

Advances in Intervention Studies (and other things)

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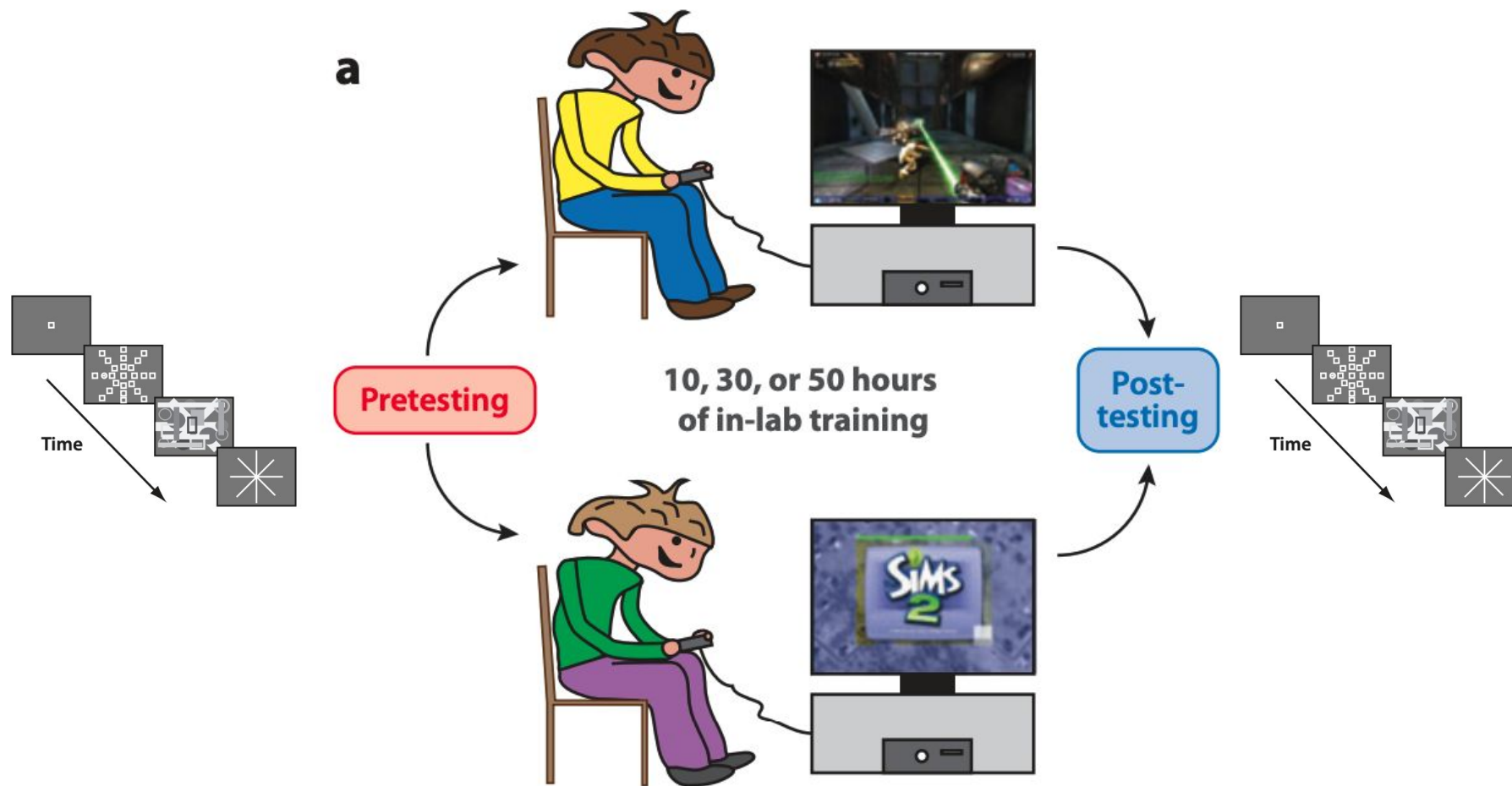
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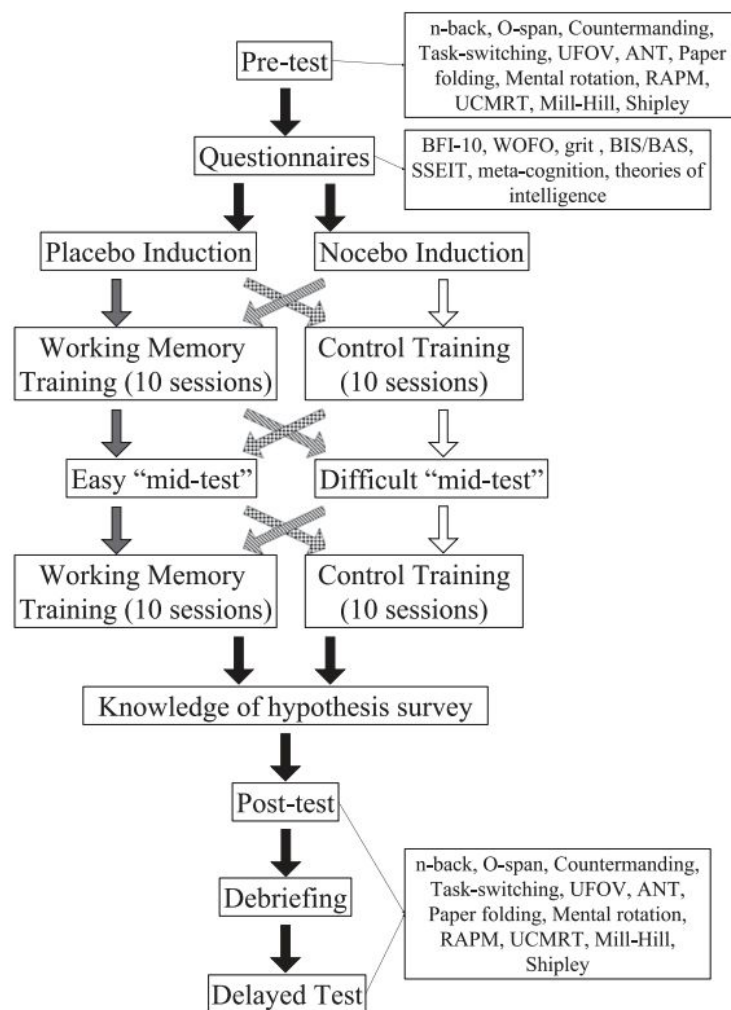
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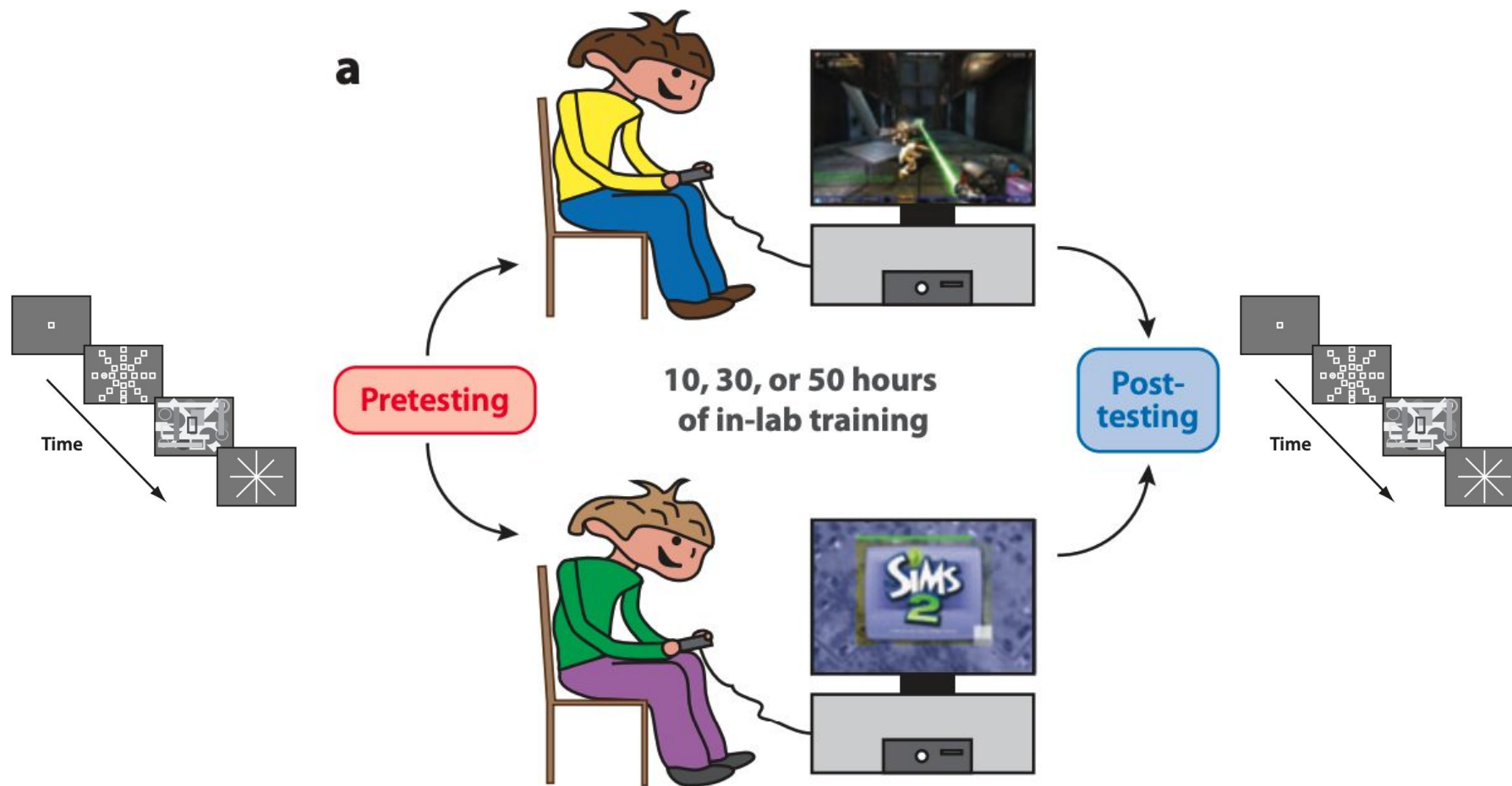
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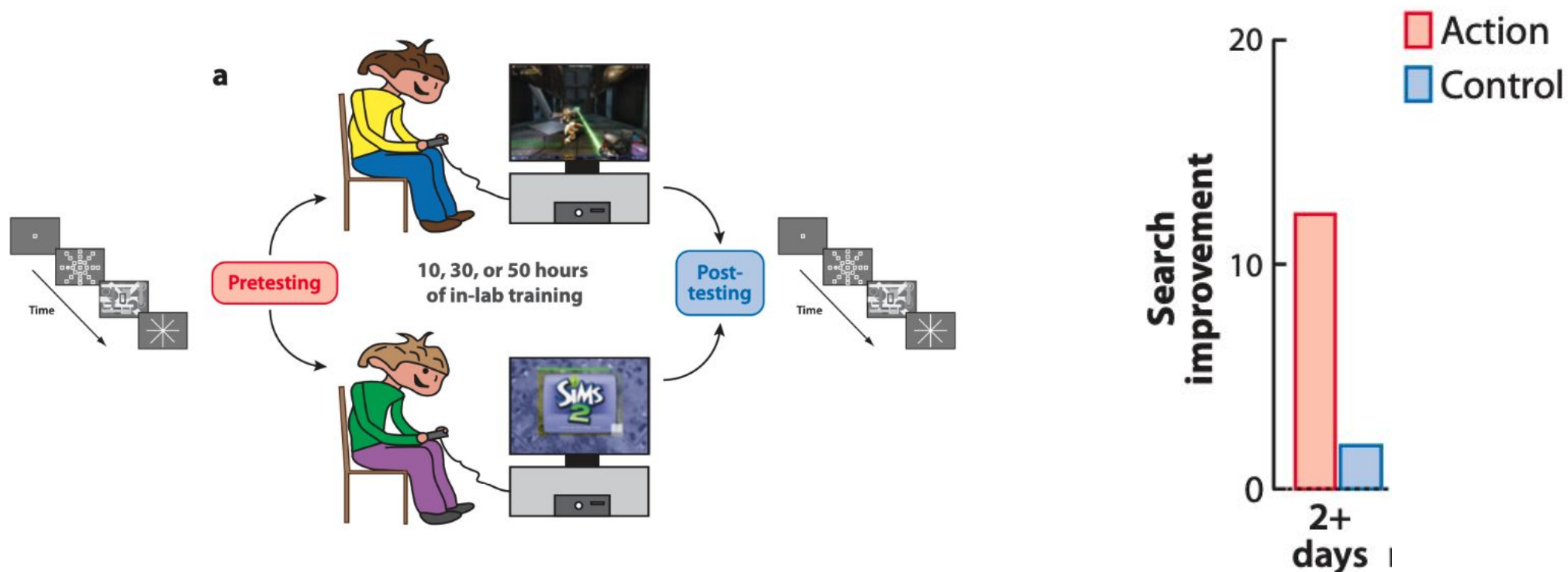
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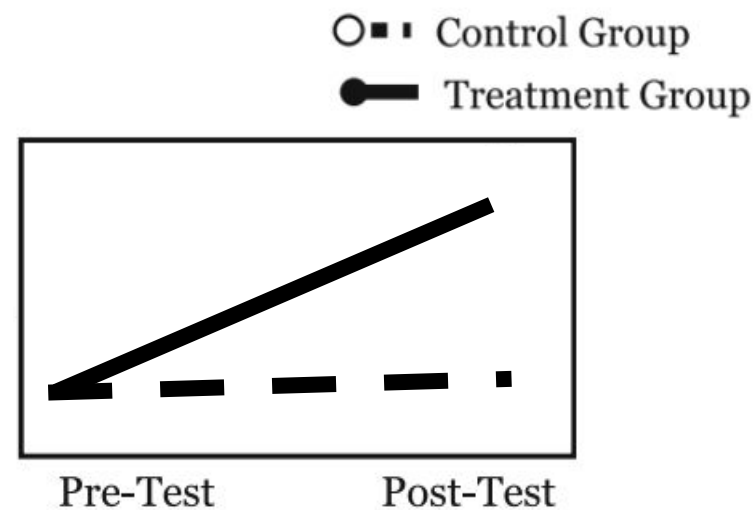
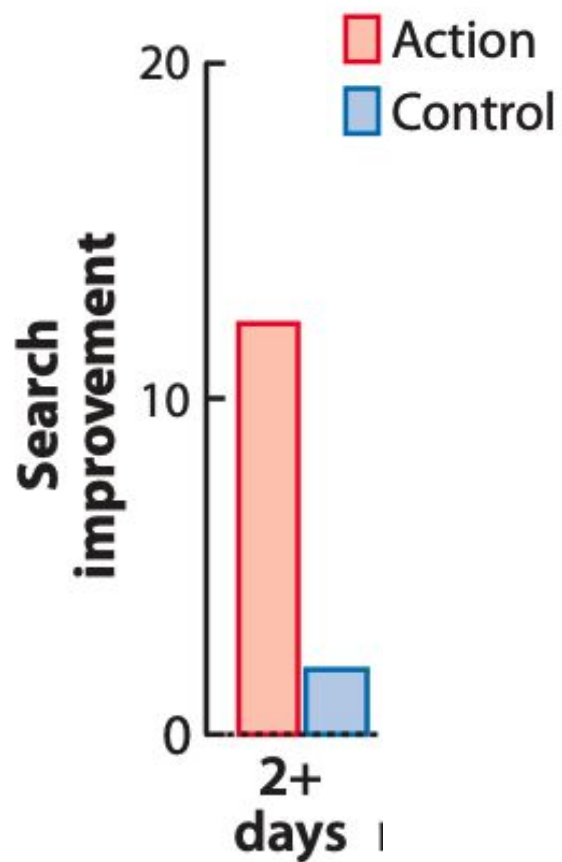
