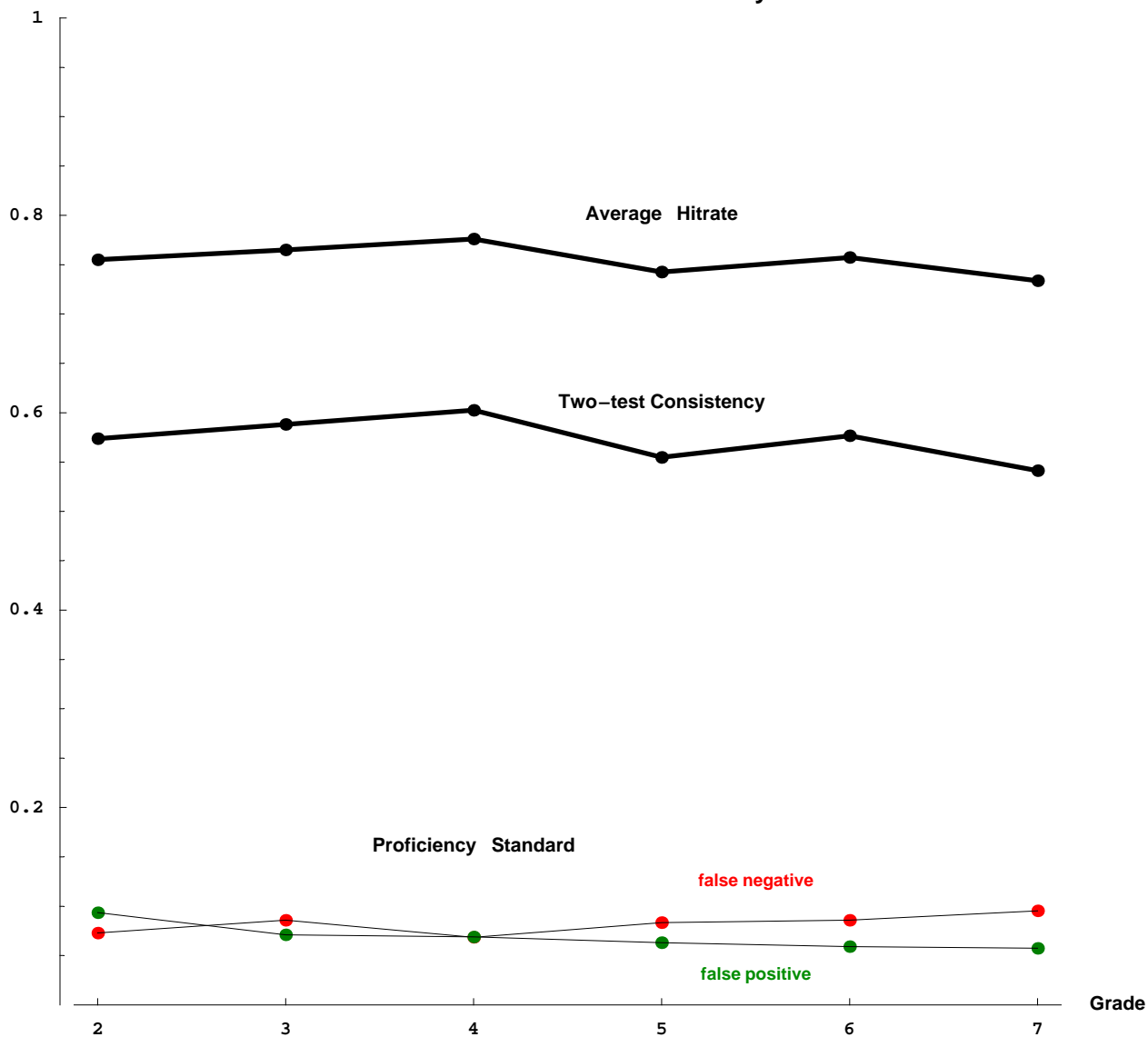


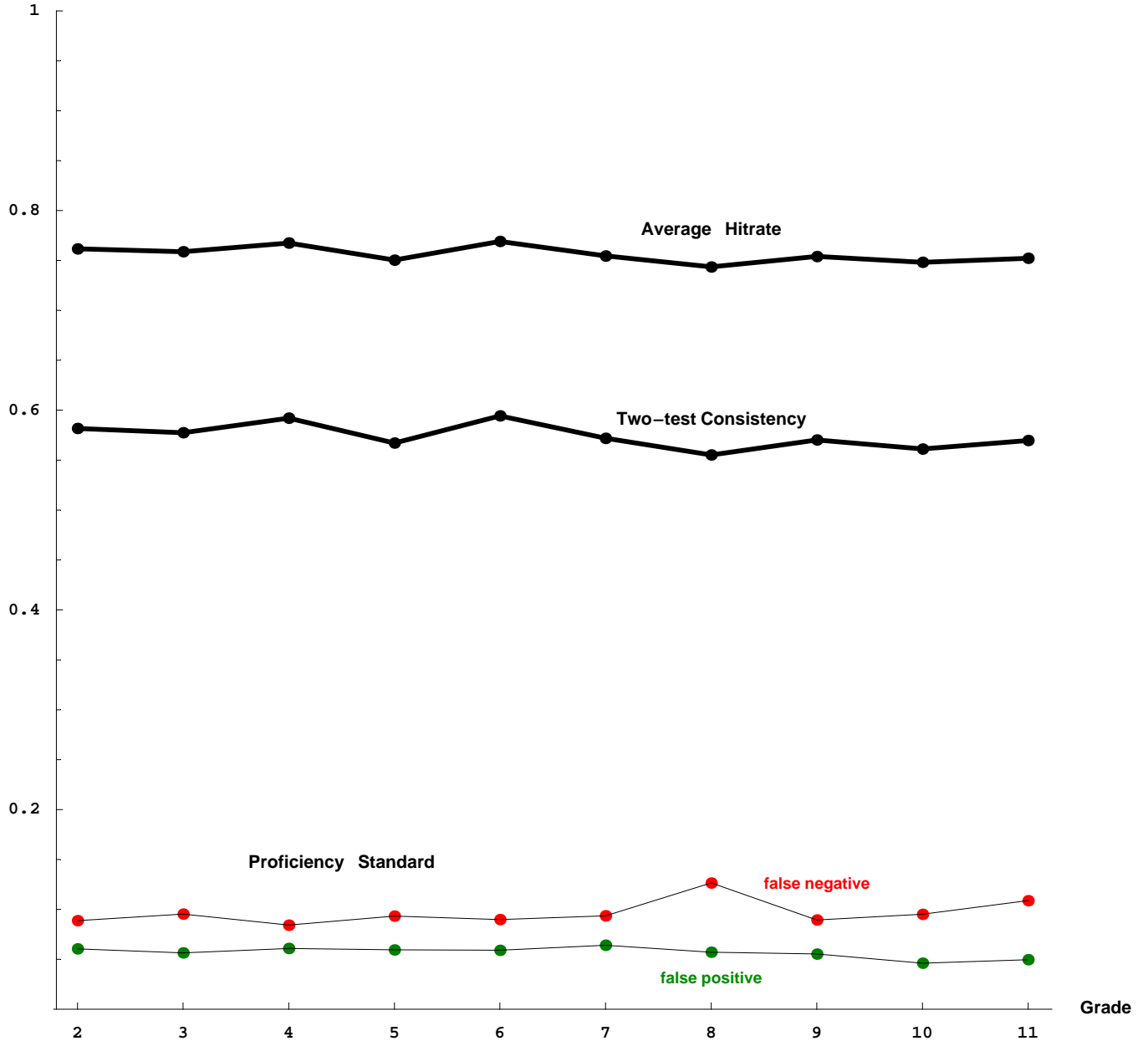
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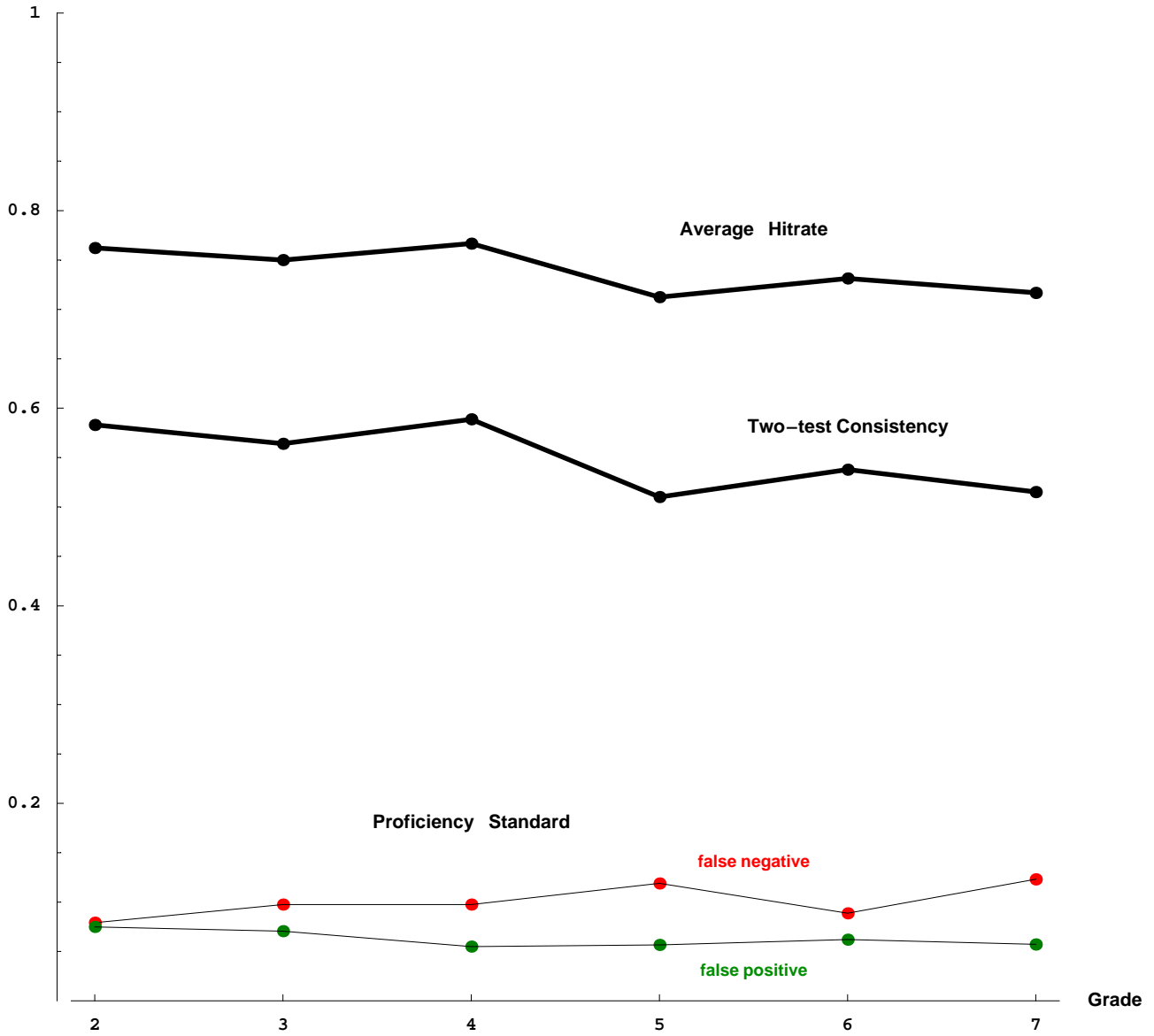
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Math CST 2002 Accuracy



