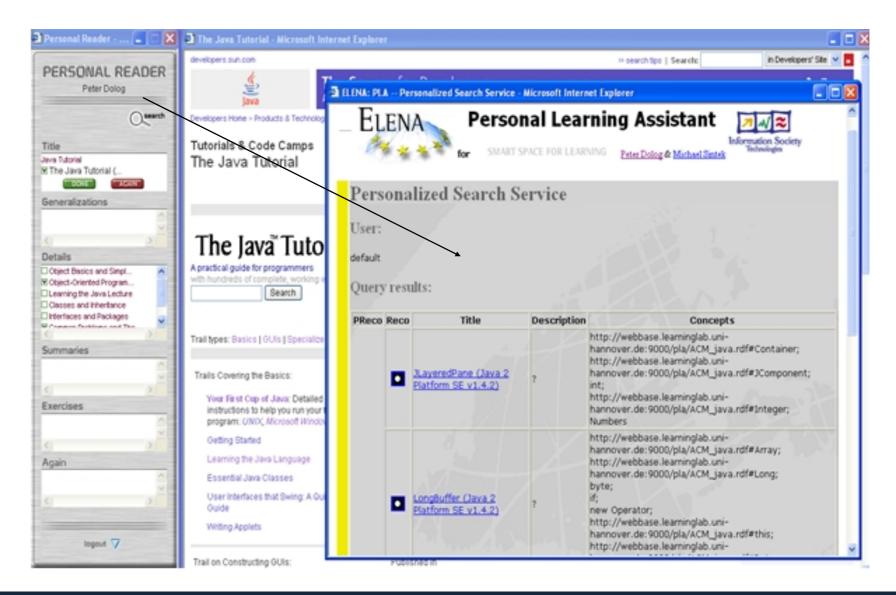


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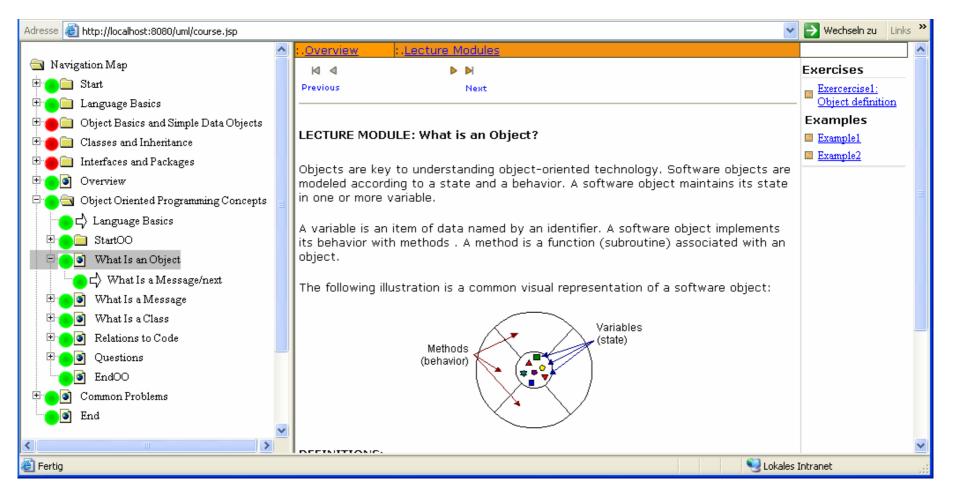
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Personalization and Adaptation in Learning Instruction

- The adaptivity => decisions among variable learning resources where decisions are driven by information about a user
- Knowledge about:
 - Learning resources annotated with metadata interpreted as constraints on use
 - Learner features used for comparing to the resource metadata
- Rules used to perform the match making and stating infered personalization information



Motivation

Enormous amount of different learning resources on the Web Different users using them

Two scenarios:

- Personalized link generation for navigation support
- Personalized queries

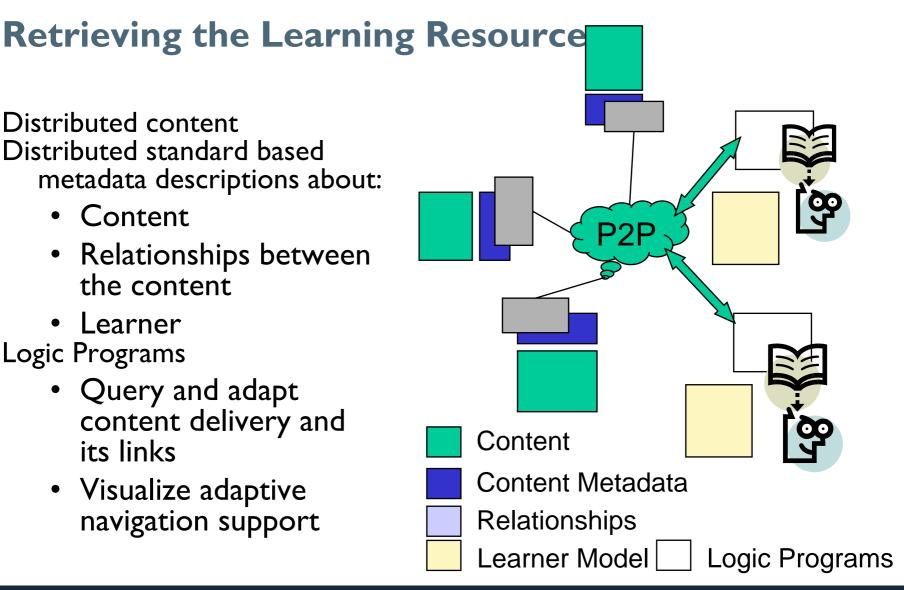
Problems:

