

Psychophysiological Effects of a Gong Music Intervention: A Pre-Post Analysis with an Controlled Trial

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1 Preparing libraries and environment

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```
#-----
knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = TRUE, warning = FALSE, message = FALSE,
                      fig.width = 8, fig.height = 6, fig.align = "center")

# Packages
library(readxl)
library(dplyr)
library(MASS)
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library(tidyr)
library(stringr)      # For string manipulation (useful for renaming)
library(gtsummary)    # For descriptive and regression tables
library(geepack)
library(emmeans)      # For post-hoc of GEEs
library(effectsize)    # For effect sizes
library(rstatix)      # For additional tests if necessary
library(kableExtra)    # For tables (if not using gtsummary for everything)
library(knitr)
library(ggplot2)      # For graphics (optional, but recommended)
library(WebPower)      # For power analysis
library(conflicted)
library(corrplot)      # For visualization
library(correlation)   # For a more complete approach with p-values (optional)
library(olsrr)
library(lm.beta)
library(car)
conflict_prefer("select", "dplyr")
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr") # Good practice if using MASS too

```

1.1 Introduction and initial data processing

```

data_original <- read_excel("~/PedroOP/dados_Pedro.xlsx")
df <- as.data.frame(data_original) # Remove 3rd row, convert to data.frame

# Step 1: Ensure the ID column exists
if ("Código" %in% names(df)) {
  if (!"ID" %in% names(df)) {
    df <- df %>% dplyr::rename(ID = `Código`) # Specify dplyr::rename
    cat("Column 'Código' renamed to 'ID'.\n")
  } else {
    cat("Column 'ID' already exists. Column 'Código' also present, but not renamed over 'ID'.\n")
  }
} else if (!"ID" %in% names(df)) {
  warning("Columns 'ID' or 'Código' not found. Creating 'ID' from row number.")
  df <- df %>% dplyr::mutate(ID = row_number()) # Specify dplyr::mutate
} else {
  cat("Column 'ID' already present in the loaded dataframe.\n")
}

## Column 'Código' renamed to 'ID'.

# Convert key columns to factors
df <- df %>%
  dplyr::mutate( # Specify dplyr::mutate
    ID = factor(ID),
    Group = factor(Grupo, levels = c(1, 2), labels = c("Experimental", "Control")), # Renamed 'Grupo' to
    Sex = case_when( # Renamed 'Sexo' to 'Sex'
      as.character(Sexo) %in% c("M", "Masculino", "1") ~ "Male",
      as.character(Sexo) %in% c("F", "Feminino", "2") ~ "Female",

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    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),
  Sex = factor(Sex)
)

# AND THE ORIGINAL NAMES MUST EXACTLY MATCH YOUR FILE
# This map defines how original (Portuguese) column names are mapped to shorter, English-based names.
column_map <- list(
  # Original T1 names from your df
  "Av1 DASS-21Depressão"
  "Av1 DASS-21Ansiedade"
  "Av1 DASS-21Estresse"
  "Av 1 Reg. Emoc.Reavaliação Cognitiva"
  "Av 1 Reg. Emoc.Supressão Emocional"
  "Av1 MAIA-BRPercebendo"
  "Av1 MAIA-BRSem distração"
  "Av1 MAIA-BRSem preocupação"
  "Av1 MAIA-BRRegulação Atencional"
  "Av1 MAIA-BRConsciência Emocional"
  "Av1 MAIA-BRAutorregulação"
  "Av1 MAIA-BREscuta do corpo"
  "Av1 MAIA-BRConfiando"
  "Av1 ECOMCoping focado na emoção"
  "Av1 ECOMCoping focado no problema"
  "Av1 ECOMCoping focado na evitação/desligamento"
  "Avaliação 1_ PNS index:"
  "Avaliação 1_ SNS index:"
  "Avaliação 1_ Stress index:"
  "Avaliação 1_ Mean RR (ms):"
  "Avaliação 1_ SDNN (ms):"
  "Avaliação 1_ Mean HR (beats/min):"
  "Avaliação 1_ RMSSD (ms):"
  "Avaliação 1_ pNNxx (%):"
  "Avaliação 1_ LF/HF ratio:...74"

  # Original T2 names from your df
  "Av2 DASS-21Depressão"
  "Av2 DASS-21Ansiedade"
  "Av2 DASS-21Estresse"
  "Av 2 Reg. Emoc.Reavaliação Cognitiva"
  "Av 2 Reg. Emoc.Supressão Emocional"
  "Av2 MAIA-BRPercebendo"
  "Av2 MAIA-BRSem distração"
  "Av2 MAIA-BRSem preocupação"
  "Av2 MAIA-BRRegulação Atencional"
  "Av2 MAIA-BRConsciência Emocional"
  "Av2 MAIA-BRAutorregulação"
  "Av2 MAIA-BREscuta do corpo"
  "Av2 MAIA-BRConfiando"
  "Av2 ECOMCoping focado na emoção"
  "Av2 ECOMCoping focado no problema"
  "Av2 ECOMCoping focado na evitação/desligamento"
  "Avaliação 2_ PNS index:"

  # Short names
  = "DASS_Dep",
  = "DASS_Anx",
  = "DASS_Str",
  = "RegEmoc_ReavCog", # Corrected space
  = "RegEmoc_SupEmoc", # Corrected space
  = "MAIA_Perceiving",
  = "MAIA_NoDistraction",
  = "MAIA_NoWorrying",
  = "MAIA_AttnRegulation",
  = "MAIA_EmoAwareness",
  = "MAIA_SelfRegulation",
  = "MAIA_BodyListening",
  = "MAIA_Trusting",
  = "ECOM_EmotionFocused",
  = "ECOM_ProblemFocused",
  = "ECOM_Avoidance",
  = "HRV_PNS", # Corrected: underscore and
  = "HRV_SNS", # Corrected: underscore and
  = "HRV_Stress", # Corrected: underscore and
  = "HRV_MeanRR", # Corrected: underscore, two
  = "HRV_SDNN", # Corrected: underscore and
  = "HRV_MeanHR", # Corrected: underscore and
  = "HRV_RMSSD", # Corrected: underscore and
  = "HRV_pNNxx", # Corrected: underscore and
  = "HRV_LFHF", # Corrected: underscore

  = "DASS_Dep",
  = "DASS_Anx",
  = "DASS_Str",
  = "RegEmoc_ReavCog", # Corrected space
  = "RegEmoc_SupEmoc", # Corrected space
  = "MAIA_Perceiving",
  = "MAIA_NoDistraction",
  = "MAIA_NoWorrying",
  = "MAIA_AttnRegulation",
  = "MAIA_EmoAwareness",
  = "MAIA_SelfRegulation",
  = "MAIA_BodyListening",
  = "MAIA_Trusting",
  = "ECOM_EmotionFocused",
  = "ECOM_ProblemFocused",
  = "ECOM_Avoidance",
  = "HRV_PNS", # Corrected: underscore and

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"Avaliação 2_ SNS index:" = "HRV_SNS", # Corrected: underscore and
"Avaliação 2_ Stress index:" = "HRV_Stress", # Corrected: underscore and
"Avaliação 2_ Mean RR (ms):" = "HRV_MeanRR", # Corrected: underscore, two
"Avaliação 2_ SDNN (ms):" = "HRV_SDNN", # Corrected: underscore and
"Avaliação 2_ Mean HR (beats/min):" = "HRV_MeanHR", # Corrected: underscore and
"Avaliação 2_ RMSSD (ms):" = "HRV_RMSSD", # Corrected: underscore and
"Avaliação 2_ pNNxx (%):" = "HRV_pNNxx", # Corrected: underscore and
"Avaliação 2_ LF/HF ratio:...129" = "HRV_LFHF" # Corrected: underscore
)

# Rename columns in the main dataframe 'df'
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for (original_name in names(column_map)) {
  short_name_base <- column_map[[original_name]]
  time_suffix <- ""

  # Corrected conditions to identify T1 and T2 based on column_map keys
  if (startsWith(original_name, "Av1") || startsWith(original_name, "Av 1 ") || startsWith(original_name, "Av1 ")) {
    time_suffix <- "_T1"
  } else if (startsWith(original_name, "Av2") || startsWith(original_name, "Av 2 ") || startsWith(original_name, "Av2 ")) {
    time_suffix <- "_T2"
  }

  if (original_name %in% names(df)) {
    new_col_name <- if (nchar(time_suffix) > 0) paste0(short_name_base, time_suffix) else short_name_base

    # Check if new_col_name would create a duplicate with an *existing different original column*
    # This is a more advanced check, often not needed if map is well-designed
    # but good for complex scenarios.
    # For now, the direct assignment is usually okay if the map logic is sound.
    names(df)[names(df) == original_name] <- new_col_name
  } else {
    warning(paste("Original column from map not found for renaming:", original_name))
  }
}

# Unique short outcome names (base for .value in pivot_longer and for labels)
unique_short_outcome_names <- unique(unname(unlist(column_map)))

# Convert to numeric after renaming
cols_to_numeric <- names(df)[str_detect(names(df), "_T[12]$")]
df <- df %>% dplyr::mutate(across(all_of(cols_to_numeric), as.numeric))

