Learning Analytics: Impact and potential at the Université de Lorraine

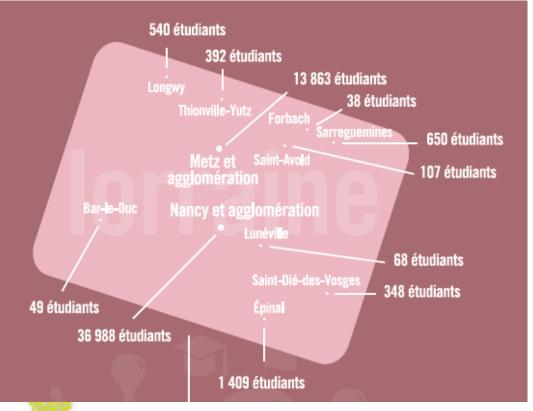
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- + 6 700 people3700 faculty members
- 67 000 students
- all disciplines

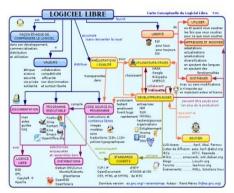


11 towns 52 locations 242 buidings 850 000 M²

Bar-le-Duc→ Metz : 130 km Longwy→ Nancy : 120 km Longwy → Épinal : 200 km







More than 150 professional software



15000 computers



400 servers



2 000 videos

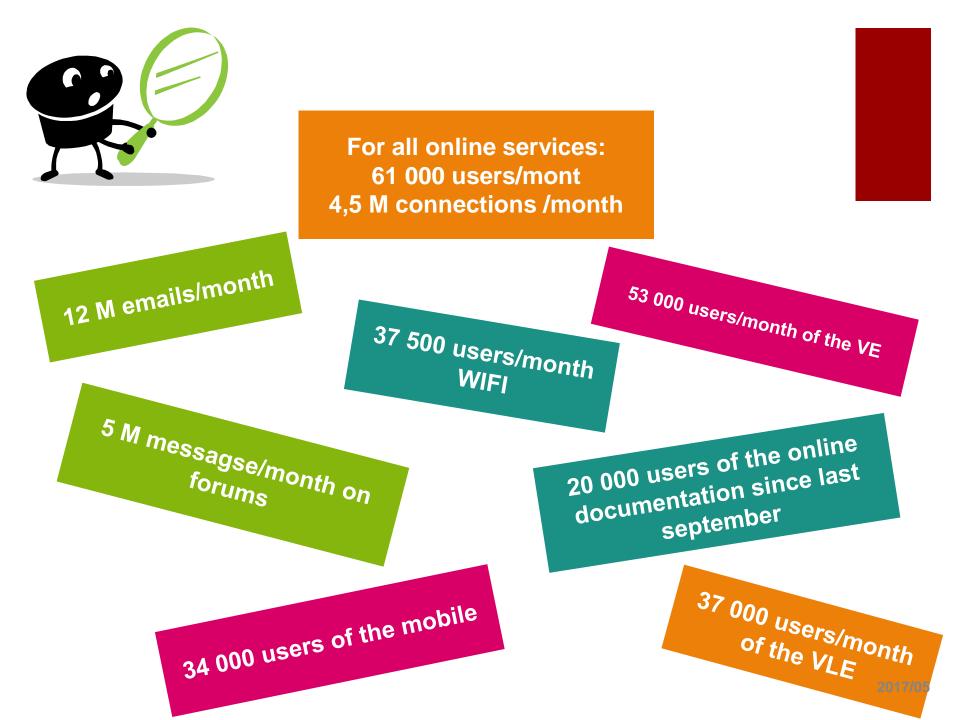




1 700 WiFi hotspots



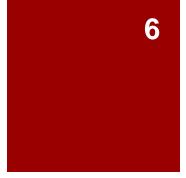
8 500 online courses + Moocs



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Strength lines

- a synergy between the Direction of Information System, research labs and faculty
- The willingness to transform the pedagogy and its environment to make learning more efficient for learners and teaching more confortable for teachers



Before launching LA...

Learning Analytics, what for?

