

# Durational measurements on the Dutch prefix *ge-*

Using old data from Harald Baayen’s `languageR` package

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It is said that your life flashes before your eyes just before you die.  
That is true, it’s called Life.”

– Terry Pratchett, *The Last Continent*

**Abstract:** This paper is about Dutch prefixes. It uses an example data set from Pluymaekers et al. (2005), cited by Baayen (2008, pp. 126, 338).

## 1 Introduction

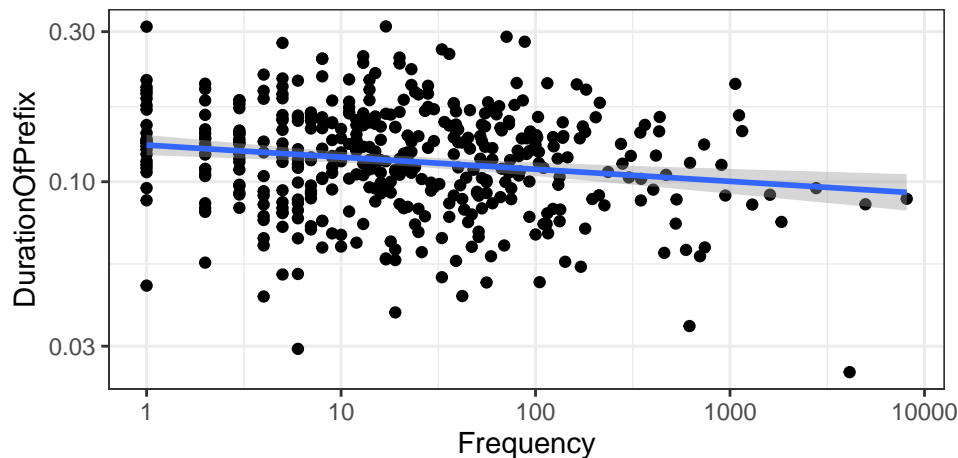


Figure 1: A very interesting graphical description of the data.

We tried to figure out if the frequency of a word has an influence on the duration of Dutch prefixes. Intuitively one could assume that with the duration drops with frequency. For this we recruited **132** Dutch native speakers. They produced **428** different words. Figure 1 gives an overview of the data. We clearly see a downward trajectory.

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Table 1: Scientists of the 20th century.

Scintist	Nobel prices	Birthyear	Death
Emmy Noether	0	1882	1935
Rosalind Franklin	0	1920	1958
Vera Rubin	0	1928	2016

Table 1 lists three women who helped to shape the world as it is.

## 2 Methods and Materials

We applied **methods** to **materials**.

It can quite generally be said that

$$a + b = b + a$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are some real numbers and  $a + b$  is the sum of  $a$  and  $b$ .

There are

1. things that are not dashes
2. things that are dashes
  - short dashes: -
    - a. they are basically not dashes at all, but minus signs.
    - b. This fact is rarely relevant.
  - longer dashes: –
  - really long dashes: —

### 2.1 Methods

They where great

Here are the **materials**.

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### 2.2 Materials

Subjects were told what to do.

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- Take care of the cross reference to it.

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## References

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