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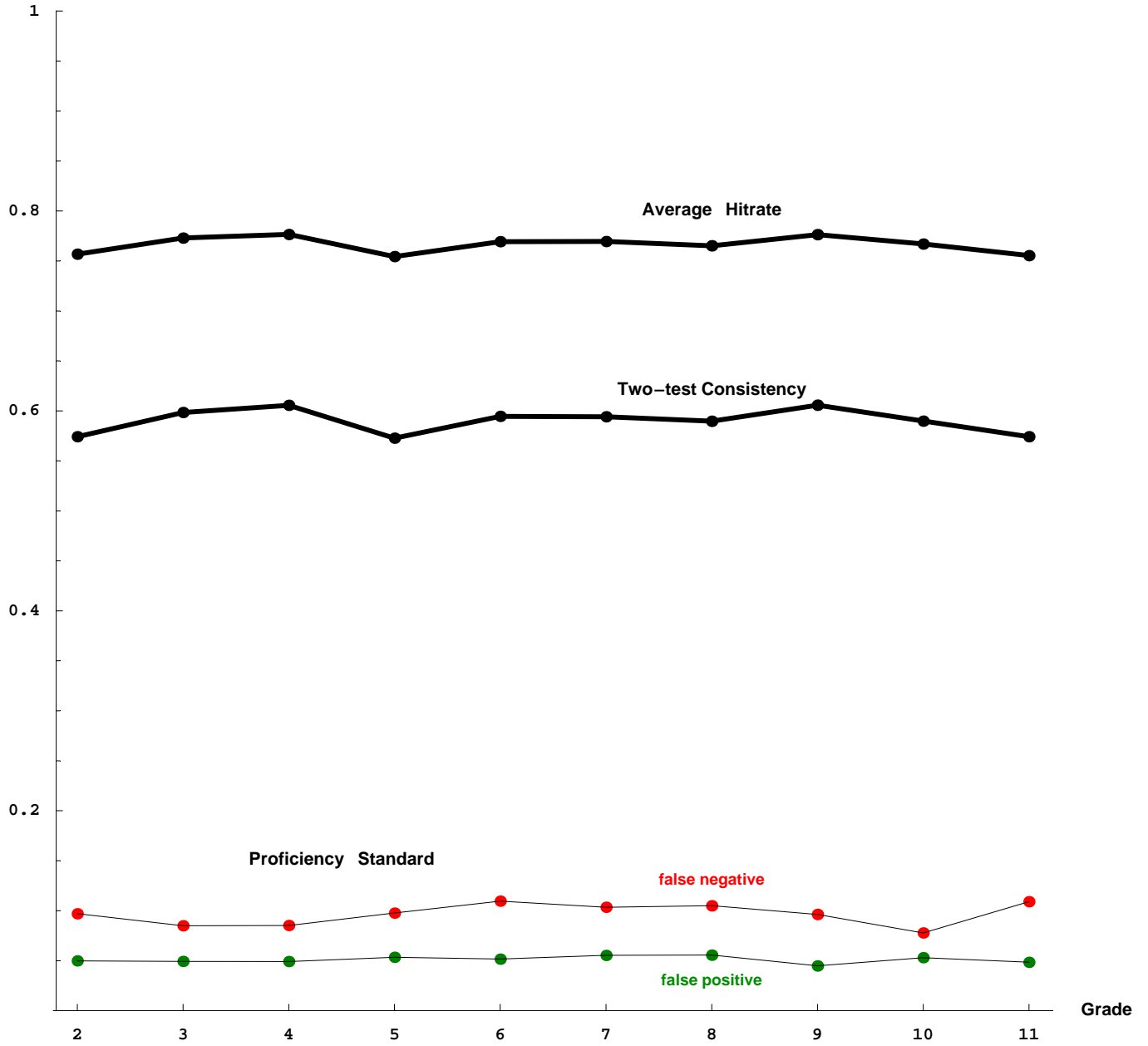


Table 1.
Math CST 2003 Hit-rate Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average	FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.7551	0.8011	0.7833	0.6723	0.7291	0.8383
3	0.765	0.8109	0.7905	0.7073	0.7321	0.8534
4	0.776	0.7932	0.7919	0.7559	0.763	0.8012
5	0.7426	0.7136	0.7024	0.7012	0.7996	0.8655
6	0.7573	0.5709	0.7322	0.7455	0.7913	0.873
7	0.7337	0.6698	0.6728	0.736	0.8022	0.8291

Table 2.
ELA CST 2003 Hit-rate Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average	FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.7617	0.8156	0.6901	0.7787	0.7523	0.8052
3	0.7588	0.8454	0.7079	0.7655	0.743	0.7554
4	0.7676	0.6929	0.6896	0.8024	0.7439	0.8448
5	0.7504	0.6929	0.6308	0.7924	0.7753	0.8058
6	0.7691	0.8033	0.661	0.7995	0.7518	0.8281
7	0.7546	0.7913	0.656	0.7769	0.7744	0.7843
8	0.7436	0.8077	0.6708	0.7727	0.7195	0.7843
9	0.7541	0.779	0.6885	0.7773	0.7385	0.8067
10	0.7482	0.7388	0.7001	0.8002	0.7356	0.7431
11	0.7523	0.8527	0.6784	0.7793	0.6981	0.7597

