

Introduction to Otree and the Hidden Profile Task



About the Experiment



Adaptive Systems for Goalsetting in virtual Teams

■ Objective:



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Does applying the WOOP method in virtual meetings improve team outcomes in a collaborative task?

Does a graphical adaptation visualizing team members' goals in virtual meetings, result in improved team outcomes in a collaborative task?

Adaptive Systems for Goalsetting in virtual Teams

■ Task: Decide for a innovative projects as team:

- (1) *Virtual Reality Fitness Adventure Game*
- (2) *AI-Powered Personalized Shopping Assistant*
- (3) *Smart Home Energy Management System*

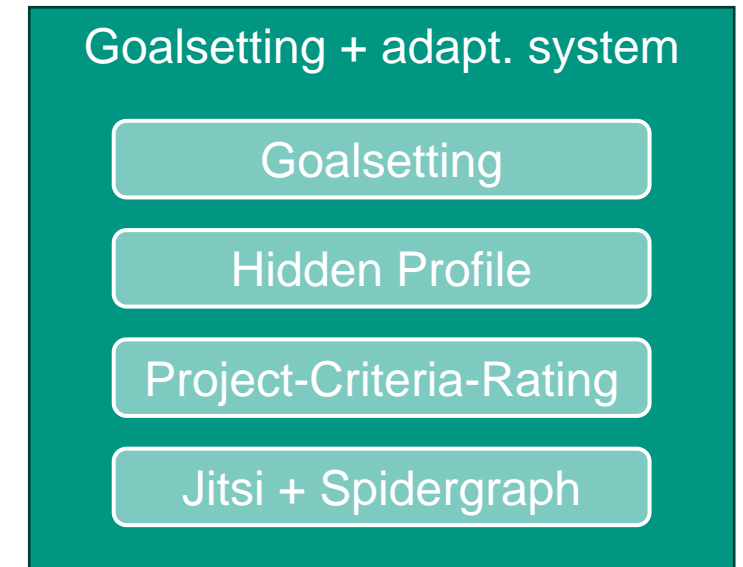
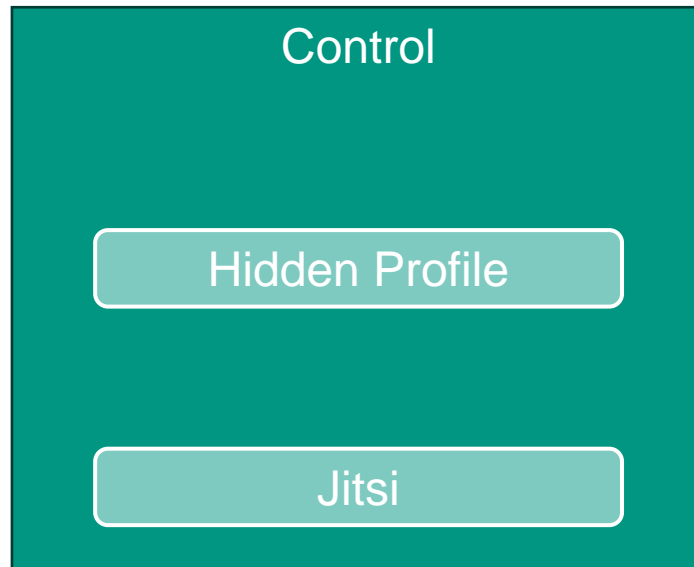
■ hidden profil = asynchron information



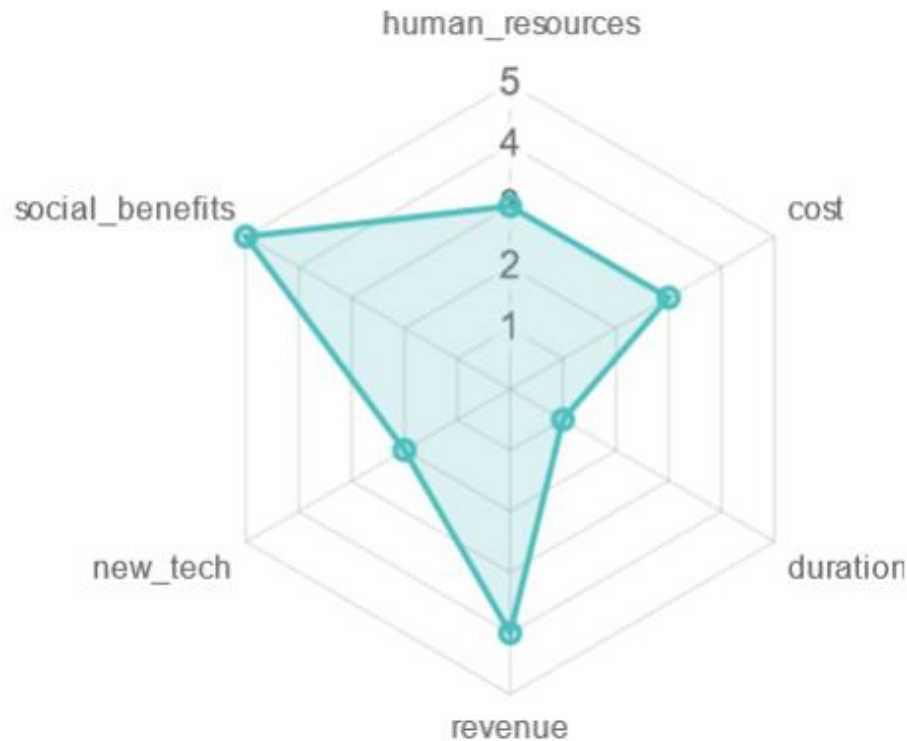
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Adaptive Systems for Goalsetting in virtual Teams

