


Workshop on Widening
Access to TinyML Network by
Establishing Best Practices in
Education



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Launching TinyML edX and Long Term Support



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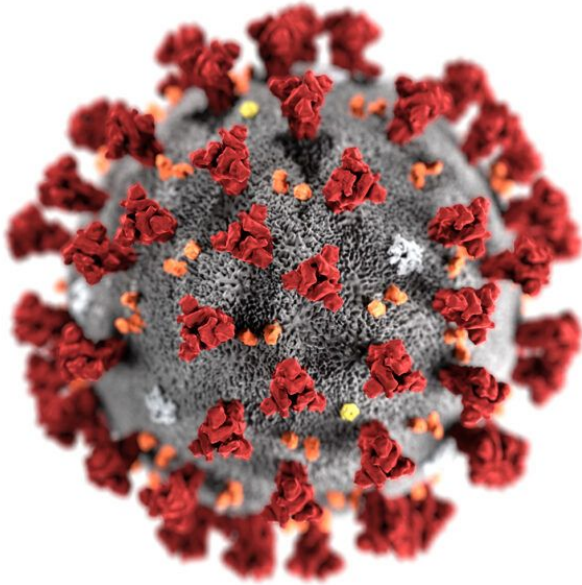


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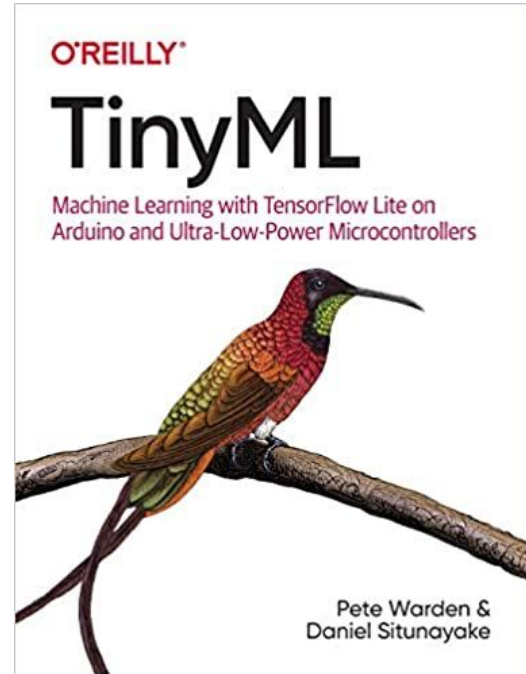
1. **Why** TinyML on edX?
2. The **Development** Process
and Lessons Learned
3. **Long Term** Support
Successes and Challenges

Why TinyML on edX?

Setting the Context



**Late
Spring
2020**



Setting the Context

Let's Teach a Course on TinyML

A screenshot of the TinyML course website header. The header is dark blue with white text. On the left is the Harvard University crest. To its right are the words 'TinyML', 'Home', 'Lectures', 'Final Projects', 'Assignments', 'HarvardX', and 'FAQ'. A search icon is on the far right. Below the navigation is the course title 'CS249r: Tiny Machine Learning' in large white font, followed by the subtitle 'Applied Machine Learning for Embedded IoT Devices' in a smaller white font.

TinyML Home Lectures Final Projects Assignments HarvardX FAQ

CS249r: Tiny Machine Learning

Applied Machine Learning for Embedded IoT Devices

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Can we broaden access to our course?

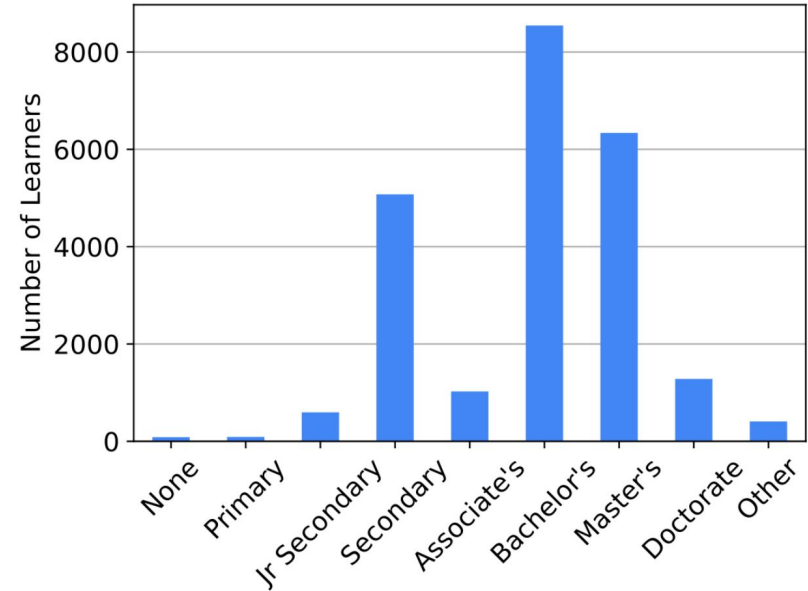
Why not work
with us?



The Development Process and Lessons Learned

Why is an edX Course Different?

1. Students are both **More and Less** Experienced
2. Increased Challenge of **“Chunking”** to Preserve Learner Attention
3. **Inability to Directly Support** all Learners Especially with IT



The Development Process



Key Lessons Learned

Simplify the Barriers to Entry to
Attract Students (Colab + Low-Cost Kit)

Real-World Hands-On Applications
Retain Learners

Large Teams of Diverse Experts
are Needed for Fast Timelines
(Content + Formatting + Platform)

Industry Collaborations are
Vital (Google, ARM, Arduino)

**Process Matters –
Collocation Does Not**

**Less is
More**

**Hardware is
Hard**

Long Term Support Successes and Challenges

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1. Videos Can't be Changed (Easily)
2. Future Proofing by Design
3. Prepare for Surprises
4. Plan for Who Does the Support


- Videos as Background and **Fundamentals**.
- Code and Hands-On pegged to **Specific Versions** of OSS but prepare for the version to **No Longer Work!**
- 2 Year Support can be You – 5+ years needs a **Transition Plan!**

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