Table 3.
Math CST 2002 Hit-rate Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average	FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.7621	0.8203	0.7712	0.7058	0.7477	0.8479
3	0.75	0.8138	0.7736	0.6981	0.7427	0.7923
4	0.7667	0.7278	0.8096	0.7649	0.7288	0.7776
5	0.7124	0.5949	0.6871	0.7036	0.7607	0.8341
6	0.7314	0.5912	0.7049	0.7245	0.7634	0.8504
7	0.7167	0.6666	0.6818	0.7139	0.7695	0.7872

Table 4.
ELA CST 2002 Hit-rate Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average	FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.7568	0.8088	0.7062	0.7875	0.7434	0.7236
3	0.773	0.831	0.7315	0.7762	0.7613	0.797
4	0.7765	0.7507	0.6895	0.8225	0.7638	0.8287
5	0.7545	0.7282	0.6535	0.8025	0.7639	0.8037
6	0.7694	0.8444	0.6828	0.799	0.7506	0.7663
7	0.7695	0.8492	0.7071	0.7769	0.7713	0.7423
8	0.7653	0.8416	0.6697	0.8059	0.7146	0.8168
9	0.7764	0.8437	0.6931	0.8025	0.7371	0.82
10	0.767	0.8069	0.7114	0.7883	0.7353	0.8171
11	0.7553	0.8472	0.6804	0.7833	0.6973	0.7903

Table 5.
Math CST 2003 Test-retest Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average Correct Matches	Average Total Matches	Correct matches by performance level				
			FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.574	0.61	0.642	0.614	0.452	0.532	0.703
3	0.588	0.62	0.658	0.625	0.5	0.536	0.728
4	0.603	0.633	0.629	0.627	0.571	0.582	0.642
5	0.555	0.595	0.509	0.493	0.492	0.639	0.749
6	0.577	0.612	0.326	0.536	0.556	0.626	0.762
7	0.541	0.584	0.449	0.453	0.542	0.644	0.687

Table 6.
ELA CST 2003 Test-retest Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average Correct Matches	Average Total Matches	Correct matches by performance level				
			FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.582	0.615	0.665	0.476	0.606	0.566	0.648
3	0.577	0.612	0.715	0.501	0.586	0.552	0.571
4	0.592	0.625	0.48	0.476	0.644	0.553	0.714
5	0.567	0.606	0.48	0.398	0.628	0.601	0.649
6	0.594	0.626	0.645	0.437	0.639	0.565	0.686
7	0.572	0.608	0.626	0.43	0.604	0.6	0.615
8	0.555	0.593	0.652	0.45	0.597	0.518	0.615
9	0.57	0.606	0.607	0.474	0.604	0.545	0.651
10	0.561	0.602	0.546	0.49	0.64	0.541	0.552
11	0.57	0.607	0.727	0.46	0.607	0.487	0.577

Table 7.
Math CST 2002 Test-retest Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average Correct Matches	Average Total Matches	Correct matches by performance level				
			FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.583	0.616	0.673	0.595	0.498	0.559	0.719
3	0.564	0.6	0.662	0.599	0.487	0.552	0.628
4	0.589	0.622	0.53	0.655	0.585	0.531	0.605
5	0.51	0.56	0.354	0.472	0.495	0.579	0.696
6	0.538	0.581	0.349	0.497	0.525	0.583	0.723
7	0.515	0.563	0.444	0.465	0.51	0.592	0.62

Table 8.
ELA CST 2002 Test-retest Accuracy: overall and by performance level

Grade	Average Correct Matches	Average Total Matches	Correct matches by performance level				
			FBB	BB	B	P	A
2	0.574	0.61	0.654	0.499	0.62	0.553	0.524
3	0.598	0.629	0.691	0.535	0.602	0.58	0.635
4	0.606	0.637	0.564	0.475	0.677	0.583	0.687
5	0.573	0.61	0.53	0.427	0.644	0.584	0.646
6	0.595	0.626	0.713	0.466	0.638	0.563	0.587
7	0.594	0.626	0.721	0.5	0.604	0.595	0.551
8	0.59	0.623	0.708	0.448	0.65	0.511	0.667
9	0.606	0.636	0.712	0.48	0.644	0.543	0.672
10	0.59	0.623	0.651	0.506	0.621	0.541	0.668
11	0.574	0.611	0.718	0.463	0.614	0.486	0.625

Table 9.
Math CST 2003 Proficiency Standard Accuracy

	Missclassification Matrices		Average Hitrate	Reversal Probability
	notP	P		
grade 2	notP 0.9065	0.0935	0.9173	0.0068
	P 0.0728	0.9272		
grade 3	notP 0.929	0.071	0.9223	0.0061
	P 0.0858	0.9142		
grade 4	notP 0.9311	0.0689	0.9312	0.0047
	P 0.0686	0.9314		
grade 5	notP 0.937	0.063	0.93	0.0053
	P 0.0835	0.9165		
grade 6	notP 0.9409	0.0591	0.9319	0.0051
	P 0.0858	0.9142		
grade 7	notP 0.9427	0.0573	0.9317	0.0055
	P 0.0954	0.9046		

Proficiency Standard False-Positive, False-Negative Details: Probabilities of incorrect observed classification

Grade	False Positive			False Negative		
	overall	BB/B	mid-B	overall	mid-P	P/A
2	0.0935	0.0016	0.0867	0.0728	0.0808	0.0077
3	0.071	0.0016	0.0808	0.0858	0.0622	0.0031
4	0.0689	0.0002	0.0455	0.0686	0.0766	0.0062
5	0.063	0.0042	0.0986	0.0835	0.03	0.0003
6	0.0591	0.0004	0.057	0.0858	0.0377	0.0007
7	0.0573	0.0009	0.0629	0.0954	0.0401	0.0008

Table 10.
ELA CST 2003 Proficiency Standard Accuracy

	Missclassification Matrices		Average Hitrate	Reversal Probability
	notP	P		
grade 2	notP 0.9396	0.0604	0.9293	0.0054
	P 0.0887	0.9113		
grade 3	notP 0.9436	0.0564	0.9308	0.0054
	P 0.0952	0.9048		
grade 4	notP 0.9392	0.0608	0.9301	0.0051
	P 0.0842	0.9158		
grade 5	notP 0.9405	0.0595	0.9284	0.0056
	P 0.0933	0.9067		
grade 6	notP 0.9409	0.0591	0.93	0.0053
	P 0.0898	0.9102		
grade 7	notP 0.936	0.064	0.9255	0.006
	P 0.0936	0.9064		
grade 8	notP 0.9429	0.0571	0.9213	0.0072
	P 0.1264	0.8736		
grade 9	notP 0.9447	0.0553	0.9316	0.0049
	P 0.0894	0.9106		
grade 10	notP 0.9539	0.0461	0.9372	0.0044
	P 0.0952	0.9048		
grade 11	notP 0.9505	0.0495	0.931	0.0054
	P 0.1088	0.8912		

Proficiency Standard False-Positive, False-Negative Details: Probabilities of incorrect observed classification

Grade	False Positive			False Negative		
	overall	BB/B	mid-B	overall	mid-P	P/A
2	0.0604	0.0001	0.0348	0.0887	0.0555	0.0023
3	0.0564	0.0001	0.0455	0.0952	0.084	0.0076
4	0.0608	0.	0.0206	0.0842	0.0531	0.0013
5	0.0595	0.0001	0.0297	0.0933	0.0516	0.0008
6	0.0591	0.0001	0.0297	0.0898	0.0623	0.0021
7	0.064	0.0001	0.0348	0.0936	0.0423	0.0004
8	0.0571	0.0002	0.0401	0.1264	0.0779	0.0048
9	0.0553	0.0001	0.0348	0.0894	0.0689	0.0034
10	0.0461	0.0001	0.0348	0.0952	0.0859	0.0052
11	0.0495	0.0004	0.0512	0.1088	0.0863	0.0062

Table 11.
Math CST 2002 Proficiency Standard Accuracy

	Missclassification Matrices		Average Hitrate	Reversal Probability
	notP	P		
grade 2	notP 0.9251	0.0749	0.9233	0.0059
	P 0.0792	0.9208		
grade 3	notP 0.9293	0.0707	0.9193	0.0069
	notP 0.0975	0.9025		
grade 4	notP 0.945	0.055	0.929	0.0054
	notP 0.0975	0.9025		
grade 5	notP 0.9433	0.0567	0.9251	0.0068
	notP 0.119	0.881		
grade 6	notP 0.938	0.062	0.9296	0.0055
	notP 0.0888	0.9112		
grade 7	notP 0.9428	0.0572	0.9238	0.007
	notP 0.1232	0.8768		