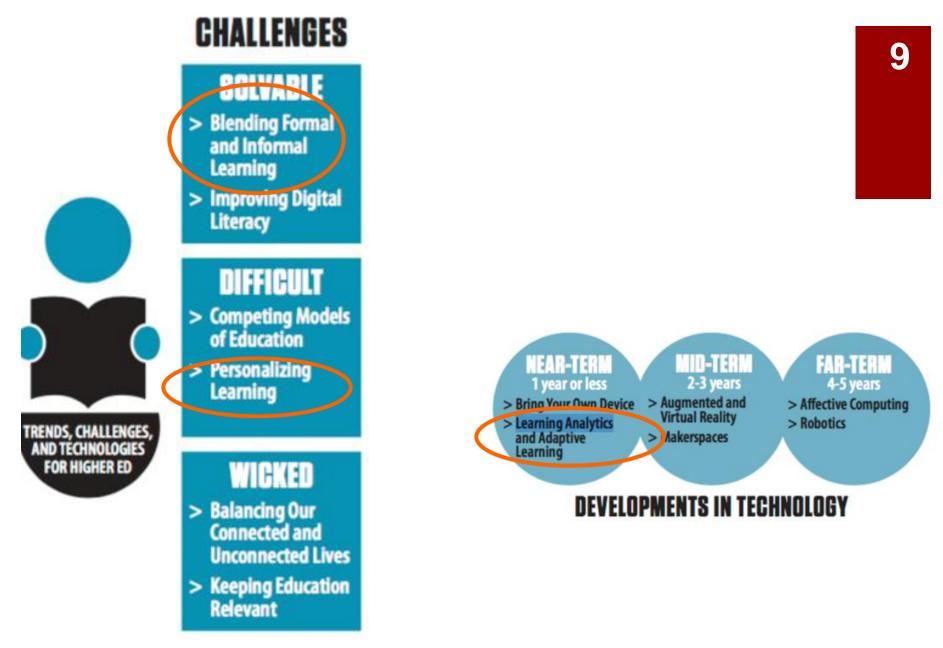
- Are Learning Analytics really efficient?
- Are students ready for Learning Analytics?



Learning Analytics, what for?

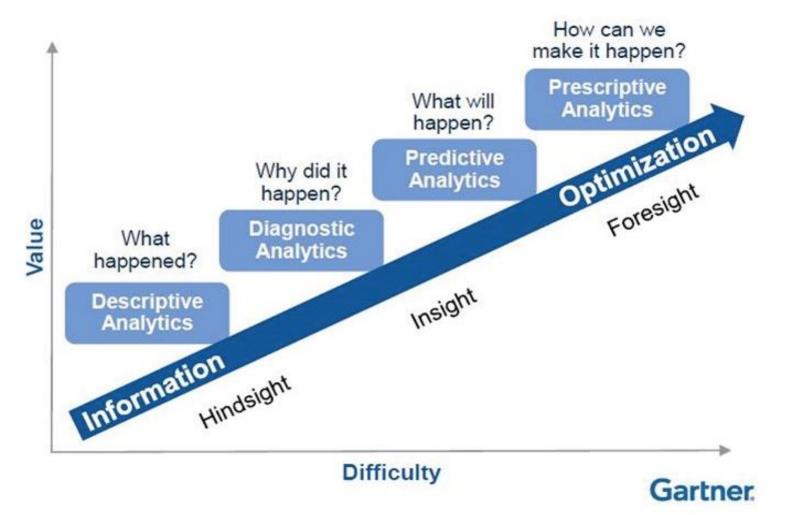
HE landscape

- the growing number of non-traditional students
 - financially independent
 - with their own dependents
 - work at least part-time
- the redefinition of the role of HEIs in society
 - relationship of a student with his university quickly transitioned from 4 to 40 years (LLL)
 - an increasing demand for post-university learning
- the defunding of HE
 - together with the need (or willingness) to increase the number of HE graduates



Topics from the NMC Horizon Report > 2016 Higher Education Edition

Analytics, what for?



Three main categories

indicators and predictors

- academic performance
- student engagement
- early alert systems...
- visualizations
 - dashboard
- interventions



 as an additional element in a learning design (Brown 2012)

Are Learning Analytics efficient?

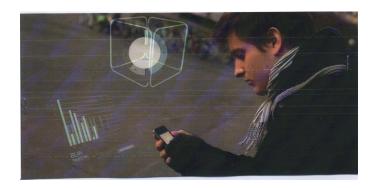




VLE use as a proxy for student effort

- strong predictor for final grade
- VLE variables more than 4 times as strongly related to achievement as demographic ones (California State University Chico)
- Civitas Learning: student engagement in VLE is highly predictive of success, even in institution where more courses were primarily face to face

Are students ready for Learning Analytics?