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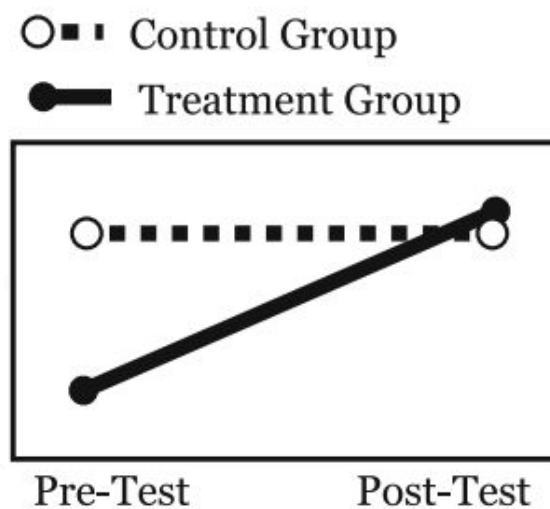
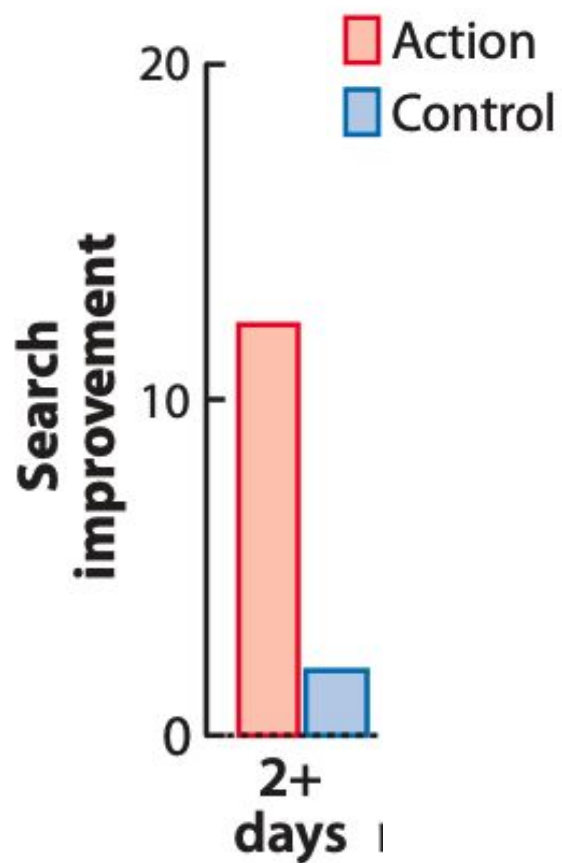
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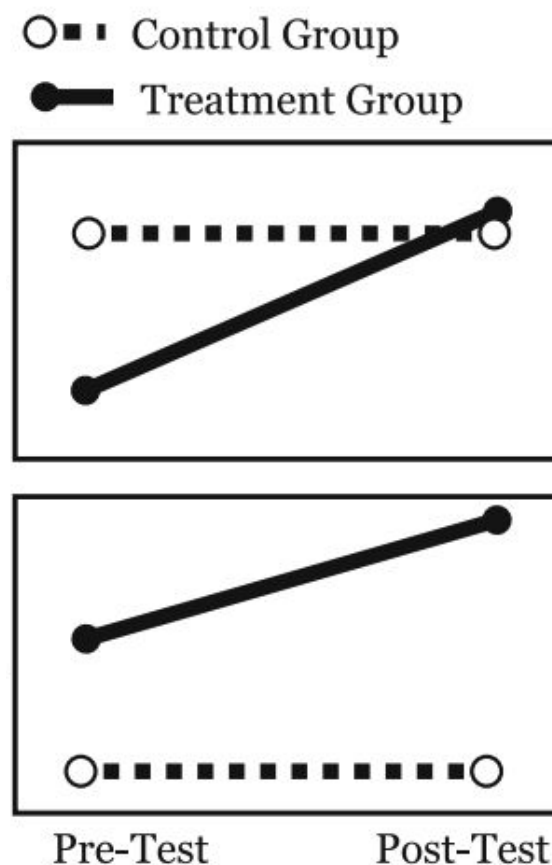
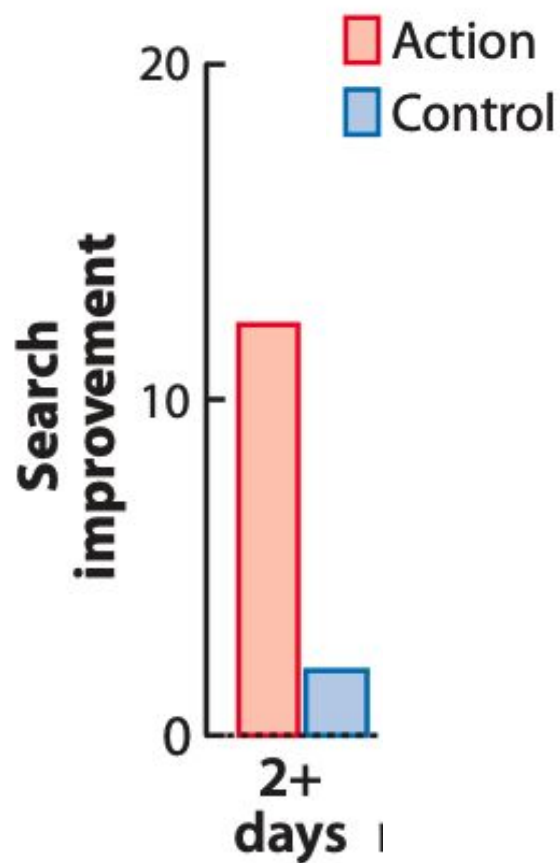
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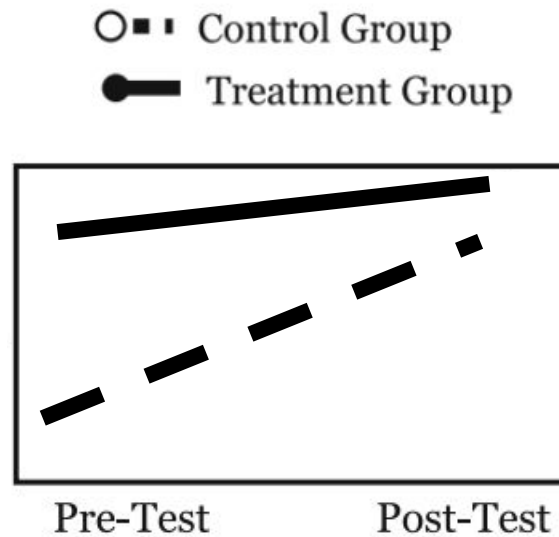
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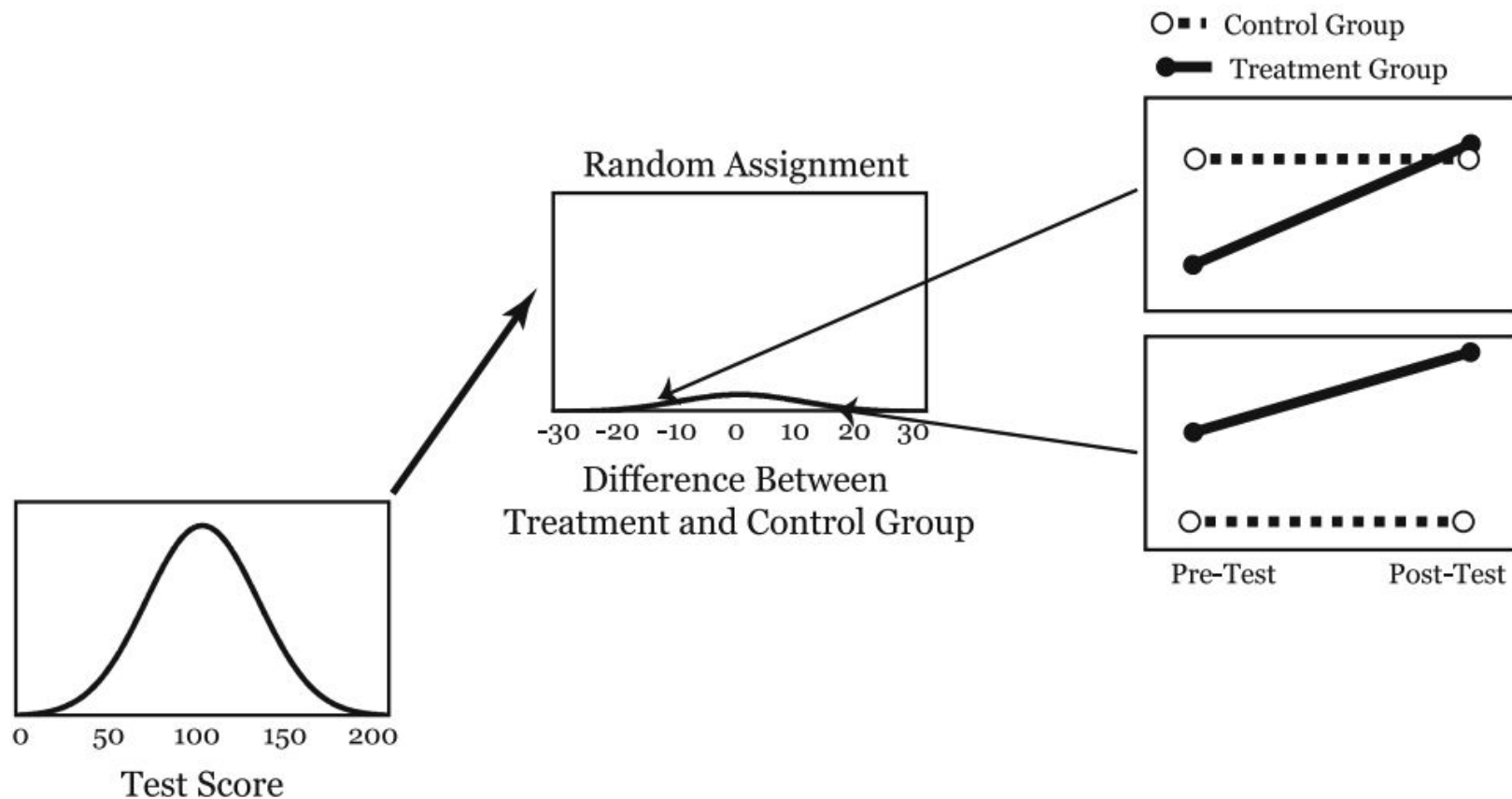
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Core Problem:

Random Assignment Can (Often Does) Result in Group Differences at Pre-Test...

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(e.g. performance on a task at pre-test, or on a questionnaire)

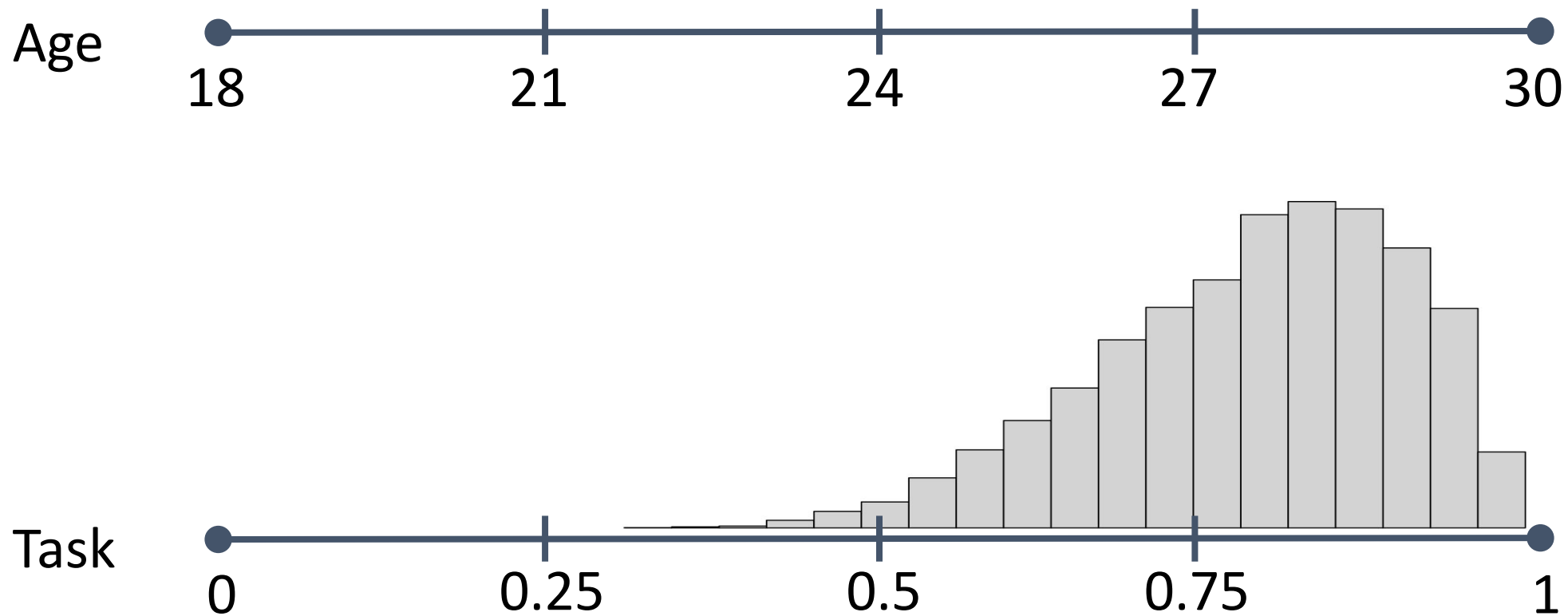
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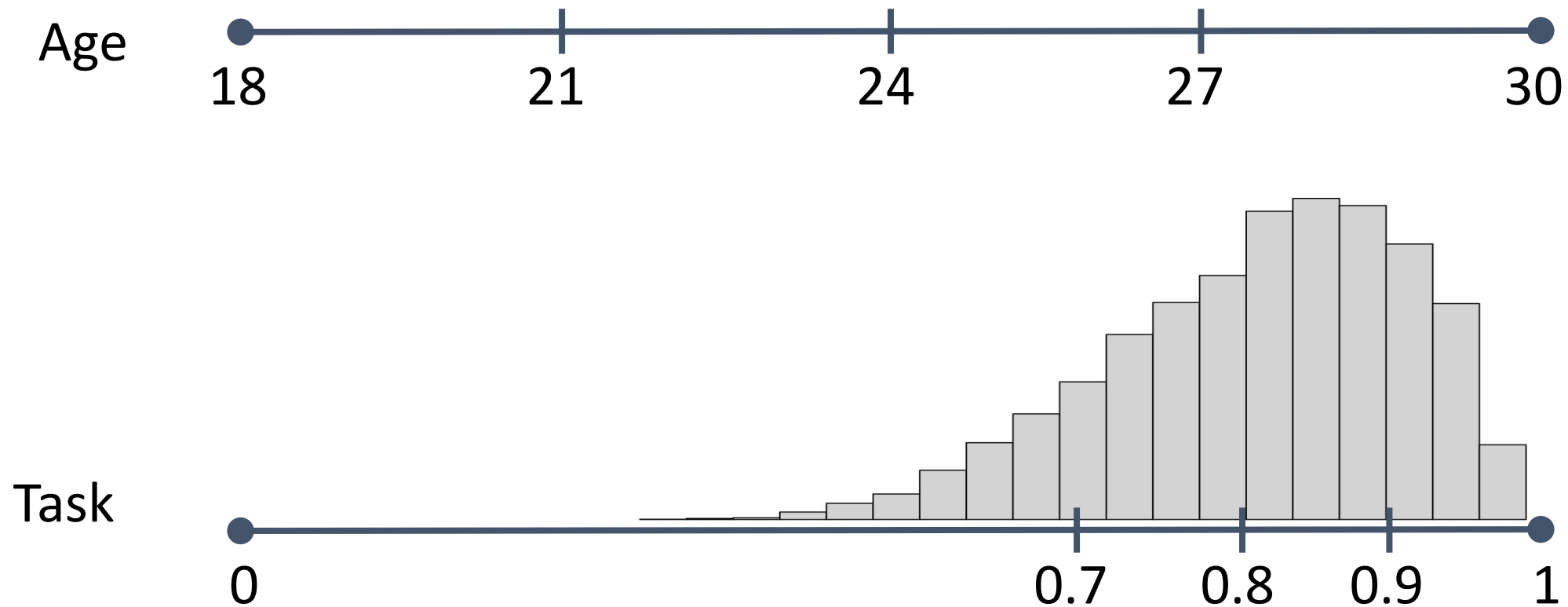
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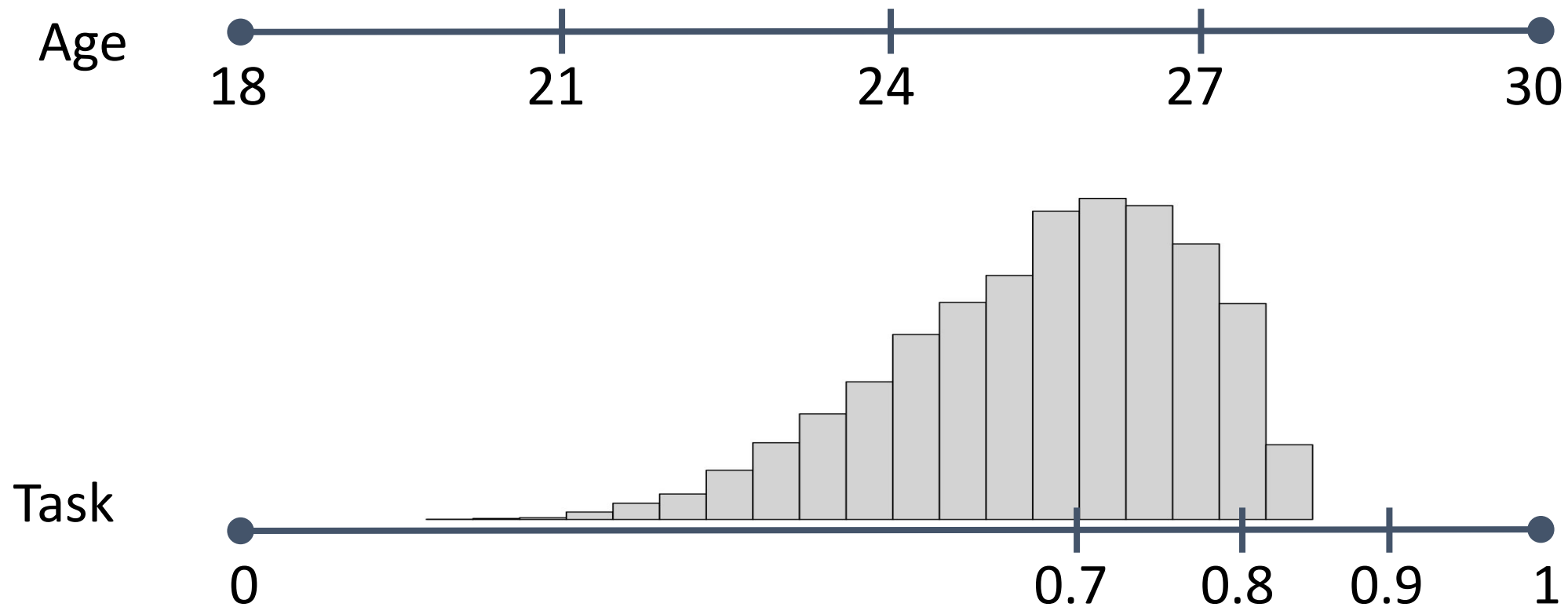