- implementation in oTree
- use of Jitsi as open source video conference system
- 20 teams of four participant for each treatment in KD2Lab:



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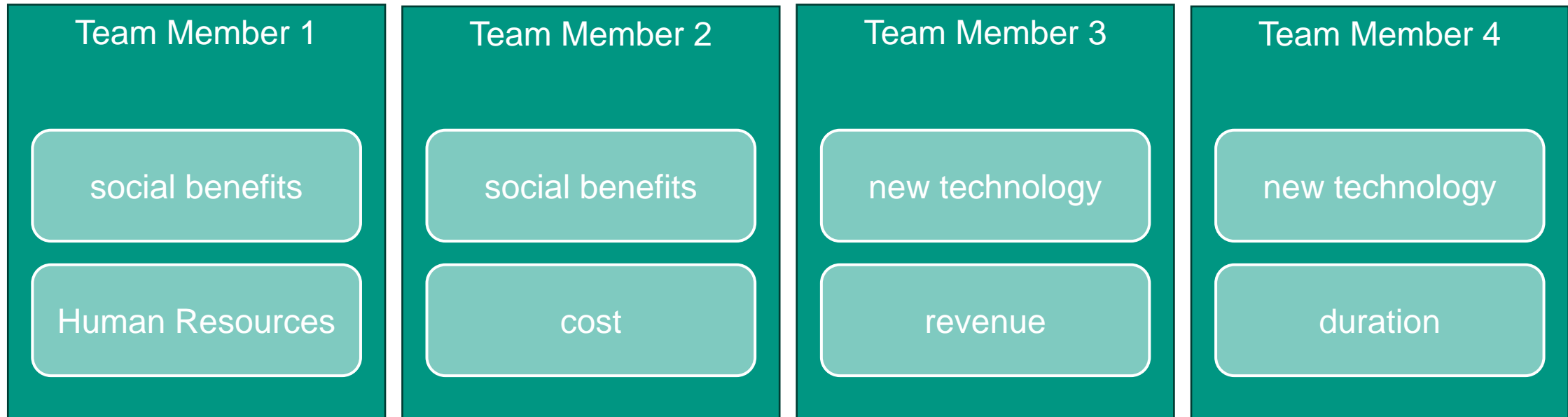


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- six possible goals, that innovative projects should fulfill, are provided
- individual selection of the most important goal
- individual allocation of 18 points to the six given goals (1 to 5 points per goal)
- individual mental contrasting to the Wish (= most important goal) with WOOP

