





# ADVANTAGES AND CHALLENGES IN PRESENTING MATHEMATICAL CONTENT USING EDX PLATFORM

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### Presentation outline

- Open educational resources
- Tempus project BAEKTEL
- edX platform
- Course "Preparation for entry exam"
- Didactical criteria for developing OER content
- Termi application –connecting with course "Preparation for entry exam"
- Conclusion

### Open Educational Resources - OER

### **Open Educational Resources (OER), definition:**

OER materials are educational materials that can be freely accessed, changed, reused and shared. They include courses, textbooks, videos, tests, software ...

### Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) providers

edX – MIT, Harvard (As of March 24, 2016, edX has more than 7 million students taking more than 700 courses online)

Coursera - Stanford (As of January 11, 2016, Coursera offers 1 563 courses from 140 partners across 28 countries)

Udacity - (As of April 28, 2014, Udacity has 1.6 million users)

### Tempus project - Blending Academic and Entrepreneurial Knowledge in Technology Enhanced Learning (BAEKTEL)

### Main purposes of the project :

- Establish an OER framework for fostering technology enhanced learning
- Establishing cooperation between academic institutions and enterprises in the purpose of sharing knowledge

### **EdX platform**













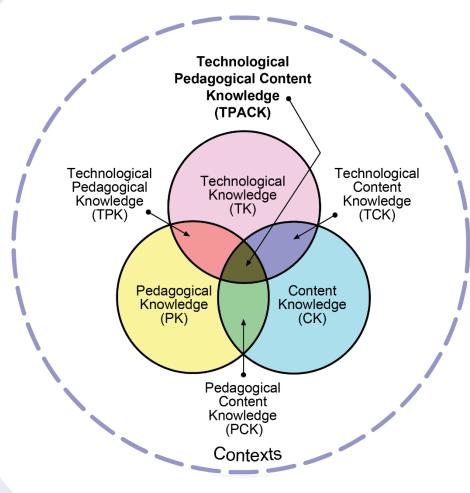






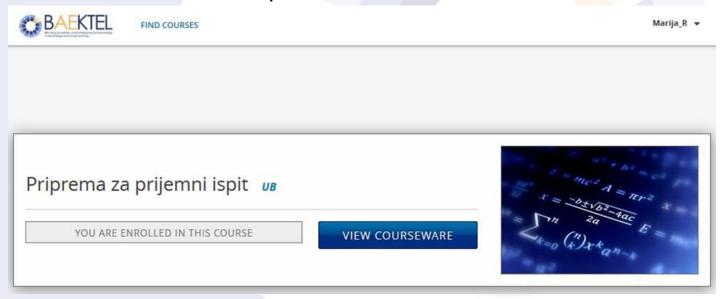
### TPACK-Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge

TPACK has been presented as a system which interconnects and intersects technology, pedagogy, and content knowledge

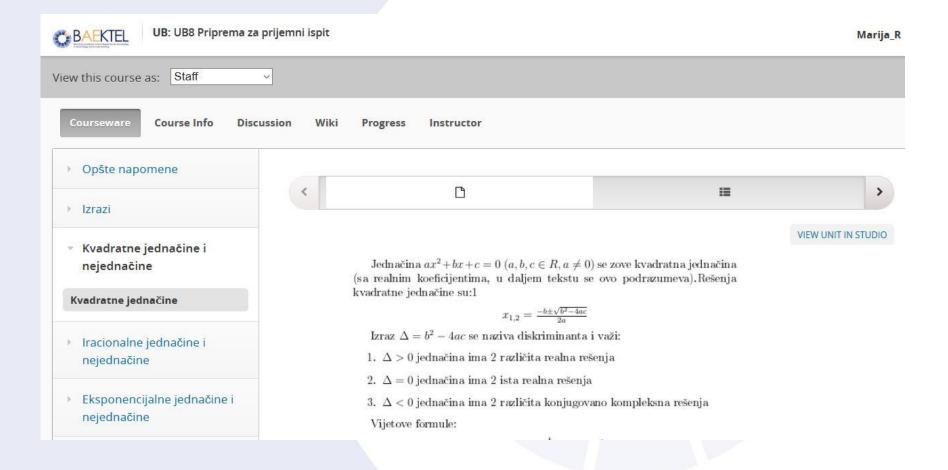


# Course "Preparation for entry exam"

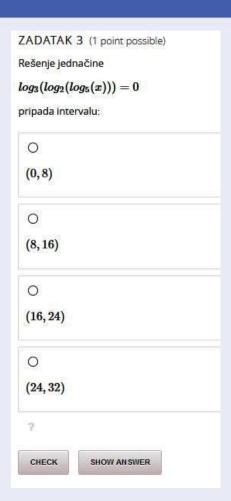
- 13 sections
- Theoretical part -The theoretical part contains basic axioms, theorems and formulae related to a specific mathematical topic
- Exercise part contains tasks that represent relevant and purposeful examples
- Instructions for the exam process



