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Dear Editor.

We have made revisions to our manuscript based on suggestions from Reviewer C. All suggestions from Reviewer C we transferred to our Indonesian version of the manuscript as

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We have uploaded the revised results via the author version in OJS

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Thank you for your update. You can use English only for the next revision. The article Review from Reviewer 3 has used the translated version. Please do the revision using that version. Thank you in advance.

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Dear Editor,

Thanks for the information. We have resubmitted revisions based on suggestions from Reviewers C on the English version, and we have sent it in OJS. You can trace the revisions that we have made through the track changes feature in the paper. Thank you for this good communication.

Best regards

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Dear Editor in Chief of JPPII

We are delighted to hear good news from you that our article has been accepted and published in the December 2021 issue.

For your information, we have followed up on the decision of the JPPII editorial board regarding the acceptance of our article. We have made a payment of Rp. 4,000,000 to the BNI Semarang State University account. We have attached proof of payment to this email.

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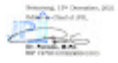
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## **RASCH ANALYSIS TO EVALUATE THE PSYCHOMETRIC PROPERTIES OF JUNIOR METACOGNITIVE AWARENESS INVENTORY IN INDONESIAN CONTEXT**

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### **Abstract**

Early in its development, the Jr.MAI self-report questionnaire was intended for students in the United States. Recently, there has been increasing interest in developing multilingual tests in the educational and psychological fields. However, Studies were related to Jr.MAI in Indonesian context using Rasch measurement rarely conducted by researchers. Therefore, this study aims to evaluate the psychometric properties of the Indonesian translation of the Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (Jr.MAI) self-report questionnaire. The Jr.MAI questionnaire is consisted of 18 items and used a 5-point Likert scale response. 296 students (Male = 45.9% and Female = 54.1%) of public senior high schools in Indonesia completed the Jr.MAI questionnaire. The Rasch model had been used to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI. The results showed that the 5-point rating scale with 18 items was functioning properly with good fit, no gender bias and achieving the unidimensionality and local independence assumptions, which proved that Jr. MAI questionnaire defined the latent variables and classified people and items well. Therefore, we concluded that The Jr.MAI questionnaire developed had good psychometric properties to be used by teachers and counselors for measuring and mapping the metacognitive characteristics at the senior high school level.

**Keywords:** rasch analysis; Jr.MAI; metacognitive; rating scale model; Self-report questionnaire

## INTRODUCTION

Today, various literatures have reported the important role of metacognition in the learning process of students. The ability to monitor and control learning has a positive correlation with learning success, increased academic achievement, and the health and well-being of students (Abdellah, 2015; Craig et al., 2020; Ning, 2018). For example, metacognitive strategies have a positive correlation with student test scores or student GPA (Vrugt & Oort, 2008; Young & Fry, 2008). Also, the empirical use of metacognitive skills and strategies has improved learning at various levels of education (Abdellah, 2015; Ahdhianto et al., 2020; Amin et al., 2020; Çetin, 2017; Herlanti, 2015).

Metacognitive taxonomy has evolved in the last 4 decades. Flavell has become an initiator in introducing metacognitive concepts. At the beginning of its appearance, metacognitive was conceived as "thinking about cognitive phenomena" (Flavell, 1979). In other words, metacognitive can be viewed as awareness or cognitive activity of a person about the thought process or everything related to it (Hidayat et al., 2018). In 1979, Flavell (Flavell, 1979) proposed a metacognitive structure consisting of 4 main components (metacognitive knowledge, metacognitive experiences, goal, and action). About a decade and a half later, Schraw & Dennison proposed a metacognitive structure consisting of 2 main components, namely Metacognitive Knowledge (MK) and Metacognitive Experiences (ME). The MK component consists of three subcomponents, namely: declarative, procedural, and conditional knowledge. While the ME component consists of 5 sub-components, namely: planning, monitoring, information management, debugging, and evaluation (Schraw & Dennison, 1994). This proposal is a refinement of the factor structure proposed by Brown and Paris and colleagues (Craig et al., 2020).

In the Indonesian national education curriculum, students at the high school level are required to have metacognitive abilities (Sriyanto & Sukarelawan, 2019). Therefore, a standard instrument is needed that can facilitate the task of teachers in assessing these abilities accurately. Several metacognitive questionnaires have been developed and applied in the field (Harrison & Vallin, 2018). This is a result of the existence of several metacognitive taxonomies that have been proposed previously (Allen & Armour-Thomas, 1993; Flavell, 1979; Schraw & Dennison, 1994). Because of their difficult nature to observe and assess, self-report questionnaires are the most effective and efficient, and least problematic way to evaluate a person's metacognitive measures (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Craig et al., 2020).

The component proposed by Schraw & Dennison has produced numerous self-report questionnaires to evaluate metacognitive, for example, Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (MAI) (Schraw & Dennison, 1994), Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (Jr.MAI) Versions A and B (Sperling et al., 2002), and Physics Metacognitive Inventory (PMI) (Taasobshirazi et al., 2015; Taasobshirazi & Farley, 2013).

Sperling and colleague (Sperling et al., 2002) have developed Jr.MAI version B. Based on exploratory factor analysis, the 18-item Jr.MAI has concurrent validity and forms 2 metacognitive factors (Knowledge of Cognition and Regulation of Cognition). The research report shows that the 18-item model fits the two factors. The internal reliability of the Jr.MAI has a correlation coefficient of 0.82. Therefore, the items in Jr.MAI are reliable. These significant findings attracted the interest of researchers including us to reexamine the Jr.MAI in different contexts.

Educational and psychological tests need a multilanguage version because interest in scientific achievement in international comparative studies and cross-cultural psychology has increased (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010). Given that the Jr.MAI self-report instrument is intended to measure metacognition of students in the United States, applications in different contexts need special attention. Several researchers have confirmed the use of Jr.MAI in different countries, for example in Turkey (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010), Korea (Kim et al., 2017), and Singapore (Ning, 2017, 2018).

Factor analysis techniques, exploratory factor analysis and confirmatory factor analysis, have been used to establish the construct validity of Jr.MAI (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Kim et al., 2017; Ning, 2017). Testing the rating scale function used, Jr.MAI unidimensionality, item bias analysis on respondent attributes through Differential Item Functioning (DIF) testing, item quality in constructing constructs associated with item difficulty level and respondent's ability are several limitations in using factor analysis in the literature (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Kim et al., 2017; Ning, 2017). So, we need a Rasch analysis technique based on the item response theory to fill this gap. As far as our observation is concerned, it has been supported by the systematic review results of Craig et al. from 1982 - 2018 (Craig et al., 2020), there have been no reports on the use of Rasch analysis to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI use in Indonesia. Therefore, this study aims to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI in Indonesian context using the Rasch analysis technique. Thus, it is hoped that Jr.MAI can be used by teachers or counselors in measuring and conducting metacognitive mapping of students in Indonesia.

## METHODS

The initial participants in this study were 351 students in senior high school in Yogyakarta city, Indonesia. We ran data screening to exclude outliers before doing data analysis, 55 outliers excluded from the dataset. Therefore, 296 students (Male = 45.9% and Female = 54.1) were analyzed with Rasch measurement using Winsteps software. Data in this analysis were adequate in terms of data stability for sample size, more than 250 respondents (Jong et al., 2015; Ling Lee et al., 2020).

The original Jr.MAI instrument (Sperling et al., 2002) has been translated into Bahasa (Indonesian) by the Indonesian translator using back-forward translation. The cross-cultural context was assessed in adapting questionnaire in Indonesian context (Muñiz et al., 2016). Jr.MAI questionnaire consists of 18 items which are divided into 2 constructs, namely: knowledge of cognition (KoC) and regulation of cognition (RoC). In Jr.MAI, KoC and RoC each consist of 9 items. Each item uses a 5 category Likert scale starting from 1 (never) to 5 (always). Winsteps version 4.6.1 was employed to analyze the dataset based on Rasch measurement. We preferred to using Rasch measurement because Rasch measurement can solve some limitations of Classical Test Theory (CTT) analysis such as missing data in the analysis, reliability parameter only using Cronbach's alpha, the dependency of item and person which may no be reliable and valid in another research context (Bradley et al., 2015)

Data analysis begins with an initial screening of the rating scale. The rating scale function is reviewed from the increase in the average observation, Andrich Threshold values, and probability curves (David Andrich, 2018; Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014; Van Zile-Tamsen, 2017). Instrument reliability is determined based on the Cronbach alpha coefficient, person, and item reliability parameter. Item fit is determined from the Infit and Outfit MNSQ statistical value, the wright map, local independence, and unidimensionality. The bias of Jr.MAI items to gender is determined based on Differential Item Functioning (DIF) (Bond & Fox, 2015; Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014).

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The psychometric properties of the 18-item Jr.MAI were analyzed using WINSTEPS 4.6.1 software. The data analysis begins with screening the person and rating scale. Table 1 represents the summary statistics of Jr.MAI questionnaire for person and item based on Rasch parameters.

**Table 1.** Statistical summary based on Rasch parameters

	Persons	Item
N	296	18
Mean	68.7	1131
Measure	1.74	0
SD	0.87	0.92
SE	0.06	0.22
Mean Outfit ZSTD	-0.07	-0.10
Mean Outfit MNSQ	1.00	1.00
Separation	2.23	9.68
Strata	3.31	13.24
Reliability	0.83	0.99
Cronbach's Alpha	0.85	
Chi-squared ( $\chi^2$ )	10072.06 (df= 10090)	
Probability	0.5484 *	

\*Normally distributed

### Screening Rating Scale

Analysis of the choice function on the provided rating scale is very important. A good rating scale is if the choices provided do not confuse the respondent. Table 2 shows a summary of the parameters used to assess the functioning of the options on the rating scale in Jr.MAI.

**Table 2.** Summary of Jr.MAI rating scale function

Category	Counts	Observed Average	Andrich Threshold
1 (never)	37	-0.47	-
2 (Seldom)	265	-0.30	-2.77
3 (Sometimes)	1450	0.93	-1.38
4 (Often)	2439	1.90	0.94
5 (always)	1137	3.00	3.22

Based on Table 2, it appears that the observed counts have a unimodal distribution. The observed mean increased monotonically from -0.47 to +3.00 logit. Another indicator that needs to be considered to see the functioning of the scale choice is Andrich Threshold (Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014). The Andrich Threshold value increases monotonically from NONE to 3.22. A good choice of scale if each level has increased by more than 1 logit in the Andrich Threshold parameter (Ning, 2018). There is an increase in each rating scale provided at least 1.39. Besides, the check of the scale function can be via a probability curve (Figure 1). All Categories on the probability curve have their respective peaks along the Measure axis. This indicates a congruence with the recommended pattern (Rahayu et al., 2020). This finding is slightly different from the use of Jr.MAI in Singaporean students. The use of the Likert scale "Rarely" in Ning's (2018) study has a peak under the probability curve for the "sometimes" and "never" categories. So the Jr.MAI rating scale used for Singapore students needs to be simplified to a 4 point Likert scale. Based on the average observation value, Andrich Threshold, and probability curves, it can be stated that the 5-point Likert scale used in Jr.MAI for Indonesian students can function properly.

