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Platform for learning programming and databases based on artificial intelligence

Plataforma para el aprendizaje de programación y bases de datos basado en inteligencia artificial

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ABSTRACT

This final degree project proposed the development of a gamified web platform to facilitate the initial learning of programming and databases using artificial intelligence. The proposal arose from the need for new teaching tools given the difficulties presented by traditional teaching methods. The objective was to create an application that teaches basic concepts in an interactive and entertaining way. To do this, an investigation was carried out to determine the main contents to be addressed. Then theoretical contents were defined and practical exercises were designed applying gamification techniques. Subsequently, a functional prototype was developed that contains the defined theoretical contents, implements the designed practical exercises, and integrates the artificial intelligence functionality to provide unlimited examples on each topic, correction and personalized feedback on the resolution of exercises performed by the student. The results obtained so far allow validating the usefulness and technical feasibility of the proposal.

Keywords: Education; Programming; Gamification; Artificial Intelligence; Web Application.

RESUMEN

Este trabajo final de grado planteó el desarrollo de una plataforma web gamificada para facilitar el aprendizaje inicial de programación y bases de datos utilizando inteligencia artificial. La propuesta surgió ante la necesidad de contar con nuevas herramientas didácticas ante las dificultades que presentan los métodos de enseñanza tradicionales. El objetivo fue crear una aplicación que enseña conceptos básicos de forma interactiva y entretenida. Para ello se realizó una investigación para determinar los contenidos principales a abordar. Luego se definieron contenidos teóricos y se diseñaron ejercicios prácticos aplicando técnicas de gamificación. Posteriormente se desarrolló un prototipo funcional que contiene los contenidos teóricos definidos, implementa los ejercicios prácticos diseñados e integra la funcionalidad de inteligencia artificial para proveer ejemplos ilimitados sobre cada tema, corrección y retroalimentación personalizada a la resolución de ejercicios realizada por el estudiante. Los resultados obtenidos hasta el momento permiten validar la utilidad y factibilidad técnica de la propuesta.

Palabras clave: Educación; Programación; Gamificación; Inteligencia Artificial; Aplicación Web.

INTRODUCTION

Learning programming is an important challenge for students of all levels, especially for those who start without previous training in logical or computational thinking. (1,2,3,4) Despite the growing interest in technology-related careers, many people face difficulties in accessing technical content through traditional teaching methods, which are often theoretical, rigid and unmotivating. This situation raises the need to explore new

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teaching strategies that improve accessibility, understanding and retention of fundamental programming and database concepts. $^{(5,6,7,8,9)}$

In this context, gamification has proven to be an effective pedagogical tool to increase student motivation and engagement. By introducing playful elements and game mechanics into the educational environment, active, dynamic and meaningful learning is promoted. At the same time, the advance of artificial intelligence (AI) has opened up new possibilities to personalize teaching and provide immediate automatic feedback and, which optimizes the processes of evaluation and reinforcement of knowledge. (10,11,12) The combination of gamification and AI therefore represents a promising opportunity to renew educational practices in technical areas such as programming. (13,14,15,16)

There are already some applications geared towards the gamified teaching of programming, such as Mumuki, CodeCombat and CodeMonkey. (17,18) However, these tools have significant limitations, either due to the scope of the content, the programming languages available or the lack of adaptation to different user profiles. Likewise, the use of AI in educational environments is still incipient, and practical implementations that integrate this technology to effectively assist and evaluate code learning are scarce. (19,20)

How can a gamified educational web application, incorporating artificial intelligence, improve the learning of basic programming and database concepts in students with no previous training, overcoming the limitations of traditional teaching methods?

Objective

To develop a gamified web application that enables interactive and entertaining learning of basic programming and database concepts, using artificial intelligence technologies to provide personalized feedback to students.

METHOD

Methodological Design

Methodological tools

The development of the project was carried out using the agile Scrum methodology, which organizes the work in sprints or development cycles. At the end of each sprint a functional and potentially deliverable product is obtained.

Development tools

Technologies such as PHP, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript and MySQL were used for the development of the web application. PHP was the main language in the backend to generate the dynamic content that is then displayed in the frontend.