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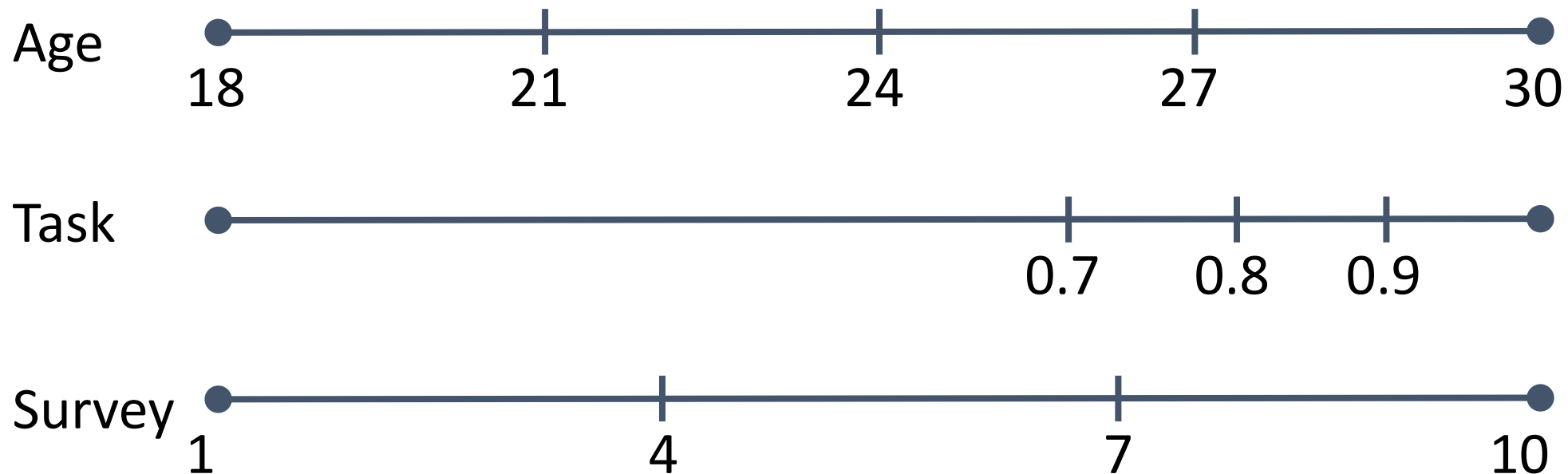
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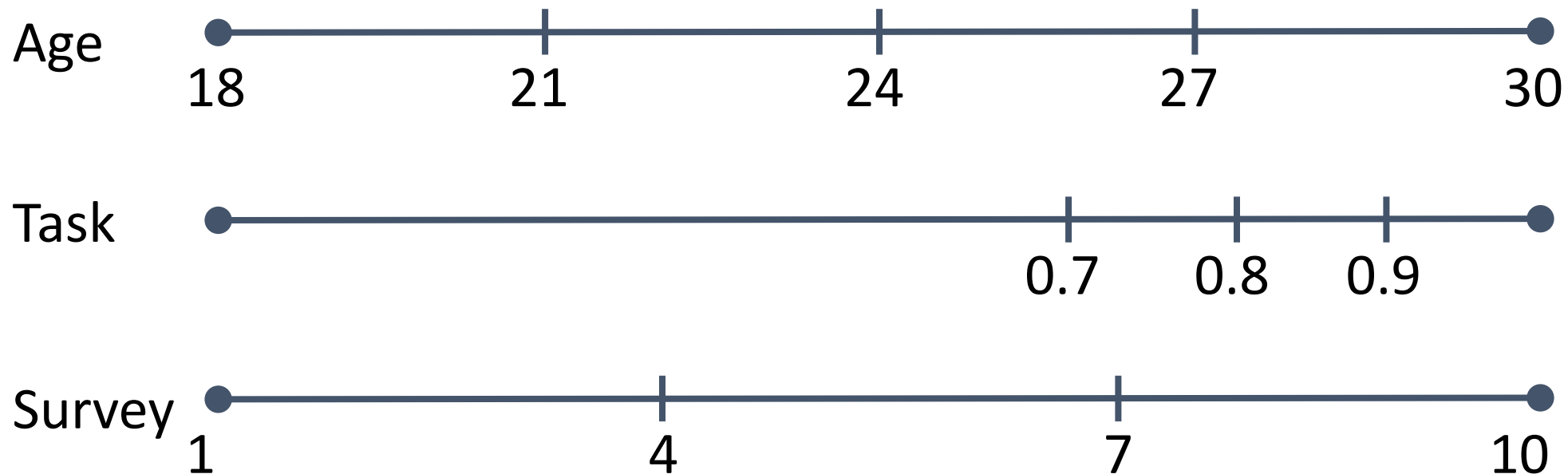
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-> $4 \times 4 \times 3 = 48$ cells

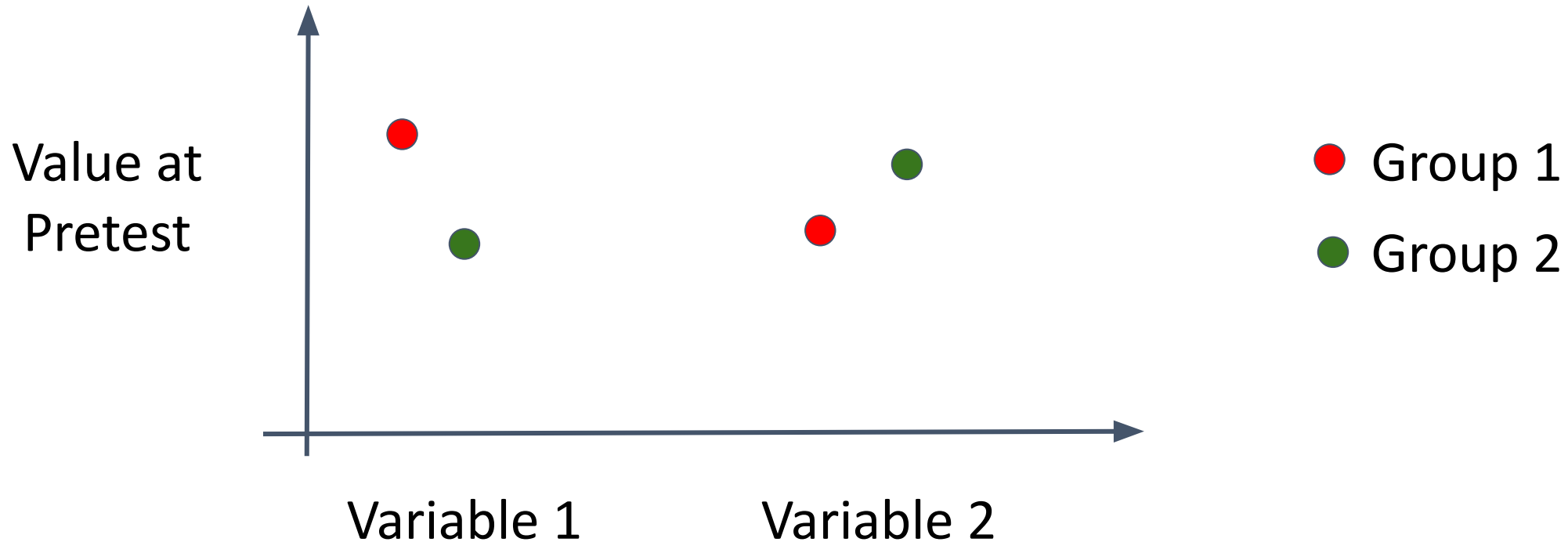
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Able to randomize on the fly



