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"The Second Edition of this Manual on Descriptive Analysis Testing for Sensory Evaluation is sponsored by ASTM International Committee E18 on Sensory Evaluation. Descriptive analysis is a sensory method by which the attributes of a food or product are identified and quantified, using human subjects who have been specifically trained for this purpose. The analysis can include all parameters of the product, or it can be limited to certain aspects, for example, aroma, taste, texture, and aftertaste. Many descriptive analysis methods and method variations are currently employed by sensory professionals. This second edition contains updates on the four previously published methodologies that are widely used: Consensus/Flavor profile, Texture Profile, Quantitative Descriptive Analysis (QDA), and Spectrum, along with two new chapters on Free Choice Profiling and a Summary of Temporal Methods. Novel descriptive test methods are developed and published every year, yet the commonly utilized toolbox of the fundamental methods, such as those outlined in this manual, have changed little over the past decades. What has changed dramatically is the in-depth experience and applications of these methods in industry. This allows the practitioners an opportunity to fine-tune and apply the methodologies across a multitude of industries and product categories. Hence, the need for an updated version of this manual"--

Evaluation of Proficiency Testing Results for Quantitative Methods in Relation to Clinical Usefulness Springer

In 1948 the first randomized controlled trial was published by the English Medical Research Council in the British Medical Journal. Until then, observations had been uncontrolled. Initially, trials frequently did not confirm the hypotheses to be tested. This phenomenon was attributed to low sensitivity due to small samples, as well as inappropriate hypotheses based on biased prior trials. Additional flaws were recognized and, subsequently, were better accounted for: carryover effects due to insufficient washout from previous treatments, time effects due to external factors and the natural history of the condition under study, bias due to asymmetry between treatment groups, lack of sensitivity due to a negative correlation between treatment responses, and so on. Such flaws, mainly of a technical nature, have been largely corrected and led to trials after 1970 being of significantly higher quality. The past decade has focused, in addition to technical aspects, on the need for circumspection in the planning and conducting of clinical trials. As a consequence, prior to approval, clinical trial protocols are now routinely scrutinized by different circumstantial organs, including ethics committees, institutional and federal review boards, national and international scientific organizations, and monitoring committees charged with conducting interim analyses. This book not only explains classical statistical analyses of clinical trials, but also addresses relatively novel issues, including equivalence testing, interim analyses, sequential analyses, and meta-analyses, and provides a framework of the best statistical methods currently available for such purposes. This book is not only useful for investigators involved in the field of clinical trials, but also for all physicians who wish to better understand the data of trials as currently published.

[Appraising Research in Second Language Learning](#) SAGE Publications, Incorporated

Guides You on the Development and Implementation of B-R Evaluations Benefit-Risk Assessment Methods in Medical Product Development: Bridging Qualitative and Quantitative Assessments provides general guidance and case studies to aid practitioners in selecting specific benefit-risk (B-R) frameworks and quantitative methods. Leading experts from industry, regulatory agencies, and academia present practical examples, lessons learned, and best practices that illustrate how to conduct structured B-R assessment in clinical development and regulatory submission. The first section of the book discusses the role of B-R assessments in medicine development and regulation, the need for both a common B-R framework and patient input into B-R decisions, and future directions. The second section focuses on legislative and regulatory policy initiatives as well as decisions made at the U.S. FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health. The third section examines key elements of B-R evaluations in a product's life cycle, such as uncertainty evaluation and quantification, quantifying patient B-R trade-off preferences, ways to identify subgroups with the best B-R profiles, and data sources used to assist B-R assessment. The fourth section equips practitioners with tools to conduct B-R evaluations, including assessment methodologies, a quantitative joint modeling and joint evaluation framework, and several visualization tools. The final section presents a rich collection of case studies. With top specialists sharing their in-depth knowledge, thought-provoking considerations, and practical advice, this book offers comprehensive coverage of B-R evaluation methods, tools, and case studies. It gives practitioners a much-needed toolkit to develop and conduct their own B-R evaluations.

