

It Takes a Village: Understanding the Community Aspects of Interdisciplinary Tutorials

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CONTEXT

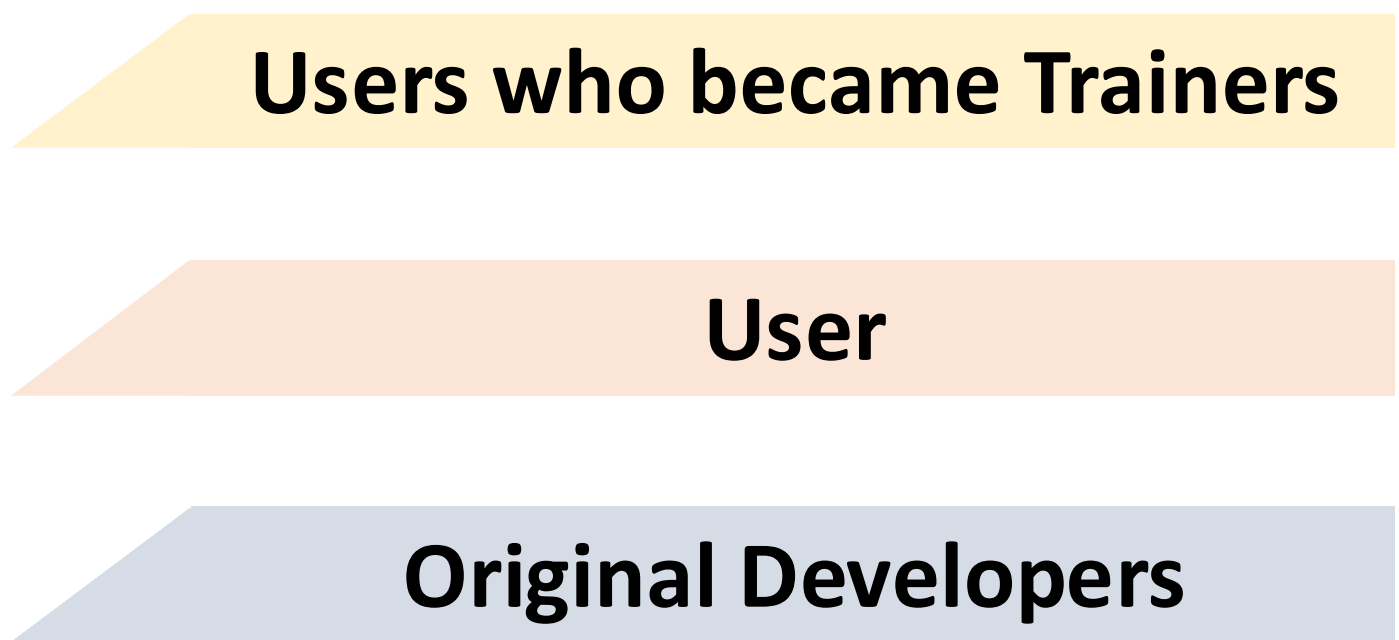
- Tutorial development in interdisciplinary fields is challenging because members of the audience come from various disciplinary backgrounds [1][2][3].
- Bioinformatics software tutorials often direct their users to respective user communities.

RESEARCH QUESTIONS

- RQ1. Who are the stakeholders of community ecosystems?
RQ2. What are the motivations of these stakeholders?
RQ3. How does the ecosystem supplement the tutorial affordances in interdisciplinary environments?

KEY STAKEHOLDERS IN THE BIOINFORMATICS SOFTWARE TUTORIAL ECOSYSTEM

%	Promotion-of-Community Features [4]
32%	a. Instructions written by community members
14%	b. User rating
77%	c. User feedback form
41%	d. Use cases via featuring user work
14%	e. Developer-organized social events
77%	f. Developer-promoted discussion group



COMMUNITY



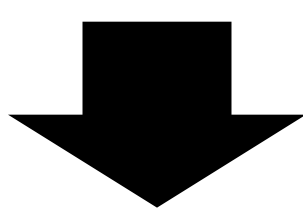
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COMMUNITY HUB

- 10k Tools (majority bioinformatics)
- 500k Registered Users
- >400 Tutorials Archived [5][6][7]

Why?: One of the biggest communities known

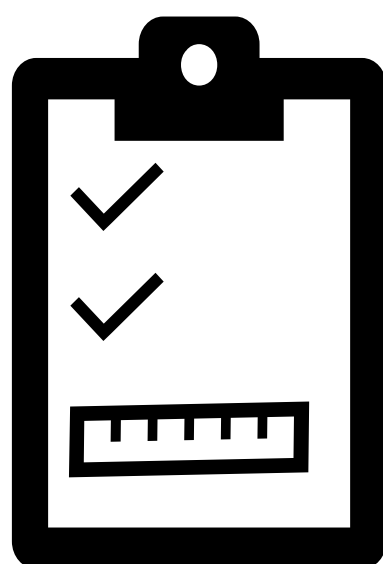
SAMPLING METHODS

- Recruiting using a combination of
- Snowball sampling and Purposive sampling [8]

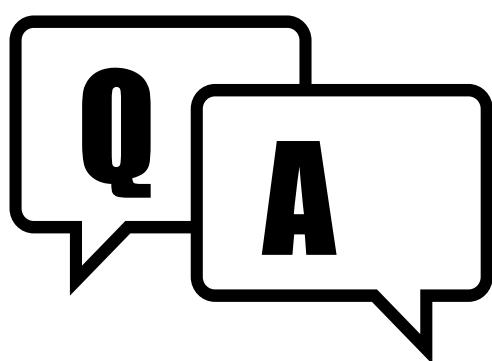


Aim: 40+ Participants

DATA COLLECTION



Pre-Survey



Semi-Structured Interview

DATA ANALYSIS



Open Coding



In Vivo Coding

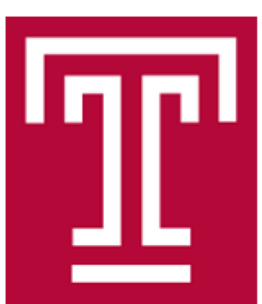
KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. There is the third type of stakeholders involved in the bioinformatics software tutorial ecosystem other than users and original developers: **users who became trainers**.
2. Our study will provide insights into how the community ecosystem can cater to users who come from various disciplinary backgrounds.

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