

# Computational reproduction of Freud et al. (2022)

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## Summary

This document runs through each analysis reported in Freud et al. (2022) in turn, ending with a discussion about the performance of the computational reproduction and issues faced throughout.

## Freud et al. (2022) Outline

Freud et al. (2022) aimed to determine if real-world exposure to masked faces during the COVID-19 pandemic improved the ability of adults to recognise masked faces. 1768 participants were assessed across 6 time points (May 2020, Sept 2020, Jan 2021, May 2021, Sept 2021 & Jan 2022). This study comprised of a cross-sectional design using the Cambridge Face Memory Test (CFMT) across the 6 time points, and a longitudinal design over 12 months.

## Supplementary materials

The authors provided the datasets used in this study on OSF (<https://osf.io/tq92h>), but despite claiming to provide analysis code (p. 1637) they did not do so. Some additional information regarding the contents of each dataset was provided (<https://osf.io/tq92h/wiki/home/>) although this was not obvious to find.

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## Read in datasets

```
##### LOAD IN DATASETS #####

# 01_all_timepoints_trimmed.csv

df_01 <- readr::read_csv(
  "Data/Original datasets/01_all_timepoints_trimmed.csv",
  show_col_types = FALSE
)

# 02_CFMTsimple_Jan2022vsJan2021.csv

df_02 <- readr::read_csv(
  "Data/Original datasets/02_CFMTsimple_Jan2022vsJan2021.csv",
  show_col_types = FALSE
)

# 03_CFMTwithinSubectSep2021.csv
# name of df_03 csv file has a typo which could make reproduction more difficult

df_03 <- readr::read_csv(
  "Data/Original datasets/03_CFMTwithinSubectSep2021.csv",
  show_col_types = FALSE
)

# 04_GFMTOct2021_masked_version.csv

df_04 <- readr::read_csv(
  "Data/Original datasets/04_GFMTOct2021_masked_version.csv",
  show_col_types = FALSE
)
```

## Inspect datasets

```
##### INSPECT DATASETS #####

# df_01
## By inspecting df_01 it appears that column '...1' refers to the subject ID
## for the whole dataset, whilst 'Unnamed: 0' refers to the ID for each ## time
## period. Therefore, rename '...1' to 'subjectID' and remove 'Unnamed: 0'.

df_01 <- df_01 %>%
  select(-'Unnamed: 0') %>%
  rename(subjectID = '...1')

# df_02
## By inspecting df_02 it appears the same situation as df_01 arises. Therefore,
## rename '...1' to 'subjectID' and remove 'Unnamed: 0'. df_02 has a
## pre-existing column called 'subjectID' which lists csv files. Therefore,
## remove this pre-existing subjectID column.
```

```

df_02 <- df_02 %>%
  select(-'Unnamed: 0', -'subjectID') %>%
  rename(subjectID = '...1')

# df_03
## By inspecting df_03 it appears that column '...1' also is the subject ID.
## Therefore, rename '...1' to 'subjectID'

df_03 <- df_03 %>%
  rename(subjectID = '...1')

# df_04
## By inspecting df_03 it appears that column '...1' also is the subject ID.
## Therefore, rename '...1' to 'subjectID'

df_04 <- df_04 %>%
  rename(subjectID = '...1')

```

## Computational Reproduction

The results section (p. 1640-1646) lists 6 main categories of the analysis: “Cross-sectional analysis”, “longitudinal analysis”, “Individual differences with masked faces”, “The EMF questionnaire”, “CFMT: within-subjects design” & “GFMT: masked faces”. All categories, with the exception of “individual differences with masked faces” has reported analyses. Computational reproduction of these categories with analyses will therefore be attempted in turn.

### Cross Sectional Analysis

ANOVA (time points, orientation, gender and group)

```

##### CS ANOVA data setup #####

# Results section reports that observations made in Sept 2020 were excluded
# from this analysis

cs_aov_data <- df_01 %>%
  dplyr::filter(
    time_as_number != 2
  ) # excludes sept 2020 datapoints

# now pivot the data from wide to long

cs_aov_data <- cs_aov_data %>%
  tidyr::pivot_longer(
    cols = c("upright", "inverted"), # selects columns to be pivoted
    names_to = "orientation",        # name of the long formatted column
    values_to = "CFMT"              # values of the long formatted column
  ) # pivots data from wide to long format

# ANOVA requires subjectID, orientation, CFMT, time, gender and group

cs_aov_data <- cs_aov_data %>%
  select(

```

```

    subjectID, time, group, gender, orientation, CFMT
  ) # selects required columns for this ANOVA

##### CS ANOVA #####

# original results report a partial eta squared which is not default output for aov_ez

cs_aov <- afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",          # independent variable
  dv = "CFMT",              # dependent variable
  within = "orientation",    # within-subject variables
  between = c("group", "gender", "time"), # between-subject variables
  data = cs_aov_data,        # data
  anova_table = 'pes'        # we want partial eta squared ('pes'),
                              # is set to 'ges' by default
) # the ANOVA object

knitr::kable(
  nice(cs_aov),
  caption = "Cross-sectional ANOVA output (time points, orientation, gender and group).",
  ) %>% # creates nice ANOVA table output
  kable_styling(
    latex_options = "HOLD_position"
  )

```

Table 1: Cross-sectional ANOVA output (time points, orientation, gender and group).

Effect	df	MSE	F	pes	p.value
group	1, 1570	88.92	214.16 ***	.120	<.001
gender	1, 1570	88.92	66.41 ***	.041	<.001
time	4, 1570	88.92	3.07 *	.008	.016
group:gender	1, 1570	88.92	1.90	.001	.169
group:time	4, 1570	88.92	1.09	.003	.358
gender:time	4, 1570	88.92	2.72 *	.007	.028
group:gender:time	4, 1570	88.92	0.39	<.001	.815
orientation	1, 1570	30.60	2846.12 ***	.644	<.001
group:orientation	1, 1570	30.60	232.24 ***	.129	<.001
gender:orientation	1, 1570	30.60	2.95 +	.002	.086
time:orientation	4, 1570	30.60	0.09	<.001	.986
group:gender:orientation	1, 1570	30.60	0.89	<.001	.347
group:time:orientation	4, 1570	30.60	0.36	<.001	.840
gender:time:orientation	4, 1570	30.60	0.39	<.001	.819
group:gender:time:orientation	4, 1570	30.60	0.82	.002	.510

**Original paper reported:** “The ANOVA demonstrated main effects of group (nonmasked > masked),  $F(1, 1570) = 214$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .12$ , orientation (upright > inverted),  $F(1, 1570) = 2846$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .64$ , and gender (female > male),  $F(1, 1570) = 66.4$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .04$ . An interaction was found between orientation and group, with a reduced inversion effect for masked faces,  $F(1, 1570) = 232.2$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .129$ , that was consistent across time points (three-way interaction:  $F < 1$ )... although we found a small effect for time point,  $F(4, 1570) = 3.065$ ,  $p = .016$ ,  $\eta^2 = .008$  (with a higher average for the May 2021 and January 2022 samples), there was no interaction between time point and group,  $F(4, 1570) = 1.095$ ,  $p = .357$ ,  $\eta^2 = .003$ .” (p. 1640).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results from this ANOVA were successfully reproduced in whole (see table 1).