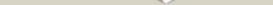


71% of students questioned by Jisc said they would be happy for data such as their library or virtual learning environment usage to be used by their university, if it could help to improve their grades.

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12% said they would not.

https://www.timeshighereducation.com/news/jisc-finds-most-studentshappy-share-data-learning-analytics



Early Alert Systems using Learning Analytics to Determine (and Improve) Student Engagement and Academic Success in a Unit: Student and Teacher Perspectives

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STUDENT SURVEYS - METHODOLOGY

The purpose of this survey is to gather <u>feedback to determine the students' attitudes</u>, <u>opinions and preferences with respect to early alerts</u> - how do students respond to receiving an early alert and do their opinions or preferences regarding the early alerts change if they actually receive them.

We surveyed 7, 035 students in 17 undergraduate units in semester 2, 2015. 639 responses were deemed complete and usable of which 13% were international students 62% were first years.

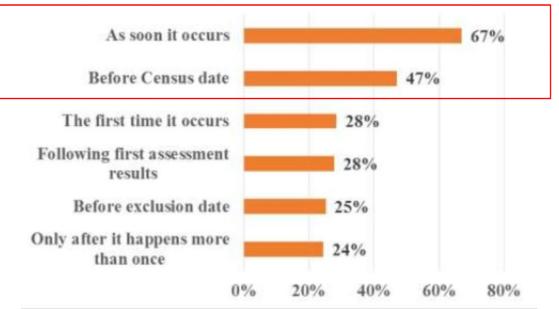
The link to the survey was included in the unit and convenors informed students via announcements in iLearn (Moodle based LMS at MQ).



STUDENT SURVEYS - RESULTS

Do you want to be contacted?

79% wanted to be contacted if their performance in the unit was unsatisfactory

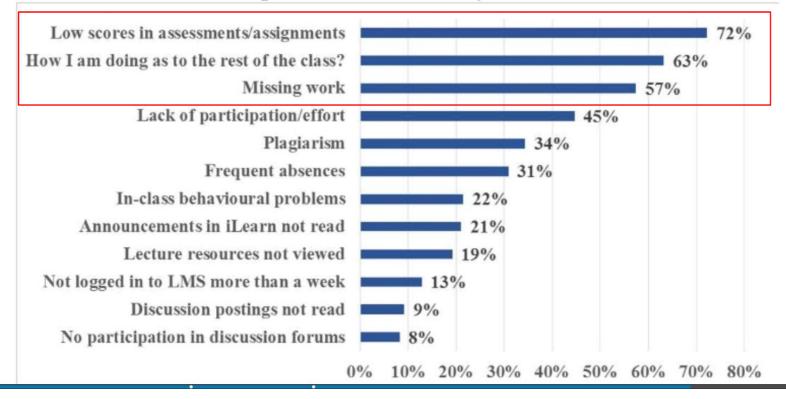


(If yes) When students' like to be contacted?



STUDENT SURVEYS - RESULTS

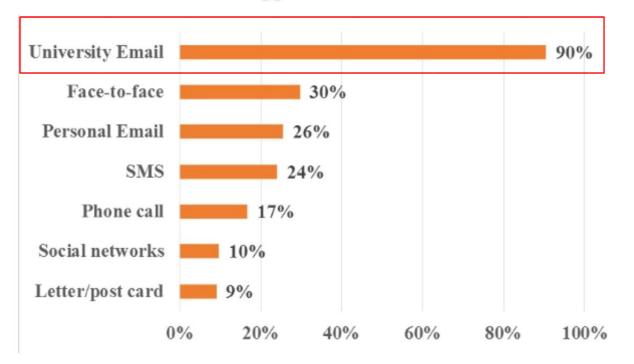
Reason for contact (For what specific behaviours do you want to be contacted?)





STUDENT SURVEYS - RESULTS

How would you like to be advised about opportunities to seek assistance?