- To many links generated
- To many results returned

Assumption:

- Ontologies -> shared agreed conceptual models
- Help to bias queries
- Help to generate links related for a domain of interest
- Additional information about user restricts the queries further





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eLearning Domain – Metadata Used

- Lerning resource
 - Concepts/Competencies as learning outcomes
 - Prerequisites knowledge needed for understanding a resource
 - Prerequisites knowledge concepts/competencies to understand the concepts or to gain competencies
 - Language used in the resource
- Learner profile
 - Lerner performance, competencies/concepts previously acquired and compared to prerequisites of either resource/concept/competency
 - Language/Concept preferences



Knowledge Structure For Learner Features

Performance Portfolios Goals Preferences Personal Information Identification Test Performance



Adding Restriction on Language



A Rule to Generate Recomendation Annotation on Results

FORALL U, D recommended(U, D) <- user(U) AND

If learning resources are on Java Variables and

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required knowledge level prerequisites are in learner learner profile as a competence

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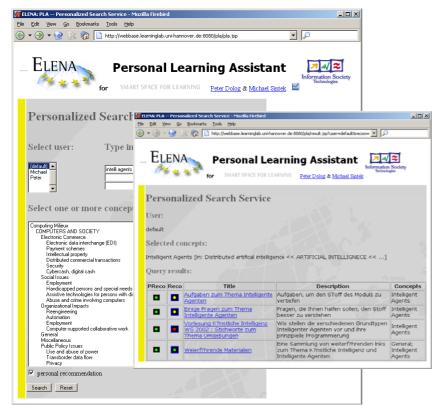
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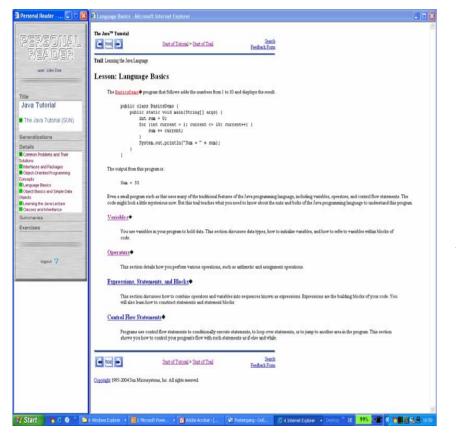
Mapping the value of the hasAnnotation attibute to a visual representation

hasAnnotation -> recommended => GreenBall

hasAnnotation -> not_recommended => RedBall



The Personal Reader



Similarly to the Example Rule, Summaries, Details, Generalizations, and Excercises are generated

Mapping to Visual Representation as Separate Boxes

www.personal-reader.de

Collaborative Problem Based Learning

Knowledge is created rather then acquired It is created while solving problems Adaptive support for

- Teachers to assess which problems to assign
- Learners to provide an advice (readings, peer experts, similar problems solved, ...)

How to get sufficient evidence to decide on both?

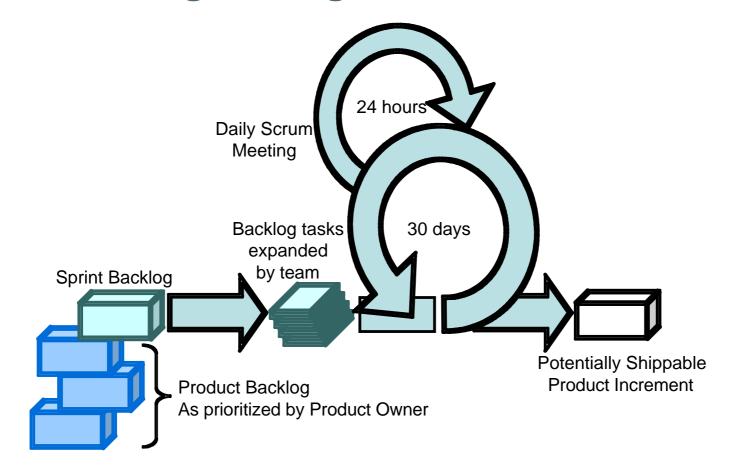


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Software Engineering – SCRUM Method



Scrum Lifecycle from Larman: Agile and Iterative Development. Addison-Wesley

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What could be learned

Personalities which fit together

Recommendation and learning about similar projects and how they solved particular task decomposition and plannig problem Recommendation and scheduling a timeslot for a brainstorm with those guys who solved similar probles before if there are any outstanding issues not clear from the learning resource (product backlog for example)