**Issues faced:** There were difficulties in interpreting what the dependent variable was for the model used in this ANOVA. It was not obvious to me that the ‘upright’ and ‘inverted’ columns in the “01\_all\_timepoints\_trimmed.csv” dataset needed to be pivoted into a long format (the orientation column) in order to create the orientation variable for the ANOVA.

Furthermore, this ANOVA was a repeated measures ANOVA which was not specified in the paper itself, this made running the ANOVA difficult as it being a repeated measures ANOVA had to be inferred.

## Bayesian ANOVA

```
##### CS Bayesian ANOVA (upright-masked) #####

# need to:
## pivot upright and inverted to make CFMT score
## filter for the upright-masked faces condition
## select time and CFMT as variables for the Bayesian ANOVA

cs_bayes_up <- df_01 %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = c("upright", "inverted"), # selects columns to be pivoted
    names_to = "orientation",        # name of the long formatted column
    values_to = "CFMT"               # values of the long formatted column
  ) %>% # pivots data from wide to long format
  filter(
    orientation == "upright", # filters upright orientation
    group == "mask"          # filters mask group
  ) %>%
  select(
    time, CFMT # selects time and CFMT
  )

cs_bayes_up$time <- as.factor(cs_bayes_up$time) # converts the time IV into factor

##### CS Bayesian ANOVA (inverted-masked) #####

# need to:
## pivot upright and inverted to make CFMT score
## filter for the inverted-masked faces condition
## select time and CFMT as variables for the Bayesian ANOVA

cs_bayes_inv <- df_01 %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = c("upright", "inverted"), # selects columns to be pivoted
    names_to = "orientation",        # name of the long formatted column
    values_to = "CFMT"               # values of the long formatted column
  ) %>% # pivots data from wide to long format
  filter(
    orientation == "inverted", # filters inverted orientation
    group == "mask"           # filters mask group
  ) %>%
  select(
```

```

    time, CFMT # selects time and CFMT
  )

cs_bayes_inv$time <- as.factor(cs_bayes_inv$time) # converts the time IV into factor

#### CS Bayesian ANOVA output tables ####

# Bayesian ANOVA for upright-masked condition

anovaBF(
  formula = CFMT ~ time, # linear model formula
  data = cs_bayes_up      # the cs_bayes_up data
) %>%
  kable(
    caption = "Cross-sectional Bayesian ANOVA of time and CFMT score for the upright-masked condition."
) %>%
  kable_styling(
    latex_options = "HOLD_position"
  )

```

Table 2: Cross-sectional Bayesian ANOVA of time and CFMT score for the upright-masked condition.

	bf	error	time	code
time	0.0028349	0.0014701	Thu Jan 26 09:49:13 2023	1364106fa1b

```

# Bayesian ANOVA for inverted-masked condition

anovaBF(
  formula = CFMT ~ time, # linear model formula
  data = cs_bayes_inv     # the cs_bayes_inv data
) %>%
  kable(
    caption = "Cross-sectional Bayesian ANOVA of time and CFMT score for the inverted-masked condition."
) %>%
  kable_styling(
    latex_options = "HOLD_position"
  )

```

Table 3: Cross-sectional Bayesian ANOVA of time and CFMT score for the inverted-masked condition.

	bf	error	time	code
time	0.0029023	0.0014219	Thu Jan 26 09:49:13 2023	1364c8b267f

**Original paper reported:** “Next, to further evaluate the consistency of recognition performance of masked faces across time points, we focused our analysis on the upright-masked-faces condition. We conducted a Bayesian ANOVA with time point (six levels) on the accuracy scores... ..Bayesian ANOVA decisively supported the null hypothesis (i.e., no difference between the six time points;  $BF_{10} = 0.003$ ); the null hypothesis was 332 times more likely than the alternative hypothesis. Similar results were observed when the Bayesian ANOVA was employed on the masked inverted faces ( $BF_{10} = 0.003$ ).” (p. 1641).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results from these Bayesian ANOVAs were almost entirely successfully reproduced (see tables 2 & 3). Discrepancies appear to be due to rounding errors.



**Issues faced:** The authors originally used JASP to perform these Bayesian ANOVAs. However, I used R to reproduce these analyses. As such, there were slight discrepancies between the reported results and the reproduced results. It was judged that these discrepancies were due to rounding errors rather than being indicative of genuine discrepancies between the original analyses and the reproduced analyses.

### Two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

**Original paper reported:** “Two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov tests were employed across possible combinations for the masked and nonmasked conditions and confirmed that the distributions were not different from each other at the different time points ( $D_s < 0.2$ ,  $p > .2$ ).” (p. 1641-1642).

**Computational reproduction success:** This KS test was unsuccessfully reproduced.

**Issues faced:** Based on the reported information from the original paper, I was unable to interpret what the authors did with this analysis in sufficient detail to know how to reproduce the results. Had analysis code been provided this reproduction may have been more successful. Since there was no analysis code, I am unable to determine to what extent the failure to reproduce this KS test was due to a lack of understanding on my part, or a lack of clarity on the part of the authors - I believe both factors contributed to some extent.

### ANOVA for reaction times (RTs)

```
##### CS ANOVA RTs data setup #####

# sept 2020 has missing data, exclude sept 2020 datapoints

cs_aovRT_data <- df_01 %>%
  dplyr::filter(
    time_as_number != 2
  ) # excludes sept 2020 datapoints

# original paper implies the same variables as the CS ANOVA, except the DV is
# now the RTs for inverted and upright. Therefore, need to pivot data to long
# format.

cs_aovRT_data <- cs_aovRT_data %>%
  tidyr::pivot_longer(
    cols = c("rt upright", "rt inverted"), # selects columns to be pivoted
    names_to = "rt_orientation",           # name of the long formatted column
    values_to = "rt"                      # values of the long formatted column
  ) # pivots data from wide to long format

# ANOVA requires rt, subjectID, group, gender, time, rt orientation

cs_aovRT_data <- cs_aovRT_data %>%
  select(
    subjectID, group, time, rt_orientation, rt
  ) # selects relevant columns for ANOVA

##### CS ANOVA RTs #####

cs_aovRT <- afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",           # independent variable
  dv = "rt",                  # dependent variable
  within = "rt_orientation",  # within-subject variables
```

```

between = c("group", "time"), # between-subject variables
data = cs_aovRT_data,         # data
anova_table = 'pes'           # we want partial eta squared ('pes'),
                                # is set to 'ges' by default
) # the ANOVA object

knitr::kable(
  nice(cs_aovRT),
  caption = "Cross-sectional ANOVA of RTs output (time points, orientation and group)."
) %>% # creates nice ANOVA table output
kable_styling(
  latex_options = "HOLD_position"
)

```

Table 4: Cross-sectional ANOVA of RTs output (time points, orientation and group).

