

Archival Report

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Psychiatric Symptom Dimensions Are Associated With Dissociable Shifts in Metacognition but Not Task Performance

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Introduction

- Metacognition
 - Knowledge of one's cognitive process
 - Ability to reflect on and evaluate one's behavior
 - “How confident am I that I was correct?”
- Objective Performance vs Subjective Confidence
- GAP
 - Isolate metacognition from objective performance
 - Symptoms – metacognition

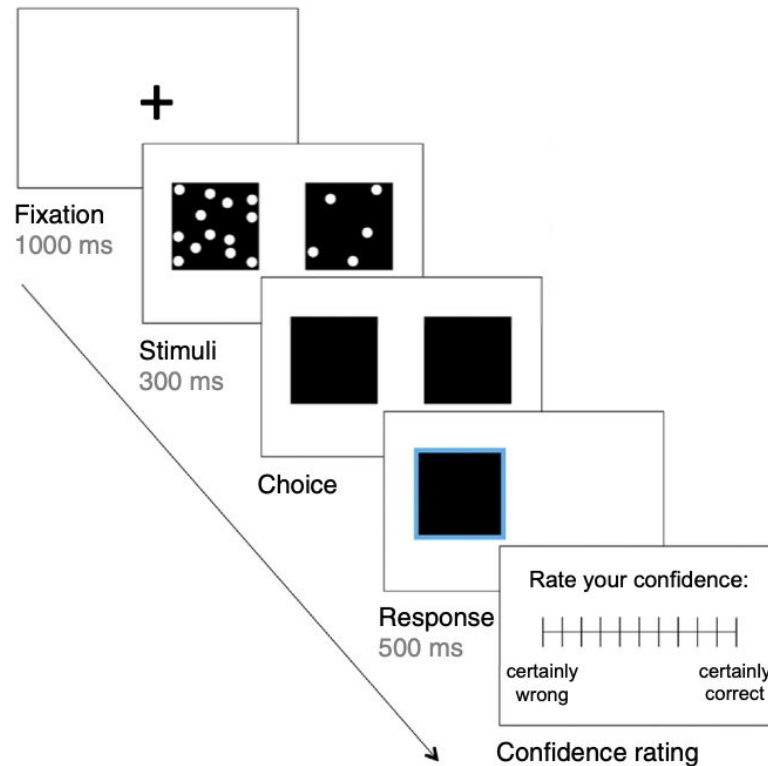
Participants & Task

Experiment 1 (663 → 498)	Experiment 2 (637 → 497)
Perceptual Decision-making task	
210 trials in 5 blocks	
11-point probabilistic rating scale	6-point scale with verbal labels
global pre-task confidence global post-task confidence	X
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Perceptual Decision-making



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global pre-task confidence global post-task confidence	X Avoid possible biasing of subsequent trial-by-trial confidence ratings
X	Calibration procedure: two-down one-up staircase procedure Equate performance across individuals → Isolate metacognition from decision performance

Self-report Psychiatric Questionnaires

Experiment 1	Experiment 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Depression (SDS)• Schizotypy (SSMS)• Impulsivity (BIS-11)• Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCI-R)• Social anxiety (LSAS)• IQ (I-CAR)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Generalized anxiety (GAD-7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Generalized anxiety (STAI) Form Y-2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alcoholism (AUDIT)• Apathy (AES)• Eating disorders (EAT-26) Factor analysis

