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Online experiments

Leuphana workshop Day 2

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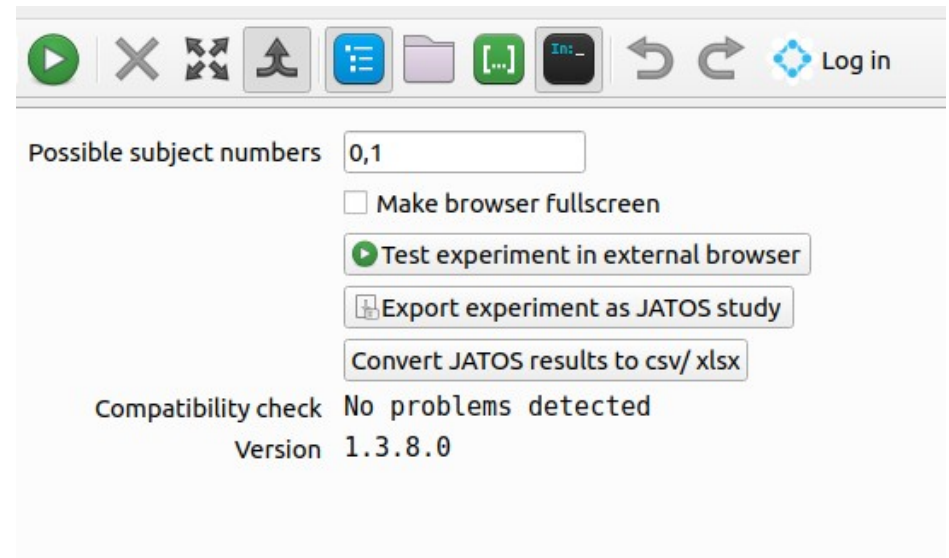
Today (day 2)



- Before the break
 - A general introduction to online experiments
 - Working on a time-reproduction task
- After the break
 - Managing your online experiment on MindProbe.eu (a JATOS server)
 - Continue working on your own experiment

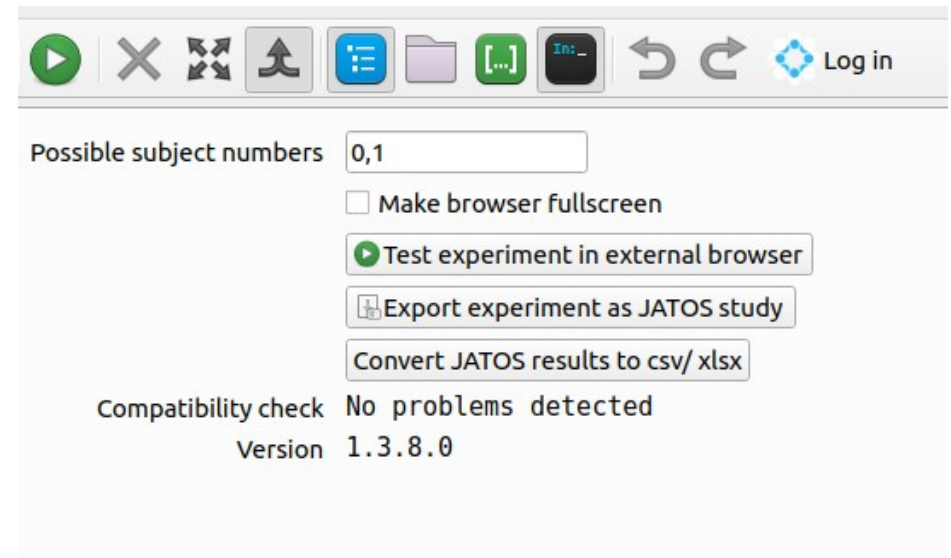


- A JavaScript implementation of the OpenSesame runtime
- You can directly run your experiment in a browser
 - For testing purposes only!






- Supports a subset of functionality
- Built-in compatibility check
 - Useful but incomplete!
- A list of supported functionality on the documentation site [1]





JavaScript



- JavaScript is the language of the web
- Inline JavaScript is supported
- But more limited than inline Python script

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Executes JavaScript code (ECMA 5.1)


 Prepare  Run

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1 console.log(vars.response)
2 if (vars.response in [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
3     vars.sona_id += vars.response.toString()
4 } else if (vars.response === 'backspace') {
5     vars.sona_id = vars.sona_id .toString()
6 }
7 |
```

JavaScript



- The **vars** object provides access to experimental variables
- The **Canvas** object provides a stimulus displays
- The workspace is not shared between scripts
 - You have to attach objects to the **persistent** object
- Extensively documented! [1]

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[1] <https://osdoc.cogsci.nl/3.3/manual/javascript/about/>

Hands-on workshop



- We'll implement an interval-reproduction task
- I'll suggest some pointers
- But of course the details are up to you!



Hands-on workshop



Independent variable: target duration

Dependent variable: response time

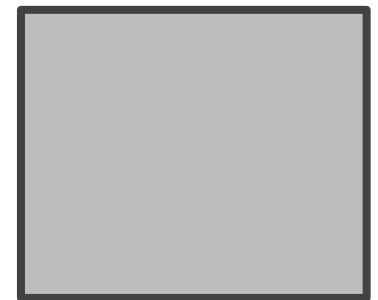
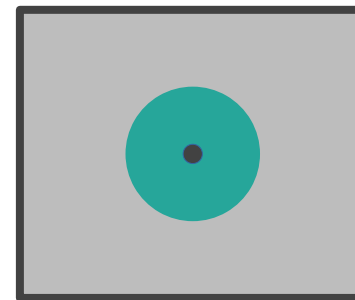
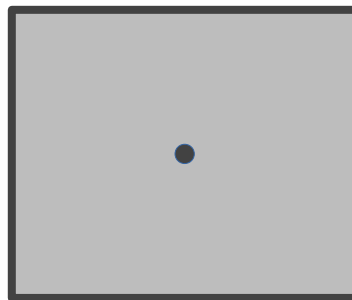
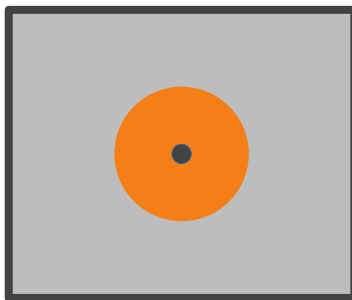
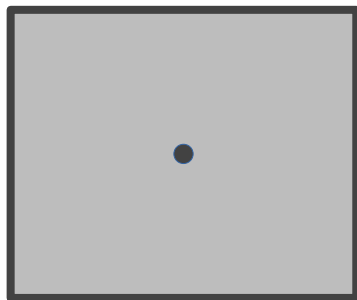
Fixation dot
500 – 1000 ms

Target
750 / 1000 / 1250 ms

Fixation dot
1500 – 2000 ms

Reproduction
Until response

Blank
500 ms



Hands-on workshop



- Start from the Advanced Template
- Specify durations in the *block_loop*
- Inside the *trial_sequence*
 - **sketchpad** → displays
 - **keyboard_response** → the response
 - **advanced_delay** → random durations
 - **logger** → don't forget!





Let's get to work!

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