



Developing An Argument-Based Science Textbook for Junior High School Students to Improve Student's Critical Thinking Disposition and Critical Thinking Skill

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ABSTRACT

This study was aimed at producing an argument-based science teaching textbook for junior high school students to improve student's critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill. This text book was produced by following Borg and Gall's (1983). Research and development model for three years. The first year research collected information (need analysis) used to design the draft of the product in the form of argument-based science text book for junior high school to improve student's disposition and critical thinking skill. The product of the first year research was in the form of a draft of the argument-based science textbook. The second year research tried out the argument-based science text book for junior high school in a limited scope, conducted in three SMP's in Bali province. This try-out used pretest-posttest one group design. The number of students involved in the second year research was 88 students. The result of the second year research showed that the argument-based science text book for junior high school could improve students' disposition skill by 21.48% and critical thinking skill by 57.22%. The third year research tried out the argument-based science text book for junior high on a large scale in three SMP's in Bali province. The study used the pretest--posttest one group design. The number of students involved was 194 students, the control group and experiment group had 97 students respectively. As the comparison the text book entitled Buku Ajar IPA SMP Kurikulum 2013 was used. The data obtained from this third year research were in the form of scores for critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill. These data were analyzed using multivariate covariance analysis at 5% level of significance. The large scale tries out in the third year was aimed at determining the effectiveness of the argument-based science teaching textbook for junior high school to improve student's disposition and critical thinking skill. The results showed that there was a significant effect of the argument-based science teaching text book for junior high school students to improve student's disposition and critical thinking skill on the student's critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill both simultaneously and partially or individually. Based on the test of means difference, the argument-based science teaching text book for junior high school students was better than Buku Ajar IPA SMP Kurikulum 2013 in improving the student's critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill both simultaneously and partially.

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1. Introduction

The twenty first century, the era that Richard Crawford called the Era of Human Capital (in Sidi, 2003) is the era of knowledge and technology development, especially communication technology. This development causes the increasingly more rapid flow of information and the opening of international market with its impact on free competition which is so tight in all aspects of human life. In this competition quality human resources are badly needed.

However, it is to be pitied that Indonesia's human development index (HDI) is at 124th ranking from 187 countries (The Jakarta Post, 2011). This position lies below our neighboring countries in ASEAN, i.e., Singapore, Brunei, Malaysia, Thailand, and Philippines, that consecutively are at the 26th, 33rd, 61st, 103rd, and 112nd (The Jakarta Post, 2011). This HDI was based on life expectancy, years of schooling, and per capita income. Similarly, according to the result of Trends International Mathematics Science Study (TIMSS) in science in 2011, Indonesia's students ranked 38th from 45 countries that participated (International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement [IAEAA], 2011). Meanwhile, in the forum of Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) for science literacy in 2012, Indonesia's students ranked 64th from 65 countries that participated (Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development [OECD], 2012).

All of the problems above cannot be separated from textbooks, planning, process and evaluation of instructions that have been implemented by teachers so far. Science instruction cannot be separated from instructional media and textbooks used (Widiana, 2016). However, instructional media and material used in the field are not suitable with the expectation of the government in relation to integrated science materials (Puspitoroni, 2014). Science has to be taught using instruction that enables students to develop the abilities that they have and their own concepts by themselves. The basis of such instruction is called constructivist instruction (Rizal, 2014).

Science is one of the important subjects taught to the students because through science the students will be able to possess a scientific attitude in solving problems that they are facing (Rusnadi, 2013). Science is expected to become a tool for the students to learn about themselves and the natural environment, and the prospect to develop science further in daily life (Susiani, 2013). According to Trisnani (2015) science has an important role in human development, both in the development of technology used to support human life and in applying concepts. However, in reality, science learning achievement is still low. Textbook is one of the components that has an important role in developing student's reasoning. According to Sukerni (2014), a textbook has a systematic structure and sequence, which explains the instructional objectives to be achieved, motivates students to learn, anticipates students' difficulty by providing them with guidance to learn the book, giving a lot of exercises to the students, providing summaries, and in general, is oriented to the students individually (learner oriented). According to Soegiranto (2010), an instructional material is a material written by a teacher systematically which is used by the students in learning. Instructional materials can be presented in the form of print, nonpoint and can be audiovisual. Instructional materials written as a text book for the students can be in the form of modules (p.1).

Reasoning is an important aspect in developing critical thinking skill. The following is one of the patterns in reasoning or argument which is not so clear in Buku Ajar Kurikulum 2013. *"Akibat kedudukan batu terhadap keadaan setimbang, batu mampu melakukan kerja atau memiliki energi. Energi yang diperoleh karena lokasi atau kedudukannya tersebut dinamakan energi potensial. Contoh lain, air dalam bendungan menyimpan energi potensial karena ketinggiannya."* (Kemendikbud, 2013: 123). "As the effect of the position of a rock relative to a balanced condition, it can exert work or have energy. The energy obtained because of location is called potential energy. Another example is water in a dam that stores potential energy because of its height." (Kemendikbud, 2013: 123).

The pattern of reasoning (argument) in the paragraph is not clear. First, the choice of the word "akibat" (effect) is not appropriate since the word "akibat" (effect) is an indicator of a conclusion or claim, but in the paragraph above the word "akibat" (effect) is used for an indicator of premise. Secondly, the paragraph means that a rock has a potential energy because of its a position relative to a balanced condition, while water has potential energy because of its height. Does the position of the rock relative to the balanced condition mean height? This is not clear.

To solve the problem above and to prepare quality human resources in the future, education reformation needs to be done. The reformation covers the reformation in the presentation of science content in a textbook. This has to be oriented to developing student's critical thinking. Critical thinking disposition is a critical spirit, while critical thinking skill is a skill in thinking. In this study, an argument-based science textbook for junior high school was developed through research and development. The use of argument in the book can challenge the students to analyze and evaluate premises and claims (conclusions) and to make a relation between a premise and a claim. In analyzing and evaluating this premise and claim, the students are guided with critical questions.