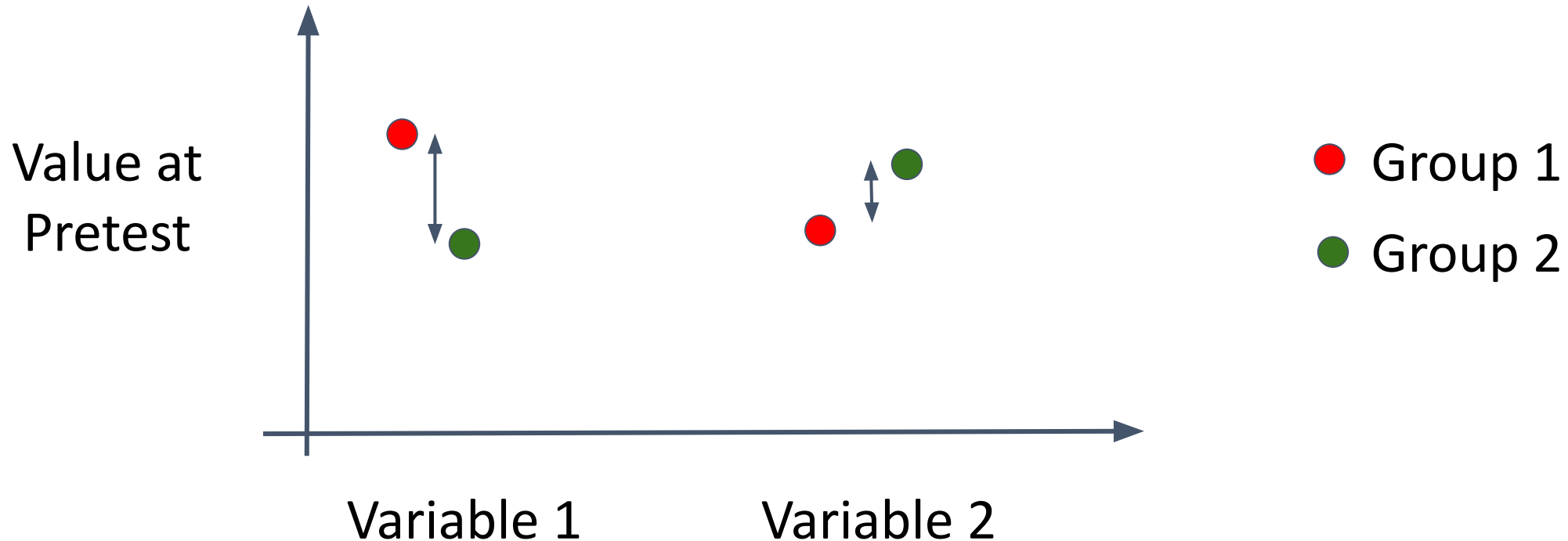
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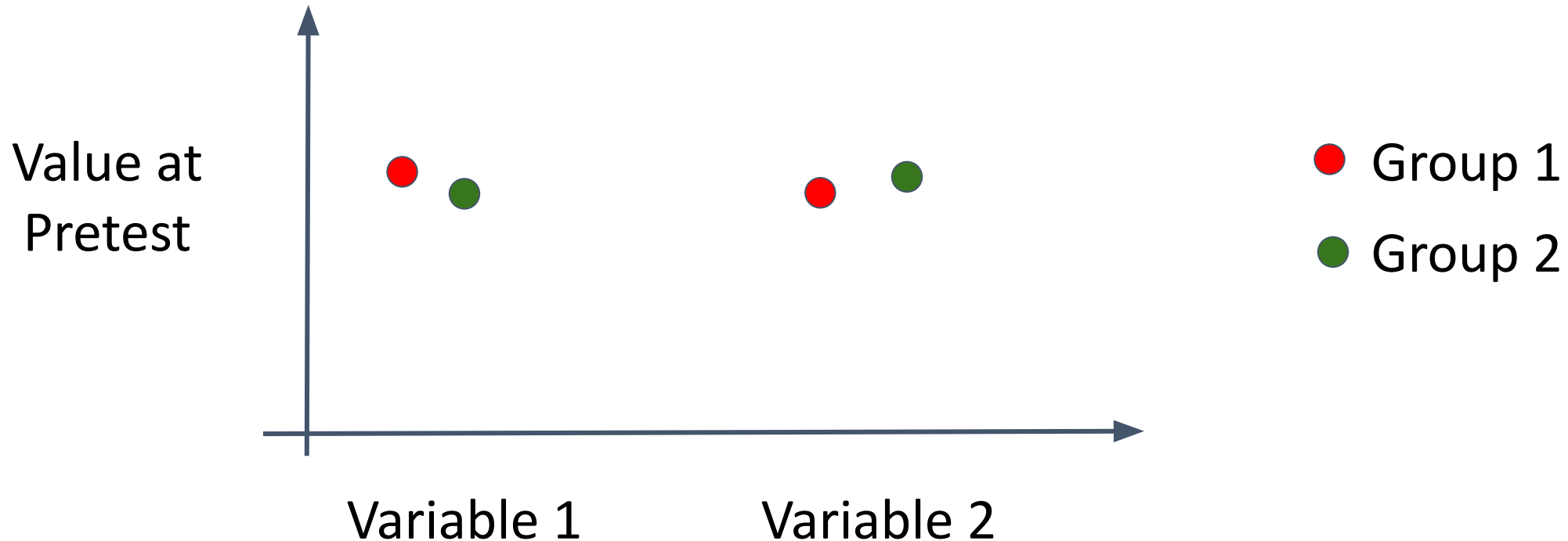
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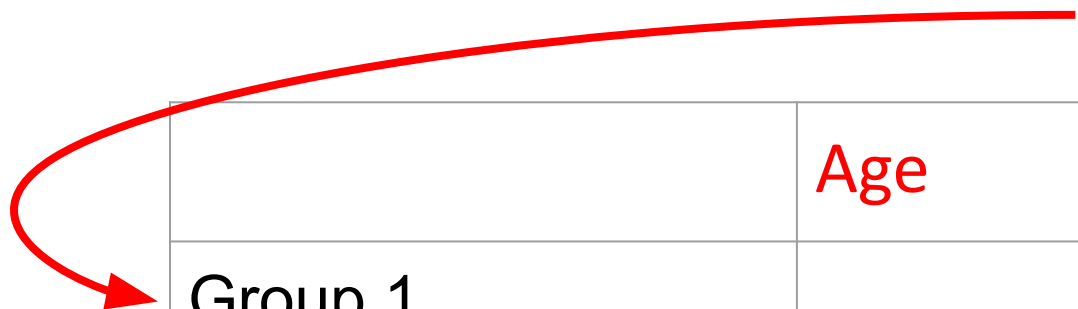
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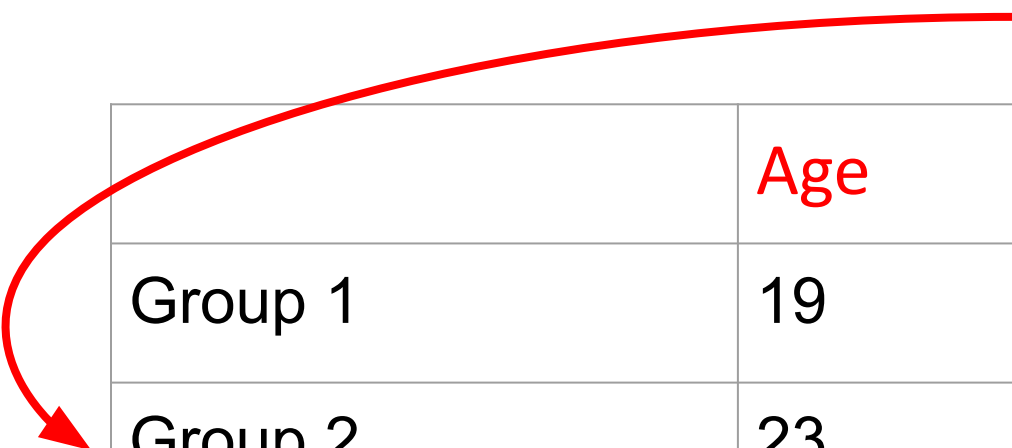


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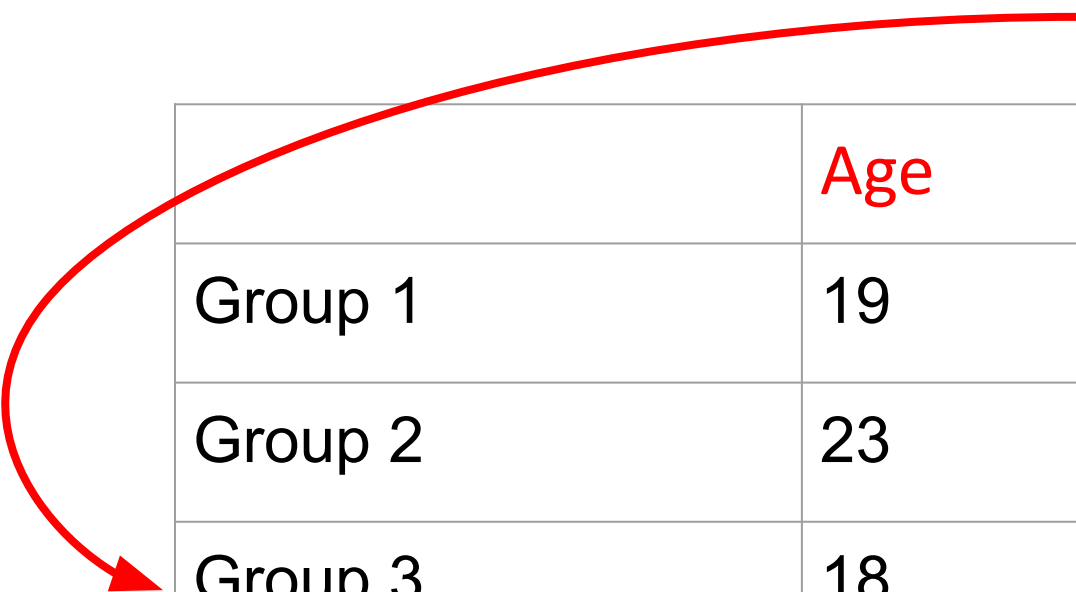


