

# Development And Validation Of Concept Mastery Physics Test On The Electricity Topics

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**Abstract:** Electricity is a part of physics course in the engineering. Concept mastery on the topic of electricity is very useful and important for physics course. Electrostatic and electrodynamics are two topics in electricity that require representation in engineering that can be used to solve a problem. However, concept mastery tests on the topic of electricity rarely use all four types of representations, such as more use verbal and mathematical representations. The purpose of this research is to develop validate the concept mastery test on the topic of electricity which consists of 25 test items multiple choice. The concept mastery test was tested on 50 students from one of the universities in Lampung. The concept mastery test development uses the DDR method with four phases, namely analysis, design, development, and evaluation. The result of this research obtained a valid and reliable concept mastery test that is enriched with all four types of representations.

**Index Terms:** concept mastery test, electricity, design and development research, representation.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Physics is one of the required subject for educational and engineering student at the University. Topics from physics course was basic knowledge to supporting futher subject. Electrostatic and electrodynamic werw topics in physics that they are closely related to course in the next semester. In additions, lecturers make test in physics course using verbal representation and mathematical representations. Therefore, it was necessary to develop a concept mastery test that can enrichment student so that they can find out other types of representations, such as picture representation and graph representation. The development of concept mastery test relates to the learning outcome of study program that originate from the faculty's vision and mission. Meanwhile, learning outcomes in physics course are derived from learning outcome of study program. Learning outcome consist of aspect of attitudes, general skills, knowledge, and special skills. Aspect of special skills are distinguishing the direction and purpose of physics course in education students and engineering student. Lecturer will run well and having an impact on student success in understanding a topic can be invert from student achievement based on learning outcomes. The development of test was very useful for student and important at course. Test can be designed to determine the level of mastery of student concepts. A good test has gone thought the process of testing its validity and reliability. This validity and reliability test was needed to avoid bias so that it can measure and get accurate result [1], [2], [3]. The validity of an instrument shows how well it can measure and aims to observed or evaluated [4], [5]. Validity is also define as the abiity of an instrument to measure the properties of the construct under study [6]. Reliability is the extent to which the results of a measurement process can be trusted also called consistency, constancy, staility, etc. [7].

As a results from observations show that the concepts mastery student was low. This can be concluding from the students test. Concept mastery is the ability of student to understand scientific meaning well which consists of meaning in theory and how to apply it in everyday life [8]. According to Bloom's theory [9], concept mastery is the ability of students to solve problems in the form of C1 to C6. The instruments used in physics course consist of five essay questions that gave priority to the types of verbal representations and mathematic representations. Therefore, the combination of different representations can lead to conceptual understanding [10]. The test instrument used previously did not measure concept mastery student. so that, we need an instrument test that can measure concept mastery students' which can also enrichment knowledge about representation for students. Hence, this study is aimed at establishing validity and reliability concepts mastery test. The instrument was especially designed to evaluated the concept mastery physics test student at University.

## 2 LITERATURE REVIEW

This study aims to develop a concept mastery test. Concept mastery is part of learning outcome in the cognitive domain. The cognitive domain according to the revice Bloom's consist of C1 (remembering), C2 (understanding), C3 (applying), C4 (analyzing), C5 (evaluating) and C6 (Creating). C1 is to remember information that comes from long-term memory. C2 is understand previous knowledge and then connecting it. C3 is implement a user procesure to resolve the problem. C4 is analyzinf which means describing a problem or object to an element and determining the relationship between the element. C5 is evaluating an assessment based on criteria and standars. C6 creates several mergers of several element into an integrated form [11], [12]. The development of concept mastery test developed integrated four types of representation. The four types of representations include verbal, picture, mathematics, and graphs representations. Representation is very important in physics course and helps reduce difficulties in learning physics [13]. The purpose of using representation is that communications is also more effective and efficient [14]. Therefore, students can understand the topics in physics course. Validity is divided into content validity, construct validity, and criteria validity. Content validation is validation assessed by experts. Content validation according to Ley is defined as the extent of the feasibility of a test that is used as