The results of study that are related to the development of students critical thinking skill have been reported by some researchers. The development of student's critical thinking skill has been done through an instruction based on problems and Socratic questions (Redhana, 2011). Meanwhile, effective student's critical thinking skill was developed through argument mapping (Lau & Chan, 2009). According to Lau and Chan, to be able to think critically, students have to be able to identify constructs and

evaluate arguments. On the other hand, argument maps can improve the student's ability to articulate, understand, and communicate reasoning or arguments (van Gelder, 2003).

Based on the consideration of the importance of developing the student's critical thinking through argument mapping, a long term research with the aim of producing a software product for chemistry instruction based on argument map was conducted. To produce the research product some researches which have been conducted were "Application of argument mapping-based learning model to improve students critical thinking skill in thermochemistry topic" (Redhana, 2010a); "The development of argument-map-based-chemistry workbook of thermochemistry topic" (Redhana, 2010b); "The effectiveness of argument mapping-based chemistry workbook in improving student's critical thinking skill" (Redhana, 2011); "The effect of argument mapping-based learning model on chemistry learning achievement of senior high school students" (Redhana, 2012b); "The effect of argument mapping-based learning model on student's critical thinking and learning motivation " (Redhana, 2012c); and "The development of critical thinking skill test " (Sudria & Redhana, 2013). In the present research" Developing an argument-based science textbook for junior high school to improve student's critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill "and"Developing critical thinking disposition inventory "were conducted. In the future a research will be done on "Developing argument mapping-based chemistry learning software". Thus, the roadmap of researches to produce an argument mapping-based chemistry learning software can be summarized as in figure 1.1.

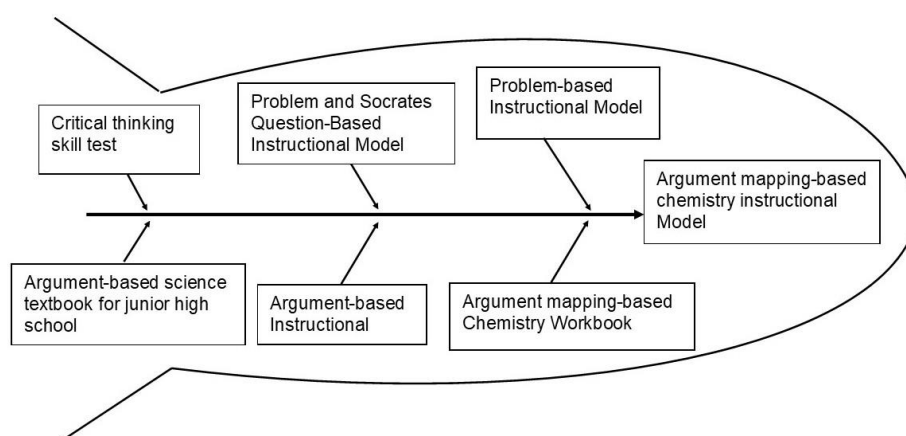


Figure 1. Roadmap of Researches on developing an argument mapping-based learning software.

By understanding the reasons that support the development of an effective and varied instruction, the writers were interested in conducting a research with the following title "Developing an argument-based science teaching for junior high school students to improve student's critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill.

2. Method

This study used the research and development model. Research and development is a process to develop and validate educational products. The stages in research and development according to Borg and Gall (1989) consists of (1) doing a research and collecting information, (2) planning, (3) developing a product design, (4) doing a limited or the first try-out, (5) revising the main product on a large scale, (6) doing the main try-out, (7) revising the operational product, (8) doing an operational try-out, (9) revising final product, and (10) disseminating and implementing. In this research and development, the research activities were done until the stages of doing a try-out on a large scale and revising operational product.

The population and the sample depended on this stage of study. In the small scale research, the population consisted of science teachers and students in SMP's in Bali Province. By using cluster sampling, 30 SMP's were selected in Bali Province. For the sample of teachers, one science teacher was selected randomly from each school (from 30 SMP's that have been selected above). For the sample of students, one 7th grade class was selected by using cluster sampling technique from each school (from 30 SMP's that have been selected). In the limited try-out, 3 SMP's were selected by using cluster sampling technique from SMP's in Bali Province, i.e., SMPN 1 Singaraja and SMPN 2 Singaraja and SMPN Sukasada. For the sample of students one 7th grade class were selected using cluster sampling technique from each school (from three SMP's that have been selected above). Based on cluster sampling technique, class VIIA7 from SMPN 1 Singaraja with 22 students, class VIIA9 from SMPN 2 Singaraja with 30 students and class VIIA1

from SMPN 4 Sukasada with 36 students were used as sample. In the try out on a large scale 3 SMP's were selected through cluster sampling technique from SMP's in Bali Province. For the sample of students, two 7th grade classes which were equivalent academically were selected with a lottery to determine control and experiment groups.

The procedure for the research and development of an argument-based science text book for junior high school in the first year followed the following steps: **1) Research and information collection:** the activity done at this stage was collecting information from literature study and field study. The purpose of the literature study was to find concepts and theoretical foundation that strengthened the product that was developed. This literature study was done to collect research findings and information related to product development (argument-based science text book for junior high school) that had been planned. For this purpose the steps followed were : (1) analyzing the core competencies and basic competencies in science for junior high school to produce essential concepts, (2) describing the essential concepts to get a list of concepts to be analyzed, (3) to translate the basic competencies into the indicator of the attainment of competencies, (4) analyzing critical thinking disposition inventory, and (5) analyzing theories and research findings relevant to arguments and critical thinking disposition.