# Create long dataset
df_long <- df %>%
  pivot_longer(
    cols = matches("_T[12]$"), # Use matches for more robust selection of T1/T2 columns
    names_to = c(".value", "Time"),
    # Updated pattern to capture the base name and the T1/T2 suffix
    names_pattern = paste0("^(", paste(unique_short_outcome_names, collapse = "|"), ")_(T[12])$"),
    values_drop_na = FALSE
  ) %>%
  dplyr::mutate(Time = factor(Time, levels = c("T1", "T2")))

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# Verify
# head(df_long)
# names(df_long) # Should have ID, Group, Sex, Age, ... then unique_short_outcome_names and Time column
```

2 Descriptive statistics and comparisons between groups (T1)

```
demographic_base_vars <- c(
  "Idade", "Estatura (m)", "Massa Corporal (Kg) Avaliação 1", "IMC avaliação 1"
)

demographic_vars_original_names <- c("Idade", "Estatura (m)", "Massa Corporal (Kg) Avaliação 1", "IMC a
demographic_vars_english_names <- c("Age", "Height_m", "Weight_kg_T1", "BMI_T1") # Target names

for(i in seq_along(demographic_vars_original_names)){
  if(demographic_vars_original_names[i] %in% names(df)){
    df <- df %>% dplyr::rename(!!demographic_vars_english_names[i] := !!sym(demographic_vars_english_names[i])
  }
}
demographic_base_vars_existing <- demographic_vars_english_names[demographic_vars_english_names %in% names(df)]

outcome_vars_t1_renamed <- names(df)[str_detect(names(df), paste0("^(", paste(unique_short_outcome_names, "|", collapse="|"), ")$"))]
outcome_vars_t1_renamed <- outcome_vars_t1_renamed[outcome_vars_t1_renamed %in% names(df)] # Ensure the

cols_to_keep_for_df_t1 <- c(
  "ID", "Group", "Sex",
  demographic_base_vars_existing,
  outcome_vars_t1_renamed
)
cols_to_keep_for_df_t1 <- unique(cols_to_keep_for_df_t1)
cols_to_keep_for_df_t1 <- cols_to_keep_for_df_t1[cols_to_keep_for_df_t1 %in% names(df)]

df_t1 <- df %>%
  dplyr::select(all_of(cols_to_keep_for_df_t1)) %>%
  dplyr::rename_with(~str_remove(., "_T1$"), .cols = all_of(outcome_vars_t1_renamed))

demographics_for_gtsummary <- demographic_base_vars_existing[demographic_base_vars_existing %in% names(df)]
outcomes_for_gtsummary <- unique_short_outcome_names[unique_short_outcome_names %in% names(df_t1)]

vars_for_gtsummary_final <- c(
  demographics_for_gtsummary,
  outcomes_for_gtsummary
)
vars_for_gtsummary_final <- unique(vars_for_gtsummary_final)
vars_for_gtsummary_final <- vars_for_gtsummary_final[vars_for_gtsummary_final %in% names(df_t1)]

table1_desc_baseline <- df_t1 %>%
```

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dplyr::select(Group, Sex, all_of(vars_for_gtsummary_final)) %>%
tbl_summary(
  by = Group,
  type = list( # Specify type for problematic variables if any, e.g.
    MAIA_NoDistraction ~ "continuous",
    ECOM_Avoidance ~ "continuous"
  ),
  label = list(
    Age ~ "Age (years)",
    Height_m ~ "Height (m)",
    Weight_kg_T1 ~ "Weight (kg, T1)",
    BMI_T1 ~ "BMI (kg/m2, T1)",
    DASS_Dep ~ "DASS-21 Depression",
    DASS_Anxiety ~ "DASS-21 Anxiety",
    DASS_Str ~ "DASS-21 Stress",
    RegEmoc_ReavCog ~ "Emot. Reg. Cognitive Reappraisal",
    RegEmoc_SupEmoc ~ "Emot. Reg. Emotional Suppression",
    MAIA_Perceiving ~ "MAIA Perceiving",
    MAIA_NoDistraction ~ "MAIA Not Distracting",
    MAIA_NoWorrying ~ "MAIA Not Worrying",
    MAIA_AttnRegulation ~ "MAIA Attention Regulation",
    MAIA_EmoAwareness ~ "MAIA Emotional Awareness",
    MAIA_SelfRegulation ~ "MAIA Self-Regulation",
    MAIA_BodyListening ~ "MAIA Body Listening",
    MAIA_Trusting ~ "MAIA Trusting",
    ECOM_EmotionFocused ~ "ECOM Emotion-Focused Coping",
    ECOM_ProblemFocused ~ "ECOM Problem-Focused Coping",
    ECOM_Avoidance ~ "ECOM Avoidance Coping",
    HRV_PNS ~ "HRV PNS Index",
    HRV_SNS ~ "HRV SNS Index",
    HRV_Stress ~ "HRV Stress Index",
    HRV_MeanRR ~ "HRV Mean RR (ms)",
    HRV_SDNN ~ "HRV SDNN (ms)",
    HRV_MeanHR ~ "HRV Mean HR (bpm)",
    HRV_RMSSD ~ "HRV RMSSD (ms)",
    HRV_pNNxx ~ "HRV pNNxx (%)",
    HRV_LFHF ~ "HRV LF/HF Ratio"
  ),
  statistic = list(
    all_continuous() ~ "{mean} ({sd})",
    all_categorical() ~ "{n} ({p}%)"
  ),
  digits = all_continuous() ~ 2,
  missing_text = "(Missing)"
) %>%
add_p(test = list(all_continuous() ~ "t.test", all_categorical() ~ "fisher.test"),
  pvalue_fun = ~style_pvalue(., digits = 3)) %>%
add_overall() %>%
modify_header(
  label = "**Characteristic (Time 1)**",
  p.value = "**p-value**",
  stat_0 = "**Total (N = {N})**"
) %>%

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modify_caption("**Table 1. Baseline Characteristics (Time 1) of Participants by Group**") %>%
bold_labels()

table1_desc_baseline

```

2.0.1 *There are statistically significant differences between the two groups at time 1 regarding Body Listening and RR Intervals (interval between two consecutive heartbeats), which vary by 50 milliseconds*

3 Analysis of Intervention Effects (GEE)

Generalized Estimating Equation (GEE) models were used to analyze the effect of intervention (Group), Time, and Group*Time interaction on each outcome variable. A first-order autoregressive (AR1) correlation structure was used to model the correlation between repeated measures within each participant.

```

escape_latex_underscores_for_caption <- function(text) {
  if (is.null(text) || length(text) == 0) return(text)
  if (knitr::is_latex_output()) {
    text_escaped_backslash <- gsub("\\", "\\textbackslash{}", text, fixed = TRUE)
    return(gsub("_", "\\_", text_escaped_backslash, fixed = TRUE))
  }
  return(text)
}

gee_anova_results_list <- list()
gee_models_list <- list()

# Ensure unique_short_outcome_names is defined from your previous data prep chunk
# For example: unique_short_outcome_names <- unique(unname(unlist(column_map)))
# This line assumes it's already available in your environment.

outcome_vars_for_loop <- unique_short_outcome_names[unique_short_outcome_names %in% names(df_long)]

cat("\n\n## Analysis of Intervention Effects (GEE)\n")

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cat("\nGeneralized Estimating Equation (GEE) models were used to analyze the effect of the intervention

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for (outcome_variable_name in outcome_vars_for_loop) {
  outcome_variable_name_for_display <- escape_latex_underscores_for_caption(outcome_variable_name)
  cat(paste0("\n\n## Processing GEE for: ", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "\n"))
  df_long_current_outcome <- df_long %>% dplyr::filter(!is.na(!sym(outcome_variable_name)))

  id_counts_per_time <- df_long_current_outcome %>%
    dplyr::group_by(ID, Time) %>%