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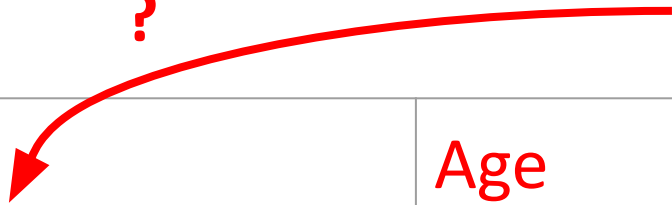
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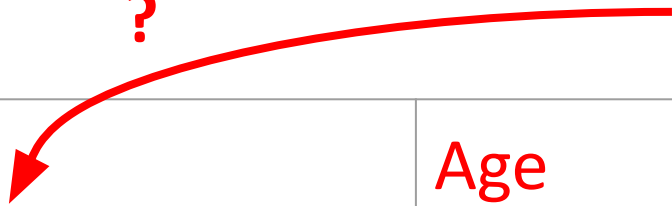
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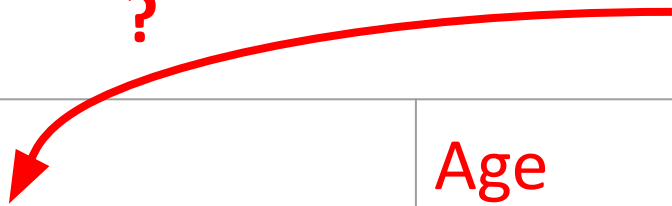
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Sum of Squares	0.95	0.77

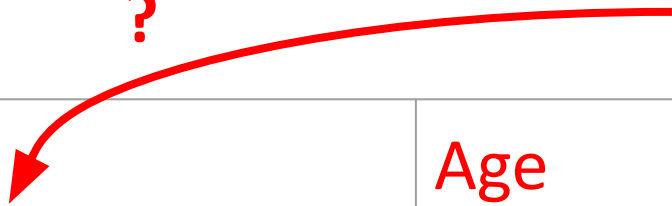
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Sum of Squares	0.32	0.32

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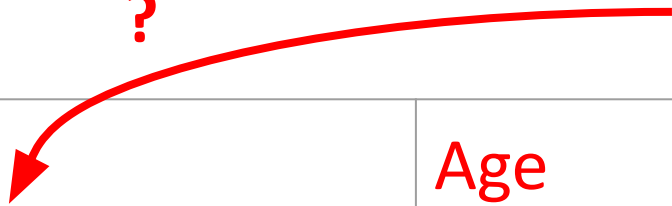
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Sum of Squares	0.82	0.94

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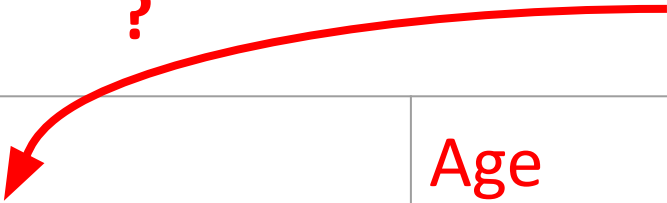
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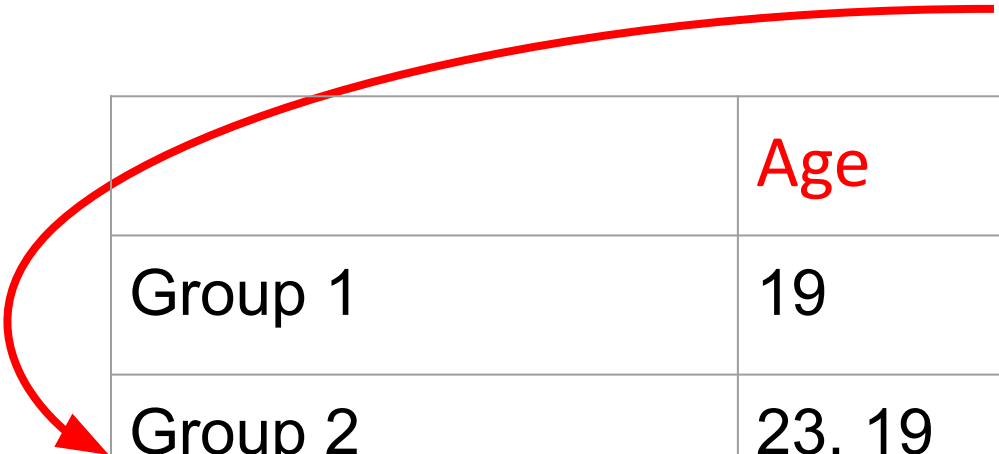
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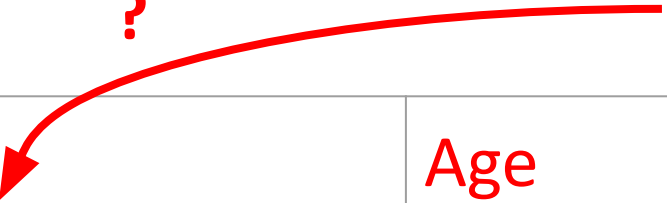
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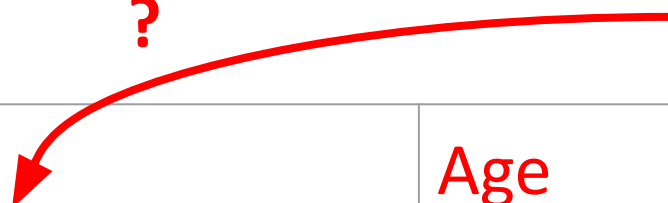
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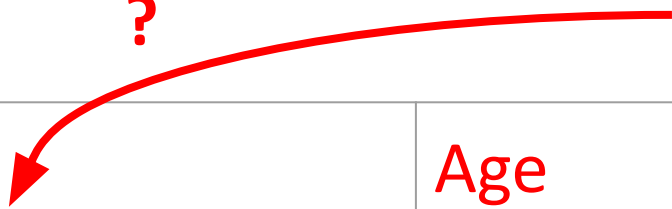
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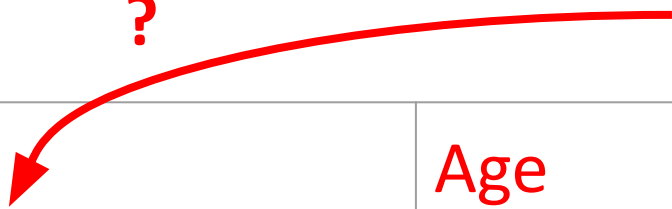
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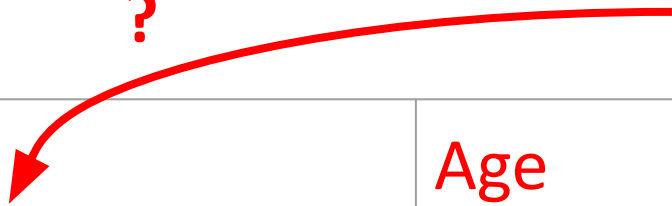
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Sum of Squares	0.13	0.44

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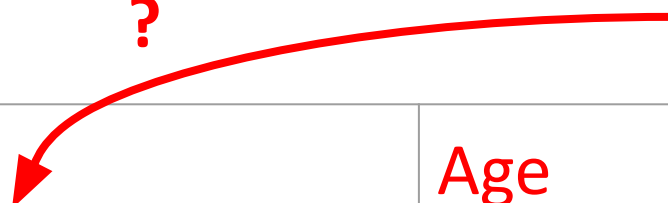
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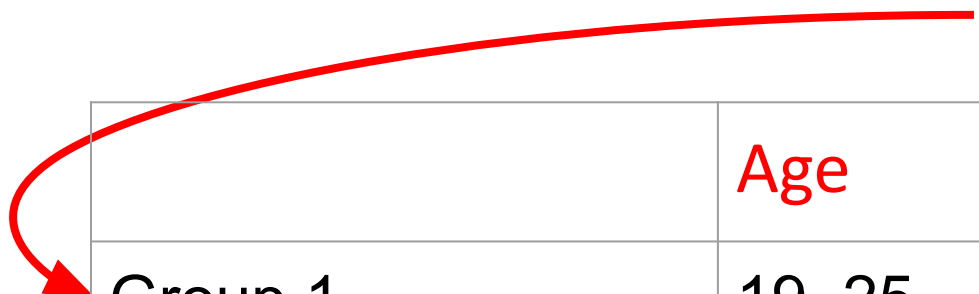
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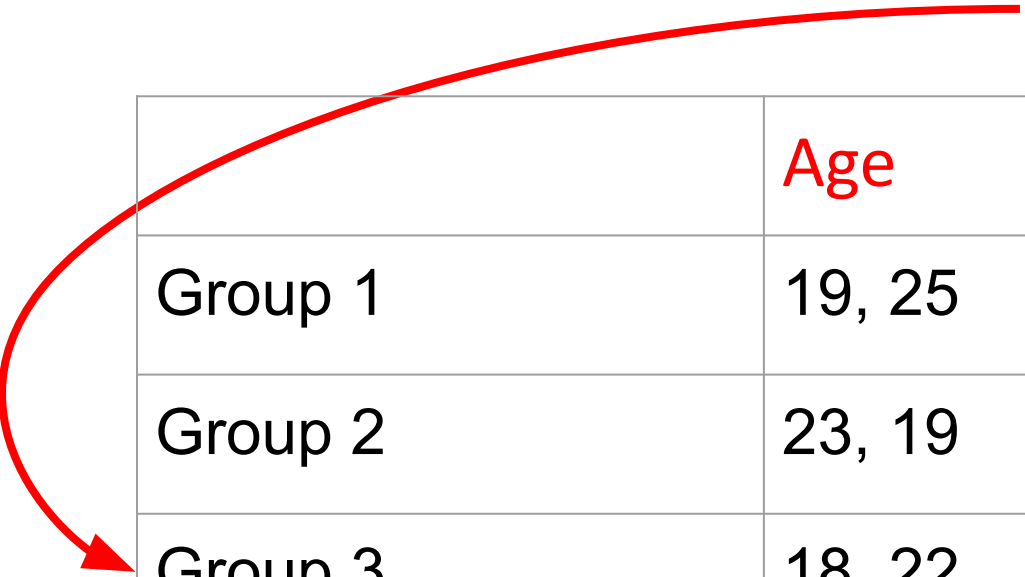
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Matching on 2 variables : age & performance on a task at pretest