The field study was done to collect information related to the textbook developed. For this purpose the activities done in the study on limited scale were : (1) analyzing science textbooks used by the teachers and students, The analysis was focused on aspects of reasoning or argument and critical thinking; (2) analyzing instructional materials developed and used by science teachers; the analysis was focused on science materials and strategies implemented by the teachers ;(3) analyzing students characteristics ; and (4) analyzing supporting factors for the instruction at school.

2) Planning: Planning stage was done to develop the formulation of aims and design for the argument-based science textbook for junior high school. It was stated that the aim to be achieved was to improve the student's critical thinking disposition and skill in science for junior high school students. Meanwhile, the design of the book included layout, use of format, size and type of letters, pictures, tables, diagrams and argument maps.

3) Development of preliminary form of the product: Materials or information obtained in research and information collection stage were used to design the draft of the argument-based science textbook for junior high school. In addition, critical thinking disposition inventory was also developed. The critical thinking disposition inventory was developed based on the existing critical thinking disposition inventory. Meanwhile, the student's critical thinking skill was measured with a critical thinking skill test developed by the previous researchers (Sudria & Redhana, 2013). This test has item validity of 0.127-0.708 and reliability of 0.915. On the other hand, the critical thinking disposition inventory contained statements related to critical spirit with five response options, i.e., strongly agree (score= 5), agree (score=4), do not know (score= 3), do not agree (score=2), and strongly disagree (score=1). This inventory was translated from the critical thinking inventory developed by Ricketts (2003).

Before it was tried out on a limited scale, the argument-based science textbook for junior high school and the critical thinking disposition inventory were validated first by experts. Their readability was tested by students. 1) Expert validation: the argument-based textbook for junior high school and the critical thinking disposition inventory were reviewed by three experts who had expertise in textbook development, argument, and critical thinking. The suggestions given by the experts were used to improve the textbook and the critical thinking inventory developed, 2) Readability test: the argument-based text book and critical thinking disposition inventory had been improved based on the suggestions from experts and their readability was tested by ten grade eight junior high school students. The purpose of the readability test was to know the students' understanding of the content of the text book, and the critical thinking inventory developed. The findings obtained from this readability test were used to improve the argument-based science textbook for junior high school and the critical thinking inventory.

Before it was used to measure the students' critical thinking, the critical thinking disposition inventory was tried out experimentally to determine its validity and reliability. This try- out used 97 students as the sample who came from three SMPN's in Bali Province (SMPN 1 Singaraja, SMPN 4 Sukasada, and SMPN 2 Singaraja). The selection of these SMP's was done by using cluster random sampling technique.

The product yielded in the first year was the draft of the argument-based science textbook for junior high school which had been validated by experts and a valid and reliable critical thinking disposition inventory and whose readability was tested and the valid and reliable critical thinking disposition inventory. In addition, a paper was also written which was presented at a national seminar.

The second year study, **4) Preliminary field testing:** the argument-based science textbook was tried out (first try-out) at three SMP's in Bali Province, i.e., SMPN 1 Singaraja, SMPN 2 Singaraja, and SMPN

4 Sukasada. The number of students involved in this limited try-out was 88 students: 22 students of class VIIA7 from SMPN 1 Singaraja, 30 students of class VIIA9 from SMPN 2 Singaraja, 36 students of class VIIA1 from SMPN 4 Singaraja. This try-out research on a limited scale used pretest-posttest one group design. The number of students involved in this second year research was 88 students. This limited try-out was aimed at finding out the effect of the argument-based science textbook for junior high school on the student's critical thinking disposition and skill. In addition, it was also aimed at finding qualitative findings, such as difficulties in understanding materials in the text book, the constraints faced in implementing the text book and the teachers' and students' opinions about the argument-based science text book for junior high school which they used in teaching.

5) **Main product revision:** Results obtained from the limited try-out were used to revise the text book developed and/ or the strategies of implementation. Based on the findings from the limited try-out, revision was done in the strategy of implementation, which improved the involvement of teachers in guiding the students in understanding arguments and argument maps. The product produced in the second year was the argument-based science textbook for junior high school that has been tried out on a limited scale. In addition, a paper was also written and presented at a national seminar and scientific article was ready to be published in *Jurnal Ilmiah Pengajaran MIPA* (Scientific Journal of Mathematics and Science Instruction).

The third year research, 6) **Main field testing:** After being revised based on the results from the limited try-out, this argument-based science textbook for junior high school was tried out on a large scale (main field testing) at three SMP's in Bali Province. This research used nonequivalent pretest-posttest control group design. 194 students were involved in this study. The control and experiment groups had 97 students respectively. The experiment group was taught by using the argument-based science textbook for junior high school, while the control group was taught by *Buku Ajar SMP Kurikulum 2013* which was generally used by the science teachers in Bali Province. The aim of this try-out on a large scale was to find out the effectiveness of the argument-based science textbook for junior high school in improving the students critical thinking disposition and skill. In addition, the opinions from teachers and students about the argument-based science textbook for junior high school were collected through interview and questionnaire.

7) **Operational product revision:** Results obtained from the try-out on a large scale were used to improve the argument-based textbook for junior high school so that it can be effective in improving junior high school student's critical thinking disposition and skill. The product yielded in this year was the argument-based textbook for junior high school that had been tried out on a large scale. In addition, a scientific article was ready to be published in *Jurnal Pendidikan IPA Indonesia* (Journal of Indonesia's Science Education), an accredited scientific journal.

The technique for collecting data and the instrument used in this study were based on the type of data needed. Table 1 summaries the relation between data needed, data source, data collection technique and instrument used.