```



```

dplyr::summarise(n_obs = n(), .groups = 'drop_last') %>%
dplyr::summarise(n_times = n_distinct(Time), .groups = 'drop')
n_pairs_possible <- sum(id_counts_per_time$n_times == 2)

cat(paste0(" Participants with data for '", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "': ", length(unique(
cat(paste0(" Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for '", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "'

if (n_pairs_possible < 2 || length(unique(df_long_current_outcome$Group)) < 2 || length(unique(df_long
  cat(" -> Insufficient data or lack of variation. GEE model not fitted.\n")
  # Store NA results if needed
  gee_anova_results_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- data.frame(Term = "N/A", Df = NA, Chi_sq = NA, P
  gee_models_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- "Insufficient data"
  next
}
formula_gee_loop <- as.formula(paste(outcome_variable_name, "~ Time * Group"))
cat(" Adjusting GEE model...\n")
model_gee_object <- try(geeglm(formula = formula_gee_loop, id = ID, data = df_long_current_outcome,
                             family = gaussian(), corstr = "ar1"), silent = TRUE)
if (inherits(model_gee_object, "try-error")) {
  cat(paste0(" ERROR in geeglm for '", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "': ", as.character(model_
  gee_anova_results_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- data.frame(Term = "GEE Error", Df = NA, Chi_sq =
  gee_models_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- as.character(model_gee_object)
  next
}
cat(" GEE model fitted successfully.\n")
gee_models_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- model_gee_object
cat(" Calculating anova(model_gee)...\n")
anova_results_object <- try(anova(model_gee_object), silent = TRUE)
if (inherits(anova_results_object, "try-error")) {
  cat(paste0(" ERROR in anova(model_gee) for '", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "': ", as.charac
  gee_anova_results_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- data.frame(Term = "Anova Error", Df = NA, Chi_sq
  next
}
cat(" Anova calculated successfully.\n")
summary_df_raw <- as.data.frame(anova_results_object)
p_col_name_actual <- NULL; chi_sq_col_name_actual <- NULL
possible_p_names <- c("P(>|Chi|)", "Pr(>Chi)", "Pr(>|W|)", "Pr(>|F|)", "p.value", "Pr(>F)")
possible_chi_sq_names <- c("X2", "Wald", "Chi_sq", "F value", "F")
for (p_name in possible_p_names) { if (p_name %in% names(summary_df_raw)) { p_col_name_actual <- p_name
for (chi_name in possible_chi_sq_names) { if (chi_name %in% names(summary_df_raw)) { chi_sq_col_name_
if (is.null(p_col_name_actual) || is.null(chi_sq_col_name_actual) || !"Df" %in% names(summary_df_raw)
  cat(paste0(" ERROR: Essential ANOVA columns not found for '", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "
  gee_anova_results_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- data.frame(Term = rownames(summary_df_raw), Df =
  next
}
summary_df_processed <- summary_df_raw %>%
  dplyr::mutate(Original_Term = rownames(.)) %>%
  dplyr::select(Original_Term, Df, Chi_sq_val = all_of(chi_sq_col_name_actual), P_value = all_of(p_col
  dplyr::mutate(Significance = case_when(P_value < 0.001 ~ "***", P_value < 0.01 ~ "**", P_value < 0
  gee_anova_results_list[[outcome_variable_name]] <- summary_df_processed # Store processed results

summary_df_for_kable <- summary_df_processed %>%
  dplyr::transmute(Term = Original_Term, Df, `Chi-squared` = Chi_sq_val, `Pr(>Chi-sq)` = P_value, Sig

```



```

caption_text_gee <- paste("Wald Test Results (GEE) for", outcome_variable_name_for_display)
kable_format <- knitr::opts_knit$get("rmarkdown.pandoc.to"); if (is.null(kable_format)) kable_format = kable_format
anova_table <- knitr::kable(summary_df_for_kable, caption = caption_text_gee, digits = 3, format = kable_format)
if (knitr::is_latex_output()) { anova_table <- anova_table %>% kable_styling(latex_options = c("hold_size"))
else if (knitr::is_html_output()) { anova_table <- anova_table %>% kable_styling(bootstrap_options = "table")
print(anova_table)

interaction_p_value <- NA
# Robustly find the interaction term ("Time:Group" or "Time:Grupo")
time_group_term_index <- which(summary_df_processed$Original_Term %in% c("Time:Group", "Time:Grupo"))

if (length(time_group_term_index) == 1) {
  interaction_p_value <- summary_df_processed$P_value[time_group_term_index]
} else if (length(time_group_term_index) > 1) {
  interaction_p_value <- summary_df_processed$P_value[time_group_term_index[summary_df_processed$Original_Term == "Time:Group"]]
  if(is.na(interaction_p_value)) interaction_p_value <- summary_df_processed$P_value[time_group_term_index[summary_df_processed$Original_Term == "Time:Grupo"]]
  cat(paste0(" WARNING: Multiple potential Time:Group interaction terms found for p-value for ", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "\n"))
} else {
  cat(paste0(" INFO: Time:Group interaction term not found for p-value for ", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "\n"))
}

is_significant_interaction <- length(interaction_p_value) == 1 && !is.na(interaction_p_value) && interaction_p_value < 0.05

if (is_significant_interaction) {
  cat(paste0("\n\n#### Post-Hoc Analysis for ", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "\n\n",
    " (Interaction Time:Group p=", round(interaction_p_value, 3), ")\n\n"))
  cat("\n**Comparison T1 vs. T2 within each Group (emmeans):**\n")
  emm_contrasts_df <- tryCatch({
    emm_time_by_group <- emmeans(model_gee_object, ~ Time | Group, data = df_long_current_outcome)
    contrasts_time <- pairs(emm_time_by_group, adjust = "bonferroni")
    as.data.frame(contrasts_time)
  }, error = function(e) {
    cat(paste0(" ERROR generating emmeans contrasts for ", outcome_variable_name_for_display, ": ", e$message, "\n"))
  })
  if (!is.null(emm_contrasts_df) && nrow(emm_contrasts_df) > 0) {
    caption_emmeans_text <- paste("T1-T2 Differences by Group (emmeans) for", outcome_variable_name_for_display)
    kable_format_emmeans <- knitr::opts_knit$get("rmarkdown.pandoc.to"); if (is.null(kable_format_emmeans)) kable_format_emmeans = kable_format
    kable_object_for_emmeans <- knitr::kable(emm_contrasts_df, digits = 3, format = kable_format_emmeans)
    if (knitr::is_latex_output()) { kable_object_for_emmeans <- kable_object_for_emmeans %>% kable_styling(latex_options = c("hold_size"))
    else if (knitr::is_html_output()) { kable_object_for_emmeans <- kable_object_for_emmeans %>% kable_styling(bootstrap_options = "table")
    cat("\n"); cat(knitr::knit_print(kable_object_for_emmeans)); cat("\n")
  } else { cat(paste0(" No emmeans contrasts data to display or error occurred for ", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "\n"))
}

# --- Effect Size Calculation Block (Correctly nested) ---
cat("\n--- Attempting Effect Size Calculation (since interaction is significant) --- \n")
for (g_level in levels(df_long_current_outcome$Group)) {
  data_group_time_current <- df_long_current_outcome %>% dplyr::filter(Group == g_level)
  cat(paste0("\n Processing effect size for Group: '", g_level, "' on '", outcome_variable_name_for_display, "'\n"))
  if (n_distinct(data_group_time_current$Time) == 2 && sum(!is.na(data_group_time_current[[outcome_variable_name_for_display]])) > 1) {
    cat(paste0(" Data seems sufficient for Group '", g_level, "'.\n"))
    diff_data_es <- NULL
    tryCatch({
      diff_data_es <- data_group_time_current %>%
        dplyr::select(ID, Time, all_of(outcome_variable_name)) %>%

```

```

    tidy::pivot_wider(names_from = Time, values_from = all_of(outcome_variable_name), id_col = Diff)
    dplyr::mutate(Diff = T2 - T1) %>% dplyr::filter(!is.na(Diff))
    # cat("      Pivot wider for differences successful. Nrow diff_data_es: ", nrow(diff_data_es))
  }, error = function(e) { cat("      Error pivoting data for effect size: ", e$message, "\n") }
  if (!is.null(diff_data_es) && nrow(diff_data_es) >= 3) {
    # cat("      Proceeding with Shapiro test and effect size...\n")
    shapiro_diff_es <- shapiro.test(diff_data_es$Diff)
    cat(paste0("      Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): W=", round(shapiro_diff_es$statistic, 2), "\n"))
    formula_es <- as.formula(paste(outcome_variable_name, "~ Time"))
    # cat(paste0("      Effect size formula: ", deparse(formula_es), "\n"))
    sd_is_zero <- FALSE
    if (nrow(diff_data_es) >= 2) { sd_is_zero <- (sd(diff_data_es$Diff, na.rm = TRUE) == 0) }
    if (nrow(diff_data_es) < 2) { cat("      Insufficient complete paired data (N_diff < 2) for Shapiro test\n") }
    } else if (sd_is_zero) { cat("      Variance of differences is zero. Hedges' g cannot be calculated\n") }
    } else {
      if (shapiro_diff_es$p.value > 0.05){
        # cat("      Attempting Hedges' g (normal diffs)...\n")
        effect_g_calc <- try(effects::hedges_g(formula_es, data = data_group_time_current), silent = TRUE)
        if(!inherits(effect_g_calc, "try-error")) {
          print(effect_g_calc)
          print(effects::interpret_hedges_g(effect_g_calc$hedges_g))
        } else { cat("      Error calculating Hedges' g: ", as.character(effect_g_calc), "\n") }
      } else {
        # cat("      Attempting Rank Biserial (non-normal diffs)...\n")
        effect_r_calc <- try(effects::rank_biserial(formula_es, data = data_group_time_current), silent = TRUE)
        if(!inherits(effect_r_calc, "try-error")) {
          print(effect_r_calc)
          print(effects::interpret_rank_biserial(effect_r_calc$r_rank_biserial))
        } else { cat("      Error calculating rank_biserial r: ", as.character(effect_r_calc), "\n") }
      }
    }
  } else { cat(paste0("      Not enough data (N_diff < 3 or pivot error) for Shapiro test/effect size calculation\n"))
} else { cat(paste0("      Insufficient data (distinct times or total NAs) for effect size for Group ", group, "\n"))
}
# cat("--- Finished Effect Size Calculation Attempt --- \n") # This can be removed or kept
} # End of is_significant_interaction check
}