In the frontend HTML5 was used for the structure, CSS3 for the visual styles and JavaScript for the interactivity. These technologies were implemented using the MaterializeCSS framework that facilitates responsive web development.

In the backend, PHP connects to the MySQL database to store and query the data needed for the application, such as users, courses, exercises, etc. The ChatGPT API was also used to integrate artificial intelligence services.

In this way, PHP in the backend is linked with HTML, CSS and JS in the frontend to generate the final content that the user sees. Likewise, PHP connects to the MySQL database and the ChatGPT API for the full functionality of the web application.

Data Collection

To obtain the system requirements we used:

- Interviews with programming teachers: to learn about teaching difficulties and functionality suggestions.
 - Online survey to students: to gather information about needs and preferences.
 - Observation in programming classes: to identify problems and opportunities.
 - Review of existing teaching materials: to detect strengths and weaknesses.

Project planning

The plan of activities carried out to meet the objectives of this Final Project is detailed in the following Gantt chart.



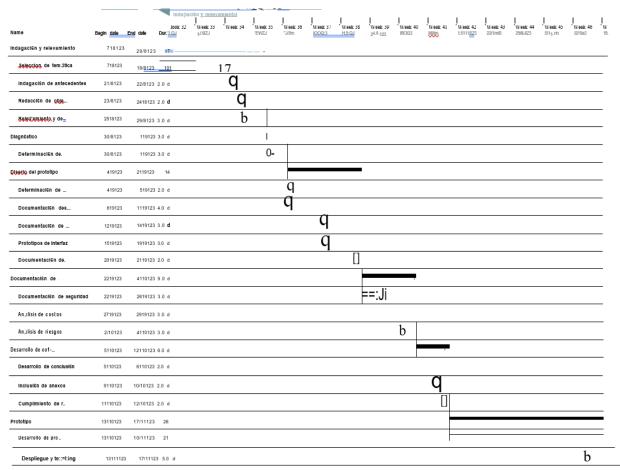


Figure 1. Gantt chart

Survey

Structural survey

Since it is an online platform, aimed at teenagers and adults who wish to learn to program in a gamified way with AI-based corrections, it is not possible to set a specific location and structure for it. This will depend on the place where the individual wishes to use it. This can be in an educational institution, family environment, work, among others.

Functional Survey

There are different ways to develop a system of this type, they are not the same functions when it is learned in an educational institution, that when it is done through an application, or when it is done in a self-taught way consuming theory through books or videos to then put this knowledge into practice directly on a computer.

We could assume that the target audience of this project is mostly within a family group, perhaps using the platform as a complement to their formal academic activity. Each family group is unique, so there is no defined structure, but agents we can find are:

- Students: their function is to read and study the theoretical contents that will allow them to understand computational thinking and the programming language. Subsequently they should be able to put into practice what they have learned in theory.
- Teacher or Instructor: he/she is in charge of teaching or providing in some way (class, book, video, among others), the class or content to be addressed. It is their responsibility to explain the topics, exemplify them, propose problematic situations to be solved and correct or provide the solution and feedback to the problematic situations.
- Educational institution: it is responsible for generating the teacher-student bond, and creating an environment conducive to learning.

In relation to the processes, whether self-taught, in an educational institution or through an application, the student can perform the same activities to favor objective learning. Three processes were taken as the basis for the application:

Process: develop topic in theoretical modality with examples.

Roles: teacher and student.

Steps: the teacher, either from an institution, or virtual (for example, through a youtube video or online course) presents in a theoretical way a topic, which is explained using resources such as presentations, images and videos as needed and according to the teaching modality. Additionally, examples are provided to complement the theory. These examples are explained by the teacher and in the case of a synchronous class, it works as a trigger for the student to ask questions and request new examples.

Process: propose and solve activity.

Roles: student and teacher.

Steps: once the previous process has been carried out, the teacher proposes an activity to be developed so that the student can put into practice the contents learned. Once the activity has been solved, the teacher corrects it and gives the corresponding feedback. In case of having doubts about the corrections, the student consults the teacher. The teacher solves the doubts until there are no more doubts and ends the process.