Table 12.
ELA CST 2002 Proficiency Standard Accuracy

	Missclassification Matrices		Average Hitrate	Reversal Probability
	notP	P		
grade 2	notP 0.9502	0.0498	0.9293	0.0048
	P 0.0969	0.9031		
grade 3	notP 0.9507	0.0493	0.9308	0.0042
	P 0.085	0.915		
grade 4	notP 0.9509	0.0491	0.9301	0.0042
	P 0.0852	0.9148		
grade 5	notP 0.9466	0.0534	0.9284	0.0052
	P 0.0976	0.9024		
grade 6	notP 0.9484	0.0516	0.93	0.0057
	P 0.1096	0.8904		
grade 7	notP 0.9447	0.0553	0.9255	0.0057
	P 0.1035	0.8965		
grade 8	notP 0.9443	0.0557	0.9213	0.0058
	P 0.105	0.895		
grade 9	notP 0.9551	0.0449	0.9316	0.0043
	P 0.0963	0.9037		
grade 10	notP 0.9469	0.0531	0.9372	0.0041
	P 0.0778	0.9222		
grade 11	notP 0.9515	0.0485	0.931	0.0053
	P 0.109	0.891		

Table 13.
Math CST 2002, 2003: Detection of Year-to-year Improvement

Improvement 2002-2003

True 2002 category	Probability that reported category scores show		
	correct categories	increase	decrease
Grade 2			
FBB	0.648	0.773	0.015
BB	0.545	0.771	0.02
B	0.517	0.756	0.024
P	0.638	0.76	0.019
Grade 3			
FBB	0.645	0.761	0.017
BB	0.585	0.799	0.015
B	0.533	0.779	0.019
P	0.595	0.738	0.023
Grade 4			
FBB	0.511	0.68	0.035
BB	0.568	0.792	0.016
B	0.612	0.809	0.013
P	0.631	0.778	0.017
Grade 5			
FBB	0.436	0.581	0.051
BB	0.512	0.781	0.02
B	0.557	0.798	0.015
P	0.664	0.818	0.011
Grade 6			
FBB	0.398	0.552	0.072
BB	0.519	0.773	0.022
B	0.581	0.785	0.017
P	0.633	0.759	0.019

Table 13 continued

Improvement 2003-2004* (*assuming 2003 properties represent the 2004 testing)

True 2003 category	Probability that reported category scores show		
	correct categories	increase	decrease
Grade 2			
FBB	0.633	0.758	0.017
BB	0.554	0.762	0.022
B	0.492	0.743	0.027
P	0.622	0.756	0.02
Grade 3			
FBB	0.642	0.759	0.017
BB	0.598	0.805	0.014
B	0.54	0.787	0.018
P	0.587	0.728	0.025
Grade 4			
FBB	0.557	0.726	0.027
BB	0.555	0.787	0.017
B	0.604	0.791	0.016
P	0.66	0.778	0.016
Grade 5			
FBB	0.523	0.668	0.036
BB	0.524	0.763	0.022
B	0.555	0.777	0.018
P	0.698	0.813	0.011
Grade 6			
FBB	0.384	0.538	0.075
BB	0.539	0.764	0.022
B	0.598	0.789	0.016
P	0.656	0.774	0.016

Table 14.
ELA CST 2002, 2003: Detection of Year-to-year Improvement

Improvement 2002-2003

True 2002 category	Probability that reported category scores show		
	correct categories	increase	decrease
Grade 2			
FBB	0.573	0.72	0.028
BB	0.541	0.792	0.017
B	0.585	0.794	0.015
P	0.562	0.692	0.031
Grade 3			
FBB	0.573	0.741	0.024
BB	0.587	0.807	0.014
B	0.577	0.792	0.016
P	0.643	0.767	0.018
Grade 4			
FBB	0.474	0.665	0.045
BB	0.546	0.78	0.018
B	0.638	0.816	0.011
P	0.615	0.741	0.022
Grade 5			
FBB	0.481	0.659	0.045
BB	0.522	0.774	0.018
B	0.603	0.802	0.014
P	0.633	0.768	0.017
Grade 6			
FBB	0.554	0.745	0.024
BB	0.53	0.794	0.016
B	0.619	0.811	0.012
P	0.589	0.726	0.024
Grade 7			
FBB	0.57	0.744	0.024
BB	0.546	0.772	0.02
B	0.559	0.767	0.02
P	0.605	0.737	0.021
Grade 8			
FBB	0.579	0.73	0.026
BB	0.521	0.758	0.022
B	0.595	0.793	0.015
P	0.576	0.726	0.026
Grade 9			
FBB	0.591	0.749	0.022
BB	0.555	0.791	0.016
B	0.59	0.796	0.015
P	0.548	0.691	0.031
Grade 10			
FBB	0.547	0.709	0.031
BB	0.554	0.792	0.016
B	0.55	0.77	0.019
P	0.559	0.68	0.035

Table 14 continued

Improvement 2003-2004* (*assuming 2003 properties represent the 2004 testing)

True 2003 category	Probability that reported category scores show		
	correct categories	increase	decrease
Grade 2			
FBB	0.577	0.724	0.027
BB	0.528	0.784	0.018
B	0.579	0.789	0.016
P	0.568	0.698	0.029
Grade 3			
FBB	0.583	0.751	0.022
BB	0.568	0.799	0.015
B	0.569	0.789	0.017
P	0.628	0.767	0.018
Grade 4			
FBB	0.437	0.629	0.056
BB	0.546	0.777	0.019
B	0.622	0.809	0.013
P	0.599	0.736	0.023
Grade 5			
FBB	0.458	0.635	0.053
BB	0.504	0.767	0.019
B	0.596	0.799	0.014
P	0.642	0.767	0.017
Grade 6			
FBB	0.527	0.718	0.031
BB	0.514	0.776	0.019
B	0.619	0.806	0.013
P	0.59	0.728	0.024
Grade 7			
FBB	0.531	0.705	0.034
BB	0.507	0.753	0.023
B	0.559	0.764	0.02
P	0.607	0.734	0.022
Grade 8			
FBB	0.556	0.707	0.032
BB	0.521	0.768	0.02
B	0.571	0.795	0.016
P	0.58	0.747	0.022
Grade 9			
FBB	0.545	0.704	0.032
BB	0.551	0.797	0.015
B	0.572	0.791	0.016
P	0.549	0.688	0.032
Grade 10			
FBB	0.501	0.663	0.042
BB	0.546	0.785	0.017
B	0.559	0.783	0.017
P	0.559	0.704	0.029

Appendices

Appendix A-D, Test Archives

For each of the four tests, Math 2003, 2002 and ELA 2003, 2002 there are two components of the test archives. The first component is a stacked series of 5x5 matrices. For math, there are 6 5x5 matrices (grades 2-7) and for ELA there are 10 5x5 matrices (grades 2-11). Each 5x5 matrix structure: rows indicate true category membership and columns indicate reported category membership. Elements of the 5x5 matrices are $P\{\text{true category} = i \text{ and observed category} = j\}$. For the 2003 tests these are the matrices reported by ETS in Appendix 5.F in the 2003 CST technical Report; ETS gives similar but not identical values for the unconditional 5x5 matrices. As noted in the text the trace of the 5x5 matrix (which ETS terms proportion correctly classified) is the average hit-rate (see tables 1-4, figures 1-4). These matrices are presented in this stacked form for convenient cut-and-paste for any readers wanting to do their own calculations (replicating or extending what is done in this report).

The second component of Appendices A-D are the grade by grade misclassification matrices with elements the conditional probability:

$P\{\text{true category} = i \mid \text{observed category} = j\}$.

Appendix E Computational program function, two versions

Appendix E provides the code and documentation for the computational routines (in S) used to obtain the unconditional matrices in App. A-D.

Two versions are given differing only in the input required: individual test responses or the discrete pdf of the test responses.