```

3.1.1 Processing GEE for: DASS_Dep

Participants with data for 'DASS_Dep': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'DASS_Dep':
 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.1.1 Post-Hoc Analysis for DASS_Dep (Interaction Time:Group p=0.004) Comparison T1 vs. T2 within each Group (emmeans):

— Attempting Effect Size Calculation (since interaction is significant) —

Processing effect size for Group: 'Experimental' on 'DASS_Dep' Data seems sufficient for Group 'Experimental'. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): W=0.889, p=0.135 Hedges' g | 95% CI —————
 1.28 | [0.37, 2.16]

- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “large” (Rules: cohen1988)
Processing effect size for Group: ‘Control’ on ‘DASS_Dep’ Data seems sufficient for Group ‘Control’. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): $W=0.948$, $p=0.614$ Hedges’ g | 95% CI —————
0.23 | [-0.58, 1.03]
- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “small” (Rules: cohen1988)

3.1.2 Processing GEE for: DASS_Anx

Participants with data for ‘DASS_Anx’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘DASS_Anx’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.3 Processing GEE for: DASS_Str

Participants with data for ‘DASS_Str’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘DASS_Str’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.3.1 Post-Hoc Analysis for DASS_Str (Interaction Time:Group $p=0.066$) Comparison T1 vs. T2 within each Group (emmeans):

— Attempting Effect Size Calculation (since interaction is significant) —

Processing effect size for Group: ‘Experimental’ on ‘DASS_Str’ Data seems sufficient for Group ‘Experimental’. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): $W=0.945$, $p=0.582$ Hedges’ g | 95% CI —————
0.74 | [-0.11, 1.56]

- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “medium” (Rules: cohen1988)
Processing effect size for Group: ‘Control’ on ‘DASS_Str’ Data seems sufficient for Group ‘Control’. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): $W=0.859$, $p=0.056$ Hedges’ g | 95% CI —————
0.05 | [-0.75, 0.86]
- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “very small” (Rules: cohen1988)

3.1.4 Processing GEE for: RegEmoc_ReavCog

Participants with data for ‘RegEmoc_ReavCog’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘RegEmoc_ReavCog’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.5 Processing GEE for: RegEmoc_SupEmoc

Participants with data for ‘RegEmoc_SupEmoc’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘RegEmoc_SupEmoc’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.6 Processing GEE for: MAIA_Perceiving

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_Perceiving’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_Perceiving’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.7 Processing GEE for: MAIA_NoDistraction

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_NoDistraction’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_NoDistraction’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.8 Processing GEE for: MAIA_NoWorrying

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_NoWorrying’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_NoWorrying’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.9 Processing GEE for: MAIA_AttnRegulation

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_AttnRegulation’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_AttnRegulation’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.9.1 Post-Hoc Analysis for MAIA_AttnRegulation (Interaction Time:Group $p=0.089$) Comparison T1 vs. T2 within each Group (emmeans):

— Attempting Effect Size Calculation (since interaction is significant) —

Processing effect size for Group: ‘Experimental’ on ‘MAIA_AttnRegulation’ Data seems sufficient for Group ‘Experimental’. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): $W=0.923$, $p=0.346$ Hedges’ g | 95% CI ———
———— -0.88 | [-1.72, -0.02]

- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “large” (Rules: cohen1988)

Processing effect size for Group: ‘Control’ on ‘MAIA_AttnRegulation’ Data seems sufficient for Group ‘Control’. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): $W=0.978$, $p=0.957$ Hedges’ g | 95% CI ———
———— 0.00 | [-0.80, 0.80]

- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “very small” (Rules: cohen1988)

3.1.10 Processing GEE for: MAIA_EmoAwareness

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_EmoAwareness’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_EmoAwareness’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.11 Processing GEE for: MAIA_SelfRegulation

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_SelfRegulation’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_SelfRegulation’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.11.1 Post-Hoc Analysis for MAIA_SelfRegulation (Interaction Time:Group p=0) Comparison T1 vs. T2 within each Group (emmeans):

— Attempting Effect Size Calculation (since interaction is significant) —

Processing effect size for Group: ‘Experimental’ on ‘MAIA_SelfRegulation’ Data seems sufficient for Group ‘Experimental’. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): $W=0.9$, $p=0.187$ Hedges’ g | 95% CI ————
———— -0.72 | [-1.55, 0.12]

- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “medium” (Rules: cohen1988)

Processing effect size for Group: ‘Control’ on ‘MAIA_SelfRegulation’ Data seems sufficient for Group ‘Control’. Normality of differences (Shapiro-Wilk): $W=0.92$, $p=0.319$ Hedges’ g | 95% CI ————
———— 0.36 | [-0.45, 1.17]

- Estimated using pooled SD.[1] “small” (Rules: cohen1988)

3.1.12 Processing GEE for: MAIA_BodyListening

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_BodyListening’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_BodyListening’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.13 Processing GEE for: MAIA_Trusting

Participants with data for ‘MAIA_Trusting’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘MAIA_Trusting’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.14 Processing GEE for: ECOM_EmotionFocused

Participants with data for ‘ECOM_EmotionFocused’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘ECOM_EmotionFocused’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.15 Processing GEE for: ECOM_ProblemFocused

Participants with data for ‘ECOM_ProblemFocused’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘ECOM_ProblemFocused’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.16 Processing GEE for: ECOM_Avoidance

Participants with data for ‘ECOM_Avoidance’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘ECOM_Avoidance’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.17 Processing GEE for: HRV_PNS

Participants with data for ‘HRV_PNS’: 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for ‘HRV_PNS’: 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.18 Processing GEE for: HRV_SNS

Participants with data for 'HRV_SNS': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_SNS': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.19 Processing GEE for: HRV_Stress

Participants with data for 'HRV_Stress': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_Stress': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.20 Processing GEE for: HRV_MeanRR

Participants with data for 'HRV_MeanRR': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_MeanRR': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.21 Processing GEE for: HRV_SDNN

Participants with data for 'HRV_SDNN': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_SDNN': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.22 Processing GEE for: HRV_MeanHR

Participants with data for 'HRV_MeanHR': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_MeanHR': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.23 Processing GEE for: HRV_RMSSD

Participants with data for 'HRV_RMSSD': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_RMSSD': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.24 Processing GEE for: HRV_pNNxx

Participants with data for 'HRV_pNNxx': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_pNNxx': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.25 Processing GEE for: HRV_LFHF

Participants with data for 'HRV_LFHF': 22 Participants with data at BOTH T1 and T2 for 'HRV_LFHF': 22 Adjusting GEE model... GEE model fitted successfully. Calculating anova(model_gee)... Anova calculated successfully.

3.1.26 Interpretation of GEEs

GEE analyses revealed statistically significant Time*Group interactions for Depression (DASS-21) (Wald $\chi^2(1) = 8.104$, $p = 0.004$) and Self-Regulation (MAIA) (Wald $\chi^2(1) = 16.971$, $p = 0.001$). Post-hoc analyses indicated that the experimental group showed a significant reduction in depression scores and a significant increase in self-regulation scores between Time 1 and Time 2, changes not observed in the control group.

For Stress (DASS-21) (Wald $\chi^2(1) = 3.369$, $p = 0.066$) and Attentional Regulation (MAIA) (Wald $\chi^2(1) = 2.900$, $p = 0.089$), the Time*Group interaction showed a trend towards significance. Post-hoc analyses for these variables also demonstrated significant improvements (stress reduction and increased attentional regulation, respectively) only in the experimental group. The lack of complete statistical significance for the interaction in these cases may be partly attributed to the limited sample size, but the observed patterns suggest a differential effect of the intervention. In summary, GEE results and subsequent analyses indicate that the gong music therapy intervention was associated with significant improvements in depression, interoceptive self-regulation, and, with a trend towards significance, in stress and attentional regulation, when compared to the control group.”

