

# Learning From Cross-Cultural Educational Experiences

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# 我的一点故事

- 1. 在中国的经历
- 2. 在美国的经历
- 研究生:
  - 7 + 5 = ( ) + 8 (早期代数)
  - "cooperative learning" 小组学习 (教师知识)



The Elementary

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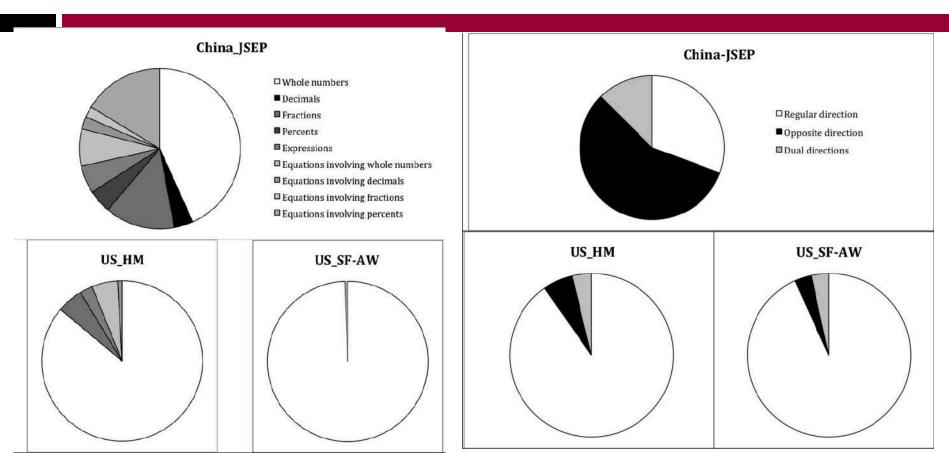


- 大学老师:
  - 早期代数+教师知识
  - 对美国在职老师与职前老师的介绍
  - NSF CAREER grant 通过中美课堂的比较来提炼早期代数教学的知识以期提高美国小学生的代数思维

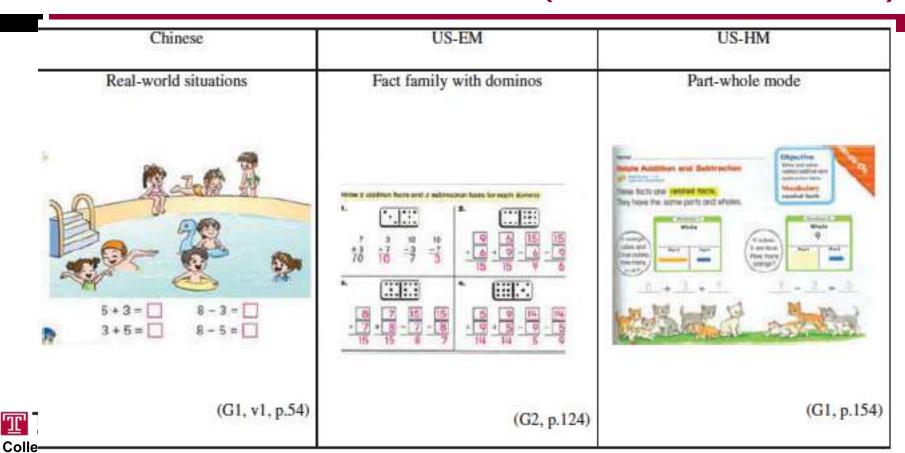




# 中美教材比较的发现(例1:分配律)



# 中美教材比较的发现(例2:逆运算)



# What is Algebraic Knowledge for Teaching (AKT)? 何为代数教学知识?

### Early algebra 早期代数

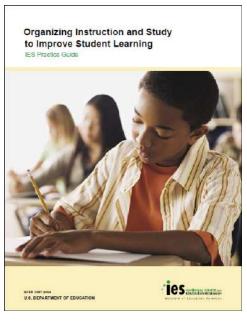
- Inverse relations 逆运算
- Basic property of operations 基本运算定律