Appendix A: Archive Math CST 2003

Unconditional 5x5 matrices, stacked across grades

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Misclassification Matrices: Performance Levels

True category	Reported Category				
	FBB	BB	B	P	A
Grade 2					
FBB	0.8011	0.1989	0.	0.	0.
BB	0.0708	0.7833	0.1447	0.0013	0.
B	0.	0.1424	0.6723	0.1847	0.0006
P	0.	0.0006	0.1331	0.7291	0.1372
A	0.	0.	0.0002	0.1615	0.8383
Grade 3					
FBB	0.8109	0.1891	0.	0.	0.
BB	0.0845	0.7905	0.1246	0.0003	0.
B	0.	0.1452	0.7073	0.1472	0.0002
P	0.	0.0003	0.1411	0.7321	0.1264
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.1465	0.8534
Grade 4					
FBB	0.7932	0.2068	0.	0.	0.
BB	0.0912	0.7919	0.1168	0.	0.
B	0.	0.11	0.7559	0.134	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.1181	0.763	0.1189
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.1988	0.8012
Grade 5					
FBB	0.7136	0.2854	0.001	0.	0.
BB	0.1286	0.7024	0.1683	0.0007	0.
B	0.0004	0.1436	0.7012	0.1548	0.
P	0.	0.0003	0.1143	0.7996	0.0858
A	0.	0.	0.	0.1345	0.8655
Grade 6					
FBB	0.5709	0.4284	0.0008	0.	0.
BB	0.1224	0.7322	0.1452	0.0001	0.
B	0.0001	0.1276	0.7455	0.1268	0.
P	0.	0.	0.1179	0.7913	0.0908
A	0.	0.	0.	0.127	0.873
Grade 7					
FBB	0.6698	0.3277	0.0026	0.	0.
BB	0.1731	0.6728	0.1541	0.0001	0.
B	0.0014	0.1451	0.736	0.1175	0.
P	0.	0.	0.125	0.8022	0.0727
A	0.	0.	0.	0.1709	0.8291

Appendix B: Archive Math CST 2002

Unconditional 5x5 matrices, stacked across grades

0.05647	0.01237	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
0.02266	0.19122	0.03397	0.00010	0.00000
0.00000	0.03422	0.18620	0.04333	0.00007
0.00000	0.00005	0.03317	0.20408	0.03566
0.00000	0.00000	0.00001	0.02226	0.12417
0.06558	0.01500	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
0.02467	0.20558	0.03533	0.00015	0.00000
0.00000	0.04070	0.19633	0.04413	0.00007
0.00000	0.00010	0.03621	0.18853	0.02900
0.00000	0.00000	0.00001	0.02462	0.09398
0.04525	0.01692	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
0.02108	0.20831	0.02791	0.00001	0.00000
0.00000	0.03702	0.23183	0.03416	0.00007
0.00000	0.00001	0.03678	0.18234	0.03107
0.00000	0.00000	0.00002	0.02828	0.09896
0.03883	0.02628	0.00016	0.00000	0.00000
0.05475	0.23146	0.05051	0.00016	0.00000
0.00025	0.05057	0.21572	0.04005	0.00001
0.00000	0.00012	0.03453	0.17137	0.01927
0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.01094	0.05502
0.03138	0.02162	0.00008	0.00000	0.00000
0.04908	0.22293	0.04420	0.00005	0.00000
0.00014	0.04501	0.23087	0.04260	0.00003
0.00000	0.00002	0.02768	0.16763	0.02424
0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.01383	0.07861
0.05927	0.02947	0.00018	0.00000	0.00000
0.05068	0.20913	0.04687	0.00007	0.00000
0.00034	0.04945	0.22578	0.04066	0.00002
0.00000	0.00006	0.03542	0.18428	0.01971
0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.01034	0.03826

Misclassification Matrices: Performance Levels

True category	Reported Category				
	FBB	BB	B	P	A
Grade 2					
FBB	0.8203	0.1797	0.	0.	0.
BB	0.0914	0.7712	0.137	0.0004	0.
B	0.	0.1297	0.7058	0.1642	0.0003
P	0.	0.0002	0.1215	0.7477	0.1306
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.152	0.8479
Grade 3					
FBB	0.8138	0.1862	0.	0.	0.
BB	0.0928	0.7736	0.133	0.0006	0.
B	0.	0.1447	0.6981	0.1569	0.0002
P	0.	0.0004	0.1426	0.7427	0.1142
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.2076	0.7923
Grade 4					
FBB	0.7278	0.2722	0.	0.	0.
BB	0.0819	0.8096	0.1085	0.	0.
B	0.	0.1221	0.7649	0.1127	0.0002
P	0.	0.	0.147	0.7288	0.1242
A	0.	0.	0.0002	0.2222	0.7776
Grade 5					
FBB	0.5949	0.4026	0.0025	0.	0.
BB	0.1625	0.6871	0.1499	0.0005	0.
B	0.0008	0.1649	0.7036	0.1306	0.
P	0.	0.0005	0.1533	0.7607	0.0855
A	0.	0.	0.	0.1659	0.8341
Grade 6					
FBB	0.5912	0.4073	0.0015	0.	0.
BB	0.1552	0.7049	0.1398	0.0002	0.
B	0.0004	0.1413	0.7245	0.1337	0.0001
P	0.	0.0001	0.1261	0.7634	0.1104
A	0.	0.	0.	0.1496	0.8504
Grade 7					
FBB	0.6666	0.3314	0.002	0.	0.
BB	0.1652	0.6818	0.1528	0.0002	0.
B	0.0011	0.1564	0.7139	0.1286	0.0001
P	0.	0.0003	0.1479	0.7695	0.0823
A	0.	0.	0.	0.2128	0.7872

Appendix C: Archive ELA CST 2003

Unconditional 5x5 matrices, stacked across grades

0.08770 0.01978 0.00005 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03040 0.13662 0.03095 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00013 0.03508 0.25987 0.03860 0.00004
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03200 0.18490 0.02888
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00001 0.02239 0.09260
 0.12314 0.02249 0.00003 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03072 0.14998 0.03115 0.00001 0.00000
 0.00006 0.03570 0.24016 0.03777 0.00006
 0.00000 0.00001 0.03128 0.16709 0.02651
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00001 0.02539 0.07843
 0.04056 0.01788 0.00010 0.00000 0.00000
 0.02618 0.12676 0.03087 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00022 0.03534 0.29490 0.03702 0.00005
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03284 0.17828 0.02855
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00002 0.02333 0.12709
 0.05926 0.02578 0.00048 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03305 0.11765 0.03582 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00069 0.03785 0.29289 0.03817 0.00001
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03343 0.20686 0.02651
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.01778 0.07378
 0.08665 0.02107 0.00015 0.00000 0.00000
 0.02707 0.11143 0.03008 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00029 0.03528 0.29347 0.03799 0.00003
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03200 0.17431 0.02555
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00001 0.02142 0.10320
 0.08482 0.02219 0.00018 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03008 0.12909 0.03761 0.00001 0.00000
 0.00027 0.03462 0.26540 0.04132 0.00001
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03317 0.20355 0.02613
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.01974 0.07179
 0.09791 0.02318 0.00013 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03288 0.14216 0.03687 0.00001 0.00000
 0.00025 0.04116 0.27428 0.03920 0.00008
 0.00000 0.00001 0.03939 0.17035 0.02702
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00002 0.01618 0.05892
 0.07963 0.02250 0.00009 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03228 0.13849 0.03037 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00020 0.03580 0.24513 0.03418 0.00005
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03407 0.18050 0.02984
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00002 0.02643 0.11038
 0.10034 0.03537 0.00011 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03180 0.15769 0.03574 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00009 0.02924 0.23925 0.03037 0.00005
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03231 0.16353 0.02648
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00004 0.03018 0.08741
 0.15433 0.02658 0.00007 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03199 0.13576 0.03237 0.00001 0.00000
 0.00010 0.03048 0.22504 0.03300 0.00014
 0.00000 0.00001 0.03582 0.15456 0.03100
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00008 0.02606 0.08262

