

# Development of Problem-Based Number Theory Learning Tools

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**Abstract.** Development of Problem-Based Number Theory Learning Tools in the Mathematics Education Study Program.

This research is the development of number theory learning tools that aim to: (1) describe the process of developing problem-based number theory learning tools that are valid, practical, and effective; (2) find out whether learning based on number theory problems can improve student lecture results.

The implementation process is carried out by preparing components of teaching materials for a number of theory courses in the form of textbooks, and lecture event units (SAP) that have been valid, practical, and effective.

Keywords: Development, valid, practical, and effective.

## 1. Introduction

The number theory course is designed for prospective teacher students so that students after taking this course: master the concept of number theory, which is shown by the ability to work individually and in teams in applying the concept of integer systems and their properties, integer division, congruence, prime factorization, linear diophantine equations, non-linear diophantine equations, applications of congruence<sup>[1]</sup>.

## 2. Literature Review.

With the demands of this professional competence, every lecturer in the mathematics education study program is obliged to compile complete and systematic learning tools so that learning takes place interactively, inspiring, fun, challenging, and motivating students to actively participate and providing sufficient space.

Some of the learning tools needed include textbooks, lecture event units (SAP), and evaluation tools. The preparation of learning tools is the beginning of learning. To produce good quality learning devices, learning tools must be arranged neatly and in accordance with the rules of correct and good learning development<sup>[2]</sup>.

### 2.1. Problem-Solving Capabilities

Problem-solving ability is the strategic ability or competence shown by students in understanding, choosing problem-solving approaches and strategies, and using models to solve problems<sup>[3]</sup>.

The strategy for solving a mathematical problem is recommended, it is necessary to follow four steps, namely:

1. Understanding the problem, what is known, what is not known, whether the information is sufficient, and the conditions that must be met, restate the real problem in a more operational form.
2. Planning for troubleshooting, a step that can be done considering a problem that has been solved that has similarities to the problem to be solved, looking for rule patterns, and drawing up a resolution procedure
3. Solve the problem as planned, and carry out the procedures that were created in the previous step to get resolved it.
4. Re-examine the procedures and completion results, analyze and evaluate the applied procedures and the results obtained according to the outlined procedures<sup>[4]</sup>.

## 2.2. Problem-Based Learning

Problem-based learning is a learning approach that involves students in problem-solving investigations, which integrates skills and concepts from various aspects<sup>[5]</sup>. Problem-based learning is a learning approach that uses real-world problems as a context for students to learn about critical thinking, creativity, skills in solving problems, and obtaining essential knowledge and concepts from these teaching materials<sup>[6]</sup>.

The stages of the problem-based learning model, are:

1. Introduce students to problem situations.
2. Organizing students to learn, and assisting students in defining problems.
3. Guiding the investigation of the problems presented both individually and in groups.
4. Assist students in developing problem-solving.
5. Help students analyze the work to be done<sup>[7]</sup>.

## 2.3. Problem-Based Learning Syntax

The stages, and steps of the problem-based learning model can be seen in the following table:

**Table 1.** Problems-Based Learning Syntax.

Phase	Student Activities	Lecturer Activities
1	Orientation to the problem	Explaining learning objectives, and logistics, motivating students to be involved in activities
2	Organizing learning	Defining and organizing tasks related to the problem
3	Guiding individual and group investigations	Encouraging students to collect information, carry out observations to solve problems
4	Develop and present work	Assist students in planning and preparing appropriate works
5	Analyze and evaluate the problem-solving process	Helping students to reflect, evaluate, and investigate the carried out. <sup>[8]</sup>

## 3. RESEARCH METHODS

### 3.1. Subjects and Objects

Mathematics Education students at the Faculty of Mathematics and Science, Universitas Negeri Medan are the subject of this research. And the object of this research is a problem-based learning tool for number theory developed in this study.

### 3.2. Research Success Indicators

This research is said to be successful if the instruments and teaching materials are developed to encounter the criteria of validity, practicality, and effectiveness. Validity is met if the developed teaching material meets the validity of the content and construct. Practicality is fulfilled, if the teaching materials developed are easy for lecturers and students<sup>[9]</sup>. Effectiveness is met if the

results of student lectures after getting learning with teaching materials are based on a complete problem-learning approach. The teaching materials based on the problem-based learning approach developed are said to be effective if  $\geq 80\%$  of all test subjects meet the completeness of individual learning absorbing 65% of the material submitted and there is a positive.