Necessary knowledge for teaching it 必要的代数教学知识

( 感想: 中美的科研与实践 )



## What does the literature say? 文献怎么说?



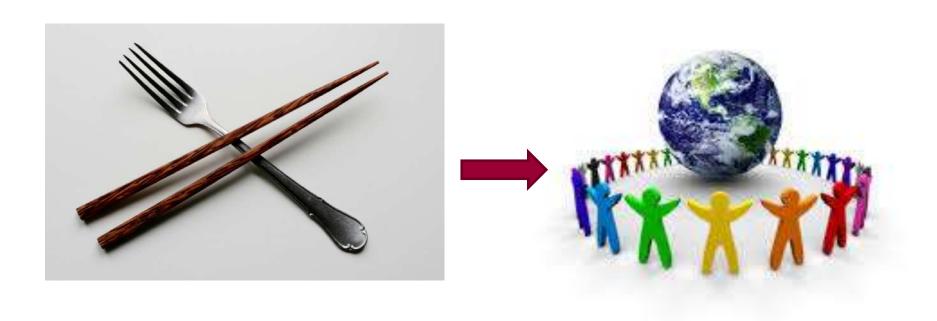
- 1. Worked examples例题
- 2. Representations表征
- 3. Deep questions深度问题

IES recommendations 美国教育科学研究所建议



## Why Cross-cultural Collaboration?

为何跨国"合作"?





# Current Project 当前项目



Led by Fu Ma 马复教授(中方负责人) (With the assistance from Jing Chen 陈静老师, Guangqun Zhong 仲广群老师, Wei Chen 陈薇老师)

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17 teachers from Nanjing, China (17 位中国南京的老师)

17 teachers from Philadelphia, US (17 位美国费城的老师)



# Project objectives (2014-19) 项目目标

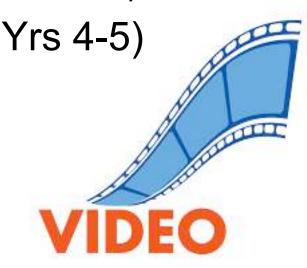
1. Identify 识别 AKT

(Yrs 1-3)

2. Refine 完善 AKT

(Yrs 3-4)

B. Disseminate 推广 AKT (Yrs 4-5)





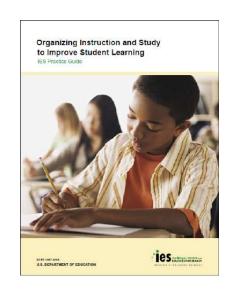
# Objective目标 #1 – Identify AKT

Analyzed 132 videotaped lessons filmed in years 1-2

分析了132节第一年和第二年的录像课

#### Results:

- 1) 发表了一些关于例题,表征和提问方面的 科研文章和报道
- 2) 25 个加注的中美录像片段





## Objective目标 #2 - Refine AKT

Conduct the intervention session (Y3 video forum + summer workshop) 视频论坛+暑期研讨班 Re-teach the lessons (Y4) 重新教课 Ask:

- 1. 视频交流是否对老师的跨文化学习有所帮助?
- 2. 所发现的AKT在课堂教学应用上是否可行?
- 3. 所发现的AKT在课堂教学应用上面临怎样的挑战?



# Research Questions 研究问题

1

Do US and Chinese teachers show interests in their international peers' videos?中美老师对双方的视频感兴趣吗?

2

What different or same aspects do US and Chinese teachers notice about the videos?中美老师对视频的关注点有什么相同和不同?

3

What do US and Chinese teachers learn from their international counterparts' videos? 中美老师从他们的国际同伴处学到什么?