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[Introduction to Test Construction in the Social and Behavioral Sciences](#) Guilford Publications

In the current volume, consisting of Parts A and B, edited versions of most of the papers presented at the annual Review of Progress in Quantitative Nondestructive Evaluation held at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine on July 28-August 2, 1991 have been collected. The Review was organized by the Center for NDE at Iowa State University and the Ames Laboratory of the USDOE in cooperation with a number of organizations including the Air Force Materials Directorate, Wright Laboratory, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, the American Society for Nondestructive Testing, the Center for NDE at Johns Hopkins University, Department of Energy, Federal Aviation Administration, National Institute of Standards and Technology, National Science Foundation Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers, and the Office of Naval Research. The 1991 Review of Progress in QNDE was attended by approximately 450 participants from the US and many foreign countries who presented over 360 papers. Divided into 36 sessions, with as many as four sessions running concurrently, the meeting covered all phases of NDE development from basic research to engineering applications and all methods of inspection science from acoustics to x-rays. Over the past ten years, the participants of the Review have seen it grow into one of the largest and most significant gatherings of NDE researchers and engineers anywhere in the world. By sharing their work at this conference, they deserve much credit for its success.

[Selecting the Right Analyses for Your Data](#) Scientific e-Resources

These Proceedings, consisting of Parts A and B, contain the edited versions of most of the papers presented at the annual Review of Progress in Quantitative Nondestructive Evaluation held at Snowmass Village, Colorado, on July 31 to August 4, 1994. The Review was organized by the Center for NDE at Iowa State University, in cooperation with the Ames Laboratory of the US DOE, the Materials Directorate of the Wright Laboratory, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the American Society of Nondestructive Testing, the Department of Energy, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Federal Aviation Administration, the National Science Foundation Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers, and the Working Group in Quantitative NDE. This year's Review of Progress in QNDE was attended by approximately 450 participants from the U.S. and many foreign countries who presented over 360 papers. The meeting was divided into 36 sessions, with as many as four sessions running concurrently. The Review covered all phases of NDE research and development from fundamental investigations to engineering applications or inspection systems, and it included many important methods of inspection science from acoustics to x-rays. In the last eight to ten years, the Review has stabilized at about its current size, which most participants seem to agree is large enough to permit a full-scale overview of the latest developments, but still small enough to retain the collegial atmosphere which has marked the Review since its inception.

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics - quantitative surface test for the evaluation of teat disinfectants used in the veterinary area - test method and requirements (phase 2 step 2) World Health Organization

Increased demands for colleges and universities to engage in outcomes assessment for accountability purposes have accelerated the need to bridge the gap between higher education practice and the fields of measurement, assessment, and evaluation. The Handbook on Measurement, Assessment, and Evaluation in Higher Education provides higher education administrators, student affairs personnel, institutional researchers who generate and analyze data, and faculty with an integrated handbook of theory, method, and application. This valuable resource brings together applied terminology, analytical perspectives, and methodological advances from the fields of measurement, assessment, and evaluation to facilitate informed decision-making in higher education. Special Features: Contributing Authors are world-renowned scholars across the fields of measurement, assessment, and evaluation, including: Robert E. Stake, Trudy W. Banta, Michael J. Kolen, Noreen M. Webb, Kurt Geisinger, Robert J. Mislevy, Ronald K. Hambleton, Rebecca Zwick, John Creswell, and Margaret D. LeCompte. Depth of Coverage includes classroom assessment and student outcomes; assessment techniques for accountability and accreditation; test theory, item response theory, validity and reliability; qualitative, quantitative and mixed-methods evaluation; context and ethics of assessment. Questions and Exercises follow each Section to reinforce the valuable concepts and insights presented in the preceding chapters. Bridging the gap between practice in higher education with advances in measurement, assessment, and evaluation, this book enables educational decision-makers to engage in more sound professional judgment. This handbook provides higher education administrators with both high-level and detailed views into contemporary theories and practices, supplemented with guidance on how to apply them for the benefit of students and institutions.

Review of Progress in Quantitative Nondestructive Evaluation Springer Science & Business Media

This book is open access under a CC BY-NC 2.5 license. This book describes the extensive contributions made toward the advancement of human assessment by scientists from one of the world's leading research institutions, Educational Testing Service. The book's four major sections detail research and development in measurement and statistics, education policy analysis and evaluation, scientific psychology, and validity. Many of the developments presented have become de-facto standards in educational and psychological measurement, including in item response theory (IRT), linking and equating, differential item functioning (DIF), and educational surveys like the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), the Programme of international Student Assessment (PISA), the Progress of International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) and the Trends in Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS). In addition to its comprehensive coverage of contributions to the theory and methodology of educational and psychological measurement and statistics, the book gives significant attention to ETS work in cognitive, personality, developmental, and social psychology, and to education policy analysis and program evaluation. The chapter authors are long-standing experts who provide broad coverage and thoughtful insights that build upon decades of experience in research and best practices for measurement, evaluation, scientific psychology, and education policy analysis. Opening with a chapter on the genesis of ETS and closing with a synthesis of the enormously diverse set of contributions made over its 70-year history, the book is a useful resource for all interested in the improvement of human assessment.