Effect	df	MSE	F	pes	p.value
group	1, 1580	2944583.30	0.90	<.001	.344
time	4, 1580	2944583.30	2.26 +	.006	.061
group:time	4, 1580	2944583.30	0.39	<.001	.818
rt_orientation	1, 1580	891331.62	115.56 ***	.068	<.001
group:rt_orientation	1, 1580	891331.62	21.95 ***	.014	<.001
time:rt_orientation	4, 1580	891331.62	0.83	.002	.505
group:time:rt_orientation	4, 1580	891331.62	0.90	.002	.463

**Original paper reported:** “ANOVA demonstrated main effects of orientation (upright faster than inverted),  $F(1, 1570) = 113$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .068$ . The interaction between orientation and group was also significant, with a reduced inversion effect for masked faces,  $F(1, 1570) = 22.4$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .014$ , despite the lack of a main effect for group,  $F(1, 1570) < 1$ . Importantly, there was no interaction between time point and group (mask status),  $F(1, 1570) < 1$ , suggesting that the mask effect remained constant across time points.” (p. 1642).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results from this ANOVA were somewhat successfully reproduced (see table 4). Most discrepancies appear to be small, but degrees of freedom are wrong.

**Issues faced:** Whilst it was explicitly stated before the ‘CS ANOVA’, the exclusion of sept 2020 participants due to missing data from this ‘ANOVA for RTs’ was not stated. Only after running the ANOVA and encountering an error did I realise that the sept 2020 participants of course still had the missing data that required exclusion before running the ANOVA.

The reproduced F statistics do not exactly round to the original F statistics. Furthermore, there were discrepancies between the degrees of freedom for the reproduced and original results.

I’m not sure what has caused these discrepancies. They do not appear to have deviated much from the original results, but are different. Maybe the discrepancies are due to discrepancies between the R and JASP.

## Bayesian ANOVA for RTs

```

##### CS Bayesian ANOVA RTs #####

cs_bayes_RT <- df_01 %>%
  select(

```

```

    time, "rt upright", group # selects time and rt upright
  )

cs_bayes_RT$time <- as.factor(cs_bayes_RT$time) # converts the time IV into factor
cs_bayes_RT$group <- as.factor(cs_bayes_RT$group) # converts the group IV into factor

anovaBF(
  formula = `rt upright` ~ time * group, # linear model formula
  data = cs_bayes_RT # the cs_bayes_up data
) %>%
  kable(
    caption = "Cross-sectional Bayesian ANOVA of time and RTs for upright faces."
  ) %>%
  kable_styling(
    latex_options = "HOLD_position"
  )

```

## Warning: data coerced from tibble to data frame

Table 5: Cross-sectional Bayesian ANOVA of time and RTs for upright faces.

	bf	error	time	code
time	1.613001	0.0000812	Thu Jan 26 09:49:14 2023	13667eb1553
group	3.576271	0.0000625	Thu Jan 26 09:49:14 2023	136374e8e15
time + group	1.189513	0.0104711	Thu Jan 26 09:49:14 2023	13670bdfee0
time + group + time:group	2.018394	0.0176236	Thu Jan 26 09:49:14 2023	1367ce87024

**Original paper reported:** “Bayesian ANOVA on the RT for upright faces provided support for the null hypothesis (BF10 = 0.084).” (p. 1642).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced.

**Issues faced:** Whilst I was able to run an ANOVA on this data, there were discrepancies. I don’t think the original paper specified in enough detail what linear model was used in this Bayesian ANOVA. I’m not sure what the (bf10 = 0.084) statistic is actually referring to since only the outcome variable (RT) is mentioned.

## Longitudinal Analysis

### Repeated measures ANOVA (group, orientation, time)

```

##### LA RM ANOVA data setup #####

# original paper does not report any data exclusion

# lots of columns in df_02, select relevant columns first. There is also no time
# column in the dataset. Need to create a time column

la_aov_data <- df_02 %>%
  select(
    subjectID, upright, inverted, group, up2021, inv2021
  ) # selects relevant columns for ANOVA

```

```

# original paper specifies that ANOVA involved time as a variable. There is no
# time variable in the original dataset. need to pivot then create time column.

# pivot upright and inverted CFMT scores for both 2021 and 2022.

la_aov_data <- la_aov_data %>%
  tidyr::pivot_longer(
    cols = c("up2021", "upright", "inv2021", "inverted"), # selects columns to
                                                            # be pivoted

    names_to = "orientation",                             # name of the long
                                                            # formatted column

    values_to = "CFMT"                                     # values of the long
                                                            # formatted column
  )

# create time column

la_aov_data <- la_aov_data %>%
  mutate(
    .,
    time = case_when(
      endsWith(orientation, "2021") ~ "2021",             # orientation = ends with "2021"
                                                            # becomes time = "2021"

      startsWith(orientation, "upright") ~ "2022",        # orientation = "upright" becomes
                                                            # time = "2022"

      startsWith(orientation, "inverted") ~ "2022"        # orientation = "inverted" becomes
                                                            # time = "2022"
    )
  ) # creates time column with value for each subject observation

#####
##### NOT FINISHED, error = TRUE #####
#####

#### LA RM ANOVA ####

la_aov <- afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",                                     # independent variable
  dv = "CFMT",                                           # dependent variable
  within = c("orientation", "time"),                    # within-subject variables
  between = "group",                                    # between-subject variables
  data = la_aov_data,                                   # data
  anova_table = 'pes'                                   # we want partial eta squared ('pes'),
                                                         # is set to 'ges' by default
) # the ANOVA object

## Error: Empty cells in within-subjects design (i.e., bad data structure).
## table(data[c("orientation", "time")])
## #           time
## # orientation X2021 X2022

```

```
## #    up2021    209    0
## #    upright    0   209
## #    inv2021    209    0
## #    inverted    0   209
```

```
knitr::kable(
  nice(la_aov),
  caption = "Longitudinal ANOVA for RTs output (group, orientation, time)."
) %>% # creates nice ANOVA table output
kable_styling(
  latex_options = "HOLD_position"
)
```

```
## Error in nice(la_aov): object 'la_aov' not found
```

**Original paper reported:** “A repeated measures ANOVA with group (masked, nonmasked), orientation (upright, inverted), and time point (2021, 2022) revealed a two-way interaction between time point and group,  $F(1, 207) = 27.8$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .119$ ; for the nonmasked group, an improvement was observed for the second time point—upright:  $F(1, 207) = 63.2$ ,  $p < .001$ ; inverted:  $F(1, 207) = 13.9$ ,  $p < .001$ . However, no improvement was found for the masked group (upright and inverted:  $F_s < 1$ ). This interaction was qualified by a three-way interaction with orientation,  $F(1, 207) = 3.82$ ,  $p = .052$ ,  $\eta^2 = .018$ , because the improvement for the nonmasked faces was slightly greater for upright faces” (p. 1643).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced. I was unable to determine how to structure the data for this ANOVA.