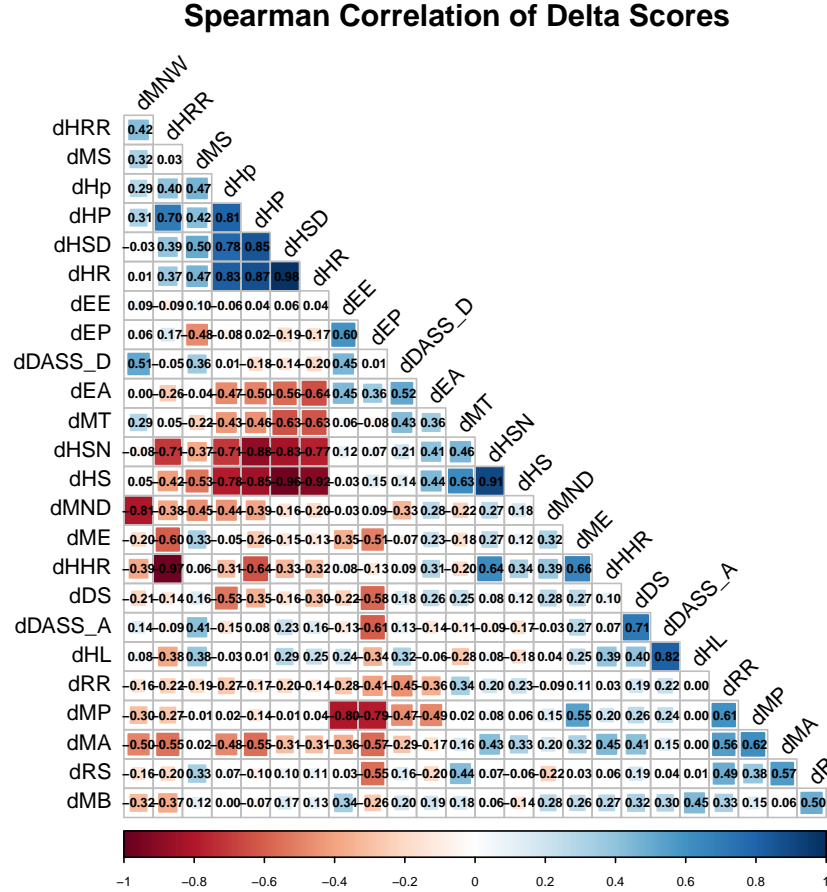
4 Correlations between Variations (Deltas T2-T1) in the Experimental Group

To explore how changes in different variables interrelate within the experimental group, a Spearman correlation analysis was conducted on the deltas (difference between Time 2 and Time 1 scores) of all psychometric, emotional regulation, interoceptive (MAIA), music coping (ECOM), and heart rate variability (HRV) measures. Given the small sample size of the experimental group ($N=11$), the focus of this exploratory analysis was on the magnitude and direction of correlation coefficients (ρ), rather than statistical significance (p -values), which is highly sensitive to sample size in correlational analyses. Moderate to strong correlations were considered indicative of potentially interesting relationships for future investigation. Visualization of these correlations was performed using a heatmap.

Calculating Deltas (T2-T1) for Experimental Group:

Legend for Abbreviated Delta Variable Names:

4.1 Correlation Matrix of Deltas (T2-T1) for the Experimental Group



Detailed Spearman Correlation Matrix:

5 Exploratory Analysis of Predictors of Significant Changes in the Experimental Group (N=11)

After identifying outcome variables that showed significant improvement or a trend towards improvement in the experimental group as a result of the intervention (specifically, Depression, Stress, MAIA Self-Regulation, and MAIA Attentional Regulation, based on GEE and post-hoc analyses), this section explores which other changes (T2-T1 deltas) might predict these improvements.

For each of these four outcome variables (treated as dependent variables in their delta form), multiple linear regression models were fitted. Given the exploratory nature and limited sample size (N=11), a backward predictor selection approach based on p-value was employed, starting from an initial set of predictors that showed $> |0.40|$ correlation in the previous analysis. The final selected models were evaluated for fit (R^2 adjusted, F-statistic significance) and their coefficients interpreted. Assumptions of linear regression (normality, homoscedasticity, and independence of residuals) were checked for the final models. Due to low statistical power, this analysis primarily aims to generate hypotheses about potential mechanisms of change induced by the gong music therapy intervention in this specific group.

5.1 Predictors of Depression

Regarding depression, a central finding was that an increase in the change in cognitive reappraisal from T1 to T2 was significantly associated with a greater reduction in depression symptoms (a more negative T2-T1 delta for depression), when controlling for the change in interoceptive trust (coefficient for Delta RegEmoc_ReavCog = -1.20, $p = 0.019$). This result suggests that enhancing the ability to cognitively reappraise situations may be an important therapeutic mechanism in reducing depressive symptomatology in this group.

Interestingly, the relationship between the change in interoceptive trust (dMT) and depression proved more complex. When analyzed in isolation, the change in ‘Trusting’ did not show a significant association with the change in depression scores ($p = 0.368$). Similarly, the change in ‘Cognitive Reappraisal’, when analyzed in isolation, did not show a significant association ($p = 0.1367$). However, in the multiple regression model, a greater increase in interoceptive trust (Delta MAIA_Trusting) was associated with a less negative or even positive delta for depression (indicating less reduction or a slight increase in symptoms), after controlling for the change in cognitive reappraisal (coefficient dMT = 5.99, $p = 0.040$).

This finding for ‘Trusting’ is counterintuitive and must be interpreted with extreme caution due to the small sample size. It might indicate that the “benefit” (or the nature of the change) of an increase in trust in one’s own bodily sensations (dMT) could depend on the simultaneous development of other skills, such as cognitive reappraisal (dRR). **If the ability to cognitively reappraise does not accompany an increase in confidence in sensations, it is possible that an increased focus on these sensations, without tools to process them adaptively, may not be beneficial for depressive symptoms, and could even be problematic (for example, leading to a greater focus on negative sensations).** More complex relationships or the influence of other unmeasured variables may be at play and warrant future investigation.

The final model with Trusting and Cognitive Reappraisal explained approximately 45% of the variance in the change in depression scores (Adjusted $R^2 = 0.45$, $F(2, 8) = 5.09$, $p = 0.037$). Although this is a considerable proportion of the variance, the exploratory nature of this analysis, given the small sample size, requires these findings to be viewed as hypothesis-generating for future studies with greater statistical power. The model residuals met the assumptions of normality, homoscedasticity, and absence of autocorrelation.

```
dass_d <- lm(dDASS_D ~ dMT + dRR
  #+ dMS + dEE + dEP + dMP + dMA
  , data = df_deltas_g1_final)

summary(dass_d)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dDASS_D ~ dMT + dRR, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -8.145 -3.498  1.476   3.488  9.084
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -15.4819     2.6523  -5.837 0.000388 ***
## dMT           5.9879     2.4403   2.454 0.039705 *
## dRR          -1.2029     0.4118  -2.921 0.019265 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
```

```
## Residual standard error: 5.937 on 8 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.56, Adjusted R-squared: 0.45
## F-statistic: 5.09 on 2 and 8 DF, p-value: 0.03749
```

```
ols_step_backward_aic(dass_d)
```

```
## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."
```

```
ols_step_backward_p(dass_d)
```

```
## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."
```

```
betas_d <- lm.beta(dass_d)$standardized.coefficients
betas_d
```

```
## (Intercept)      dMT      dRR
##           NA    0.6432474 -0.7657119
```

```
#Residuals normality
shapiro.test(resid(dass_d)) #p > 0,05
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: resid(dass_d)
## W = 0.95112, p-value = 0.6583
```

```
#Homoscedasticity
ols_test_breusch_pagan(dass_d) #p > 0,05
```

```
##
## Breusch Pagan Test for Heteroskedasticity
## -----
## Ho: the variance is constant
## Ha: the variance is not constant
##
##              Data
## -----
## Response : dDASS_D
## Variables: fitted values of dDASS_D
##
##      Test Summary
## -----
## DF          =      1
## Chi2         =    0.3266264
## Prob > Chi2  =    0.5676524
```

```
#Residual autocorrelations
durbinWatsonTest(dass_d) # p > 0,05
```

```
## lag Autocorrelation D-W Statistic p-value
## 1 -0.1874844 2.074553 0.756
## Alternative hypothesis: rho != 0

dass_d_cnf <- lm(dDASS_D ~ dMT, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(dass_d_cnf)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dDASS_D ~ dMT, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -17.246  -3.180   1.147   4.885  10.885
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -12.754      3.365  -3.791  0.00428 **
## dMT           2.803      2.959   0.947  0.36818
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 8.046 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.09068, Adjusted R-squared: -0.01035
## F-statistic: 0.8976 on 1 and 9 DF, p-value: 0.3682

dass_d_rc <- lm(dDASS_D ~ dRR, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(dass_d_rc)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dDASS_D ~ dRR, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -14.8095   0.0522   1.9419   3.1849   9.1793
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -10.6821      2.2357  -4.778  0.001 **
## dRR          -0.7514      0.4599  -1.634  0.137
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 7.41 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.2288, Adjusted R-squared:  0.1431
## F-statistic: 2.67 on 1 and 9 DF, p-value: 0.1367
```

5.2 Predictors of Stress

When examining the linear model with Stress (Delta DASS_Str) as the dependent variable, initially, neither the change in the percentage of adjacent NN intervals differing by more than 50 ms (dHp) ($p = 0.130$)

nor the change in the use of problem-focused coping musical listening (dEP) ($p = 0.077$) were statistically significant predictors of the change in stress when analyzed in isolation.

However, the final selected model, including both variables, was significant ($F(2, 8) = 6.241$, $p = 0.023$) and explained approximately 51% of the variance in the change in stress scores (Adjusted $R^2 = 0.5118$). In this model, both dHp and dEP emerged as significant predictors.

Specifically, a greater increase in dHp (indicating an increase in high-frequency heart rate variability, often associated with parasympathetic activity) predicted a greater reduction in stress symptoms (standardized beta coefficient -0.55 , $p = 0.038$). Additionally, a greater increase in the use of problem-focused coping strategies by listening to music (dEP) also predicted a greater reduction in stress (standardized beta coefficient -0.61 , $p = 0.025$). The model residuals met the assumptions of normality, homoscedasticity, and absence of autocorrelation.

