Record Nr. UNINA9910300152503321 Autore Kolen Michael J Titolo Test Equating, Scaling, and Linking: Methods and Practices / / by Michael J. Kolen, Robert L. Brennan New York, NY:,: Springer New York:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2014 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-4939-0317-9 Edizione [3rd ed. 2014.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (582 p.) Collana Statistics for Social and Behavioral Sciences, , 2199-7357 Disciplina 150.15195 371.27 Soggetti Statistics Assessment **Psychometrics** Statistics for Social Sciences, Humanities, Law Assessment, Testing and Evaluation Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references at the end of each chapters and index. Introduction and Concepts -- Observed Score Equating Using the Nota di contenuto Random Groups Design -- Random Groups Smoothing in Equipercentile Equating -- Nonequivalent Groups Linear Methods --Nonequivalent Groups Equipercentile Methods -- Item Response Theory Methods -- Standard Errors of Equating -- Practical Issues in Equating -- Score Scales -- Linking -- Appendices -- Answers to Exercises -- Computer Programs -- Index. Sommario/riassunto This book provides an introduction to test equating, scaling, and linking, including those concepts and practical issues that are critical for developers and all other testing professionals. In addition to statistical procedures, successful equating, scaling, and linking involves many aspects of testing, including procedures to develop tests, to administer and score tests, and to interpret scores earned on tests. Test equating methods are used with many standardized tests in education and psychology to ensure that scores from multiple test

forms can be used interchangeably. Test scaling is the process of developing score scales that are used when scores on standardized

tests are reported. In test linking, scores from two or more tests are related to one another. Linking has received much recent attention, due largely to investigations of linking similarly named tests from different test publishers or tests constructed for different purposes. In recent years, researchers from the education, psychology, and statistics communities have contributed to the rapidly growing statistical and psychometric methodologies used in test equating, scaling, and linking. In addition to the literature covered in previous editions, this new edition presents coverage of significant recent research. In order to assist researchers, advanced graduate students and testing professionals, examples are used frequently, and conceptual issues are stressed. New material includes model determination in log-linear smoothing, in-depth presentation of chained linear and equipercentile equating, equating criteria, test scoring, and a new section on scores for mixed-format tests. In the third edition, each chapter contains a reference list, rather than having a single reference list at the end of the volume The themes of the third edition include: \* the purposes of equating, scaling and linking and their practical context \* data collection designs \* statistical methodology \* designing reasonable and useful equating, scaling, and linking studies \* importance of test development and quality control processes to equating \* equating error, and the underlying statistical assumptions for equating.