RESULTS

Business Processes

Desarrollar tema en modalidad teórica con ejemplos Estudiante Docente Iniciar Presentar teoría Leer teoría Plantea Resolver dudas dudas Presentar ejemplos (Leer ejempl Solicita jemplo Plantea Resolver dudas dudas

Figure 2. Develop topic in theoretical mode with dynamic examples

For the modeling of the business processes, a flowchart per process was used. Process: develop topic in theoretical mode with examples.

Process: proposing and solving activity

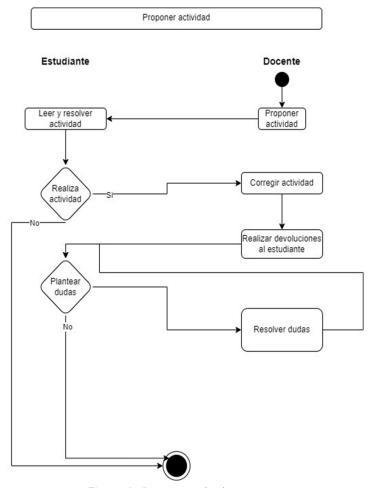


Figure 3. Propose and solve activity

Diagnosis and Proposal

Table 1. Develop topic in theoretical modality with dynamic examples				
Process: Develop topic in theoretical modality with examples				
Problems		Causes		
The practical examples that acco	mpany the theory	The practical examples that accompany the through books, online		
are not dynamic so that a except	on that you have a	courses has an exception to the amount of examples limited that		

are not dynamic, so that a exception that you have a teacher in the when you study the theory are usually no more than 2 or 3 you can request more examples for better understand the subject.

courses, has an exception to the amount of examples limited that are usually no more than 2 or 3. On in case they are given in the traditional modality In the case of a teacher who accompanies the the same and we only have the possibility of the same thing happens with an accompanying teacher, and we only have the possibility of teacher is available

Table 2. Propose and solve activity				
Process: Propose and solve activity				
Problems	Causes			
There is a lack of immediate correction on activities to	Generally the activities that have immediate correction are			
be developed proposed by the activities.	activities of the teacher multiple choice, only in courses that apply			

the technologies. When it comes to from corrections at activities a corrective person is required, and in the case of a person to correct, and in case it is a system that corrects system that corrects, an exact form of exact form of resolution, something that is not always programming, since there are many ways to solve the there are many ways to solve the same problem same problem.

We propose the development of a web platform divided into levels, which accompanies the student in learning a programming language. It will provide the theoretical content of a topic and examples on that topic. The examples are generated dynamically by AI, giving the possibility to regenerate the example as many times as the student needs.

Once the theoretical material and examples have been consumed, the student must complete an activity, which upon passing allows him/her to advance to the next level. This activity poses a statement to be developed (which may or may not be generated by AI depending on the topic) and the student must write the source code that solves the statement posed. The resolution provided is corrected by IA. If it is correct, it will add points and enable the next level, otherwise it will show a feedback about the errors, so that the student in a new attempt has more tools to solve the problem situation.

Objectives, limits and scope of the prototype

Objective of the prototype

To develop a prototype of a gamified web platform to facilitate the initial learning of Python programming through personalized feedback provided by artificial intelligence.

Limits

The application includes from the reading of the theoretical material of the most basic topics, to the development and correction of activities using artificial intelligence.

Scope

The processes reached by the prototype are the following:

- Interaction with the menu of enabled topics.
- Presentation of theoretical contents of the selected topic.
- Generation of solved practical example on the selected topic.

Performance of practical activity on the selected topic for knowledge evaluation.

- Visualize feedback of activity resolution.
- Display scores and badges according to progress.

System Description

Product Backlog

The Product Backlog was made with all the user stories of the system. Each one has a unique identification code (ID) with the acronym HU (User Story). In addition, it presents the name of each story, the priority, estimated points and the existing dependencies between them.