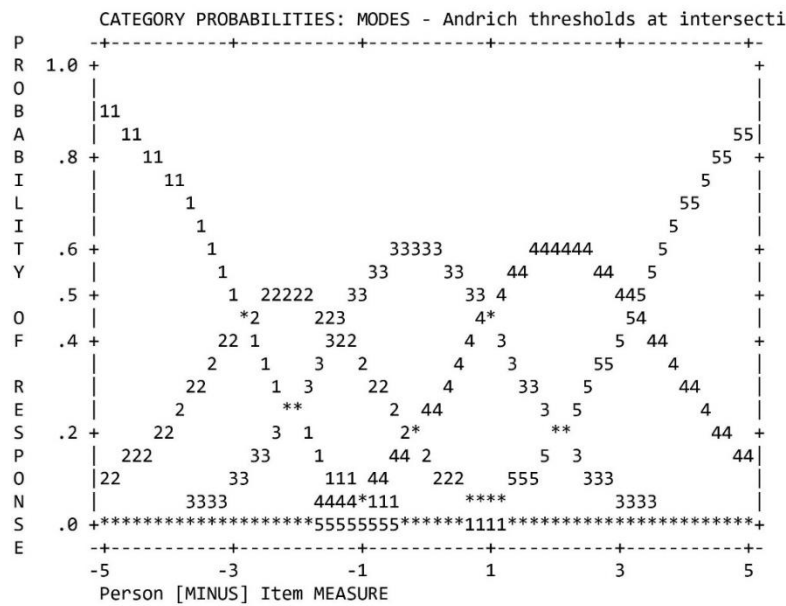


Figure 1. Probability curves for the 5-point Likert scale of Jr.MAI

**Instrument Reliability**

Instrument reliability is estimated based on items and persons (see Table 1). The average person output is 1.74 logit. This indicates a tendency for respondents to agree on various attributes in Jr.MAI. Data items and persons were used to see the suitability of using items in Jr.MAI and the statistical suitability of respondents. Person-item interaction on the use of Jr.MAI is appropriate and reliable because it has a Cronbach alpha value of 0.85. The consistency of the answers from the respondents was good and the quality of the items in Jr.MAI was special (Cronbach, 1951; Didino et al., 2019). This is supported by the value of person and item reliability, respectively 0.83 and 0.99. These three reliability values indicate the items in Jr.MAI can define latent variables well (Maryati et al., 2019). The value of person and item separation, represented in the form of strata, is 3.31 and 13.24, respectively. This value indicates that Jr.MAI has a good ability to classify both person and item.

**Unidimensionality and local independence**

The unidimensionality of Jr.MAI scale has been determined using the Principal Component Analysis of the residuals. The unidimensionality explains that the instrument is unidimension in measuring latent factor in this study, Metacognitive Awareness. Jr.MAI can achieve validity criteria in measuring latent factor or unidimension if the score of raw variance explained by measure is more than 30% (Chou & Wang, 2010; Linacre, 1998). The value of raw variance explained by measures of Jr.MAI questionnaire is 42.8. This value proves the existence of a good unidimensionality on the Jr.MAI scale measuring one dimension. These findings also support and reinforce the unidimensionality nature of Jr. MAI in Singapore students (Ning, 2018). The local independence explains that each item in the Jr.MAI questionnaire is not dependent. The instrument can achieve local independence criteria if the correlation between items is lower than 0.3. The raw residual correlation between items Jr.MAI questionnaire is below 0.3 which proves that the questionnaire is free of local dependence issues.

**Item Fit**

The MNSQ infit and outfit statistical values in Table 3 were used as measures of the suitability of individual items in Jr.MAI (D Andrich & Marais, 2019; Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014). A fit item will make a good contribution in defining a common construct (Rahayu et al., 2020). In Rasch modeling, the ideal MNSQ infit and outfit value are 1. Value 0.5 - 1.5 is a reasonable acceptance range that shows the productive value for measurement (Andrich & Marais, 2019; Bond & Fox, 2015; Wright & Linacre, 1994). All 18 Jr.MAI items have infit values and the MNSQ outfit is within the acceptance range. This shows a match in the response pattern to the target item as well as a match between person ability and item difficulty (Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014). Different from the findings reported by Ning. Two items (KoC6 and RoC1) have insufficient psychometric properties (see Table 2) (Ning, 2018). Besides, the PT-Measure Corr. value of the Jr.MAI scale moved in a positive direction from 0.41 to 0.67, as shown in Table 2. This shows the suitability of all items against the agreed latent variables (Maryati et al., 2019). Therefore, it can be concluded that the 18-item Jr.MAI can be applied to measure the metacognitive measures of high school students in Indonesia.

Table 3. Comparison of infit and outfit MNSQ on Jr.MAI between Singapore students (Ning, 2018) and this study.

Item	Indonesian students		Singapore students		PT-Measure Corr.	Measure
	Infit MNSQ	Outfit MNSQ	Infit MNSQ	Outfit MNSQ		
KoC1	0.85	0.85	0.96	0.92	0.57	0.82
KoC2	0.95	0.94	1.18	1.18	0.58	-0.75
KoC3	0.79	0.79	0.90	0.93	0.60	0.15
KoC4	1.04	1.07	0.80	0.86	0.54	-0.11
KoC5	1.23	1.23	1.17	1.18	0.53	-0.41
KoC6	1.28	1.30	1.41	1.55	0.43	2.22
KoC7	1.12	1.12	0.85	0.88	0.44	-0.25

KoC8	0.81	0.80	0.78	0.80	0.67	-0.53
KoC9	0.97	0.97	1.17	1.33	0.50	-0.31
RoC1	1.10	1.11	1.53	1.64	0.50	-0.10
RoC2	0.94	0.95	0.97	1.05	0.57	-1.29
RoC3	0.74	0.75	0.87	0.87	0.57	-0.19
RoC4	0.88	0.89	0.84	0.87	0.46	-0.11
RoC5	1.03	1.02	0.86	0.88	0.44	-0.79
RoC6	0.82	0.83	0.86	0.87	0.49	0.80
RoC7	0.83	0.82	0.98	1.01	0.54	-1.10
RoC8	1.24	1.22	1.14	1.14	0.54	-0.14
RoC9	1.34	1.35	0.97	0.97	0.41	2.08

**Differential Item Functioning (DIF)**

One of the characteristics of a good instrument is if it does not have a bias towards certain attributes of the respondent. DIF analysis was conducted to see the trend of items in Jr.MAI on gender attributes. Items have a gender bias if the probability value is less than 5% (Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014). As shown in Figure 2, there is no probability value < 5% as an indication of grain bias towards gender. We also ran DIF analysis based on DIF size (see Figure 3). Jr.MAI proved that there is no gender bias on each item because no DIF size has |DIF| score  $\geq 0.43$  (slight to moderate) or |DIF|  $\geq 0.64$  logits (moderate to large) (Zwick et al., 1999). This result indicates the items in Jr. MAI are equal towards the male and female sex, which supports other findings from Papini et al. (2020). These findings are also in line with Jr. MAI in Singapore students (Ning, 2018).

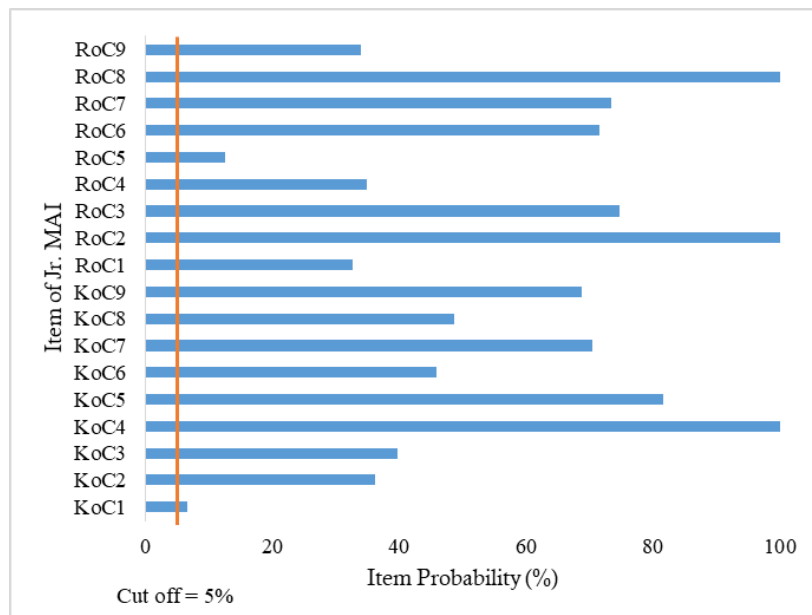


Figure 2. Item probability across gender

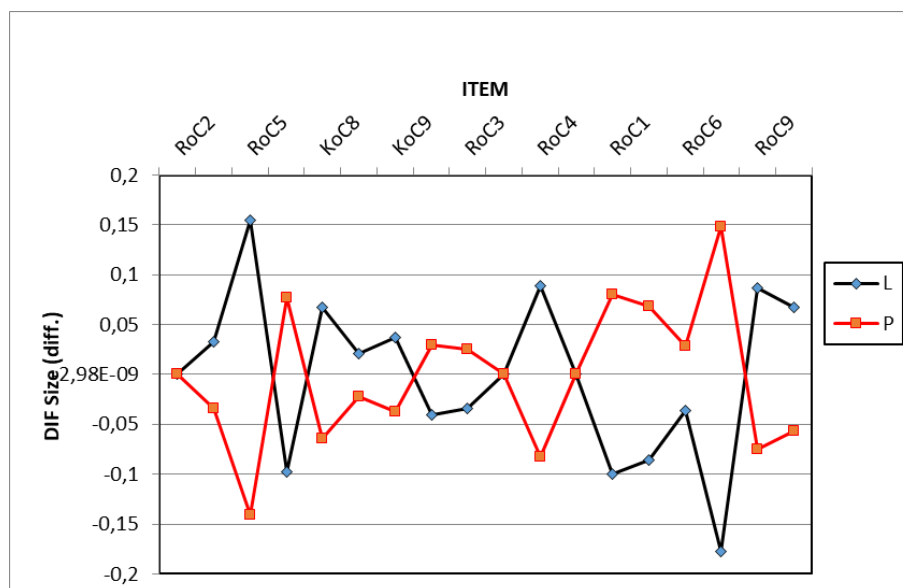


Figure 3. DIF size based on gender

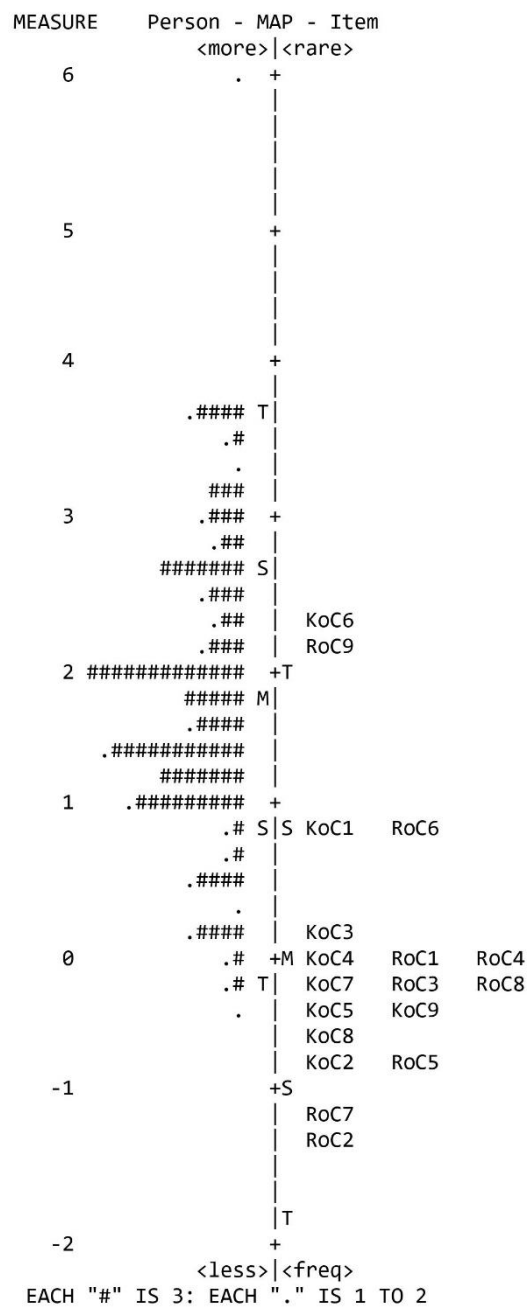
**Item and Person Distribution**

The item and person relationship is depicted visually through the person-item map (Wright & Stone, 1979). Figure 4 shows the state of the person and item on the same logit scale. It is used to compare the difficulty