Protocol for the performance evaluation of nucleic acid tests for the quantitative detection of hepatitis B virus DNA for WHO prequalification assessment John Benjamins Publishing

This book offers beginning researchers in psychology and education with limited statistics backgrounds a practical, hands-on guide to the preparation, assessment, and development of quantitative research instruments. With the explicit goal in mind of making the text accessible to readers with only a beginning level of statistical expertise, the authors include numerous examples and figures to illustrate necessary concepts and procedures, while minimizing jargon. The book includes an appendix with directions for the required statistical analyses for readers with access to SPSS. The organization of the book into two sections, theoretical and practical, with complementary chapters in each section, results in a practical and versatile resource to have in a variety of contexts. Because of its versatility, the book may be used either as a textbook for courses on test construction and instrument design or quantitative research methods in psychology and education, as a reference for researchers using and constructing quantitative instruments, or as background reading for professionals in related fields.

[Evaluating Medical Tests](#) Routledge

What are the most effective methods to code and analyze data for a particular study? This thoughtful and engaging book reviews the selection criteria for coding and analyzing any set of data--whether qualitative, quantitative, mixed, or visual. The authors systematically explain when to use verbal, numerical, graphic, or combined codes, and when to use qualitative, quantitative, graphic, or mixed-methods modes of analysis. Chapters on each topic are organized so that researchers can read them sequentially or can easily "flip and find" answers to specific questions. Nontechnical discussions of cutting-edge approaches--illustrated with real-world examples--emphasize how to choose (rather than how to implement) the various analyses. The book shows how using the right analysis methods leads to more justifiable conclusions and more persuasive presentations of research results. User-Friendly Features *Chapter-opening preview boxes that highlight useful topics addressed. *End-of-chapter summary tables recapping the 'dos and don'ts' and advantages and disadvantages of each analytic technique. *Annotated suggestions for further reading and technical resources on each topic. See also Vogt et al.'s When to Use What Research Design, which addresses the design and sampling decisions that occur prior to data collection.

[The Oxford Handbook of Health Economics](#) OUP Oxford

The Oxford Handbook of Health Economics provides an accessible and authoritative guide to health economics, intended for scholars and students in the field, as well as those in adjacent disciplines including health policy and clinical medicine. The chapters stress the direct impact of health economics reasoning on policy and practice, offering readers an introduction to the potential reach of the discipline. Contributions come from internationally-recognized leaders in health economics and reflect the worldwide reach of the discipline. Authoritative, but non-technical, the chapters place great emphasis on the connections between theory and policy-making, and develop the contributions of health economics to problems arising in a variety of institutional contexts, from primary care to the operations of health insurers. The volume addresses policy concerns relevant to health systems in both developed and developing countries. It takes a broad perspective, with relevance to systems with single or multi-payer health insurance arrangements, and to those relying predominantly on user charges; contributions are also included that focus both on medical care and on non-medical factors that affect health. Each chapter provides a succinct summary of the current state of economic thinking in a given area, as well as the author's unique perspective on issues that remain open to debate. The volume presents a view of health economics as a vibrant and continually advancing field, highlighting ongoing challenges and pointing to new directions for further progress.

Statistical Analysis of Multiple Choice Testing SAGE Publications

In this book, Kraemer presents a systematic, objective methodology by which to determine the effectiveness of medical tests. She shows clearly and concisely how to define statistical terms and approaches consistently from study to study, how to stipulate statistical assumptions underlying various approaches, how to check for empirical validity and how to judge the robustness of statistical outcomes, resulting in models that integrate many different approaches and extend the strengths of each.

Avoiding Pitfalls in the Evaluation of Behavioral Decision Models Routledge

Some of the problems in the validation of personnel requirements developed and predicted in the Qualitative and Quantitative Personnel Requirements Information reports are described. Included are problems inherent in the validation procedures, such as the nature of the predictor (QQPRI), the problem of criterion selection and bias, and the changing nature of the criterion. Because of the multiple nature of these problems, available testing techniques are not adequate to handle the testing and provide desired information. A solution is presented. This solution requires a procedural change whereby validations are conducted during different but specific stages of system development and test. The validations would be oriented to obtaining the best validation at a particular time and for a particular purpose rather than attempting an overall test. Methods are suggested for determining manning deficiencies and readjusting the personnel subsystem. (Author).

