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#### ABSTRACT

This paper on logical reasoning in science education was written from a philosophical, rather than a psychological, orientation within an overall curricular framework. Six areas are treated within this curricular framework: philosophical consideration, logical structure in a field of enquiry, materials development and evaluation, epistemological characteristics, student development and use of logical reasoning in science, and evaluation-research activity. In each area, selected studies are cited and briefly discussed. Research methodology is stressed throughout the paper. An annotated bibliography intended primarily for the use of researchers in science education is included and consists of materials from educational and research journals, curriculum project newsletters, and doctoral dissertations. The references are classified according to the six areas of the paper, with those articles found most useful in developing the paper identified by asterisks. (PEB)





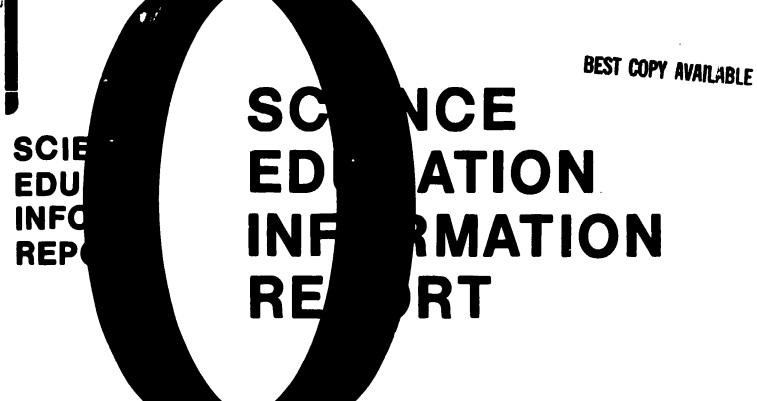
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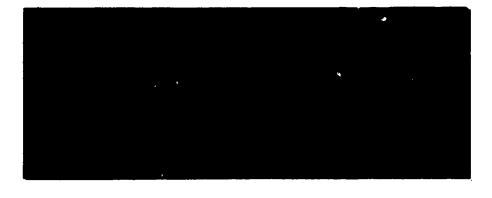
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## LOGICAL REASONING IN SCIENCE EDUCATION

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In dealing with its topic this paper assumes a different and somewhat broader perspective than might be expected from the title: "different" in that "logical reasoning" per se suggests a psychological orientation, whereas mine is philosophical, and "broader" in the sense that the overall framework is curricular. Within this curricular framework six areas, rather than the suggested one, are treated. While this prevents an indepth treatment it permits a more adequate account of the curricular concerns of this paper. Research methodology is stressed throughout.

The following paragraphs contain a brief explanation of the curricular framework and its accompanying philosophical perspective. This is followed by a treatment of selected studies in each of the six areas - philosophical consideration, logical structure of a field of enquiry, materials development and use of logical reasoning in science, and evaluation-research. An account of each area describes its connection to logical reasoning, identifies its major methodological characteristics, and summarizes results of selected research.

## THE CURRICULAR FRAMEWORK

Studies strictly focused on student reasoning are studies in pyschology. There is a long record of such research, some of which has been done in science education. But such studies in science education without



Sec, for example, Maurice Belanger, "Learning Studies in Science Education, Science and Mathematics Education," Review of Educational Research, Vol.39 (1969), pp.377-395.

reference to their curricular context, amount to no more than the doing of psychology with science subject matter. From a curricular point of view the inadequacy of such studies is seen in the problem of translating theoretical perspectives and research outcomes into curriculum plans, and in the fact that philosophical rather than psychological perspectives are of primary importance to science education. The following paragraphs treat each of these matters in turn.

Translation of Psychological Knowledge into Curricular Plans

One useful way of thinking about the translation problem is to see it as a question of moving from "is" to "ought" in which the singular "is" resulting from research on logical reasoning is connected with multiple possible "oughts" in curriculum planning. For instance, given controlled conditions such as student age, and degree and kind of teacher intervention, and guided by a notion of how concepts correspond to phenomena, it may be found that students develop specific and flexible reasoning strategies for the induction of concepts. Knowing this, what "ought" to be the curriculum developers! plans? For good reasons the developer may be uninterested in logical reasoning and simply ignore the research. Supposing, however, that he is committed to logical reasoning he will have to diagnose the characteristics and needs of his students and match these with the conditions under which the research was done. From this process, he may, quite tentatively, decide that "X" ought to be done. However, another planner with different-aged children, or in a different community with different socio-economic characteristics, may decide that some variant of "X" or even "Y" ought to be done.

