

# Pre-service teachers' eye movements while observing children's calculation process

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## Introduction

- It is important for teachers to observe students and predict their errors
- Pre-service teachers learn about students' common errors
- Pre-service teachers and ordinary university students would differ in terms of the way they observe students' answering process

### Purpose:

To examine the differences in eye movements between pre-service teachers and ordinary university students while observing video clips of children's calculation process during a written division task

## Discussion

### Distance of eye movements

Group	Total distance	Difference b/w correct and incorrect pattern
Pre-service teacher	Shorter	Similar
Ordinary student	Longer	Incorrect pattern : longer

- ➔ Pre-service teachers' eye movements did **not increase even after errors** because **predicting** it with knowledge. Having **knowledge** made **eye fixation points selective**.

## Experiment

### Participant:

- Pre-service teacher group** : 6 pre-service teachers  
(male 3, female 3, mean age 22.5)
- Ordinary student group** : 6 ordinary univ. students  
(female 6, mean age 21.0)

### Eye tracking system, Analysis software:

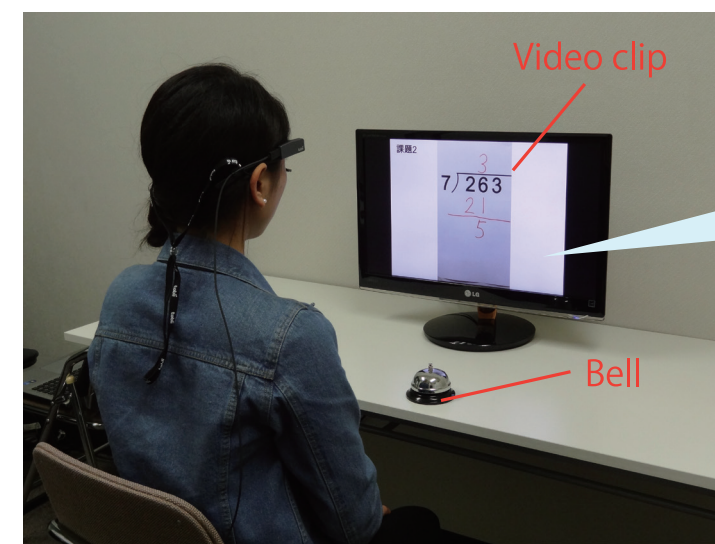
- System** : Tobii Pro Glasses 2 <50Hz>
- Software** : Tobii Pro lab. analyzer  
(Tobii technology AB)



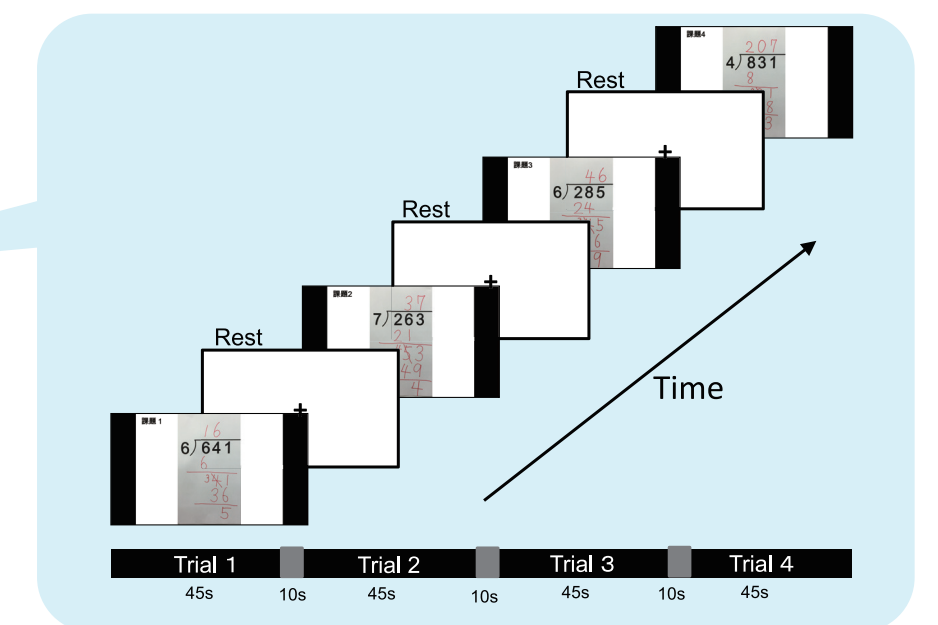
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### Task:

- To identify errors by observing the video clips as teachers
- To ring a bell when identifying it (not stop playback of video clips)
- To answer a questionnaire on detail of errors after experiment



Experimental setting



## Results

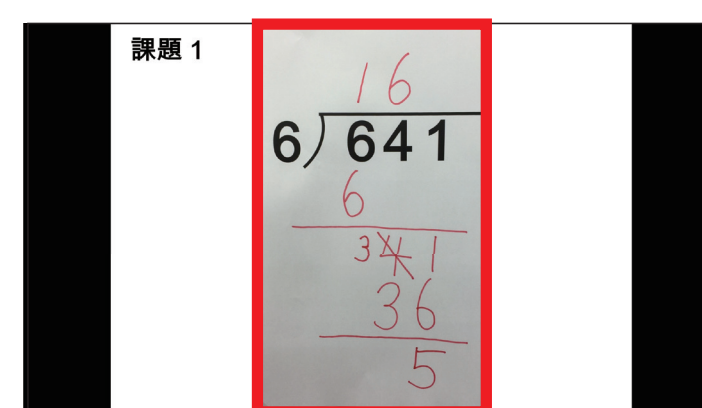
### Error type

Error type (i) : "Zero" is missing		Error type (ii) : Value is small	
Correct answer	Incorrect answer	Correct answer	Incorrect answer

- ◆ All participants : rang bells with the correct timing and answered error types correctly

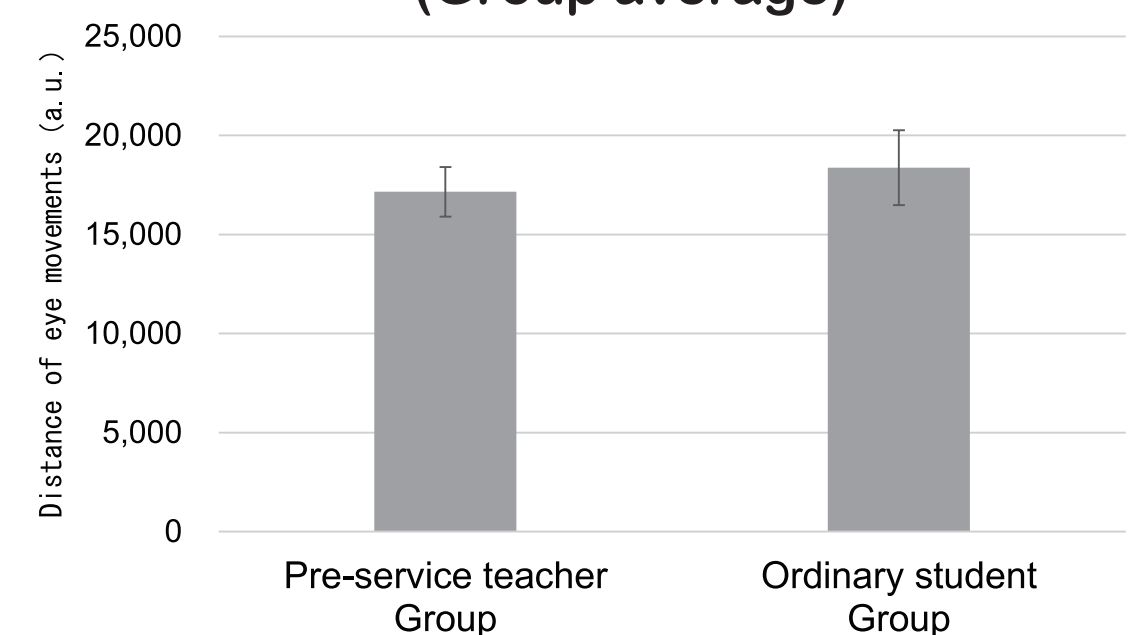
### Analysis I : Distance of eye movements -comparison b/w groups-