Table 3. Product Backlog					
ID	User Story	Priority	Points	Dependencies	
HU-01	Access to the platform	Registration	5		
HU-02	New user registration	Registration	8	HU-01	
HU-03	User login	Registration	5	HU-01, HU-02	
HU-04	Topic menu	Media	3	HU-03	
HU-05	Theme selection	Media	2	HU-04	
HU-06	Theory presentation	High	8	HU-05	
HU-07	Example of the topic	Medium	5	HU-06	
HU-08	Present activity	High	8	HU-06	
HU-09	Submit activity for correction	Signed up	5	HU-08	
HU-10	Activity feedback via Al	High	13	HU-09	
HU-11	Score update	Sign up	5	HU-10	
HU-12	Display of scores and badges	Medium	5	HU-11	

	Table 4. Access to the platform			
ID	HU-01	Name:	Access to the platform	
Description: As a new user I want to be able to log in to the platforto start using it.			<u> </u>	
Acceptance Criteria			form URL login, when it loads, then it the home page with the registration and	
Priority	High	Points:	5	

	Table 5. New user registration			
	ID	HU-02	Name:	New user registration
Description:		As a new user I want to be able to register on the platform to get an account.		
Acceptance Criteria:		user confirms, t	and password to register, when the nen you must validate the data, ration and send welcome email.	
	Priority	Registration	Points:	8

Table 6. User login			
ID	HU-03	Name:	User login
Descripti	Description: As a registered user I want to be able to log in to the platform to access its content.		
Acceptance Criteria:			istered user credentials, when submitted orm, then you must validate that the data I allow login.
Priority	High	Points:	5

Table 7. Topic menu			
ID	HU-04	Name:	Topic menu
Description: As a registered user I want to see the menu of available topics to choose what to study.			
		red user's login to the platform, when loads, then it should show him/her the enabled topics.	
Priority	Medium	Points:	3

	Table 8. Selection of topics			
ID	HU-05	Name:	Topic selection	
Description	on:	As a registered user I want to select a topic from the menu to start studying it.		
Acceptance Criteria:			enabled in the menu, when the user en it should redirect to the content page	
Priority	Medium	Points:	2	

Table 9. Theory presentation			
ID	HU-06	Name:	Theory presentation
Description: As a registered user I want the theory of the chose topic to be shown to learn the concepts.			
Acceptance Criteria:		must display the	I topic, when your page loads, then you e theory content with text formatting, inks, images and/or videos.
Priority	High	Points:	8

Table 10. Example of theme			
ID	HU-07 Name: Topic Example		
Description: As a registered user I would like to see a practice example of the topic to understand its application Given a selected topic, when an example is requested then it should show one solved in code and allow generate new examples using AI.		ne topic to understand its application. ed topic, when an example is requested, show one solved in code and allow to	
Priority	Medium	Points:	5

		Table 11. Presen	Table 11. Present activity		
ID	HU-08	Name:	Submit activity		
Description	Description: As a registered user I want a hands-on activity of topic to be displayed to test my knowledge.				
Acceptance Criteria:			topic, when an activity is requested, bmit an activity to complete code on		
Priority	High	Points:	8		

Table 12. Sending activity for correction			
ID	HU-09	Name:	Sending activity for correction.
Descriptio	Description: As a registered user I want to submit my activity development for feedback.		
Acceptanc	cceptance Criteria: Given a completed activity, when the user cl submit, then it should allow submission for correct		
Priority	High	Points:	5

Table 13. Activity feedback through Al					
ID	HU-10	Name:	Activity feedback through IA		
Description	n:		As a registered user I want to receive automatic feedback on my activity to verify my learning.		
Acceptance Criteria:		it, then you sh	ed activity, when requested to correct ould process it with AI in real time rs or hits found and allow retry if not		
Priority	High	Points:	13		

Table 14. Score update					
ID	HU-11	Name:	Score update		
Description: As a registered user I want my score and progrupdated based on activities completed to measure progress.			, , , , , ,		
Acceptance Criteria:		· ·	leted and submitted activity, when it should calculate and award points lty.		
Priority	High	Points:	5		

Table 15. Display of scores and badges					
ID	HU-12	Name:	Score visualizati	and badges ion.	
Description: As a registered user I want to be able to view my accumulated score and badges earned on the platform to check my progress.					
Acceptance	· Criteria:		d user's login to the baded, then it shou nlocked badges.		
Priority	Low	Points:	5		

Sprint 1

	Table 16. Sprint 1					
ID	Priority	Tasks	Dependencies	Time	Status	
HU-01	Upload	Design home page	-	1	Completed	
		Implement login functionality.		1	Completed	
HU-02	Registration	Design registration form.		1	Completed	
		Implement user registration.	HU-01	2	Pending	
HU-03	Register	Validate access credentials.	HU-01, HU-02	1	Completed	
		Redirect to home page.		1	Completed	
HU-04	Media	Display menu of enabled topics.		3	Completed	
HU-05	Media	Go to the content of the selected topic.	HU-04	1	Pending	
HU-06	High	Show theory of the subject in multimedia format.	HU-05	2	Pending	
HU-12	Low	Show the user's total score.		1	Pending	

Sprint 2 Duration 14 days.