These exploratory findings, though based on a small sample ($N=11$), suggest that the music therapy intervention may have influenced stress reduction in the experimental group through mechanisms involving both physiological changes (improvement in parasympathetic modulation) and changes in coping strategies through problem-focused music listening. The fact that these variables gained significance when considered together may indicate that their effects are better understood in each other's presence, possibly due to mutual suppression effects or because they capture complementary facets of the response to the intervention. The relationship between the increase in problem-focused coping and stress reduction, in particular, is interesting and warrants future investigation, especially considering the context of a primarily experiential intervention.

```
dass_s <- lm(dDS ~ dHp + dEP
             # + dDASS_A + dHL + dMA
             , data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(dass_s)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dDS ~ dHp + dEP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -7.6676 -2.3271 -0.9514  3.3444  9.4046
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -2.1059     2.2261  -0.946   0.3718
## dHp          -0.4785     0.1925  -2.486   0.0377 *
## dEP          -2.1132     0.7642  -2.765   0.0245 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 5.722 on 8 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6094, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5118
## F-statistic: 6.241 on 2 and 8 DF, p-value: 0.02327

ols_step_backward_aic(dass_s)

## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."
```

```
ols_step_backward_p(dass_s)
```

```
## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."
```

```
betas_s <- lm.beta(dass_s)$standardized.coefficients  
betas_s
```

```
## (Intercept)      dHp      dEP  
##           NA -0.5525873 -0.6146550
```

```
#Normality of residuals  
shapiro.test(resid(dass_s))
```

```
##  
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test  
##  
## data:  resid(dass_s)  
## W = 0.96955, p-value = 0.882
```

```
#Homoscedasticity (Breusch-Pagan test)  
ols_test_breusch_pagan(dass_s)
```

```
##  
## Breusch Pagan Test for Heteroskedasticity  
## -----  
## Ho: the variance is constant  
## Ha: the variance is not constant  
##  
##           Data  
## -----  
## Response : dDS  
## Variables: fitted values of dDS  
##  
##           Test Summary  
## -----  
## DF           =      1  
## Chi2          = 2.777505e-06  
## Prob > Chi2   = 0.9986703
```

```
#Autocorrelation of residuals (Durbin-Watson test)  
durbinWatsonTest(dass_s)
```

```
## lag Autocorrelation D-W Statistic p-value  
## 1      0.02748428      1.839682      0.954  
## Alternative hypothesis: rho != 0
```

```
dass_e_pNN <- lm(dDS ~ dHp, data = df_deltas_g1_final)  
summary(dass_e_pNN)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dDS ~ dHp, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -10.536  -5.131   0.052   4.409  11.982
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -3.4645     2.8629  -1.210   0.257
## dHp          -0.4207     0.2523  -1.668   0.130
##
## Residual standard error: 7.544 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.2361, Adjusted R-squared:  0.1512
## F-statistic: 2.781 on 1 and 9 DF,  p-value: 0.1297
```

```
dass_e_ECOM_P <- lm(dDS ~ dEP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(dass_e_ECOM_P)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dDS ~ dEP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -14.2244  -3.7356  -0.2244   4.4503  11.4968
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -5.4968     2.2084  -2.489  0.0345 *
## dEP          -1.9071     0.9536  -2.000  0.0766 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 7.182 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3077, Adjusted R-squared:  0.2307
## F-statistic:      4 on 1 and 9 DF,  p-value: 0.07656
```

5.3 Predictors of Self-Regulation

In the experimental group, exploratory linear regression analysis, following backward selection, indicated that changes (T2-T1 delta) in the HRV Stress Index (dHM) and in the ‘Not Distracting’ subscale of the MAIA (dMND) were significant predictors of the change in Interoceptive Self-Regulation (dMS).

The final model was statistically significant ($F(2, 8) = 8.347$, $p = 0.011$) and explained approximately 59.5% of the variance in the change in interoceptive self-regulation (Adjusted $R^2 = 0.5951$). The model residuals met the assumptions of normality, homoscedasticity, and absence of autocorrelation.

Specifically, a greater increase in the HRV Stress Index (dHS) predicted less improvement (or a worsening) in interoceptive self-regulation (standardized beta coefficient -0.59 , $p = 0.019$). This finding suggests that an increase in physiological stress may hinder the ability for self-regulation based on bodily sensations.

Interestingly, a greater increase in the ability to ‘Not be Distracted’ by bodily sensations (dMND) also predicted less improvement (or a worsening) in interoceptive self-regulation (standardized beta coefficient

-0.56, $p = 0.025$), after controlling for the change in physiological stress. This result might indicate that an increased attention to sensations, without parallel development of other facets of interoception (such as adaptive interpretation or the capacity for emotional regulation based on these sensations, which are more central to ‘Self-Regulation’), may not directly translate into better perceived self-regulation, and warrants further investigation.

These findings, though based on a small sample, raise hypotheses about the interrelated mechanisms of physiological and interoceptive change following the music therapy intervention.

```
maia_ar <- lm(dMS ~ dHS + dMND
             # + dHp + dHP + dEP + dHSD + dHR + dDASS_A
             , data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(maia_ar)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dMS ~ dHS + dMND, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.60143 -0.27414 -0.07203  0.25003  0.61619
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.89343    0.13781   6.483 0.000191 ***
## dHS          -0.06510    0.02221  -2.931 0.018957 *
## dMND         -0.38210    0.13857  -2.757 0.024771 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.4433 on 8 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.676, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5951
## F-statistic: 8.347 on 2 and 8 DF, p-value: 0.01101

ols_step_backward_aic(maia_ar)

## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."

ols_step_backward_p(maia_ar)

## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."

betas_AR <- lm.beta(maia_ar)$standardized.coefficients
betas_AR

## (Intercept)      dHS      dMND
##           NA -0.5901604 -0.5551454

shapiro.test(resid(maia_ar))
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: resid(maia_ar)
## W = 0.89876, p-value = 0.1785
```

```
ols_test_breusch_pagan(maia_ar)
```

```
##
## Breusch Pagan Test for Heteroskedasticity
## -----
## Ho: the variance is constant
## Ha: the variance is not constant
##
##           Data
## -----
## Response : dMS
## Variables: fitted values of dMS
##
##           Test Summary
## -----
## DF          =      1
## Chi2         =    1.900975
## Prob > Chi2  =    0.1679692
```

```
durbinWatsonTest(maia_ar)
```

```
## lag Autocorrelation D-W Statistic p-value
## 1      -0.03073948      1.872514      0.896
## Alternative hypothesis: rho != 0
```

```
maia_ar_dHS <- lm(dMS ~ dHS, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(maia_ar_dHS)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dMS ~ dHS, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.9564 -0.3804  0.1047  0.3921  0.7334
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.80095    0.17600   4.551  0.00138 **
## dHS         -0.06693    0.02923  -2.290  0.04779 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.5837 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3681, Adjusted R-squared:  0.2979
## F-statistic: 5.243 on 1 and 9 DF, p-value: 0.04779
```

```

maia_ar_MND <- lm(dMS ~ dMND, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(maia_ar_MND)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dMS ~ dMND, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.1410 -0.2660 -0.1538  0.4311  0.8590
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   0.8910     0.1871   4.762  0.00103 **
## dMND          -0.3942     0.1881  -2.096  0.06552 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.6019 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3281, Adjusted R-squared:  0.2534
## F-statistic: 4.394 on 1 and 9 DF,  p-value: 0.06552

```

5.4 Predictors of Attentional Regulation

The change in the MAIA Attentional Regulation capacity (dMA) was significantly predicted by changes in the HRV Parasympathetic Index (dHP) and in the capacity to Perceive bodily sensations from the MAIA (dMP). The final model was statistically significant ($F(2, 8) = 18.27$, $p = 0.001$) and explained approximately 78% of the variance in the change in attentional regulation (Adjusted $R^2 = 0.7755$). The model residuals met the assumptions of normality, homoscedasticity, and absence of autocorrelation.

An improvement in the ability to Perceive bodily sensations (dMP) was a strong positive predictor of improvement in Attentional Regulation (standardized beta coefficient 0.80, $p < 0.001$), suggesting that as participants became more aware of their sensations, their ability to regulate attention towards them also increased.

