

# Metaverse and Future Education

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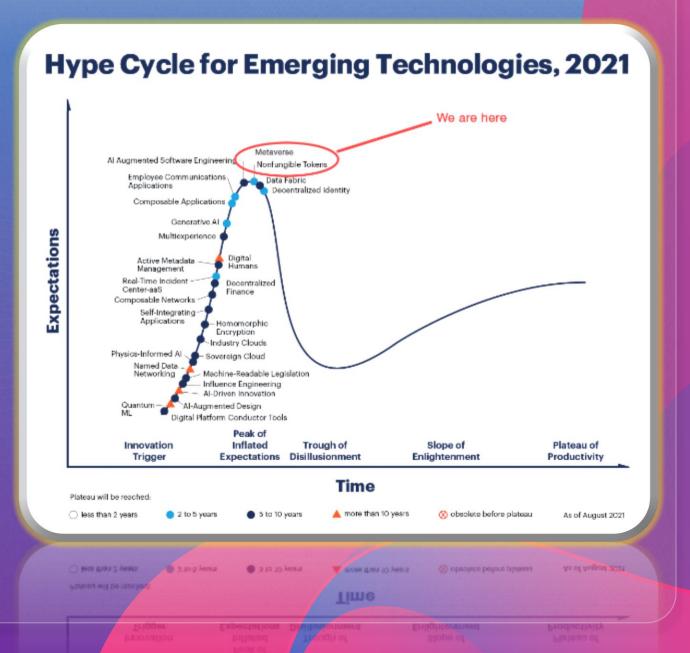
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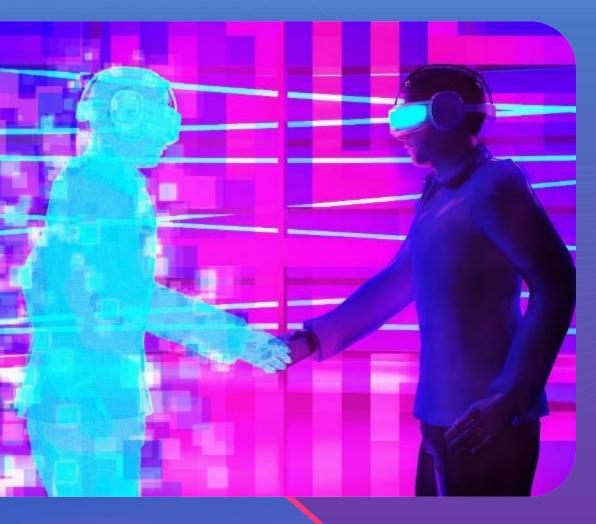




# No Doubt, There Is A New Hype !



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## WHAT IS IT?

## Metaverse

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

For other uses, see Metaverse (disambiguation).

A metaverse is a network of 3D virtual worlds focused on social connection. [1][2][3] In futurism and science fiction, the term is often described as a hypothetical iteration of the Internet as a single, universal virtual world that is facilitated by the use of virtual and augmented reality headsets. [4][1]

The term "metaverse" has its origins in the 1992 science fiction novel *Snow Crash* as a portmanteau of "meta" and "universe." Various metaverses have been developed for popular use such as virtual world platforms like *Second Life*. <sup>[5]</sup> Some metaverse iterations involve integration between virtual and physical spaces and virtual economies, <sup>[1]</sup> often including a significant interest in advancing virtual reality technology. <sup>[6][7][8]</sup>



Avatars socialising in the 2003 virtual world Second Dife

The term has seen considerable use as a buzzword<sup>[4][9]</sup> for public relations purposes to exaggerate development progress for various related technologies and projects.<sup>[10]</sup> Information privacy and user addiction are concerns within metaverses, stemming from challenges facing the social media and video game industries as a whole.<sup>[11][4][12]</sup>