	Table 17. Sprint 2					
ID	Priority	Tasks	Dependencies	Time	Status	
HU-07	Media	Show practical example of the topic in code.	HU-06	2	Pending	
		Allow to generate a new example using AI.		2	Pending	
HU-08	High	Present a practical activity on the topic.	HU-06	2	Pending	
HU-09	Discharge	Allow submission of completed activity.	HU-08	2	Pending	
HU-10	High	Correct activity in real time using AI.	HU-09	3	Pending	
		Allow retry of activity if incorrect.		3	Pending	

Sprint 3

Duration: 5 days.

	Table 18. Sprint 3					
ID	Priority	Tasks	Dependencies	Time	Status	
HU-11	Registration	Update user's score and progress.	HU-10	3	Pending	
HU-12	Download	Show unlocked badges.		2	Pending	

Data structure

The following is the entity-relationship diagram of the prototype database.

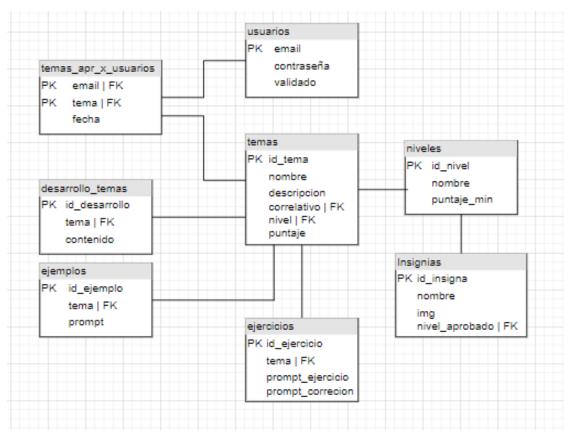


Figure 4. Entity-relationship diagram

Screen interface prototypes

Registration form

This interface shows the user registration form. The user completes it and is registered to the platform in order to start interacting with it.

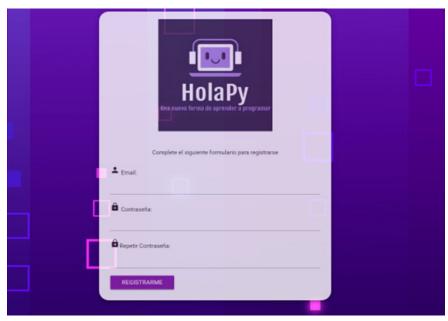


Figure 5. Platform registration prototype

Login Form

Registered users, through the following interface, can log in to the platform by entering their email and password.

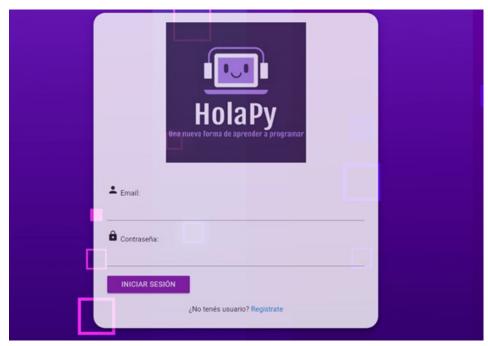


Figure 6. Prototype login to the platform

Welcome screen

This is the screen that is immediately displayed when the user enters the platform. It shows the user's badges, score, and enabled topics. From here the user can click on the topic he/she wishes to study to proceed to the following interfaces.