Interestingly, a greater increase in the Parasympathetic Index (dHP) was associated with less improvement (or a slight worsening) in Attentional Regulation (standardized beta coefficient -0.51, $p = 0.010$), when controlling for the change in perception. In isolation, the change in the PNS Index was not a significant predictor of change in MAIA Attentional Regulation capacity ($p = 0.183$). This finding in the multiple model is counterintuitive, as an increase in parasympathetic activity is generally seen as beneficial. **It could indicate that an excessive increase in physiological relaxation, in the context of other interoceptive changes, might paradoxically make it harder to actively direct attention, or that the relationship is more complex and mediated by other unincluded factors.**

These exploratory results, considering the small sample, point towards an intriguing interplay between physiological changes and different facets of interoception. The enhanced ability to perceive sensations seems fundamental for improving attentional regulation, while the role of changes in parasympathetic tone in this specific process of attentional regulation appears more complex than a simple linear positive relationship.

```

maia_ra <- lm(dMA ~ dHP + dMP
             #+ dEP + dRS + dMND + dHRR
             , data = df_deltas_g1_final)

summary(maia_ra)

```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dMA ~ dHP + dMP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.64311 -0.17789 -0.03771  0.24913  0.50546
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.74433     0.12928   5.758 0.000425 ***
## dHP         -0.61598     0.18255  -3.374 0.009724 **
## dMP          0.50274     0.09468   5.310 0.000720 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.379 on 8 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8204, Adjusted R-squared:  0.7755
## F-statistic: 18.27 on 2 and 8 DF,  p-value: 0.00104
```

```
ols_step_backward_aic(maia_ra)
```

```
## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."
```

```
ols_step_backward_p(maia_ra)
```

```
## [1] "No variables have been removed from the model."
```

```
betas_AR <- lm.beta(maia_ra)$standardized.coefficients
betas_AR
```

```
## (Intercept)      dHP      dMP
##           NA -0.5077775  0.7990820
```

```
#Residuals normality
shapiro.test(resid(maia_ar)) #p > 0,05
```

```
##
##  Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data:  resid(maia_ar)
## W = 0.89876, p-value = 0.1785
```

```
#Homoscedasticity
ols_test_breusch_pagan(maia_ar) #p > 0,05
```

```
##
##  Breusch Pagan Test for Heteroskedasticity
##  -----
##  Ho: the variance is constant
```

```
## Ha: the variance is not constant
##
##           Data
## -----
## Response : dMS
## Variables: fitted values of dMS
##
##           Test Summary
## -----
## DF          =      1
## Chi2         =    1.900975
## Prob > Chi2  =    0.1679692
```

```
#Residual autocorrelations
durbinWatsonTest(maia_ar)
```

```
## lag Autocorrelation D-W Statistic p-value
## 1      -0.03073948      1.872514  0.864
## Alternative hypothesis: rho != 0
```

```
MA_HP <- lm(dMA ~ dHP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(MA_HP)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dMA ~ dHP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.13286 -0.24638 -0.05292  0.23720  1.29701
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   0.7714      0.2591   2.978  0.0155 *
## dHP          -0.5253      0.3645  -1.441  0.1834
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.7602 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1875, Adjusted R-squared:  0.0972
## F-statistic: 2.077 on 1 and 9 DF, p-value: 0.1834
```

```
MA_MP <- lm(dMA ~ dMP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
summary(MA_MP)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = dMA ~ dMP, data = df_deltas_g1_final)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.04618 -0.22601  0.00311  0.31598  0.97847
```

```
##
## Coefficients:
##           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.5437      0.1685   3.227  0.01037 *
## dMP          0.4728      0.1383   3.418  0.00765 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.5563 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.5648, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5165
## F-statistic: 11.68 on 1 and 9 DF,  p-value: 0.007653
```

sessionInfo()

```
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## Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64
## Running under: Windows 11 x64 (build 26100)
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## Matrix products: default
##   LAPACK version 3.12.1
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## [5] LC_TIME=Portuguese_Brazil.utf8
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## time zone: America/Sao_Paulo
## tzcode source: internal
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## attached base packages:
## [1] parallel stats      graphics  grDevices utils      datasets  methods
## [8] base
##
## other attached packages:
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## [5] rlang_1.1.6       magrittr_2.0.3     multcomp_1.4-28     compiler_4.5.0
## [9] systemfonts_1.2.3 vctrs_0.6.5       quadprog_1.5-8      pkgconfig_2.0.3
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## [29] cellranger_1.1.0  estimability_1.5.1 Rcpp_1.0.14         zoo_1.8-14
## [33] parameters_0.25.0 splines_4.5.0      tidyselect_1.2.1    rstudioapi_0.17.1
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```

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## [77]	htmltools_0.5.8.1	lifecycle_1.0.4		

Table 1: Table 1. Baseline Characteristics (Time 1) of Participants by Group

Characteristic (Time 1)	Total (N = 22) ¹	Experimental N = 11 ¹	Control N = 11
Sex			
Female	18 (82%)	7 (64%)	11 (100%)
Male	4 (18%)	4 (36%)	0 (0%)
Age (years)	25.59 (6.02)	25.91 (6.20)	25.27 (6.12)
Height (m)	1.65 (0.09)	1.67 (0.09)	1.62 (0.07)
Weight (kg, T1)	63.30 (11.31)	66.43 (11.58)	60.17 (10.62)
BMI (kg/m ² , T1)	23.30 (3.35)	23.74 (3.43)	22.87 (3.38)
DASS-21 Depression	14.73 (9.12)	17.45 (8.20)	12.00 (9.55)
DASS-21 Anxiety	15.00 (11.11)	12.91 (13.46)	17.09 (8.26)
DASS-21 Stress	20.09 (8.65)	20.91 (10.01)	19.27 (7.44)
Emot. Reg. Cognitive Reappraisal	27.36 (7.58)	25.82 (7.14)	28.91 (8.02)
Emot. Reg. Emotional Suppression	17.05 (5.96)	17.45 (6.14)	16.64 (6.05)
MAIA Perceiving	3.50 (0.99)	3.59 (1.00)	3.41 (1.03)
MAIA Not Distracting	1.95 (0.83)	1.82 (0.86)	2.09 (0.82)
MAIA Not Worrying	1.74 (0.91)	1.79 (0.92)	1.70 (0.94)
MAIA Attention Regulation	1.92 (0.74)	2.03 (0.64)	1.81 (0.84)
MAIA Emotional Awareness	3.71 (0.99)	3.67 (1.05)	3.75 (0.98)
MAIA Self-Regulation	2.10 (1.18)	2.39 (1.03)	1.82 (1.29)
MAIA Body Listening	2.41 (1.13)	2.88 (0.95)	1.94 (1.13)
MAIA Trusting	2.91 (1.48)	3.18 (1.46)	2.64 (1.52)
ECOM Emotion-Focused Coping	19.91 (5.10)	19.00 (5.48)	20.82 (4.77)
ECOM Problem-Focused Coping	10.68 (3.00)	10.09 (3.05)	11.27 (2.97)
ECOM Avoidance Coping	6.55 (2.86)	6.45 (3.08)	6.64 (2.77)
HRV PNS Index	-0.35 (0.96)	-0.02 (1.23)	-0.68 (0.44)
HRV SNS Index	0.63 (1.11)	0.33 (1.41)	0.93 (0.62)
HRV Stress Index	10.72 (3.20)	9.96 (3.63)	11.49 (2.65)
HRV Mean RR (ms)	838.38 (128.06)	884.81 (163.68)	791.94 (53.87)
HRV SDNN (ms)	40.57 (13.98)	45.46 (16.88)	35.69 (8.56)
HRV Mean HR (bpm)	73.04 (10.35)	69.98 (13.23)	76.10 (5.42)
HRV RMSSD (ms)	41.47 (17.06)	46.44 (21.23)	36.50 (10.31)
HRV pNNxx (%)	19.23 (15.76)	27.14 (17.82)	11.31 (8.15)
HRV LF/HF Ratio	1.15 (0.90)	1.43 (1.10)	0.87 (0.56)

¹n (%); Mean (SD)²Fisher's exact test; Welch Two Sample t-test

Table 2: Wald Test Results (GEE) for DASS_Dep

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	13.715	0.000	***
Group	Group	1	0.158	0.691	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	8.104	0.004	**

Table 3: T1-T2 Differences by Group (emmeans) for DASS_Dep

contrast	Group	estimate	SE	df	t.ratio	p.value
T1 - T2	Experimental	10.545	2.301	40	4.583	0.000
T1 - T2	Control	2.182	1.826	40	1.195	0.239

Table 4: Wald Test Results (GEE) for DASS_Anx

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	6.280	0.012	*
Group	Group	1	1.824	0.177	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.002	0.962	

Table 5: Wald Test Results (GEE) for DASS_Str

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	3.672	0.055	.
Group	Group	1	0.273	0.602	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	3.369	0.066	.

Table 6: T1-T2 Differences by Group (emmeans) for DASS_Str

contrast	Group	estimate	SE	df	t.ratio	p.value
T1 - T2	Experimental	6.364	2.354	40	2.703	0.010
T1 - T2	Control	0.364	2.268	40	0.160	0.873

Table 7: Wald Test Results (GEE) for RegEmoc_ReavCog

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	1.890	0.169	
Group	Group	1	0.162	0.687	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.697	0.193	

Table 8: Wald Test Results (GEE) for RegEmoc_SupEmoc

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	4.669	0.031	*
Group	Group	1	0.140	0.708	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	2.491	0.114	

Table 9: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_Perceiving

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.457	0.499	
Group	Group	1	2.675	0.102	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.346	0.246	

Table 10: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_NoDistraction

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.180	0.672	
Group	Group	1	0.277	0.599	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.511	0.475	

Table 11: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_NoWorrying

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	3.780	0.052	.
Group	Group	1	0.129	0.719	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.038	0.846	

Table 12: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_AttnRegulation

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	2.562	0.109	
Group	Group	1	3.424	0.064	.
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	2.900	0.089	.