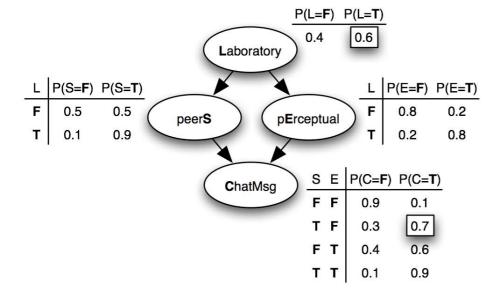
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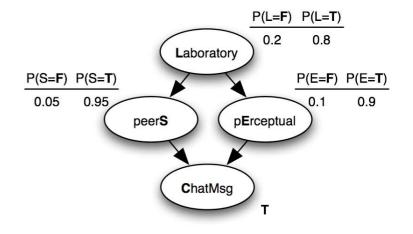


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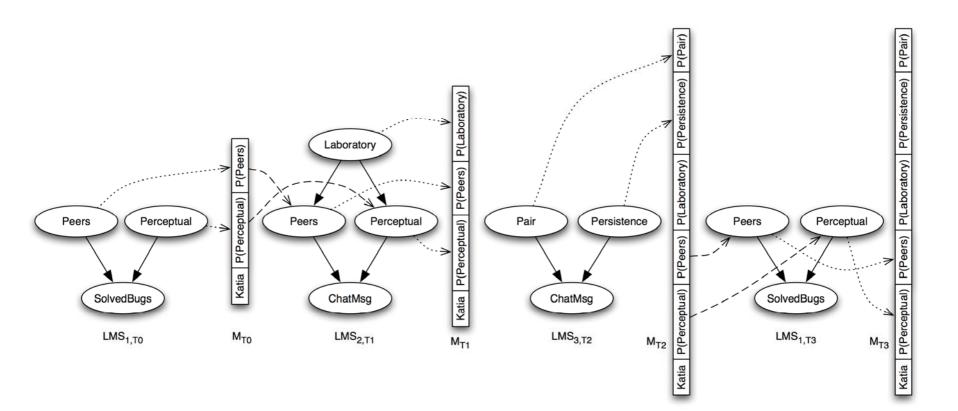
Collaborative Learner Models







Distributed Nature





Issues

Why certain knowledge sources have been recommended Why something changed Who is the right expert How to derive context for the whole team

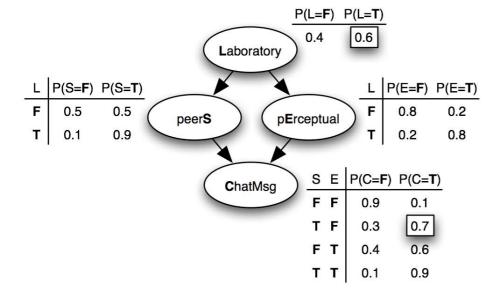


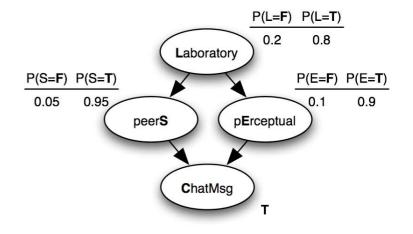
Reason Maintanance

- Records and maintains reasons why changes have been made in reasoning assumptions and as a follow up in the inferred knowledge
- Can be used for explanations of how personalization did something
- Can be used to explain why certain features about user have been inferred
- Can indicate for a user which assumptions to change



Collaborative Learner Models







More Generic Strategies

- Prerequisite relation is encoded as:
 - Link to a competence (I)
 - Link to another resource (2)
 - Literal value (3)
- Domain knowledge: I <- 2; I <-3</p>
- I trust/prefer more 2 then 3 (user preference)
- Conditions implemented over preferences:
 - domain_preferred_over(X, Y) and
 - user_prefered_over(X,Y,U)



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How to Initialize User Profiles from Wiki Resources

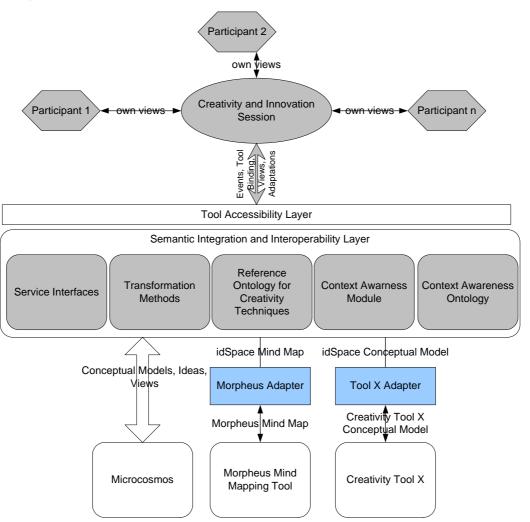
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idSpace project: distributed collaborative creativity



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Conclusions

Reasoning and Inference can be of help in collaborative settings for personalization Uncertainty of inferred knowledge is higher Different kinds of reasoning needs to be trialed:

- Probabilistic
- Reason Maintanance

• Changes allowed for a user (open user model) Integration of evidence from different sources is an issue How to benefit from social network analysis?

Questions?

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