#### How to analyze data



- During video clips (45s)
- Mapping eye fixation points within red square
- Calculate total distance of between fixation points (=distance of eye movements)

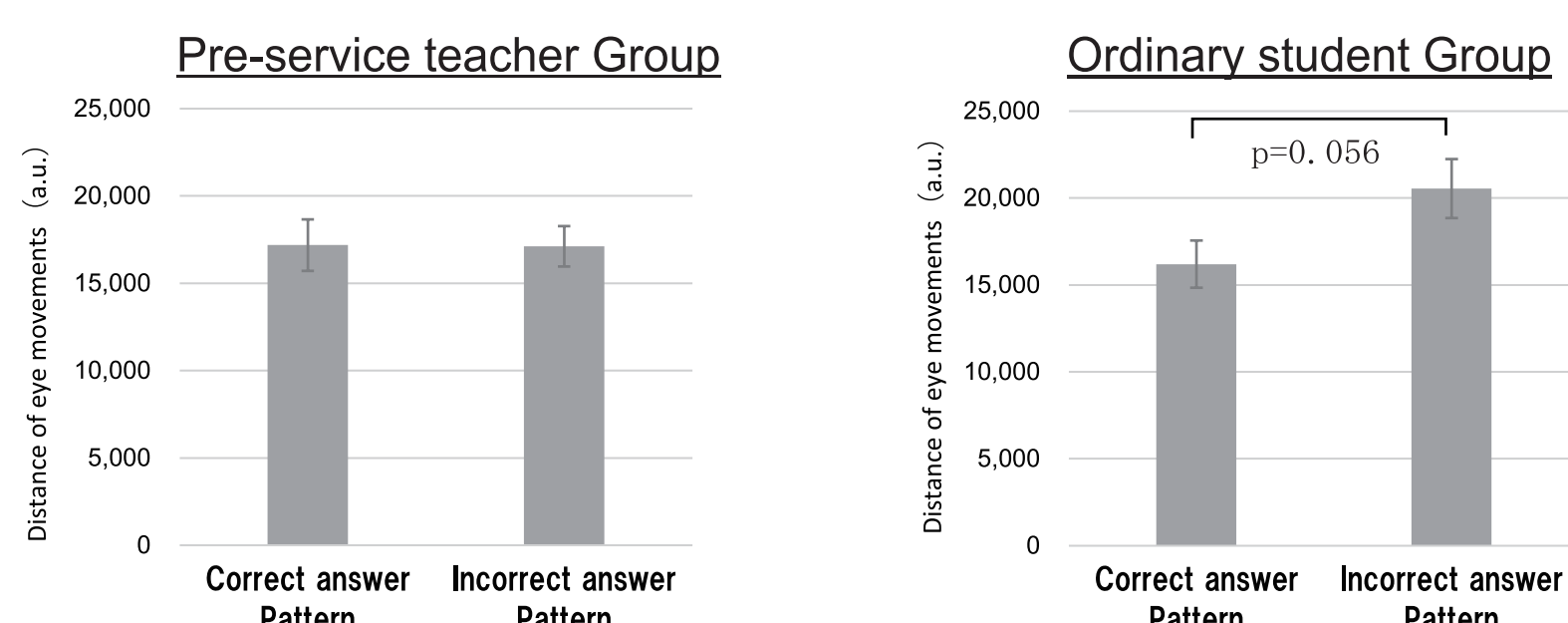
#### Distance of eye movements per trial (Group average)



- ◆ Pre-service teacher G < Ordinary student G  
⇒ Knowledge made distance short.

### Analysis II : Distance of eye movements -comparison b/w correct and incorrect pattern-

#### Distance of eye movements by correct and incorrect pattern (Group average)



- ◆ Pre-service teacher G: correct answer pattern was similar to incorrect one.
- ◆ Ordinary student G : incorrect answer pattern was longer.  
⇒ Increase eye movements after errors

#### Heat-map of eye fixation's duration in incorrect trial