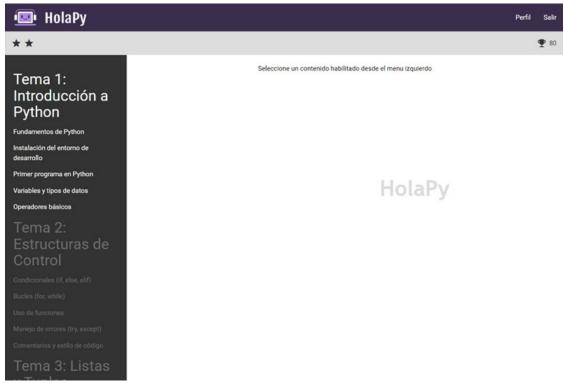


Figure 7. Welcome screen prototype

Presentation of theoretical content

In this interface, the header shows the same information as the previous one, but in the central part, the theoretical content to be addressed by the student. Once addressed, the student can click on the "See example" button to continue with an example of the theory addressed.

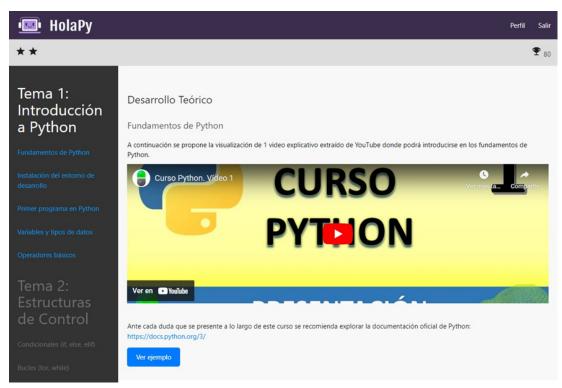


Figure 8. Prototype theoretical presentation of topic

Example of topic addressed

The central part of this interface shows an example generated by AI. It can be regenerated as many times as the student needs using the "Regenerate" button. Once the example has been read, the student will be able to solve an activity to validate his/her knowledge of the topic. This is accessed by clicking on the "start activity" button.

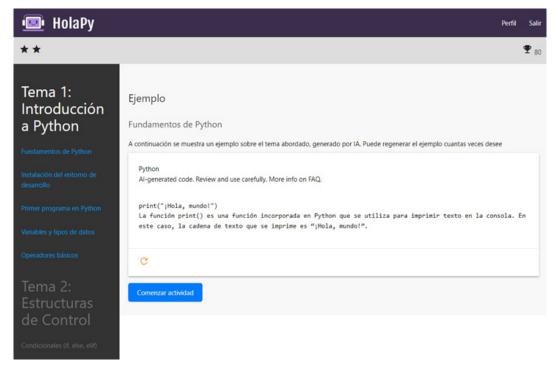


Figure 9. Prototype example of a topic

Show activity instructions

In this interface we can see that in the central part an Al-generated activity setpoint is displayed. Below it there is a text box so that the student can write the resolution to it. Once described, the student must press the "send" button, so that the Al corrects it.

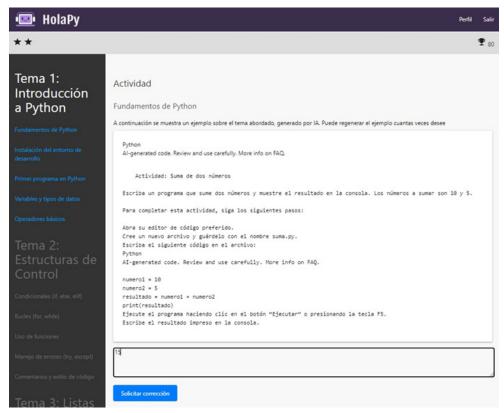


Figure 10. Prototype of the instruction to be solved

Activity correction

Once the activity has been sent, the Al corrects it. If it is correct, it must show on the screen that the activity is approved. In case it is not correct, it must show this status on the screen and a corresponding feedback.

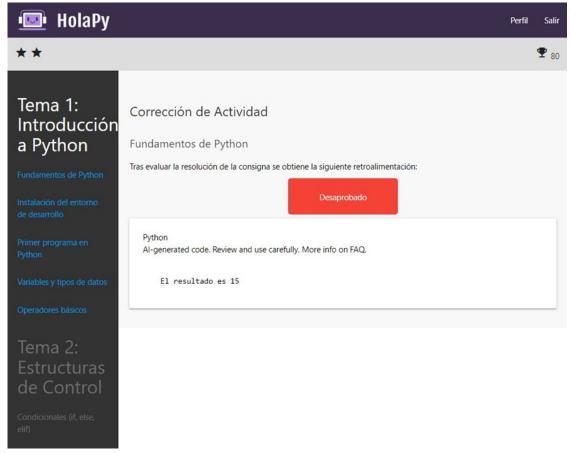


Figure 11. Prototype of the feedback of the task to be solved

Architecture diagram

The following diagram shows the system architecture carried out in the prototyping.