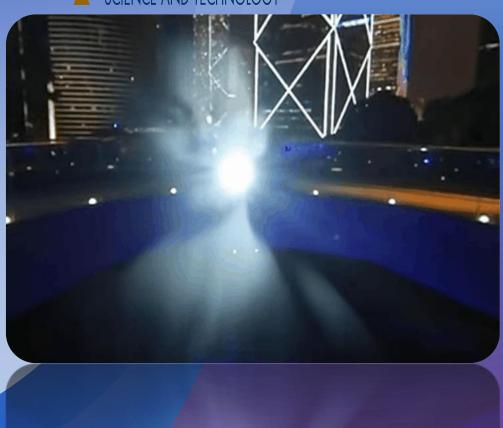


# Why Now: Post Pandemic Society

A new norm enabled by the advancement of technologies, social development and new economy models









# What We Have Learned from the Pandemic



This world is at the beginning of the zero-distance era, and the energy of information is replacing the physical energy



A distributed social unit can be instantly organised and managed across the Internet



Data carries the energy of information and the emerge of data capital marks the advent of networked knowledge economy (data capitalism)



Our networked society is a mixed physical/virtual worlds where AI enables virtual objects equipped with intelligence



Human-machine intelligence symbiosis has created a new social norm



## **Distance and Civilization**

# New civilization with Zero Distance Society

Mobile Internet/Cloud Computing/Mobile Phone

The number of people that an individual can contact in a unit of time

#### Information civilization

Computer/Optical Fiber/Internet

4500 BC: Wheels, our greatest invention...Man's greatest invention will become fundamental to transport and later to agriculture, industry and the world in which we live today

#### **Industrial civilization**

Steam engine/train

## **Agricultural civilization**

Wheels/carriages

**Prehistoric civilization** 



Some parts are characterised as Metaverse

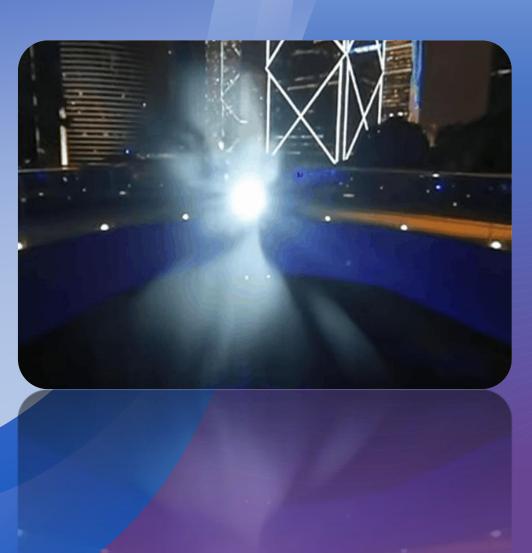
Individual/Family

Group/Village

Enterprise/City

Society/Globalisation

DAO\\$\$\$





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DAOs provide an operating system for open collaboration. This operating system allows individuals and institutions to collaborate without having to know or trust each other.

# Decentralized Autonomous Organization:

#### Organising

Flexible defining organizational structures, granting responsibilities and rights

#### Interaction

Effectively organizing free interactions

#### Resourcing

Efficiently generating, organizing, and allocating resources in an organisation

#### Membership

Accurately identifying the members of a group and protect all of their responsibilities and assets

#### Life cycle management

Maintaining the stability of all attributes of a group during its lifetime





We need to build up a new Web of Value for the Zero Distance Society which support the DAO-based social structure, data economy with rich contents reflecting the virtualization of real world objects and environments

# Web 3.0 : New Infrastructure for the Zero Distance Society



- Read only content
- Html-based



- Mobile Network
- Interactive
- Platform for building and managing 2D contents
- Read and writeable contents
- Java/python-based



- From mobile to immersive environment
- DAO support
- 3D content with behavior and intelligence
- Data asset building and management
- Blockchain-based

## AI: Creating the Metaverse with Intelligence

## Like human to think

Prediction & Reasoning





#### Like human to see

Computer Vision (CV)

#### Like human to act

Robotics

#### Like EXPERT to trade & invest

Smart Trading & Investing

### Like human to hear

Acoustic Speech Recognition (ASR)