### Data Sources and Procedures数据源与程序

- □ 25 video clips annotated (25个加注的视频)
  - 12 Chinese & 13 US
  - Matched topics
- □ Online video forums (one month) 视频论坛
- □ Summer workshops (20 hours) 暑期研讨班



# Online Video Forums 网上视频论坛





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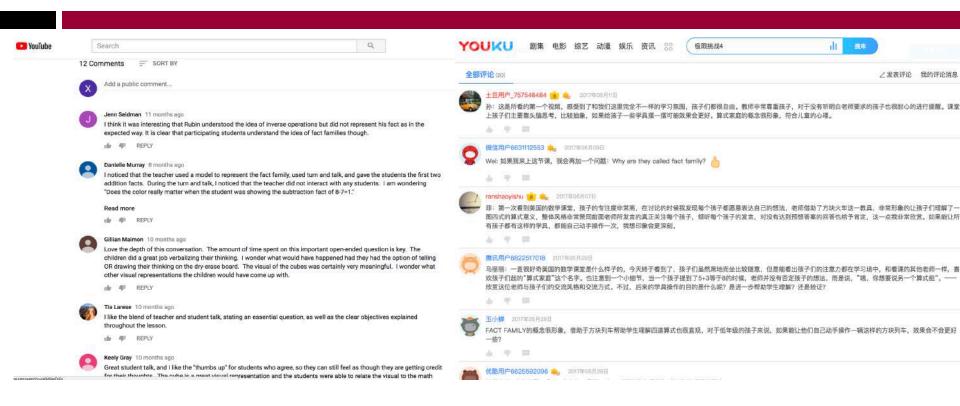
## Online Video Forums 网上视频论坛

Teachers first watched the videos of their interest and then commented on the following:

- 1. What do you notice? What stood out to you? 你发现了什么?什么对你而言比较突出?
- 2. What questions do you have in terms of this video or in general? 你对这个视频或者总体而言有什么问题?
- 3. Other comments? 其他评论?



# Online Video Forums网上视频论坛





# In-person Summer Workshops

面对面暑期研讨班

#### 2 US workshops & 1 China workshop

Further elaborated and reflected on the video comments and what they've learned from international peers进一步 阐述反思视频评论以及他们从国际同伴处学到什么?

Discussed how they planed to implement what they learned to classrooms讨论如何把所学的应用到课堂







# In-person Summer Workshops面对面暑期研讨班







# In-person Summer Workshops



# Data Analysis 数据分析

- A total of 233 comments entries (US:120; China: 113)