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a sample of the domain item to be measured. Content validation is divided into two namely face validity and logical validity. This research is to measure the content validation conducted by five expert judgement. The number of expert judgement in content validation must not be less than two experts and may be more than six experts. The content validity was then analyzed using the Aiken's V formula [7], please refer to (1):

$$V = \frac{\sum s}{[n(c-1)]} \quad (1)$$

Where  $s = r - l_0$ ,  $l_0$  is the lowest validity rating number,  $c$  is the highest validity rating number,  $r$  is the number given by an expert. The coefficient value of Aiken's  $v$  ranges from 0-1. If the acquisition of the item calculation results the validation results show a number of more than 0.5 means that the item has good content validity. The next step is to calculate the level of difficulty. Concept mastery test questions were analyzed by correcting student answer sheets. Score 1 for the correct answer and 0 for the wrong answer. The equation used to calculate the degree of difficulty index refer to (2):

$$P = \frac{N_p}{N} \quad (2)$$

Where  $P$  is the level of difficulty index,  $N_p$  the number of students who answer the questions correctly, and  $N$  is the number of all participants who answer. The greater the difficulty index means the item is easy and the smaller the difficulty index means the problem is a difficult problem. While the power of distinction aims to find out groups of students who have high concepts mastery with those who have low concept mastery levels. The discriminatory index refer to (3):

1. An object can be positively or negatively charged. Explain when an object is said to be positively charged, and when it is said to be negatively charged.
  - A. a positively charged object is an object which has less electrons, and a negatively charged object is an object which has more electrons.
  - B. a positively charged object is an object which has more electrons, and a negatively charged object is an object which has less electrons.
  - C. a positively charged object is an object that has less protons than electrons, and a negatively charged object is an object which has less electron than protons.
  - D. a positively charged object is an object that has the same number of protons and electrons, and a negatively charged object is an object that has a smaller number of electrons than the number of protons.
  - E. a positively charged object is an object that has more electrons than protons, and a negatively charged object is an object that has more protons than electrons.

Where  $D$  is the discrimination index,  $A$  is the number of upper group participants,  $A_B$  is the upper group participant who answers right,  $B$  is the number of lower group participants,  $B_B$  is the lower group participant who answers right,  $P_A$  is the level

of difficulty of the upper group,  $P_B$  is the level of difficulty of the lower group. Difficulty index and discriminatory index can be concluding in Table 1 [15].

The reliability of the question items can be analyzed using SPSS. Test reliability means measuring what you want to measure. Reliability is calculated using the Cronbach's alpha formula [16], refer to (4):

$$\alpha = \left( \frac{k}{k-1} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{\sum \sigma_k^2}{\sigma_{total}^2} \right)$$

<u>DIFFICULTY INDE</u>		<u>CRIMINATORY INDEX</u>
Parameter	Item statistic	Interpretation
Difficulty index (p value)	$P > 0.70$	Easy
	$0.30 \leq P \leq 0.70$	Moderate
	$P < 0.30$	Difficult
Discrimination index (D)	$D > 0.40$	Excellent
	$0.30 \leq D \leq 0.39$	Good
	$0.20 \leq D \leq 0.29$	Fair
	$D < 0.20$	Poor items

(4)

where  $k$  is the number of items of the test item,  $\sum \sigma_k^2$  is the sum of the variance scores of each item,  $\sigma_{total}^2$  is the total variance. The reliability criteria  $\alpha < 0.5$  for low reliability,  $0.5 < \alpha < 0.8$  for moderate reliability (acceptable),  $\alpha > 0.8$  for high reliability (good) [17]. This result is in line with Taber [18] stating that 0.45-0.98 is acceptable.

### 3 METHOD

Method in this research used design and development research (DDR). DDR types product and tool research have four phases. The phases consist of 1) analysis, 2) design, 3) development, 4) evaluation [19]. The sample of this study is students at a University in Lampung, which consisted of 50 students. In the first stage, an analysis of learning outcomes is conducted for the topic of electricity. The second step is to make matrix concept mastery test and adjust the indicators to the revised Bloom's taxonomy. Then, design 25 multiple choice questions. In the third stage, after the test is completed the next stage is validation and then the implementation of the concept mastery test to student. The fourth stage is analyzing result of validation from expert judgement, reliability, discriminatory index, difficulty index of the questions.