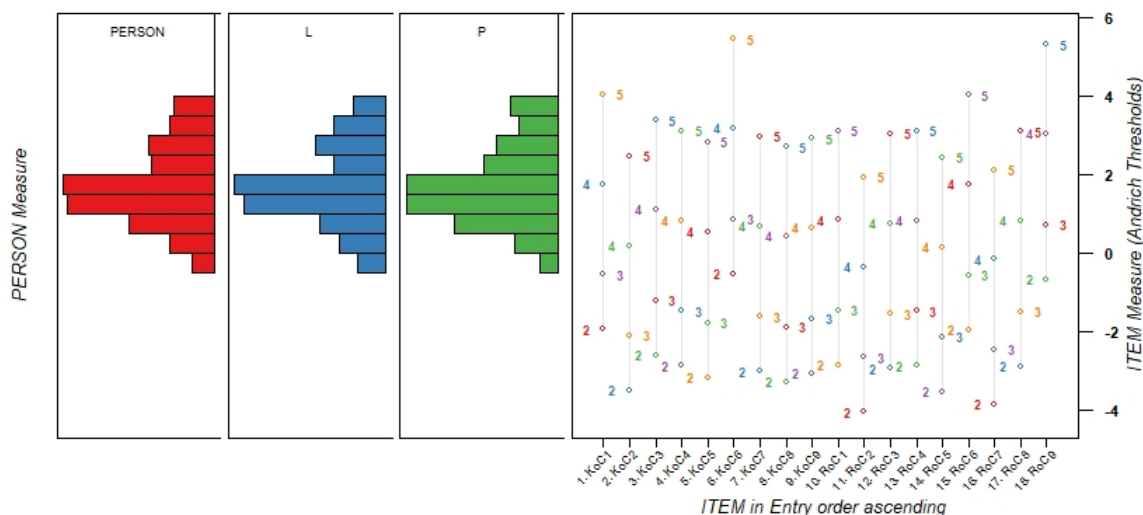


level of the item against the person's ability. The person-item map in Figure 4 is divided into 4 areas. The upper right area shows the position of the item with a high level of difficulty or students tend to have more difficulty agreeing on the statement. Meanwhile, the lower right area shows items with a low level of difficulty or students tend to easily agree with existing statements. The upper left area shows the position of the person with a high metacognitive level and the lower-left area shows the position of the person with a low metacognitive level. 18 items are distributed on the right side of the map. KoC6 item: "I know what the teacher expects me to learn" is the most difficult for students to agree on and RoC2 item: "I think about what I need to learn before I start working" is the easiest for students to agree on. There is a big gap between KoC3 and RoC9 items. Thus, to increase the sensitivity of Jr.MAI and reliability for person, some items need to be added (Muñoz & Nieto, 2019).

Person's mean score is higher than the item. This shows that the students' average chance of having metacognitive abilities is higher than the average item difficulty level. Items and persons that have the equivalent logit have a 50% probability of being agreed by the student. Items that are under a logit person have an agreed probability of more than 50%. Whereas items with a logit above person have a probability of less than 50% to be agreed on by students (Boone et al., 2014).



**Figure 4.** Person-item map of the Jr.MAI



**Figure 5.** Person-item map based on Andrich threshold

To ensure the Jr.MAI in Indonesian context is fit well based using rating scales. We ran person item map for person and gender group based on Andrich Threshold in Figure 5. Figure 5 gives us further understanding of the distribution score in the questionnaire where all rating scales worked properly for all persons and gender in data fit and distribution.

## CONCLUSION

Based on the results of the analysis and discussion previously presented, it was found that the use of the 5-point Likert scale in Jr. MAI is functioning well. Reliability Jr. MAI is in a good category and can classify items and people from more than three groups. The 18-item fit well against the model and was free of gender bias. So, Jr.MAI (Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory) has sufficient psychometric properties to measure the metacognitive abilities of high school students in Indonesia.

The limitation of this study is that it cannot be used on students who come from private schools because the respondents involved come from public schools. The cultural attributes of the students were not included to see if Jr.MAI is free from bias towards culture. However, this study has made a significant contribution in evaluating the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI for use in Indonesia with the item response theory approach. The findings have significant implications for teachers, counselors, and parents to help students achieve academic success (Ning, 2018).

Suggestions for future research are to focus on Differential Item Functioning. Therefore, future research needs to pay attention to the heterogeneity of the attributes of the respondents. For example, a researcher could assess Jr.MAI's bias towards school types (private and public schools), school location (urban and rural schools), or based on areas of interest (science and social fields).

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### **Abstract**

Empirically, Metacognitive awareness is one of the main contributors to student academic success. At the beginning of its development, the Jr.MAI self-report questionnaire was intended to measure students' metacognitive awareness in the United States. However, the evaluation of the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI for high school students in Indonesian is still limited. The original Jr.MAI cannot be applied in Indonesia. Early in its development, the Jr.MAI self-report questionnaire was intended for students in the United States. Recently, there has been increasing interest in developing multilingual tests in the educational and psychological fields [MNA A1]. However, Studies were related to Jr.MAI in Indonesian context using Rasch measurement rarely conducted by researchers. [MNA A2]. Therefore, this study aims to evaluate the psychometric properties of the Indonesian translation of the Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (Jr.MAI) self-report questionnaire. The Jr.MAI questionnaire is consisted of 18 items and used a 5-point Likert scale response. 296 students (Male = 45.9% and Female = 54.1%) of public senior high schools in Indonesia completed the Jr.MAI questionnaire. The Rasch model had been used to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI. The results showed that the 5-point rating scale with 18 items was functioning properly with good fit, no gender bias and achieving the unidimensionality and local independence assumptions, which proved that Jr. MAI questionnaire defined the latent variables and classified people and items well. Therefore, we concluded that The Jr.MAI questionnaire developed had good psychometric properties to be used by teachers and counselors for measuring and mapping the metacognitive characteristics at the senior high school level.

**Keywords:** rasch analysis; Jr.MAI; metacognitive

## INTRODUCTION

Today, various literatures have reported the critical role of metacognition in the learning process of students [MNA3][is4]. The ability to monitor and control learning has a positive correlation with learning success, increased academic achievement, and the health and well-being of students (Abdellah, 2015; Craig et al., 2020; Ning, 2018). [MNA5][is6] For example, metacognitive strategies positively correlate with student test scores (Burin et al., 2020; Morphew, 2021). Also, the practical use of metacognitive skills and strategies has improved learning at various levels of education (Abdellah, 2015; Ahdhianto et al., 2020; Amin et al., 2020; Herlanti, 2015).

Metacognitive taxonomy has evolved in the last four decades. Flavell has become an initiator in introducing metacognitive concepts. At the beginning of its appearance, metacognitive was conceived as "thinking about cognitive phenomena" (Flavell, 1979). In other words, metacognitive can be viewed as awareness or cognitive activity of a person about the thought process or everything related to it (Hidayat, Zulnaldi, & Zamri, 2018). Flavell (1979) proposed a metacognitive structure consisting of 4 main components (metacognitive knowledge, metacognitive experiences, goal, and action). About a decade and a half later, Schraw & Dennison proposed a metacognitive structure consisting of 2 main components: Metacognitive Knowledge (MK) and Metacognitive Experiences (ME). The MK component consists of three subcomponents, namely: declarative, procedural, and conditional knowledge. At the same time, the ME component consists of 5 sub-components, namely: planning, monitoring, information management, debugging, and evaluation (Schraw & Dennison, 1994). This proposal is a refinement of the factor structure proposed by Brown (1978).

In the Indonesian national education curriculum, students at the high school level must have metacognitive abilities (Sukarelawan & Sriyanto, 2019). Therefore, a standard instrument is needed to facilitate the task of teachers in assessing these abilities accurately. Several metacognitive questionnaires have been developed and applied in the field (Harrison & Vallin, 2018). This results from the existence of several metacognitive taxonomies that have been proposed previously (Allen & Armour-Thomas, 1993; Flavell, 1979; Schraw & Dennison, 1994). Because of their difficult nature to observe and assess, self-report questionnaires are the most effective and efficient and least problematic way to evaluate a person's metacognitive measures (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Craig et al., 2020).

The component proposed by Schraw & Dennison has produced numerous self-report questionnaires to evaluate metacognitive, for example, Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (MAI) (Schraw & Dennison, 1994), Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (Jr.MAI) Versions A and B (Sperling et al., 2002), and Physics Metacognitive Inventory (PMI) (Taasobshirazi et al., 2015; Taasobshirazi & Farley, 2013).

Sperling and colleague (2002) have developed Jr.MAI version B. Based on exploratory factor analysis, the 18-item Jr.MAI has concurrent validity and forms 2 metacognitive factors (Knowledge of Cognition and Regulation of Cognition). The research report shows that the 18-item model fits the two factors (see Table 3). The internal reliability of the Jr.MAI has a correlation coefficient of 0.82. Therefore, the items in Jr.MAI are reliable. These significant findings attracted the interest of researchers, including us, to reexamine the Jr.MAI in different contexts.

Educational and psychological tests need a multilanguage version because interest in scientific achievement in international comparative studies and cross-cultural psychology has increased (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010). Given that the Jr.MAI self-report instrument is intended to measure students' metacognition in the United States, applications in different contexts need special attention. Several researchers have confirmed the use of Jr.MAI in other countries, for example, in Turkey (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010), Korea (Kim et al., 2017), and Singapore (Ning, 2018, 2019).

The use of metacognitive awareness instruments in Indonesia has been widely reported (Alindra et al., 2019; Bahari et al., 2020; Fauzi & Sa'diyah, 2019; Hidayat, Zulnaldi, & Syed Zamri, 2018; Sukarelawan & Sriyanto, 2019; Yasir et al., 2020). However, limited literature reports on the adaptation process and comprehensive study of the instrument's psychometric properties, especially the Jr. MAI version B. Therefore, the study of the psychometric properties of Jr. MAI version B needs to be reported. This report will ensure the appropriateness and accuracy of the information when used in the Indonesian context.

Factor analysis techniques (exploratory factor analysis and confirmatory factor analysis) have been used to establish the construct validity of Jr.MAI version B (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Kim et al., 2017; Ning, 2019). Testing the rating scale function used, Jr.MAI-unidimensionality, item-bias analysis on respondent attributes through Differential Item Functioning (DIF) testing, item quality (item difficulty, and respondent's ability) are limitations that were not reported in previous studies in constructing constructs associated with item difficulty level and respondent's ability are several limitations in using factor analysis in the literature (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Kim et al., 2017; Ning, 2019). So, we need a Rasch analysis technique based on the item response theory to fill this gap. As far as our observations, supported by Craig et al. As far as our observation is concerned, it has been supported by the systematic review results of Craig et al. from 1982–2018 (Craig et al., 2020). (2020), there are limited reports on the Rasch analysis to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI use in Indonesia. Therefore, this study aims to evaluate Jr. MAI's psychometric properties in the Indonesian context using the Rasch analysis technique. Thus, it is hoped that teachers or counselors can use Jr. MAI in measuring student metacognition in Indonesia. There have been no reports on Rasch analysis to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI use in Indonesia. [MNA7][is8] Therefore, this study aims to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI in the Indonesian context using the Rasch analysis technique. Thus, it is hoped that

~~teachers or counsellors can use Jr. MAI in measuring and conducting metacognitive mapping of students in Indonesia.~~

## METHODS

### Participants and procedures

Jr.MAI in Indonesia [MNAA9][is10] version was administered to several high schools in senior high school in Yogyakarta city, Indonesia. We chose Yogyakarta because it is the center of education and is identical to a "student city." Many students come from various regions in Indonesia to study here. So that researchers assume there is the heterogeneity of students in Yogyakarta. Researchers asked permission from the school principal and teachers. Ethical approval was also granted from Yogyakarta State University. With the guidance and supervision of researchers and teachers, 351 students participated and filled the online questionnaire successfully. Students were selected using the convenience sampling technique. We ran data screening to exclude outliers before doing data analysis, 55 outliers were excluded from the dataset. Therefore, 296 students [MNAA11][is12] (Male = 45.9% and Female = 54.1% were analyzed with Rasch measurement using Winsteps software. The number of participants in this analysis was adequate for data stability for sample size, more than 250 respondents (Chen et al., 2014; Lee et al., 2020).