But the translation problem is even more complicated since there are several viable conceptions of logical reasoning. For instance, following Belanger, there is "concept learning," "problem solving," "inductive-deductive learning," "guided discovery," "creative thinking," and "critical thinking." The complication arises since the developer may be committed to a different conception of logical reasoning than that which guided the research. In such a situation, the developer may ignore the research,



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Ibid.

or he may decide to twist or modify the findings to more or less fit his notions.

The diversity associated with the "is-ought" character of the translation problem is further complicated by recognition of two major modifying agents, the teacher and the materials of instruction. These agents enter in not merely as annoyances to be circumvented, for example, by teachingproofing of materials or by student remediation consistent with the materials, but as effective determiners in their own right. Accordingly, even when he has settled upon a set of "is-ought" connections based on his consideration of his students and of the conception of logical reasoning governing the research in question, the curriculum planner needs to give further consideration to the characteristics of the teachers and of the materials in which the ideas on logical reasoning will be embodied. This point has been dealt with on another occasion. Suffice it here to note that matters such as the language adopted by the teacher and by the materials developer; the sense of authority on the truth and soundness of knowledge claims adopted by the teacher and the materialsdeveloper; and the extent of independent student logical thinking encouraged, can potentially alter a student's development of logical reasoning ability. Thus, for the curriculum planner, what ought to be done is further conditioned. Taken together the various conditioning variables in curriculum planning are so important as to reduce the "is" to the status of another conditioning variable. Research outcomes are simply one of those variables considered by the planner as he matches curriculum variables of a particular setting.

To summarize these remarks on the translation problem, we note that there are no necessary curricular "oughts" for any "is" on logical reasoning, and there are multiple possible curricular "oughts" for any single "is". Furthermore, the "is" of a research finding is itself best seen as a conditioning variable on what "ought" to be done. Research aimed at being useful in practice avoids "controlling" the conditioning variables and, instead, takes them simultaneously into account. Various



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>F. Michael Connelly, "The Functions of Curriculum Development," Interchange, Special Issue on School Innovation, Vol.3, Nos.2-3 (1972) pp. 161-175.

kinds of methodologies of such curriculum oriented research are described below for six areas.

Our consideration of these curricular complications of the translation problem serves to dispel simplistic notions of the potential power of psychological studies. But such consideration has the danger of swamping the researcher and science educator in a sea of diversity and circumstance. To prevent this effect, it remains for us to take a stand, a philosophical one as earlier noted, and to generate a relatively simple framework for dealing with logical reasoning.

# A Philosophical Stand<sup>4</sup>

For purposes of this paper two points will serve as indicators of the reasons for seeing science education problems from a philosophical. perspective. One point is that curriculum, however conceived, rests on the classical question "What knowledge is most worth learning?" Problems of knowledge are only superficially seen in terms of the constructs and understandings of particular fields of enquiry. In their more useful generic sense these questions are epistemological and are concerned with the nature of knowledge and of knowing. It is the hypothetical connections between knowledge and knowing, and of the learner's personal power and freedom in logical reasoning that guides the selection of particular curricular content and the forms of logical reasoning worthy of developing. 5 Given these connections it is possible to frame specific psychological research questions on logical reasoning that have to do with empirical capability under specified conditions of, for example, developmental stage. Briefly stated, psychological perspectives are herein seen as secondary and derivative of philosophical perspectives. This first point is well illustrated in the six areas treated below.

Sce, F. M. Connelly, "Significant Connections Between Philosophy of Science and Science Education," Studies in Philosophy and Education, Vol. VII, No.9(in press).