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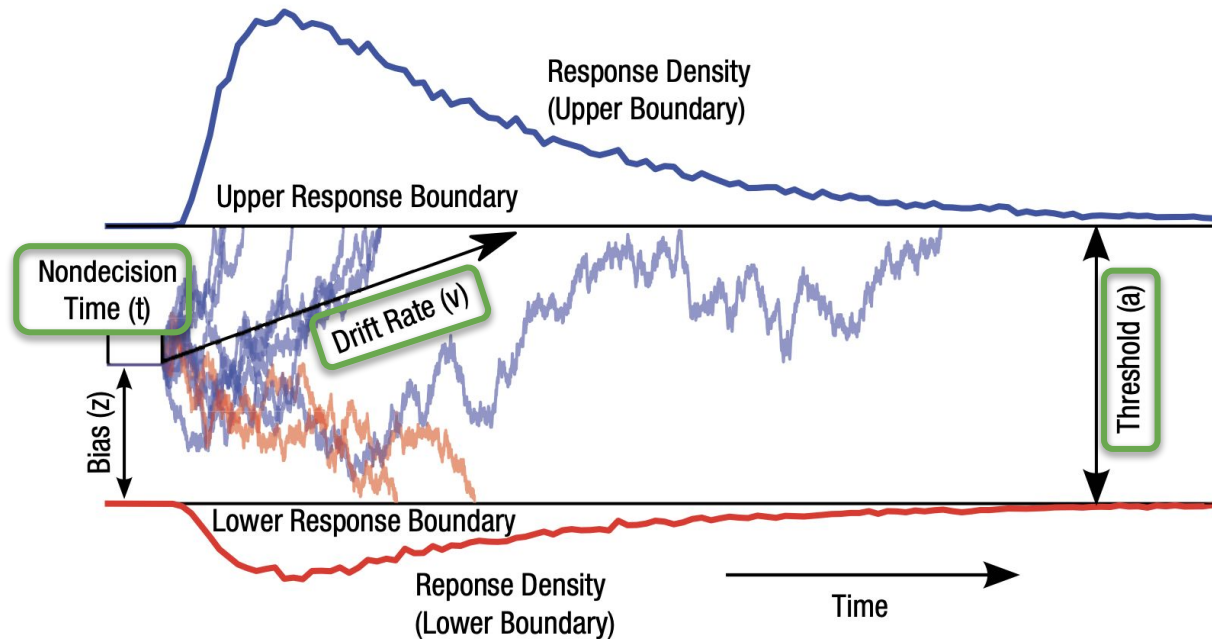
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Experiment 1	Experiment 2
Drift-Diffusion Model	
	Type 2 Signal Detection Theory
	Factor Analysis
Linear regressions	

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Drift-Diffusion Model



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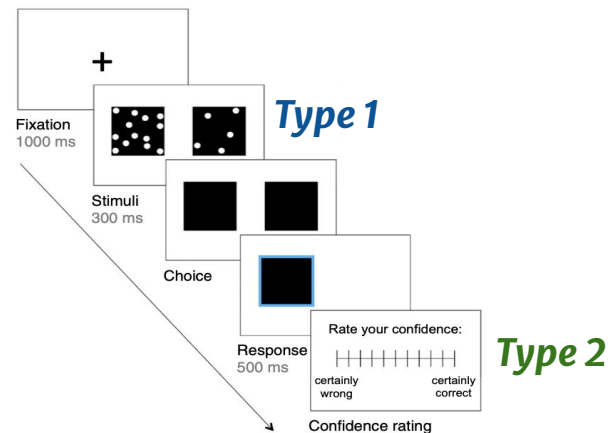
Metacognitive efficiency

$$\log \left(\frac{\text{meta-}d'}{d'} \right)$$

Type 2 (metacognitive) sensitivity

Type 1 sensitivity

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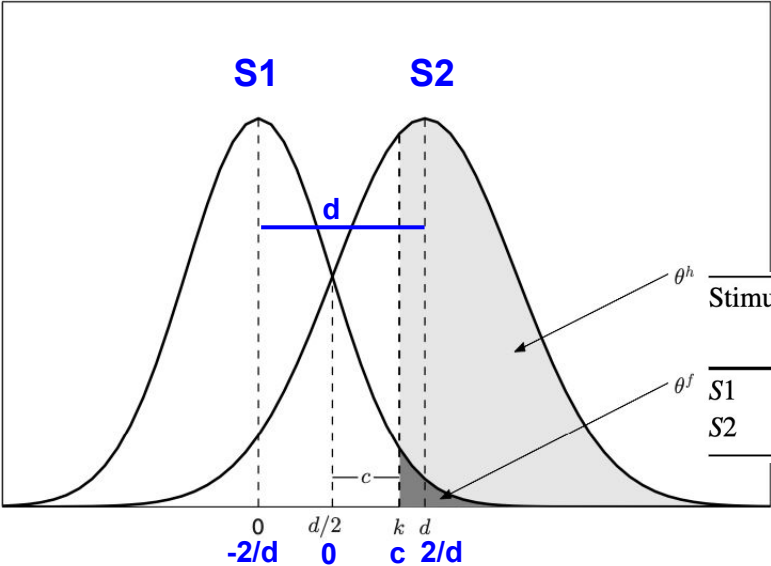


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Signal Detection Theory

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Type 1	
Stimulus	Response
	"S1" "S2"
S1	Correct rejection (CR)
S2	Miss
	False alarm (FA)
	Hit

