Management Decision Models

MEASUREMENT

Table Exercise

Measure the height of a table. Observe the techniques and the sources of variation.

Richardson Exercise

Measure the perimeter of your hand using three indivisible units of measurement (say 6 inches, 1 inch, and 1/10 inch). Observe and explain the relationship between the result of the measurement and the arbitrary choice of measurement unit.

Measurement Types Exercise

Consider the definitions of these seven types of measure. Each adds a new constraint to the previous type.

Indicative: existence
Nominal: set membership
Ordinal: ordering relation

Interval: composition relation maps onto addition

Ratio: meaningful zero Real: continuity

Imaginary: complex structure of a number

Which types of measurement can be used on common things like: people in a room, light in a room, hairs on your head, hunger, thoughts,