A more extensive and detailed connection is developed in F.M. Connelly's '"Patterns of Enquiry and Conceptual Knowledge Structures in the Curriculum" (working paper)

The second point in support of the philosophical stand is derived from my observations on the science curriculum development activity of the 1950's and 60's. While this activity began with philosophical concerns for knowledge and for enquiry, it was largely dominated by the works of a few psychologists, notably, Bruner, Ausubel, Gagne and, to a certain extent, Piaget. An examination of the science curricula governed by the first three of these psychologists shows that each inadequately conceptualizes scientific knowledge and leads to unsupportable instructional recommendations. The identified limitations are the result of implicitly embodying conceptions of knowledge and knowing in curriculum materials which were derived from psychological notions of cognitive structure and of how it develops and functions, rather than from philosophical considerations of knowledge structures and of how they develop and function in fields of enquiry and in the mind.

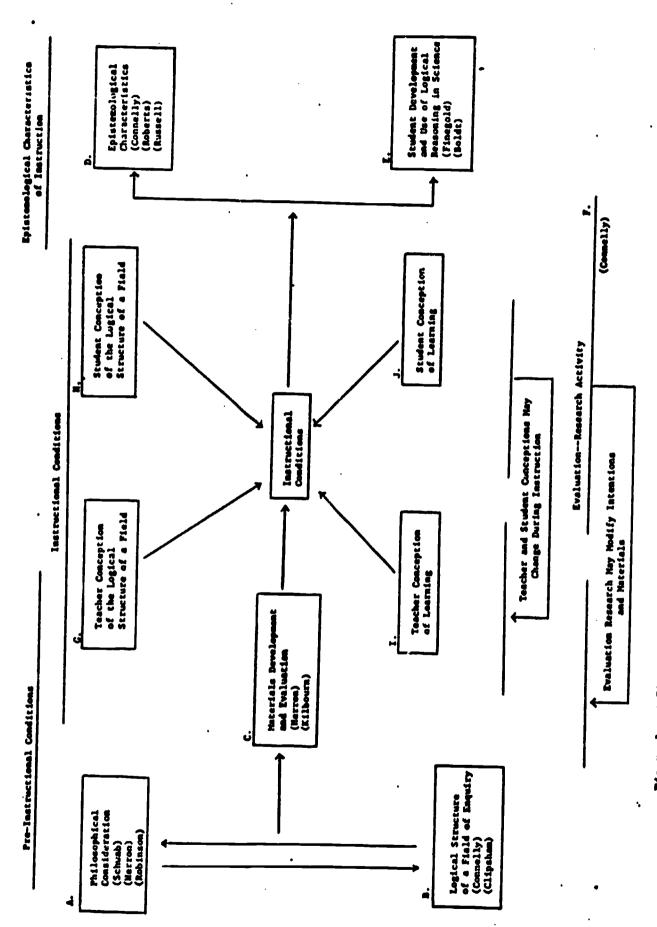
This brief account of the philosophical perspective is not intended as a defence of the perspective but only to introduce the philosophic orientation of the curricular framework. We now turn to the framework itself.

# Philosophically Oriented Curriculum Framework

The philosophically oriented curricular framework used in this paper is schematically represented in Figure 1. The figure is to be taken as a useful representation for purposes of this paper and not as a hypothetical model or quasi theory about logical thinking. The arrows indicate one thing having an effect on another and the boxes represent important variables, subject to research, which determine the development of logical thinking in instructional settings. Labels A-E indicate those areas with which the author is most directly concerned and on which this paper is focused. For each of areas A-E the connection between the area and logical reasoning is described and is followed with a description of one or more studies. Each of these is described according to its aim, methodology, and significant outcomes. Methodology is emphasized and its significance relative to logical thinking is stressed.



<sup>6</sup> Ibid.



Pigure 1: A Philosophically Oriented Curricular Framework for the Consideration of Student Logical Reasoning Ability in Sciences \*Listed Authors-are treated in the text

#### THE SIX AREAS

## A. Philosophical Consideration

The connection between this area and logical thinking has already been established in my introductory remarks. Suffice it to say that the philosophical aspects of greatest significance are epistemological; concerns which have found their way into the science education literature under the headings of "structure of knowledge" and "enquiry". The writings of Schwab, Herron and Robinson are described below.

Schawab's aim was to provide a set of principles adopted by scientists in the course of enquiry and to describe their educational possibilities. I have used Schwab's methodology in my study of ecology described in the next section and I will not repeat the account here. The significant outcome of Schwab's work is an account of five forms of principle of enquiry. Principles of enquiry serve to bound subject matter for purposes of investigation and they provide the analytic terms and the patterns of enquiry in terms of which our understanding of the meaning of knowledge claims in science is enriched. An important element in this enriched meaning is the increased understanding of the limitations and tentativeness of knowledge claims seen against a background of selected and omitted data and against a principled interpretation of data.