#### 4. Results and Discussion

The realization of the validity, practicality, and effectiveness of textbook learning tools and problem-based number theory lecture event units carried out in the mathematics education study program FMIPA Universitas Negeri Medan, can be seen as follows:

##### 4.1. Average SAP Validation Results 1-SAP 15 Number Theory Lectures.

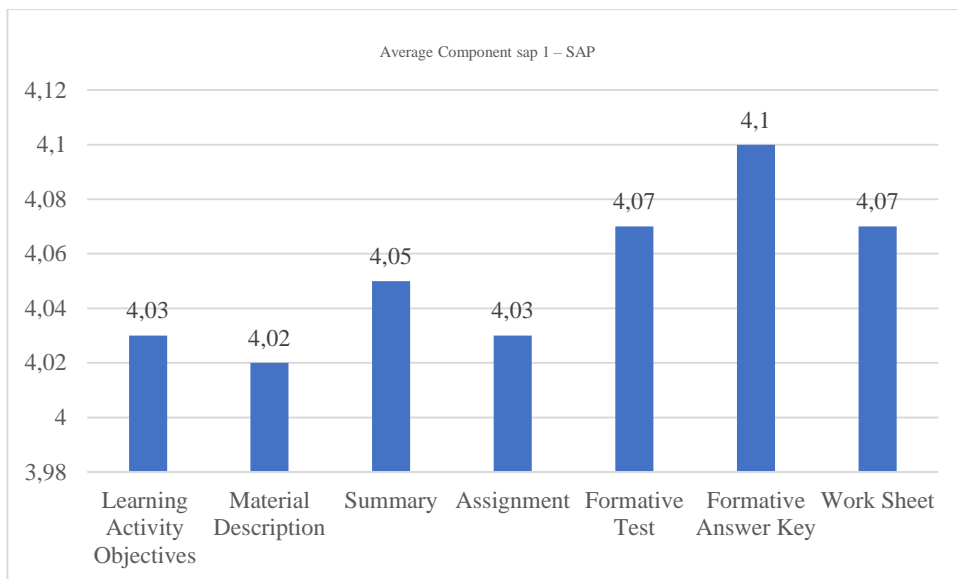
The state of the SAP 1 - SAP 15 implementation process Number Theory Lectures which include Learning Activity Objectives, Material Descriptions, Summaries, Assignments, Formative Tests, Formative Answer Keys, and Worksheets, which are designed to be improved or revised according to the advice of expert validators and the input of the research team, in the trial.

The results of the SAP 1 - SAP 15 expert validator assessment of the Problem-Based Number Theory Lecture developed, are briefly summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2.** Summary of SAP 1 - SAP 15 Component Validation Results

No	Assessed Aspects	Average Score	Information
1	Learning Activity Objectives	4,03	Valid
2	Material Description	4,02	Valid
3	Summary	4,05	Valid
4	Assignment	4,03	Valid
5	Formative Test	4,07	Valid
6	Formative Answer Key	4,10	Valid
7	Work Sheet	4,07	valid
8	Total Average	4,05	

What can be seen in this Table 2 above, it can be explained that the validation results of the five expert validators against SAP components 1 - SAP 15 Learning Activity Objectives 4.03 are valid, the Material Description 4.02 is valid, the Summary 4.05 is valid, Task 4.03 is valid, the Formative test is 4.07 is valid, the Formative Answer Key is 4.10 is valid, and the Worksheet is 4.07 is valid, and the Average total score is 4.05. Thus, from the results of the assessment of the five expert validators, it was concluded that the mathematical problem-solving ability test instrument developed was already classified as valid.



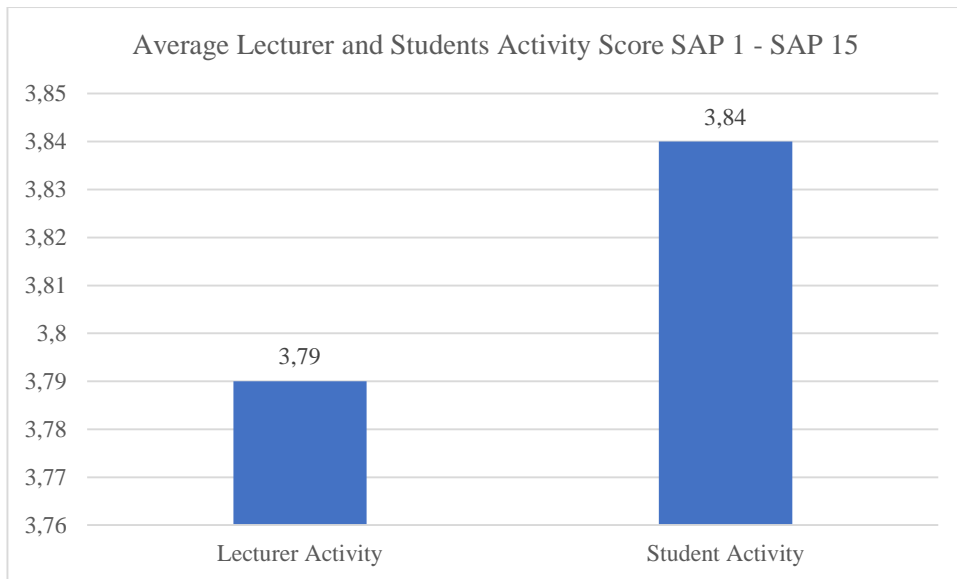
**Fig. 1.** Average Histogram SAP Component Validity Score 1 - SAP 15

#### **4.2. Average Results of Practicality of SAP 1 - SAP 15 Implementation.**

The results of the implementation of lectures on aspects of lecturer activities and student activities in the trial are briefly presented in table 3.

