

DEVELOPMENT SKY CLASS APPLICATION TO CALCULATE TURTLE USING THE CONCEPT OF NUMBER PATTERNS: PRELIMINARY PHASE

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Abstract

Mobile Learning (ML) has been proven to be useful for learning. Nevertheless, ML also possesses immense potential in the domain of evaluation. This research aims to create an ML product designed for learning assessment. This study is categorised as developmental research and employs a methodology including preliminary and prototype phases. Nevertheless, this study did not report all of the stages. The research has advanced to the Principal Draft Design phase. The approach employed involves analysing the requirements of both students and teachers in developing machine learning for assessment purposes. In addition, experts and practitioners conduct an assessment to ensure its effectiveness. This step is deemed essential before the final development stage is implemented. The outcomes Upon thorough evaluation of the results from all Validators, it was concluded that the "Sky Class" ML application is appropriate for usage, and the input supplied does not necessitate substantial revisions.

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1. Introduction

The fundamental purpose of contemporary mobile learning (ML) applications is to enhance the student learning experience [1]. Through multiple means, including customising learning materials, anticipating student performance [2, 3], and providing adaptive feedback [4, 5]. Nevertheless, ML has tremendous potential in the assessment field [6]; moreover, it can modify the methodologies utilised for performing evaluations. ML can be applied to automate the evaluation process. Minimise the strain on teachers and promote the uniformity and impartiality of assessments [7]. ML techniques can appraise essay replies with increased precision [8]. ML has a fair assessment that is founded on specified criteria. The application of advanced data analysis skills by ML can provide a full grasp of the advancement and requirements of individual pupils, hence permitting the more effective adaptation of teaching techniques.

ML is used in evaluation to focus on performance-based assessment that aligns with the educational structure [9]. Utilising machine learning in education has been reported for evaluation [10-14], and offer prompt and unbiased feedback, consequently diminishing the burden on the teacher [15]. Application of ML necessitates the utilisation of suitable assessment standards [16] and focuses on scrutinising students' output. The significance of considering technical, validity, and pedagogical factors while assessing machine learning [9-16].

One of the interesting subjects in education is mathematics. Mathematics has been taught since pre-school. Many reports regarding mathematics have been published [17-22]. One of the topics covered is numbers and notation, which can have either a standardised format or be a composite of multiple different numbers. Using the notion of number patterns is one approach to researching and comprehending turtle reproduction. Turtle breeding involves life cycles and migration to lay eggs on beaches [23]. In contrast, number patterns are mathematical sequences structured [24] that follow the addition rule between previous numbers. These concepts can offer deep insight despite their fundamental differences. By employing mathematical analyses such as number patterns, scientists can attempt to detect patterns or trends in turtle breeding behaviour, such as the frequency of migration or the number of eggs laid in a single nesting season. This strategy provides chances to gain a deeper comprehension of the natural patterns in sea turtle populations, which can aid in conservation efforts and preservation.

This study attempts to comprehensively describe all the crucial steps - beginning with data collection and pre-processing - in creating a machine-learning model for scoring. The innovation of this study lies in three aspects: (i) the development of machine learning applications for evaluation, (ii) the provision of a succinct flow chart description, and (iii) the utilisation of the concept of numerical patterns to create questions with a turtle theme.

2. Literature Review

Technological advances have significantly contributed to education's progress and development [25-27]. In this development process, students encounter mobile communication technology gadgets connected to the internet, also known as ML. Several reports concerning the utilization of applications [28-30]. This has emerged

as a new trend that enables learning through the use of mobile devices. The integration of telecommunications and internet technology enables the creation of ML systems that communicate with web servers via mobile devices [31]. The primary focus of ML in mathematics education is not just on information acquisition via mobile devices but also on supporting meaningful learning processes and assisting students in shaping their own knowledge. Introducing ML in mathematics and science materials can assist students in making links between studying content and the realities of the world of applications and gadgets they use on a daily basis [32].

Number patterns, such as geometric series [33], arithmetic series [34-36], and other mathematical patterns, are sets of numbers that follow specific rules or criteria [37]. The Fibonacci sequence exemplifies the widely recognised numerical idea that each number is the sum of the two preceding numbers [38]. Turtle breeding is a life cycle activity involving turtles' migration across great distances and laying eggs on the beach [39]. Turtles exhibit philopatry by returning to the beaches of their birth to engage in natal homing and lay their eggs. Despite their different contexts, both number patterns and turtle breeding patterns underline the importance of order and structure in nature, emphasising that certain principles or cycles may be seen and comprehended in both mathematics [40].

3. Methodology

This investigation is classified as development research and employs a research design comprising two distinct phases: the conceptual and the prototype phases. In the preliminary phase of the research methodology, students' perspectives and objectives regarding integrating technology into the educational process are collected. Various instruments, such as surveys, interviews, and assessments, were implemented to establish a strong foundation for developing products that are both effective and pertinent to the requirements of students. The prototype phase ensures that a product is suitable for real-world demands by meticulously designing it and involving researchers, professionals, students, and instructors. This researcher focused on developing a set of Draft Design Principles as a result of the evaluation. This phase entails the development of ML, which is employed for assessment through expert evaluation. These initial designs and concepts for the ultimate product are generated and expressed by researchers during this phase.

