Executive Functioning and Syntactic Priming Ambiguity Resolution: No Evidence for Conflict Adaptation Effects

Table 1: Examples of the conditions:

RR prime, RR target condition			
Stroop	Congruent Stroop: GREEN <i>OR</i> Incongruent Stroop: ORANGE (<i>instructions: What is ink color?</i>):		
RR Prime	The students helped by the counselor were grateful for the aid.		
RR Target	The surgeons helped by the resident were exhausted by the operation.		
RR prime, MC target condition			
Stroop	Congruent Stroop: GREEN <i>OR</i> Incongruent Stroop: ORANGE (<i>instructions: What is ink color?</i>):		
RR Prime	The students helped by the counselor were grateful for the aid.		
MC	The surgeons helped the resident revive the dying man on the cot.		
Target			

Bolded words indicate critical disambiguating region of prime and target sentences; | delineates points during self-paced reading paradigm at which subjects pressed button to reveal next word and mask current word. Stroop conditions exemplified are those used in Experiment 2.

Table 2: Experiment 1 Stroop conditions (Instructions: *Is ink color of the word on right indicated by the word on left?*)

	Answer: "Yes"	Answer "No"
Congruent Stroop	BLUE BLUE	BLUE RED
Incongruent Stroop	BLUE RED	BLUE BLUE

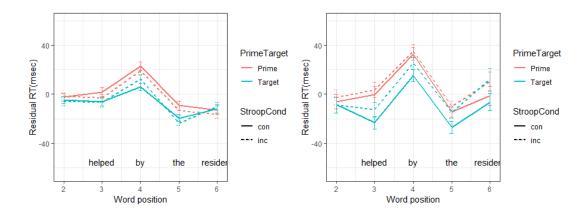


Figure 1: Results for RR-RR priming conditions in Experiment 1 (left panel) and 2 (right panel). Residual reading times (Residual RT) are graphed against Word Position. Data divided across Prime (red) vs Target (blue) sentence and Stroop Condition (solid line: congruent, dotted line: incongruent). Stroop congruency does not affect prime sentences; the priming effect at position 4 is smaller when the prime is preceded by an incongruent Stroop trial (Experiment 1: b=10.5, SE=6.2, t=1.7; Experiment 2: b=7.9, SE=10.1, t=0.8).