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Type 2 SDT (meta-SDT)

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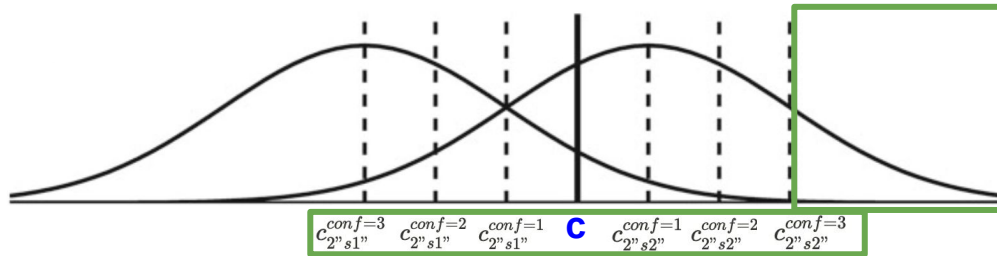
Type 2

Response			Confidence	
			Low	High
"S1"	Accuracy	Incorrect (Type 1 miss)	CR ₂ , "S1"	FA ₂ , "S1"
		Correct (Type 1 correct rejection)	Miss ₂ , "S1"	Hit ₂ , "S1"
"S2"	Accuracy	Incorrect (Type 1 false alarm)	CR ₂ , "S2"	FA ₂ , "S2"
		Correct (Type 1 hit)	Miss ₂ , "S2"	Hit ₂ , "S2"

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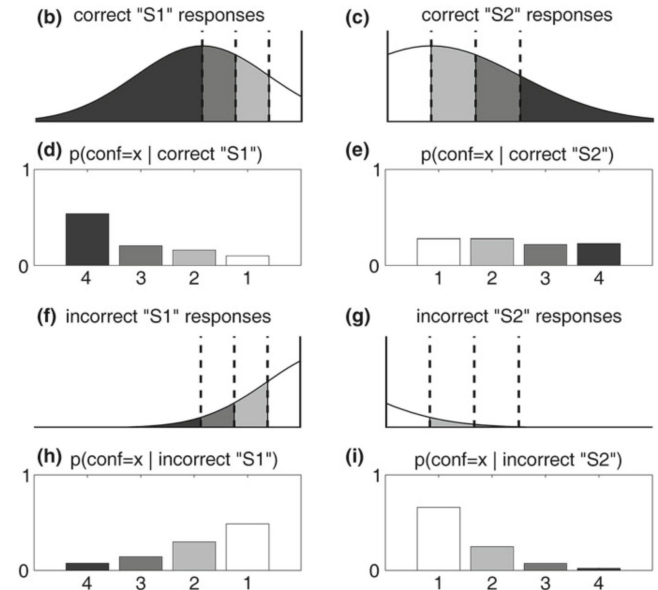
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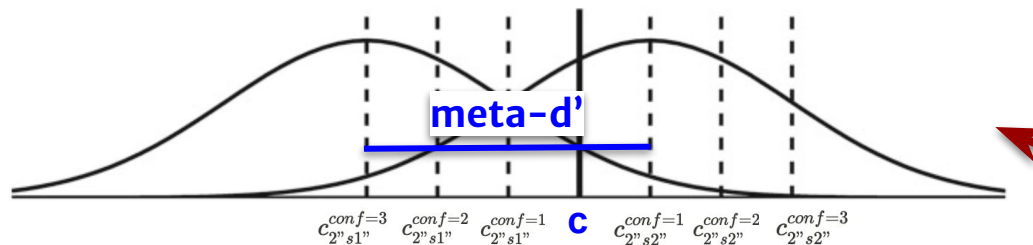
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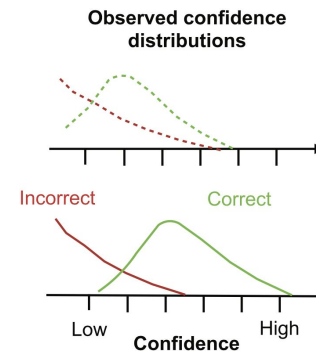
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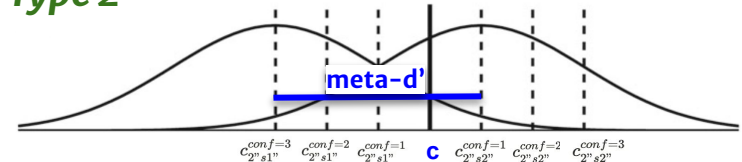
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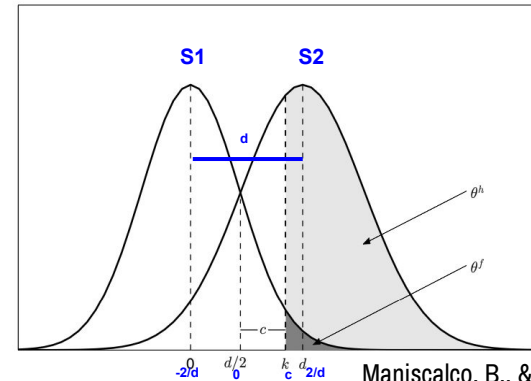
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Type 2