**Issues faced:** I found it challenging to know how to structure the data for this analysis so I was unable to reproduce the results.

## ANOVA RTs

```
# original paper does not report any data exclusion

# lots of columns in df_02, select relevant columns first. There is also no time
# column in the dataset. Need to create a time column

la_aovRT_data <- df_02 %>%
  select(
    subjectID, RTupright, RTinverted, group, RTup2021, RTinv2021
  ) # selects relevant columns for ANOVA

# original paper specifies that ANOVA involved time as a variable. There is no
# time variable in the original dataset. need to pivot then create time column.

# pivot upright and inverted CFMT scores for both 2021 and 2022.

la_aovRT_data <- la_aovRT_data %>%
  tidyr::pivot_longer(
    cols = c(
      "RTup2021",
      "RTupright",
      "RTinv2021",
      "RTinverted"
    ), # selects columns to be pivoted
```

```

names_to = "orientation",
  # name of the long formatted column
values_to = "RT"
  # values of the long formatted column

) # pivots data from wide to long format.

# create time column

la_aovRT_data <- la_aovRT_data %>%
  mutate(
    .,
    time = case_when(
      endsWith(orientation, "2021") ~ "2021",          # orientation = ends with "2021"
                                                         # becomes time = "2021"

      startsWith(orientation, "RTupright") ~ "2022", # orientation = "upright" becomes
                                                         # time = "2022"

      startsWith(orientation, "RTinverted") ~ "2022" # orientation = "inverted" becomes
                                                         # time = "2022"
    )
  ) # creates time column with value for each subject observation

```

```

#####
##### NOT FINISHED, error = TRUE #####
#####

#### LA RM ANOVA RTs ####

la_aovRT <- afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",          # independent variable
  dv = "RT",                 # dependent variable
  within = c("time", "orientation"), # within-subject variables
  between = c("group"),      # between-subject variables
  data = la_aovRT_data,      # data
  anova_table = 'pes'        # we want partial eta squared ('pes'),
                              # is set to 'ges' by default
) # the ANOVA object

```

```
## Error: Empty cells in within-subjects design (i.e., bad data structure).
```

```
## table(data[c("time", "orientation")])
## #      orientation
## # time    RTup2021 RTupright RTinv2021 RTinverted
## #   X2021      209         0        209         0
## #   X2022         0        209         0        209
```

```

knitr::kable(
  nice(la_aovRT),
  caption = "Longitudinal ANOVA for RTs output (group, orientation, time)."
) %>% # creates nice ANOVA table output
kable_styling(
  latex_options = "HOLD_position"
)

```

```
## Error in nice(la_aovRT): object 'la_aovRT' not found
```

**Original paper reported:** “The RT analysis revealed faster performance in January 2022 for both masked and nonmasked faces,  $F(1, 207) = 31.6$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta p^2 = .13$ . Notably, this effect was similar across the two categories (Time  $\times$  Group interaction;  $F < 1$ ), with no effect of group ( $F < 1$ ).” (p. 1643).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced. I was unable to determine how to structure the data for this ANOVA.

**Issues faced:** I found it challenging to know how to structure the data for this analysis so I was unable to reproduce the results.

### Correlation (Jan 2021, Jan 2022)

```
##### LA correlation (jan 2021, jan 2022) data setup #####

# original paper specifies upright masked faces and nonmasked faces found robust
# correlations

# need to pivot la_aov_data to wide in order to perform correlation for upright
# masked faces

la_cor <- la_aov_data %>%
  tidyr::pivot_wider(
    .,
    names_from = c("time", "orientation"), # both time and orientation need to be
                                           # pivoted
    values_from = "CFMT"
  ) %>% # pivots from long to wide
  select(
    -subjectID
  ) # subjectID not needed for correlation

# upright masked faces correlation

la_cor_up <- la_cor %>%
  dplyr::filter(
    group != "no mask"
  ) %>%
  select(
    -group, -"2021_inv2021", -"2022_inverted"
  )

# nonmasked faces correlation

la_cor_non <- la_cor %>%
  dplyr::filter(
    group != "mask"
  ) %>%
  select(
    -group, -"2021_inv2021", -"2022_inverted"
  )
```

```
##### LA correlation (jan 2021, jan 2022) #####
```

```
# upright masked faces correlation
```

```
la_cor_mask_test <- la_cor_up %>%
  cor_test("2021_up2021", "2022_upright")

knitr::kable(
  la_cor_mask_test,
  caption = "upright masked faces correlation"
) %>%
  kable_styling(
    latex_options = "HOLD_position"
  )
```

Table 6: upright masked faces correlation

var1	var2	cor	statistic	p	conf.low	conf.high	method
2021_up2021	2022_upright	0.61	7.608285	0	0.4658866	0.7156991	Pearson

```
# upright non-masked faces correlation
```

```
la_cor_non_test <- la_cor_non %>%
  cor_test("2021_up2021", "2022_upright")

knitr::kable(
  la_cor_non_test,
  caption = "upright non-masked faces correlation"
) %>%
  kable_styling(
    latex_options = "HOLD_position"
  )
```

Table 7: upright non-masked faces correlation

var1	var2	cor	statistic	p	conf.low	conf.high	method
2021_up2021	2022_upright	0.68	9.520088	0	0.5636217	0.7708852	Pearson

**Original paper reported:** “we invited participants who completed the experiment in January 2021 to retake the CFMT in January 2022... ..we found robust correlations between the two sessions for both the upright masked faces ( $r = .6$ ,  $p < .001$ ) and nonmasked faces ( $r = .68$ ,  $p < .001$ )” (p. 1643).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results for these correlations were almost entirely successfully reproduced (see tables ). Discrepancies appear to be due to rounding errors.

**Issues faced:** The description of the correlation provided was somewhat ambiguous to me initially. I first interpreted the description as suggesting the first correlation involved the upright masked faces condition and the second correlation involved both upright and inverted nonmasked conditions. However, the description actually says that both correlations involved the upright faces, the first involving masked faces and the second involving nonmasked faces. Whilst this wording did not ultimately prevent reproduction of the results, it



introduced unnecessary confusion. I'm also unsure to what extent the description was unclear or to what extent I was unable to interpret the description.

