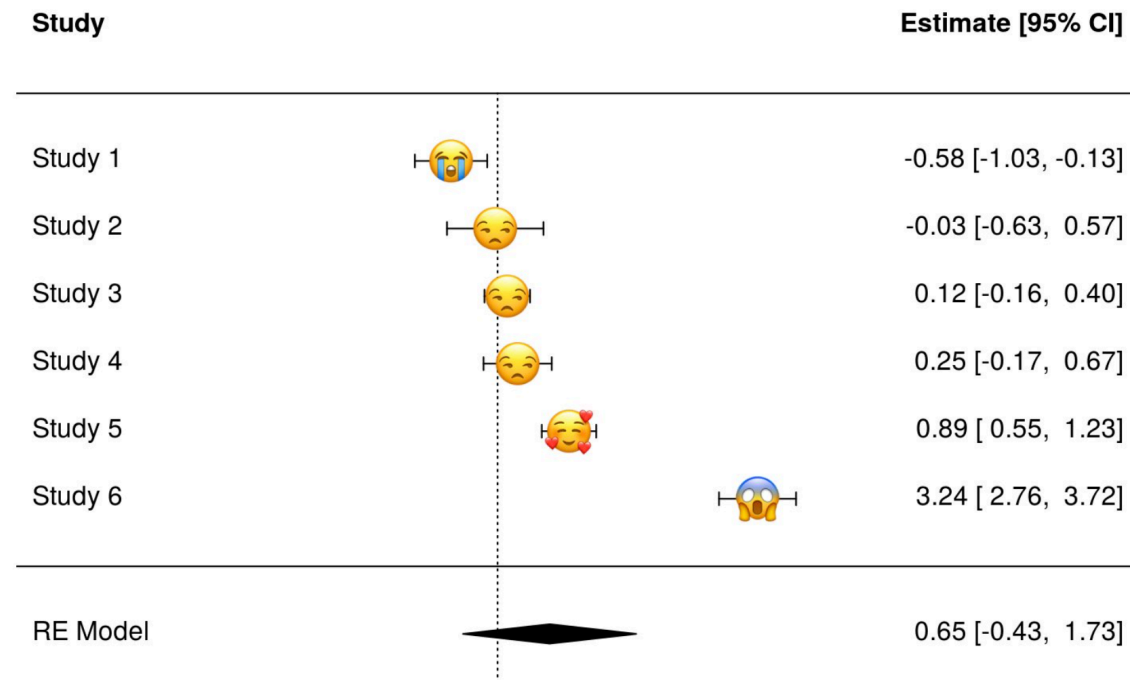


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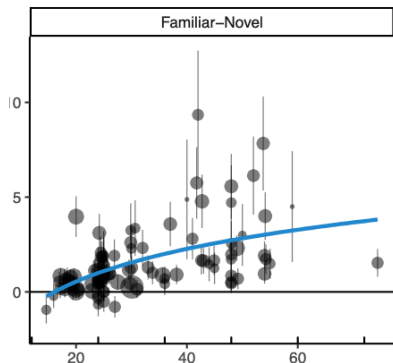
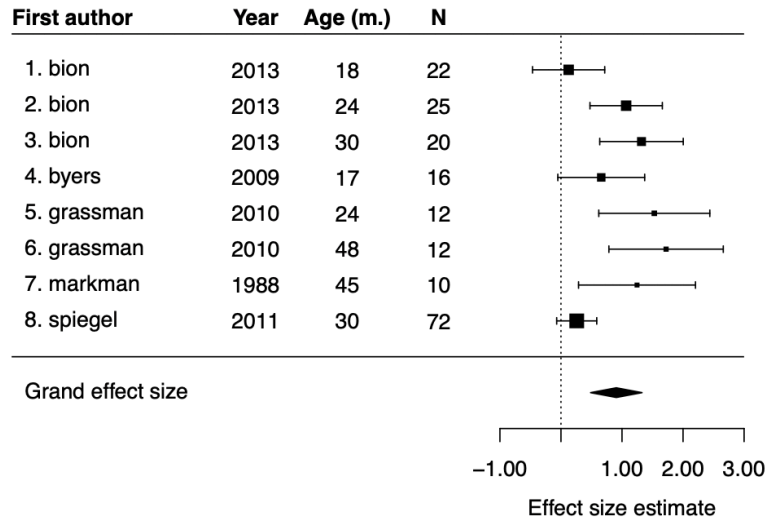
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Assignment 7