The significance of this work for logical reasoning is that science students are provided with a framework for viewing scientific knowledge and, given an appropriate instructional methodology, for developing habits of thought with respect to the recovery of meaning and the evaluation of scientific knowledge. These points are described more fully in my account of area "B".



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>See, for example, J. J. Schwab, "What Do Scientists Do?" <u>Behavioral Science</u>, Vol.5, No.1 (1960), pp 1-27; and G. W. Ford and Lawrence Pugno (eds.), <u>The Structure of Knowledge and the Curriculum</u> (Chicago: Rand McNally and Co., 1964).

See, for example, J.J. Schwab, "Enquiry, The Science Teacher, and The Educator," School Review, Vol.67 (1960), pp 176-195; and, "The Teaching of Science as Enquiry," The Teaching of Science (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1962).

Herron's work is closely allied theoretically to that of Schwab. His aim was to provide a methodology for revealing, comparing and contrasting accounts of enquiry found in a diversity of philosophic positions and subsequently in a diversity of science curricula. His recommendation is one of the more interesting described herein and is useful both in philosophical analysis and in graduate level teaching. Herron advanced five commonplaces of enquiry - agent, method, scientific data, fact and what passes for fact, scientific knowledge and dynamics of revision. The commonplaces constitute a set of topics which any reasonably complete account of scientific enquiry should be expected to treat. Herron's metaphorical account of them reads:

The situation might be likened to a game of "mosaic making" in which all participants must use the same given universe of pieces. A player is not required to construct a "complete" mosaic and, hence, need not use all of the pieces at his disposal. The individuality of each "artist's" mosaic resides in the permutations and combinations of the pieces, set in relationship to one another. Our position in this "game" would be to identify and describe each of the available pieces in such a way that our account will be useful in characterizing any one of the mosaics in terms of the pieces used in its con 10 struction and the matter in which they relate to one another.

Herron demonstrated the usefulness of his commonplaces in a comparative account of the works of John Dewey, Albert Einstein, Charles S. Pierce, and William Whewell, and in the evaluation of curriculum materials as described in area C. The significance of Herron's recommended methodology for logical reasoning in science derives from the fact that different philosophical systems see knowledge and its generation in different ways and these differences yield different forms of reasoning appropriate to them. Contrast, for example, the appropriate instructional "reasoning" goals for a curriculum using Einstein's idealized approach to knowledge with one using Pierce's pragmatic approach.



Marshall D. Herron, "The Nature of Scientific Enquiry," School Review, Vol.79 (1971), pp.171-212.

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., p.178

Whereas Herron was concerned to understand philosophic diversity, Robinson's aim was to give an account of enquiry which was, as much as possible, common to all sciences. 11 The methodology used by each author was similar, namely, to read a variety of philosophic accounts in search of common features. But whereas Herron's analytic features were revealing of diversity, Robinson's were descriptive features shared in common by different writers. The major notions put forward by Robinson were "correlational procedures," "exact procedures," "rules of correspondence," "metaphysical principals," and "constructs." These were weaved into an integrated network which in and of itself stands as a philosophic statement. The physical and biological sciences were seen to differ in their degree of emphasis on correlational procedures.

The significance of Robinson's methodology and findings for logical reasoning is that a common orientation to thinking about knowledge claims in science could be adopted for all sciences. Such an orientation could be of use, say, in providing a basis for "reasoning" goals in general science courses. Robinson did not make instructional recommendations which would lead to specific training in logical reasoning about scientific knowledge but he did provide an extensive set of "understandings" which would provide the orientation within which such reasoning would take place.

# B Logical Structure in a Field of Enquiry

The significance of this area for logical reasoning is located in the fact that the design of curriculum materials inevitably, whether deliberately sought or by implication, sets out a conceptual framework of the subject field. Prior logical analysis of the field ensures that sound philosophical conceptions (area A) are both tested and used in the organization of content prior to materials production. The writings of Connelly and Clipsham are described below.

