# Developing Assessment Rubrics in Pedagogical Content Knowledge for Mathematical Problems

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Abstract. Pedagogical content knowledge is a competence that must be mastered by teachers and also prospective teachers in learning process as ability to assess the students work. In addition, they are also required to learn the international standard problems such as PISA (Programme for International Student Assessment) to be taught to students. Because of incomplete and unclear scoring rubric, especially in answering PISA questions, this study purpose was to develop valid assessment rubrics in pedagogical content knowledge for mathematical problems. Assessment rubrics were rubric for students work in answering PISA questions for most difficult level, and rubric for prospective teachers' ability in assessing students work. Subjects in this study were eight prospective teachers' of Mathematics Education Department, Syiah Kuala University selected by purposive sampling. This development research used Plomps' development model in five phases. The results showed that both rubrics had the valid criteria that consisting of content and construct validity. Content validity was viewed of the suitability of PCK components, and substance and concept for PISA questions with thinking level of junior high school students. Construct validity was viewed of the suitability of aspects at rubrics with concept of PISA questions, and presented analysis aspects were structured as PCK components

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# **1 INTRODUCTION**

Along with the development of educational technology, the development of science also went through changes and improvements. Not exception to mathematics education is still felt difficult for some people. This not only happens to the students but also to the teacher who should be able to master the mathematical material appropriately which affects the students' abilities. One of the data obtained from the results of Indonesian student tests at the international level, PISA (Programme for International Student Assessment) for several periods, Indonesia is still in the bottom position. In PISA, there are contextual questions that are used to measure students' literacy abilities aged around 15 years. In addition, the problem

of PISA is also non routine in reading literacy, matchematics literacy, and science literacy [1][2].

Indonesia was ranked 64th out of 65 participating countries with an average score of mathematics of 375 which is well below the OECD average of 494 in 2012 ([3]; [4]). Especially in a matter of high level in PISA that is level 5 or 6, Indonesia got an average value of 0.3 from the average of OECD 12.6. On the contrary, for the low level below level 2, Indonesia scored very high (75.7) and even far from the average OECD score of 23.1. In 2015 Indonesia's ranking increased to the 62nd position from 70 participants with an average value of increasing although not significant [5]. This means, the ability of Indonesian students is still very low in mathematical problem solving related to the daily or non routine problems. Just for simple problems that can be resolved appropriately. In this case, students' cognitive abilities cause their difficulties in solving mathematical problems as memorized and recalled the fact that related to make a connection [6]. Several students' difficulties in mathematical problem solving are understanding the keywords of problems to mathematical sentences, unable to describe some information in the problem, answering without any thinking process, and do not like to read short or long mathematical problems [7].

In addition to students, teachers also have difficulty in understanding mathematical concepts that are very impact in solving mathematics problems. In this case, prospective teachers still have difficulty in solving and analyzing mathematics problems, especially non-routine problems such as PISA [8]. Bayrakdar [8] states prospective teachers' difficulties in solving the PISA problems caused their less strategies, so they can not using and adopting in difference points of problems. There is influenced their PCK in learning process later.

Content Knowledge of good teachers, both in mastering the concepts taught as well as material interrelationship with real life issues are very supportive in shaping and influencing students' knowledge and thinking processes. However, this can happen if the pedagogical knowledge of teachers for example in organizing learning is also good. The relationship between PCK-forming components in the conceptual framework of Sorto, et.al [9] is based on theories of teacher preparation, teacher capacity, and teaching practice.

One of PCK aspects of prospective mathematics teachers is the ability in solving non routine mathematics problems as PISA questions. Not only solve it but they can also transfer the knowledge for students and use in learning process. The impact of it, students can be easy to understand and solve PISA questions related problems in their life.