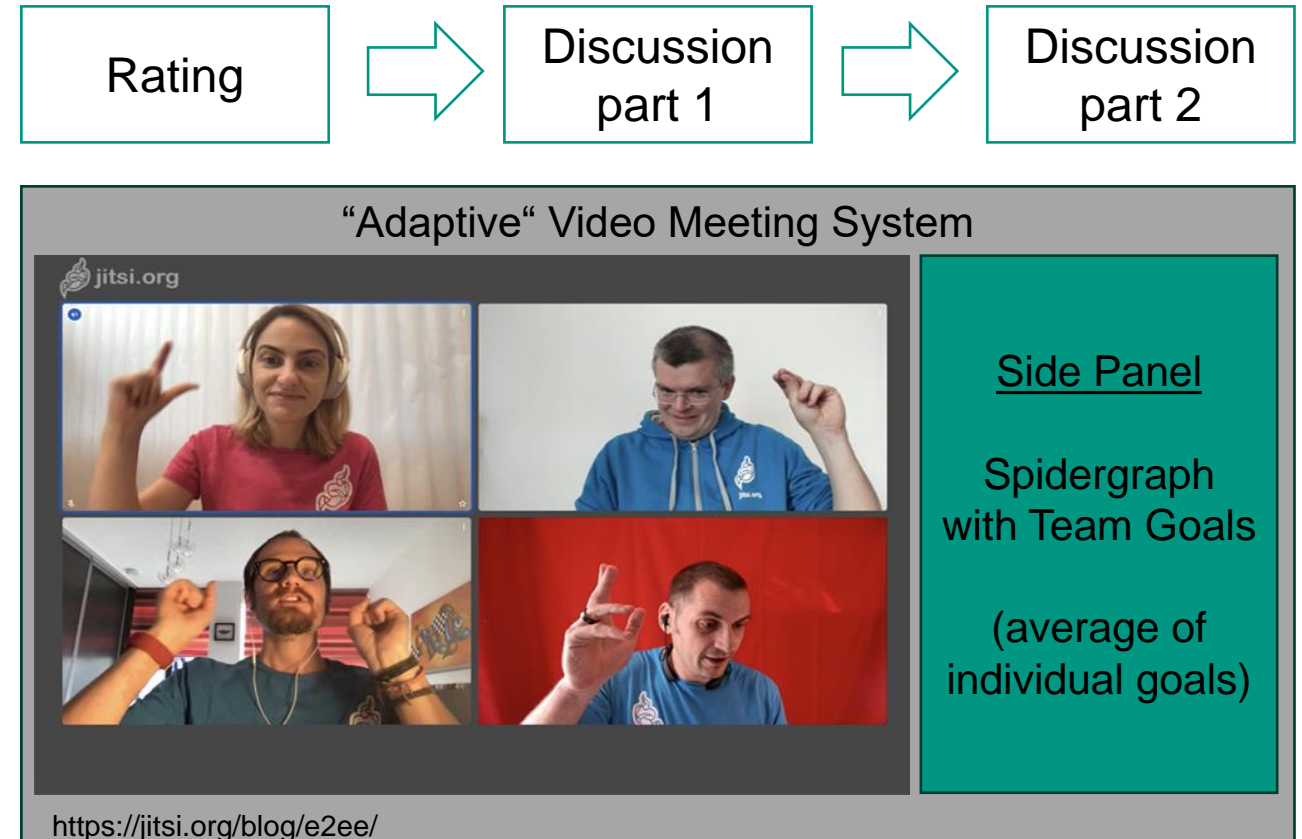
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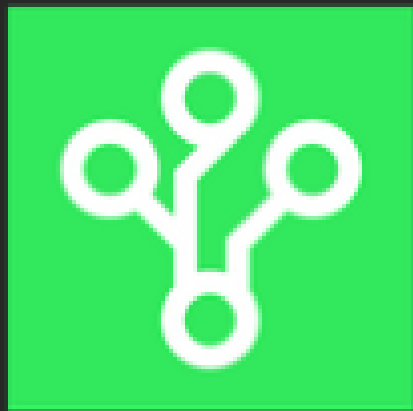
- allocation of information in hidden profile task:



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- choice/discussion: which project fulfills which criteria best
- discussion: which project to choose as a team
- dependent Variables:
 - has the team reached consensus?
 - and if so, how long did this take?





oTree

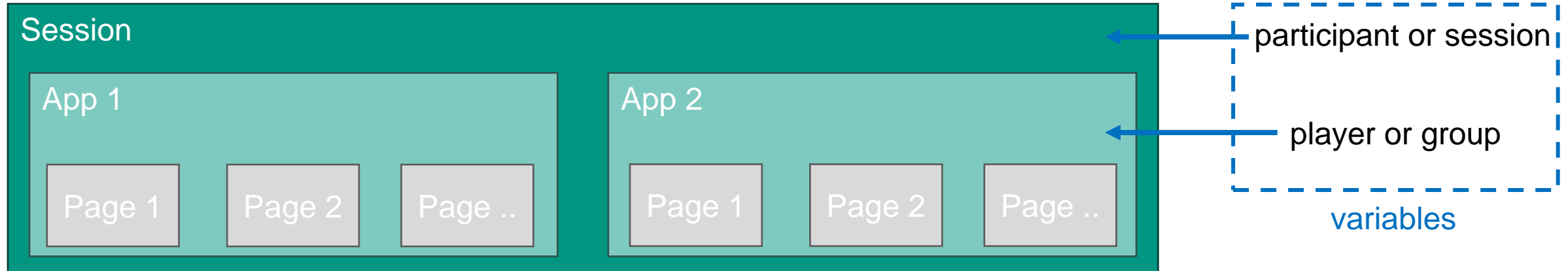
General Information

- Use of oTree 5 (not 3) – be careful if working with ChatGPT
- oTree Documentation <https://otree.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>
- Meetup: Once in 2 weeks.