Type 1



Maniscalco, B., & Lau, H. (2014)

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Limitation of experiment 1

- Strong correlations between individual questionnaire scores consistent with comorbidity between constructs.
 - Within a particular questionnaire, different items map onto separable latent factors
- identification of underlying transdiagnostic psychiatric dimensions with additional questionnaires through factor analysis

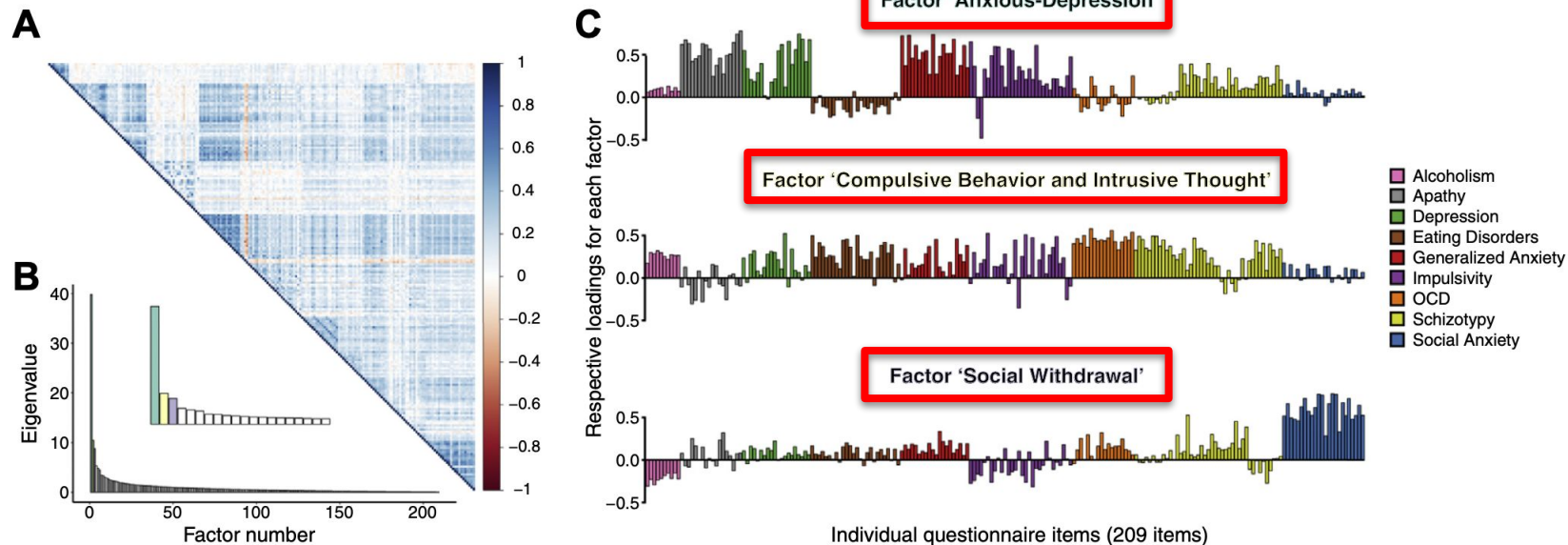
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Results

