

International Conference NEW PERSPECTIVES IN SCIENCE EDUCATION



Teachers and Technology Be Aware or Beware?

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The Digital Revolution

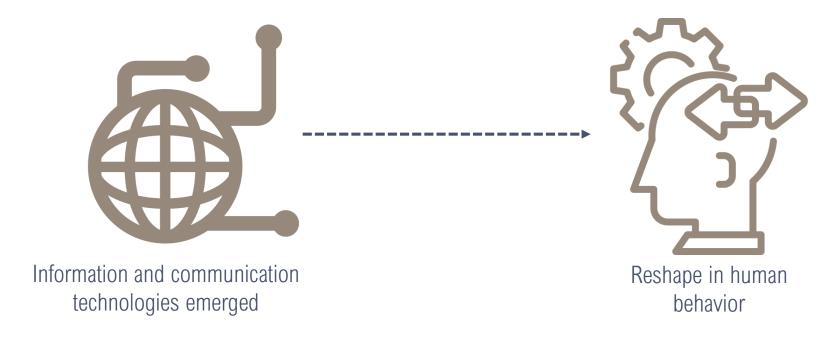
We live in the digital revolution (Floridi, 2011)

Revolutions have an impact on human identity (Levin & Tsybulsky, 2017)

The emergence of ICT blurred the boundaries between the physical and digital worlds (Moraes & Andrade, 2015)



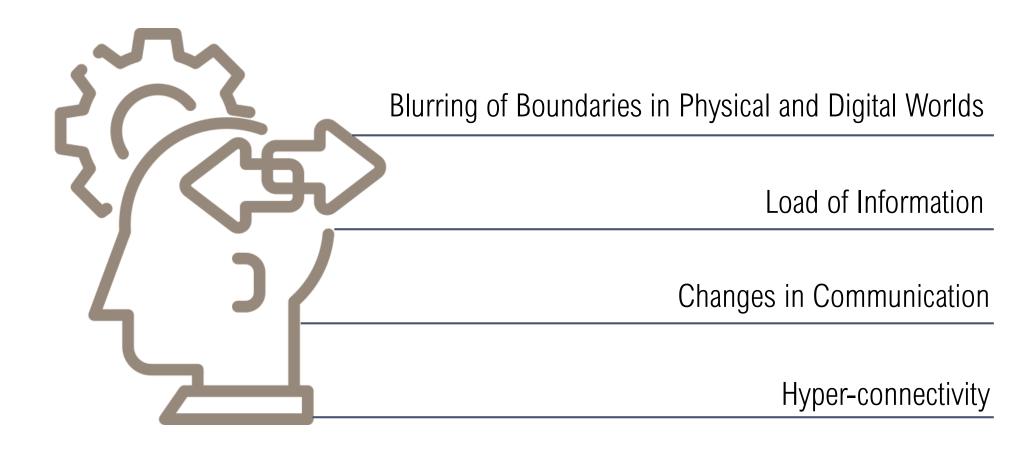
Background



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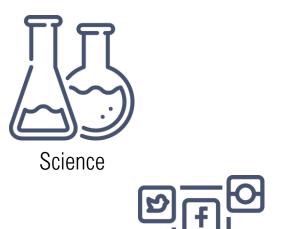


Changes in human behavior





Major Developments









But What About Education?







Education

Education remains close to its irrelevant traditional form



Teachers experiences and skill sets are used by their students to prepare them for the real- world

(Tsybulsky & Muchnik-Rozanov, 2019)

Teachers' identities and worldviews are the key to understand how to reach the desired transformation in education

(Tondeur, Braak, Ertmer & Ottenbreit-Leftwich, 2016)



The four components of Education











SAMR Model (Puentedura, 2006)



Digitization in education will be achieved through the implementation of the fourth and highest level of the SAMR model - Redefinition



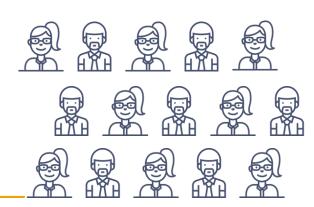
Research Objectives

- 1. Understand teachers' technology perception
- Identify the teachers perceptions on the four components of education (Teacher, student, environment and curriculum)
- 3. Identify the teachers propositions on how to reconcile the differences