Chemical Disinfectants and Antiseptics. Quantitative Suspension Test for the Evaluation of Fungicidal Or Yeasticidal Activity of Chemicaldisinfec Tants and Antiseptics Used in the Veterinary Area. Test Methodand Requir Ements (Phase 2, Step 1) John Benjamins Publishing

The polygraph, often portrayed as a magic mind-reading machine, is still controversial among experts, who continue heated debates about its validity as a lie-detecting device. As the nation takes a fresh look at ways to enhance its security, can the polygraph be considered a useful tool? The Polygraph and Lie Detection puts the polygraph itself to the test, reviewing and analyzing data about its use in criminal investigation, employment screening, and counter-intelligence. The book looks at: The theory of how the polygraph works and evidence about how deceptivenessâ€"and other psychological conditionsâ€"affect the physiological responses that the polygraph measures. Empirical evidence on the performance of the polygraph and the success of subjects' countermeasures. The actual use of the polygraph in the arena of national security, including its role in deterring threats to security. The book addresses the difficulties of measuring polygraph accuracy, the usefulness of the technique for aiding interrogation and for deterrence, and includes potential alternativesâ€"such as voice-stress analysis and brain measurement techniques.

User-friendly Handbook for Mixed Method Evaluations Springer Science & Business Media

These Proceedings, consisting of Parts A and B, contain the edited versions of most of the papers presented at the annual Review of Progress in Quantitative Nondestructive Evaluation held at University of San Diego, San Diego, CA, on July 27 to August 1, 1997. The Review was organized by the Center for NDE at Iowa State University, in cooperation with the Ames Laboratory of the USDOE, the American Society of Nondestructive Testing, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the National Science Foundation Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers. This year's Review of Progress in QNDE was attended by approximately 370 participants from the US and many foreign countries who presented a total of approximately 350 papers. As usual, the meeting was divided into 36 sessions with four sessions running concurrently. The Review covered all phases of NDE research and development from fundamental investigations to engineering applications and inspection systems, and methods of inspection science from acoustics to x-rays. The Review continues to experience some fluctuations in size, mostly under pressure from a decrease in funding for NDE research at the US Federal level, but increased participation from foreign laboratories has more than made up the difference. The Review is ideally sized to permit a full-scale overview of the latest developments in a collegial atmosphere that most participants favor. The opening plenary session this year concentrated on advances in imaging technologies and methodologies that have been made in recent years. Dr. K.

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The SAGE Encyclopedia of Educational Research, Measurement, and Evaluation Academic Press

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Review of Progress in Quantitative Nondestructive Evaluation Springer Science & Business Media

Evaluation researchers, traditionally considered to be users of quantitative methods, are now actively exploring the qualitative aspects of the performance of the programmes they are evaluating. Rather than argue the validity of either the quantitative or the qualitative approach, most of the noted contributors to this volume conclude that both are required for comprehensive evaluation.

Manual on Descriptive Analysis Testing for Sensory Evaluation National Academies Press

Disinfectants, Disinfectant tests, Antiseptics, Bacteriocide-activity determination, Microbiological analysis, Microbiological-resistance tests, Veterinary science, Animal breeding, Animal husbandry, Transportation, Biological analysis and testing, Quantitative analysis, Suspensions (chemical), Testing conditions

Appraising Research in Second Language Learning Springer Science & Business Media

This encyclopedia is the first major reference guide for students new to the field, covering traditional areas while pointing the way to future developments.

Chemical Disinfectants and Antiseptics. Quantitative Suspension Test for the Evaluation of Fungicidal Or Yeasticidal Activity in the Medical Area. Test Method and Requirements (Phase 2, Step 1) DIANE Publishing

Designed for students of applied linguistics and second language acquisition on research training courses, practising language teachers, and those in training, this combination textbook/workbook is a set or recommended textbook on more than a hundred undergraduate and postgraduate courses worldwide. Now in its second edition, it remains the only book to provide specific advice and support to those wishing to learn a methodical approach to the critical analysis of a research paper. It seeks to answer a current need in the literature for a set of procedures that can be applied to the independent reading of quantitative research. Innovative features of the workbook include awareness-raising reading tasks and guided exercises to help develop and practise the critical skills required to appraise papers independently. Through informed and constructive appraisal of others work, readers themselves are shown how to become more research literate, to discover new areas for investigation, and to organise and present their own work more effectively for publication and peer evaluation. This revised second edition sees a closer integration of the text-and workbook and a number of additions to the text itself, as well as further guided and unguided research appraisal exercises."