Behavioral data and DDM model fits

Experiment 1

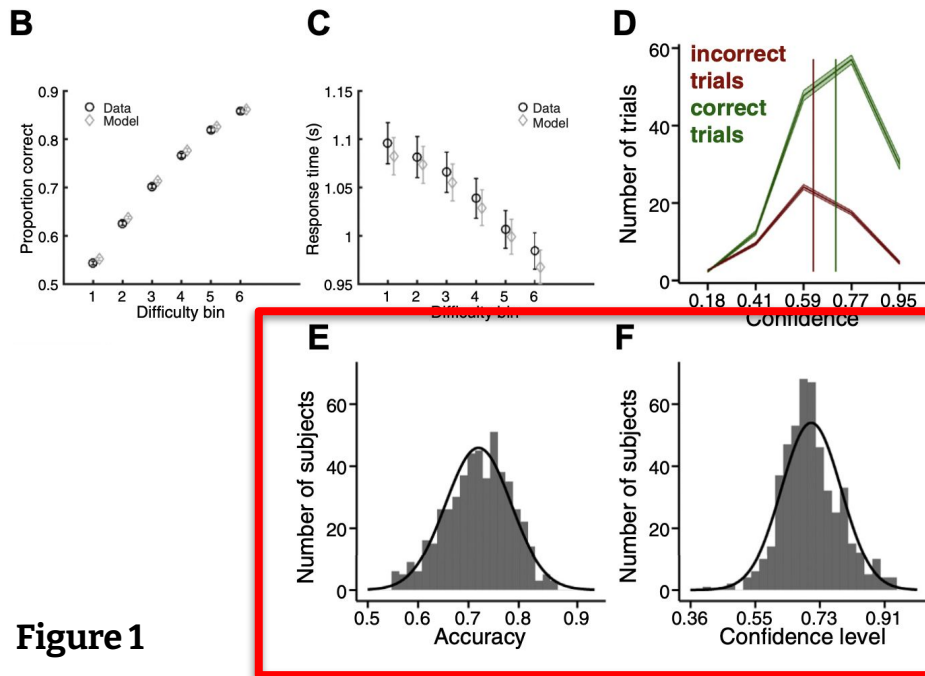


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Experiment 2

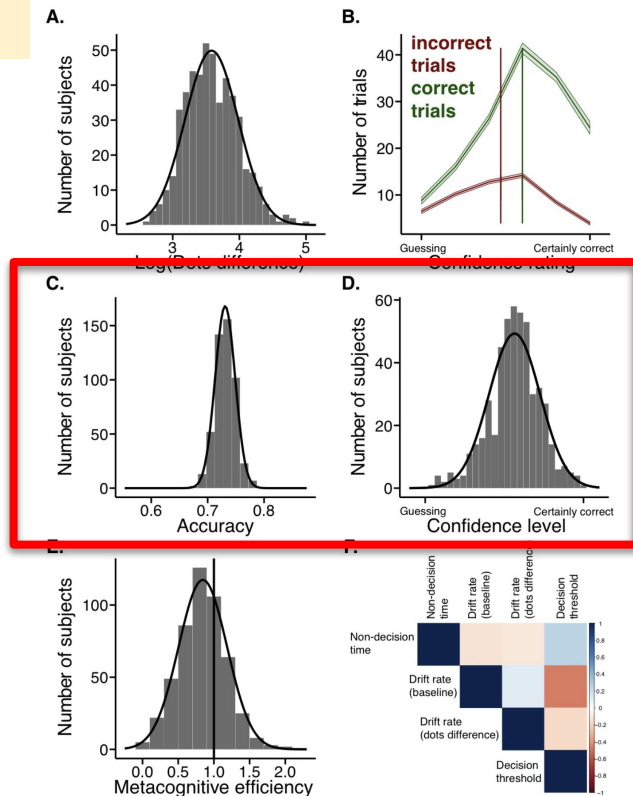


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Results

Decision & Metacognition – Psychopathology

Experiment 1

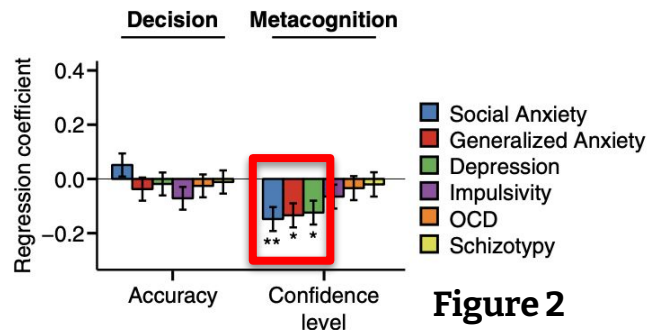