## The EMF Questionnaire

### EMF ANOVA

```
##### EMF ANOVA #####

# Subjective ~ WorkLoc
# select subjectID, WorkLoc and subjective

EMF_anova_df_1 <- df_02 %>%
  select(
    subjectID, WorkLoc, subjective
  )

afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",
  dv = "subjective",
  between = "WorkLoc",
  data = EMF_anova_df_1,
  anova_table = "pes"
)

## Converting to factor: WorkLoc
## Contrasts set to contr.sum for the following variables: WorkLoc
## Anova Table (Type 3 tests)
##
## Response: subjective
##      Effect      df  MSE      F  pes p.value
## 1 WorkLoc 2, 206 9.12 1.13 .011      .324
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '+' 0.1 ' ' 1

# Prop ~ WorkLoc
# select subjectID, WorkLoc and Prop

EMF_anova_df_2 <- df_02 %>%
  select(
    subjectID, WorkLoc, Prop
  )

afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",
  dv = "Prop",
  between = "WorkLoc",
  data = EMF_anova_df_2,
  anova_table = "pes"
)

## Converting to factor: WorkLoc
## Contrasts set to contr.sum for the following variables: WorkLoc
## Anova Table (Type 3 tests)
```

```
##
## Response: Prop
##      Effect      df      MSE      F      pes p.value
## 1 WorkLoc 2, 206 642.07 3.76 * .035      .025
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '+' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

**Original paper reported:** “participants who work from their office reported greater experience with masked faces (Items 5 and 6),  $F(2, 701) = 21$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .057$ , and more encounters with masked individuals (Item 9),  $F(2, 701) = 4.89$ ,  $p < .01$ ,  $\eta^2 = .01$ .” (p. 1643).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced.

**Issues faced:** Whilst I was able to run an ANOVA on this data, there were discrepancies. The first result says “reported greater experience with masked faces” but refers to items from the subjective scale (items 5 and 6) of the EMF rather than the experience scale which the description implies. I was confused as to which scale they were actually referring to here. Furthermore, discrepancies in the degrees of freedom imply that different data was used between the original analysis and the reproduced analysis. I am unsure how to approach this analysis beyond what was attempted.

**Repeated measures ANOVA (group, orientation, work location)**

```
##### EMF RM ANOVA #####
```

```
EMF_rm <- df_02 %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = c("upright", "inverted"),
    names_to = "orientation",
    values_to = "CFMT"
  )

afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",
  dv = "CFMT",
  between = c("group", "WorkLoc"),
  within = "orientation",
  data = EMF_rm,
  anova_table = "pes"
)
```

```
## Converting to factor: group, WorkLoc
```

```
## Contrasts set to contr.sum for the following variables: group, WorkLoc
```

```
## Anova Table (Type 3 tests)
```

```
##
```

```
## Response: CFMT
```

```
##      Effect      df      MSE      F      pes p.value
## 1      group 1, 203 103.11 60.07 *** .228 <.001
## 2    WorkLoc 2, 203 103.11   2.24 .022  .110
## 3 group:WorkLoc 2, 203 103.11   0.58 .006  .562
## 4    orientation 1, 203  31.69 494.32 *** .709 <.001
## 5 group:orientation 1, 203  31.69 47.49 *** .190 <.001
## 6 WorkLoc:orientation 2, 203  31.69   1.03 .010  .360
## 7 group:WorkLoc:orientation 2, 203  31.69   0.96 .009  .385
```

```
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '+' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

**Original paper reported:** “repeated measures ANOVA with group (masked, nonmasked), orientation (upright, inverted), and work location (home, office, unemployed). Whereas there was a robust main effect of masks,  $F(1, 686) = 143$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .17$ , there was no interaction with work location,  $F(2, 686) = 2.03$ ,  $p = .132$ ,  $\eta^2 = .005$ ” (p. 1643-1644).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced.

**Issues faced:** Whilst I was able to run the ANOVA with the data, there were discrepancies. Partial eta squared values appear to be very similar but F statistics, degrees of freedom and P-values are wrong. I am unsure how to approach this analysis beyond what was attempted.

### Bayesian ANOVA (masked upright)

```
##### EMF Bayesian ANOVA #####

EMF_bayes <- df_02 %>%
  filter(
    group == "mask"
  ) %>%
  select(
    group, upright, WorkLoc
  )

EMF_bayes$WorkLoc <- as.factor(EMF_bayes$WorkLoc) # converts the time IV into factor

anovaBF(
  formula = upright ~ WorkLoc, # linear model formula
  data = EMF_bayes             # the cs_bayes_up data
) %>%
  kable(
    caption = "EMF Bayesian ANOVA of work location for upright faces."
  ) %>%
  kable_styling(
    latex_options = "HOLD_position"
  )

## Warning: data coerced from tibble to data frame
```

Table 8: EMF Bayesian ANOVA of work location for upright faces.

	bf	error	time	code
WorkLoc	0.3267706	0.0003074	Thu Jan 26 09:49:15 2023	1367027eb76

**Original paper reported:** “Bayesian ANOVA on the accuracy score for masked upright faces further established the lack of work location effect ( $BF_{10} = 0.119$ ; the null hypothesis is 7.4 times more probable than the alternative hypothesis)” (p. 1644).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced.

**Issues faced:** Whilst I was able to run the bayesian ANOVA on the data, there were discrepancies. The description seemed to suggest the Bayesian ANOVA only involved upright accuracy scores as the outcome variable and work location as the predictor. I was unsure how to approach this analysis beyond what was attempted.

### Correlation (Masked and Masked-Unmasked)

**Note:** The original paper specifies that correlations were only conducted with participants from the masked condition. However, they also claim that the results from this correlational analysis was similar to the results when both masked and unmasked conditions were taken together. Therefore, this computational reproduction will look at: 1) masked on its own 2) masked and unmasked together.

##### EMF correlation masked only #####

```
EMF_cor_mask <- df_02 %>%
  filter(
    group == "mask"
  ) %>%
  select(
    upright, inverted, RTupright, RTinverted, experience, regulation, subjective, Prop, PI20
  )

rcorr(
  as.matrix(EMF_cor_mask)
) %>%
  broom::tidy() %>%
  print(n = Inf)
```

```
## # A tibble: 36 x 5
##   column1    column2    estimate      n p.value
##   <chr>      <chr>      <dbl> <int>   <dbl>
## 1 inverted  upright     0.553    102 1.62e- 9
## 2 RTupright upright     0.0580   102 5.63e- 1
## 3 RTupright inverted   0.0728   102 4.67e- 1
## 4 RTinverted upright    0.197    102 4.76e- 2
## 5 RTinverted inverted   0.321    102 9.85e- 4
## 6 RTinverted RTupright   0.402    102 2.87e- 5
## 7 experience upright   -0.0447   102 6.56e- 1
## 8 experience inverted    0.0131   102 8.96e- 1
## 9 experience RTupright  -0.00984  102 9.22e- 1
## 10 experience RTinverted -0.0793   102 4.28e- 1
## 11 regulation upright    0.162    102 1.04e- 1
## 12 regulation inverted   0.154    102 1.21e- 1
## 13 regulation RTupright   0.0260   102 7.96e- 1
## 14 regulation RTinverted -0.00792  102 9.37e- 1
## 15 regulation experience  0.395    102 4.07e- 5
## 16 subjective upright   -0.271    102 5.93e- 3
## 17 subjective inverted  -0.110    102 2.71e- 1
## 18 subjective RTupright   0.126    102 2.05e- 1
## 19 subjective RTinverted -0.0120   102 9.05e- 1
## 20 subjective experience -0.161    102 1.06e- 1
## 21 subjective regulation -0.179    102 7.21e- 2
## 22 Prop      upright    0.0367   102 7.14e- 1
## 23 Prop      inverted  -0.0392   102 6.95e- 1
```

```
## 24 Prop      RTupright    0.000654    102 9.95e- 1
## 25 Prop      RTinverted  -0.122      102 2.22e- 1
## 26 Prop      experience   0.633      102 9.37e-13
## 27 Prop      regulation   0.488      102 1.99e- 7
## 28 Prop      subjective  -0.193      102 5.19e- 2
## 29 PI20      upright     -0.350      102 3.16e- 4
## 30 PI20      inverted    -0.137      102 1.69e- 1
## 31 PI20      RTupright    0.182      102 6.69e- 2
## 32 PI20      RTinverted  -0.0492     102 6.23e- 1
## 33 PI20      experience  -0.117      102 2.44e- 1
## 34 PI20      regulation  -0.137      102 1.71e- 1
## 35 PI20      subjective   0.589      102 7.26e-11
## 36 PI20      Prop        -0.00624     102 9.50e- 1
```