Impact on students behavior

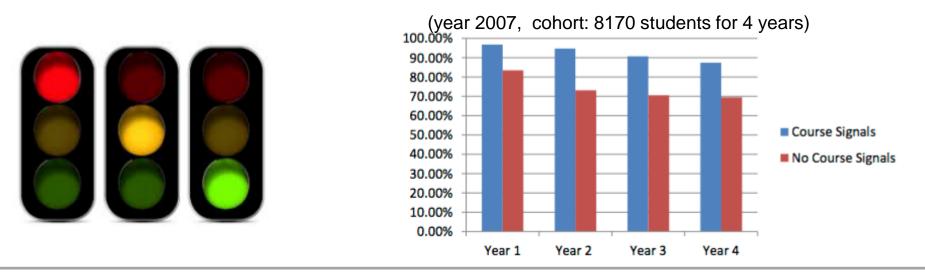
- simply making students aware that they are at risk is sufficient (Marist college)
- students who use a tool to compare their VLE activity with that of others were 1.92 times more likely to be awarded grade C or higher compared with students who did not use it (University of Maryland)
- In a survey of 1st year students at Nottingham Trent University, 27% said they have changed their behavior in response of data on their LA dashboard
 - more academic activities
 - competition to have the highest engagement score

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An early alert system: Course Signals (Purdue University)

- predictive model
- provide an early alert warning for students and teachers about the degree of risk associated with failing or succeeding in a course
- Iaunch by the instructor at specific points during the course
- 3 categories:
 - student at high risk of failing a course
 - students at moderate risk of failing a course
 - student not at risk of failing a course





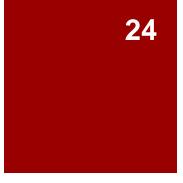
an intuitive metaphor but not sufficient insights for users: transparency of algorithms

Student retention

valuation in an undergraduate engineering at Purdue university

Arnold, K. E., & Pistilli, M. D. (2012, April). Course Signals at Purdue: Using learning analytics to increase student success. In *Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Learning Analytics and Knowledge* (pp. 267-270).

Focus on 3 LA projects at UL

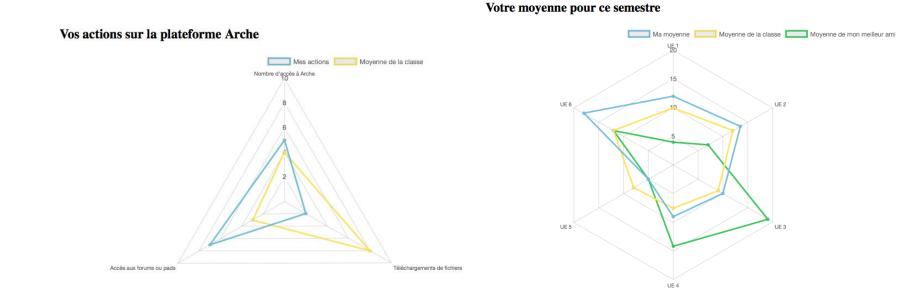


The DUNE EOLE project

- a collaborative team:
 - multi-profile (teachers, researchers, data scientists,)
 - Ink between research team and operational team
- multisource data: student IS, usage, wifi connections,
- definition of a data infrastructure (link with MENESR & APEREO)
- experiments on different scenarios

A transversal scenario

- target: first year students (all fields)
- objective: feedback and positioning relatively to peers (and detection of communities)
- ground: using VLE as a proxy for students engagement



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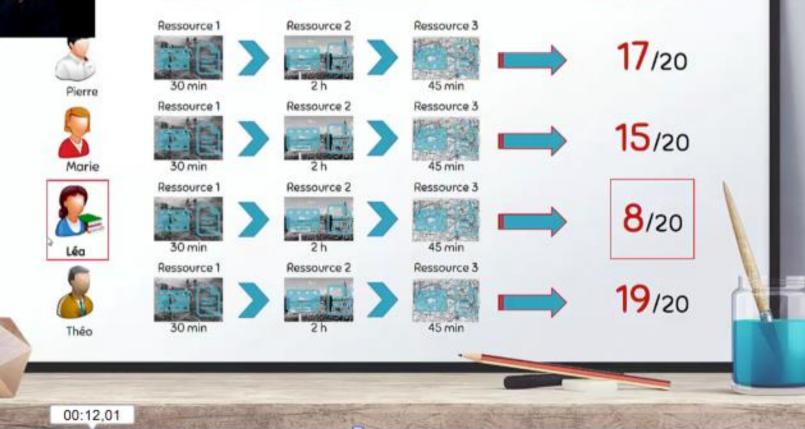
A vertical scenario

- target: students in health sciences (8 years with very hard selections and specialization)
- objective: mine the large amount of data (quizz, exams, activities ...) to better understand the factors explaining some pedagogical situations
- ground: a problem year 5 could be also explained by what happened first years and then anticipated