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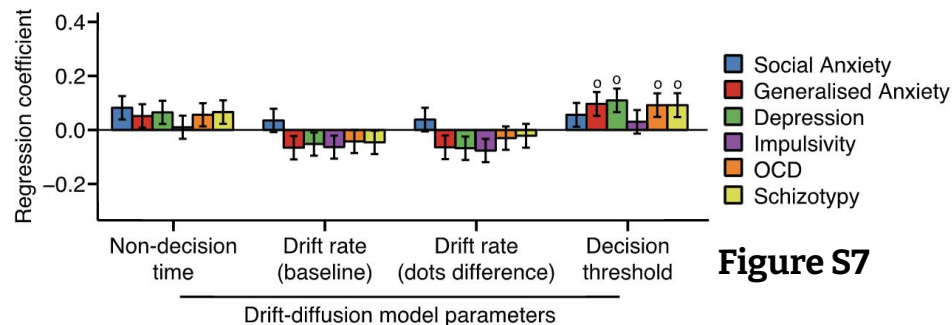


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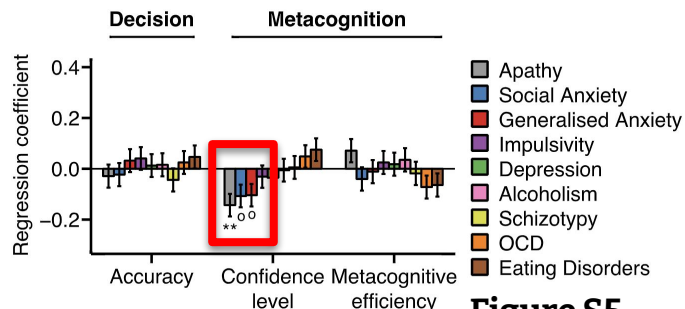


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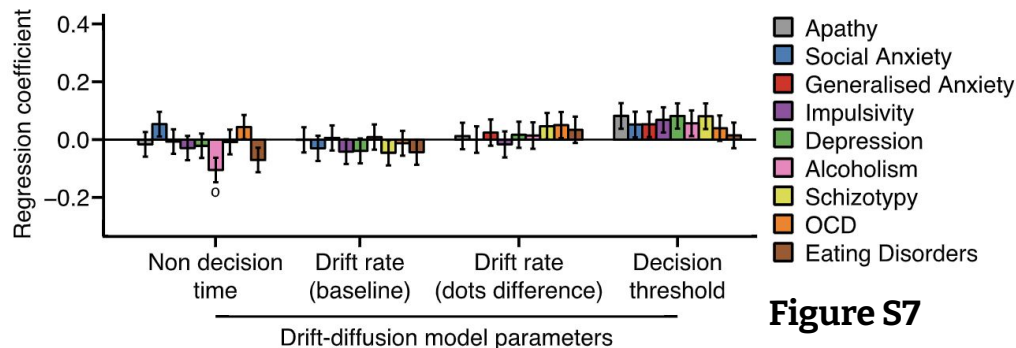


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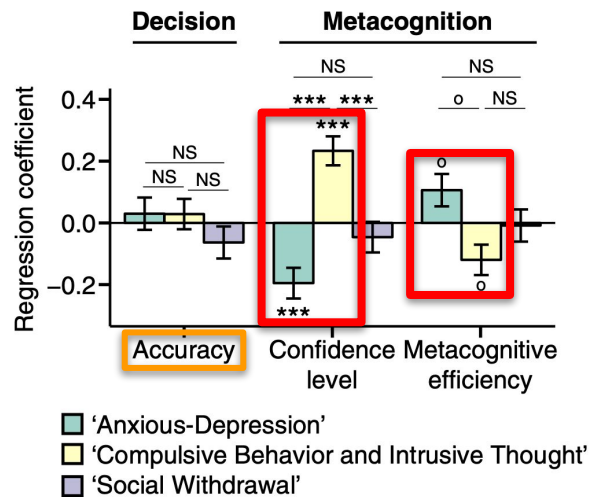