Misclassification Matrices: Performance Levels

True category	Reported Category				
	FBB	BB	B	P	A
Grade 2					
FBB	0.8156	0.1839	0.0005	0.	0.
BB	0.1536	0.6901	0.1563	0.	0.
B	0.0004	0.1051	0.7787	0.1157	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.1302	0.7523	0.1175
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.1947	0.8052
Grade 3					
FBB	0.8454	0.1544	0.0002	0.	0.
BB	0.145	0.7079	0.147	0.	0.
B	0.0002	0.1138	0.7655	0.1204	0.0002
P	0.	0.	0.1391	0.743	0.1179
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.2445	0.7554
Grade 4					
FBB	0.6929	0.3054	0.0017	0.	0.
BB	0.1424	0.6896	0.1679	0.	0.
B	0.0006	0.0962	0.8024	0.1007	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.137	0.7439	0.1191
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.1551	0.8448
Grade 5					
FBB	0.6929	0.3014	0.0056	0.	0.
BB	0.1772	0.6308	0.192	0.	0.
B	0.0019	0.1024	0.7924	0.1033	0.
P	0.	0.	0.1253	0.7753	0.0994
A	0.	0.	0.	0.1942	0.8058
Grade 6					
FBB	0.8033	0.1953	0.0014	0.	0.
BB	0.1606	0.661	0.1784	0.	0.
B	0.0008	0.0961	0.7995	0.1035	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.138	0.7518	0.1102
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.1719	0.8281

Misclassification Matrices: Performance Levels

True category	Reported Category				
	FBB	BB	B	P	A
Grade 7					
FBB	0.7913	0.207	0.0017	0.	0.
BB	0.1529	0.656	0.1911	0.0001	0.
B	0.0008	0.1013	0.7769	0.121	0.
P	0.	0.	0.1262	0.7744	0.0994
A	0.	0.	0.	0.2157	0.7843
Grade 8					
FBB	0.8077	0.1912	0.0011	0.	0.
BB	0.1552	0.6708	0.174	0.	0.
B	0.0007	0.116	0.7727	0.1104	0.0002
P	0.	0.	0.1664	0.7195	0.1141
A	0.	0.	0.0003	0.2154	0.7843
Grade 9					
FBB	0.779	0.2201	0.0009	0.	0.
BB	0.1605	0.6885	0.151	0.	0.
B	0.0006	0.1135	0.7773	0.1084	0.0002
P	0.	0.	0.1394	0.7385	0.1221
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.1932	0.8067
Grade 10					
FBB	0.7388	0.2604	0.0008	0.	0.
BB	0.1412	0.7001	0.1587	0.	0.
B	0.0003	0.0978	0.8002	0.1016	0.0002
P	0.	0.	0.1453	0.7356	0.1191
A	0.	0.	0.0003	0.2566	0.7431
Grade 11					
FBB	0.8527	0.1469	0.0004	0.	0.
BB	0.1598	0.6784	0.1617	0.	0.
B	0.0003	0.1056	0.7793	0.1143	0.0005
P	0.	0.	0.1618	0.6981	0.14
A	0.	0.	0.0007	0.2396	0.7597

Appendix D: Archive ELA CST 2002

Unconditional 5x5 matrices, stacked across grades

0.11825 0.02792 0.00004 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03359 0.15972 0.03287 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00005 0.03258 0.24767 0.03418 0.00004
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03034 0.17323 0.02944
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00001 0.02213 0.05796
 0.12618 0.02564 0.00002 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03050 0.16871 0.03144 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00003 0.03116 0.22261 0.03299 0.00002
 0.00000 0.00000 0.02810 0.17273 0.02606
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.02107 0.08273
 0.07879 0.02604 0.00012 0.00000 0.00000
 0.02724 0.12880 0.03076 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00014 0.03050 0.28822 0.03154 0.00001
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03050 0.18623 0.02710
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.01953 0.09449
 0.07476 0.02764 0.00027 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03568 0.14157 0.03938 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00038 0.03827 0.31026 0.03771 0.00002
 0.00000 0.00000 0.02871 0.16173 0.02127
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.01616 0.06616
 0.11778 0.02163 0.00008 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03143 0.13213 0.02995 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00019 0.03784 0.29528 0.03621 0.00003
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03259 0.17797 0.02655
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.01410 0.04624
 0.13077 0.02319 0.00004 0.00000 0.00000
 0.02757 0.15014 0.03462 0.00001 0.00000
 0.00006 0.03455 0.25404 0.03835 0.00001
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03173 0.18522 0.02318
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.01714 0.04937
 0.11521 0.02157 0.00011 0.00000 0.00000
 0.02959 0.13666 0.03782 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00014 0.03178 0.29648 0.03933 0.00014
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03053 0.14619 0.02786
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00003 0.01583 0.07073
 0.15304 0.02828 0.00008 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03016 0.13930 0.03151 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00010 0.03094 0.25329 0.03126 0.00005
 0.00000 0.00000 0.02907 0.14974 0.02433
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00001 0.01778 0.08106
 0.12816 0.03063 0.00004 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03040 0.15548 0.03269 0.00000 0.00000
 0.00004 0.02840 0.24081 0.03615 0.00009
 0.00000 0.00000 0.02464 0.14848 0.02882
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00002 0.02104 0.09411
 0.14927 0.02683 0.00009 0.00000 0.00000
 0.03219 0.14934 0.03796 0.00001 0.00000
 0.00009 0.02992 0.22905 0.03320 0.00016
 0.00000 0.00000 0.03392 0.14105 0.02730
 0.00000 0.00000 0.00008 0.02290 0.08661

Misclassification Matrices: Performance Levels

True category	Reported Category				
	FBB	BB	B	P	A
Grade 2					
FBB	0.8088	0.191	0.0003	0.	0.
BB	0.1485	0.7062	0.1453	0.	0.
B	0.0002	0.1036	0.7875	0.1087	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.1302	0.7434	0.1263
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.2763	0.7236
Grade 3					
FBB	0.831	0.1689	0.0001	0.	0.
BB	0.1322	0.7315	0.1363	0.	0.
B	0.0001	0.1086	0.7762	0.115	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.1238	0.7613	0.1149
A	0.	0.	0.	0.203	0.797
Grade 4					
FBB	0.7507	0.2481	0.0011	0.	0.
BB	0.1458	0.6895	0.1647	0.	0.
B	0.0004	0.087	0.8225	0.09	0.
P	0.	0.	0.1251	0.7638	0.1111
A	0.	0.	0.	0.1713	0.8287
Grade 5					
FBB	0.7282	0.2692	0.0026	0.	0.
BB	0.1647	0.6535	0.1818	0.	0.
B	0.001	0.099	0.8025	0.0975	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.1356	0.7639	0.1005
A	0.	0.	0.	0.1963	0.8037
Grade 6					
FBB	0.8444	0.1551	0.0006	0.	0.
BB	0.1624	0.6828	0.1548	0.	0.
B	0.0005	0.1024	0.799	0.098	0.0001
P	0.	0.	0.1374	0.7506	0.112
A	0.	0.	0.	0.2337	0.7663

Misclassification Matrices: Performance Levels

True category	Reported Category				
	FBB	BB	B	P	A
Grade 7					
FBB	0.8492	0.1506	0.0003	0.	0.
BB	0.1298	0.7071	0.163	0.	0.
B	0.0002	0.1057	0.7769	0.1173	0.
P	0.	0.	0.1321	0.7713	0.0965
A	0.	0.	0.	0.2577	0.7423
Grade 8					
FBB	0.8416	0.1576	0.0008	0.	0.
BB	0.145	0.6697	0.1853	0.	0.
B	0.0004	0.0864	0.8059	0.1069	0.0004
P	0.	0.	0.1492	0.7146	0.1362
A	0.	0.	0.0003	0.1828	0.8168
Grade 9					
FBB	0.8437	0.1559	0.0004	0.	0.
BB	0.1501	0.6931	0.1568	0.	0.
B	0.0003	0.098	0.8025	0.099	0.0002
P	0.	0.	0.1431	0.7371	0.1198
A	0.	0.	0.0001	0.1799	0.82
Grade 10					
FBB	0.8069	0.1928	0.0003	0.	0.
BB	0.1391	0.7114	0.1496	0.	0.
B	0.0001	0.093	0.7883	0.1183	0.0003
P	0.	0.	0.122	0.7353	0.1427
A	0.	0.	0.0002	0.1827	0.8171
Grade 11					
FBB	0.8472	0.1523	0.0005	0.	0.
BB	0.1467	0.6804	0.1729	0.	0.
B	0.0003	0.1023	0.7833	0.1135	0.0005
P	0.	0.	0.1677	0.6973	0.135
A	0.	0.	0.0007	0.209	0.7903

Appendix E Computational Procedures

The following SPlus function is called "llclassify". It is an implementation of Livingston and Lewis' (1995) method for estimating the accuracy of classifications based on test scores. We have made a slight modification whereby in estimating the joint distribution of true scores and observed scores, we integrate over the true score distribution rather than dividing it into bins. This modification leads to simpler code, faster output, and greater precision. The main output is a classification matrix, where a row denotes the true score category and a column represents the observed score category.