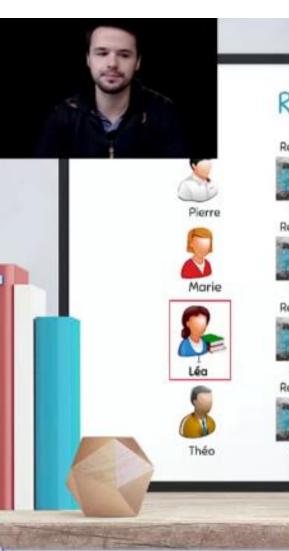
Atypical behaviour

Ressources consultées

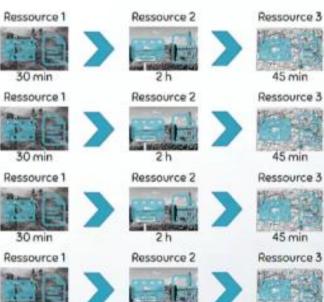
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RESSOURCES CONSULTÉES



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45 min









RECOMMANDATION







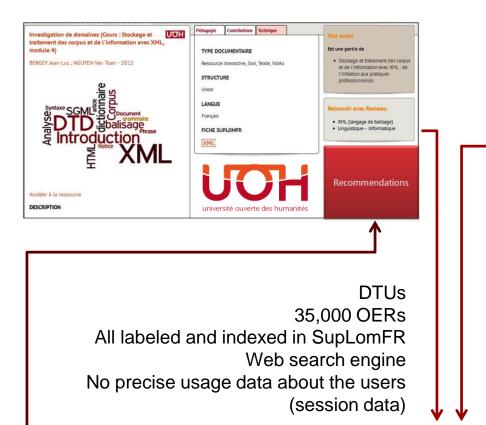
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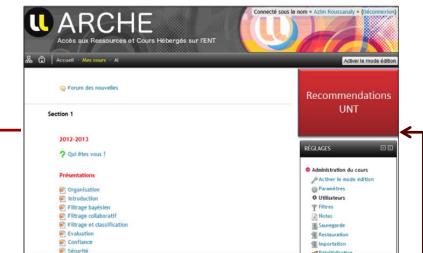
The digital thematic universities

- more than 34,000 OERs, all produced by teachers from HEIs
- all labeled by scientific and pedagogic experts
- all indexed in SupLOMfr
- all creative commons licensed
- Foundation UNIT: dedicated to Technologies & Engineering Sciences



Focus on e-PERICLES





LMS in Université de Lorraine 55,000 learners No indexing of the educational resources

Precise information about the learners (usage data)

E-PERICLES recommendation of OERs

Focus on METAL

- Design, develop & evaluate a toolbox for
 - personalized monitoring of learners to maximize engagement
 - supporting the new role of teachers as a coach
- Application to language learning



EXEMPLE DE PARCOURS OCULAIRE DE LÉA

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Les effets d'un marrois maral

Discipline at paires

Hódoilles et décorretions

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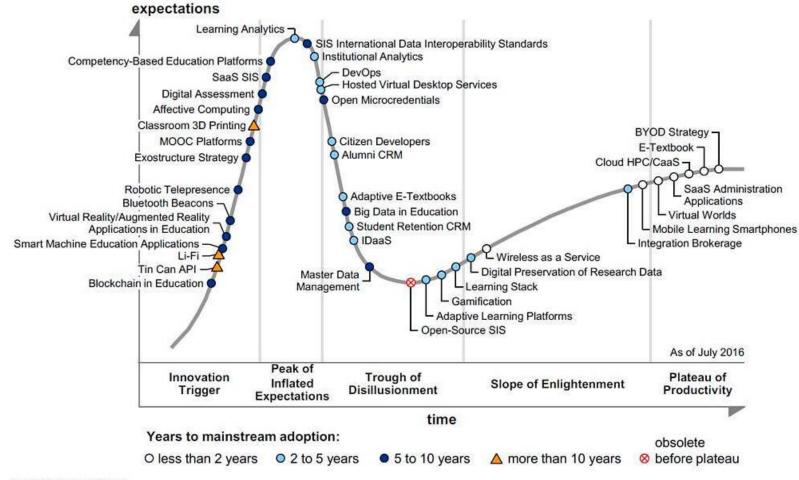
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Fixation duration mean	295,5
Saccade length mean	143,2
Relative angle saccade mean	1,062
Absolute angle saccade mean	-0,176



As a conclusion privacy, ethics



Source: Gartner (July 2016)