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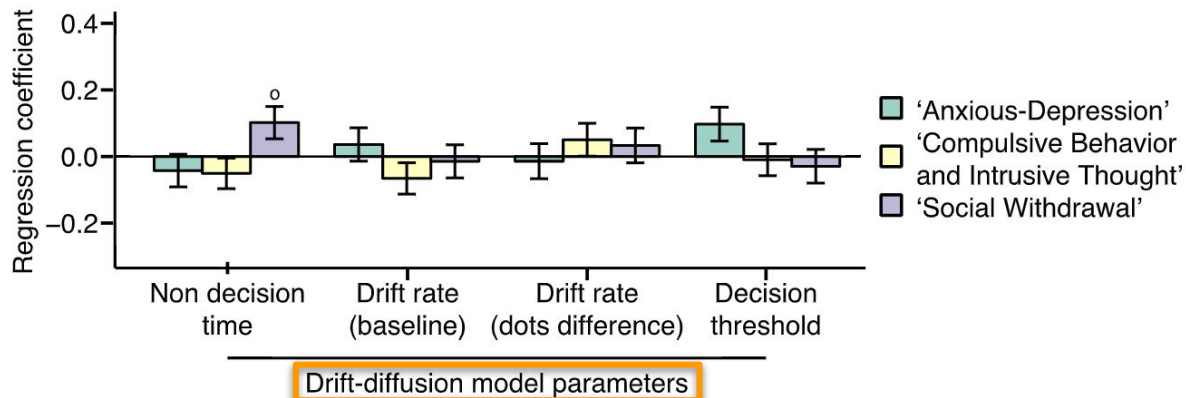


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Model comparison

Experiment 2

Variables list:

Accuracy

Non-decision time

Drift rate (baseline)

Drift rate (dots difference)

Decision threshold

Confidence level

Metacognitive efficiency

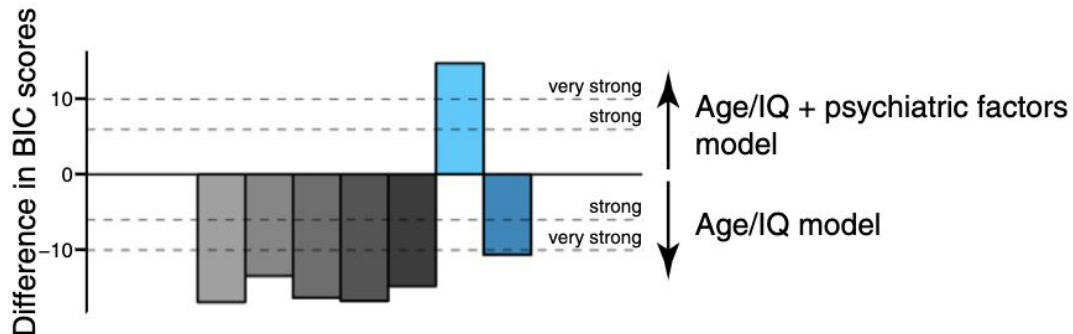






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Discussion

- Anxious–Depression (AD)
 -  confidence level &  higher metacognitive efficiency
- Compulsive–Behavior and Intrusive Thought (CIT)
 -  confidence level &  metacognitive efficiency
- Systematic trait–level differences in metacognitive computation among individuals, reflecting a component of transdiagnostic psychopathology
- Complicated relationship between metacognition and decision performance
- Limitations: web–based experiment

