

How do Swedish technology teachers assess programming education in grade 4-6?





- 2018
 - programming, grades K-9
 - northern continental tradition => no methods nor concepts
- Mathematics

Algebra

- Programming in visual programming environments. How algorithms are created and used in programming.
- Technology

Working methods to develop technical solutions

- Control of one's constructions or other objects with programming.
- "Get a glimpse of digitalization"
 - Code writing, problem solving
 - Holistic perspective => creativity, control, simulation, and democratic dimensions



- Teaching & assessment intricately linked
 - Study assessment => understand teaching
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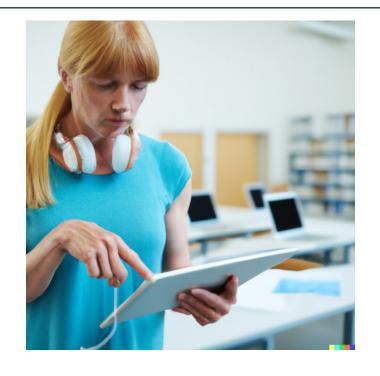
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- Functions, procedures, methods
- Algorithms
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- Parameters (input to a function)
- Data structure
- Decomposition (breaking down a program into smaller parts)
- Reusability
- Arrays (list with variables or constants)
- Logical thinking
- Formal language grammar and syntax (formalism)

...educational research and pedagogical literature, rather than traditional computer science research...



- 7 teachers, experienced in programming in school
- Survey, underline grading criteria and abilities
- Semi structured intreviews
- Zoom, $\approx 1 \text{ h}$
- Show 2-4 examples





Teaching: 28 years

Programming: 6 years

7,5 credits

Motivation: stay updated & a passion for digital technology





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- critical thinking, independent problem-solving, collaboration, and reflection,
- practical activities, encouraging experimentation
- foster technical knowledge, construction skills, and programming proficiency
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- Camilla: Integration of curriculum in programming education in technology holistic evaluation
- Identify key characteristic (e.g. 'Big ideas') => Comprehensive
 & progressive approach to programming edu. in technology



Preparing student => skills & knowledge



Thank you for your attention!

Clarification, questions, or thoughts?

