

Criteria	CK Metrics	MOOD Metrics	Lornez & Kidd Metrics
Empirically validated	Yes – the most cited OO metric suite in academic research with plenty of work correlating values to external attributes of fault-proneness, maintainability, testability, and more. [Kit10].	Limited – A fraction (less than 5%) of the citations of the CK metric suite despite being published in the same year. Limited empirical validation work from Baroni et al [BA03].	Limited – Nesi did conduct some validation [NQ98] but overall there is a lack of empirical validation to support the use of this suite [SKS12].
Relevance to practitioners	Yes – metrics are simple and capture clearly understood design attributes.	Limited – system-wide measures appeal to project managers but lose a level of granularity that would be of interest to developers relative to CK Metrics [HCN98b].	Limited – As the metrics are fairly basic, they require a degree of further analysis before they are meaningful to practitioners.
Tool availability	Yes – Plenty of tools are available to practitioners to measure and monitor these metrics.	No – very few tools calculate MOOD metrics and they are not suitable for Java codebases [AL97].	No – No available tools that measure these metrics.