#### Like human to talk

Text-To-Speech (TTS)

#### Like EXPERT to teach

Smart Education

#### Like EXPERT to make medicine

iDrug

# **Education in the Al-empowered Zero Distance Society**





#### Network-based Open Knowledge

Students can acquire knowledge freely on the internet



#### Virtual Classroom

Teaching units can be formed across the internet



#### **Personalise Education**

Teaching according to aptitude with the goal of nurturing creativity and critical thinking



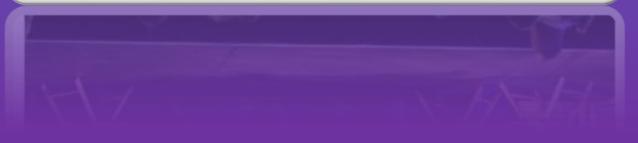
#### **Computational Pedagogy**

Big data and Al-based education environment and methodologies to support personalised education

## 'Hologram' lecturers to teach students at Imperial College London

November 5, 2018 | Telepresence Options





# Al-based Personalised Education









- $\diamond$  2,000 years ago, Confucius set up a teaching altar, Plato founded a school, and the light of  $\rightarrow$  Education 1.0 era enlightenment was lit up in oral teaching.
- ❖ 500 years ago, the printing technology first appeared, bringing about major changes in the dissemination of knowledge, and the popularization of civilization took books as the carrier.
- $\rightarrow$  Education 2. 0 era
- ❖ 50 years ago, the Internet revolution was launched, subverting the existing face of information dissemination, and knowledge flowed rapidly in cyberspace.
- → Education 3. 0 era
- \* Today, the era of intelligence has begun, a data-based world is rapidly emerging, and data driven Al restructured the relationship between knowledge and people, so changes fundamentally education
- → Education 4. 0 era



## AI-based Personalised Education

## **Teaching According to Aptitude**



One form for all

The weakness of industrialised education system



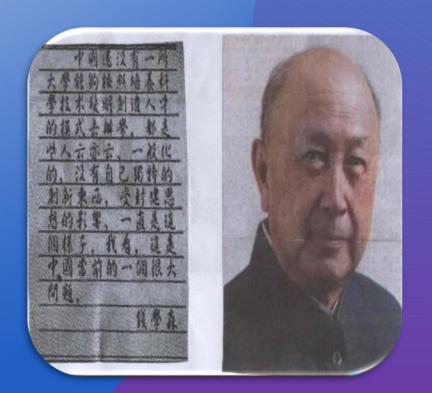
有教无类, 因材施教

Educating without discrimination , and teaching according to aptitude



# THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY OF A -based Personalised Education SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

