Lab Report 2

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Introduction

At its most basic level, signal detection theory asserts that a stimulus's ability to be detected relies on the individual's physical and psychological health. Basically, the strength and level of our attention determine how much we notice things. Stimulus detection theory may be used in any circumstance involving a binary choice where the decision-reaction maker's can be compared to the target's actual existence or absence. There are four types of responses: a Yes response given to an old stimulus is a correct response, it is called a Hit; but a Yes response to a new stimulus is a mistake, it is called a False Alarm. A No response given to a new stimulus is a correct response, it is called a Correct Rejection; but a No response to an old stimulus is a mistake, it is called a Miss. Signal detection theory seeks to determine two key factors. using the experimental results. The d parameter is the first 0 represents the signal intensity

using the experimental results. The d parameter is the first 0 represents the signal intensity (relative to the noise). The second component, designated C or Criterion, shows the participant's response approach of being more inclined to respond (e.g., yes rather than no).

Method

To plan an orientation discrimination challenge and calculate the signal detection method's orientation discrimination sensitivity. Start by focusing briefly on the screen. Set the time to one second and start at zero. what we refer to as the focus, also switch the special units back to pictures pix as usual. So size will be 10 by 10. It should be set to be appearing at the middle of the screen. The next step is to add grating, which will result in a Gabor patch with a certain spatial frequency, contrast, and importantly tilt. Now, tilt in terms of the orientation from the From the vertical that is whether it is tilted to the left or it is tilted to the right. The task of the participant is to recognize whether the Gabor patch is a vertical patch or a tilted patch, add a grating into our trial routine, okay. Which is going to be starting at 1 second after the fixation and it's going to stay there for 300 milliseconds now, orientation. This is going to be a variable,

change orientation to tilt and this will change every repeat. change the size to point two. Now in the appearance we will have to specify the contrast pick a contrast value of 0.3. And, Gabor patch could be a sinusoidal grating, or it could be a cosine grating, or sign grating.

The mask will have a gaussian mark. What could be the first spatial frequency spectrum, frequency determines, how many black and white stripes. You can see it in the Gabor patch. So if you keep at five, we'll see five cycles of the black and white or, you know, dark and light pixels on this. Screen. Okay, so that is what got you. Let's uncheck onset offset data that is not required. Add in a keyboard response. Let's go for, for up down the spawn, so it could equal to either press the up Arrow key or down arrow key. So if the rating is Vertical, Press up Arrow key, grating is not Vertical Press down arrow key. And in the data, we need to store the correct answer. And the source as usual is the correct answer.

Now add the code component to figure out what is the tilt. you are in a situation where we need to choose two Alternatives in random fashion. This is the line of code that we go for, right? You know, if random is greater than 0.5, you know, go to this conditional else, go to the other condition. A first possibility is 00 tilt which means it's going to be the vertical patch and in that case the correct answer is going to be up arrow key. The second possibility is that there could be a tilt. Keep the tilt range of -5 degrees to + 5 degrees this line of code will essentially pick an integer value between minus 5, and plus 5. And in that case, your correct answer is going to be down. Seet the correct answer and the Tilt, these were the two variables that we defined in the in the Gabor and in the key response, So we have both the correct answer and the grating tilt defined here, we also need to specify the Tilt data, at the end of the routine, we just add a line of code that will make sure that The Tilt data is added.

Beginning of the experiment, you start with the Tilt under the correct answer, and at the end of the end of every routine you change it. So we have that ready. add a loop so that we have multiple trials which are going to be random Loop type and let's go for 100 repetitions. No need to add any condition because we have already added our conditions into the loop into the code.

Results

To find out d prime there is a need to fit data into standard normal distribution value denoted by z, z of the proportion of hit minus z of proportion of false alarm (d-prime = $z(prop \ hit) - z(prop \ fa)$). This will give the result of probability value which in this experiment is 1.366. Usually the value ranges between 0- 4. To find out the criterion which shows response bias of the participant, the formula is minus z of proportion hit plus z of proportion false alarm entirely divided by two ($c = -((z(prop \ hit) + (prop \ fa))/2)$). If the value is negative it is a yes or liberal bias which is -0.156.

Discussion

A signal will be reported as present when the internal signal is stronger than criterion and missing when the internal signal is weaker than criterion, with the decision-maker basing their choice on their criterion. A miss represents the probability that the subject reports the signal absent when it is present, and a correct rejection represents the probability that the subject reports the signal absent when it is absent. In contrast, a hit denotes the likelihood that the subject reports the signal present, and a false alarm denotes the probability that the subject reports the signal present when it is absent. The region below a normal curve includes all response probabilities as a component.

An estimation of the characteristics of the underlying distributions may be obtained by calculating the z-score, or standard deviation, of the probabilities linked to each distribution. Where c is situated in relation to the signal distribution will be reflected in the z-value associated with the chance of a hit. Similar to this, the location of c in relation to the noise distribution will be reflected in the z-value associated with the likelihood of a false alert.

A large d' would arise when there is little to no overlap between the signal and noise distributions, in contrast to a small d' which would indicate that circumstance. Because d' is not reliant on the placement of c, it is a performance metric that is not prone to subject bias.