Table 13: T1-T2 Differences by Group (emmeans) for MAIA_AttnRegulation

contrast	Group	estimate	SE	df	t.ratio	p.value
T1 - T2	Experimental	-0.597	0.230	40	-2.597	0.013
T1 - T2	Control	0.000	0.265	40	0.000	1.000

Table 14: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_EmoAwareness

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.098	0.754	
Group	Group	1	0.663	0.415	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.517	0.218	

Table 15: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_SelfRegulation

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.841	0.359	
Group	Group	1	7.839	0.005	**
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	16.971	0.000	***

Table 16: T1-T2 Differences by Group (emmeans) for MAIA_SelfRegulation

contrast	Group	estimate	SE	df	t.ratio	p.value
T1 - T2	Experimental	-0.795	0.200	40	-3.972	0.000
T1 - T2	Control	0.432	0.221	40	1.958	0.057

Table 17: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_BodyListening

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.622	0.430	
Group	Group	1	10.569	0.001	**
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.876	0.171	

Table 18: Wald Test Results (GEE) for MAIA_Trusting

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	4.154	0.042	*
Group	Group	1	3.023	0.082	.
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	2.087	0.149	

Table 19: Wald Test Results (GEE) for ECOM_EmotionFocused

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.045	0.832	
Group	Group	1	0.219	0.640	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.187	0.276	

Table 20: Wald Test Results (GEE) for ECOM_ProblemFocused

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.134	0.714	
Group	Group	1	0.570	0.450	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.306	0.580	

Table 21: Wald Test Results (GEE) for ECOM_Avoidance

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	1.636	0.201	
Group	Group	1	0.506	0.477	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.767	0.184	

Table 22: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_PNS

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	5.109	0.024	*
Group	Group	1	1.466	0.226	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.527	0.468	

Table 23: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_SNS

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.657	0.417	
Group	Group	1	0.648	0.421	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.382	0.536	

Table 24: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_Stress

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	0.011	0.916	
Group	Group	1	0.451	0.502	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.032	0.858	

Table 25: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_MeanRR

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	2.480	0.115	
Group	Group	1	1.953	0.162	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.103	0.294	

Table 26: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_SDNN

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	5.719	0.017	*
Group	Group	1	2.537	0.111	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.001	0.972	

Table 27: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_MeanHR

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	2.180	0.140	
Group	Group	1	1.152	0.283	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.991	0.320	

Table 28: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_RMSSD

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	6.600	0.010	*
Group	Group	1	1.030	0.310	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	0.111	0.739	

Table 29: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_pNNxx

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	10.277	0.001	**
Group	Group	1	3.638	0.056	.
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.043	0.307	

Table 30: Wald Test Results (GEE) for HRV_LFHF

	Term	Df	Chi-squared	Pr(>Chi-sq)	Sig
Time	Time	1	1.568	0.210	
Group	Group	1	0.180	0.671	
Time:Group	Time:Group	1	1.793	0.181	

Table 31: Legend for Abbreviated Delta Names

Abbreviation	Full Description
dDASS_D	dDASS_D = Delta (T2-T1) for DASS_Dep
dDASS_A	dDASS_A = Delta (T2-T1) for DASS_Anx
dDS	dDS = Delta (T2-T1) for DASS_Str
dRR	dRR = Delta (T2-T1) for RegEmoc_ReavCog
dRS	dRS = Delta (T2-T1) for RegEmoc_SupEmoc
dMP	dMP = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_Perceiving
dMND	dMND = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_NoDistraction
dMNW	dMNW = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_NoWorrying
dMA	dMA = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_AttnRegulation
dME	dME = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_EmoAwareness
dMS	dMS = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_SelfRegulation
dMB	dMB = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_BodyListening
dMT	dMT = Delta (T2-T1) for MAIA_Trusting
dEE	dEE = Delta (T2-T1) for ECOM_EmotionFocused
dEP	dEP = Delta (T2-T1) for ECOM_ProblemFocused
dEA	dEA = Delta (T2-T1) for ECOM_Avoidance
dHP	dHP = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_PNS
dHSN	dHSN = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_SNS
dHS	dHS = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_Stress
dHRR	dHRR = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_MeanRR
dHSD	dHSD = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_SDNN
dHHR	dHHR = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_MeanHR
dHR	dHR = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_RMSSD
dHp	dHp = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_pNNxx
dHL	dHL = Delta (T2-T1) for HRV_LFHF

Table 32

Variable1	Variable2	Spearman_rho	CI_Lower	CI_Upper	p_adjusted_holm
dDASS_D	dDASS_A	0.129	-0.525	0.688	1.000
dDASS_D	dDS	0.177	-0.489	0.713	1.000
dDASS_D	dRR	-0.455	-0.835	0.219	1.000
dDASS_D	dRS	0.159	-0.503	0.703	1.000
dDASS_D	dMP	-0.465	-0.839	0.207	1.000
dDASS_D	dMND	-0.334	-0.786	0.350	1.000
dDASS_D	dMNW	0.511	-0.149	0.856	1.000
dDASS_D	dMA	-0.290	-0.766	0.393	1.000
dDASS_D	dME	-0.074	-0.657	0.565	1.000
dDASS_D	dMS	0.359	-0.325	0.797	1.000
dDASS_D	dMB	0.205	-0.467	0.726	1.000
dDASS_D	dMT	0.433	-0.245	0.827	1.000
dDASS_D	dEE	0.452	-0.222	0.834	1.000
dDASS_D	dEP	0.009	-0.607	0.619	1.000
dDASS_D	dEA	0.517	-0.140	0.858	1.000
dDASS_D	dHP	-0.184	-0.716	0.483	1.000
dDASS_D	dHSN	0.207	-0.465	0.727	1.000
dDASS_D	dHS	0.143	-0.515	0.695	1.000
dDASS_D	dHRR	-0.046	-0.641	0.583	1.000
dDASS_D	dHSD	-0.143	-0.695	0.515	1.000
dDASS_D	dHHR	0.087	-0.555	0.665	1.000
dDASS_D	dHR	-0.202	-0.725	0.469	1.000
dDASS_D	dHp	0.014	-0.604	0.621	1.000
dDASS_D	dHL	0.317	-0.367	0.779	1.000
dDASS_A	dDS	0.713	0.178	0.923	1.000
dDASS_A	dRR	0.225	-0.450	0.736	1.000
dDASS_A	dRS	0.044	-0.585	0.639	1.000
dDASS_A	dMP	0.240	-0.437	0.744	1.000
dDASS_A	dMND	-0.027	-0.630	0.595	1.000
dDASS_A	dMNW	0.140	-0.517	0.693	1.000
dDASS_A	dMA	0.151	-0.509	0.699	1.000
dDASS_A	dME	0.270	-0.411	0.758	1.000
dDASS_A	dMS	0.411	-0.270	0.818	1.000
dDASS_A	dMB	0.298	-0.385	0.770	1.000
dDASS_A	dMT	-0.105	-0.675	0.543	1.000
dDASS_A	dEE	-0.125	-0.685	0.528	1.000
dDASS_A	dEP	-0.607	-0.889	0.010	1.000
dDASS_A	dEA	-0.137	-0.692	0.520	1.000
dDASS_A	dHP	0.082	-0.559	0.662	1.000
dDASS_A	dHSN	-0.091	-0.667	0.552	1.000
dDASS_A	dHS	-0.169	-0.708	0.495	1.000
dDASS_A	dHRR	-0.087	-0.664	0.556	1.000
dDASS_A	dHSD	0.233	-0.443	0.740	1.000
dDASS_A	dHHR	0.068	-0.568	0.654	1.000
dDASS_A	dHR	0.160	-0.502	0.704	1.000
dDASS_A	dHp	-0.151	-0.699	0.509	1.000
dDASS_A	dHL	0.817	0.410	0.953	0.614
dDS	dRR	0.192	-0.477	0.720	1.000
dDS	dRS	0.185	-0.482	0.717	1.000
dDS	dMP	0.261	-0.419	0.753	1.000
dDS	dMND	0.277	-0.404	0.761	1.000
dDS	dMNW	-0.215	-0.731	0.459	1.000
dDS	dMA	0.415	-0.266	0.819	1.000
dDS	dME	0.270	-0.411	0.758	1.000
dDS	dMS	0.159	-0.503	0.703	1.000
dDS	dMB	0.317	-0.367	0.779	1.000
dDS	dMT	0.247	-0.431	0.747	1.000
dDS	dEE	-0.222	-0.735	0.452	1.000
dDS	dEP	-0.579	-0.880	0.052	1.000
dDS	dEA	0.257	-0.422	0.751	1.000
dDS	dHP	-0.350	-0.793	0.334	1.000
dDS	dHSN	0.083	-0.558	0.662	1.000
dDS	dHS	0.120	-0.532	0.683	1.000
dDS	dHRR	-0.143	-0.695	0.515	1.000
dDS	dHSD	-0.161	-0.704	0.501	1.000
dDS	dHHR	0.101	-0.545	0.672	1.000
dDS	dHP	0.299	-0.771	0.384	1.000