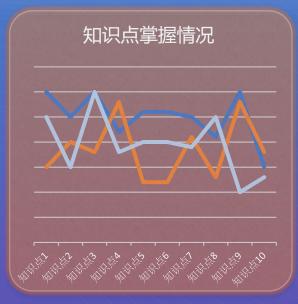
## **Nurturing Creativity**

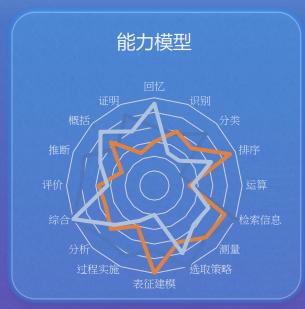


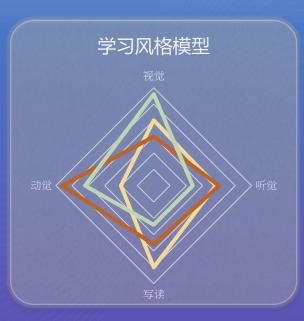




## Personal Profiling with Big Data: Understanding Our Students





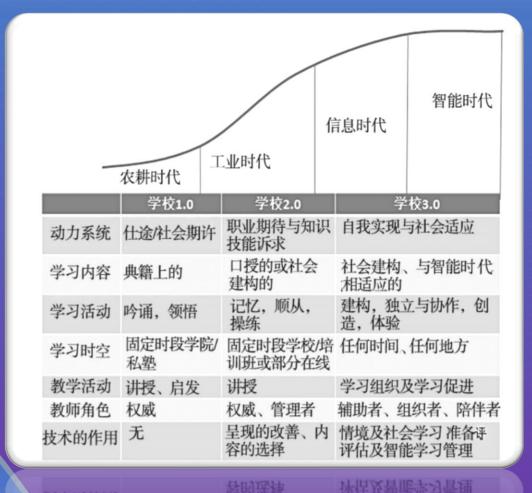






## Gaining Insight on student's problem 香港科技大學 THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY OF by Al Reasoning SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY **Calculus Deficiency** 15% 32% System, temporal Causal Relations on and spatial Problems of an relationships **Physics Question** 12% 19% **Dynamics** Ability of Modelling Understanding

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# Towards the Era of Computational Pedagogy

The development of educational science has gone through three stages, one is the stage of **empirical pedagogy** based on doctrine and feeling, the second is the **experimental pedagogy** stage based on brain science, psychological experiments and other sciences, and the third is the computational pedagogy stage based on expert knowledge, big data and machine learning.

Education is moving towards the era of **computational pedagogy**, toward precision, toward science, toward individuality, toward efficiency.

# **Knowledge Graph**

- The origins of the knowledge graph can be traced back to a form of knowledge representation proposed in the 1960s, the semantic network.
- The Knowledge Graph is a new concept proposed by Google in 2012.
- As a representation of knowledge, a knowledge graph is a large-scale Semantic Network that contains entities, concepts, and the various semantic relationships between them.

# **Knowledge Graph:**

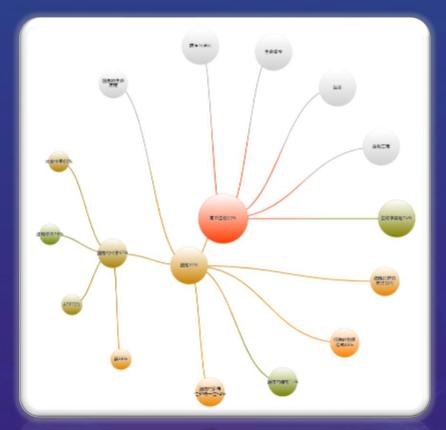
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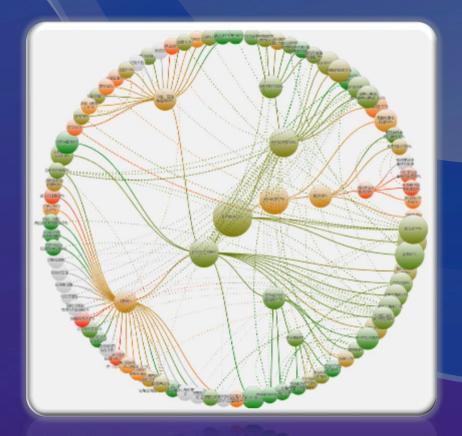
Color: The gradient from green to red corresponds to the change in mastery from high to low

The form of connection: The change from the solid line to the dotted line corresponds to the relationship between the knowledge points from intimacy to estrangement

Size of the circle: The size of the circle corresponds to the level of knowledge points from high to low



Knowledge graph initialized by expert experience



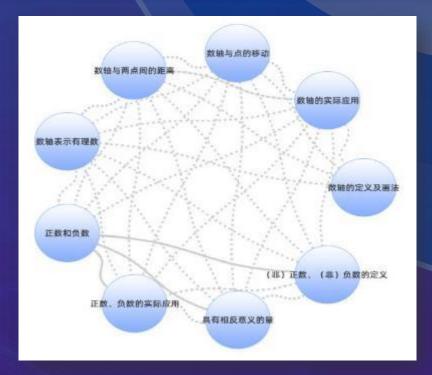
Knowledge graph evolved after learning from big student data