The first aim of Connelly's study was to give an account of ecological method useful in the construction of a curriculum aimed at illuminating



James T. Robinson, The Nature of Science and Science Teaching, (Belmont, California: Wadsworth Publishing Company, Inc., 1968).

the significance and soundness of ecological knowledge. <sup>12</sup> A second aim was to develop instructional recommendations associated with this account which would yield student capability in the recovery of meaning and in the evaluation of ecological knowledge claims. The method was to read a wide range of research papers and to classify the logical forms seen to be operating there. This identification of forms was based on the way problems were bounded for enquiry, on the kind of data that passed as evidence, on how interpretations of the evidence were made, and on the terms in which the research findings were presented. These four attributes led to the identification of an overriding principle of enquiry in the research. In turn, an account of the attributes in terms of principles led to the description of a characteristic logical pattern of enquiry. In short, conditions were seen to be imposed on the problem, data, interpretation, and rezearch outcome by the guiding principle of enquiry.

The significance of this account of method for logical reasoning is that the resulting forms of knowledge - that is, the principles of enquiry - are forms of knowledge as experienced. This follows from the fact that research papers are the recorded experience of men operating on subject matter to achieve knowledge and a state of understanding. Thus, the principles of enquiry are at once forms of knowledge and forms of experience. They are a structure of the world of living things as experienced in enquiry. As such, they give the logical framework for understanding the nature of ecology and for understanding the development of ecological ideas.

From the point of view of the curriculum, the structure of ecological experience becomes a structure for a learner's experiencing of ecology; that is, it becomes a framework into which the learner fits, interprets, and evaluates knowledge claims in ecology. Thus, the forms for the research study of ecology and for the logical reasoning required of the student with respect to ecology are one and the same.



F. Michael Connelly, "Conceptual Structures in Ecology with Special Reference to An Enquiry Curriculum in Ecology" (unpublished Doctoral dissertation, University of Chicago, 1968).

Clipsham is currently utilizing a similar methodology for examining issues at the science society interface 13 by applying the biological principles of enquiry described by Schwab and Connelly. He is elaborating a conception of patterns of argumentatio: to account for the prescriptive policy oriented literature associated with science; and he is elaborating a comparative terminology, largely derived from Aristotle's physics and ethics, for simultaneously talking about science and science society issues in a single curriculum.

The significance of Clipsham's work for logical reasoning is to distinguish between reasoning modes appropriate to science and to science society issues and to describe the conditions to be fulfilled by a curriculum aimed at encouraging a recognition and use of the appropriate reasoning modes on the part of students.

## C. Materials Development and Evaluation

Curriculum materials embody the theoretical ideas of developers and may be more or less transparent to those ideas. Even when materials are not explicitly designed in terms of the development of logical reasoning abilities, their organization will reflect on logical reasoning possibilities. Accordingly, certain unintended learnings with respect to logical reasoning will likely follow. The significance of investigations of curriculum materials is that their potential for the development of logical reasoning may be assessed. A comparative evaluation of their potential with the developer's intentions may be advanced, as in the work of Herron described below, or against an independent standard provided by the evaluator, as described in the work of Kilbourn.

Herron's aim was to evaluate the degree to which four National Science Foundation texts reflected stated developer intentions on enquiry and the structure of knowledge. His methodology was to apply the notion of



John Clipsham, "Organizing an Enquiry Curriculum for the Study of Issues at the Science-Society Interface," (dissertation in progress, Toronto: The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education).

<sup>14</sup> Herron, Ibid.

commonplaces described in area A; his accounts of enquiry for five philosophers; and Schwab's more general notions about scientific enquiry described in area A, to each of the selected textbooks. While his analytic armory was more sophisticated than required by the textual material, he was able to show that each of the texts gave inadequate accounts of enquiry. The significance of his study is seen, for example, in his finding that the CHEM Study course had only 25% of their exercises devoted to encouraging students to reach generalizations inductively and that there was a decided empirical orientation in the materials such that techniques of accurate observation and controlled experimentation were emphasized. From the point of view of logical reasoning CHEM Study students would tend to rely on the teacher and the text for assumptions and starting points required in reasoning about knowledge claims and they would, furthermore, tend to emphasize empirical over conceptual aspects in their reasoning.

