

Feedback data project

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The data contains measurement results of an electrical potential measured by an electromyograph (EMG) device, in the biceps muscles. The subjects in the control group did not receive encouragement before measuring their electrical potential, while those in the treatment groups received positive reinforcement (“you are looking great”) or negative (“you are not trying hard”). I am interested to find if there is an effect of positive or negative reinforcement on the electrical potential measured in the biceps muscle.

```
# loading data
feed <- read.csv('d:/Users/shalhevet/Downloads/feedback_df_bi.csv', h = T)
#install.packages('lmerTest')
library(lmerTest)
```

```
## Warning: package 'lmerTest' was built under R version 4.0.5
## Loading required package: lme4
## Warning: package 'lme4' was built under R version 4.0.5
## Loading required package: Matrix
## Warning: The package `vctrs` (>= 0.3.8) is required as of rlang 1.0.0.
## Warning: replacing previous import 'lifecycle::last_warnings' by
## 'rlang::last_warnings' when loading 'tibble'
## Warning: replacing previous import 'lifecycle::last_warnings' by
## 'rlang::last_warnings' when loading 'pillar'
##
## Attaching package: 'lmerTest'
## The following object is masked from 'package:lme4':
##
##     lmer
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##     step
```

it looks like Linear Mixed Model is the most suitable model for both fixed and random effects where samples are clustered into groups of dependent observations. The specific model I'm using here is a Random-Intercept Linear regression.

```
model_a <- lmer(performance ~ (1|id) + gender, data = feed)
summary(model_a)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: performance ~ (1 | id) + gender
## Data: feed
```

```
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 6170.7
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.4407 -0.4590 -0.0056  0.3728  4.6852
##
## Random effects:
##   Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
##   id       (Intercept) 84.59    9.197
##   Residual             131.28   11.458
## Number of obs: 792, groups: id, 22
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error    df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   93.185      6.333 20.000  14.714 3.43e-12 ***
## gender        -1.064      4.005 20.000  -0.266  0.793
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##          (Intr)
## gender -0.949
```

#P-value for gender is 0.793, There is no evidence for effect of gender on performance

from the above:
Beta_0 for intercept = 93.185
Beta for gender = -1.064
sigma_a = 9.197
sigma_eps = 11.458

confidence interval
`confint(model_a)`

```
## Computing profile confidence intervals ...

##              2.5 %      97.5 %
## .sig01         6.571680  12.281426
## .sigma        10.908391  12.054634
## (Intercept)  80.814130 105.555775
## gender       -8.887814   6.760177
```

now same as above but with feedback who has three levels instead of two.

```
model_b <- lmer(performance ~ (1|id) + feedback, data = feed)
summary(model_b)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: performance ~ (1 | id) + feedback
##   Data: feed
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 6119.1
##
```

```
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.4058 -0.4546 -0.0217  0.4058  5.0225
##
## Random effects:
##   Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
##   id       (Intercept) 80.92    8.995
##   Residual                122.87   11.085
## Number of obs: 792, groups: id, 22
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)    95.7091     2.0356   24.5328  47.019 < 2e-16 ***
## feedbackno feedback  -6.2064     0.9648  768.0000  -6.433  2.2e-10 ***
## feedbackpositive    -6.1532     0.9648  768.0000  -6.378  3.1e-10 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##              (Intr) fdbckf
## fdbcknfdbck -0.237
## feedbackpstv -0.237  0.500
```

#P-value for no feedback and positive is statistically significant (lower then 0.05)

```
# from the above:
# Beta_0 for intercept (negative) = 95.7091
# Beta for no feedback = -6.2064
# Beta for positive = -6.1532
# sigma_a = 8.995
# sigma_eps = 11.085
```

```
# confidence interval
confint(model_b)
```

```
## Computing profile confidence intervals ...
```

```
##              2.5 %    97.5 %
## .sig01         6.602662 12.313431
## .sigma        10.539466 11.646941
## (Intercept)    91.652670 99.765507
## feedbackno feedback -8.097255 -4.315556
## feedbackpositive  -8.044036 -4.262336
```

here I mixed both to try get more info

```
model_c <- lmer(performance ~ (1|id) + feedback + gender, data = feed)
summary(model_c)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: performance ~ (1 | id) + feedback + gender
##      Data: feed
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 6114.5
```

```
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.4078 -0.4562 -0.0243  0.4025  5.0205
##
## Random effects:
##   Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
##   id       (Intercept) 84.82    9.21
##   Residual                122.87   11.08
## Number of obs: 792, groups: id, 22
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      97.3048      6.3575   20.3106   15.306 1.28e-12 ***
## feedbackno feedback  -6.2064      0.9648  768.0000   -6.433 2.20e-10 ***
## feedbackpositive    -6.1532      0.9648  768.0000   -6.378 3.10e-10 ***
## gender             -1.0638      4.0054   20.0000   -0.266  0.793
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##              (Intr) fdbckf fdbckp
## fdbcknfdbck -0.076
## feedbackpstv -0.076  0.500
## gender      -0.945  0.000  0.000
```

I dont see anything new with the p-v, no new information

from the above:
Beta_0 for intercept (negative) = 97.3048
Beta for no feedback = -6.2064
Beta for positive = -6.1532
Beta for gender = -1.0638
sigma_a = 9.21
sigma_eps = 11.08

confidence interval
`confint(model_c)`

Computing profile confidence intervals ...

```
##              2.5 %      97.5 %
## .sig01         6.590137  12.291286
## .sigma        10.539466  11.646941
## (Intercept)    84.889988 109.719644
## feedbackno feedback -8.097255 -4.315556
## feedbackpositive  -8.044036 -4.262336
## gender         -8.887795  6.760158
```

lets try add some interaction

```
model_d <- lmer(performance ~ (1|id) + feedback*gender, data = feed)
summary(model_d)
```

Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [

```
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: performance ~ (1 | id) + feedback * gender
## Data: feed
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 6086
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.5657 -0.5251  0.0072  0.4470  4.9436
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name Variance Std.Dev.
## id      (Intercept) 84.91  9.215
## Residual 119.63  10.938
## Number of obs: 792, groups: id, 22
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error    df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)    105.128     6.567  23.123  16.008 5.26e-14 ***
## feedbackno feedback    -17.192     3.010  766.000  -5.711 1.61e-08 ***
## feedbackpositive    -18.638     3.010  766.000  -6.191 9.74e-10 ***
## gender          -6.280     4.153   23.123  -1.512 0.14411
## feedbackno feedback:gender     7.324     1.904  766.000   3.847 0.00013 ***
## feedbackpositive:gender     8.323     1.904  766.000   4.371 1.40e-05 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##              (Intr) fdbckf fdbckp gender ffdbc:
## fdbcknfdbck -0.229
## feedbackpstv -0.229 0.500
## gender      -0.949 0.217 0.217
## fdbckfdbck: 0.217 -0.949 -0.474 -0.229
## fdbckpstv:g 0.217 -0.474 -0.949 -0.229 0.500
```

#II

```
# The effect of gender is statistically non-significant and negative (p = 0.131)
# The effect of no feedback compared to a negative feedback is statistically significant and negative (p < .001)
# The effect of positive feedback compared to a negative feedback is statistically significant and negative (p < .001)
# The interaction effect of no feedback on gender is statistically significant and positive (pv < .001)
# The interaction effect of positive feedback on gender is statistically significant and positive (pv < .001)

# no feedback (Main, Fixed)= -17.192
# positive feedback (Main, Fixed) =-18.638
# Gender(Main, Fixed)= -6.280
# Gender X no feedback (Interaction, Fixed)= 7.324
# Gender X positive feedback (Interaction, Fixed)= 8.323
```

```

# Sigma_a (Id, Random) =9.215
# Sigma_eps (Random)= 10.938

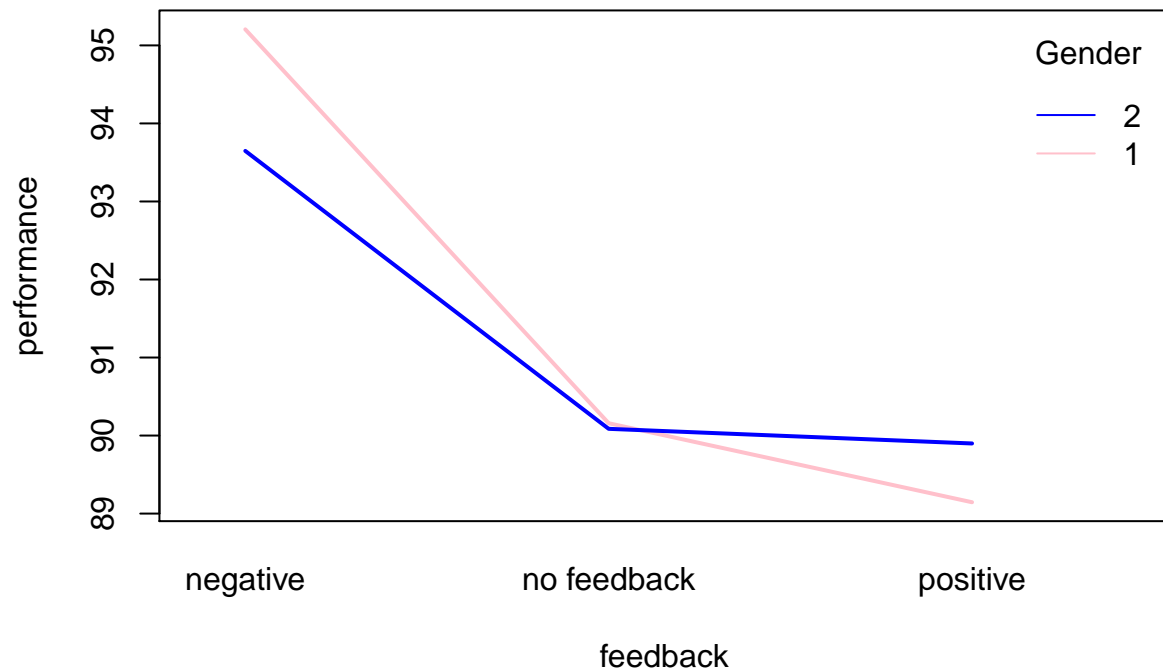
# confidence interval
confint(model_d)

## Computing profile confidence intervals ...

##              2.5 %      97.5 %
## .sig01          6.597596 12.295277
## .sigma          10.386109 11.477468
## (Intercept)     92.334423 117.922361
## feedbackno feedback -23.084710 -11.299937
## feedbackpositive  -24.530381 -12.745608
## gender          -14.371152   1.812081
## feedbackno feedback:gender  3.597273 11.050618
## feedbackpositive:gender   4.596533 12.049878

# interaction plot
interaction.plot(x.factor = feed$feedback, #x-axis variable
                 trace.factor = feed$gender, #variable for lines
                 response = feed$performance, #y-axis variable
                 fun = median, #metric to plot
                 ylab = "performance",
                 xlab = "feedback",
                 col = c("pink", "blue"),
                 lty = 1, #line type
                 lwd = 2, #line width
                 trace.label = "Gender")

```



The full model adapted in the end is the chosen model.

Although the gender is not significant, the interaction between gender and feedback is significant, as can also be seen from the interaction graph.

This model explains the most of the variance (the percentage of explained variance increases as my model grew)