



Dexter M. Balajadia, Ph.D.

Professor, School of Education
University of the Assumption
PHILIPPINES



Session 12

C-EDUC5 (3 units) ASSESSMENT in Learning 1

Fall Semester 2023



Session 12

**C-EDUC5
ASSESSMENT
in Learning 1**

**Fall Semester
2023**

Reliability Testing through Item Analysis of Test Results

Dexter M. Balajadia, Ph.D.

Professor, School of Education
University of the Assumption
PHILIPPINES



Looking back...

Elements of
the Table of
Specifications
(TOS)

Lesson objectives
or competencies

Basis of the test

Duration & coverage
of instruction

Item proportion

Skills to be assessed

Test items

The type of test

How learners will
respond

Instrument design

Overall mechanics



Looking back...

Principles in Planning for the Test

1

A good test is based on the objectives or content areas of the lessons.

2

The number of test items per topic corresponds to the time consumed in class.

3

An efficient test should be challenging enough for students to think critically.

4

Items across topics covered should be randomly placed in the test paper.

5

All test types in the assessment tool are organized in one plan.



**Looking
back...**

Types of TOS

ONE-WAY

Planning a formative test

Table of Specifications of the Formative Test in Math 6

| Learning Content | No. of Hours | % | No. of Items | Type of Test and Placement |
|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Place Values of Whole Numbers | 3 | 50 | 10 | Identification 1-10 |
| Rounding Off Numbers | 3 | 50 | 10 | Computation 11-20 |
| Total | 6 | 100 | 20 | |



TWO-WAY

Planning a summative test

Table of Specifications of the Summative Test in Math 6

| Learning Content | No. of Hours | % | No. of Items | Item Placement Across Skills | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| | | | | Remembering | Understanding | Applying | Analyzing | Evaluating | Creating |
| Numeration Systems | 3 | 12.5 | 6 | MC: 1 | MC: 5,6 | MC: 16 | MC: 18 | MC 24 | |
| Whole Number Concepts | 6 | 25 | 13 | MC: 2 | | MC: 8 | MC: 7 | | PP: 41-50 |
| Ordinal Numbers | 2 | 8 | 3 | MC: 4 | MC: 9 | MC: 17 | | | |
| Place Values with Rounding Off | 6 | 25 | 15 | | MC: 3 | MC: 10,11 | MC: 12, 21 | PS: 31-40 | |
| Units of Measurement | 4 | 17 | 8 | MC: 13 | | MC:19 | MC: 22 CN: 26-30 | | |
| Estimation | 3 | 12.5 | 5 | MC: 14 | MC: 15 | | MC: 20, 23 | MC: 25 | |
| Total | 24 | 100 | 50 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 10 |

MC – Multiple-Choice

CN – Conversion

PS – Problem-Solving

PP – Problem-Posing

**Looking
back...**

Types of TOS



Session 11

The Table of Specifications

CONCLUSION

The Table of Specifications (TOS) is the blueprint of the assessment instrument to be crafted. It ensures the validity and quality of the planned test, which indicates the learning content and skills to be assessed and how they are assessed.



How can we be sure that the test results represent the real quality of learning?

**Springboard
question to
ponder**



*Image 1: Investing in education is a priority for most Filipinos
(Source: Basillote, Rao, Martinez, Amoranto & Roque, 2018: Online)*