- GitHub: https://github.com/AnujaHari87/hapshiddenprofile/tree/dev_new

- First Tasks:
 - install oTree (pip install otree)
 - hands on: create your first app (simple survey with questions of your choice)
prompt → „otree startproject my_first_project“; „otree startapp my_app“
 - test your app on localhost: prompt → „otree devserver“
- Next Steps:
 - clone Repository
 - create new branch

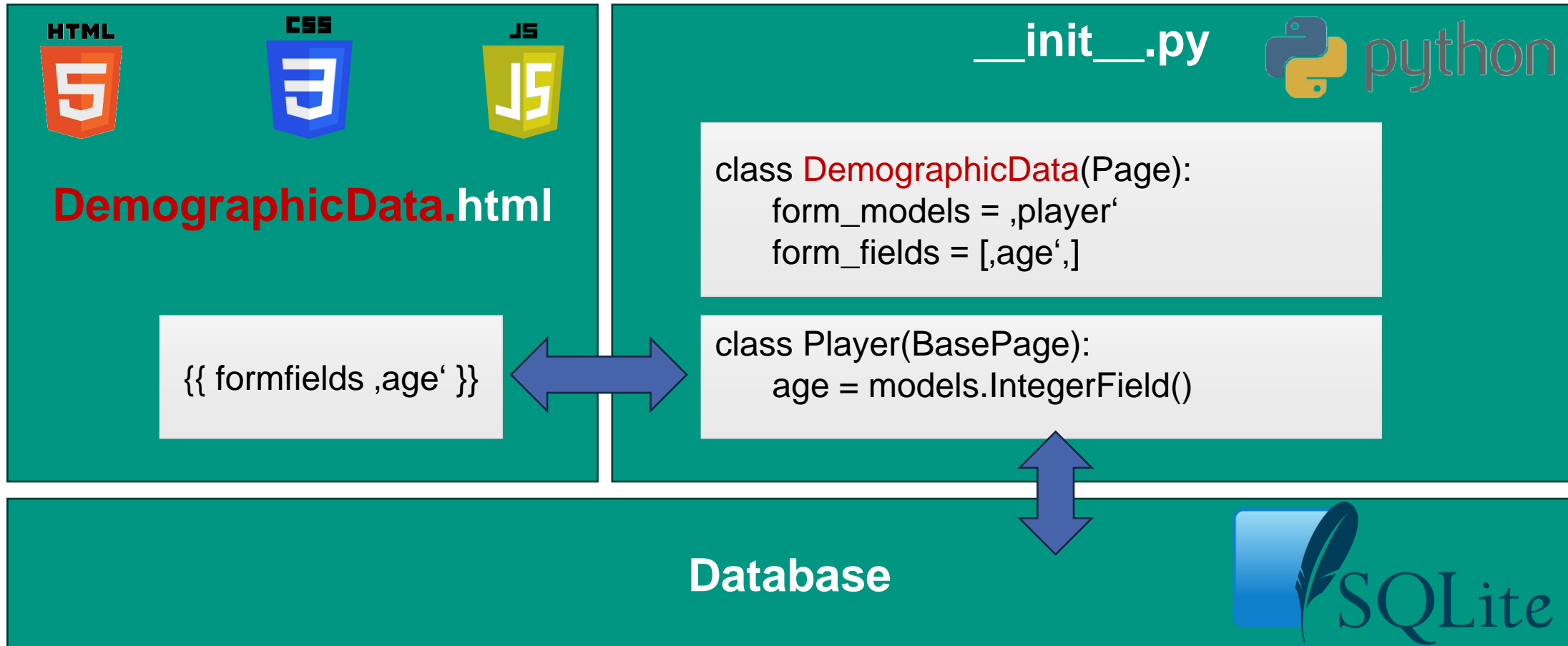
Otree Structure



- An app is part of an session and consists of multiple pages
- at app level there are player and group variables, at session level there are participant and session variables
- You could access participant and session data at app level:
e.g. `player.session.name_of_var`
- an app consists of an `__init__.py` and some html-files
- the python-part of an app is mostly done in the `__init__.py`
- the session is organized in the `setting.py`

Otree Structure

- in oTree 5 the most of the implementation is done inside the `__init__.py`

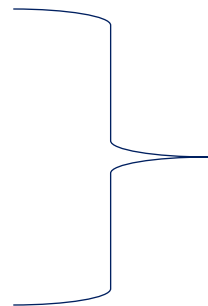


■ Other classes:

- `C(BaseConstants)` → define constants for the actual app
- `Subsession(BaseSubsession)`
- `Group(BaseGroup)` → define variables on group-level
- `SomeWaitPage(WaitPage)` → Page waits until all players have arrived

■ Other Formmodels:

- `models.CurrencyField()`
- `models.StringField()`
- `models.BooleanField()`
- ..



