

e-learning module development pitch

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Goals of a module

- Guide the students through an assignment preparation/course content.
- Deconstruct a problem into its core elements.
- Engage students with the material and with their partner(s)
- Be useful as reference materials when studying (standalone demonstrations) or guide a student through content (worksheets)

Mainly: use of Jupyter Notebooks (either in JupyterLab or VS)



Creating a repository of Jupyter Notebook materials

Challenges

Content is adequate to the context(s) in which it will be used

Successfully engaging students

Fulfilling the learning outcomes

Enable constant evaluation

Approaches

Use of notebooks to generate a set of course materials, worksheets and standalone *dashboards/apps*.

Provide students with the strategies they need to master the learning outcomes. Limit the complexity of the examples and focus on maximizing reflection and discussion.

Enable students to work together, discuss and provide feedback on each module.

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Worksheet

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Examples and counter-examples.**

Fill in the blanks, run and reflect

Tweak parameters, run and reflect

Simple widgets that help reduce the complexity of a concept

Notebook as a dashboard /app

Standalone dashboards with a focus on tweaking and visualizing some model

Interactive modules students can use to test their own scripts

Problem definition (text, images...)

Sample code (Example / Counterexample)

Output to be discussed

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```
for      in      : # Fill in
      ...
```

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a = " "  
b = " "
```

```
c = a + b
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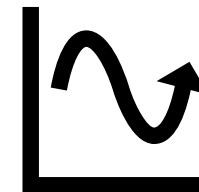
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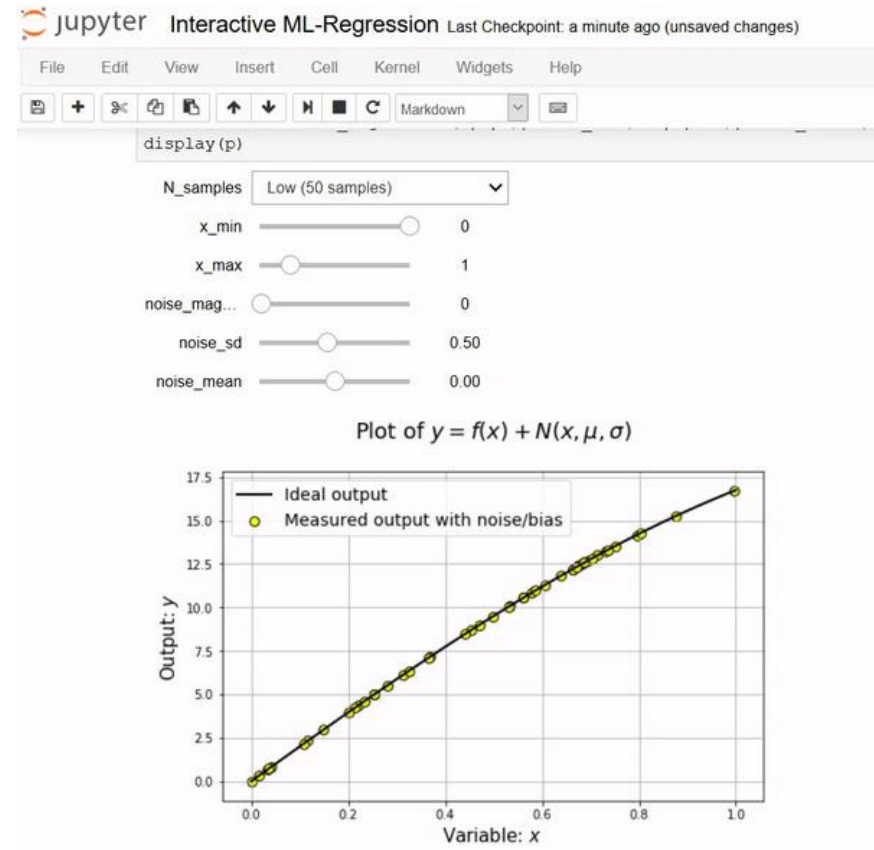