### Instrument

The Jr.MAI instrument (Sperling et al., 2002) has been adapted and translated into the Indonesian version by the Indonesian translator using back-forward translation. The cross-cultural context was assessed in adapting the questionnaire in the Indonesian context (Muñiz et al., 2016). Jr.MAI questionnaire consists of 18 items divided into two constructs: knowledge of cognition (KoC) and regulation of cognition (RoC). In Jr.MAI, KoC and RoC each consist of 9 items (see Table 3). Each item uses five categories Likert scale starting from 1 (never) to 5 (always). Winsteps version 4.6.1 was employed to analyze the dataset based on Rasch measurement. We preferred to using Rasch measurement because Rasch measurement can solve some limitations of Classical Test Theory (CTT) analysis such as missing data in the analysis, reliability parameter only using Cronbach's alpha, the dependency of item and person which may not be reliable and valid in another research context (Rusch et al., 2017).

### Data analysis

Data analysis began with data screening of participant responses. We applied the rating scale analysis using Rasch modelling to perform data analysis. The rating scale function was reviewed from the increase in the average observation, Andrich Threshold values, and probability curves (Andrich, 2018; Van Zile-Tamsen, 2017). Instrument reliability was determined based on the Cronbach alpha coefficient, person and item reliability parameter. Item fit was determined from the Infit and Outfit MNSQ statistical value, the wright map, local independence, and unidimensionality. The bias of Jr.MAI items by gender is determined based on Differential Item Functioning (DIF) (Bond & Fox, 2015).

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Screening Rating Scale

The psychometric properties of the 18-item Jr.MAI were analyzed using WINSTEPS 4.6.1 software. The analysis of the data starts with a person screening and rating. In the data screening process, 55 outliers have been detected. Outliers are a student whose answers are suspect and incompatible. Outfit MNSQ values are outside the acceptable criteria (0.5 to 1.5) indicated as misfitting person or outliers (Andrich, 2018; Bond et al., 2015). After person screening, we evaluated the rating scale used in Jr.MAI. Analysis of the choice function on the provided rating scale is critical as an element of the psychometric quality of the scale (Van Zile-Tamsen, 2017). A good rating scale is if the choices provided do not confuse the respondent. Table 1 shows a summary of the parameters used to assess the functioning of the options on the rating scale in Jr.MAI.

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**Table 1.** Summary of Jr.MAI rating scale function ~~Statistical summary based on Rasch parameters~~

	Persons	Item
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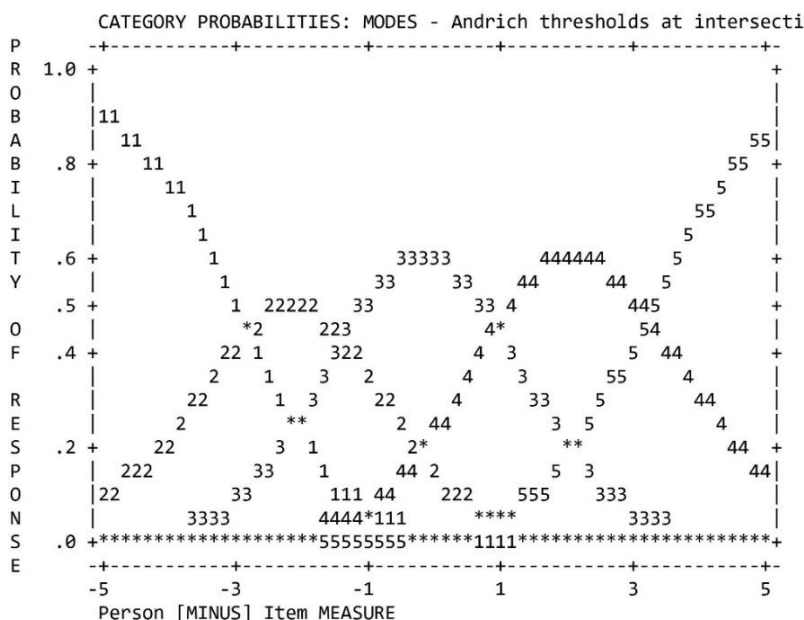


Measure	1.74	0
SD	0.87	0.92
SE	0.06	0.22
Mean-Outfit-ZSTD	-0.07	-0.10
Mean-Outfit-MNSQ	1.00	1.00
Separation	2.23	9.68
Strata	3.34	13.24
Reliability	0.83	0.99
Cronbach's Alpha	0.85	
Chi-squared ( $\chi^2$ )	10072.06 (df= 10090)	
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**Figure 1.** Probability curves for the 5-point Likert scale of Jr.MAI

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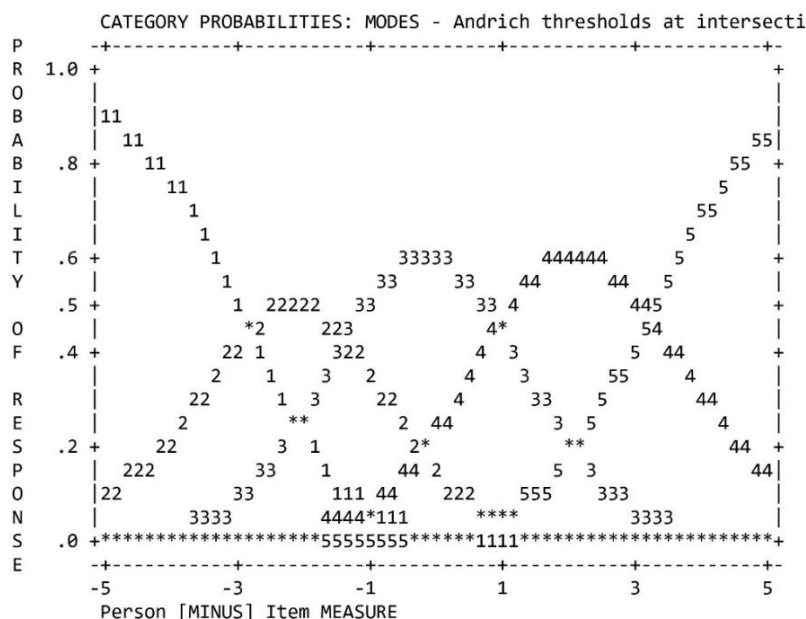


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**Unidimensionality and local independence**

The unidimensionality of the Jr.MAI scale has been determined using the Principal Component Analysis of the residuals. The unidimensionality explains that the instrument is unidimension in measuring latent factor in this study, Metacognitive Awareness. Jr.MAI can achieve validity criteria in measuring latent factor or unidimension if the score of raw variance explained by measure is more than 30% (Chou & Wang, 2010). The value of raw variance explained by measures of the Jr.MAI questionnaire is 42.8. This value proves the existence of a good unidimensionality on the Jr.MAI scale measuring one dimension. These findings also support and reinforce the unidimensionality of Jr.MAI in Singapore students (Ning, 2018). The local independence explains that each item in the Jr.MAI questionnaire is not dependent. The instrument can achieve local independence criteria if the correlation between items is lower than 0.3. The raw residual correlation between items Jr.MAI questionnaire is below 0.3, which proves that the questionnaire is free of local dependence issues.

**Item Fit**

The MNSQ infit and outfit statistical values in Table 3 were used to measure the suitability of individual items in Jr.MAI (Andrich & Marais, 2019). A fit item will make a good contribution in defining a common construct (Rahayu et al., 2020). In Rasch modelling, the ideal MNSQ infit and outfit value are 1. Value 0.5 - 1.5 is a reasonable acceptance range that shows the productive value for measurement (Andrich & Marais, 2019; Bond & Fox, 2015; Wright & Linacre, 1994). All 18 Jr.MAI items have infit values, and the MNSQ outfit is within the acceptance range. This shows a match in the response pattern to the target item and a match between person ability and item difficulty. Different from the findings reported by Ning. Two items (KoC6 and RoC1) have insufficient psychometric properties (see Table 23) (Ning, 2018). Besides, the PT-Measure Corr. value of the Jr.MAI scale moved in a positive direction from 0.41 to 0.67, as shown in Table 23. This shows the suitability of all items against the agreed latent variables (Maryati et al., 2019). Therefore, it can be concluded that the 18-item Jr.MAI can be applied to measure the metacognitive measures of high school students in Indonesia. [MNA14] [is15]

Table 3. Comparison of infit and outfit MNSQ on Jr.MAI between Singapore students (Ning, 2018) and this study (Indonesian students).

Item	Statement	Indonesian students		Singapore students		PT-Measure Corr.	Measure
		Infit MNSQ	Outfit MNSQ	Infit MNSQ	Outfit MNSQ		
KoC1	Saya tahu ketika saya memahami sesuatu.	0.85	0.85	0.96	0.92	0.57	0.82

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KoC2	<u>Ketika saya menyukai suatu topik, saya mempelajarinya lebih mendalam</u>	0.95	0.94	1.18	1.18	0.58	-0.75
KoC3	<u>Informasi-informasi penting dalam suatu topik sangat saya perhatikan.</u>	0.79	0.79	0.90	0.93	0.60	0.15
KoC4	<u>Saya dapat mengkondisikan diri saya untuk belajar ketika saya butuh.</u>	1.04	1.07	0.80	0.86	0.54	-0.11
KoC5	<u>Saya bisa belajar maksimal ketika sudah mengetahui sesuatu dari topik itu</u>	1.23	1.23	1.17	1.18	0.53	-0.41
KoC6	<u>Saya mengerti apa yang diharapkan guru pada saya untuk dipelajari</u>	1.28	1.30	1.41	<b>1.55</b>	0.43	2.22
KoC7	<u>Cara belajar yang berhasil saya gunakan sebelumnya, akan saya gunakan kembali</u>	1.12	1.12	0.85	0.88	0.44	-0.25
KoC8	<u>Saya menggunakan kekuatan-kekuatan belajar yang saya miliki untuk menutupi kelemahan-kelemahan.</u>	0.81	0.80	0.78	0.80	0.67	-0.53
KoC9	<u>Tanpa melalui proses berpikir, saya kadang-kadang langsung menggunakan strategi-strategi belajar.</u>	0.97	0.97	1.17	1.33	0.50	-0.31
RoC1	<u>Setelah menyelesaikan tugas sekolah, saya bertanya kepada diri sendiri apakah saya sudah mempelajari apa yang sebenarnya mau saya pelajari</u>	1.10	1.11	1.53	<b>1.64</b>	0.50	-0.10
RoC2	<u>Saya memikirkan apa yang sebenarnya ingin saya pelajari dari satu topik itu sebelum saya mulai mempelajarinya.</u>	0.94	0.95	0.97	1.05	0.57	-1.29
RoC3	<u>Ketika saya sedang mempelajari materi yang baru, saya bertanya pada diri sendiri seberapa baik saya melakukannya.</u>	0.74	0.75	0.87	0.87	0.57	-0.19
RoC4	<u>Ketika menyelesaikan tugas sekolah, saya mempertimbangkan beberapa cara penyelesaian lalu memilih cara terbaik</u>	0.88	0.89	0.84	0.87	0.46	-0.11
RoC5	<u>Setelah saya menyelesaikan tugas, saya bertanya pada diri sendiri apakah ada cara lain yang lebih mudah.</u>	1.03	1.02	0.86	0.88	0.44	-0.79
RoC6	<u>Untuk membantu memahami materi ketika belajar, saya membuat gambar-gambar atau diagram-diagram.</u>	0.82	0.83	0.86	0.87	0.49	0.80
RoC7	<u>Strategi-strategi belajar yang saya gunakan bisa saja berbeda tergantung pada tugasnya.</u>	0.83	0.82	0.98	1.01	0.54	-1.10
RoC8	<u>Sebelum mulai mengerjakan tugas, saya memastikan apa saja yang sudah harus dilakukan</u>	1.24	1.22	1.14	1.14	0.54	-0.14
RoC9	<u>Saya memeriksa kembali pekerjaan saya untuk memastikan bisa selesai tepat waktu</u>	1.34	1.35	0.97	0.97	0.41	2.08

