

PSPA 203 Final Exam—June 2000 Name---

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1. Indicate in detail how the following hypothesis can be operationalized.
"Whereas the older generation of country X admires President Toledo because he has improved the economy, youths admire him mainly because he is clean and tough." 50

The best method to operationalize this hypothesis is to do a survey research.

3) First the sampling technique which should be applied to the survey is the simple random sampling because it ensures that everyone (from all ages & social classes) is represented. And also because all the population from young to old age groups should be included so as to make the ~~sample~~ ^{sample} representative & reliable.

1) we operationalize age:

- 1- what is your age (indicate by a checking on one) ~~applying~~ ^{applying}
 - 1- Below 18
 - 2- 18-25
 - 3- 25-40
 - 4- 41 and above

5) 2) we operationalize who the demonstrator the economy can be improved:

- 1- improving the infrastructure
- what do you think of this state ~~in~~ under the regime of President Toledo, all the vital signs of a healthy infrastructure (roads, bridges, water channels, etc...) are available in a very good way?
 - 1- strongly agree
 - 2- agree
 - 3- neutral
 - 4- disagree
 - 5- strongly disagree

2- Improving the foreign ~~relations~~ trade:

- what do you think of the following state ~~in~~ At the time of President Toledo, ~~export~~ ^{export} imports have increased greatly and the country has ~~achieved~~ ^{achieved} a self-sufficient state.
 - 1- strongly agree
 - 2- agree
 - 3- neutral
 - 4- disagree
 - 5- strongly disagree

③ we operationalize clearly
 1- has the interest of the country above ^{which don't do anything else} anything else
 what do you think of the following state ^{President Toledo} has worked consistently for the welfare welfare of the state - of
~~the people of the state~~ this is a...
 eventually to the improvement of the life of its citizens?
 1- strongly agree 2- agree 3- neutral 4- disagree 5- strongly disagree

④ Etoded Corruption
 what do you think of this? President Toledo has worked for
 purging all corrupt employees to ensure efficiency & better service for
 the citizens?
 1- strongly agree 2- agree 3- neutral 4- disagree 5- strongly disagree

④ we operationalize Tough
 1- He had a firm policy of well structured plans
 "President Toledo was able to achieve all his reform movements
 without any hindrance" what do you think?
 1- strongly agree 2- agree 3- neutral 4- disagree 5- strongly disagree

⑤ for first 100 days
~~2- He had a great influence & power.~~
~~There were no coups or political turbulences~~ In President Toledo's regime
 there were no coups or political turbulences because he was a firm and strong leader?
 1- strongly agree

2- He had a great influence & power.
 "In President Toledo's regime there were no coups or political
 turbulences because he was a firm and strong leader" what
 do you think?
 1- strongly agree 2- agree 3- neutral 4- disagree 5- strongly disagree

⑤ After we finish administering the questionnaire sample, we
 do a pretest on some respondents to see whether it will be
 a valid & reliable question and also those who contribute it
 to the large population.

2. Country Z has a problem with uneasy racial relations between the A minority group and the rest of the population. The As are distributed all over the country and live side by side with the majority group whose members, in many instances, demonstrate extreme prejudice toward the As. This is a problem that has gone on for more than 100 years occasionally resulting in violence..

Choose 5 methodologies studied during the course and indicate how each can be used to study some aspect of this prejudice. (for instance, how would methodology 1. look at this problem, 2, 3 etc..) **Follow these steps carefully..** first write the name of the methodology, A. propose a research question on the subject of prejudice to be answered using that methodology. B.. state how you will go about finding the answer to the question according to the methodology you have chosen. Eg how you will operationalize the question. (you need not be as detailed as in ques. 1—rather give a brief outline of what needs to be done demonstrating that you are knowledgeable about how each methodology can add, because of its particular strengths and focii to our understanding of prejudice.

Methodology 1. Field Research

A. research question: 5 pts

How well do white & black employees in the work field interact with each other

B. Operationalization: 5 pts.

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First I administer ~~my~~ ^{my} questions ^{to} people whom I know that they are working with ~~black~~ ^{white} people. So my field research will focus on white employees in their work. This method will ensure reliability because I can observe and code what I see or hear. This also ensures that no single question is answered because there is an interaction between the respondents & the researcher.
* It also takes time to do this method.

Etc.

Methodology 2. Experiment

A. How well do white & black

people interact in the work field.

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B. First we choose a set of white & black people and we place them in a working environment. Then we repeat this by changing some variables to see ~~if~~ ^{the} ~~changes~~ ^{changes} with the variations.
Continue on reverse using same format and approximate space.

This method insures greater details because there is an element of variation in this method. But it is not good for its artificiality & it's expensive. Moreover people may know that they are being experimented on and so they might change their behavior.

Moreover, the experimental method is flexible because we can change groups & variables as we want.



~~But the data are accurate~~ But it is expensive because research is done in many instruments & places for these experiments.

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3. Survey (A)

Research Question: ~~the~~ relationship between white & Black relations between workers in the work field and its impact on their attitudes towards each other.

(B) In this method we administer a questionnaire and we distribute it to people who live in clusters (where white & Black people live) so the sample is a multi-stage cluster sample. Then we give it to these white people who live in the neighborhoods where ~~there~~ we know that white & Black people work together.

This method is good because it is easy to use & it can represent a large sample of the population.

But it has a certain limitation because people may know what the survey is about & so they might change their answers so as to be seen as unprejudiced.

4. Content Analysis

Research Question, How was Black ~~people~~ workers perceived by their
~~color~~ white coworkers in the ~~work~~ field

5 This method ensures high reliability & low validity.
 High reliability because we are using the sources which
 were found earlier by researchers either journals, newspapers,
 & internet sources or any other media.

But it has a low validity because ^{white} people's attitudes towards
 Black people are changing and they are well treated in some
 societies so there is less bias & less prejudice
 against them.

This method is not expensive & it yields results very fast
 But it is limited only to the ~~current~~ ^{existing} literature not
 to real life (face to face research).

10 5. Interviews

Research Question, Relations between workers in the work field.
 This method is valuable for the researcher is able to probe

to get exact information. However, there is no missing
 data because the respondents answer directly & face to face.

But it has a serious drawback that respondents
 do not always answer to sensitive questions & so they
 lie about their own answers.

It has also an advantage ~~however~~ ^{because} of being
 inexpensive at all because the researcher only needs
 a notebook & a pencil.