### View of courseware



### View of a task



Rešenje  $\log_3(\log_2(\log_5(x))) = 0$  $log_2(log_5(x)) = 1$  $log_5(x)=2$ x = 25Dakle, rešenje pripada intervalu (24,32). CHECK HIDE ANSWER

### Under the hood

- Python programming language
- LaTex notation for mathematical formulae
- Tags

#### Editing: ZADATAK 4

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# Some didactic criteria for developing OER content

Principle of systematization and gradualism in the

teaching process

Principle of active role of end users in learning process

COURSE

SECTION

UNIT

SECTION

LESSON

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- Didactic principle of science
- Connecting theory and practice

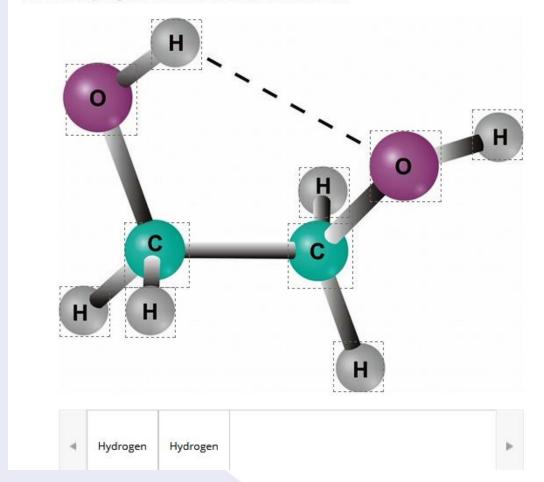
# Advantages of edX platform which are in line with didactical criteria

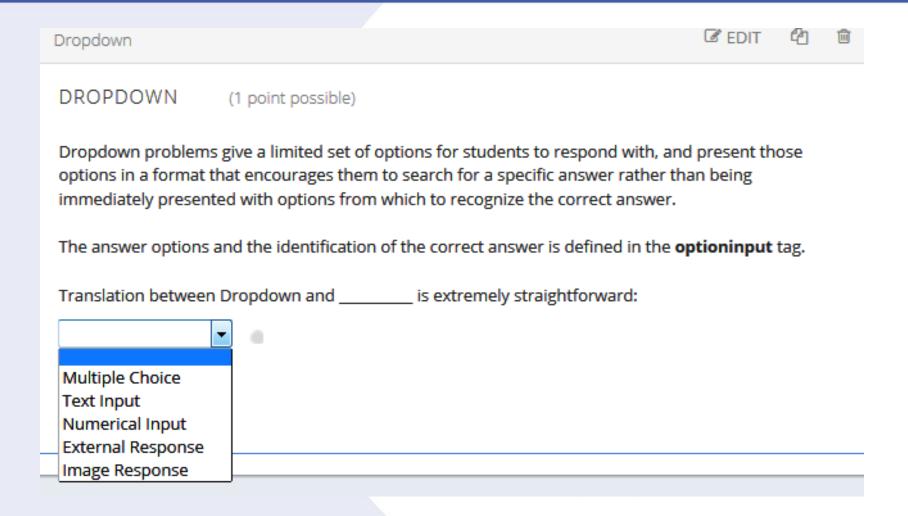
- Allows adding and easy editing videos, tasks, texts...
- Combining different components in the same unit
- Wide specter of tasks in various forms
- Monitoring a user progress
- Detailed description of learning materials
- Easy to use

TEXT INPUT (1 point possible)	
A text input problem accepts a line of text from the student, and evaluates the input for correctness based on an expected answer. The answer is correct if it matches every character of the expected answer. This can be a problem with international spelling, dates, or anything where the format of the answer is not clear.	
Which US state has Lansing as its capital?	
Check	
NUMERICAL INPUT (3 points possible)	
A numerical input problem accepts a line of text input from the student, and evaluates the input for correctness based on its numerical value.	
The answer is correct if it is within a specified numerical tolerance of the expected answer.	
Enter the numerical value of Pi:	

#### DRAG AND DROP WITH OUTLINE

Please label hydrogen atoms connected with left carbon atom.