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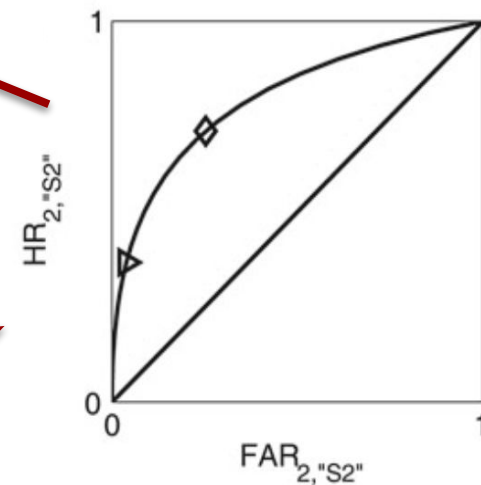
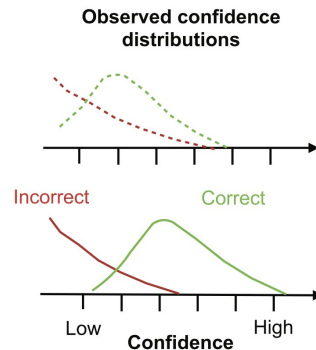
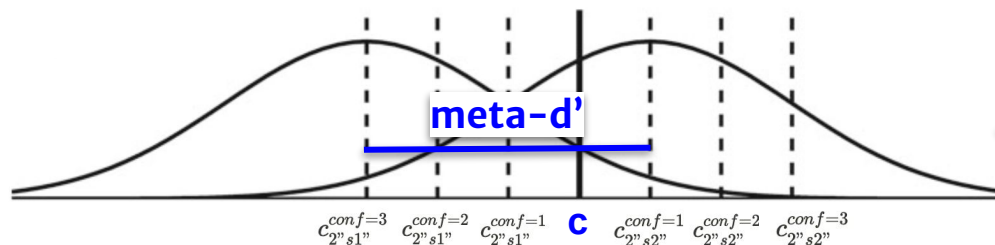
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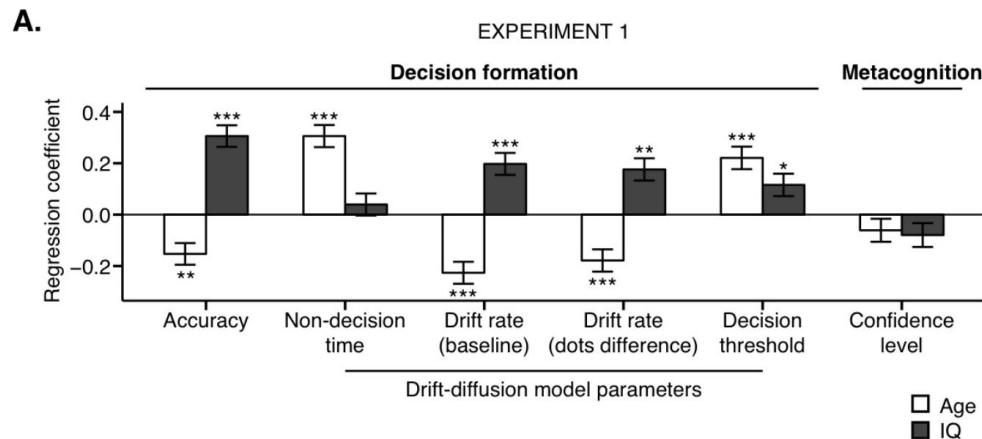
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Age/IQ – Decision formation & Metacognition

Experiment 1



Experiment 2

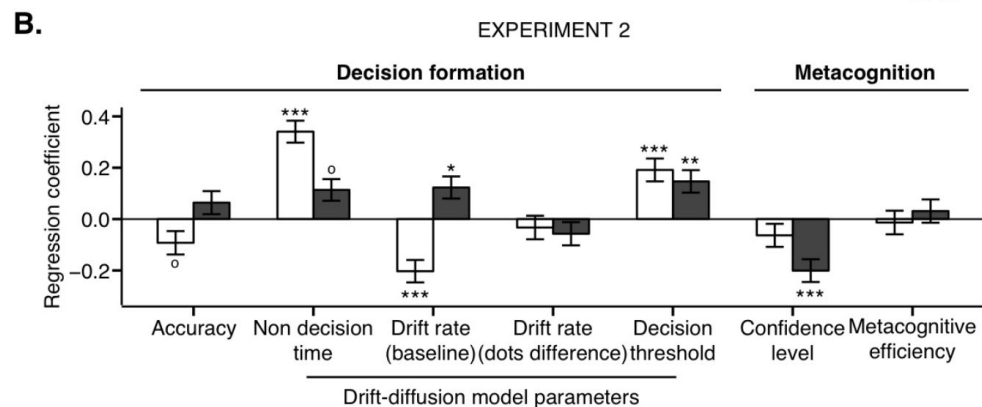


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Experiment 2

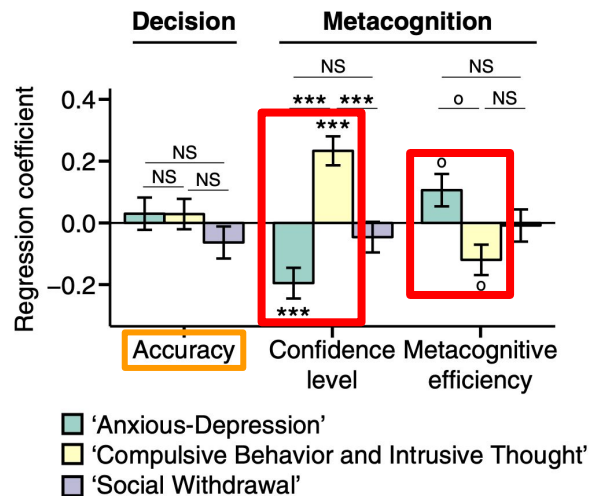


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Not a trivial anticorrelation between AD and CIT scores.