A shared hosting server of the company Net Service Argentina was used to host the prototype, which has implemented an Apache Web server that is in charge of executing the PHP application and serving the web content to the clients. In addition, a MySQL server is used to store the application data.

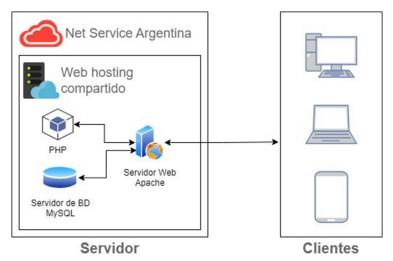


Figure 12. Architecture diagram

Security

The following is a technical discussion of those aspects related to system security, both in terms of access to the application and in terms of information backup policies.

Access to the application

- 1. The user name is used together with the password for login. It must be unique, i.e., it must not exist more than once in the database.
 - 2. The password must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Minimum of 8 characters.
 - b. At least one number.
 - c. Have at least one symbol.
- 3. The password is encrypted using PHP's md5 function, which generates a 128-bit hash of the password. This hash is stored in the database instead of the original password. md5 allows the password to be encrypted without being reversible, since it is impossible to recover the original password from the generated hash. In addition, it generates different hashes for the same passwords, increasing security.
- 4. The application manages two profiles, which define the level of access to certain system functionalities:
 - a. User: profile with access to the platform's functionalities that allow the user to study, going through the theoretical development, examples and exercises. As well as advancing through the enabled topics and visualizing scores and badges.
 - b. Administrator: profile with full access to the platform, in addition to the basic profile roles, includes user management, content and configuration.

Information backup policy

To back up user information and application code, there will be two copies of the data and one copy of the source code, namely:

- User data is stored in the MySQL database. Daily it is backed up by the hosting service provider.
- On a weekly basis, the most recent database backup is manually downloaded and stored in a cloud service external to the hosting service such as Google Drive.
 - The source code is maintained in a private online Git repository.

Complying with the above ensures redundancy against any loss of information.

Cost analysis

The following is the cost analysis of the system development contemplating the necessary profiles to be hired:

Table 19. Cost analysis. HR							
Role Monthly cost (ARS) Months Totals Subtotal (ARS)							
Frontend Programmer	610 000	3	1 830 000				
Backend Programmer	650 000	3	1 950 000				
Tester	535 000	2	1 070 000				
Total Development in A	Total Development in Argentine Pesos 4 850 000						

The values of fees were estimated based on average salaries for such roles in Argentina according to CPCIPC. In addition, the following monthly operating costs are considered:

Table 20. Cost analysis. Web hosting service						
Resource / Service	Qty.	Provider	Monthly Subtotal (ARS)			
SSL Certificate Unlimited SSD Disk Space Unlimited Monthly Transfer Unlimited Databases 30 E-mail accounts @yourdomain Daily backups	1	Net Service Argentina (Plan: Individual Hosting Unlimited)	2 590			
ChatGPT API	1	OpenAl	5 000			
Total, Monthly in Argentine pesos			7 590			

The monthly value of shared hosting has been taken from the website of the company Net Service Argentina in October 2023.⁽¹⁾

There are no hardware acquisition costs since users use their personal devices or devices already available in the educational institutions (desktop PCs, notebooks, cell phones) to access the system. One device per user accessing the system is required.

All the technologies and applications used for the development of this project are open source and/or free, therefore, no monetary costs are incurred in terms of software licensing.

The following table shows the software resources used and their corresponding official site where they can be downloaded free of charge.

Table 21. Cost analysis. Licenses				
Resource Source				
MySQL	https://dev.mysql.com/			
Apache HTTP Server	https://httpd.apache.org/			
PHP	https://www.php.net/			

Table 22. Cost analysis. Su	ummary of costs
Initial Cost (ARS)	4 850 000
Monthly Recurrent Cost (ARS)	7590

Risk Analysis

The table below shows the risks involved in carrying out the project, describing the types of risks, classified as technical and project risks, and detailing the root cause of the problem.