##### EMF correlation for both masked and unmasked #####

```
EMF_cor_both <- df_02 %>%
  select(
    upright, inverted, RTupright, RTinverted, experience, regulation, subjective, Prop, PI20
  )

rcorr(
  as.matrix(EMF_cor_both)
) %>%
  broom::tidy() %>%
  print(n = Inf)
```

```
## # A tibble: 36 x 5
##   column1    column2    estimate      n p.value
##   <chr>      <chr>      <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 inverted  upright     0.584    209 0
## 2 RTupright upright    -0.0405   209 5.60e- 1
## 3 RTupright inverted   0.0453   209 5.14e- 1
## 4 RTinverted upright    0.123    209 7.57e- 2
## 5 RTinverted inverted   0.177    209 1.02e- 2
## 6 RTinverted RTupright   0.437    209 3.74e-11
## 7 experience upright    -0.00341  209 9.61e- 1
## 8 experience inverted    0.0211   209 7.62e- 1
## 9 experience RTupright  -0.106    209 1.25e- 1
## 10 experience RTinverted -0.114    209 9.97e- 2
## 11 regulation upright    0.106    209 1.26e- 1
## 12 regulation inverted   0.145    209 3.59e- 2
## 13 regulation RTupright  -0.0711   209 3.06e- 1
## 14 regulation RTinverted -0.0571   209 4.12e- 1
## 15 regulation experience  0.533    209 0
## 16 subjective upright    -0.260    209 1.45e- 4
## 17 subjective inverted   -0.152    209 2.83e- 2
## 18 subjective RTupright   0.156    209 2.44e- 2
## 19 subjective RTinverted -0.0574   209 4.09e- 1
## 20 subjective experience -0.121    209 8.03e- 2
## 21 subjective regulation -0.0755   209 2.78e- 1
## 22 Prop      upright     0.0155   209 8.24e- 1
## 23 Prop      inverted    -0.0267   209 7.01e- 1
## 24 Prop      RTupright   -0.0630   209 3.65e- 1
## 25 Prop      RTinverted  -0.0982   209 1.57e- 1
```

## 26 Prop	experience	0.675	209 0
## 27 Prop	regulation	0.525	209 4.44e-16
## 28 Prop	subjective	-0.0743	209 2.85e- 1
## 29 PI20	upright	-0.328	209 1.27e- 6
## 30 PI20	inverted	-0.228	209 8.84e- 4
## 31 PI20	RTupright	0.144	209 3.72e- 2
## 32 PI20	RTinverted	-0.0825	209 2.35e- 1
## 33 PI20	experience	-0.0949	209 1.72e- 1
## 34 PI20	regulation	-0.114	209 1.01e- 1
## 35 PI20	subjective	0.530	209 0
## 36 PI20	Prop	-0.00107	209 9.88e- 1

**Original paper reported:** “The next analysis was conducted only on the participants who completed the mask condition (similar results were obtained when both groups were included). We found a robust correlation between the Experience scale (Items 1, 2, 7, and 8) and the continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces (Item 9;  $r = .494$ ,  $p < .001$ ), between the Experience and Regulation scales ( $r = .51$ ,  $p < .001$ ), and between the Regulation scale and the continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces ( $r = .52$ ,  $p < .001$ ). As expected, we also found strong correlations between performance with upright and inverted faces for both accuracy and RT. Importantly, there were no correlations between face-perception abilities and experience with masked faces. This was true for accuracy scores and RTs for upright and inverted faces (all  $ps > .1$ ; Table 3). Participants from January 2022 also completed the PI20, a validated questionnaire of face-perception abilities (Shah, Sowden, et al., 2015). The PI20 score showed a significant correlation with the subjective scale of the EMF questionnaire ( $r = .619$ ,  $p < .001$ ). (p. 1644).

**Computational reproduction success:** Whilst the significance, or non-significance, of each reported result was reproduced qualitatively, neither the exact p-values nor the correlational coefficients were reproduced.

**Issues faced:** Whilst the paper says they conducted the analysis on the masked condition only, they also claim correlations were similar between just the masked condition and both masked and unmasked combined. The authors do not provide any correlation analysis output for the masked and unmasked combined correlations, so there is ambiguity in what is meant by ‘similar’ here and how the authors made that assessment.

The general pattern of significance (or non-significance) described in the paper was reproduced entirely, however very few of the reproduced p-values matched the reported p-values, nor were any of the correlational coefficients reproduced. I am unsure why this is the case.

Relevant values, like sample size, were not included in the original results which may account for why discrepancies emerged.

## CFMT: within-subject design

Repeated measures ANOVA (mask status as within-subjects variable)

```
##### CFMT RM ANOVA #####

# RM ANOVA
CFMT_df <- df_03 %>%
  select(
    subjectID, no_mask, mask
  ) %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = c("no_mask", "mask"),
    names_to = "mask_status",
```

```

    values_to = "CFMT"
  )

CFMT_anova <- afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",
  dv = "CFMT",
  within = "mask_status",
  data = CFMT_df,
  anova_table = "pes"
)

kable(
  nice(CFMT_anova)
) %>%
kable_styling(
  latex_options = "HOLD_position"
)

```

Effect	df	MSE	F	pes	p.value
mask_status	1, 199	31.17	307.45 ***	.607	<.001

```
# CFMT accuracy means
```

```
mean(df_03$mask)
```

```
## [1] 44.23
```

```
# 44.23
```

```
mean(df_03$no_mask)
```

```
## [1] 54.02
```

```
# 54.02
```

**Original paper reported:** “A repeated measures ANOVA with mask status as a within-subjects variable revealed a robust main effect,  $F(1, 299) = 499$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .626$ , with greater accuracy for nonmasked faces (CFMT nonmasked: 54.4; CFMT masked: 44.81; mask effect = ~18%).” (p. 1645).