Session 12

Reliability Testing through Item Analysis of Test Results

OBJECTIVES

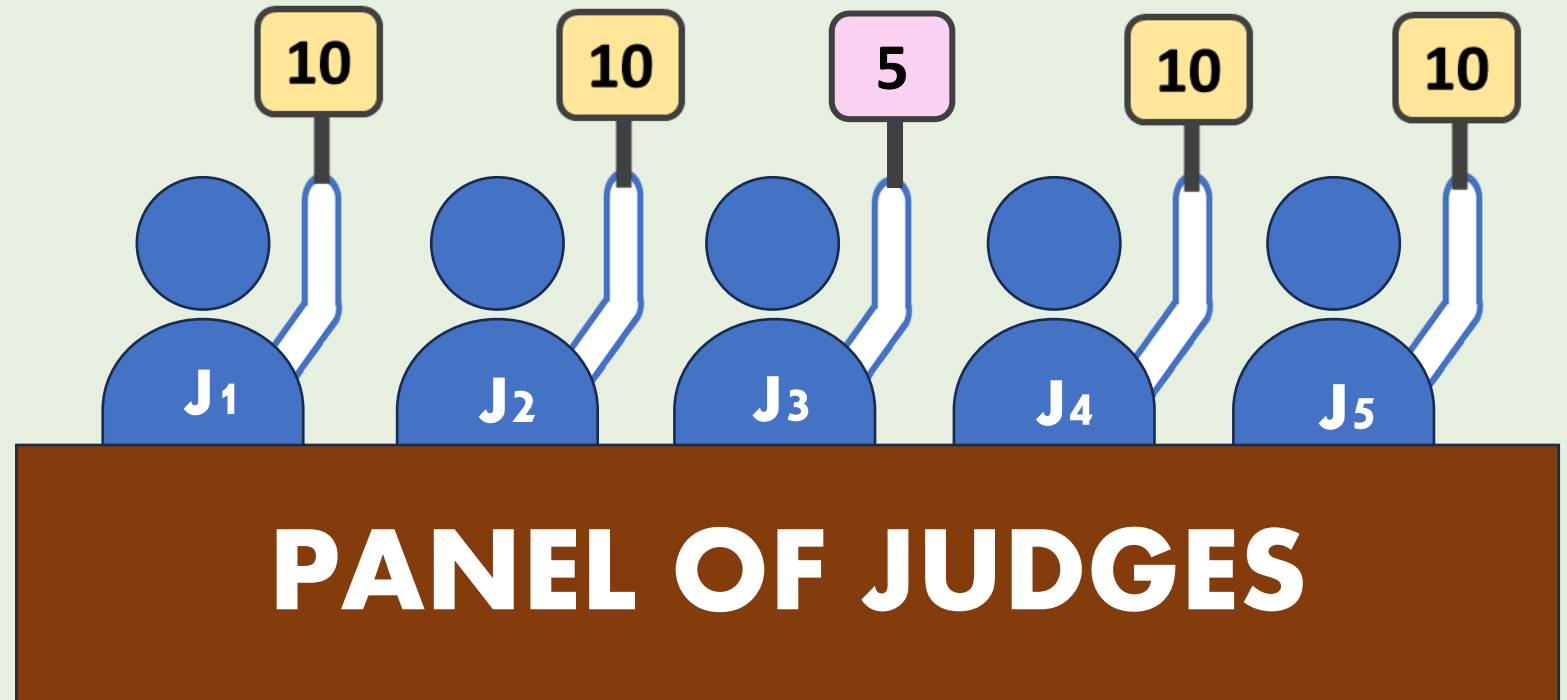
1. Define item analysis and its function in the assessment of learning; and,
2. Determine the three indices in analyzing test item results to describe the quality of teaching and learning.