#### MULTIPLE CHOICE

(1 point possible)

A multiple choice problem presents radio buttons for student input. Students can only select a single option presented. Multiple Choice questions have been the subject of many areas of research due to the early invention and adoption of bubble sheets.

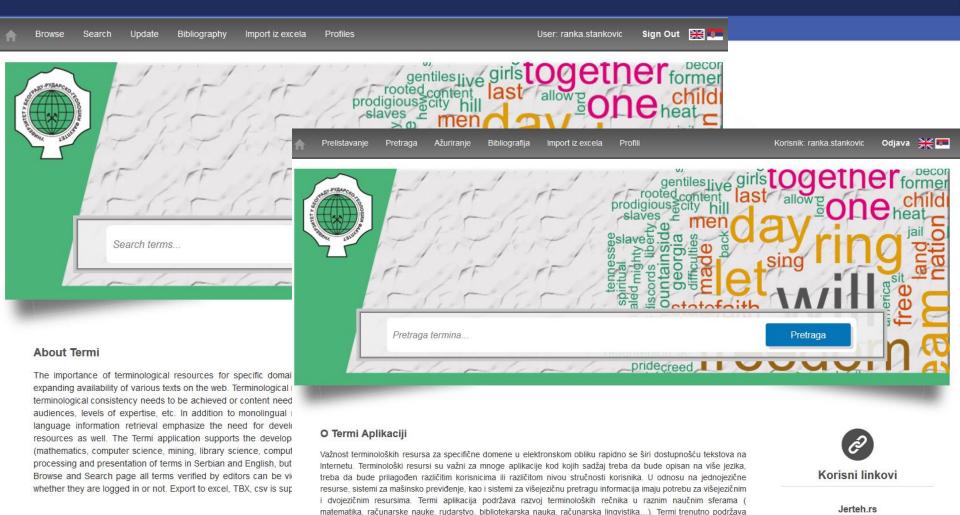
One of the main elements that goes into a good multiple choice question is the existence of good distractors. That is, each of the alternate responses presented to the student should be the result of a plausible mistake that a student might make.

What Apple device competed with the portable CD player?

- 0
- The iPad
- Napster
- The iPod
- The vegetable peeler

Check

# Termi application as a support for the development of terminological dictionaries in various fields



obradu i prikaz termina na engleskom i srpskom jeziku, a u planu je razvoj za druge jezike. Na stranicama

Prelistavanje i Pretraga dostupni su svi termini verifikovani od strane autora. Ove stranice u vidljive svin korisnicima bili prijavljeni ili ne. Podržan je izvoz u eksel tabelu, TBX i csv fajlove, a u planu je i razvoj izvoza u rdf, owl i slične