	Table 23. Identified project risks						
		Identifie	ed project risks				
Id	Туре	Risk	Probability of occurrence	Time of occurrence	Impact level		
1	Project	Development time is extended due to technical difficulty of the project	Media	In the middle or near the end of development	High		
2	Project	Errors are detected in the application, at the time of testing	Medium	At the end of development	Medium		
3	Project	Staff is technically declared	Low	Halfway through development	High		
		Unable to continue development					
4	Project	Abandonment of the project by some of the staff members	Unsubscribe	Throughout development	High		
5	Product	Final product does not arouse the interest of end users	Medium	After development is completed	High		
6	Product	The final product does not meet expectations after being used for a long time.	Medium	After project completion	High		
7	Project	Actual project cost is much higher than estimated due to local currency depreciation.	High	In the middle or near the end of development	High		

According to the risks identified, the degree of exposure has been calculated taking into account the probability of occurrence and their expected impact. The risks identified are shown below in order from the highest to the lowest degree of exposure.

Table 24. Quantitative analysis and degree of exposure					
Highest to the lowest degree of	exposure				
The final product does not arouse the interest of the end users	50 %	5	2,5		
The final product does not meet expectations after being used for a long time.	60 %	4	2,4		
Errors are detected in the application at the time of testing	50 %	3	1,5		
Abandonment of the project by some staff members	25 %	4	1		
Staff declares itself technically incapable of continuing with development	15 %	5	0,75		

The risks with the highest degree of exposure, calculated on the basis of probability and impact, are those that could cause the most significant damage during project implementation if they were to materialize.

The mitigation strategies for each identified risk are listed below, in order of their degree of exposure. The risks with the highest degrees should receive priority attention because of their potential adverse effect on the project. The project manager will be responsible for monitoring the presence of these risks and implementing the necessary contingency plans to reduce their impact should they occur.

Table 25. Contingency plan for risks	
Contingency plan for risks	
Risk	Contingency plan
	Re-estimate the budget as soon as possible, considering the loss of value of the Argentine peso in previous periods.
Development time is extended due to the technical difficulty of the project	Allocate a portion of the budget for hire highly qualified personnel for the most critical development tasks, such as software design and programming.
The final product does not arouse the interest of end users.	Obtain feedback from a select group of potential users by presenting partial versions of the application developed during the process.

The final product does not meet expectations after being used for a long time.	Continuously monitor user feedback over time and make periodic updates to the application.
Errors are detected in the application at the time of testing.	Slightly postpone the release date of the application and then continue to make updates immediately after release to fix urgent bugs.
Abandonment of the project by some staff members.	Agree in advance with skilled staff to keep them on standby and hire in case any positions are released.
Staff declaring themselves technically unable to continue development	Agree in advance with higher level technical staff to hold them on standby and hire in case this situation occurs.

CONCLUSIONS

In this final degree work, the development of a gamified web platform for teaching programming and databases using artificial intelligence was proposed. The main objective was to create an innovative tool to facilitate the initial learning of programming concepts in an entertaining and interactive way.

The proposed objectives have been satisfactorily met through the prototyping process carried out. An investigation was carried out to determine the most relevant contents for an introduction to programming. Then, theoretical and practical exercises adapted to these concepts were designed through the application of gamification techniques. Subsequently, a functional prototype of the web platform that integrates the previously designed contents was developed. Finally, artificial intelligence functionality was incorporated to provide examples and personalized feedback to users on their activities.

Thus, the system obtained allows validating the usefulness and technical feasibility of the proposal. The results achieved so far have been positive and allow us to glimpse the impact of the web platform in the initial teaching of programming. From a professional perspective, this project represented an enriching challenge to be able to apply knowledge of programming, databases, artificial intelligence and design of user interface. On a personal level, it has been a rewarding experience to be able to develop an innovative technological solution that seeks to improve education in key disciplines such as programming. It is hoped that in the future another student can take this thesis and implement and evaluate the platform in a real context of use and complete its development.

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