

Free and open-source tools for interactive training

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Models

- Freeware: free to use but code is usually not open
- **FOSS/FLOSS** (free (libre) and open-source software) / free to use, access to the source code, can be modified
- Freemium: basic options are free, advanced options for pay
- Free trial: free to use but limited in an important way (time limits are usually involved)

Pay attention to:

- Terms and conditions (time and usage limitations)
- Privacy policy (e.g. what happens with uploaded data)
- Can you download and export your work?
- Export formats (interoperability)
- Sustainability of the service (difficult to assess)
- Alternatives and the exit strategy

Final consideration

- Available tools are far from perfect.
- Too much wasted effort + limited interoperability
- Test new tools.
- Rethink with reusability in mind.
- Choose the medium that allows you to convey the idea.