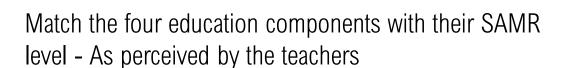


Method

Interview 15 science teachers in semi-structured interviews



Analyze the teachers' reflections





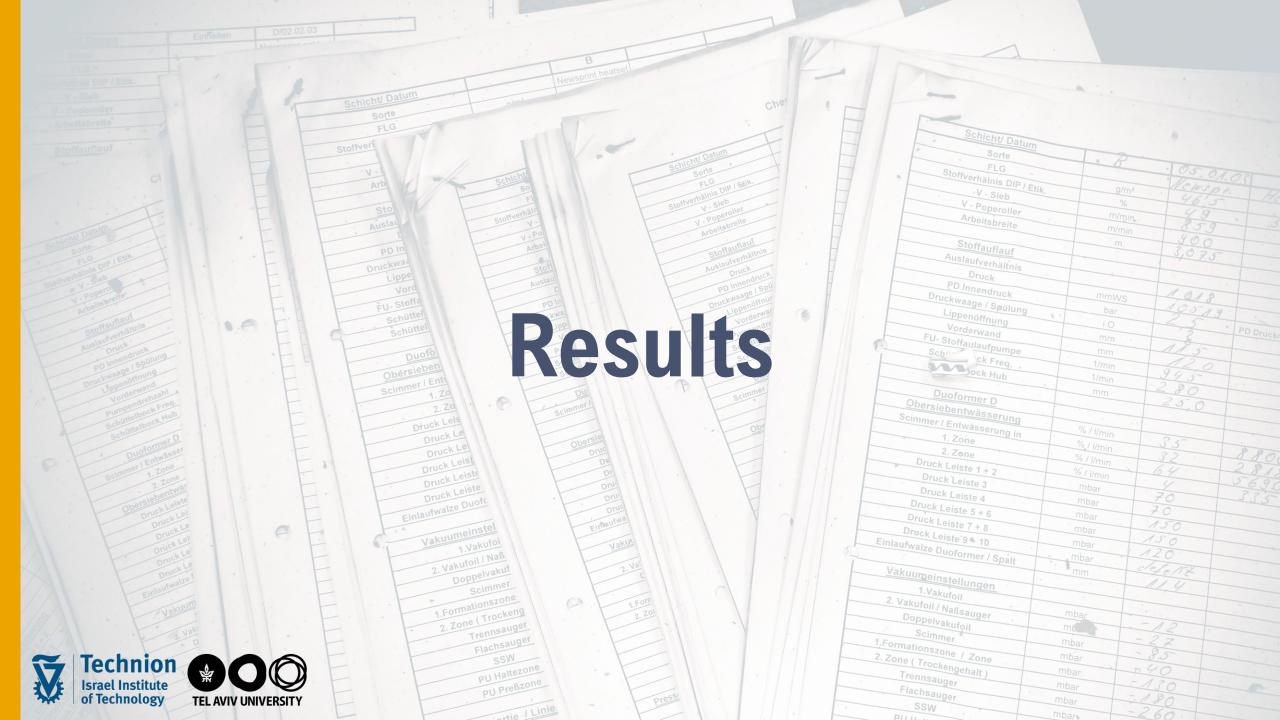
Substitution

Augmentation

Modification

Redefinition





Two Major Groups of Teachers

No better option but to fit in

Personal

I have to use technology

Role

It's an obligation as part of my role as teacher to adjust to technology



Personal

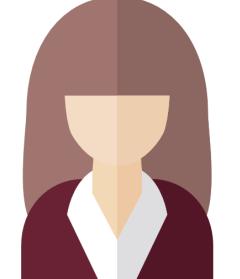
I need technology

Role

I want to use technology to challenge my students







Teachers Perceptions about Education components

Student

Students progress in a different pace

Teacher

Teacher must use visual content to teach

Environment

There is a projector and speakers in every classroom

Curriculum

There is not enough time, we need to prepare students for tests

Student

Student experience outside is more valuable than what they learn in the school

Environment

The environment is not the problem, humans are

Teacher

Teachers don't know how to get the students' attention anymore

Curriculum

More content, less purpose





Teachers propositions on how to reconcile the differences

Student

Technology can be a distraction

Teacher

Accept digital technology

Environment

Add equipment to classrooms-computers and WIFI

Curriculum

Use the available content that can be found online

Student

Listen to students

Teacher

Facilitate rather than transfer knowledge

Environment

Regulate the use of technology in the school

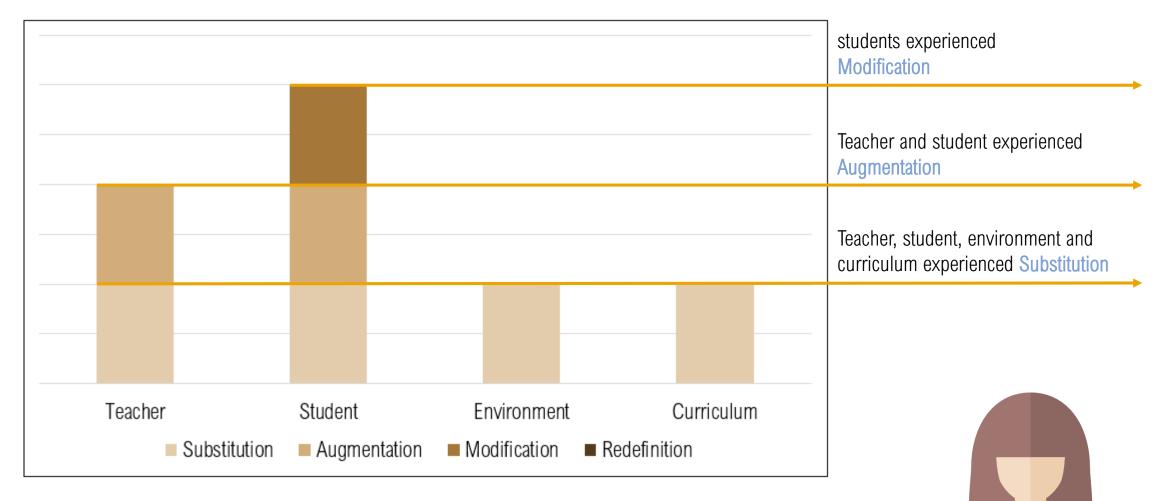
Curriculum

Change the curriculum





Teachers reflections on Education Components





Conclusions

- Teachers think that technology is important for processes of learning
- Teachers put their effort in dealing with "Digital Age" problems
- Teachers concerned of transferring knowledge rather than acquiring new skills
- Teachers think that they and their students do not perceive technology in the same way



Research Implications

- Feducation should be seen as a lifelong process
- Feducation should happen inside and outside of the classroom
- Teachers role should be redesigned



Thank you!

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Questions?