- Each of the groups should have papers entered as defined by their search protocols
- For all the papers returned in your search protocol, all columns should have values
- All of your data should be in *one* spreadsheet ("relevant_studies").
- Your coding labels should either be 'include' or 'exclude' (all ? should be resolved by talking to your group).
- Each person should have coded a minimum of 5 google pages

Conducting a Meta-analysis

Final product



1. Identify Topic

2. Conduct literature search

3. Code studies and calculate ES

4. Plot and analyze data

5. Report and discuss results

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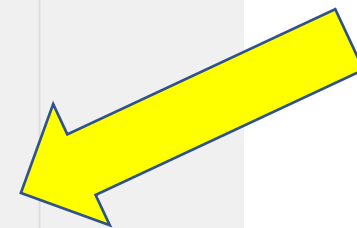
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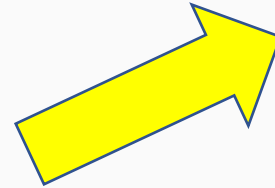
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Abstract

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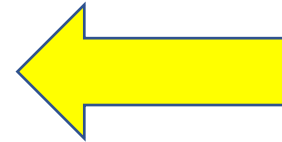
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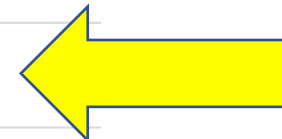
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- If it does not, fill in the relevant information in your `MA data` spreadsheet, and move on to the next paper.

Attributing higher “probability” to a sentence of form p -and- q , relative to p , is a reasoning fallacy only if (1) the word *probability* carries its modern, technical meaning and (2) the sentence p is interpreted as a conjunct of the conjunction p -and- q . Legitimate doubts arise about both conditions in classic demonstrations of the conjunction fallacy. We used betting paradigms and unambiguously conjunctive statements to reduce these sources of ambiguity about conjunctive reasoning. Despite the precautions, conjunction fallacies were as frequent under betting instructions as under standard probability instructions.

The Conjunction Fallacy

Here is the famous Linda story, to be labeled E (for *evidence*) in what follows:

(E) Linda is 31 years old, single, outspoken, and very bright. She majored in philosophy. As a student, she was deeply concerned with issues of discrimination and social justice, and also participated in antinuclear demonstrations.

The task is to rank various statements “by their probability,” including these two:

(B) Linda is a bank teller.

($B \wedge F$) Linda is a bank teller and is active in the feminist movement.

A majority of respondents across a variety of studies ranked $B \wedge F$ as more probable than B (see Hertwig & Chase, 1998, for a review of findings; the original report is Tversky & Kahneman, 1983). This judgment is in apparent violation of the conjunction law $\Pr(X \wedge Y | Z) \leq \Pr(X | Z)$ for any statements X, Y, Z , with strict inequality for nontrivial cases such as the present example.

The law is not violated, however, if participants in these studies understand the word *probability* in a sense different from the one assigned to it by modern probability theory. There is similarly no violation if B is interpreted to mean $B \wedge \neg F$ or is interpreted in any way other than as a conjunct of $B \wedge F$. The need for clarity about these issues is discussed in the remainder of the present section. We then describe experiments in which we attempted to provide a sharper test of the thesis that naive conjunctive reasoning can be led into fallacy.

Let us first note that we do not attempt to defend naive reasoning by denying the defective character of the judgment $\Pr(X \wedge Y | Z) > \Pr(X | Z)$ (if such a judgment is ever made). In particular, we believe the concept of probability can be sensibly applied to single events (like man reaching

Mars before 2050) and is governed by principles familiar from discussions of Bayesianism (as in Earman, 1992; Horwich, 1982; and Howson & Urbach, 1993). All the events that figured in our experiments were singular in character, resisting placement in classes of similar cases that allow for a meaningful frequency count.