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Video ID	Video	US Teacher	US Youtube Comments	Teacher	Chinese优酷comments	Translation of Chinese comments
1	US G2 T3 FactFamily	Rosemarie Beltz	I like the way the children share information.	36.89	美国老师上误也叙注意引导和罕具操作的啊。 算式家庭的误法每 有草原。	The American teacher also focused on guiding students and using manipulatives in class, the term of "fact family" is pretty interesting
	US_G2_T3_FactFamily	Elaine Blackmon	I thought Matthew's observation that the same 3 numbers were being used was helpful to the other students.		和7两部分,故市、8被去其中一部分、便得到另一部分。	Chinese teacher would prefer using manipulatives earlier to let the students realize that 8 can be devided into two parts: 1 and 7. Therefore, 8 subtract one part equals the other part. Having the students taking 7 cubes from 8 cubes and seeing 1 cube left doesn't help them understand the relationship between addition and subtraction that much.
	US G2 T3 FactFamily	Mary Brehouse	The use of the cubes is a great visual for children to understand the members of the number family do not change.	和油	第一次看一节完整的美国误奖。接子引展综份有指定的原位。但 仍然会种责任。无关疑误参与按视网。 乐于故丛、思维给获。 让人改黄的意见。光发被误参与按视网。 乐于故丛、思维给获。 让人改黄的是一条学组成的算式进行程凭他们之间的关系。 就让孩子 记志考井明言表述出程的形式进行程况他们之间的关系。 我让孩子 是一个数字组成的算式进行程序他们之间的关系。 我也然后 ,我且的使用能与更加普遍,让每个接干都调干拿一拿,想一想 是一段,是于更好呢。	Its my first time watching an entire US lesson. Though the students don't have a fixed seat, they are still focused and actively participated in the lesson. The students are willing to express their thoughts and creative thinking. I like that the teacher called these groups of math sentences "fact family", and guiding the students to figure out the relationship among the math sentences composed by these three numbers. She first let the students think and express their thoughts, and use oubes as representations to help them understand. (Here is the suggestion) Make the using of representations more general, i.e. let very student manipulate, think about it and share their toughts, is that a better way?
	US G2 T3 FactFamily	Andrea Domsky	I would have liked to hear Titus explanation of the cubes. I liked the turn and talk. Maybe the students next time could each have their own set of cubes so everyone feels involved.	溶羅	这是看的第一个美国教学视频。孩子们的上课形式还是比较简单的,他们自由地坐在孩子上。身体非常放松。但孩子并没有发生 矣头提耳互相信活的观象。但自由地听说。当者即说与身边的孩 子安徽之群用了-1 电采取的计算B-178日。 对时,孩子们很快地三二两两百余参加交流。对于孩子的发言。 那些影心的以往子说完。这样不是很看急的进行下一个牙气。	This is my first American math class video, I am pretty shocked at how the form of their class, the students sit on the carpet freely, relaxing their bodies, but I didn't notice any talking to each other among students, they just listen to the teacher relaxingly. When the teacher told the students to share with each other how to use 7+1 = 8 to help computing 8-1 and 8-7, the students quickly get into groups of 2 or 3 and began to discuss actively. The teacher also patiently wait the students to finish their talking, and didn't seem to rush to the next topic.
	US G2 T3 FactFamily	Kooly Gray	Great student talk, and I like the "thumbs up" for students who agree, so they can still feel as though they are getting credit for their thoughts. The cube is a great visual representation and the students were able to relate the visual to the mosth facts given.		於被則可對於漢子所。	Just like our daily class, there will be unexpected situation, and the teacher patiently guide the students according to the situation: Do we change the number? Are they the same color? Even if the student didn't answer it correctly, she still give credict to him to encource hm: I like your idea. However, in terms of the manipulatives, can it be bigger in order to clearly distinguish the red and yellow parts. Therefore when the students are showing it in the front, the others can better understand the relationship obtween the four math sentences.
6-	US_G2_T3_FactFamily	Lisa Hantman	Great kid talk!		为了体现加減法之间的联系。课堂采用了"算式家庭"的说法。并	To show the relationship between addition and subtration, the teacher used the concept of "fact family", and it is very interesting, it shows there are very close relationship among the math senteces. There is no practice time in class, and that is different from China. In China, it is necessary to have a practice time especially when it comes to computation.



# Data Analysis 数据分析

#### Codebook (initial + enriched)编码

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Dimension	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching
Category	Communication approach	Communication approach	Communication approach	Communication approach	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation	Representation
Subcategory	Language	Language	Language	Q	Manipulatives	Manipulatives	Manipulatives	Manipulatives	Manipulatives	Purpose	Purpose	Purpose	Diagram	Diagram	Diagram	Diagram	Tallies
Video ID	Suggest more concise teacher language (T talked too much)	Notice cross- cultural differences in teacher language	Like concise language	Like/notice asking students to pose questions	Notice/like manipulatives (cube, sticks) as great visual/show concept formation	suggest letting ALL students munipulate (using cubes)'tell ideas	suggest letting children come up with OWN representations	Suggest using larger manipulatives so the class can see	Question the lack of richness in representation uses	Suggest using manipulatives to understand the relationship/concept (as oppose to the answer)	Wonder about the purpose of using manipulatives (sense-making or check)	Notice S drawing picture to find the answer		Wonder if tape diagram similar to number line or bar model	students	Notice T had S to write up the equation under bar model	Notice drawing tallies
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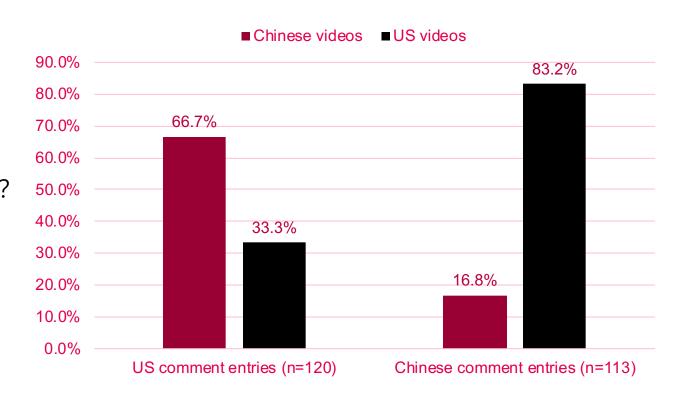
# Codes, Categories, Themes