Topic 1

Checking the dependability of test results

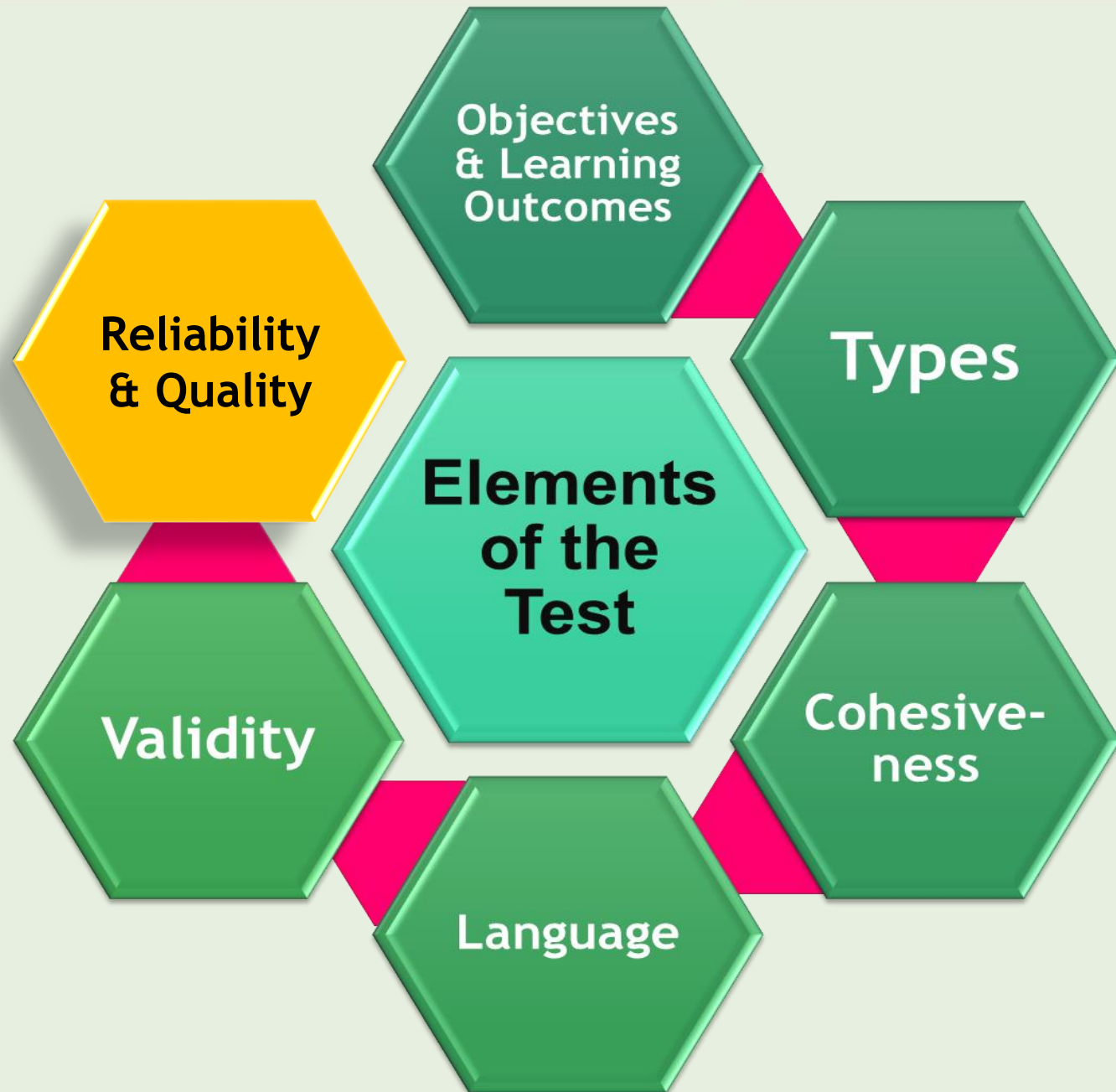
What can you say about the scores?





Topic 1

Checking the dependability of test results





Topic 1

Checking the dependability of test results

Reliability
& Quality

Are the tests we
give to our students
able to obtain
RELIABLE results?

Ability of the test to elicit
consistent responses from the
students that reflect their actual
performance level



For Multiple-Choice Tests

Analyzing the Quality of the Test Items

Topic 1

Checking the dependability of test results

IMPORTANCE

Providing dependable inputs in planning, implementing, and evaluating the curriculum



Topic 1

Checking the dependability of test results

For Multiple-Choice Tests

Analyzing the Quality of the Test Items

Item Difficulty

Discriminatory Power

Distracting Ability



Topic 1

Checking the dependability of test results

Item Difficulty

The ability of the test item to challenge the student's analytical and critical thinking in the test



Topic 1

**Checking the
dependability
of test results**

Discriminatory Power

The ability of the test item to distinguish who really learned and who did not



Topic 1

**Checking the
dependability
of test results**

Distracting Ability

The ability of the wrong or less important options to lure the students who do not know and challenge those who actually know the answer

