

Lab 5

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Lab 5 Data-analysis tips

To give you an idea about the analyses you will be performing, we will again create simulated data to mimic aspects of the experiment, and then go through the steps of performing the analysis.

We will simulate data for the switching cost. Specifically, we will imagine that women have a smaller switching cost than men. The code below generates sample data for 10 women and 10 men, who each have mean reactions in the repeat and switch conditions. For women, the mean reaction times were 580 ms for repeat and 600 ms for switch sequences, for a total expected switch cost of 20 ms. For men, the mean reaction times were 580 ms for repeat and 650 ms for switch sequences, for a total expected switch cost of 70 ms.

Simulating the data

```
women_switch <- round(rnorm(10, 600, 20))
women_repeat <- round(rnorm(10, 580, 20))
men_switch <- round(rnorm(10, 650, 20))
men_repeat <- round(rnorm(10, 580, 20))
all_data <- data.frame(Subject=c(rep(seq(1, 10, 1), 2),
                                rep(seq(11, 20, 1), 2)),
                      Gender=rep(c("Female", "Male"), each=20),
                      Sequence=rep(rep(c("switch", "repeat"), each=10), 2),
                      RT=c(women_switch, women_repeat,
                           men_switch, men_repeat))

kable(all_data, format="latex")
```

Subject	Gender	Sequence	RT
1	Female	switch	572
2	Female	switch	621
3	Female	switch	569
4	Female	switch	609
5	Female	switch	574
6	Female	switch	598
7	Female	switch	590
8	Female	switch	623
9	Female	switch	586
10	Female	switch	590
1	Female	repeat	556
2	Female	repeat	566
3	Female	repeat	588
4	Female	repeat	611
5	Female	repeat	575
6	Female	repeat	582
7	Female	repeat	576
8	Female	repeat	578
9	Female	repeat	558
10	Female	repeat	581
11	Male	switch	660
12	Male	switch	657
13	Male	switch	622
14	Male	switch	651
15	Male	switch	664
16	Male	switch	623
17	Male	switch	642
18	Male	switch	676
19	Male	switch	659
20	Male	switch	618
11	Male	repeat	585
12	Male	repeat	571
13	Male	repeat	575
14	Male	repeat	594
15	Male	repeat	572
16	Male	repeat	605
17	Male	repeat	556
18	Male	repeat	650
19	Male	repeat	594
20	Male	repeat	606

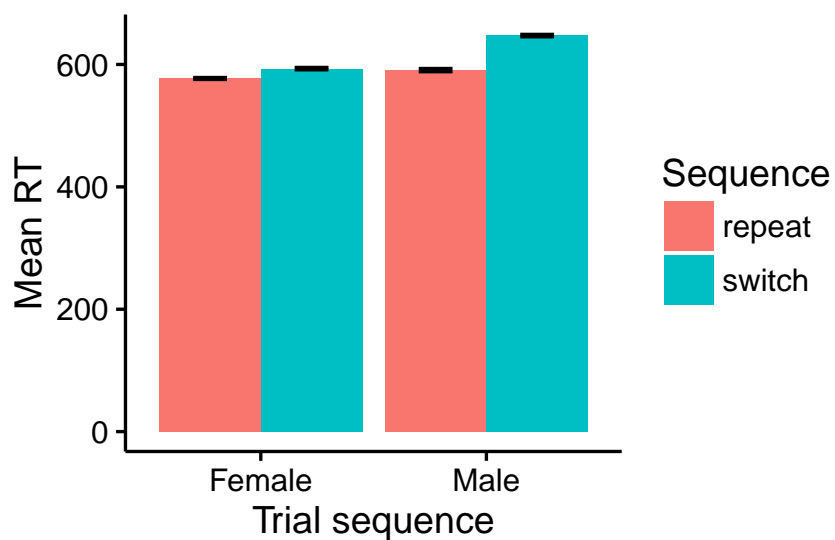
plotting the data

We can plot the data at least two ways. See the bar and line graphs below. Note that the x-axis changes between graphs.

