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Enhancing noticing: using a learning trajectory to improve professional discourse

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The objective of the research is to analyse how a learning trajectory can enhance pre-service primary teachers' noticing of students' fractional reasoning. Twenty-nine pre-service primary school teachers participated in a learning environment in where they had to use a students' learning trajectory related to the part-whole concept of fraction to notice students' mathematical thinking. In this seminar, Pedro will present the preliminary results of how pre-service teachers interpreted students' mathematical thinking through three different tasks of the learning environment. Findings highlight that the learning trajectory improved pre-service teachers' professional discourse and thus, enhanced pre-service teachers' noticing. Nevertheless, results also show that the enhancement of the skill of noticing is linked to pre-service teachers' mathematical content knowledge.

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All are welcome!