A Template for Academic Presentations

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Introduction 1

- Temporal discounting is key concept in economics.
- Normative model: exponential discounting, but observed decisions are hard to explain (e.g., Dohmen et al., 2012).
- The composition of latex and of typical rubbers is given below.
- The trees are regularly tapped and the coagulated latex which exudes is collected and worked up into rubber (Kőszegi and Szeidl, 2013).
- There is no feasible method at present known of preventing the inclusion of the resin of the latex with the rubber during coagulation.
- Although the separation of the resin from the solid caoutchouc by means
 of solvents is possible, it is not practicable or profitable commercially.

Study Design

Study Design 1: Design of the Study

- The latex of the best rubber plants furnishes from 20% to 50% of rubber.
- As the removal of the impurities of the latex is one of the essential points to be aimed at, it was thought that the use of a centrifugal machine to separate the caoutchouc as a cream from the watery part of the latex would prove to be a satisfactory process.

Study Design 2: Design of the Study

The watery portion of the latex soaks into the trunk, and the soft spongy rubber which remains is kneaded and pressed into lumps or balls:

 $BAL_{1:1}^{I}$, $BAL_{1:1}^{II}$: Each payment transferred on single day.

UNBAL¹_{1:n}: Earlier payoff concentrated, while later payoff dispersed over n = 2, 4, or 8 dates.

UNBAL $_{n:1}^{II}$: Earlier payoff dispersed over n=2,4, or 8 dates, while later payoff concentrated.

Study Design 3: Control Experiment

- Control for alternative explanations.
- Many of the example sentences were taken from http://sentence. yourdictionary.com/latex.

Study Design 4: An Example List

- 1. First item in a list
 - a. First item in a list
 - i. First item in a list
 - ii. Second item in a list
 - iii. Third item in a list
 - iv. Fourth item in a list
 - b. Second item in a list
 - c. Third item in a list
 - **d.** Fourth item in a list
- 2. Second item in a list
- 3. Third item in a list
- 4. Fourth item in a list

Study Design 5: Some Example Text

Hello, here is some text without a meaning. This text should show what a printed text will look like at this place. $\sin^2(\alpha) + \cos^2(\beta) = 1$. If you read this text, you will get no information $E = mc^2$. Really? Is there no information? Is there a difference between this text and some nonsense like "Huardest gefburn"? Kiift – not at all! A blind text like this gives you information about the selected font, how the letters are written and an impression of the look, $\sqrt[q]{a} \cdot \sqrt[q]{b} = \sqrt[q]{ab}$. This text should contain all letters of the alphabet and it should be written in of the original language. $\frac{\sqrt[q]{a}}{\sqrt[p]{a}} = \sqrt[q]{\frac{a}{b}}$. There is no need for special content, but the length of words

should match the language. $a\sqrt[n]{b} = \sqrt[n]{a^n b}$.

Study Design 6: Some Example Formulas

$$p(R,\phi) \sim \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\tilde{W}_n(\gamma) \exp\left[iR/a\left(\sqrt{k^2a^2 - \gamma^2}\cos\phi\right)\right]}{(k^2a^2 - \gamma^2)^{3/4}H'_n^{(1)}\left(\sqrt{k^2a^2 - \gamma^2}\right)} d\gamma$$
$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

Study Design 7: Additional Example Formulas

The ISO recommends that only variables be set in italic—hence the upright shapes for "d," "e," and " π " (entered as \mathup{d}, \mathup{e}, and \mathup{\pi}, respectively).

Theorem (Simplest form of the Central Limit Theorem)

Let X_1, X_2, \cdots be a sequence of i.i.d. random variables with mean 0 and variance 1 on a probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. Then

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{\sqrt{n}} \le y\right) \to \mathfrak{N}(y) := \int_{-\infty}^{y} \frac{e^{-v^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dv \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty,$$

or, equivalently, letting $S_n := \sum_1^n X_k$,

$$\mathbb{E} f\left(S_n/\sqrt{n}\right) \to \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-v^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \, \mathrm{d}v \quad \text{as } n \to \infty, \text{ for every } f \in \mathrm{b}\mathscr{C}(\mathbb{R}).$$

Results

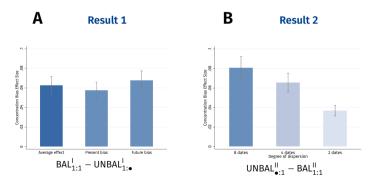
Results 1: Overview

- As a secondary function we may recognize the power of closing wounds, which results from the rapid coagulation of exuded latex in contact with the air:
 - a. In some cases (Allium, Convolvulaceae, etc.) rows of cells with latexlike contents occur.
 - **b.** However, the walls separating the individual cells do not break down.
- 2. The rows of cells from which the laticiferous vessels are formed can be distinguished (6.3 p.p. vs. 2.6 p.p.; p < 0.01).

Results 2: Our Main Results

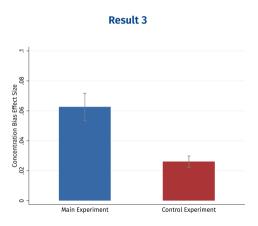
The charts are taken from Dertwinkel-Kalt et al. (2017).

- (A) Difference between treatment and control condition.
- (B) Heterogeneity.



Results 3: Main vs. Control Experiment

Rule out some alternative explanation.



Discussion

Conclusion

- The latex exhibits a neutral, acid, or alkaline reaction, depending on the plant from which it was obtained.
- The latex is therefore usually allowed to coagulate on the tree (Kőszegi and Szeidl, 2013).
- See also Bordalo, Gennaioli, and Shleifer (2013).
- The latex, which is usually coagulated by standing or by heating, is obtained from incisions.

Discussion

- When exposed to air, the latex gradually undergoes putrefactive changes accompanied by coagulation.
- The addition of a small quantity of ammonia or of formalin to some latices has the effect of preserving them.
- There is, however, reason to believe the following.
- The coagulation of latex into rubber is not mainly of this character.

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Figure: Step 12-Angle: 360.0°

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Appendix

Modeling Concentration Bias

Subjects consider a sequences of consequences c from choice set c.

 Standard discounted utility: Suppose that the instantaneous utility function u satisfies u' > 0 and u'' ≤ 0, and that earlier consequences are preferred over later consequences of the same magnitude, i.e., D(t) ≤ 1:

$$U(c) := \sum_{t=1}^{T} D(t) u(c_t)$$
, where, e.g., $D(t) = \delta^t$ or $D(t) = \frac{1}{1+ht}$.

Focusing model (Kőszegi and Szeidl, 2013):

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\textit{U}}(\textit{c},\textit{C}) &:= \sum_{t=1}^{T} g_t \, \textit{D}(t) \, \textit{u}(\textit{c}_t), \quad \text{where} \\ g_t &\equiv g[\max_{c' \in \textit{C}} \textit{u}(\textit{c}_t') - \min_{c' \in \textit{C}} \textit{u}(\textit{c}_t')] \end{split}$$

- Weighting function g[·] increases in difference of maximum and minimum possible utility at a point in time.
- Subjects overweight intertemporal consequences with a greater range.