4. Results and Discussion

The insights obtained from students and teachers served as the foundation for developing a roadmap for mobile learning products designed for learning assessment. The problem blueprint comprises mobile learning items designed for learning assessment that are proven to be useful from both the instructor and student perspectives. Students derive significant advantages from the iterative nature of ML [41]. Consequently, students can review and enhance their understanding of the subject matter at their convenience and from anywhere. Students' thinking skills can grow due to properly analysing the ideas they have acquired in many circumstances. Consistent practice enhances students' critical and creative thinking abilities by bolstering their capacity to assess, evaluate, and utilise acquired knowledge [42, 43]. Figure 1 displays the sketch or storyboard for creating the ML "Sky Class" and the ML products that were developed.

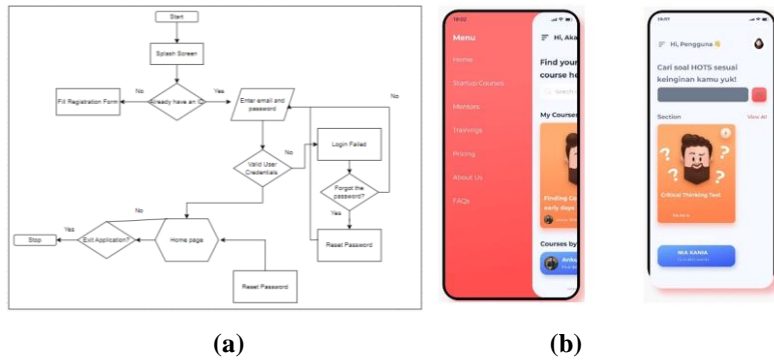



Fig. 1 (a) Flowchart of storyboard and (b) Sky class application.

The ML application is called Sky Class. The term "Sky" can also be understood as something that is expansive and all-encompassing, akin to the boundless celestial expanse above all individuals. In the realm of ML, this term refers to the platform's objective of ensuring that learning opportunities are accessible to all individuals, regardless of their location or physical constraints [44-47]. The following are the ML products that were developed.

Figure 1(b) is the menu display in the ML application "Sky Class". In this section, several features, including Home, will take users to the initial display. Teachers will allow students to discuss the subject matter with teachers [48]. About Us is a feature that explains the ML application "Sky Class". The ML application called "Sky Class" has a set of devices requiring students to perform analysis. Students can participate in question-oriented exercises to enhance their cognitive capacities. Figure 2 is an example of a question that incorporates the concept of numbers within the framework of turtle programming


Green Turtle, The Ancient Explorer Animal



Indonesia has several types of turtles, but this time we will only discuss the green turtle (*Chelonia mydas*). This is because I met and photographed this animal in the waters of the Derawan Islands, East Kalimantan, where there are many green turtles. The nesting cycle of this turtle is quite diverse, varying from once every 2 to 8 years. While male turtles spend their entire lives at sea, females occasionally stop by land to lay their eggs. Female turtles like sandy beaches that are devoid of humans and sources of noise and light as a place to lay their hundreds of eggs. (source: <https://www.mongabay.co.id/2016/05/29/penyu-hijau-si-hewan-purba-penielajah/>)

Once upon a time, female turtles lined up neatly towards land to lay their eggs. In the first and second rows, there is one turtle; in the third row, there are two turtles; in the fourth row, there are three turtles; in the fifth row, there are five turtles, and so on until forming a Fibonacci pattern

1. For example, the formation of turtles heading towards land forms a different Fibonacci pattern as follows:



Can you determine the pattern of missing numbers from the turtle formation?

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Reason

Fig. 2. Example of a question in sky class.

Number patterns and turtle breeding do not have a direct relationship. However, number patterns can be symbolic or analogous to turtle breeding. Turtle reproduction can be observed through a certain sequence or arrangement of numerical patterns. Here is an example that uses numbers to define patterns in turtles. Practice questions provide pupils with a high degree of flexibility as they can be completed at any location and at any time [49]. Finally, this study adds new information regarding mathematics in education as reported elsewhere bringing new ideas for the teaching and learning process [50-57].

5. Conclusion

The findings demonstrate that mobile learning is efficacious for acquiring knowledge and evaluating student learning outcomes. Integrating mobile learning technologies in exams can enhance the validity of evaluations of students' cognitive abilities. The validation of the findings from this research is highly dependable and applicable in the field of education, particularly for enhancing teacher professional development. Mobile learning technology is an effective instrument for assessing and evaluating one's teaching practices. The "Sky Class" platform positively affects students' thinking skills. Utilising the features of "Sky Class" is effortless for both teachers and students. According to experts, this product is highly user-friendly and adaptable. The Sky Class is highly ideal for testing both students and teachers in the field. Each component's average ML validity findings fall within the very good range. Additional research is advised to evaluate the efficacy and utility of implementing it directly in the classroom.

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