### Differential Item Functioning (DIF)

One of the characteristics of a good instrument is if it does not have a bias towards certain respondent attributes. DIF analysis was conducted to see the trend of items in Jr.MAI on gender attributes. Items have a gender bias if the probability value is less than 5% (Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014). As shown in Figure 2, there is no probability value < 5% as an indication of grain bias towards gender. We also ran a DIF analysis based on DIF size (see Figure 3). Jr.MAI proved that there is no gender bias on each item because no DIF size has |DIF| score  $\geq 0.43$  (slight to moderate) or  $|DIF| \geq 0.64$  logits (moderate to large) (Zwick et al., 1999). This result indicates the items in ~~Jr.MAI~~Jr.MAI are equal towards the male and female sex, which supports other findings from Papini et al. (2020). These findings are also in line with ~~Jr.MAI~~Jr.MAI in Singapore students (Ning, 2018).

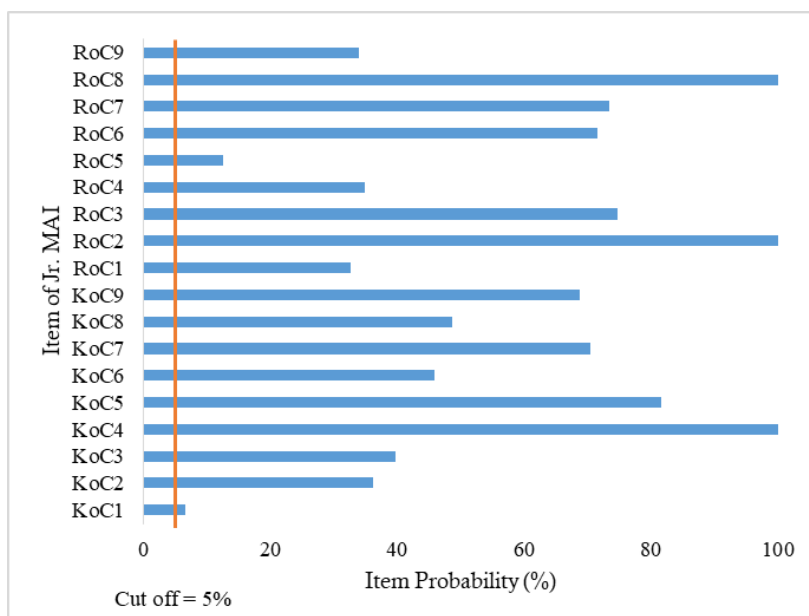


Figure 2. Item probability across gender

Item KoC1 is near the cut-off criteria for probability value ( $p < 5\%$ ). However, we can assume that KoC1 is still worth retaining in the Jr.MAI questionnaire. Overall, Figure 2 showed that there is no bias issue in all items.

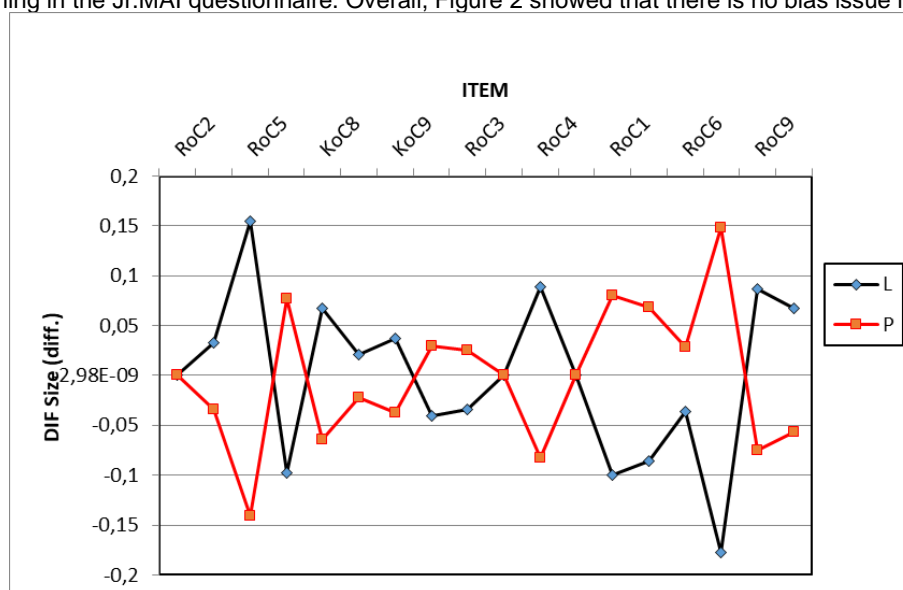


Figure 3. DIF size based on gender

We also performed DIF analysis based on gender (Female (P) and Male (L)). Figure 3 attempted to illustrate the DIF in RoC Domain. However, Figure 3 indicated no substantial DIF size in item bias in the Jr.MAI questionnaire detected, which are less than 0.43 (slight to moderate categories).

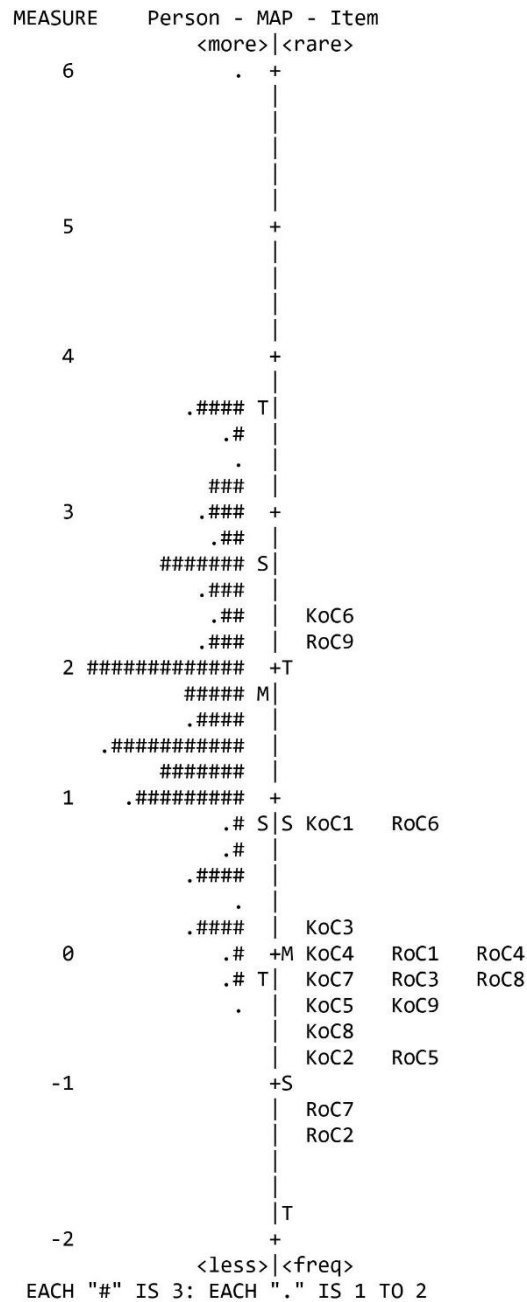
**Item and Person Distribution**

The relationship between person and item is visualized through a person-item map (Wright map) (Wright & Stone, 1979). The Rasch model balances individual ability and item difficulty on a linear scale in one frame of reference so that person abilities and item difficulties are not interdependent (Blanc & Rojas, 2018; Wind & Gale, 2015). Figure 4 shows the state of the person and item on the same logit scale. It is used to compare the difficulty level of the item against the person’s ability. The person-item map in Figure 4 is divided into four areas. The upper-right area shows the position of the item with a high level of difficulty, or students tend to have more difficulty agreeing on the statement.

Meanwhile, the lower-right area shows items with a low level of difficulty, or students tend to agree with existing statements easily. The upper-left area shows the person’s position with a high metacognitive level, and the lower-left area shows the person’s position with a low metacognitive level. Eighteen items are distributed on the right side of the map. KoC6 item: “I know what the teacher expects me to learn” is the most difficult for students to agree on, and the RoC2 item: “I think about what I need to learn before I start working” the easiest for students to agree. There is a big gap between KoC3 and RoC9 items. Thus, to increase Jr.MAI’s sensitivity and reliability, some items need to be added (Muñoz & Nieto, 2019).

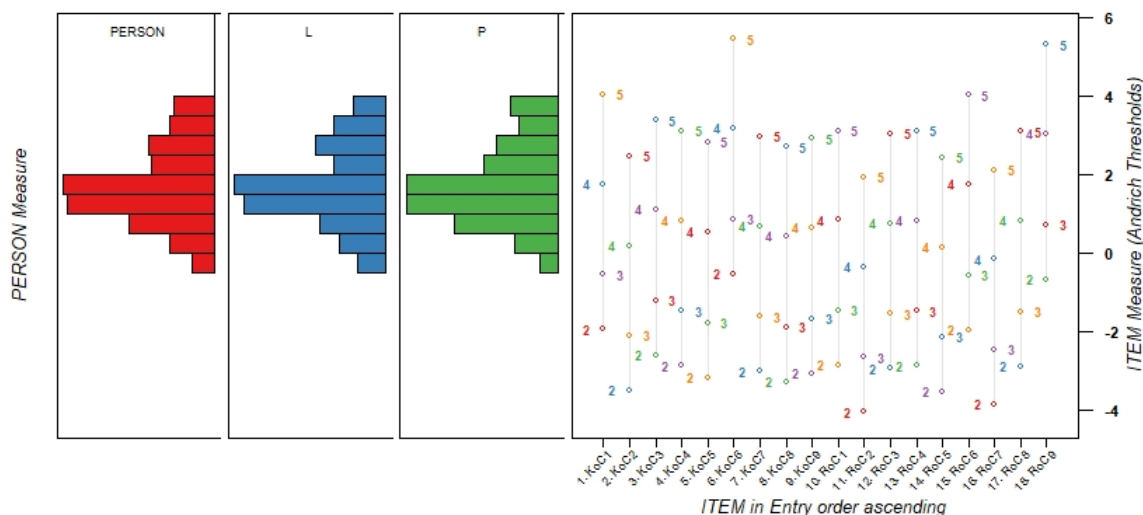
A person’s mean score is higher than the item. This shows that the students’ average chance of having metacognitive abilities is higher than the average item difficulty level. Items and persons with the equivalent

logit have a 50% probability of being agreed by the student. Items that are under a logit person have an agreed probability of more than 50%. At the same time, items with a logit above person have a probability of less than 50% to be agreed on by students (Boone et al., 2014).



