Online Exams @ CityU 2022
Exam Arrangements at CityU under COVID-19

- Students attempt exams **remotely**
- Canvas LMS is the **recommended** platform to carry out exams
- 2-Device proctoring is **required**
- Zoom serves as **communication** and **invigilation** tool
- Students unable to find a suitable location can take exams **on-campus** under the supervision of staff
Technical Solutions

Canvas
Tools for exams

Quizzes
MCQs, fill-in-blanks, essays, ...
(optional: AI invigilation)

Assignments
For file submissions
(optional: plagiarism scanning)
Recommended Workflow

Pick the tool
Create a mock exam
Attempt the mock
Collect feedback
Reflect on the experience

Create the actual exam
Monitor the exam
Grade the submissions
Possible 2-Device Setup
Respondus Monitor Sample Report
Some Observations in the Last Two Years

- Teachers transferred paper-based exams to online
- **Conversion** of close-book exams to open-book ones in some cases
- Increasing the **difficulty** and **quantity** of questions
- Online proctoring to **avoid** cheating
- Strongly **reliance** on technical solutions
- Many **investigations** after the exams
- Still pending for **transformation** in assessments
Suggested Improvements

- Increase the weight of continuous assessment
- Adopt alternative assessment
- Focus on higher level learning outcomes
- Require authentic assessment
- Co-design the questions to be answered with students (project based)
- Take advantage of any IT solutions but make it flexible
- Give feedback to students to support their future learning
Challenges

- Effort to officially update course assessment arrangement
- Support from senior management
- Acceptance from accreditation bodies
- Preception in the society
- Limitation of time and human resources
- Alignments to outcome-based teaching and learning