- Resulted in 634 individual codes
- Countered frequencies of codes
- Classified into 4 domains: math/children/teaching/other
- Identified patterns & themes within and across culture
- Checked against the narrative comments & summer workshop videos/notes for trustworthiness



### Results (结果) for Research Question 1

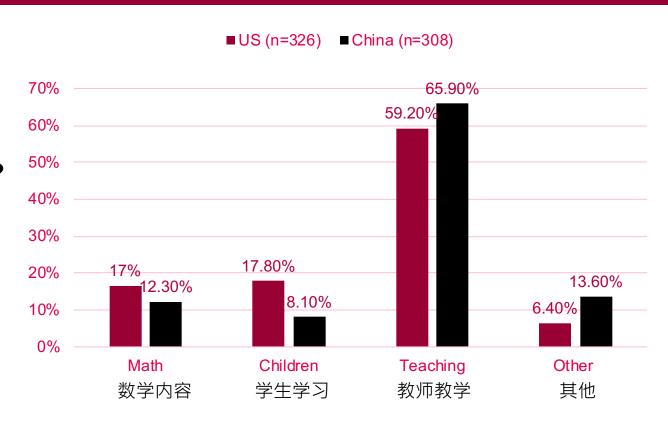
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### Results (结果) for Research Question 2

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# Research Question 2 (cont.)

# Zoom in on the domain of "Teaching" — most frequently commented on in both countries

Teaching	US Codes	Chinese Codes
Representation 表征	66	73
Communication style 交流风格	63	31
Teacher question/guide 老师提问/引导	22	17
Goal/focus	7	10
Other	25	19
Total	132	150



# 2a. Representation表征

#### **US teachers on Chinese videos**

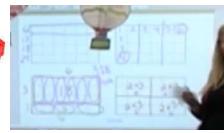
Always start from a realworld situation (生活情境), then fade out to numerical equations (算式)



#### Chinese teachers on US videos

Concrete representations (具体表征) such as "cubes" (小方块) and the arrays model (方格图)







# 2b. Communication Style 交流风格

#### **US teachers on Chinese videos**

Well-structured Chinese classroom where students acted as "little teachers" and teachers expressed genuine interests in listening to students reasoning 结构谨然的中国课堂里,学生当小老师,老师对学生的推理表现出真正的兴趣

#### Chinese teachers on US videos

US "relaxed" classroom climate & natural teacher-student relationship 美国宽松的课堂气 氛和自然的师生关系





结构谨然的中国课堂

宽松自然的美国课堂





### 2c. Teacher Questioning/Guide 教师问题 / 引导

#### **US teachers on Chinese videos**

□ Impressed by Chinese teachers' serious of rigorous questions (in all videos)中国老师的严谨的系列问题

"I noticed how the teacher employs the questioning technique to guide student learning. Even if a question answered is incorrect, she never just gives the students the answer. The teacher guides the students to figure out the correct answer and take ownership of their learning. She has set very high expectations of her students. She has created a safe environment conducive to accountability and responsible learning."

#### Chinese teachers on US videos

Questioned US teachers' missing opportunities to pursue students' ideas/ the lack of follow-up questions (e.g., why is it called "fact family"?) 质问美国课堂缺乏深度的跟进问题



# Research Question 3

What do US and Chinese teachers learn from their international counterparts' videos?中美老师从他们的国际伙伴处学到什么?