**Table 3.** Average Results of Observations of the Implementation of SAP 1 - SAP 15 Trial Lectures

Average Lecturer and Students Activity Score	SAP 1 - SAP 15
Lecturer Activities	3,79
Student Activities	3,84



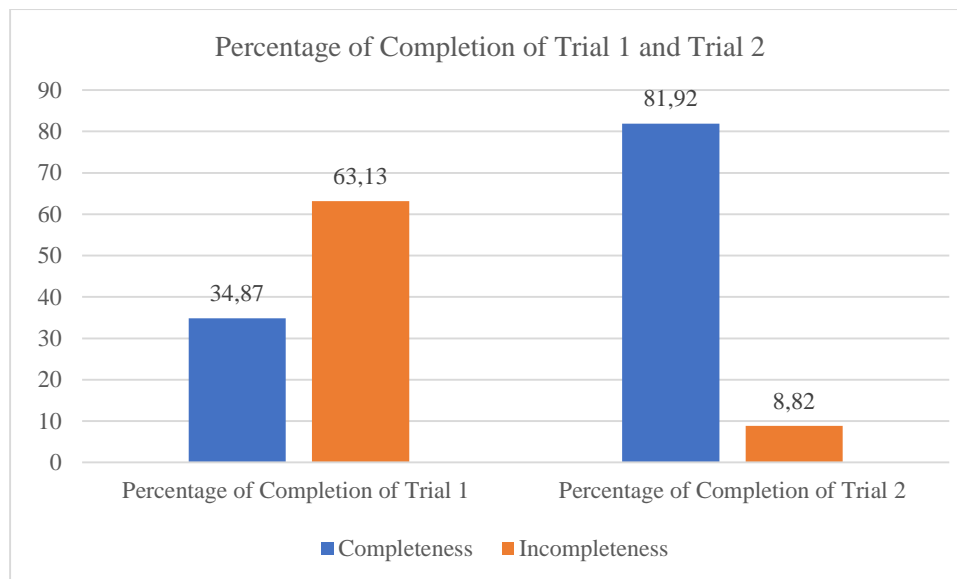
**Fig. 2.** Average Lecture Implementation Score SAP 1- SAP 15

Thus, from the results of the SAP 1-SAP 15 lecture trial, it shows that the implementation of lectures based on the activities of lecturers and students is classified as a practical criterion. This also indicates that the implementation of lectures in the SAP 1-SAP 15 trial using problem-based lecture tools has met practical criteria.

**4.3. The results of SAP 1- SAP 15 completeness in student number theory problem solving ability, are briefly presented in the following table:**

**Table 4.** Summary of Student Learning Completion of SAP 1 - SAP 15 Implementation

	Trial Percentage 1	Trial Percentage 2
Completeness	34,87	81,92
Incompleteness	63,13	8,82



**Fig. 3.** Percentage of Completeness of Learning Students Trial 1 and Trial 2 SAP 1 – SAP 15 MK. Number Theory

Overall, based on the results of trial 2, it shows that the implementation of SAP 1 - SAP 15 Number Theory by applying or using problem-based lecture model-based lecture tools have met the criteria for effectiveness.

## 5. Conclusion and Suggestion

**Conclusion.** Based on the results of research on the development of problem-based learning-oriented number theory lecture tools can improve the ability of number theory problems, so that: Number theory lecture tools in the form of textbooks, and problem-based learning-oriented lecture event units that are produced have met valid, practical, and effective criteria.

The embodiment of the validity, practicality and effectiveness of the devices used, through the results of data analysis, it can be concluded that:

1. SAP 1- SAP 15 validity has met the criteria set with valid criteria with a scale of  $4 \leq \text{scale} \leq 5$ .
2. The practicality of SAP 1 –SAP 15 has met the criteria set validly with a scale of  $4 \leq \text{scale} \leq 5$ .
3. SAP 1 –SAP 15 effectiveness has met the effectiveness criteria with individual and classical completion criteria. The achievement of lecture results is at least 80% classical completion; (2) student activities meet the established time tolerance criteria; (3) more than 65% of students responded positively to the lecture tools developed; and (4) the ability of lecturers to manage good category lectures.

**Suggestion.** The resulting lecture equipment still needs to be tested to other universities with various conditions in order to obtain a truly quality lecture device so that lecture devices can be used in a wider scope.

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The development of problem-based learning-oriented lecture tools needs to be developed for other materials that are in accordance with the problem-based learning model

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