**Figure 4.** Person-item map of the Jr.MAI

The Person-item map indicated two items (RoC7 and RoC2) that easy to answers by students, but RoC7 and RoC2 are still below two standard deviation logit unit, so we can assume that these two items are no misbehave items. This result indicated that students' regulation of cognition, especially RoC7 and RoC2, is higher than other item domains. From the Jr.MAI person-item map, there is room for improvements of items by adding items that are more difficult to answer to cover all person abilities.



**Figure 5.** Person-item map based on Andrich threshold

To ensure the Jr.MAI in the Indonesian context is fit well based using rating scales. We ran a person-item map for person and gender group based on Andrich Threshold in Figure 5. Figure 5 gives us a further understanding of the distribution score in the questionnaire where all rating scales worked properly for all persons and gender in data fit and distribution.

## CONCLUSION

Based on the results of the analysis and discussion previously presented, it was found that the use of the 5-point Likert scale in Jr.-MAI is functioning well. Reliability Jr.-MAI is in a good category and can classify items and people from more than three groups. The 18-item fit well against the model and was free of gender bias. So, Jr.MAI (Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory) has good psychometric properties to measure the metacognitive abilities of high school students in Indonesia. However, the Item-person map indicated that there is still room for improvement to cover all student ability by making some difficult items. Not substantial bias detected according to the probability of responses and DIF size based on gender.

The limitation of this study is that it cannot be used on students who come from private schools because the respondents involved come from public schools. The cultural attributes of the students were not included to see if Jr.MAI is free from bias towards culture. However, this study has made a significant contribution in evaluating the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI for use in Indonesia with the item response theory approach. The findings have significant implications for teachers, counsellors, and parents to help students achieve academic success (Ning, 2018).

Suggestions for future research are to focus on Differential Item Functioning. Therefore, future research needs to pay attention to the heterogeneity of the attributes of the respondents. For example, a researcher could assess Jr.-MAI's bias towards school types (private and public schools), school location (urban and rural schools), or based on areas of interest (science and social fields).

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### **Abstract**

Empirically, Metacognitive awareness is one of the main contributors to students' academic success. At the beginning of its development, the Jr.MAI self-report questionnaire was intended to measure students' metacognitive awareness in the United States. However, the evaluation of the psychometric properties for high school students in Indonesian is still limited. The original Jr.MAI cannot be applied in Indonesia. By evaluating student metacognitive awareness using Jr.MAI, teachers can understand students' information and knowledge related to their learning strategies and learning behaviors. Therefore, this study aims to evaluate the psychometric properties of the Indonesian translation of the Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (Jr.MAI) self-report questionnaire. The Jr.MAI questionnaire is consisted of 18 items and uses a 5-point Likert scale response. 296 students (Male = 45.9% and Female = 54.1%) of public senior high schools in Indonesia completed the Jr.MAI questionnaire. The Rasch model had been used to evaluate the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI. The results showed that the 5-point rating scale with 18 items functioned properly with a good fit, no gender bias, and achieving the unidimensionality and local independence assumptions, proving that the Jr. MAI questionnaire defined the latent variables and classified people and items well. Therefore, we concluded that The Jr.MAI questionnaire developed had good psychometric properties to be used by teachers and counselors for measuring and mapping the metacognitive characteristics at the senior high school level.

**Keywords:** Rasch analysis; Jr.MAI; metacognitive

## INTRODUCTION

Various kinds of literature have reported the critical role of metacognition in students' learning process. The ability to monitor and control learning positively correlates with learning success, increased academic achievement, and the health and well-being of students (Abdellah, 2015; Craig et al., 2020; Ning, 2018). For example, metacognitive strategies positively correlate with students' test scores (Burin et al., 2020; Morphew, 2021). Also, the practical use of metacognitive skills and strategies has improved learning at various levels of education (Abdellah, 2015; Ahdhianto et al., 2020; Amin et al., 2020; Herlanti, 2015).

Metacognitive taxonomy has evolved in the last four decades. Flavell has become an initiator in introducing metacognitive concepts. At the beginning of its appearance, metacognitive was conceived as "thinking about cognitive phenomena" (Flavell, 1979). In other words, metacognitive can be viewed as a person's awareness or cognitive activity about the thought process or everything related to it (Hidayat, Zulnaidi, & Zamri, 2018). Flavell (1979) proposed a metacognitive structure consisting of four main components: metacognitive knowledge, metacognitive experiences, goal, and action. About a decade and a half later, Schraw and Dennison proposed a metacognitive structure consisting of 2 main components: Metacognitive Knowledge (MK) and Metacognitive Experiences (ME). The MK component consists of three subcomponents, namely: declarative, procedural, and conditional knowledge. At the same time, the ME component consists of five sub-components: planning, monitoring, information management, debugging, and evaluation (Schraw & Dennison, 1994). This proposal is a refinement of the factor structure proposed by Brown (1978).

In the Indonesian national education curriculum, students at the high school level must have metacognitive abilities (Sukarelawan & Sriyanto, 2019). Therefore, a standard instrument is needed to facilitate the task of teachers in assessing these abilities accurately. Several metacognitive questionnaires have been developed and applied in the field (Harrison & Vallin, 2018). This statement results from the existence of several metacognitive taxonomies that have been proposed previously (Allen & Armour-Thomas, 1993; Flavell, 1979; Schraw & Dennison, 1994). Because of their complex nature to observe and assess, self-report questionnaires are the most effective, efficient, and least problematic way to evaluate a person's metacognitive measures (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Craig et al., 2020).

The component proposed by Schraw and Dennison has produced numerous self-report questionnaires to evaluate metacognitive content, for example, Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (MAI) (Schraw & Dennison, 1994), Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory (Jr.MAI) Versions A and B (Sperling et al., 2002), and Physics Metacognitive Inventory (PMI) (Taasobshirazi et al., 2015; Taasobshirazi & Farley, 2013).

Sperling and colleagues (2002) have developed Jr.MAI version B. The 18-item Jr.MAI has concurrent validity and forms 2 metacognitive factors (Knowledge of Cognition and Regulation of Cognition) based on exploratory factor analysis. The research report shows that the 18-item model fits the two factors (see Table 3). The internal reliability of the Jr.MAI has a correlation coefficient of 0.82. Therefore, the items in Jr.MAI are reliable. These significant findings attracted the interest of researchers, including us, to reexamine the Jr.MAI in different contexts.

Educational and psychological tests need a multilanguage version because interest in scientific achievement in international comparative studies and cross-cultural psychology has increased (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010). The Jr.MAI self-report instrument is intended to measure students' metacognition in the United States, so the applications in different contexts need special attention. Several researchers have confirmed the use of Jr.MAI in other countries, for example, in Turkey (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010), Korea (Kim et al., 2017), and Singapore (Ning, 2018, 2019).

The use of metacognitive awareness instruments in Indonesia has been widely reported (Alindra et al., 2019; Bahari et al., 2020; Fauzi & Sa'diyah, 2019; Hidayat, Zulnaidi, & Syed Zamri, 2018; Sukarelawan & Sriyanto, 2019; Yasir et al., 2020). However, limited literature reports on the adaptation process and comprehensive study of the instrument's psychometric properties, especially the Jr. MAI version B. Therefore, the study of the psychometric properties of Jr. MAI version B needs to be reported. This report will ensure the appropriateness and accuracy of the information when used in the Indonesian context.

Factor analysis techniques (exploratory factor analysis and confirmatory factor analysis) have been used to establish the construct validity of Jr.MAI version B (Aydin & Ubuz, 2010; Kim et al., 2017; Ning, 2019). The rating scale function test, unidimensionality, bias analysis through Differential Item Functioning (DIF) test, and item quality (item difficulty and respondents' ability) are limitations not reported in previous studies. So, we need a Rasch analysis technique based on the item response theory to fill this gap. As far as our observations, supported by Craig et al. (2020), there are limited reports on the Rasch analysis to evaluate the use of psychometric properties of Jr.MAI in Indonesia. Therefore, this study aims to evaluate Jr. MAI's psychometric properties using the Rasch analysis technique in the Indonesian context. Thus, it is hoped that teachers or counselors can use Jr. MAI in measuring students' metacognition in Indonesia.

## METHODS

### Participants and procedures

Jr.MAI in Indonesia version was administered to several high schools in senior high school in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. The researchers chose Yogyakarta because it is the center of education and is identical to a "student city." Many students come from various regions in Indonesia to study here, so we assume the heterogeneity of students in Yogyakarta. Researchers asked permission from the school principal and teachers. Ethical approval was also granted from Yogyakarta State University. With the guidance and supervision of researchers and teachers, 351 students

participated and filled the online questionnaire using stratified random sampling. Students were selected using the convenience sampling technique. We ran data screening to exclude outliers before data analysis. Fifty-five outliers were excluded from the dataset. Therefore, 296 students (Male = 45.9% and Female = 54.1%) were analyzed with Rasch measurement using Winsteps software. The number of participants in this analysis was adequate for data stability for sample size, more than 250 respondents (Chen et al., 2014; Lee et al., 2020).

### Instrument

The Jr.MAI instrument (Sperling et al., 2002) has been adapted and translated into the Indonesian version by the Indonesian translator using back-forward translation. The cross-cultural context was assessed in adapting the questionnaire in the Indonesian context (Muñiz et al., 2016). Jr.MAI questionnaire consists of 18 items divided into two constructs: knowledge of cognition (KoC) and regulation of cognition (RoC). In Jr.MAI, KoC and RoC each consist of 9 items (see Table 3). Each item uses five categories Likert scale starting from 1 (never) to 5 (always). Winsteps version 4.6.1 was employed to analyze the dataset based on Rasch measurement. We preferred to using Rasch measurement because it can solve some limitations of Classical Test Theory (CTT) analysis such as missing data in the analysis, reliability parameter only using Cronbach's alpha, the dependency of item and person, which may not be reliable and valid in another research context (Rusch et al., 2017).

### Data analysis

Data analysis began with data screening of participant responses. We applied the rating scale analysis using Rasch modeling to perform data analysis. The rating scale function was reviewed from the increase in the average observation, Andrich Threshold values, and probability curves (Andrich, 2018; Van Zile-Tamsen, 2017). Instrument reliability was determined based on the Cronbach alpha coefficient, person and item reliability parameter, and item fit was determined from the Infit and Outfit MNSQ statistical value, the wright map, local independence, and unidimensionality. The bias of Jr.MAI items by gender is determined based on Differential Item Functioning (DIF) (Bond & Fox, 2015).

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Screening Rating Scale

The psychometric properties of the 18-item Jr.MAI were analyzed using WINSTEPS 4.6.1 software. The analysis of the data starts with a person screening and rating. In the data screening process, 55 outliers have been detected. Outliers are students with suspicious and incompatible answers. Outfit MNSQ values are outside the acceptable criteria (0.5 to 1.5) indicated as misfitting persons or outliers (Andrich, 2018; Bond et al., 2015). After person screening, we evaluated the rating scale used in Jr.MAI. Analysis of the choice function on the provided rating scale is critical as an element of the psychometric quality of the scale (Van Zile-Tamsen, 2017). A good rating scale is if the choices provided do not confuse the respondent. Table 1 shows a summary of the parameters used to assess the functioning of the options on the rating scale in Jr.MAI.