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Limitations and setbacks

Students should bear in mind the differences between notebooks and scripting.

How to make notebooks foolproof?

- Introduce the functioning of notebooks and basic troubleshooting skills (restarting kernel, rerunning previous cells...).

These aspects could be tackled as extra modules in the course materials

Implementability

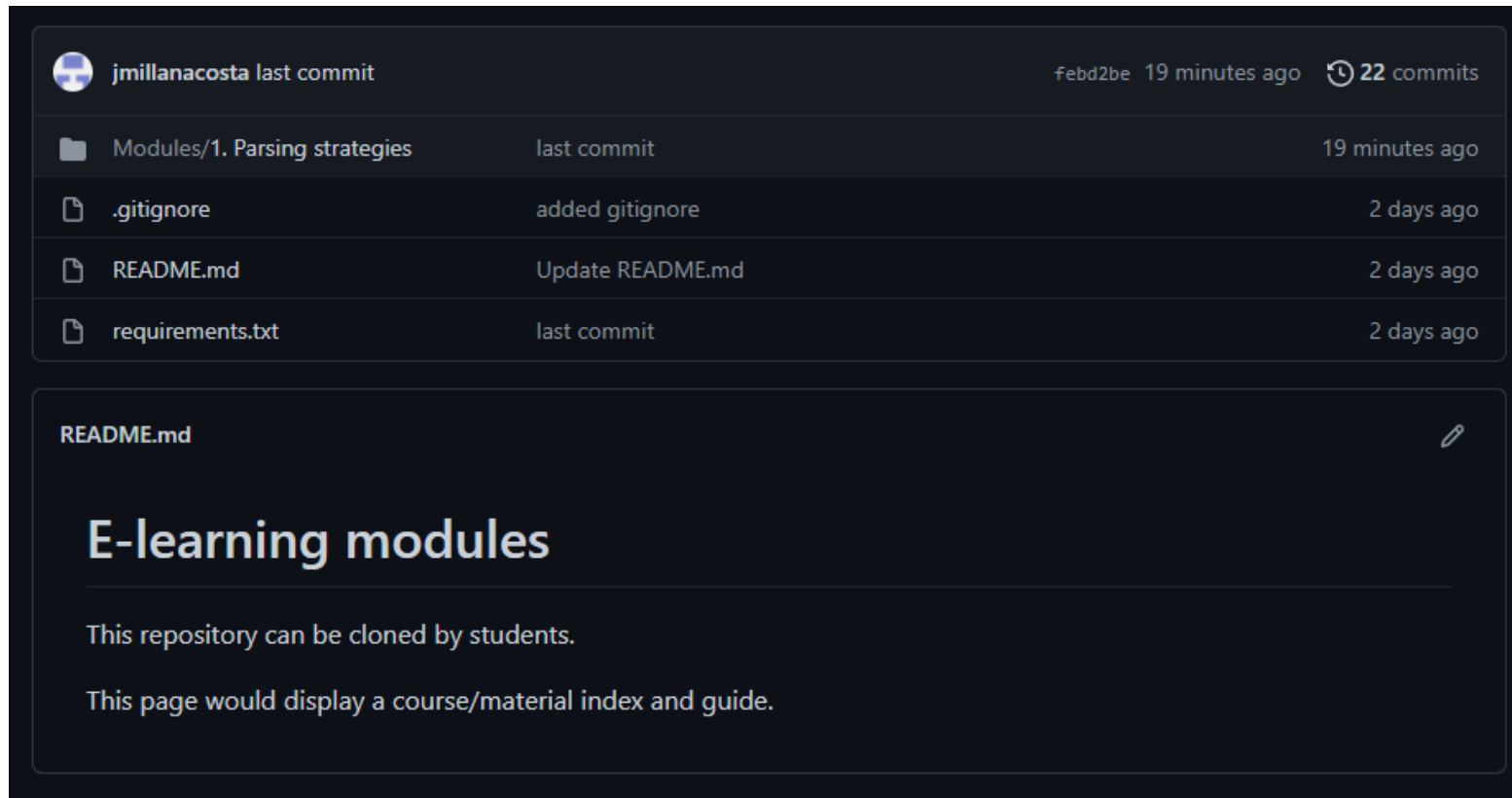
- Integration in BrightSpace:
 - Notebooks (.ipynb) as downloadable files

Or?

Implementability

- Using GitLab for content delivery, teamwork and discussion
 - Students would copy the repository with the course contents.
 - Familiarize students with Git from assignment 1.
 - Content delivery through a course repository, like in many online courses.
 - Useful for teamwork
 - Students can use issues as a forum or to give feedback on the module.
 - Integration with code grading tools like CodeGrade is possible.

Example repository (hyperlink)



The screenshot displays a GitHub repository interface. At the top, the repository name 'jmillanacosta' is shown with a profile icon, followed by 'last commit' and the commit hash 'febd2be' with a timestamp '19 minutes ago'. To the right, it indicates '22 commits'. Below this, a table lists the repository's files and their commit history:

File	Commit Message	Time
Modules/1. Parsing strategies	last commit	19 minutes ago
.gitignore	added gitignore	2 days ago
README.md	Update README.md	2 days ago
requirements.txt	last commit	2 days ago

Below the file list, the 'README.md' file is selected, showing its content. The title 'E-learning modules' is prominently displayed. The text below the title states: 'This repository can be cloned by students.' and 'This page would display a course/material index and guide.'

References

1. Teaching and Learning with Jupyter. <https://jupyter4edu.github.io/jupyter-edu-book/index.html>.