Many solutions to solve PISA problems, one of it is prospective teachers at education program must have and learn more about skills of problem solving as daily life problems related problems in situations and questions [8]. Because the rubric for analyzing PISA answers is not yet available, the purpose of this study was to develop valid assessment rubrics for students work and assessment rubric for prospective teachers' ability in assessing students' work. Assessment rubric for students work was used by prospective teachers to assess the students work in answering questions of PISA for most difficult level, while assessment rubric of prospective teachers' ability was used by researcher in assessing the results of the assessment done by prospective teachers.

# 2 Methods

This type of research is a development research for two assessment rubrics in valid criteria. There is assessment rubric of student's work, and assessment rubric of the ability of prospective teachers in assessing student's work. The development follows the phases of the Plomp [10] in development model consisting of five phases: the initial investigative phase, the design phase, the realization/construction phase, the test phase, the evaluation, and the revision, and the implementation phase. However, in the development that is done only until the fourth phase. This is because the phase has been obtained in accordance with the purpose of research is the development of rubrics that meet the valid criteria, consisting of valid contents and valid constructs.

Subjects in this research are seven prospective teachers of International Standard Teacher Education Program (PGBI) at Mathematics Education Department of Syiah Kuala University. Selection of subjects by purposive sampling with the reason the subject is taking the course Teaching Mathematics I (Mathematics Learning Planning). This is because the course requires students to assess the learning outcomes and improve the shortcomings in the learning process. Therefore, subjects are required to assess students' work by suggesting appropriate assistance for students with problems or constraints.

# **3** Result and Discussion

### 3.1 Plemenary investigation phase

In this phase, some real PISA problems in most difficult level (level 5 and level 6) in 2012 and 2009 chosen for using in the first test. After translated, arranged the answer keys, and validated by the experts in mathematical contents, then done tests on junior high school students. The implementation of this test was conducted several times by replacing some of the problems in three different schools, SMPN 1 Banda Aceh, SMPN 9 Banda Aceh, and SMPN 8 Banda Aceh for students of class IX. This is because the expected answers are students' answers containing misconceptions, completion errors, various settlements and strategies used. The goal is the subject of research that students can analyze the student's answers by adjusting the components on the rubric developed. The results of this initial test finally got some student works or answers from three PISA questions that convene the criteria for using in research.

Before determining research subjects of prospective teachers, they were tested with the same problem given to junior high school students. The goal is to know their ability in completing and understanding the problem of PISA before the analysis of the results of student answers. Of the eight students there were only three students who could solve the PISA problem correctly for each question, and there was one student who answered rightly for two PISA questions. Furthermore, these three students will be the subject of research in developing the assessment rubric.

There are two developed rubrics. First rubric is for assessment student's work and prospective teachers in answering and solving PISA problem. In this rubric the assessment components are adapted of PISA components for most difficult level (level 5 and 6). The second rubric is rubric to assess prospective teachers' ability in assessing student work. Both rubrics are also adapted of PCK components associated with the ability to understand and solve problems and assessment of student work.

# 3.2 Design phase

In this phase, the design is done for both rubrics. The rubric component is adapted to aspects of PISA and PCK concerns. In addition, the rubric component is also adjusted between the assessment rubric for student's work, and the assessment rubric for the prospective teacher's ability in assessing student's work. The rubric design is based on PCK components developed from PCK components according to [11], [12], and [13].

Aspects of PCK assessment contained in the rubric for analyzing student work according to [12] is content knowledge and skill, analysis of student work, and feedback to students. PCK components according to [13] is knowledge of students' (mis)conceptions and difficulties, knowledge of instructional strategies, knowledge of mathematical tasks and cognitive demands, knowledge of educational ends, knowledge of curriculum and media, context knowledge, content knowledge, and pedagogical knowledge.

According to [11] the component of content knowledge assessment in pedagogical context consists of deep understanding of basic mathematics, content to deconstruct key components, mathematical structure and its relationship, procedural capability, and solution method. While the components of pedagogical knowledge assessment in content context are the purpose of learning, gain and maintain student focus, and classroom management techniques.