The function is given below. Comments are denoted by #. The function call is of the form

```
function(observedy, r, max, cut, min = 0, adjust = 1).
```

```
# The arguments of this function are as follows:
# First argument is the inputted data. Data should
# be a vector of numeric scores (either scale or
# number correct); that is, if 400,000 students are
# examined, then "observedy" is a vector of 400,000
# numbers representing the score of each student. If
# a pdf file is given instead of a vector, that pdf
# file should be expanded into such a vector. Second
# argument is inputted reliability coefficient. Third
# argument is the maximum possible score on the test.
# Fourth argument is vector of cut points. Cuts are
# the lower bound of the "higher" category. For
# instance, if Far Below Basic stops at a score of
# 26, and Below Basic starts at 27, then put in 27
# for that cut. Fifth argument is minimum possible
# score on the test (default=0). Sixth argument is
# whether to adjust the results to match the
# marginals of the observed score distribution;
# default (1) is to adjust them. Put in a value other
# than 1 if you do not want to adjust the values in
# this way.
```

```
{
# Adjust the scores in case min is not 0, and do
# appropriate calculations.
  observed <- observedy - min
  max <- max - min
  cut <- cut - min
  x <- round(observed)
  p <- (x)/(max)
  mup <- sum(p)/length(p)
  deviations <- (p - mup)
  squaredeviations <- deviations^2
  sigma2p <- sum(squaredeviations)
  /(length(p))

# Find L&L's effective test length, and adjust
# observed scores according to effective test
# length.

  effective <- (mup * (1 - mup) - r *
  sigma2p)/(sigma2p * (1 - r))
  n <- round(effective)

# Fit 4-parameter beta distribution to true scores,
# using method of moments.

  xprimenotrounded <- (n * (x))/(max)
  xprime <- round(xprimenotrounded)
  mprime1x <- sum(xprime)/length(xprime)
  mprime2x <- sum(xprime^2)/length(xprime)
  mprime3x <- sum(xprime^3)/length(xprime)
  mprime4x <- sum(xprime^4)/length(xprime)
  mprime1p <- mprime1x/n
  mprime2p <- (mprime2x - mprime1x)/
  (n * (n - 1))
  mprime3p <- (mprime3x - 3 * mprime2x +
  2 * mprime1x)/(n * (n - 1) * (n - 2))
  mprime4p <- (mprime4x - 6 * mprime3x +
  11 * mprime2x - 6 * mprime1x)/
  (n * (n - 1) * (n - 2) * (n - 3))
  m2p <- (mprime2p - mprime1p^2)
```

```

m3p <- (mprime3p - 3 * mprimelp * mprime2p
+ 2 * mprimelp^3)
m4p <- (mprime4p - 4 * mprimelp * mprime3p
+ 6 * mprimelp^2 * mprime2p - 3 *
mprimelp^4)
k <- (16 * m2p^3)/m3p^2
l <- (m4p * m2p)/m3p^2
phi <- (3 * (k - 16 * (l - 1)))/
(16 * (l - 1) - 8 - 3 * k)
sgnm3p <- m3p/abs(m3p)

# Revert to 3-parameter beta distribution with
# beta=1 if 4-parameter method of moments does not
# give an appropriate solution.

if(as.double(k * (phi + 1) + (phi + 2)^2)
<= 0) {
z <- (2 * (1 - mprimelp) * m2p)/m3p
new <- m2p/(1 - mprimelp)^2
betahat <- (z * (1 - new) - 2)/(1 - new +
2 * new * z)
alphahat <- (new * betahat * (1 + betahat))
/(1 - new * betahat)
ahat <- ((alphahat + betahat) * mprimelp -
alphahat)/betahat
bhat <- 1
}

# Fit the 4-parameter beta distribution if method of
# moments gives an appropriate solution. alphahat,
# betahat, ahat, and bhat are estimates of the 4
# respective parameters: alpha, beta, a, and b.
# alpha and beta are the usual parameters of the
# 2-parameter beta distribution. a is the lowest
# value that the true score can take, while b is the
# highest such value.

else {
theta <- (sgnm3p * phi * (phi + 2))/
sqrt(k * (phi + 1) + (phi + 2)^2)
alphahat <- (phi - theta)/2
betahat <- (phi + theta)/2
ahat <- (mprimelp - sqrt((m2p * alphahat
* (alphahat + betahat + 1))/betahat))

bhat <- (mprimelp + sqrt((m2p * betahat *
(alphahat + betahat + 1))/alphahat))
}
if((ahat < 0) || (alphahat < 0) ||
(betahat < 0)) {
rrr <- m2p/mprimelp^2
w <- (2 * m2p^2)/(mprimelp * m3p)
alphahat <- (w * (rrr - 1) - 2)/(1 - rrr -
2 * rrr * w)
betahat <- (rrr * alphahat * (alphahat + 1))
/(1 - rrr * alphahat)
bhat <- ((alphahat + betahat) * mprimelp)
/alphahat
ahat <- 0
}

# Fit a simple beta model if the method of moments
# continues not to give an appropriate solution.

if((bhat > 1) || (alphahat < 0) || (betahat
< 0)) {
z <- (2 * (1 - mprimelp) * m2p)/m3p
new <- m2p/(1 - mprimelp)^2
betahat <- (z * (1 - new) - 2)/(1 - new +
2 * new * z)
alphahat <- (new * betahat * (1 + betahat))
/(1 - new * betahat)
ahat <- ((alphahat + betahat) * mprimelp -
alphahat)/betahat
bhat <- 1
}

# Figure out which values inside [ahat, bhat] belong
# in which true score category.

cutinp <- (cut - 0.5)/max
cutinp2 <- c(ahat, cutinp, bhat)

# Figure out which observed scores will map into
# which observed classification. 1e-07 term
# necessary because of unexpected results from
# Splus' "floor" function.

cut2 <- floor(((cut - 0.5) * n)/max - 1e-07)

```

```

cut3 <- c(0, cut2, n)

# Figure out each entry in confusion matrix, which
# gives the joint distribution of true score and
# observed score. This program integrates over true
# score, rather than L&L's suggestion of dividing
# into bins. This modification is both more exact
# and much faster. Note that the additional
# function "ffunc" is required to run this program.
# ffunc is added at the end of this text.

```

```

finalmatrix <- matrix(0, ncol = length(cut)
+ 1, nrow = length(cut) + 1)
for(i in 1:nrow(finalmatrix)) {
  for(j in 1:nrow(finalmatrix)) {
    finalmatrix[i, j] <- integrate(ffunc,
cutinp2[i], cutinp2[i + 1], ahat1 = ahat,
bhat1 = bhat, alphahat1 = alphahat, betahat1
= betahat, lowbinom = cut3[j], highbinom =
cut3[j + 1], n1 = n)$integral
  }
}

```

```

# If adjust is set to 1, adjust the entries to match
# the observed score distribution.

```

```

if(adjust == 1) {
  proportions <- c(0, length(cut) + 1)
  xlowest <- x[x < cut[1]]
  proportions[1] <- length(xlowest)/length(x)
  if(length(cut) > 1) {
    for(i in 2:length(cut)) {
      temp <- x[x < cut[i]]
      proportions[i] <- (length(temp)/length(x)
- sum(proportions[1:(i - 1)]))
    }
  }
  proportions[length(cut) + 1] <- 1 -
sum(proportions[1:length(cut)])
  for(i in 1:ncol(finalmatrix)) {
    finalmatrix[, i] <- (finalmatrix[, i] *
proportions[i])/sum(finalmatrix[, i])
  }
}

```

```

# Return the parameters of the fitted 4-parameter
# beta distribution, the effective test length, and
# the confusion matrix.

```

```

list(alphahat = alphahat, betahat = betahat,
ahat = ahat, bhat = bhat, n = n,
finalmatrix = finalmatrix)
}

```

```

# This short function "ffunc" is needed to perform
# the integral used in the above function. All
# arguments are defined within the function that
# calls it.