**Table 1.** Summary of Jr.MAI rating scale function

Category	Counts	Observed Average	Andrich Threshold
1 (never)	37	-0.47	-
2 (Seldom)	265	-0.30	-2.77
3 (Sometimes)	1450	0.93	-1.38
4 (Often)	2439	1.90	0.94
5 (always)	1137	3.00	3.22

Based on Table 1, it appears that the observed counts have a unimodal distribution. The observed mean increased monotonically from -0.47 to +3.00 logit. Another indicator that needs to be considered to see the functioning of the scale choice is Andrich Threshold (Boone & Noltemeyer, 2017; Van Zile-Tamsen, 2017). The Andrich Threshold value increases monotonically from NONE to 3.22. A good choice of scale is if each level has increased by more than one logit in the Andrich Threshold parameter (Ning, 2018). There is an increase in each rating scale provided at least 1.39. Besides, the check of the scale function can be via a probability curve (Figure 1). All categories on the probability curve have their respective peaks along the Measure axis. It indicates a congruence with the recommended pattern (Rahayu et al., 2020). This finding is slightly different from the use of Jr.MAI in Singaporean students. The use of the Likert scale "Rarely" in Ning's (2018) study has a peak under the probability curve for the "sometimes" and "never" categories. So the Jr.MAI rating scale used for Singaporean students needs to be simplified to a 4 point Likert scale. Based on the average observation value, Andrich Threshold, and probability curves, it can be stated that the 5-point Likert scale used in Jr.MAI for Indonesian students can function properly.

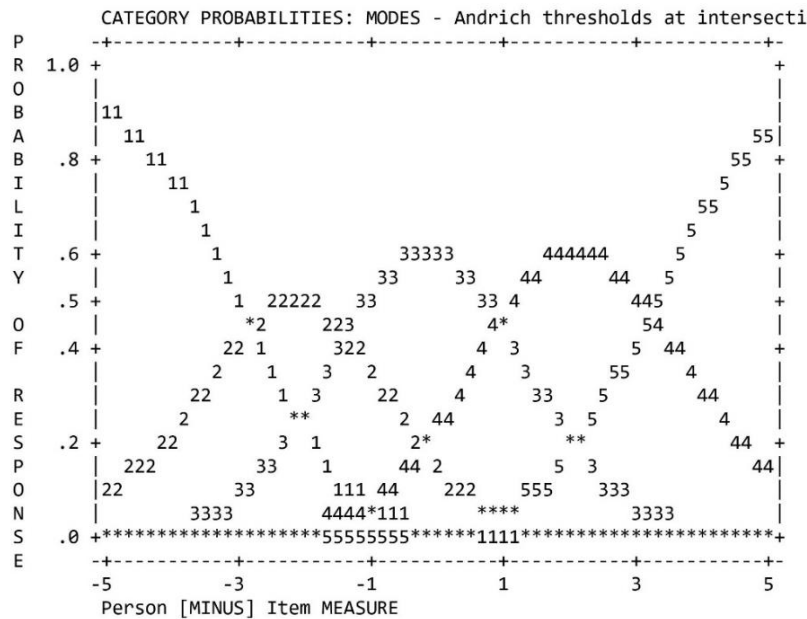


Figure 1. Probability curves for the 5-point Likert scale of Jr.MAI

**Instrument Reliability**

After person screening and rating, we calculated the Jr.MAI questionnaire's summary statistics based on item and person parameters in Rasch modeling. Table 2 represents the Jr.MAI questionnaire's summary statistics for person and item based on Rasch parameters.

Table 2. Statistical summary based on Rasch parameters

	Persons	Item
N	296	18
Mean	68.7	1131
Measure	1.74	0
SD	0.87	0.92
SE	0.06	0.22
Mean Outfit ZSTD	-0.07	-0.10
Mean Outfit MNSQ	1.00	1.00
Separation	2.23	9.68
Strata	3.31	13.24
Reliability	0.83	0.99
Cronbach's Alpha		0.85
Chi-squared ( $\chi^2$ )	10072.06 (df= 10090)	
Probability	0.5484 *	

\*Normally distributed

Table 2 showed that the mean of person-ability is 1.74 logits, above the average level (0 logits), and item difficulties are in the average range (0 logits). Item separation indicated that the Jr.MAI questionnaire has 13 items in different difficulty levels. In this study, the person separation proved at least two person levels, the students with high and low ability. Overall, the data have Chi-squared ( $\chi^2$ ) = 10072.06 (df= 10090),  $p > 0.05$  indicating normal distribution achieved.

Instrument reliability is estimated based on items and persons (see Table 2). The average person output is 1.74 logit, indicating a tendency for respondents to agree on various attributes in Jr.MAI. Data items and persons were used to see the suitability of using items in Jr.MAI and the statistical suitability of respondents. Person-item interaction on the use of Jr.MAI is appropriate and reliable because it has a Cronbach alpha value of 0.85. The respondents' consistency was good, and the quality of the items in Jr.MAI was exceptional (Didino et al., 2019). The result is supported by the value of the person and item reliability, respectively 0.83 and 0.99. These three reliability values indicate that the Jr.MAI items can define latent variables well (Maryati et al., 2019). The person and item separation value, represented in strata, is 3.31 and 13.24, respectively. This value indicates that Jr.MAI has an excellent ability to classify both person and item.

**Unidimensionality and local independence**

The unidimensionality of the Jr.MAI scale is determined using the Principal Component Analysis of the residuals. The unidimensionality explains that the instrument is unidimensional in measuring latent factor in this study, Metacognitive Awareness. Jr.MAI can achieve validity criteria in measuring latent factor or unidimensionality if the score of raw variance explained by measure is more than 30% (Chou & Wang, 2010). The value of raw variance explained by measures of the Jr.MAI questionnaire is 42.8. This value proves the existence of a good

unidimensionality on the Jr.MAI scale measuring one dimension. These findings also support and reinforce the unidimensionality of Jr.MAI in Singapore students (Ning, 2018). The local independence explains that each item in the Jr.MAI questionnaire is not dependent. The instrument can achieve local independence criteria if the correlation between items is lower than 0.3. The raw residual correlation between items Jr.MAI questionnaire is below 0.3, proving that the questionnaire is free of local dependence issues.

### Item Fit

The MNSQ infit and outfit statistical values in Table 3 were used to measure the suitability of individual items in Jr.MAI (Andrich & Marais, 2019). A fit item will make a good contribution in defining a common construct (Rahayu et al., 2020). In Rasch modeling, the ideal MNSQ infit and outfit value are 1. Value 0.5 - 1.5 is a reasonable acceptance range that shows the productive value for measurement (Andrich & Marais, 2019; Bond & Fox, 2015; Wright & Linacre, 1994). All 18 Jr.MAI items have infit values, and the MNSQ outfit is within the acceptance range. It shows a match between the response pattern to the target item and between person-ability and item difficulty. This is different from the findings reported by Ning. Two items (KoC6 and RoC1) have insufficient psychometric properties (see Table 3) (Ning, 2018). Besides, the PT-Measure Corr. value of the Jr.MAI scale moved in a positive direction from 0.41 to 0.67, as shown in Table 3. This shows the suitability of all items against the agreed latent variables (Maryati et al., 2019). Therefore, it can be concluded that the 18-item Jr.MAI can be applied to measure the metacognitive measures of high school students in Indonesia.

**Table 3.** Comparison of infit and outfit MNSQ on Jr.MAI between Singapore students (Ning, 2018) and this study (Indonesian students).

Item	Statement	Indonesian students		Singapore students		PT-Mea. Corr.	Measure
		Infit MNSQ	Outfit MNSQ	Infit MNSQ	Outfit MNSQ		
KoC1	<i>Saya tahu ketika saya memahami sesuatu.</i>	0.85	0.85	0.96	0.92	0.57	0.82
KoC2	<i>Ketika saya menyukai suatu topik, saya mempelajarinya lebih mendalam</i>	0.95	0.94	1.18	1.18	0.58	-0.75
KoC3	<i>Informasi-informasi penting dalam suatu topik sangat saya perhatikan.</i>	0.79	0.79	0.90	0.93	0.60	0.15
KoC4	<i>Saya dapat mengkondisikan diri saya untuk belajar ketika saya butuh.</i>	1.04	1.07	0.80	0.86	0.54	-0.11
KoC5	<i>Saya bisa belajar maksimal ketika sudah mengetahui sesuatu dari topik itu</i>	1.23	1.23	1.17	1.18	0.53	-0.41
KoC6	<i>Saya mengerti apa yang diharapkan guru pada saya untuk dipelajari</i>	1.28	1.30	1.41	<b>1.55</b>	0.43	2.22
KoC7	<i>Cara belajar yang berhasil saya gunakan sebelumnya, akan saya gunakan kembali</i>	1.12	1.12	0.85	0.88	0.44	-0.25
KoC8	<i>Saya menggunakan kekuatan-kekuatan belajar yang saya miliki untuk menutupi kelemahan-kelemahan.</i>	0.81	0.80	0.78	0.80	0.67	-0.53
KoC9	<i>Tanpa melalui proses berpikir, saya kadang-kadang langsung menggunakan strategi-strategi belajar.</i>	0.97	0.97	1.17	1.33	0.50	-0.31
RoC1	<i>Setelah menyelesaikan tugas sekolah, saya bertanya kepada diri sendiri apakah saya sudah mempelajari apa yang sebenarnya mau saya pelajari</i>	1.10	1.11	1.53	<b>1.64</b>	0.50	-0.10
RoC2	<i>Saya memikirkan apa yang sebenarnya ingin saya pelajari dari satu topik itu sebelum saya mulai mempelajarinya.</i>	0.94	0.95	0.97	1.05	0.57	-1.29
RoC3	<i>Ketika saya sedang mempelajari materi yang baru, saya bertanya pada diri sendiri seberapa baik saya melakukannya.</i>	0.74	0.75	0.87	0.87	0.57	-0.19
RoC4	<i>Ketika menyelesaikan tugas sekolah, saya mempertimbangkan beberapa cara penyelesaian lalu memilih cara terbaik</i>	0.88	0.89	0.84	0.87	0.46	-0.11
RoC5	<i>Setelah saya menyelesaikan tugas, saya bertanya pada diri sendiri apakah ada cara lain yang lebih mudah.</i>	1.03	1.02	0.86	0.88	0.44	-0.79
RoC6	<i>Untuk membantu memahami materi ketika belajar, saya membuat gambar-gambar atau diagram-diagram.</i>	0.82	0.83	0.86	0.87	0.49	0.80
RoC7	<i>Strategi-strategi belajar yang saya gunakan bisa saja berbeda tergantung pada tugasnya.</i>	0.83	0.82	0.98	1.01	0.54	-1.10



RoC8	<i>Sebelum mulai mengerjakan tugas, saya memastikan apa saja yang sudah harus dilakukan</i>	1.24	1.22	1.14	1.14	0.54	-0.14
RoC9	<i>Saya memeriksa kembali pekerjaan saya untuk memastikan bisa selesai tepat waktu</i>	1.34	1.35	0.97	0.97	0.41	2.08

**Differential Item Functioning (DIF)**

One of the characteristics of a good instrument is if it does not bias specific respondent attributes. DIF analysis was conducted to see the trend of items in Jr.MAI on gender attributes. Items have a gender bias if the probability value is less than 5% (Sumintono & Widhiarso, 2014). As shown in Figure 2, there is no probability value < 5% indicating grain bias towards gender. We also ran a DIF analysis based on DIF size (see Figure 3). Jr.MAI proved that there is no gender bias on each item because no DIF size has |DIF| score  $\geq$  of 0.43 (slight to moderate) or  $\geq$  0.64 logits (moderate to large) (Zwick et al., 1999). This result indicates that the Jr.MAI items are equal to the male and female, supporting other findings from Papini et al. (2020). These findings are also in line with Jr.MAI in Singaporean students (Ning, 2018).