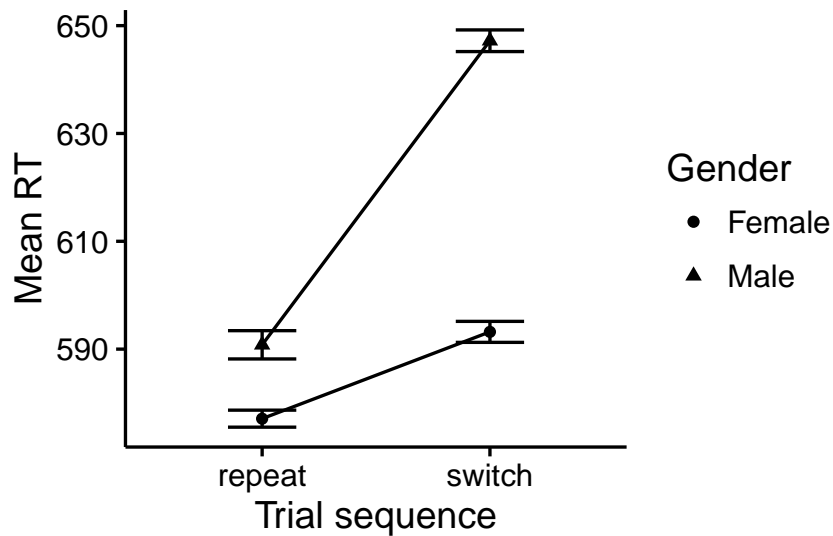
```
library(ggplot2)
library(plyr)
sde<-function(x){sd(x)/length(x)}
plot_means<-ddply(all_data,. (Gender,Sequence),summarise,
                  MeanRT=mean(RT),
                  SE=sde(RT))

limits <- aes(ymax = MeanRT + SE, ymin = MeanRT - SE)

ggplot(plot_means,aes(x=Gender, y=MeanRT, group=Sequence,fill=Sequence))+
  geom_bar(position="dodge",stat="identity")+
  geom_errorbar(limits, width=.3,position=position_dodge(.9))+
  theme_classic(base_size=12)+
  ylab("Mean RT")+
  xlab("Trial sequence")
```



```
ggplot(plot_means,aes(x=Sequence, y=MeanRT, group=Gender,shape=Gender))+
  geom_line()+
  geom_point()+
  geom_errorbar(limits, width=.3)+
  theme_classic(base_size=12)+
  ylab("Mean RT")+
  xlab("Trial sequence")
```



The graphs show that the switch costs (difference between repeat and switch trials) is smaller for women and men. Which is good, because we are simulating the data with this outcome in mind.

Running the ANOVA

The next step is to conduct an ANOVA. This design has two factors or independent variables, gender and trial sequence. The gender variable is between-subjects, and the trial sequence variable is within subjects. So, we will run a 2 (Gender: Female vs. Male) x 2 (trial sequence: Repeat vs. Switch) mixed design ANOVA with Gender as the between-subjects factor, and trial sequence as the within-subjects factor.

```
library(broom)
all_data$Subject<-as.factor(all_data$Subject)
aov.out<-aov(RT~Gender*Sequence+Error(Subject/Sequence),all_data)
aov_summary<-summary(aov.out)
kable(xtable(aov_summary),format="latex")
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Gender	1	11458.225	11458.2250	22.10104	1.78e-04
Residuals	18	9332.050	518.4472	NA	NA
Sequence	1	13140.625	13140.6250	38.47507	7.50e-06
Gender:Sequence	1	4060.225	4060.2250	11.88813	2.87e-03
Residuals	18	6147.650	341.5361	NA	NA

```
mt<-model.tables(aov.out,"means")
mt
```

```
## Tables of means
```

```
## Grand mean
##
## 602.075
##
## Gender
## Gender
## Female    Male
## 585.1  619.0
##
## Sequence
## Sequence
## repeat switch
## 583.9  620.2
##
## Gender:Sequence
##      Sequence
## Gender  repeat switch
##   Female 577.1  593.2
##   Male   590.8  647.2
```

The above shows the ANOVA table and the means for the main effects and interaction. We also conduct t.test comparisons to look at the switch costs separately for men and women.

```
FemaleT<-t.test(RT~Sequence,all_data[all_data$Gender=="Female",],paired=TRUE,var.equal=TRUE)
MaleT<-t.test(RT~Sequence,all_data[all_data$Gender=="Male",],paired=TRUE,var.equal=TRUE)
FemaleT
```

```
##
## Paired t-test
##
## data:  RT by Sequence
## t = -2.3034, df = 9, p-value = 0.04674
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -31.9115634  -0.2884366
## sample estimates:
## mean of the differences
##                -16.1
```

```
MaleT
```

```
##
## Paired t-test
##
## data:  RT by Sequence
```

```
## t = -6.0205, df = 9, p-value =
## 0.0001975
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -77.59196 -35.20804
## sample estimates:
## mean of the differences
## -56.4
```

Writing up the results

The next step is to interpret the results and write them up. Here is an example write-up.

The mean reaction times for each subject in trial sequence condition were submitted to a 2 (Gender: Female vs. Male) \times 2 (trial sequence: Repeat vs. Switch) mixed design ANOVA with Gender as the between-subjects factor, and trial sequence as the within-subjects factor. Mean reaction times in each condition collapsed across subjects are displayed in Figure 1.

The main effect of gender was significant, $F(1, 18) = 22.1$, $MSE = 518.45$, $p < 0$. Women (585 ms) had faster mean reaction times than men (619 ms).

The main effect of trials sequence was significant, $F(1, 18) = 38.48$, $MSE = 341.54$, $p < 0$. Repeat trials (584) had faster mean reaction times than switch trials (620).

Most important was the significant two-way interaction between gender and trial sequence, $F(1, 18) = 11.89$, $MSE = 341.54$, $p < 0.003$. We interpreted the interaction further by conducting the following comparisons. Women showed a significant switch cost, $t(9) = -2.3$, $p = 0.047$, with faster mean reaction times for repeat (577) than switch (593) trials. Men also showed a significant switch cost, $t(9) = -6.02$, $p = 0$, with faster mean reaction times for repeat (591) than switch trials (647). The presence of an interaction indicates that the size of the switch cost for women was significantly smaller than the size of the switch cost for men.