```

```

> ffunc
function(x, ahat1, bhat1, alphahat1, betahat1,
lowbinom, highbinom, n1)
{
  (dbeta((x - ahat1)/(bhat1 - ahat1),
alphahat1, betahat1) * (pbinom(
highbinom, n1, x) - pbinom(lowbinom, n1, x)))
/(bhat1 - ahat1)
}

```

```

# The following is an example of the function's
# output. It is based on 2003 raw score data of
# grade 4 math students. $alphahat is the
# estimated value of alpha in the 4-parameter beta
# distribution. $betahat is the estimated value of
# beta in this 4-parameter beta distribution.
# $ahat and $bhat are the estimated lower and upper
# bounds of this true score distribution. $n is
# the so-called "effective test length" in the
# Livingston-Lewis paper. $finalmatrix is the final
# confusion matrix outputted by the function. Its
# entries have been rounded off for ease of viewing.

```

```

$alphahat:
[1] 1.377472

```

```

$betahat:
[1] 0.783828

```


\$ahat:

[1] 0.2031712

\$bhat:

[1] 0.9505744

\$n:

[1] 68

\$finalmatrix:

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]	[,5]
[1,]	0.04458	0.01162	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
[2,]	0.01921	0.16683	0.02461	0.00001	0.00000
[3,]	0.00000	0.03097	0.21290	0.03775	0.00004
[4,]	0.00000	0.00000	0.03094	0.19988	0.03115
[5,]	0.00000	0.00000	0.00001	0.03766	0.15181

The following SPlus function is called "llclassify". It is an implementation of Livingston and Lewis' (1995) method for estimating the accuracy of classifications based on test scores. We have made a slight modification whereby in estimating the joint distribution of true scores and observed scores, we integrate over the true score distribution rather than dividing it into bins. This modification leads to simpler code, faster output, and greater precision. The main output is a classification matrix, where a row denotes the true score category and a column represents the observed score category.

The function is given below. Comments are denoted by #. The function call is of the form

```
function(obstable, r, max, cut, min = 0, adjust = 1).
```

```
# The arguments of this function are as follows:
# First argument is the inputted data. Data should
# be a table of numeric scores (either scale or
# number correct). The first column of the table
# should be possible scores, and the second column
# should be the number of students who obtained each
# corresponding score in the first column. Second
# argument is inputted reliability coefficient. Third
# argument is the maximum possible score on the test.
# Fourth argument is vector of cut points. Cuts are
# the lower bound of the "higher" category. For
# instance, if Far Below Basic stops at a score of
# 26, and Below Basic starts at 27, then put in 27
# for that cut. Fifth argument is minimum possible
# score on the test (default=0). Sixth argument is
# whether to adjust the results to match the
# marginals of the observed score distribution;
# default (1) is to adjust them. Put in a value other
# than 1 if you do not want to adjust the values in
# this way.
```

```
{
# Adjust the scores in case min is not 0, and do
```

```
# appropriate calculations.
  observedy <- rep(obstable[,1], obstable[,2])
  observed <- observedy - min
  max <- max - min
  cut <- cut - min
  x <- round(observed)
  p <- (x)/(max)
  mup <- sum(p)/length(p)
  deviations <- (p - mup)
  squaredeviations <- deviations^2
  sigma2p <- sum(squaredeviations)
  /(length(p))
```

```
# Find L&L's effective test length, and adjust
# observed scores according to effective test
# length.
```

```
  effective <- (mup * (1 - mup) - r *
  sigma2p)/(sigma2p * (1 - r))
  n <- round(effective)
```

```
# Fit 4-parameter beta distribution to true scores,
# using method of moments.
```

```
  xprimenotrounded <- (n * (x))/(max)
  xprime <- round(xprimenotrounded)
  mprime1x <- sum(xprime)/length(xprime)
  mprime2x <- sum(xprime^2)/length(xprime)
  mprime3x <- sum(xprime^3)/length(xprime)
  mprime4x <- sum(xprime^4)/length(xprime)
  mprime1p <- mprime1x/n
  mprime2p <- (mprime2x - mprime1x)/
  (n * (n - 1))
  mprime3p <- (mprime3x - 3 * mprime2x +
  2 * mprime1x)/(n * (n - 1) * (n - 2))
  mprime4p <- (mprime4x - 6 * mprime3x +
  11 * mprime2x - 6 * mprime1x)/
  (n * (n - 1) * (n - 2) * (n - 3))
  m2p <- (mprime2p - mprime1p^2)
  m3p <- (mprime3p - 3 * mprime1p * mprime2p
  + 2 * mprime1p^3)
  m4p <- (mprime4p - 4 * mprime1p * mprime3p
  + 6 * mprime1p^2 * mprime2p - 3 *
  mprime1p^4)
```

```

k <- (16 * m2p^3)/m3p^2
l <- (m4p * m2p)/m3p^2
phi <- (3 * (k - 16 * (1 - 1)))/
(16 * (1 - 1) - 8 - 3 * k)
sgnm3p <- m3p/abs(m3p)

# Revert to 3-parameter beta distribution with
# beta=1 if 4-parameter method of moments does not
# give an appropriate solution.

if(as.double(k * (phi + 1) + (phi + 2)^2)
<= 0) {
z <- (2 * (1 - mprimelp) * m2p)/m3p
new <- m2p/(1 - mprimelp)^2
betahat <- (z * (1 - new) - 2)/(1 - new +
2 * new * z)
alphahat <- (new * betahat * (1 + betahat))
/(1 - new * betahat)
ahat <- ((alphahat + betahat) * mprimelp -
alphahat)/betahat
bhat <- 1
}

# Fit the 4-parameter beta distribution if method of
# moments gives an appropriate solution.  alphahat,
# betahat, ahat, and bhat are estimates of the 4
# respective parameters: alpha, beta, a, and b.
# alpha and beta are the usual parameters of the
# 2-parameter beta distribution.  a is the lowest
# value that the true score can take, while b is the
# highest such value.

else {
theta <- (sgnm3p * phi * (phi + 2))/
sqrt(k * (phi + 1) + (phi + 2)^2)
alphahat <- (phi - theta)/2
betahat <- (phi + theta)/2
ahat <- (mprimelp - sqrt((m2p * alphahat
* (alphahat + betahat + 1))/betahat))
bhat <- (mprimelp + sqrt((m2p * betahat *
(alphahat + betahat + 1))/alphahat))
}
if((ahat < 0) || (alphahat < 0) ||
(betahat < 0)) {

rrr <- m2p/mprimelp^2
w <- (2 * m2p^2)/(mprimelp * m3p)
alphahat <- (w * (rrr - 1) - 2)/(1 - rrr -
2 * rrr * w)
betahat <- (rrr * alphahat * (alphahat + 1))
/(1 - rrr * alphahat)
bhat <- ((alphahat + betahat) * mprimelp)
/alphahat
ahat <- 0
}

# Fit a simple beta model if the method of moments
# continues not to give an appropriate solution.

if((bhat > 1) || (alphahat < 0) || (betahat
< 0)) {
z <- (2 * (1 - mprimelp) * m2p)/m3p
new <- m2p/(1 - mprimelp)^2
betahat <- (z * (1 - new) - 2)/(1 - new +
2 * new * z)
alphahat <- (new * betahat * (1 + betahat))
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ahat <- ((alphahat + betahat) * mprimelp -
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}

# Figure out which values inside [ahat, bhat] belong
# in which true score category.

cutinp <- (cut - 0.5)/max
cutinp2 <- c(ahat, cutinp, bhat)

# Figure out which observed scores will map into
# which observed classification.  1e-07 term
# necessary because of unexpected results from
# SPlus' "floor" function.

cut2 <- floor(((cut - 0.5) * n)/max - 1e-07)
cut3 <- c(0, cut2, n)

# Figure out each entry in confusion matrix, which
# gives the joint distribution of true score and
# observed score.  This program integrates over true

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# score, rather than L&L's suggestion of dividing
# into bins. This modification is both more exact
# and much faster. Note that the additional
# function "ffunc" is required to run this program.
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finalmatrix <- matrix(0, ncol = length(cut)
+ 1, nrow = length(cut) + 1)
for(i in 1:nrow(finalmatrix)) {
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# If adjust is set to 1, adjust the entries to match
# the observed score distribution.
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      proportions[i] <- (length(temp)/length(x)
      - sum(proportions[1:(i - 1)]))
    }
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  sum(proportions[1:length(cut)])
  for(i in 1:ncol(finalmatrix)) {
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# Return the parameters of the fitted 4-parameter
# beta distribution, the effective test length, and
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list(alphahat = alphahat, betahat = betahat,
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