- defined inside class Player or class Group
- used to store Variables for Database
- accessible in template via formfields

Methodes to control experiment flow

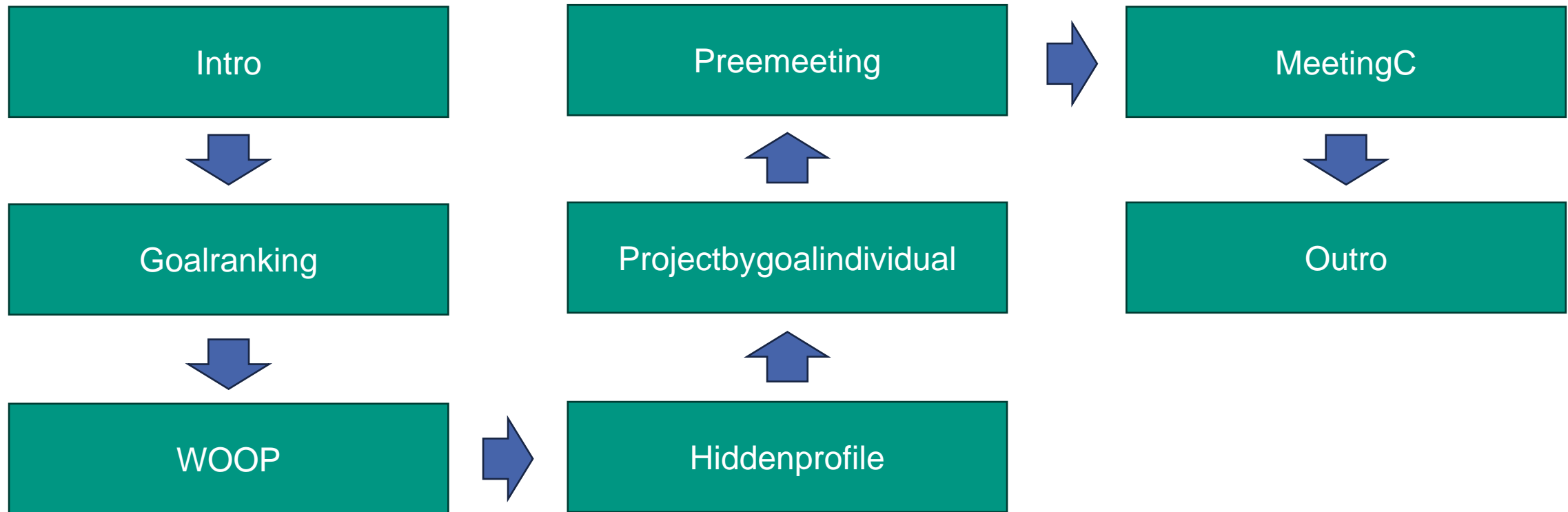
- inside of Page-Class (in `__init__.py`)
- has to be `@staticmethod` (in `oTree5`)
- `def get_form_fields(player: Player)`
- `def before_next_page(player, timeout_happened)`
- `def vars_for_template(player)`
- `def js_vars(player)`
- `def live_method(player, data)`


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■ SESSION_CONFIGS = [  
    dict( name='Pilot',  
          num_demo_participants=4,  
          app_sequence=[,DemographicData'  
    ),  
]
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■ PARTICIPANT_FIELDS = [ ]
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■ SESSION_FIELDS = [ ]
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Apps and Sessions in the hidden profile task



Open Topics

- Improve Look & Feel
- Control experiment-flow
(e.g. do not continue with the experiment until certain requirements are met)
- Participate in pilot testing in the lab
- Gather feedback on game understanding, usability & implement changes
Implement pre- and post- questionnaires
- Finalize instruction wording
- Check data quality, format

Optional Topics:

- Implement a first version of Audio share element
 - Speech share using Jitsi API
- Implement a first version of a cognitive workload detection element
 - OpenCV → module for eye blinking in videos (live or offline?)