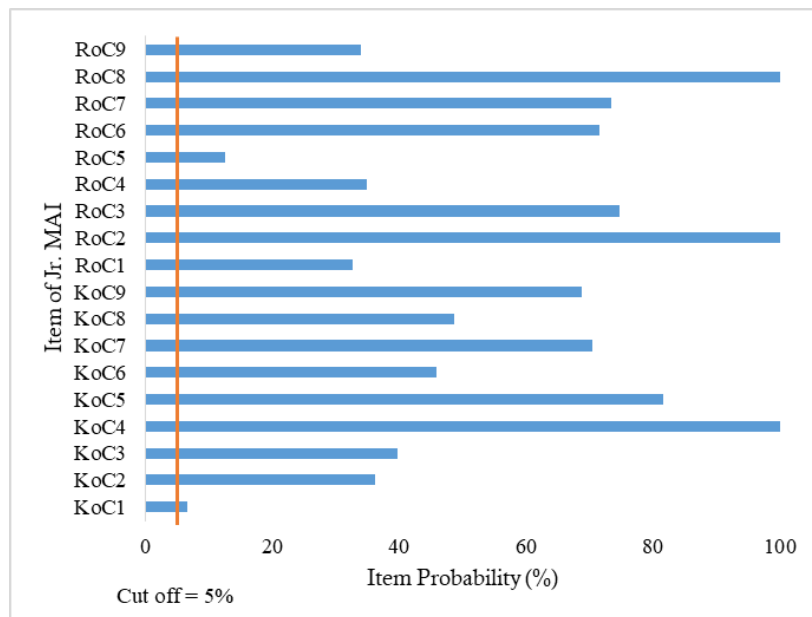


Figure 2. Item probability across gender

Item KoC1 is near the cut-off criteria for probability value ( $p < 5\%$ ). However, we can assume that KoC1 is still worth retaining in the Jr.MAI questionnaire. Overall, Figure 2 showed that there is no bias issue in all items.

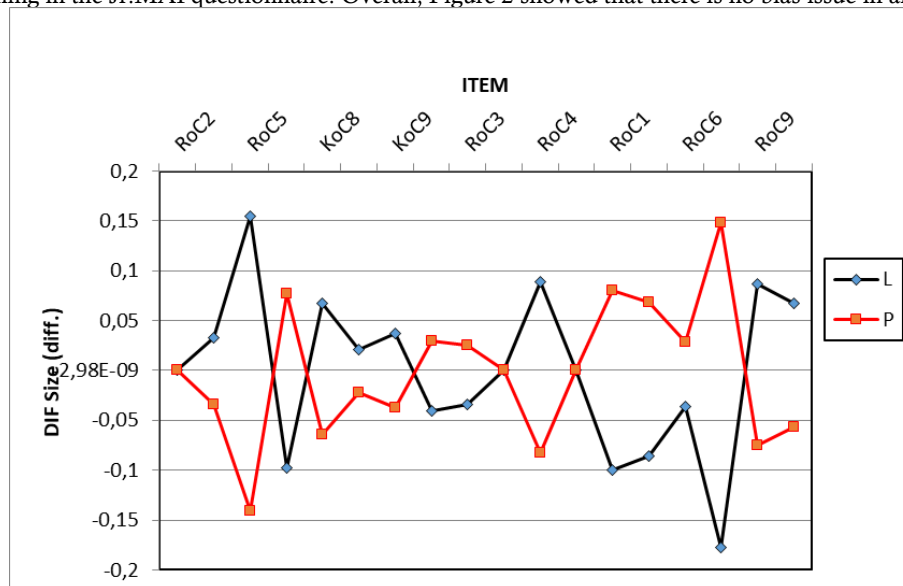


Figure 3. DIF size based on gender

We also performed DIF analysis based on gender (Female (P) and Male (L)). Figure 3 attempted to illustrate the DIF in RoC Domain. However, Figure 3 indicated no substantial DIF size in the Jr.MAI questionnaire detected in item bias, which is less than 0.43 (slight to moderate categories).

**Item and Person Distribution**

The relationship between person and item is visualized through a person-item map (Wright map) (Wright & Stone, 1979). The Rasch model balances person ability and item difficulty on a linear scale in one frame of reference so that person abilities and item difficulties are not interdependent (Blanc & Rojas, 2018; Wind & Gale, 2015). Figure 4 shows the state of the person and item on the same logit scale. It is used to compare the difficulty level of the item against the person-ability. The person-item map in Figure 4 is divided into four areas. The upper-right area shows the position of the item with a high level of difficulty, or students tend to have more difficulty agreeing on the statement. Meanwhile, the lower-right area shows items with a low difficulty level, or students tend to agree with existing statements easily. The upper-left area shows the person's position with a high metacognitive level, and the lower-left area shows the person's position with a low metacognitive level. Eighteen items are distributed on the right side of the map. KoC6 item: “*Saya mengerti apa yang diharapkan guru pada saya untuk dipelajari.*” is the most difficult for students to agree on, and the RoC2 item: “*Saya memikirkan apa yang sebenarnya ingin saya pelajari dari satu topik itu sebelum saya mulai mempelajarinya.*” Is the easiest for students to agree. There is a big gap between KoC3 and RoC9 items. Thus, some items need to be added to increase Jr. MAI's sensitivity and reliability (Muñoz & Nieto, 2019).

A person's mean score is higher than the item. It shows that the students' average chance of having metacognitive abilities is higher than the average item difficulty level. Items and persons with the equivalent logit have a 50% probability of being agreed by the student. Items that are under a logit person have an agreed probability of more than 50%. At the same time, items with a logit above person have a probability of less than 50% to be agreed by students (Boone et al., 2014).

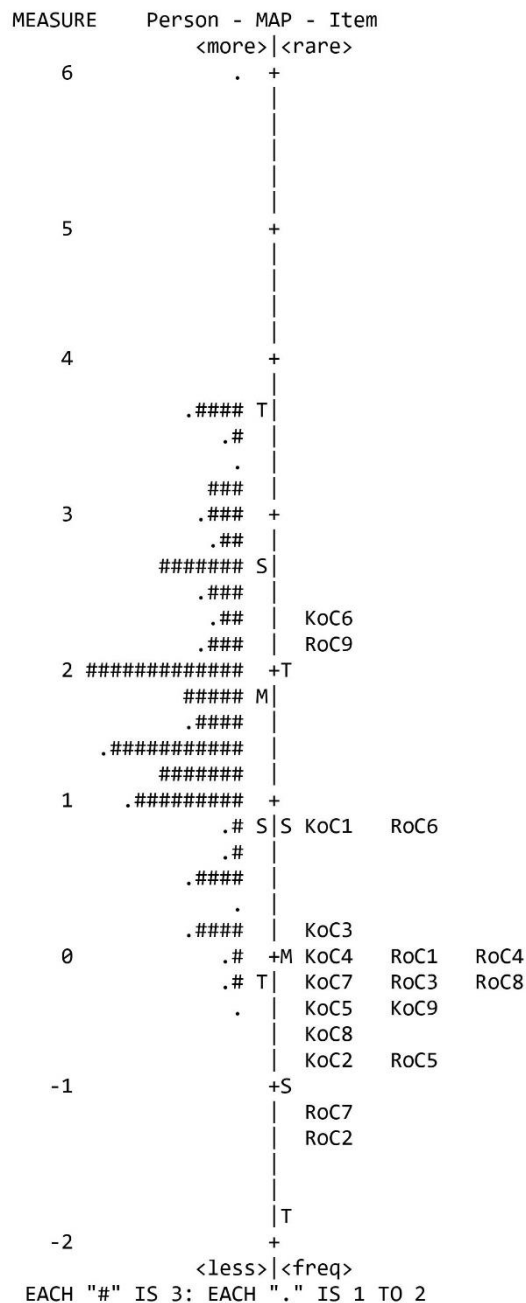
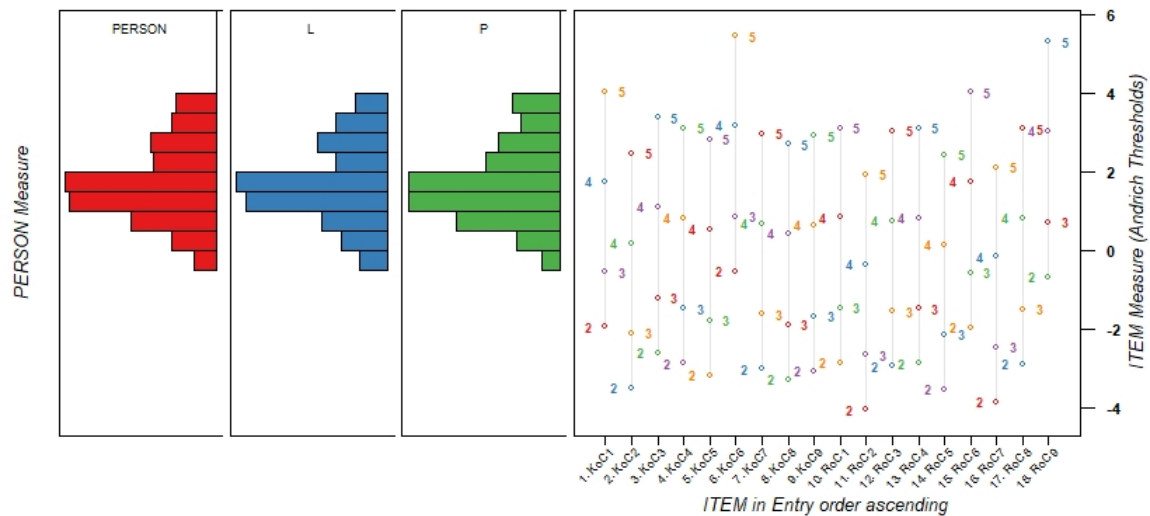


Figure 4. Person-item map of the Jr.MAI

The Person-item map indicated two items (RoC7 and RoC2) that students easily answer, but RoC7 and RoC2 are still below two standard deviation logit units, so we can assume that these two items are no misbehave items. This result indicated that students' regulation of cognition, especially RoC7 and RoC2, is higher than other item domains. From the Jr.MAI person-item map, there is room for improvements of items by adding items that are more difficult to answer to cover all person abilities.



**Figure 5.** Person-item map based on Andrich threshold

To ensure the Jr.MAI in the Indonesian context is fit well based using rating scales, we ran a person-item map for the person and gender groups based on Andrich Threshold in Figure 5. Figure 5 gives us a further understanding of the distribution score in the questionnaire where all rating scales worked adequately for all persons and gender in data fit and distribution.

## CONCLUSION

Based on the analysis and discussion results previously presented, it was found that the use of the 5-point Likert scale in Jr.MAI is functioning well. Reliability Jr.MAI is in a good category and can classify items and people from more than three groups. The 18-item fit well against the model and was free of gender bias. So, Jr.MAI (Junior Metacognitive Awareness Inventory) has good psychometric properties to measure the metacognitive abilities of high school students in Indonesia. However, the Item-person map indicated that there is still room for improvement to cover all students' abilities by making some difficult items. Not substantial bias was detected according to the probability of responses and DIF size based on gender.

The limitation of this study is that it cannot be used on students who come from private schools because the respondents involved come from public schools. The cultural attributes of the students were not included to see if Jr.MAI is free from bias towards culture. However, this study has made a significant contribution in evaluating the psychometric properties of Jr.MAI for use in Indonesia with the item response theory approach. The findings have significant implications for teachers, counselors, and parents to help students achieve academic success (Ning, 2018).

Suggestions for future research are to focus on Differential Item Functioning. Therefore, future research needs to pay attention to the heterogeneity of the attributes of the respondents. For example, a researcher could assess Jr.MAI's bias towards school types (private and public schools), school location (urban and rural schools), or based on areas of interest (science and social fields).

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