**Computational paper reported:** Results were somewhat reproduced successfully. The general pattern was reproduced but specific values (F-statistics, degrees of freedom, p-values etc.) were not reproduced exactly. The reported means averages were also not reproduced.

**Issues faced:** I was able to reproduce the same overall pattern of results, but inspecting the ANOVA output revealed that specific test statistics were not reproduced. I do not know what caused the discrepancies or why despite these discrepancies the overall pattern of results was reproduced.

Mean CFMT scores for masked and nonmasked groups were almost identical, but not exactly. The mean averages should really be identical and the presence of discrepancies suggests (slight) differences between the data used in the original paper and that provided on OSF.

## ANOVA RTs

```
##### CFMT ANOVA RTs #####

# CFMT ANOVA RTs

CFMT_df_2 <- df_03 %>%
  select(
    subjectID, no_mask_RT, mask_RT
  ) %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = c("no_mask_RT", "mask_RT"),
    names_to = "mask_status",
    values_to = "CFMT"
  )

CFMT_anova_RT <- afex::aov_ez(
  id = "subjectID",
  dv = "CFMT",
  within = "mask_status",
  data = CFMT_df_2,
  anova_table = "pes"
)

kable(
  nice(CFMT_anova_RT)
) %>%
kable_styling(
  latex_options = "HOLD_position"
)
```

Effect	df	MSE	F	pes	p.value
mask_status	1, 199	8820290.81	13.62 ***	.064	<.001

```
# CFMT RTs Means

mean(df_03$mask_RT)

## [1] 4962.839
# 4962.839

mean(df_03$no_mask_RT)

## [1] 3866.661
# 3866.661
```

**Original paper reported:** “RT analysis corroborated this finding with longer RTs for masked faces,  $F(1, 299) = 19.2$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = .06$  (CFMT non-masked: 3,631 ms; CFMT masked: 4,539 ms).” (p. 1645).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were somewhat reproduced successfully. The general pattern was reproduced by specific values (F-statistics, degrees of freedom, p-values etc.) were not reproduced exactly. The reported mean averages were also not reproduced.



**Issues faced:** I was able to reproduce the same overall pattern of results, but inspecting the ANOVA output revealed that specific test statistics were not reproduced. I do not know what caused the discrepancies or why despite these discrepancies the overall pattern of results was reproduced.

Discrepancies between the reported mean averages and the reproduced means suggest different data was used between the original and reproduced analyses. Authors should have been more explicit about which data was used.

#### Correlation (mask effect [accuracy and RTs], longitudinal EMF scores)

##### CFMT correlation #####

**Original paper reported:** “we examined the relationship between the mask effect (in terms of accuracy and RT) and the scores obtained from the EMF questionnaire for the longitudinal data (Table 4). As expected, we found a robust correlation between the Experience scale (Items 1, 2, 7, and 8) and the continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces (Item 9;  $r = .64$ ,  $p < .001$ ). We also found strong correlations between the Experience and Regulation (Items 3 and 4) scales ( $r = .41$ ,  $p < .001$ ) and between the Regulation scale and the continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces ( $r = .46$ ,  $p < .001$ ). Importantly, we did not find any correlations between the mask effect (in terms of either accuracy or RT) and experience with masked faces (all  $ps > .1$ ).” (p. 1645-1646).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced. The data used in this analysis was difficult to interpret so I was not able to perform a reproduction of the analysis.

**Issues faced:** From the description in the original paper, I was unable to determine what data these results referred to. As such I could not work out how to approach reproducing the results.

#### ANOVA occupations (health & retail, students & unemployed)

##### CFMT ANOVA occupations #####

**Original paper reported:** “we collected information about the occupational profile of our participants. We then focused our analysis on occupations that are more likely to have an increased amount (health and retail workers;  $n = 46$ ) or reduced amount (students and unemployed;  $n = 124$ ) of masked-face experiences. First, as expected, we found that health and retail workers had more experience with masked faces—Experience scale:  $F(3, 166) = 8.33$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta p^2 = .13$ ; percentage-of-masked-faces scale:  $F(3, 166) = 8.54$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta p^2 = .13$ .” (p. 1646).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced. This was attributed to a lack of data.

**Issues faced:** I’m unsure where in the data set information about employment or education can be found beyond work location (unemployed, office, home). As such I do not know if there is data available to reproduce these results.

#### ANOVA (workplace, mask status)

##### CFMT ANOVA workplace & mask status #####

**Original paper reported:** “Critically, an additional ANOVA with workplace and mask status showed a robust main effect for mask status,  $F(1, 166) = 22.3$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta p^2 = .119$ , but no main effect for workplace ( $F < 1$ ) nor an interaction between these factors ( $F < 1$ )” (p. 1646).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were unsuccessfully reproduced. This was attributed to a lack of data.

**Issues faced:** I'm unsure where in the data set information about employment or education can be found beyond work location (unemployed, office, home). As such I do not know if there is data available to reproduce these results.