The aim of Kilbourn's study was to develop a method for analyzing knowledge claims in textbooks. <sup>15</sup> He utilized Scheffler's three conditions of knowledge - truth, evidence and belief - as his recommended methodology. For each of these he used further philosophic writings to develop a set of five questions to be asked about propositional knowledge claims in a text. He demonstrated the usefulness of his terms by analyzing a sixpage passage on human evolution from the BSCS Blue Version text. Whereas Herron's method was to read the entire text and, using selected examples, to make general statements about it, Kilbourn's method was to select a specific passage and to undertake a detailed analysis of it.

Kilbourn's study makes no instructional recommendations nor, for that matter, any direct evaluative comments on the analyzed passage. Its significance for logical reasoning lies in its power for revealing textual provision for answering the question "How do we know X?"



<sup>15</sup>Brent Kilbourn, Analyzing the Basis for Knowledge Claims in Science
Textbooks: A Method and a Case Study. Background Paper No.6, The
Explanatory Modes Project, Douglas A. Roberts, Principal Investigator
(Toronto: The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, 1971).

## D. Epistemological Characteristics

This area consists of epistemological studies of classroom instruction. The significance of this area for logical reasoning lies in the fact that during instruction the determining elements of logical reasoning come to bear on the learner. The work of Connelly, Roberts and Russell is described below.

Connelly's work is aimed at describing epistemological characteristics in instruction within the context of a particular orientation to the philosophy of science and a particular mode of instruction. 10 Methodologically, the notion of commonplaces has been adopted and work has tentatively begun with five: the teacher, the student, the materials of instruction, the phenomena of science, and the ideas of science. These topics provide the bounding elements for conceptualizing instruction in epistemological terms. For each topic two questions are asked, "What is the role of (e.g., the materials) in instruction?" and "What is the relationship of (e.g., the materials) to (e.g., the ideas) of science?" For instance, for the first question, two of the possible roles of materials in instruction are as the authoritative source on the content of science or as the stimulus to discussion. To illustrate the second question, note that materials and ideas may be related, such that materials are seen as the embodiment of ideas which need only to be extracted; as an auxiliary resource to science ideas developed otherwise in instruction; or, as data sources for stimulating independent student induction of science ideas. The procedure has been to develop an instrument of about forty items on an agree-disagree continuum and to apply it to teachers on a pre-post instructional basis. Furthermore, it is planned to use the framework, but not the instrument, for analyzing classroom discourse. The significance of this work is that the instructional correlates of students' logical reasoning in science may be identified.



This work is part of The Patterns of Enquiry Project, directed by F.M. Connelly in association with Merlin Wahlstrom and Menahem Finegold. For a brief description of this project see, Finegold and Connelly, Orbit, 11 (1972) pp.3-7.

Roberts has undertaken an extensive series of studies in this area through his work with graduate students. The aim of this work is to describe, and ultimately evaluate, the worth of science instruction in general. 17

Whereas Connelly's approach to the epistemology of instruction is to develop analytic notions of instruction from a direct examination of it (guided, of course, by a broad-based philosophical concern), Roberts and his students deliberately explore a variety of philosophical positions in order to generate useful analytic frameworks for the analysis of instruction. For example, Russell used Toulman's The Uses of Argument to generate a framework for analyzing science teaching episodes. 18

E. Student Development and Use of Logical Reasoning in Science
This area consists of studies in children's reasoning processes in
the context of instruction. Its significance for logical reasoning is
that the topic is treated in a subject-matter context, rather than as an
abstract generalized process. The work of Boldt and Finegold is described
below.

Boldt's aim was to attempt a conceptualization of children's science learning in terms of Kuhn's notions of "prescience paradigm" and "prescience paradigm shift." Using these notions Boldt's emphasis was on the conceptual frameworks, i.e. the paradigms, which would account for children's handling of laboratory results. In Boldt's view, logical reasoning is a function of the paradigms used by children and, as these paradigms shift so, it might be expected, would the child's reasoning.



Douglas A. Roberts, About The Explanatory Modes Project, Bulletin No.2 (Toronto: The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, April, 1972).

Thomas L. Russell, "Analyzing the Kind of Authority Suggested by Arguments in Science Teaching" (Qualifying Research Paper, Department of Curriculum, The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, 1971).