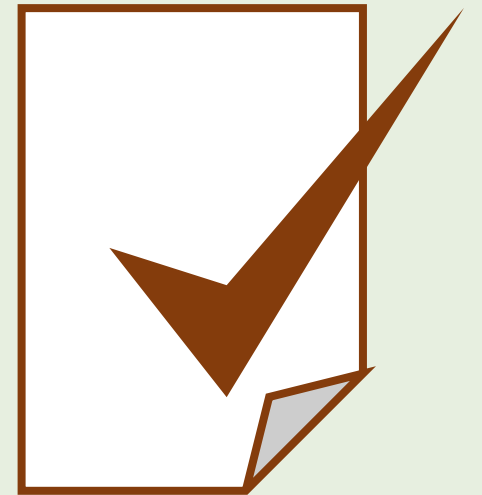
Item Analysis



Topic 2

**Analyzing the
quality of the
test items**

How do we verify if
the test items are of
good quality?





Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

1. Arrange the test papers from highest to lowest scorers after checking and scoring them.
2. Classify the test papers by taking the 25% of the class who got the highest scores and another 25% who got the lowest scores.

Item Analysis

Procedure

based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

3. Make a worksheet to record and prepare the data for analysis.

Topic 2

Analyzing the
quality of the
test items

| Item No. | Highest Scorers (nH=12) | | | |
|----------|-------------------------|---|---|----|
| | A | B | C | D |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 2 |
| 2 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 5 |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| 5 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 |

| Lowest Scorers (nL=12) | | | |
|------------------------|---|---|---|
| A | B | C | D |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 |
| 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| 3 | 5 | 3 | 1 |



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

4. Prepare to compute the P for each item by doing the following:

$$N = nH + nL$$

Where:

N – Total Number of Students considered

nH – number of highest-scoring students

nL – number of lowest-scoring students

$$N = 12 + 12 = \underline{24}$$



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

5. Compute the difficulty index (P) of every test item using this formula:

$$P_i = \frac{cH + cL}{N}$$

P_i – Difficulty index per item

cH – Number of students in the highest group who got the correct answer

cL - Number of students in the lowest group who got the correct answer

N – Total number of students considered

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

| Item No. | Highest Scorers (nH=12) | | | | Lowest Scorers (nL=12) | | | |
|----------|-------------------------|---|---|---|------------------------|---|---|---|
| | A | B | C | D | A | B | C | D |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 |

$$P_i = \frac{CH + CL}{N} \Rightarrow P_i = \frac{8 + 4}{24} = \frac{12}{24} = 0.50$$

| Range | Interpretation | Action |
|----------------|--|----------|
| 0.00 – 0.25 | Difficult | Discard |
| 0.26 – 0.75 | Moderately Difficult (Ideal result) | Retain ← |
| 0.76 and above | Easy | Revise |



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items



Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

Compute the Ps of the other items.

| Item No. | Highest Scorers (nH=12) | | | |
|----------|-------------------------|---|---|----|
| | A | B | C | D |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 2 |
| 2 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 5 |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| 5 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 |

| Lowest Scorers (nL=12) | | | |
|------------------------|---|---|---|
| A | B | C | D |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 |
| 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| 3 | 5 | 3 | 1 |

P – Interpretation

0.50 – Mod. Difficult

0.13 – Difficult

0.33 – Mod. Difficult

0.83 – Easy

0.29 – Mod. Difficult



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

6. Compute the discriminatory index (D) of every test item using this formula:

$$D_i = \frac{cH - cL}{n}$$

Where:

D_i - Discriminatory index per item

cH - Number of students in the highest group who got the correct answer

cL - Number of students in the lowest group who got the correct answer

n - 25% of the class

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

| Item No. | Highest Scorers (nH=12) | | | | Lowest Scorers (nL=12) | | | |
|----------|-------------------------|---|---|---|------------------------|---|---|---|
| | A | B | C | D | A | B | C | D |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 |

$$D_i = \frac{c_H - c_L}{n} \Rightarrow D_i = \frac{8 - 4}{12} = \frac{4}{12} = 0.33$$

| D value range | Interpretation |
|----------------|---|
| -1.00 to -0.60 | Questionable |
| -0.59 to -0.20 | Not Discriminating |
| -0.19 to 0.20 | Moderately Discriminating |
| 0.21 to 0.60 | Discriminating (Ideal Result) |
| 0.61 to 1.00 | Very Discriminating (Most Ideal Result) |