Table 1 Relation between Data Needed, Data Source, Data Collection Technique and Instrument Used in the Study

Data needed	Data source	Data collection technique	Research instrument
Literature study			
Essential concepts	Core competencies and basic competencies (Kurikulum 2013)	Document study	Sheets for recording documents
List of concepts analysis	Essential science concepts	Document study	Sheets for recording documents
The critical thinking disposition indicator	Scientific journal and textbooks	Document study	Sheets for recording documents
Theories and findings of researches related to argument and critical thinking	Scientific Journal and textbooks	Document study	Sheets for recording documents
Field study			
Studies related to science textbook used by the teachers	Science textbooks	Document study	Sheets for recording documents
Studies on the teaching materials written and used by	Instructional materials	Document study	Sheets for recording documents

Data needed	Data source	Data collection technique	Research instrument
science teachers			
Studies on students characteristics	Student	Questionnaire and interview	Questionnaire and interview guide
Studies on supporting facilities for instruction	School facilities	Observation	Observation guide
Expert Validation			
Content validation of the draft of the argument- based science textbook for junior high school and critical thinking disposition	Experts	Document study expert discussion forum (FGD)	Checklist
Readability test			
The readability of the draft of the argument-based science textbook for junior high school and critical thinking disposition inventory	Students	Students and researchers discussion forum (FGD)	Checklist
Limited try-out			
Achievement in critical thinking disposition and skill	Scores for critical thinking disposition inventory and critical thinking skill	Test and inventory	Critical thinking inventory nad critical thinking skill
Students difficulty in understanding the content of the textbook and constraints faced in implementing the text book	Instructional process	Observation	Observation guide
Teachers' and students' opinions about the argument based science text book for junior high school	Teachers students	Interview and questionnaire	Interview guide and questionnaire
Try-out on a large scale			
The effectiveness of argument-based science textbook for junior high school	Scores for disposition and critical thinking skill	Test and inventory	Disposition inventory and critical thinking skill test
Teachers' and students' opinions about the text book	Teachers and students	Interview and questionnaire	Interview guide and questionnaire

The techniques for analyzing data in this study consisted of 1) the technique for measuring Validity and reliability of the research instruments: Critical thinking disposition inventory was determined by product moment correlation. While the reliability of critical thinking disposition inventory was determined by Alpha Cronbach technique, 2) Technique used for analyzing the study results: the data collected in this study consisted of qualitative and quantitative data. The data at the research and information collection stage were qualitative data. Similarly, data obtained from the result of expert validation, reliability test, and students' difficulties in understanding the textbook materials, constraints in implementing the text book in the limited try- out and the try out on a large scale, and the teachers' opinions about the test book were qualitative data.

These data were analyzed descriptively. Meanwhile, the quantitative data were in the form of the scores from the pretest and posttest in the student's critical thinking disposition and the students' critical thinking skill from the limited try-out and the try-out on a large scale and the students' opinions about the argument-based science textbook for junior high school. The data in the form of the pretest and posttest of the inventory and student's critical thinking skill from the limited try-out were analyzed using descriptive statistics and pair-sample t-test at 5% level of significance. However, assumption tastings, consisting of normality testing and variance homogeneity testing were conducted first. On the other hand, the data in the form of scores for the pretest and the posttest of inventory and students' critical thinking skill from the try-out on a large scale were analyzed using descriptive analysis and multivariate covariance analysis at 5 % level of significance. However, before that assumption tastings (consisting of normality testing,

variance homogeneity testing, linearity testing, regression line slope homogeneity testing, variance covariance matrices homogeneity testing and multi collinearity testing were done first. These tests were done by using SPSS v.16 program.

3. Result

The covariate variable in this study was the students' prior knowledge (pretest scores). On the other hand, the independent variables in this study were science textbooks for junior high schools, consisting of two levels, Buku Ajar IPA SMP Kurikulum 2013 (Science Textbook for Junior High School According to 2013 Curriculum) and argument based science text book for junior high school. As the effect of independent variable a change occurred in the dependent variable. The dependent variable in this study consisted of student's critical thinking disposition and student's critical thinking skill. The results of descriptive analysis of the data are presented in Table 2.

Table 2. Mean, Standard Deviation, Student Critical Thinking Disposition and Students Critical Thinking Skill

Test	Group	Mean	Standard deviation
Pretest	Control	39.369	8.884
	Experiment	39.804	9.218
Critical thinking disposition	Control	69.538	10.255
	Experiment	81.400	9.449
Critical thinking skill	Control	72.805	9.420
	Experiment	80.370	9.215

Before hypothesis testing of multivariate covariance analysis was done, some assumptions had to be met first. The assumption test for multivariate covariance analysis consisted of normality, variance homogeneity, the homogeneity of variance covariance matrices, linearity, regression line slope homogeneity, and multi collinearity tests.

The normality test was intended for finding out the distribution of data in dependent variable whether normally distributed or not. The data distribution is normal if it is bell-shaped. Normality test is done to all the variables simultaneously the normality test can be done through univariate normality test. If univariate normality test in each variable meets the criterion, then the result of normality test will do too. The hypothesis that were tested were

H_0 : sample comes from a normally distributed population

H_a : sample does not come from a normalitydistributed population

The criterion for accepting or rejecting H_0 is as follows. If the obtained sig (p) is greater than α ($p > \alpha$), then, H_0 is accepted. Otherwise, H_0 is rejected. The result of normality test is shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Result of Normality Test in Covariate Variable and Dependent Variable

Variable	Group	Kolmogorov-Smirnov			Shapiro-Wilk		
		Statistic	Df	Sig.	Statistic	df	Sig.
Critical thinking disposition	control	0.041	97	0.200	0.988	97	0.562
	Experiments	0.071	97	0.200	0.978	97	0.103
Critical thinking skill	control	0.056	97	0.200	0.986	97	0.400
	Experiments	0.075	97	0.200	0.981	97	0.172

Based on the data in Table 5.2, the value of sig. α (p) in each variable for the Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistic (sample size > 50) is greater than α (005) then, H_0 is accepted. Thus, it can be concluded that the sample comes from a normally distributed population. The variance homogeneity test is meant to find out intergroup variance equality in each dependent variable. The hypothesis tested were

H_0 : the population variance is homogeneous

H_a : the population variance is not homogeneous

The criterion for accepting or rejecting H_0 was as follows. If the value of sig. (p) obtained is greater than α (0.05), then H_0 is accepted. Otherwise, H_0 is rejected. The data of the testing of variance homogeneity is presented in Table 4.