# Overall总体上

- □ US Teachers particularly impressed by the depth of mathematics 数学的深度 that children engaged in Chinese classrooms and teachers' instructional approaches 教学方法 to pursue such depth
- □ Chinese Teachers more interested in **US relaxed and** natural classroom climate 宽松自然的课堂气氛 and teachers' use of concrete representations 具体表征 to enable students to naturally explore ideas



### Learning from China: The Depth of Mathematics

。 What can US teachers learn from the depth of Chinese mathematics? 美国老师从有深度的中 国数学课堂学到什么?

Deep Questioning Concreteness Fading 具体的淡出



# Leaning from the US: Natural climate

How can Chinese teachers achieve a natural teacher-student relationship?中国老师从美国自然的师生关系中学到什么?

#### A Chinese Teacher Comment on US Videos

"Why the teacher and the students can be that liberal, equal and democratic (自由平等民主) in class? The teacher can stand, walk, and sit, both teacher and the students are relaxing and free, can we imitate this?"





Summer workshop: Sitting on the floor is not feasible for China; but such a different climate calls for reflection. Why are Chinese math lessons highly structured? Is it for pursuing depth? Yet, is such a depth necessary? 追求这样的深度是否有必要? Does it support the development of well-rounded students? 对学生的全面发展是否有益?



### Learning from Each Other 互相学习

### US- Array model 方格图

Combing numbers and shapes (数形结合)

Infuse the idea of the distributive property (渗透分配律的思想)

But what is the "purpose" (目的) of using this model? Lack of conclusive statements (结论不明)

Favored concrete thinking?

Lacked multiplication Koujue?

Chinese Multiplication
Koujue! 乘法口诀
US teachers are
interested in &
Curious about it



### Discussion 讨论

- Videos as a tool support cross-cultural teacher learning 视频工具有助于教师的跨国学习 (Limitation: Y4 videos to be analyzed)
- Videos as a tool enrich educational research findings
- 视频工具有益于教育科研的丰富 (e.g., Combined insights on concreteness fading)
- Videos as a tool may be used for professional development (PD) for more teachers视频工具可用于更多教师的专业发展 (Objective #3-disseminate AKT)



# Discussion讨论

# For researchers & practitioners ( 给科研和实工作践者):

- Same instructional aspect may embody different meaning cross-culturally. What matters the most?
  - (e.g., supportive learning environment)
- Same instructional aspects may be incorporated differently based on the actual cultural needs
  - (e.g., concrete representations)
    - Chinese teachers may incorporate more "concrete representations" to ensure "all" students learn; US teachers may go beyond concrete to fade it out to abstract representations.



### Discussion

#### For policy makers (给政策决策者):

- Supportive system for teacher learning
  - US teachers are eager to learn more to improve math instructional skills; are concerned by the lack of time for PD没有专业发展的时间
  - Chinese teachers are eager to create more natural, relaxed classroom environment; are concerned with the high pressure of testing考试的重压



# 后话:中国2018暑假课堂参观

#### 资助和参与单位:

- National Science Foundation (NSF) 美国国家自然基金会
- Project staff and participating schools, teachers, and students in the US and China项目的工作人员和中美参与学校,老师,和学生
- Temple University 天普大学
- O Nanjing Normal University 南京师范大学
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- O Nanjing Institute of Educational Science南京市教科所
- O School District of Philadelphia 费城教育局
- O Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau 费城会议及旅游局



# 后话:国际合作的可能性

中国校方和教研室的报道;老师的科研文章 美国学校和相关组织的邀请报道 美国国家数学老师协会年会(NCTM,2019)

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# 后话:国际合作的挑战性

持续际合作的困难(如:可操作的行的平台与语言沟通的困难) 中国的教学实践怎样走向国际?(如:中国老师分析评价美国教材?给美国教材备课?甚至直接给美国孩子上课?)



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