Interpreting the Word Probability

As documented in Hertwig and Gigerenzer (1999), *probability* is polysemous in the general population. It has often been noted, moreover, that, through much of its premodern history, the term *probable* carried a connotation of “approvable opinion” (see Hacking, 1975, chap. 3). Appeal to authority was one way that an opinion was approvable, but another was via evidential support. Thus, John Locke (1671) defined probable propositions as those “for which there be arguments or proofs to make it pass or be received for true” (cited in Krause & Clark, 1993, p. 71). A respondent working with the latter interpretation of probability would attempt to determine whether E provides more support for B or for $B \wedge F$. In what follows, we formalize support in a familiar way and observe that it justifies the intuition that E provides greater support for $B \wedge F$ than for B . Several alternative formalizations would serve our purposes just as well, but we do not attempt a survey of possibilities. Our point is that at least one plausible reading of *probable* exculpates reasoners from the conjunction fallacy.

Many authors agree that a statement X supports a statement Y to the extent that $\Pr(Y | X)$ exceeds $\Pr(Y)$ (see the references cited in Fitelson, 1999, in which the term *confirmation* is used in place of *support*). A simple way to quantify this relation is via the quotient $\Pr(Y | X) / \Pr(Y)$ (the difference works just as well). Here \Pr denotes probability in the modern, technical sense, and the quotient $\Pr(Y | X) / \Pr(Y)$ translates the support concept into modern terms. According to the definition, E supports $B \wedge F$ more than E supports B if and only if

$$\frac{\Pr(B \wedge F | E)}{\Pr(B \wedge F)} > \frac{\Pr(B | E)}{\Pr(B)}.$$

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Steps for coding a paper

5. Find the relevant data in the paper for coding the effect size, and highlight it using your pdf reader.

- If the pdf is too old, then draw a red line next to the relevant information. This is just so we can find the information later if we want to check it.

Table 1
Two Examples of Each Kind of Event Pairs Used in Experiments 1 and 2

X	$Y \wedge X$
1. The percentage of adolescent smokers in Texas will decrease at least 15% from current levels by September 1, 1999.	The cigarette tax in Texas will increase by \$1.00 per pack and the percentage of adolescent smokers in Texas will decrease at least 15% from current levels by September 1, 1999.
2. By September 1, 1999, an experimental vaccine for childhood leukemia will be announced.	The National Institutes of Health (NIH) will increase spending on vaccine development by 50% in the first 9 months of 1999, and by September 1, 1999, an experimental vaccine for childhood leukemia will be announced.
X	$Y \wedge Z$
3. The University of Houston Philosophy Department will hire 3 new faculty members by September 1, 1999.	The University of Houston writing department will be rated in the top 10% nationwide and will announce that it will expand its faculty by September 1, 1999.
4. By September 1, 1999, Texas will require people to pass a literacy test before serving on a jury.	By September 1, 1999, Texas will start selecting juries from a pool of licensed drivers rather than registered voters and the number of registered voters will increase by 10%.
X	Y
5. Bill Clinton will announce his intention to seek a divorce before September 1, 1999.	By September 1, 1999, Janet Reno will announce her intention to run for the Presidency.
6. Fidel Castro will be removed from political power in Cuba by September 1, 1999.	U.S. forces will be sent to Havana, Cuba before September 1, 1999.

Out of 9 possible occasions, the average number of errors per participant was 3.4 ($SD = 2.55$). In the betting condition, 36 of 45 participants committed at least one conjunction error (choosing to bet on a conjunction rather than its conjunct), with an average of 3.2 errors ($SD = 2.33$). A t test revealed that the difference in means did not approach significance. Table 2 shows the number of participants in each condition who made m errors, for m between 0 and 9.

For a given fallacy item and a given condition, call the proportion of participants who committed the conjunction error the *fallacy score* for that item in that condition. We correlated the fallacy scores for the 9 items across the two conditions. The Pearson coefficient was .82 ($p < .01$), suggesting similar mental processes in the two conditions.

No fallacy was committed, of course, if the participants' responses resulted from inattention or lack of interest. Inattentive responding would favor equal fallacy rates across the nine different fallacy items. But, in fact, the 9 items attracted very different numbers of fallacy responses in both the betting condition and the probability condition. For example, combining across the two conditions, Item 1 in Table 1 attracted 51 fallacy responses (out of 90 possible), whereas Item 2 attracted 19 fallacy responses. Thirty-four participants committed the fallacy for Item 1 but not for Item 2, whereas only 2 participants had the reverse profile. This difference was reliable by a binomial test in which inattentive responding was assimilated to the toss of a fair coin ($p < .05$, two-tailed). The same test yielded a reliable difference between Item 1 and every other item except for two. We conclude that our participants' fallacious responding was not due to inattention to the task.