Table 4. Results from Levine's Test for variance error similarity

Variable	F	df1	df2	Sig.
Critical disposition	0.092	1	192	0.762
Critical Thinking Skill	0.397	1	192	0.529

Based on the data in Table 4, the obtained sig. (p) was greater than α (0.05) for dependent variables, thus H_0 was accepted. In other words, it can be concluded that the variance of the population is homogeneous or identical. The test of variance covariance matrices homogeneity was meant to find out whether the variance-covariance matrices of the dependent variables is homogeneous for the existing groups (independent variables). This test used Box's test. Box's test is a variance-covariance matrices test, i.e., the test of variance-covariance equality in the two dependent variables simultaneously.

H_0 : The variance covariance matrices is homogeneous

H_a : the variance covariance matrices is not homogeneous

The criterion for accepting or rejecting H_0 is as follows. If sig. (p) is greater than α (0.05), then, H_0 is accepted. Otherwise, H_0 is rejected. The result of the testing of the variance covariance matrices is presented in Table 5.

Table 5. Result of the testing of variance covariance matrices homogeneity

Box's Test of Equality of Covariance Matrices	
Box's M	1.058
F	0.349
df1	3
df2	6,636. 10 ⁶
Sig.	0.790

Based on Table 5, the obtained sig. (p) is greater than α (0.05), thus H_0 is accepted. Therefore, the variance covariance matrices are homogeneous. The linearity test was done to find out whether there was an effect of the covariate variables on the dependent variables. The hypotheses tested were

H_0 : linear regression model

H_a : nonlinear regression model

The criterion for accepting or rejecting of H_0 is a follows. If the obtained sig. (p) in the aspect of deviation from linearity is greater than α (0.05), then H_0 is accepted. Otherwise, H_0 is rejected. The result of the linearity test is presented in Table 6.

Table 6. Results of the linearity test between covariate and dependent variables

Interaction	Group	Description	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Critical thinking disposition * Pretest	Between Groups	(Combined)	22219,256	157	141`524	1.556	0.060
		Linearity	5436,048	1	5436.048	59.771	0.000
		Deviation from Linearity	16783,208	156	107.585	1.183	0.283
	Within Groups		3274.121	36	90.948		
	Total		25493.377	193			
Critical	Between	(Combined)	18730.932	157	119.305	6.017	0000

Interaction	Group	Description	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
thinking skill * Pretest	Groups	Linearity	12882.507	1	12882.507	649.682	0.000
		Deviation from Linearity	5848.425	156	37.490	1.891	0.063
	Within Groups		713.842	36	19.829		
	Total		19444.774	193			

Table 6 shows that the obtained sig. (p) in the aspect of deviation from linearity is greater than α (0.05) both for the effect of the covariate variable on critical thinking disposition and the effect of the covariate variable on critical thinking skill. Therefore, H_0 is accepted. It can be concluded that linear regression model for the effect of the covariate variable on critical thinking disposition and the effect of the covariate variable on critical thinking skill can be accepted. The regression line slope homogeneity test is meant to find out whether the slope of the regression line of the covariate variable and the dependent variable for the control and experiment groups in each of the dependent variables is homogeneous or not. The hypotheses that were tested were

$H_0 : B_1 = B_2$ (intergroup homogenous regression coefficient)

$H_a : B_1 \neq B_2$ (the intergroup regression coefficient is not homogeneous).

The criterion for accepting or rejecting H_0 is as follows. If the obtained sig. (p) in the aspect of the *Pretest group is greater than α , then H_0 is accepted. Otherwise, H_0 is rejected. The result of regression line slope homogeneity is shown in Table 7.

Table 7 Results of regression line slope homogeneity

Source	Dependent Variable	Type III Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Corrected Model	critical thinking disposition	12075.358	3	4025.119	56.996	0.000
	critical thinking skill	15383.014	3	5127.671	239.861	0.000
Intercept	critical thinking disposition	26513.657	1	26513.657	375.435	0.000
	critical thinking skill	16140.729	1	16140.729	755.027	0.000
Group	critical thinking disposition	770.113	1	770.113	10.905	0.001
	critical thinking skill	174.601	1	174.601	8.167	0.005
Pretest	critical thinking disposition	5195.049	1	5195.049	73.562	0.000
	critical thinking skill	12603.467	1	12603.467	589.562	0.000
group * Pretest	critical thinking disposition	101.368	1	101.368	1.435	0.232
	critical thinking skill	4.788	1	4.788	0.224	0.637
Error	critical thinking disposition	13418.020	190	70.621		
	critical thinking skill	4061.760	190	21.378		
Total	critical thinking disposition	1130448.289	194			
	critical thinking skill	1157389.891	194			
Corrected Total	critical thinking disposition	25493.377	193			
	critical thinking skill	19444.774	193			

From the data in Table 7 it appears that sig. (p) of the interaction between group and pretest for the dependent variable of critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill were 0.232 and 0.637 respectively. Both of these values of sig. (p) are greater than 0.05 respectively. This means that H_0 is accepted. Therefore, the slope of regression line both for critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill is homogeneous. Multi collinearity test is an intervariable regression test. The hypotheses tested were

H_0 : there is a linear relation between dependent variables.

H_a : there is no linear relation between dependent variables.