### 4 RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The results of this study were obtained data from the validation and reliability of the development of concept mastery test questions. The process of developing the concept mastery test questions through four phases based on the DDR method. The results obtained at each phases are:

#### 4.1 Analysis

At the analysis stage is conducting a study of the curriculum in the study program. Then, analysis learning outcomes study programs. Then, compile the learning outcomes of physics courses. Specific skills in learning outcomes developed for physics course focus in electricity. Students are expected to understand the concept of electricity and can apply it in everyday life. Therefore, the physics course needed to develop a concept mastery test that can also practice the use of types of representation.



### 4.3 Development

At the development phase, validation and reliability tests were carried out 25 items multiple choice of concept mastery test. Validation was carried out for five expert judgement and reliability of the concept mastery test. The concept mastery test was tested on 50 students at one of the University at Lampung. The results of the validation of five expert judgement using Aiken's V formula in measuring aspects of language, construction, and language can be seen in diagram 1.

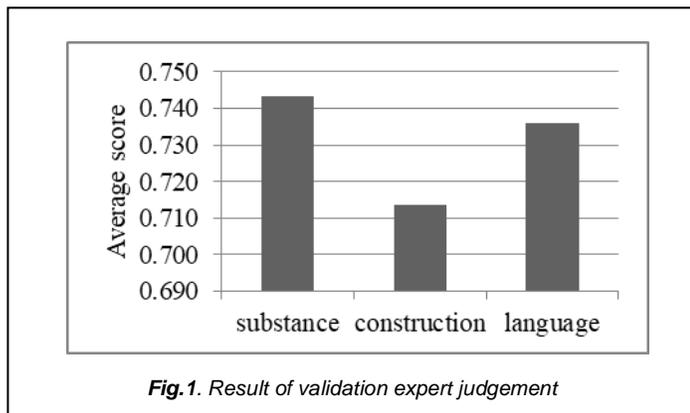


Fig.1. Result of validation expert judgement

Based on the results obtained, the aspects of substance, construction, and language have an average score of each aspect above 0.5. This shows that the questions developed have good content validity based on expert judgment.

### 4.4 Evaluation

At the evaluation phase, an evaluation of the results of the validation and reliability of the concept mastery test consisted of 25 multiple choice test items that was implemented on 50 students. The reliability results of the concept mastery test questions can be seen in Table 3. The reliability category with Cronbach's alpha 0.709 on electrostatic topics and Cronbach's alpha 0.703 on electrodynamic topics is included in the moderate reliability category (acceptable). Difficulty level analysis on 15 items of electrostatic topic mastery test items in the easy category amounted to 5 questions namely questions number 1, 3, 6, 8, and 9. Questions in the moderate category numbered 10 which were questions number 2, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15. The questions in the difficult category are 0. While the difficulty index analysis for 10 items on the electrodynamic concept mastery test in the easy category is 2 items, namely item number 16 and 19. Item in the moderate category are 8, namely item number 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25. Item in the difficult category are 0. The discrimination power analysis consists of four categories, namely: Excellent, good, fair, and poor (Arifin, 2009). Item in the excellent category on electrostatic topics number 10, namely item number 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14. Item in the good category amount to item number 1, 2, 4, and item in the category fair amounted to 2 items namely item number 3 and 15. Problems in the poor category are 0. Item in the excellent category on electrodynamic topics are 9 questions namely questions number 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25. Item in the good category number 1 item, namely item number 18. Items in the fair and poor category are 0. The concept mastery test consisting of 25 items is made by paying attention to four types of representations, namely verbal, mathematical, picture, and graph representations.

## 5 CONCLUSION

This study developed a concept mastery test. Concept mastery test questions consist of 25 multiple choice items with electrostatic and electrodynamic topics. The results of the study show the validation and reliability of the test items. Validation was carried out by five expert judgements with valid and reliability results showing alpha Cronbach's being 0.709 for electrostatic topics and 0.703 for electrodynamic topics. Therefore, 25 items of the test are valid and reliable and can be used in physics course to find out the concepts mastery physics students. Concept mastery tests are designed using four types of representations, verbal, picture, mathematical and graphs. Therefore, this test can also be used to see the types of representations that are often used by students.

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