# Knowledge Graph:

# Quantifying the Relationship between Subjects

Knowledge Path Matrix (KPM): Measuring the relationship between the amount of information between any two knowledge points, and the correlation relationship having three characteristics: comprehensive, quantifiable, and feedback from both sides

选择知识点	(非)正数、 (非)负数的定 义	具有相反意义的量	正数、负数的实际应用	数轴的定义及画法	数轴表 示有理 数	数轴与两点间的距离	数轴与 点的移 动	数轴的实际应用	正数和负数
(非) 正数、 (非) 负数的定 义		0.12	0.11	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	1.00
具有相反意义的 量	0.17		0.48	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	1.00
正数、负数的实 际应用	0.21	0.61		0.00	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.02	1.00
数轴的定义及画 法	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.06	0.10	0.08	0.05	0.00
数轴表示有理数	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.04		0.18	0.02	0.05	0.04
数轴与两点间的距离	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.05		0.71	0.20	0.02
数轴与点的移动	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.86		0.24	0.02
数轴的实际应用	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.56	0.56		0.04
正数和负数	0.53	0.37	0.29	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	



**KPM for Selected Knowledge Points** 

The Corresponding Knowledge Graph





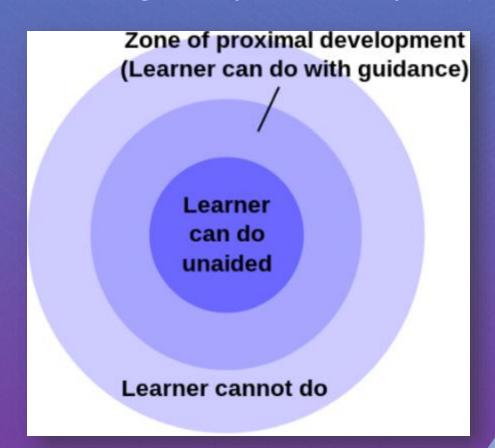
# Gamification and Experiential Learning:

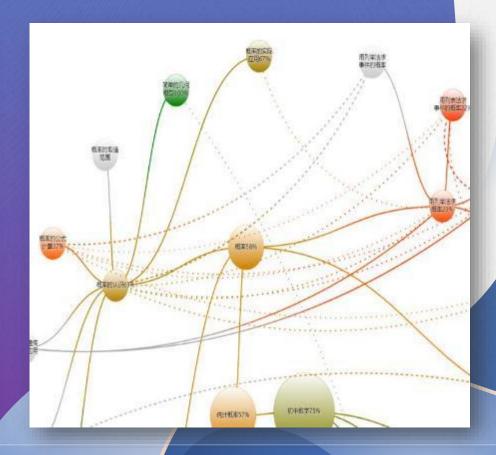
**Exploring Persoanlity and Establishing Self-Identity** 

# Optimising Personal Learning Pathway based on Knowledge Graph Science and Technology

**Utility of Optimization:** 

**Maximising zone of proximal development (ZPD)** 









**Critical Thinking** 

**Divergent Thinking** 

**Nurturing Creativity** 



The Technology such as Metaverse can
Provide an Unique Environment for Creativity
Education with Unlimited Potential









# **Education Brain**

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# Five Years Plan for Serving 1.7 Million Students



2019年启动高中生物学科知识图谱 与智适应学系统研发



2020年全市教研会议上进行成果展示



上海市宝山区率先试点, 推动全面应用

建设投入



2020

7所高中验证效果

试点成功

全区推进



数字化转型示范区20万学生 常态使用 2022

40万学生

2024

170万学生



# 3D Intelligent Adaptive Learning System of the Education Brain

On July 8, 2021, the 3D intelligent adaptive learning system jointly built by Takagi Learning and East China Normal University was released at the World Artificial Intelligence Conference.



# It Already Started: An Example in Shanghai





With the technology advancement, we are now having the responsibility and opportunity to cultivate our young generation to have the courage to discover, explain, dream and plunge repeatedly into new terrain of the universe so that the universe will somehow become clearer and even more inspiring. Such a universe is perhaps the real meaning of the metaverse.