### Development of online courses on a method of coding education for K12 teachers in Japan.



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# Industrial development and informatics education in Japan

## **ICT** change

- Development of Information and Communication technologies change our daily life.
- Our social system is depending on software not hardware.



#### Nissan LEAF 🗭

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航続距離をさらに延ばした "e+"登場。



NISSAN INTELLIGENT MOBILITY



Nissan LEAF from Japan



#### Nikon D5600 from Japan





#### TV from Korea



#### Smart phone from Asian Countries





#### In 20th century

- Japan accounts for a large share of the world in automobiles and cameras.
- In the past decades, there were many Japanese products in television, radio, audio, and computers.
- Many of these products are made in China, Korea, and Taiwan.

## Old age in Japan

- Especially, many Japanese over the age of 60 don't want to incorporate ICT into their lives
- because they believe Japan succeeded in the 20th century without the help of ICT.



#### Poor ICT make Japan as..

	1960-1970	1980-2010	2019
Japan	Developping	ICT revolution	
	heavy industr.		
Developping		Developping	
countries		ICT revolution	

Many Japanese think "ICT is unnecessary!"

# Japan's informatics education and utilizing ICT in school

### Incorporating coding education

- So many governments are adopting the way of write software into school curriculum.
- Incorporating coding education into elementary school is important.

#### Poor ICT Education make Japan as..

The author believes that one of the reasons for this situation is that Japanese information education was not rich.
Japan's information education lags behind other Asian countries.

#### **Historical reason**

 On incorporating CS and ICT education, level is affected by the overlapping period in the development of information and communication technology, ICT, and the country's economic development.

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# Former ICT education in Japanese education





#### Computer School in future(S. Komatsuzaki, 1969) 19/53

#### **Educational Reform in Japan**

- MEXT Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- In 1998, MEXT published a revised National Syllabus for K-12 education on CS and ICT



## In high school,

- Since 2003, all high school students must learn "informatics" as a mandatory subject.
- The student who studied ICT in high school in 2003 was a first year high school student and was 16 years old and currently 32 years old.

# ICT education in Japanese university



#### In Japanese University,

- Students have been educated for more than 10 years until high school.
- Many universities require ICT classes / courses for new students
- Many Japanese students need to improve their MS Office skills
- Many freshmen think coding is too difficult.

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# Microsoft Office 世界学生大会 2010

Poster of MS Office World student Championship 201024/53

#### For future teachers,

- This is the same situation for university students who want to become future teachers.
- Current teachers in Japan are studying MS Office during their university days
- After becoming a teacher, they are devoted to teaching MS Office.
- They think they are not good at coding.

# Coding in Educational Reform by the Japanese Government



### **Recentry reform**

- Several years ago, the Japanese government began reforming information education for K-12 schools and university. The following contents are newly added to the learning contents.
- Coding, Data science, The characteristics of artificial intelligence, Information design.

## From 2020, coding will be mandatory

- to learn in elementary school.
- From 2022, data science will be mandatory for studying in high school.
- Artificial intelligence will be an important subject in university in these few years.



#### Serious Problem is...



#### In Japan, many teachers work...



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#### • In Japan, many teachers work...

# but few teachers can teach ICT.



# About The Open University of Japan



## The Open University of Japan (OUJ)

- Japan wide broadcasting satellite and internet.
- the offline lectures, classroom sessions, are provided at 57 'study centers'



#### regular education of OUJ

- OUJ has both regular and non-regular courses.
  - Regular courses include older students who retired their vocation, working students of recurrent education.
  - OUJ has bachelor's, master's and doctoral courses.



### In regular education, -2015

- Testing schedule is not frexible.
- Number of Testing sites is up to 100.
- use paper textbook
- Only two (Apr 1 and Oct 1) to entering day
- OUJ did't accept any credit card.



### In regular education, 2016–

- OUJ launched Online course
  - Testing schedule is frexible.
  - send assingments from studnets PC at home.
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- Only two (Apr 1 and Oct 1) to entering day
- OUJ did't accept any credit card.



# non-regular — Extension Course of

#### **Extension Courses**

- This is called "campus ex".
- extension course students are looking for useful skills and knowledge, not credit.
- Therefore, those students do not need to take a strict exam.

#### **OUJ** launched new courses

 OUJ has started a coding course for school teachers.

The extension course of the Open University of Japan is different from the regular course as follows.

#### **Differnce in regular and extension**

- Flexible start time
- Payment by credit card
- Diversification of test locations
- Digital course certificate

# About two new extension courses



#### **OUJ produced two courses**

(A)Introduction of incorporating coding education to elementary school
(B)Teaching Method of Scratch Coding

# (A) Introduction of incorporating coding education to elementary school

- three 45-minute video materials.Goals
  - Learn the history and current state of how information education has been implemented in Japanese elementary schools.
  - Understand the necessity and purpose of coding education in elementary school.



Opening title of "Introduction of incorporating coding education53

## (B) Teaching Method of Scratch Coding

- Eight 45-minute online materials.
- Lecture on how to learn Scratch, a coding environment created by Professor Mitchel Resnick, director of Lifelong Kindergarten Group at MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) Media Lab.





## Testing

- Participants will see these video materials for research and take a CBT exam at a company site outsourced by OUJ.
- There are over 100 venues in Japan, and participants can take tests for several days.
- The evaluation does not use IRT.



#### 今回は小学校で学んだ後、中学校や高校では どのような情報教育プログラミング教育が行われるかについて

Yoshida Aoi, Abe Kazuhiro, and Ito Kazunari

#### Contents

- Introduction to Scratch
- Code Examples of Scratch
- Coding technique of Scratch
- How to facilitate a Scratch learning studnet at elementary school.
- Teachers understand the need to actively continue lifelong learning.



Turtle Graphics by Scratch



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#### 下記の試験の受験申請を行ってください。

対象試験	Scratchプログラミング指導法
受験申込期間	2019年7月22日 15時00分 ~ 2020年3月22日 23時59分
試験実施期間	2019年7月22日 ~ 2020年3月25日
変更・キャンセル可能期限	受験日の3日前まで可能
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A learner's dashboard page

2. 「Scratchプログラミング指導法」

#### オンライン講座受講受付中

受講受付中!

「小学校プログラミング教育 導入編」のオンライン講座修了者を対象に、ビジュアルプログラミング言語 の一つである「Scratch」を用いて、実際にプログラミングを体験しながら、プログラミングについて学 び、小学校の授業内での活用方法などを学びます。なお、講座の修了には、試験会場にて試験を受けてい ただきます。自由な時間で予約ができ、全国260箇所以上で受験可能です。修了者には修了証を交付しま す。



#### Scratchとは

……マサチューセッツ工科大学メディアラボのライフロングキンダーガーテングループによってデザイン・開発されたプログラミング環境。命令の書かれた「ブロック」を組み合わせることで、アニメーションやゲームなどの様々なプログラムを作り、アイデアをかたちにすることができる。



#### Promotion web site

#### Schedule for future course

- Coding education will start at junior high schools in 2021 and high schools in 2022.
- OUJ will create these additional training classes for teachers of junior high and high scholes

#### I expect that

- OUJ will also offer flexible course registration times, CBT tests, IBT tests, credit card payments, and digital certificate issuances
- not only more extension courses in regular classes, but also existing courses are expected to be operated with this system.