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items



Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

Compute the Ds of the other items.

| Item No. | Highest Scorers (nH=12) | | | |
|----------|-------------------------|---|---|----|
| | A | B | C | D |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 2 |
| 2 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 5 |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| 5 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 |

| Lowest Scorers (nL=12) | | | |
|------------------------|---|---|---|
| A | B | C | D |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 |
| 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| 3 | 5 | 3 | 1 |

D – Interpretation
0.33 – Discriminating
0.08 – Mod. Disc'g.
-0.17 – Mod. Disc'g.
0.33 – Discriminating
-0.25 – Not Disc'g.

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items

Deciding about the item

| Difficulty Level | Discriminating Level | Decision |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Difficult / Very Difficult | Not Discriminating / Questionable | Improbable – Discard |
| | Moderately Discriminating | May need revision on the stem and/or choices |
| | Discriminating / Very Discriminating | Accept with little revision if necessary |
| Moderately Difficult | Not Discriminating / Questionable | Needs revision especially on the choices |
| | Moderately Discriminating | Accept but needs slight revision on the stem or choices |
| | Discriminating / Very Discriminating | Accept as it is |
| Easy / Very Easy | Not Discriminating / Questionable | Totally discard |
| | Moderately Discriminating | Needs major revision on the stem and/or choices |
| | Discriminating / Very Discriminating | Accepted by slightly increasing difficulty |

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

7. Decide the fate of the test items based on their P and D.

| <u>Item Number</u> | <u>P – Interpretation</u> | <u>D – Interpretation</u> | <u>Decision</u> |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 0.50 – Mod. Difficult | 0.33 – Discriminating | 1. Accept |
| 2 | 0.13 – Difficult | 0.08 – Mod. Disc'g. | 2. Revise |
| 3 | 0.33 – Mod. Difficult | -0.17 – Mod. Disc'g. | 3. Revise/Discard |
| 4 | 0.83 – Easy | 0.33 – Discriminating | 4. Improve |
| 5 | 0.29 – Mod. Difficult | -0.25 – Not Disc'g. | 5. Discard |



Topic 2

**Analyzing the
quality of the
test items**

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

8. Counter-check with the distracters.

**An option is ineffective
when no one chose it.**



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

8. Counter-check with the distracters.

The option is good when more in the lowest group chose it than those who did in the highest group.



Topic 2

Analyzing the quality of the test items

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

8. Counter-check with the distracters.

An option chosen by less than 10% of the class in an easy item is not an effective distracter.



Topic 2

**Analyzing the
quality of the
test items**

Item Analysis

Procedure based on Navarro, Santos and Corpuz (2019):

8. Counter-check with the distracters.

In a questionable or not discriminating item, the most chosen distracter is misleading.



Session 12

Reliability Testing through Item Analysis of Test Results CONCLUSION

With item analysis, you can see how each student in your class did on each question. The Difficulty Index, the Discriminatory Index, and the Distracter Analysis are three popular types of item analysis that give teachers distinct kinds of information for decision-making in the teaching-learning process.



Session 12

Reliability Testing through Item Analysis of Test Results

REFERENCES

Basillote, L., Rao, L.N., Martinez, A., Amoranto, G. & Roque, J.D. (2018). *Investing in education is a priority for most Filipinos* [Online Image] [Accessed on October 30, 2023] <https://blogs.adb.org/blog/5-ways-make-most-philippine-education-investments>

Kubiszyn, T. & Borich, G. (2007). *Educational testing and measurement: Classroom application and practice. 8th edition*. N.J., U.S.A.: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Navarro, R.L., Santos, R.G., & Corpuz, B.B. (2019). *Assessment in learning 1. 4th edition*. Quezon City, Philippines: LORIMAR Publishing