## GFMT: masked faces

Correlation (face-perception performance [d' & RTs], EMF scores)

```
##### GFMT correlation face=perception and EMF score #####
```

```
GFMT_cor <- df_04 %>%
  select(
    -subjectID, -age, -gender, -WorkLocation
  )

rcorr(
  as.matrix(GFMT_cor)
) %>%
  broom::tidy() %>%
  print(n = Inf)
```

```
## # A tibble: 78 x 5
##   column1      column2      estimate      n p.value
##   <chr>        <chr>        <dbl> <int>   <dbl>
## 1 Different    Same          -0.291   284 5.74e- 7
## 2 Same_RT     Same           0.191   284 1.20e- 3
## 3 Same_RT     Different      0.0303   284 6.11e- 1
## 4 Different_RT Same        -0.0790   284 1.85e- 1
## 5 Different_RT Different     0.278    284 1.92e- 6
## 6 Different_RT Same_RT      0.719    284 0
## 7 q1          Same        -0.0972   284 1.02e- 1
## 8 q1          Different    0.123    284 3.85e- 2
## 9 q1          Same_RT     -0.0555   284 3.51e- 1
## 10 q1         Different_RT -0.00913   284 8.78e- 1
## 11 q2         Same        -0.0667   284 2.63e- 1
## 12 q2         Different    0.00166   284 9.78e- 1
## 13 q2         Same_RT     -0.0139   284 8.16e- 1
## 14 q2         Different_RT 0.0390    284 5.13e- 1
## 15 q2         q1           0.564    284 0
## 16 q3         Same        -0.0120   284 8.40e- 1
## 17 q3         Different    0.0390    284 5.13e- 1
## 18 q3         Same_RT      0.233    284 7.14e- 5
## 19 q3         Different_RT 0.194    284 9.94e- 4
## 20 q3         q1           0.202    284 5.98e- 4
## 21 q3         q2           0.332    284 1.03e- 8
## 22 q4         Same          0.0201   284 7.36e- 1
## 23 q4         Different   -0.0499   284 4.02e- 1
## 24 q4         Same_RT      0.128    284 3.13e- 2
## 25 q4         Different_RT 0.114    284 5.55e- 2
## 26 q4         q1           0.175    284 3.04e- 3
## 27 q4         q2           0.214    284 2.90e- 4
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## 28 q4	q3	0.615	284 0
## 29 q5	Same	0.0117	284 8.44e- 1
## 30 q5	Different	-0.115	284 5.31e- 2
## 31 q5	Same_RT	0.0296	284 6.19e- 1
## 32 q5	Different_RT	-0.0779	284 1.91e- 1
## 33 q5	q1	-0.0892	284 1.34e- 1
## 34 q5	q2	0.0122	284 8.37e- 1
## 35 q5	q3	0.00926	284 8.77e- 1
## 36 q5	q4	0.0247	284 6.78e- 1
## 37 q6	Same	0.0352	284 5.55e- 1
## 38 q6	Different	-0.0710	284 2.33e- 1
## 39 q6	Same_RT	0.0546	284 3.59e- 1
## 40 q6	Different_RT	-0.0406	284 4.96e- 1
## 41 q6	q1	-0.0560	284 3.47e- 1
## 42 q6	q2	-0.0500	284 4.01e- 1
## 43 q6	q3	0.0331	284 5.79e- 1
## 44 q6	q4	0.0642	284 2.81e- 1
## 45 q6	q5	0.644	284 0
## 46 q7	Same	-0.0313	284 6.00e- 1
## 47 q7	Different	0.00138	284 9.81e- 1
## 48 q7	Same_RT	0.103	284 8.35e- 2
## 49 q7	Different_RT	0.0814	284 1.71e- 1
## 50 q7	q1	0.277	284 2.12e- 6
## 51 q7	q2	0.398	284 3.24e-12
## 52 q7	q3	0.653	284 0
## 53 q7	q4	0.467	284 0
## 54 q7	q5	0.0344	284 5.64e- 1
## 55 q7	q6	0.0634	284 2.87e- 1
## 56 q8	Same	-0.0702	284 2.38e- 1
## 57 q8	Different	0.0117	284 8.44e- 1
## 58 q8	Same_RT	0.0610	284 3.05e- 1
## 59 q8	Different_RT	0.0873	284 1.42e- 1
## 60 q8	q1	0.301	284 2.32e- 7
## 61 q8	q2	0.483	284 0
## 62 q8	q3	0.382	284 2.65e-11
## 63 q8	q4	0.263	284 6.80e- 6
## 64 q8	q5	0.0305	284 6.09e- 1
## 65 q8	q6	-0.0240	284 6.87e- 1
## 66 q8	q7	0.459	284 4.44e-16
## 67 q9	Same	-0.0750	284 2.08e- 1
## 68 q9	Different	0.0506	284 3.95e- 1
## 69 q9	Same_RT	0.154	284 9.38e- 3
## 70 q9	Different_RT	0.149	284 1.20e- 2
## 71 q9	q1	0.265	284 6.23e- 6
## 72 q9	q2	0.382	284 2.70e-11
## 73 q9	q3	0.569	284 0
## 74 q9	q4	0.400	284 2.37e-12
## 75 q9	q5	-0.0259	284 6.63e- 1
## 76 q9	q6	-0.0100	284 8.66e- 1
## 77 q9	q7	0.779	284 0
## 78 q9	q8	0.497	284 0

**Original paper reported:** “we examined the relationship between face-perception performance (d and RT) and the scores obtained from the EMF questionnaire (Table 5). Similar to the results observed for the

CFMT (see above), we found a robust correlation between the Experience scale (Items 1, 2, 7, and 8) and the continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces (Item 9;  $r = .65$ ,  $p < .001$ ), between the Experience and Regulation scales ( $r = .51$ ,  $p < .001$ ), and between the Regulation scale and the continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces ( $r = .54$ ,  $p < .001$ ). Importantly, once again, we did not find any correlations between face-perception abilities and experience with masked faces (all  $ps > .1$ ). There were weak, yet significant correlations between RT and the Regulation scale ( $r = .2$ ) as well as for RT and the continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces ( $r = .16$ ); participants who reported greater experience with masked faces had slower RTs” (p. 1646).

**Computational reproduction success:** Results were partially reproduced. Due to how the dataset is structured, I was not able to reproduce the results for composite measures but did reproduce the general pattern of results for individual scale items.

**Issues faced:** The authors report correlations between composite measures (e.g. experience scale (items 1, 2, 7 and 8) and continuous evaluation of experience with masked faces (item 9)) but the dataset only includes individual scale items. Whilst correlations could be found between individual scale items, due to there being no composite measures in the dataset, I was unable to reproduce the results as reported when composite measures were involved.

## Conclusion

Overall, this study reported 18 different analyses. Of these 18, only 3 were successfully reproduced entirely. An overarching issue with reproducing analyses for this study was the lack of analysis code. Authors claimed to have provided this code on OSF, but this was not the case. As such, reproducing the analyses required me to try to interpret how the analysis was conducted using what was reported in the paper. Had there been analysis code provided, it would likely have been easier to attempt reproductions of these results. Furthermore, some analyses in this study (i.e. the Bayesian ANOVAs) were conducted using JASP and information regarding the analysis decisions made in JASP was also not provided. These overarching issues meant analysis decision had to be inferred from the reported results, which led to further issues.

One such issue was the lack of detail about the data used in each analysis. Both the specific datasets used and how the data was structured for each analysis was unclear with almost all analyses. How to organise the data such that it was ready to be analysed had to be inferred for all analyses, often leading to discrepancies between the reported results and the reproduced results.

Another issue faced was a lack of clarity about the linear models used in the ANOVA analyses. It was often the case that the descriptions provided in the results section did not provide sufficient detail to understand what models the ANOVAs were actually being conducted on. As such, this often lead to discrepancies between the reported results and reproduced results. For the KS test, the description provided was not clear enough to make reproduction possible.

A further issue faced was a lack of clarity in the reporting of test statistics. There were several cases where reported statistics were combined together and summarised as being above or below some threshold value (e.g. all  $ps > .1$ ). Whilst in some cases these could be corroborated by reproduced analyses, it was hard to judge whether the analyses were actually reproduced or if they were instead within the same ballpark but were actually incorrect. Furthermore, some relevant test statistics were neglected in the original results, such as sample sizes for correlational analyses, which further added to difficulties in reproducing results.

There were 2 analyses which referred to data which was not present in any of the provided datasets and as such could not be reproduced.

In general, this paper often failed to provide sufficient detail to make reproduction of analyses possible. Beyond the lack of analysis code being provided, the reporting of results often omitted necessary details for computational reproduction. Authors should have:

- Provided the original analysis code on OSF.

- Been explicit about the models and variables being used in ANOVAs and Bayesian ANOVAs.
- Explicitly referred to the specific data used in each analysis and how the data was structured for the analysis, rather than just providing raw datasets.
- Provided more detailed test statistics to make it easier to determine whether results were actually reproduced or not.

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