The criterion for accepting or rejecting H_0 is as follows. If sig. (p) is less than $\alpha(0.05)$, then H_0 is accepted. Otherwise, then H_0 is rejected. We can also find out the multi collinearity of the correlation coefficient (r). If the obtained r is between 0.3 and 0.8, then we cannot detect any multi collinearity. The result of the test of multi collinearity is shown in Table 8.

Table 8 Result of the test of multicollinearity

Variable Statistic		critical thinking skill	critical thinking disposition
Pearson Correlation	critical thinking skill	1.000	0.586
	critical thinking disposition	0.586	1.000
Sig. (1-tailed)	critical thinking skill	.	0.000
	critical thinking disposition	0.000	.
N	critical thinking skill	194	194
	critical thinking disposition	194	194

Based on the data in Table 8, the obtained sig. (p) is less than $\alpha(0.05)$, thus H_0 is accepted. This means that there is a linear relation between critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill. On the other hand, the obtained r value is 0.586. This means that no multi collinearity is detected between the dependent variables, that is between the variables of critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill. From all the assumption tests done above, all the assumption tests support the follow-up of the multivariate covariance analysis test. In other words, the covariance multivariate analysis can be followed up. After all of the assumption tests were carried out and their results support the follow-up to the multivariate covariance analysis test, then the hypotheses that were formulated in this study were as follows.

a. H_0 : There is no effect of the science textbook for SMP on critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill simultaneously after the covariate variable is controlled.

H_a : There is an effect of the science textbook for SMP on critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill simultaneously after the covariate variable is controlled.

b. H_0 : There is no effect of the science textbook for junior secondary school on critical thinking disposition after the covariate variable is controlled.

H_a : There is an effect of the science textbook for junior secondary school on critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill after the covariate variable is controlled.

c. H_0 : There is no effect of the science textbook for junior high school after the covariate variable is controlled.

H_a : There is an effect of science textbook for junior high school on critical thinking skill after the covariate variable is controlled.

The criterion for accepting and rejecting H_0 is as follows. If the obtained sig. (p) in the aspect of the group for Pillai's Trace, Wilks' Lambda, Hotelling's Trace, and Roy's Largest are less than $\alpha(0.05)$, then H_0 is rejected. Otherwise, H_0 is accepted. The result of multivariate covariance analysis is presented in Table 9.

Table 9 Result of multivariate covariance analysis

Effect	Value	F	Hypothesis df	Error df	Sig.	Nonaccent. Parameter	Observed Power	
Intercept	Pillai's Trace	0.846	522.6	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Wilks' Lambda	0.154	522.6	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Hotelling's Trace	5.501	522.6	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Roy's Largest Root	5.501	522.6	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
Group	Pillai's Trace	0.502	95.945	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Wilks' Lambda	0.498	95.945	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000

	Hotelling's Trace	1.010	95.945	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Roy's Largest Root	1.010	95.945	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
Pretest	Pillai's Trace	0.768	315.0	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Wilks' Lambda	.232	315,0	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Hotelling's Trace	3,316	315,0	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000
	Roy's Largest Root	3,316	315,0	2.000	190.000	0.000	1045.171	1.000

Table 9 shows that the obtained sig. (p) for the four Pillai's Traces, Wilks' Lambdas, Hotelling's Traces, and Roy's Largest in the aspect of group are less than α (0.05). This means that H_0 is rejected or H_a is accepted. Therefore, it can be concluded that there is an effect of the argument-based science textbook for Junior High School Students on critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill simultaneously after the covariate variable is controlled (the testing of hypothesis point a). The next test was done to find the effect of the science textbook for junior high school on critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill separately or partially after the covariate variable is controlled (the testing of hypotheses points b and c). The results are presented in Table 10.

Table 10 Results of the test of the effect of Science Textbook for Junior High School on critical thinking disposition and critical thinking separately.

Source	Dependent Variable	Type III Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.	Nonaccent. Parameter	Observed Power
Corrected Model	critical thinking disposition	11973.990	2	5986.995	84.583	0.000	169.167	1.000
	critical thinking skill	15378.226	2	7689.113	361.147	0.000	722.293	1.000
Intercept	critical thinking disposition	26639.043	1	26639.043	376.353	0.000	376.353	1.000
	critical thinking skill	16172.895	1	16172.895	759.618	0.000	759.618	1.000
Group	critical thinking disposition	6537.941	1	6537.941	92.367	0.000	92.367	1.000
	critical thinking skill	2495.719	1	2495.719	117.220	0.000	117.220	1.000
Pretest	critical thinking disposition	5148.666	1	5148.666	72.740	0.000	72.740	1.000
	critical thinking skill	12602.495	1	12602.495	591.921	0.000	591.921	1.000
Error	critical thinking disposition	13519.388	191	70.782				
	critical thinking skill	4066,548	191	21.291				
Total	critical thinking disposition	1130448.289	194					
	critical thinking skill	1157389.891	194					
Corrected Total	critical thinking disposition	25493.377	193					
	critical thinking skill	19444.774	193					

Table 10 shows that in the aspect of group it seems that the science textbook for Junior High School has an effect on critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill separately. This can be seen from the value of sig. (p) which is less than 0.05, both for critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill. Then mean difference can be seen in Table 11 to know which textbook is better in improving critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill separately.

Table 11 Meandifference between control group and experiment group

Dependent Variable	(I) group	(J) group	Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig. ^a	95% Confidence Interval for Difference ^a	
						Lower Bound	Upper Bound
critical thinking disposition	Control	experiment	-11.614*	1.208	0.000	-13.997	-9.230
	Experiment	control	11.614*	1.208	0.000	9.230	13.997
critical thinking skill	Control	experiment	-7.176*	0.663	0.000	-8.483	-5.868
	experiment	control	7.176*	0.663	0.000	5.868	8.483

Based on estimated marginal means

*. The mean difference is significant at the .05 level.

a. Adjustment for multiple comparisons: Least Significant Difference (equivalent to no adjustments).