#### 3.3 Realization/construction phase

This phase is an advanced phase of the design of activities to be undertaken. In this phase, developed the draft rubric is adjusted back to the appropriate PCK component and also validated with two valuators who are experts in the field of analysis and assessment. From the discussion results obtained each of four aspects for each rubric in general but related to the problem of PISA used for analysis of the answer.

Aspects of analysis for rubric assessment of student work consist of the accuracy of the use of mathematical concepts, the accuracy of calculations, identify the steps in solving problems on the problem, and put forward the reasons or ideas. The analytical aspects for rubric assessment of student analysis results consist of assessment of the accuracy of the analysis conducted on the student's work, the ability to understand students' thinking about misconception, the ability to judge according to the rubric, and the recommended strategy/assistance.

### 3.4 Test, evaluation, and revision phase

In this phase, the rubric that developed then tested for prospective teachers in a small group to see their understanding in the problem, readability, and also conformity aspects in rubric. In addition validation by two lecturers as valuators who are experts in the field of analysis and assessment. The validation process is done several times to get the rubric with the right components or aspects of PCK and PISA. Other than it can also be used in general aspect, but not apart from the context or aspects of the rubric.

The validation process is not only on the aspects of PCK that are the focus, but also the context of the PISA solution that will be analyzed and the use of language. In this case also note the capabilities required in solving the problem. In addition, the developed rubric was not only glued specifically on the problem of PISA used in research, but developed to be used in general on mathematics problems. The use of rubric can also be developed by adjusting the problem to be analyzed. The rubric that has been validated and revised can be seen in Table 1

for the assessment rubric for students and prospective teachers work in solving mathematics problems.

Aspects of Analysis	Scale 4	Scale 3	Scale 2	Scale 1
Appropriateness of the use of the mathematical concept	Using mathematical concept is right and accordance with the overall problems in the matter of	Using mathematical concept is precise, but less suited to a small fraction of problems in the matter of	Using mathematical concept is less precise, but in accordance with the problems in the matter of	Using mathematical concept is less precise and does not correspond with the problems in the matter of
Precision of the calculation of	Whole answer correctly, detailed, and ordered	Whole answer correctly, but not detailed and not sequential	Most of the answers correct, but less detailed and not ordered	Small percentage of correct answers, less detailed and not ordered
Identifying problems steps in the matter of	Able to identify appropriately any steps to resolve the problems in a matter of	Being able to correctly identify the majority of steps to resolve the problem in a matter of	Identify appropriately fraction steps to resolve the problem in a matter of	Only identify known or asked or part of the resolution process or just the end result
Suggested the reason or the idea	Wrote all reason or the idea of initial steps to resolve the matter until the end	Wrote largely the reason or the idea of steps to resolve the matter	Wrote fraction reason or the idea of steps to resolve the matter	not write down the reasons or the notion of steps to resolve the problem, or just write down ideas end briefly

Table 1. Assessment Rubric for Student and Prospective Teacher Work

# **Instructions Using the Rubric**

The assessment rubric of students' work is a guide in doing assessment on the completion of mathematics problems. Mathematical problems in the question are a mathematical problem that requires completion with a complete stage that is not only procedurally. Problems can be non-routine questions, mathematics problem form story, PISA, and others.

Every lecturer, teacher and educator who wants to know the ability of learners by analyzing their work in solving the problem can use the guidance of this assessment rubric. This is because the aspect of analysis on the rubric is an aspect in general so that it can be used by everyone in analyzing the problem solving especially mathematics problems. In this rubric the score or value for each aspect of the analysis is the same is one because all aspects have the same part. To analyze, take into consideration all aspects of the answer. Then focus on four aspects of the existing analysis.

1. Aspect of analysis: The accuracy of the use of mathematical concepts.

The mathematical concept in the question is the accuracy in the use of the formula in accordance with the problem on the problem.

2. Aspect of analysis: Accuracy of calculation.

The calculation is not only the end result but also the calculations performed on each problem solving step. In addition, not only the result of counting in the form of numbers but also the accuracy of the units used.

3. Aspects of analysis: Identify the steps in solving the problem on the problem.

Provide assessment for each step done in solving the problem in accordance with the problem on the question.