Walter B. Boldt, "Application of Thomas S. Kuhn's View of Science to Teaching: An Exploratory Study," paper presented to the National Association for Research in Science Teaching (Vancouver: University of British Columbia, 1969), Mimeo.

Boldt's method was to train fourteen teachers whose role was to facilitate "natural" responses from children investigating physical phenomena and to collect "ongoing" data on these responses. Students were brought into a one-to-one clinical instructional setting with teachers. A variety of laboratory exercises in mechanics were used and both the physical and intellectual activities of the child were studied. Post clinical sessions were held by Boldt with the teachers. Using videotapes and the diagnostic clinical sessions as data, Boldt applied Kuhn's notions to the students' activity. Only tentative results were obtained. For example, the ideas about the causes of motion of swinging objects by both an eleven and a twelve year old bore striking resumblance to the Aristotelian concept of motion; a notion which Boldt calls a "prescience paradigm."

The significance of this work is that it constitutes a philosophically derived methodology for the developmental study of children's logical reasoning in science. Furthermore, as Boldt speculates, an understanding of the development of logical reasoning in science would suggest a diagnostic teacher role in encouraging the development of increasingly powerful paradigms in children's reasoning about science.

Finegold is currently developing a methodology for investigating logical reasoning of individual students during and after instruction. 20 Analytic terms are being developed to assess the quality and range of student participation in discussion. "Quality" refers to the contribution made to an understanding of the status of knowledge claims and "range" refers to the extent to which a student deals with enquiry generally and the extent to which he deals with elements in patterns of enquiry. An example of the potential usefulness of the tentative methodology is seen in Finegold's pilot study of two class lessons where he found that students were, in general, dependent upon the teacher for guidance in thinking about knowledge claims.



Menahem Finegold, "The Character of Enquiry into Enquiry Discussion as a Mode of Instruction in Physics" (Dissertation Proposal, Toronto: The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education).

# F. Evaluation-Research Activity

The significance of this area for logical reasoning is that it explicitly treats a complex of associated curriculum considerations. Its aim is to provide descriptions of the matrix of interactions among the instructional conditions and the epistemological characteristics of instruction (see Figure 1 for areas bounded by each of these).

The methodology used in the Patterns of Enquiry project is to field test a set of theoretically sound curriculum materials in a variety of circumstances and to describe the various identified relationships. 21 Questions of the following order are asked: "To what extent do each of the components of the instructional recommendations associated with materials show in instruction and what is the balance among them?", "To what extent is the matrix of interactions comprehended by the instructional recommendations" and, conversely, "what is left out by them?" and "How do different balances among components of the instructional recommendations hang together with identifiable differences in teacher, students, and other conditioning factors?" Given the resulting set of relationships it is possible to make sense of the variability in learner outcome measures associated with logical reasoning. For example, intercorrelations among the conceptions of knowledge embodied in the materials, the teacher's conception of a logical structure of his field, the students' conceptions with respect to scientific knowledge claims, and the reasoning capabilities expressed in instruction, may be identified. The effect of this research is to give a picture of how both theoretical and actual characteristics of logical reasoning hang together.

The significance of my study for logical reasoning is that it makes possible the provision of multiple pictures of how materials hang together in theory and practice. We intend to make our "pictures" available to teachers for purposes of permitting them to intelligently assess the materials for their own situations and we hope, among other things, to circumvent the disillusionment that occurs when the wrong people use the wrong materials for ambitious ends, such as the development of students' logical reasoning in science.



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This bibliography is intended primarily for the use of researchers in the field of science education. It provides a comprehensive overview of educational research studies associated with "logical reasoning in science education", which were completed and published through the end of 1972. It was compiled for the preparation of a paper of the same title by the senior author and includes a review of the following types of sources: educational and research journals, curriculum project newsletters, and doctoral dissertations.

The bibliography is divided into categories in terms of a philosophically oriented curriculum framework described in Connelly's paper. The bibliography focuses on related studies in item areas: A. philosophical considerations, B. logical structure in a field of enquiry, C. materials development and evaluation, D. epistemological characteristics, E. student development and use of logical reasoning in science, F. evaluation-research, G. teacher conception of the logical structure of a field, I. teacher conception of learning, J. student conception of learning. An eleventh category (K) includes studies which, for one reason or another, do not fit this framework and yet pertain to the topic in general.

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