Table 11 shows the mean difference between the control group and the experiment group is significant (see the sign *). The mean of the experiment group is higher than that of control group. In other words, the argument-based science textbook for junior high school is better than Buku Ajar SMP Kurikulum 2013 (Science Textbook for Junior High School according to the 2013 Curriculum) in improving critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill.

The students' opinions about the argument-based science textbook for junior high school were collected through a questionnaire. The description about students' opinions can be seen in Table 12.

Table 12 The Recap of Percentages of the Students Opinions About the Argument Based Text Book for Junior High School

No.	Statement	Percentages (%)				
		1	2	3	4	5
1.	The practicum activity can lead me to understand the science materials presented in this science text book for junior high school	-	-	-	46.11	53.89
2.	The language used in this the book is easy to understand	-	-	12.54	42.78	44.68
3.	Pictures, Tables, or diagrams used in the textbook help me to understand science materials.	-	-	10.65	33.34	56.01
4.	The arguments used to present science materials in the text book help me understand science materials.	-	-	9.32	53.65	37.03
5.	I tried to find claims and premises/proofs/reasons presented in the arguments.	-	-	16.87	32.98	50.15
6.	Argument maps help me understand the arguments presented in the text book .	-	-	23.71	25.66	50.63
7.	The arguments used to present science materials in the textbook can help me train critical thinking skill.	-	-	18.39	36.94	44.67
8.	Examples presented in this text book are relevant to daily life.	-	-	8.78	37.51	53.71
9.	The coverage of science materials in the text book is wide and deep .	-	-	16.22	56.76	27.02
10.	The practices and solutions to problems in the this textbook help me understand science materials .	-	-	2.67	53.67	43.66
11.	There are reviews in this textbook which challenge me to think critically.	-	-	12.52	28.46	59.02
12.	There are implementation problems that challenge me to apply the science concepts that i have learned.	-	-	9.64	31.37	58.99

13.	There are reflections which condition me to thank God Almighty that everything in this world is His creation.	-	-	6.45	19.61	73.94
14.	There are summaries which make me easy to find concept comprehensively.	-	-	8.45	38.52	53.03
15.	There are reflections that help me to do self-evaluation about my understanding of the content of the text book.	-	-	15.43	37.58	46.99

Based on the data in Table 12, generally, the argument based science text book for junior high school is very useful for the students in understanding science materials more comprehensively and deeply. This is caused by the argument presented which are more and more complex. While, science teachers evaluated that this argument based science textbook for junior high school can make it easy for them to guide the students during the teaching process. In addition, they thought that this argument based science text book for junior high school is very good for developing students critical disposition and critical thinking skill.

The results of this study showed that the science text book for junior high school is more effective to improve the students critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill compared to Buku Ajar Kurikulum 2013. Critical thinking disposition is the spirit to think critically (Ennis, 1985). Disposition also mean someone's inclination to used critical thinking skill. Meanwhile, American Philosophical Association (in Jeweled& Thompson, 2014) states that critical thinking disposition is the habit that produces a control decision making for a problem or a choice faced in a personal and professional situation. According to Jeweled and Thompson (2014), critical thinking disposition is statement to develop a good critical thinking skill. Without an inclination to use critical thinking skill that one has, one cannot reach the solution of a problem faced or to make an appropriate decision. A person who has critical thinking skill does not necessarily have critical thinking disposition. Thus, in order for critical thinking skill to be able to use to solve a problem or to make a responsible decision there is a need for a motivation or a tendency to use critical thinking skill.

The improvement of the student's critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill was cause by the fact that the argument based science text book for junior high school uses the language of reasoning. It means that the presentation of science material in each paragraph uses of the language of reasoning or argument. An argument contains list of statement which form a claimed or a conclusion and the other statement are in the form of premise or reason or proof (Lau & Chan, 2009). Still according to Lau & Chan (2009), to be able to think critically, students should be able to identify, construct, and evaluate an argument. An argument consists of a claim and premises. A claim is a conclusion for the major part of the discourse. On the other hand, a premise is a support for a claim. This support can be in the form of reason, proof, facts, etc. In short, the premise functions to strengthen or clarify the claim or conclusion. Basically, an argument can consist of one or more claims and is supported by one or more premises. The simplest argument is an argument which consist of a claim and a premise.

The science textbook for junior high school, besides consisting of an argumentative presentation of science materials, it also contains an argument map. An argument map is a box and line diagram which shows relations between claims and premises. The boxes represent claims and premises, while lines with arrows connect premises and claims. This relation in a paragraph can be seen implicitly or explicitly in the form of conjunction. The indicators of conjunction for claims, among others, are "so that..., therefore..., as the result..., finally..., which proves that..., can be concluded that..., shows that..., and should...,". On the other hand, the indicator of conjunction for premise is shown by words or phrases, such as "because..., for..., from the fact that..., the reason is..., first..., second..., and third..., " (Fisher, 2004). The presence of the indicators, both for claims and premises will help students to identify which are the claims and which are the premises of argument.

In writing argument maps, every sentence in a paragraph is numbered using Arabic number. From sentences which are contained in a paragraph, the students identify which sentence is a claim and which sentences are premises and which sentences do not belong to any of them or only give additional explanation. Tawdry (2004) states that students have to be able to articulate and evaluate arguments. The students then make boxes for claim and then boxes for premises. Finally, students draw lines connecting premises to claims with arrows. The following is a paragraph about science materials that has presented argumentatively and an argument map which represents an argumentation in the presentation of science materials.