4. Aspects of analysis: Suggests reasons or ideas

Problem solving is not only done procedurally but also provides reason and introduction on every step of the settlement and makes conclusions for the final results in accordance with the problem on the problem.

Guidelines assessment rubric on the analysis of prospective teacher for students' works used by researcher based PCK components can be seen in Table 2.

Based on the research of [14] that to know the analysis of the ability of prospective teachers in analyzing students' understanding can be used the results of student work which is the result of student thinking. This is in accordance with research conducted using student's work. Therefore, according to [15] that prospective teacher can develop their understanding better for students' thinking if they take time to discuss about meaning of concepts, relationships, common conceptions, and student's difficulties.

Aspects of analysis	Scale 4	Scale 3	Scale 2	Scale 1
Rating accuracy of the analysis conducted to students' work	Assessing all aspects of analysis with appropriate	Assessing most aspects of analysis with appropriate	Assessing the few aspects of analysis with appropriate	Assessing less precise every aspect of analysis
Ability to understand students' thinking about the	Able to recognize and understand any misconceptio	Able to recognize most of the misconceptio ns of student	Able to recognize a small portion misconceptio ns of students	Able to recognize a small portion misconception ns of student
misconceptio	ns of student	work	work	work but not
ns	work	accurately	accurately	exactly

Table 2. Assessment Rubric for the Result of Prospective Teachers' Analysis

Aspects of analysis	Scale 4	Scale 3	Scale 2	Scale 1
	accurately			
Ability to give an assessment based on rubric	Able to provide an assessment for all aspect appropriately	Able to provide an assessment of most aspects appropriately	Able to provide an assessment of the few aspects appropriately	Able to provide an assessment of the few aspects but not exactly Suggest aid / strategy but it is not appropriate and does not correspond with the problems on a matter
Precision of the strategy / assistance recommended	Suggest aid / strategy appropriate to the whole thing on a matter	Suggest aid / strategy just right for most of the problems on a matter	Suggest aid / strategy just right for a small fraction of problems on a matter	

### **Instructions Using the Rubric**

Assessment rubric of the results of prospective teacher's analysis is a guide in assessing the results of analysis conducted by prospective teachers to students' work in solving nonroutine problems which in this case is PISA questions.

Every lecturer, teacher and educator who wants to know the ability of learners in their analysis can use the guidelines of this assessment rubric. This is because the aspect of analysis on the rubric is an aspect in general so that it can be used by everyone in analyzing and assessing the results of the analysis performed. In this rubric the score or value for the first analysis aspect is two because it is considered to have a large part in the analysis whereas the value for the other three aspects are the same is one because the three aspects have the same part.

To conduct the assessment, the overall aspects of the analysis are considered. Then focus on four aspects of the existing analysis.

1. Aspect of analysis: Assessment of the accuracy of the analysis conducted on students' work

The accuracy of the analysis in the problem is the overall aspects of analysis in analyzing students' work, such as the four aspects of the previous analysis on the guidelines assessment rubric of students and prospective teachers work.

2. Aspect of analysis: Ability to understand students' thinking about misconception

In analyzing the students' work, they also pay attention to the misconception and difficulties experienced by the students in solving the problem.

3. Aspect of analysis: The ability to judge according to the rubric

Provide an assessment of the assessment of student work by taking into account every aspect of analysis and assessment appropriately.

4. Aspect of analysis: The accuracy of the strategy / assistance provided

This aspect is an additional aspect. Used if the analysis and assessment conducted for the results of the analysis of the work of the students demanded assistance advice in overcoming students' difficulties in solving the problem.

# 4 Conclusions

The both rubrics have a valid criteria consisting of content validity and construct validity. Content validity is viewed based on the suitability of material and concept for PISA questions with thinking level of junior high school students and prospective teachers. Construct validity was viewed based on the suitability of aspects at rubrics with concept of PISA questions and PCK components, and presentation of analysis aspects in rubric structurally.

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