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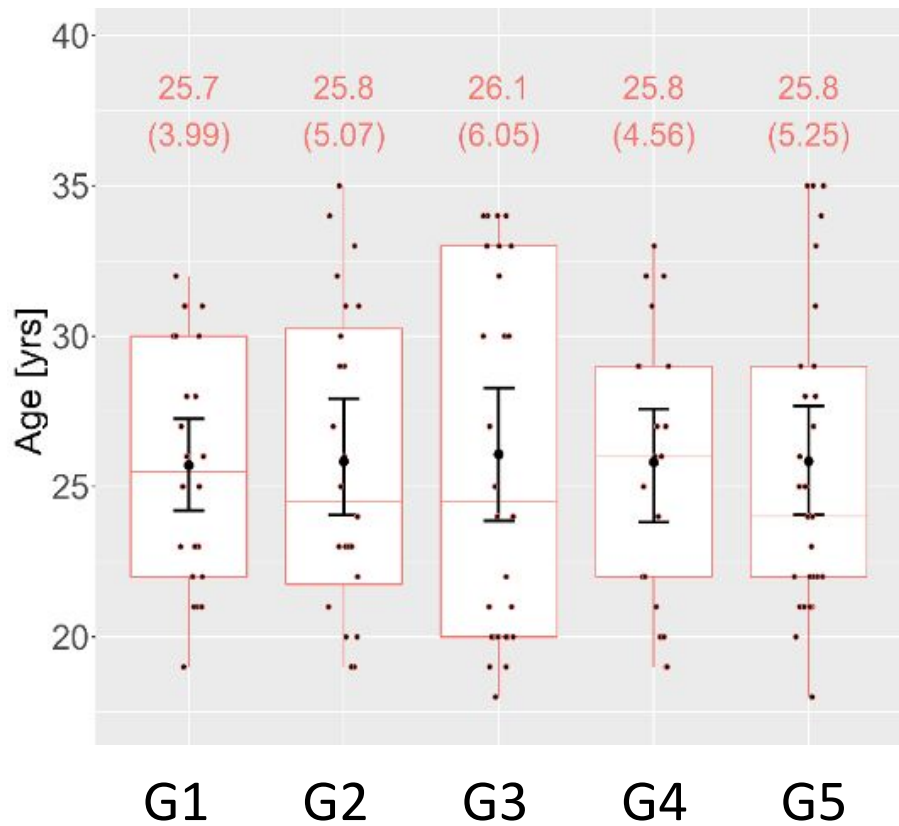
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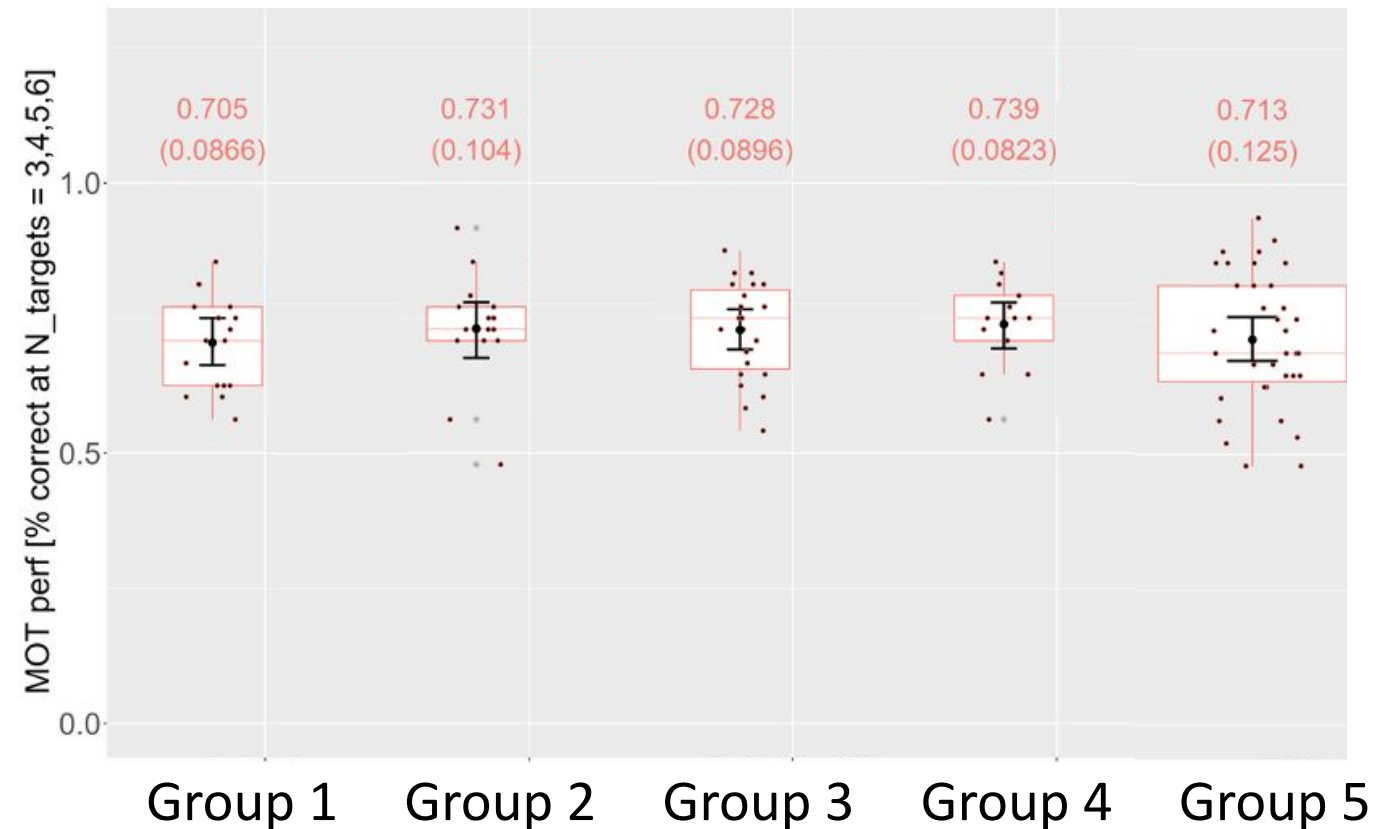
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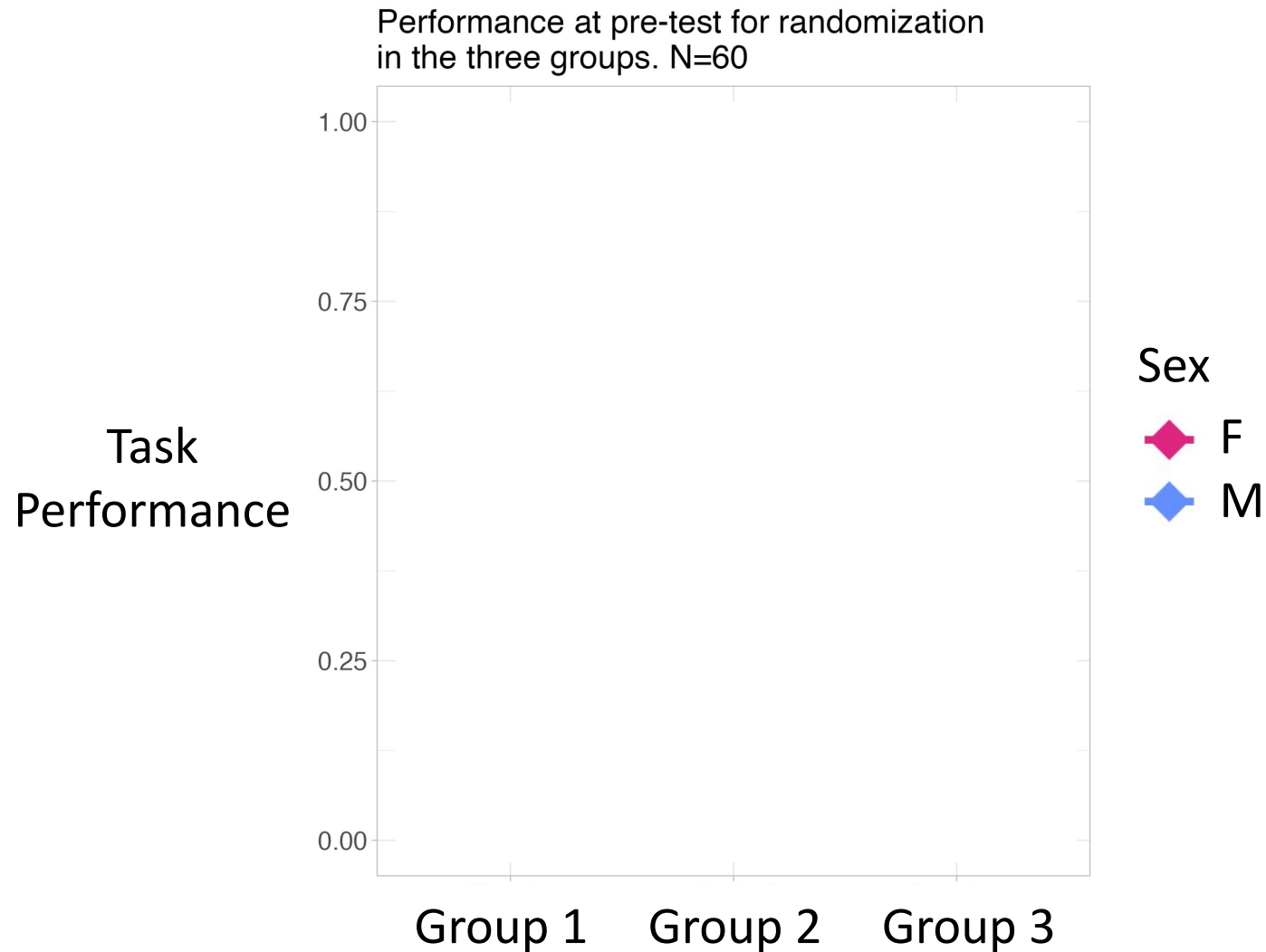


