Exploring with teachers the functional world in an enriched environment with computers

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The research team at the University takes part of a collaborative group with secondary school teachers in order to study the transformation produced by the introduction of the computers into the students’ work.

A brief tour about the collaborative group:

In 2008 a group of high school teachers of Buenos Aires, specialists in teaching mathematics and students-teacher was formed. The idea was to think all together about the teaching of mathematics, designing proposals and analyzing their performance at class. From the beginning, the group's concern was how to communicate their productions to other teachers in the country.

-Late in 2009 began the distribution of notebooks in all the public secondary schools around the country. “One for each student, with the goal of “reduces the technological gap” between different sectors of society. In order to think how this incorporation can contribute to improve the secondary school education, the “Monday’s Group ” started to consider this incorporation in their educational proposals.

-First, they develop a proposal for learning polynomial functions that picks up that challenge. In my lecture I hope to share details of this collaborative work.

- Currently and since 2012, the group of teachers met with teachers from the UNIPE. We work from the teaching sequence developed by the Monday’s Group, about quadratic function in a context of “pencil and paper”, with the intention of transforming it to carry out an embodiment of the computer at work students. I will be details in my lecture of this step of work.

The convergence of views and approaches on the one hand, and the diversity of experience, on the other, that characterizes the conformation of the research team, create good conditions for thinking about teaching and learning in key transformations for real and proper integration of TIC.

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2 Because of the day the group meets, it’s called “Grupo de los lunes” (Mondays group).