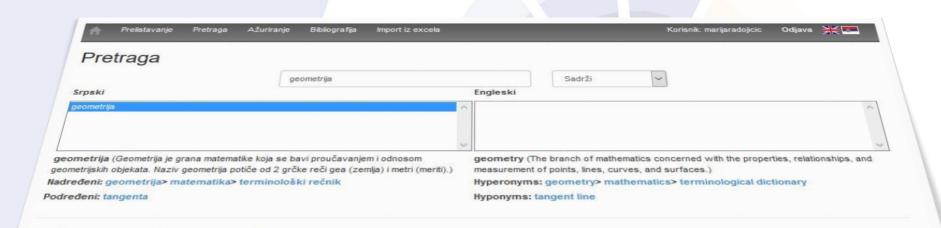
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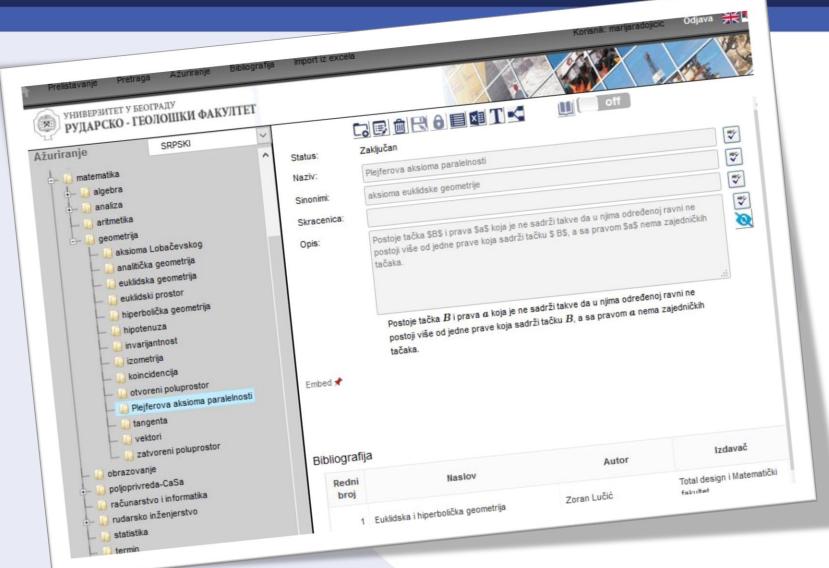
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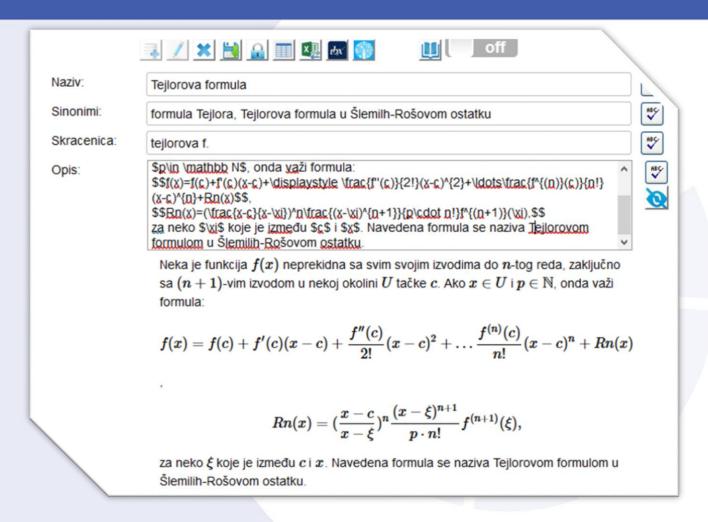
## Termi application - search page



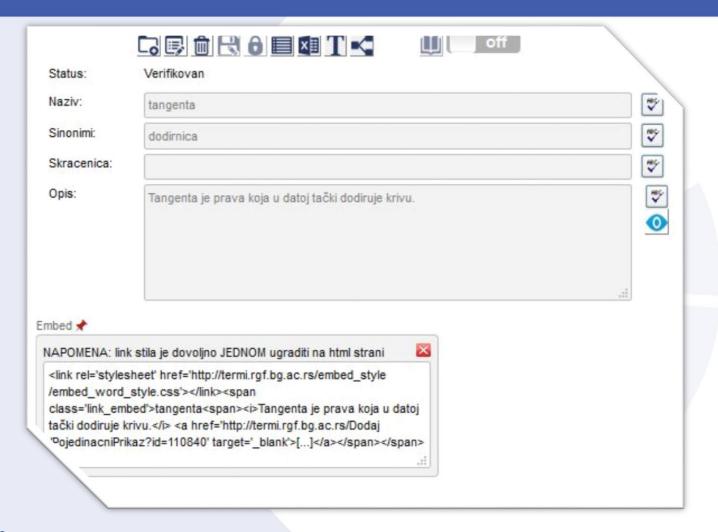
# Termi application - math terms



### Termi application - math example



## Linking terms from courses to Termi



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ZADATAK 1 (1 point possible)

Jednačina tangente kružnice

 $k: x^2 + y$  Tangenta je prava koja u datoj tački dodiruje krivu.[...]

koje su paralelne pravoj

$$p: 2x - y + 1 = 0$$

### Tangenta # Tangent line

Termin:	■ tangenta 🎇 tangent line
Definica:	■ Tangenta je prava koja u datoj tački dodiruje krivu.
	Tangent line to a plane curve at a given point is the straight line that touches the curve at that point
Nadređeni koncept: :	geometrija matematika terminološki rečnik
Bibliografija :	The Crooked Made Straight: Roberval and Newton on Tangents, Wolfson, Paul R, 2001

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# Concluding remarks

- "Preparation for entry exam" was offered to more than 300 students, but only 155 students have enrolled
- Possible reasons:
  - unsuccessful promotion of the course and its content
  - lack of students' habit to use OER courses
  - lack of interest of students for additional learning materials
  - students' fear that their work will be evaluated by their future teachers
  - lack of internet access or basic IT skills required
- Introduction of this course did not mean just adding a new tool, but also offering a new learning paradigm
- There are still open questions what can be done to improve and promote
   OER in Serbia and to explore crucial reasons for scarce use of OER







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