On the other hand, since alcohol has many weaknesses, quicksilver is often used as the liquid to fill in a thermometer ⁽¹⁾ ...This is because quicksilver has some advantages compared to alcohol ⁽²⁾. First quicksilver can absorb heat of an object which will be measured so that the temperature of the quicksilver is the same as the temperature of the object measured ⁽³⁾. Second, quicksilver can be used to measure

temperature from the lowest to the highest degree because it has the freezing temperature of -39°C and the melting temperature of 357°C [4]. Third, quicksilver does not wet the tube so that the measurement is more careful [5]. Fourth, the expansion of quicksilver is regular or linear to the increase in temperature [6]. Fifth, quicksilver is easier to see since it can reflect light [7]. The argument map for the science material above is as follows

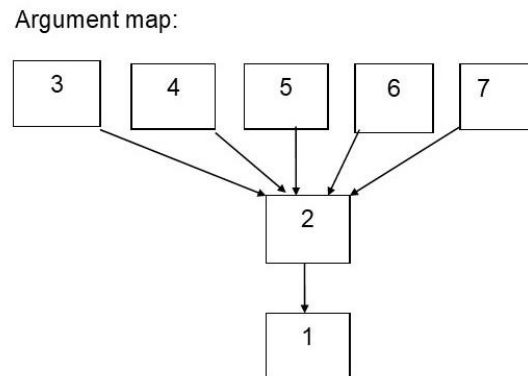


Figure 2 an example of argument map

The transformation of science materials presentation of the paragraph above into an argument map will simplify the argument presented. As the result, students will find it easy to understand an argument if it is presented in the form of argumentation and diagram. This is because the language of reasoning use is more structured. Students can identify claims and premises quickly since the presence of claims and premises are shown by the indicators of claims and premises explicitly. The ease in identifying claims and premises helps students to understand arguments and thus, the students understand science materials easily. This is supported by the study conducted by Zohar and Nemet (2002) that integrating arguments into an instruction can improve performance, both in knowledge and argument. Cross *et al.* (2008) also support Zohar and Nemet (2002) that learning arguments can strengthen concept understanding, enabling students to get new ideas which can extend knowledge, and eliminating misconceptions that the students experience. On the other hand, Marttunena *et al.* (2005) believe that argument in instructional process can help students to improve critical thinking skill.

The results of studies show that the presentation of materials aided by diagrams or pictures facilitate the students to learn the materials. Presentation of material using diagrams or pictures help the students who have visual learning style very much. (Gilakjani, 2012). If more students have visual learning style, then presentation in the form of pictures or diagram will be easily understood by the students than those in other forms, such as in auditory and kinesthetic forms.

Studies to investigate the effectiveness of argument maps in improving learning achievement and critical thinking skill have been reported by some researchers. Redhana (2012b) report that the use of argument map can increase chemistry learning achievement. Redhana (2009; 2010a; 2010b; 2011; 2012b; 2012c) also report that the use of argument maps is very effective to increase student's critical thinking skill. Meanwhile, van Gelder (2003) reports that argument maps can improve student's ability to articulate, understand, and communicate reasoning so that it can spur critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill.

According to Oswald (2007), the advantage of making argument maps are (1) argument presentation becomes very efficient, in which argument maps can condense some pages of a complex explanation into a single map ; (2) The display of argument structure can be presented clearly, in which arguments are translated into a map which is the very good form of critical thinking skill; and (3) each co-premise can be shown explicitly in which argument maps will spur the students to identify assumptions which are not stated and asked proof for each component of the argument. In short, argument maps are a transparent and effective way to present arguments and to make the operation of critical thinking skill more clearly so that producing pastern critical thinking skill development.

From the results obtained above it seems that the students who have an opportunity to be trained to make arguments maps can develop their critical thinking skill. There is a correlation between argument ad critical thinking skill (Jimenez-Aleixandre, Rodriguez, & Duschl, 2000; Inch & Warnick, 2006). Indratin (2010) states that there is a correlation between logical thinking and student's ability to understand arguments. The higher the student's logical ability, the higher their skill in argument will be. The findings

in this study are in line with the previous findings (van Gelder, 2003; Twardy, 2004; Ostwald, 2007; Bassham *et al.*, 2008; Lau & Chan, 2009). Specifically, van Gelder (2003) states that an argument map can improve student's ability to articulate, understand, and communicate arguments so that it can spur critical thinking skill. According to Ostwald (2007), argument map is transparent and effective for presenting arguments and making critical thinking skill operation become clearer so that it produces a faster critical thinking skill development. Meanwhile, Bassham *et al.* (2008) state that critical thinking skill is closely related to reason, that is to identify reason, to evaluate reason, and to give reason. This is the essence of argument (critical thinking skill). Improvement in critical thinking skill encourages students to master science materials better. Therefore, students learning achievement increase. Low students, argument skill becomes one of the causes of students' low critical thinking skill (Hasnunidah *et al.*, 2015). Learning to compose an argument is needed very badly in the learning process. This will have students in improving critical thinking skill.

The argument based science text book for junior high school which is implemented in teaching gives a different characteristic to the model of learning implemented. Although different textbooks used the same instructional model, the implementation of the learning model in the textbook developed is slightly different. This is caused by the fact that textbook also has an effect on the student's thinking. In the argument-based science textbook for junior high school, students are given more encouragement to use critical thinking in understanding science materials through the presentation the material argumentatively and the use of argument maps. The results are in line with the previous findings (Kalelioglu & Gulbahar, 2014). Kalelioglu and Gulbahar (2014) report that the use of Socrates Seminar can improve students critical thinking disposition effectively.

4. Conclusions and Recommendations

Based on the results obtained in this study it can be concluded that there is a significant effect of the science textbook for junior high school on student's critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill both simultaneously and partially or individually. Based on the means difference test, the argument-based science textbook for junior high school is better than Buku Ajar IPA SMP Kurikulum 2013 in increasing students critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill, both simultaneously and partially. Based on the results obtained in this study it can be recommended to the science teachers that they use the argument-based science textbook for junior high school to improve students critical thinking disposition and critical thinking skill.

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