EXPERIMENT 2

To test the robustness of our findings, Experiment 1 was replicated with a new group of students at a different university.

Method

Stimuli. With a few exceptions, the stimuli from Experiment 1 were used for Experiment 2. The exceptions arose from events transpiring during the interval separating the experiments. For example, the event "the new *Star Wars* movie will receive two thumbs down from Siskel and Ebert by September 1, 1999" needed replacement after the death of Gene Siskel early that year.

Participants. The participants in Experiment 2 were 57 undergraduate volunteers from the University of Houston, a public institution with diverse enrollment, located in downtown Houston.

Procedure. The procedure was the same as described above for Experiment 1. Twenty-nine participants were randomly assigned to the probability condition, and 28 participants were randomly assigned to the betting condition. The participants were run in groups of 3–14 in the first months of 1999.

Results

In the probability condition, all 29 participants committed at least one conjunction error, with an average of 5.93

Table 2
Number of Participants in the Probability and Betting Conditions of Experiment 1 Who Committed m Conjunction Errors ($0 \leq m \leq 9$)

Condition	Number of Conjunction Errors									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Probability	7	8	1	6	8	5	4	3	2	1
Betting	9	5	3	6	7	8	5	1	0	1

Note—For each condition, $n = 45$ participants.

Coding studies for effect sizes

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Stats for calculating effect size

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	6.77	2.155550974
	8.21	2.593838854
	9.08	2.95160973
	8.75	2.03646753
	10.06	NA

moderators

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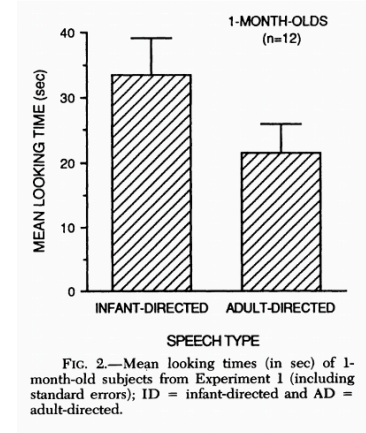
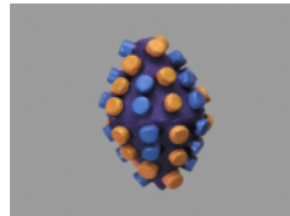
MA data template

- Data are tidy: each row is a single observation
- In our case, observation = effect size
- Each paper may have multiple effect sizes in it.
- In some cases, may not report the means and SDs you need to calculate an effect size, but there are other ways to get the ES – we'll talk about this for each group separately
- Most of the papers that you plan to include won't end up having usable data in it.
- MA data spreadsheet varies by MA, but broadly the same for everyone

Effect Sizes

- Quantifies “success” in effect in each paradigm

Where's the dofa?



- What does success mean for each of the phenomena we're looking at?
- How do we code that in

Steps for creating spreadsheet to code papers

1. Sort the "relevant_studies" sheet by **unique_id**. Are there any duplicates?
 - For the duplicate unique_ids, look at the paper_citation_apa column. If the duplicates are actually duplicate papers, delete one of the entries.
 - If the duplicated unique_ids identify different papers, change one of the unique ids.
2. Sort your "relevant_studies" by **screening_decision**.
3. Go to the "relevant_studies" spreadsheet, and copy the **unique_id** and **paper_citation_apa** columns for only the rows where exclusion decision is "include"
4. Paste the copied rows into the "MA data Template" spreadsheet.

Things to remember

- Each row is 1 effect size. Some papers may have many effect sizes; some may have only 1.
- If you decide to exclude a paper after looking at the full text, you only need to complete the first 5 columns in the MA_data spreadsheet.
- Coding effect sizes takes time (this why I'm only asking you to do 5!)
- You will likely need help with some of your papers
- So, I **strongly** encourage you to get started early and come to our office hours next week.

Logistics

- Assignment 8: Get effect sizes for 5 papers
- What counts as 5 papers?
 - 5 papers we can calculate an effect size for!

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Schug2016 counts as 1 of my 5 papers

Things to complete during lab today:

1. Take the list of "include" papers from your "relevant_studies" spreadsheet and put it in your "MA_data" spreadsheet.
2. Understand the MA_data spreadsheet, and how to start coding papers.
3. Decide how you're going to split up the papers to code among your group members