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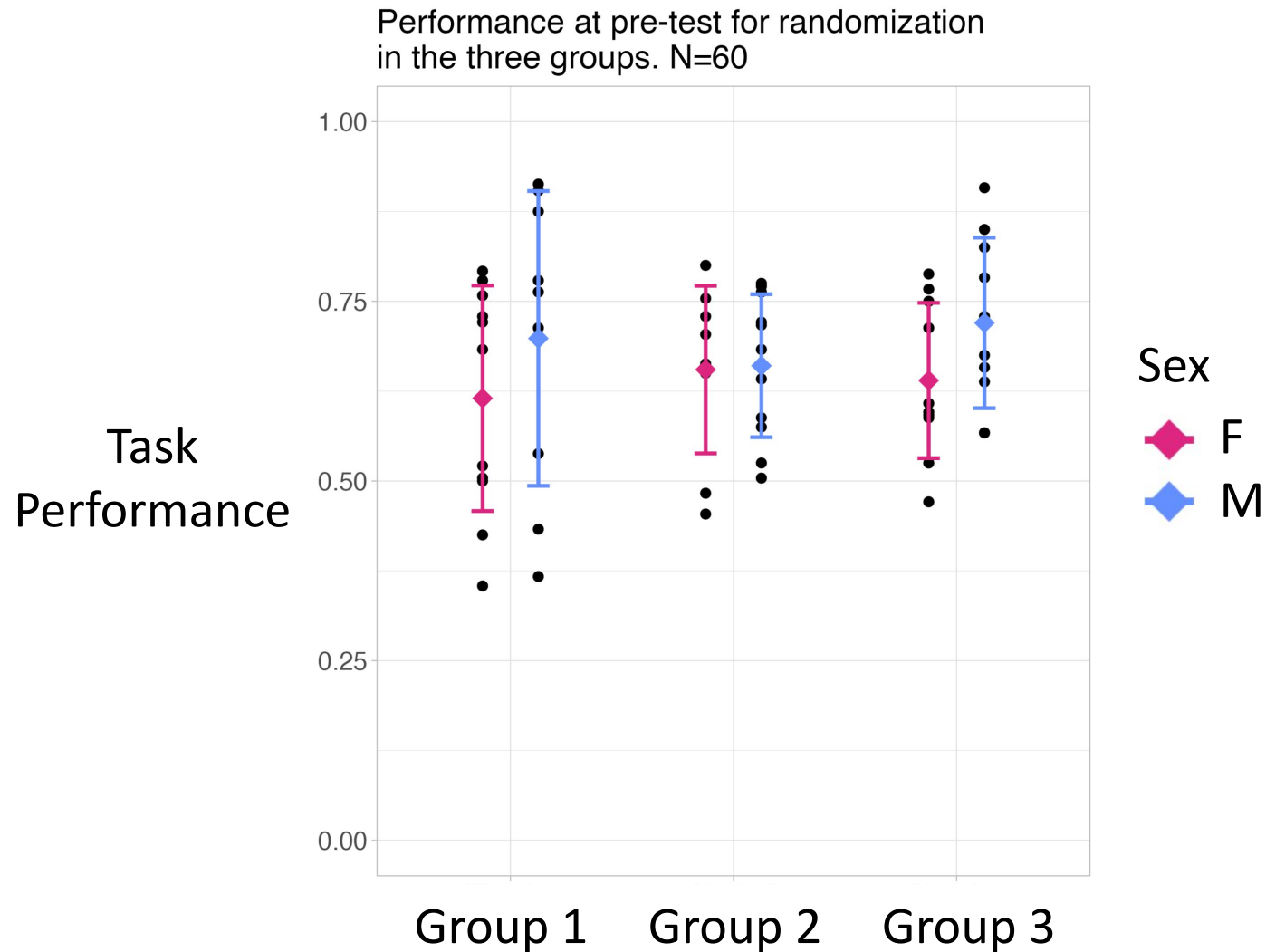
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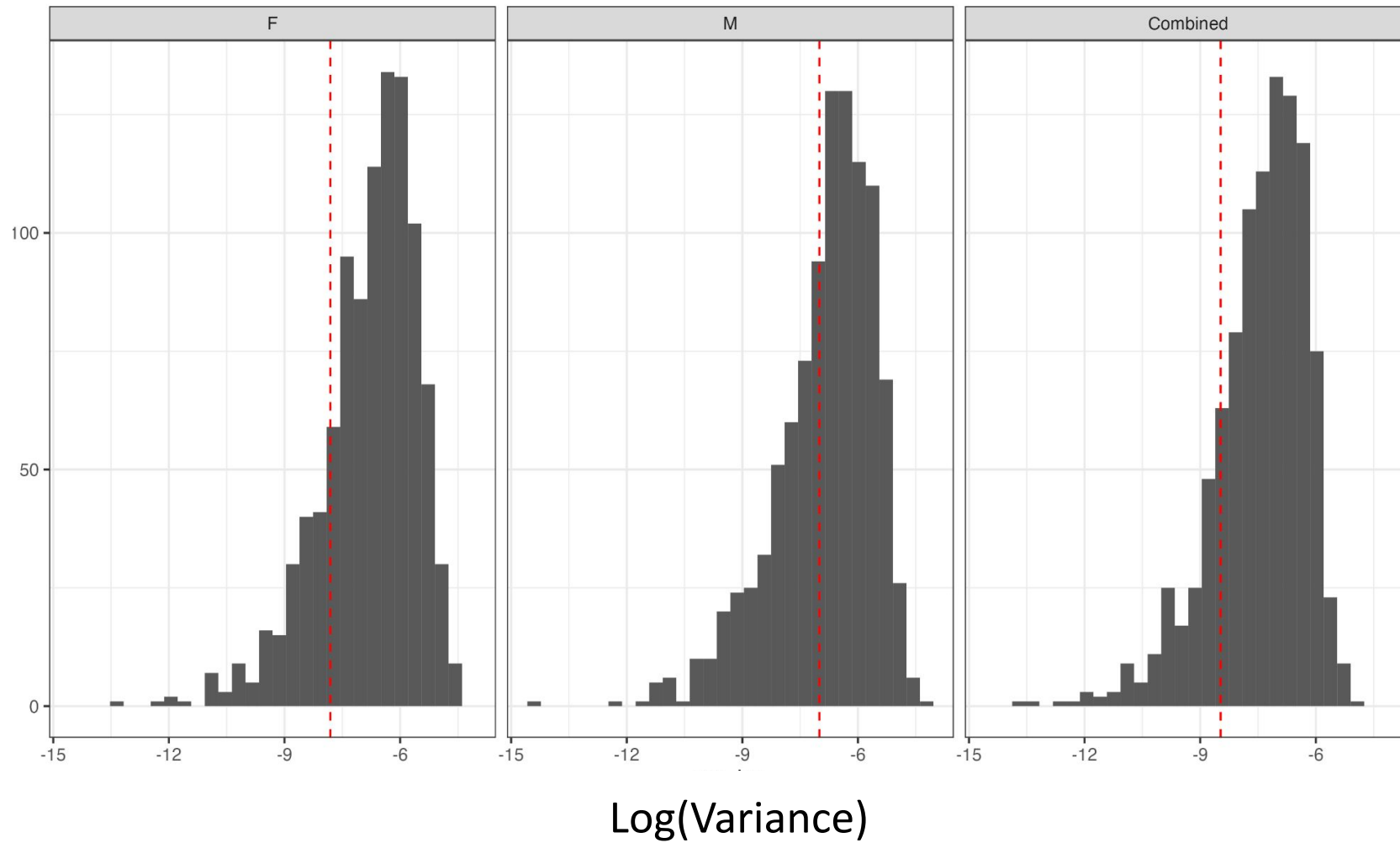
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But how good is it, really?

Distribution of Variance across 1001 permutation.
N simulation with smaller Variance. F : 188 / M : 370 / Combined : 169



Limitations

The algorithm forces the groups to have the same number of participants → The means thus will not be identical

Outliers may mess with the variance minimization → Remove the outliers as soon as possible during the recruitment process

I am excited, where can I find this tool?

Sella, F., Gal, R., & Roi, C. K. (2021). When randomisation is not good enough: Matching groups in intervention studies. Psychonomic Bulletin & Review, 9.

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Instructions and scripts in the following languages are available on OSF :

- R
- Python
- Matlab
- Excel

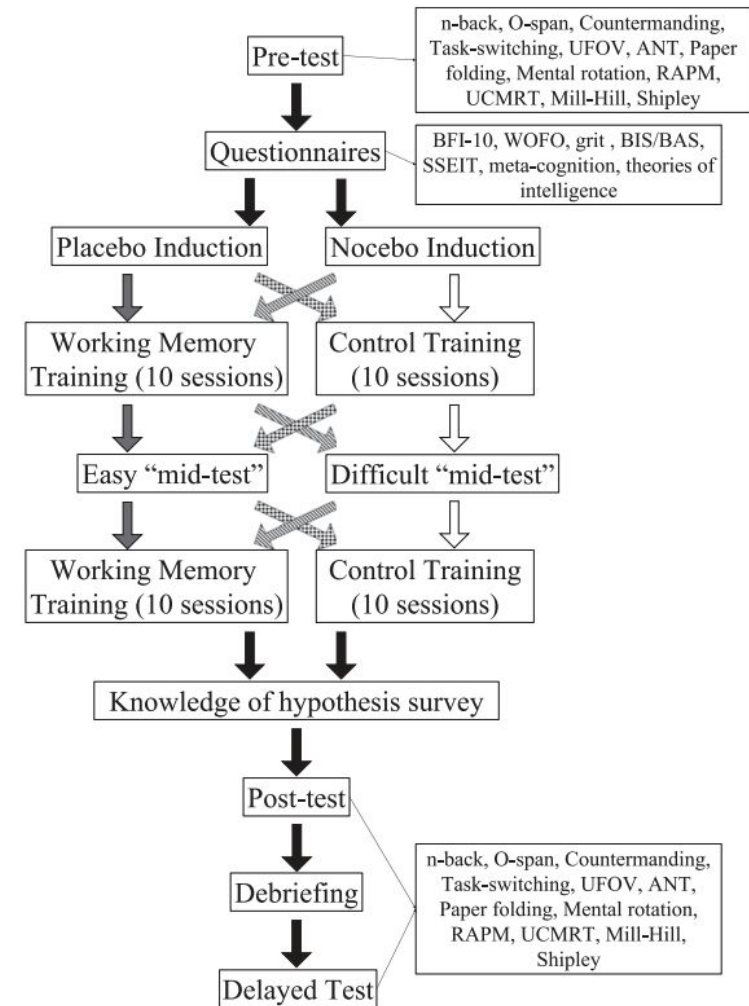


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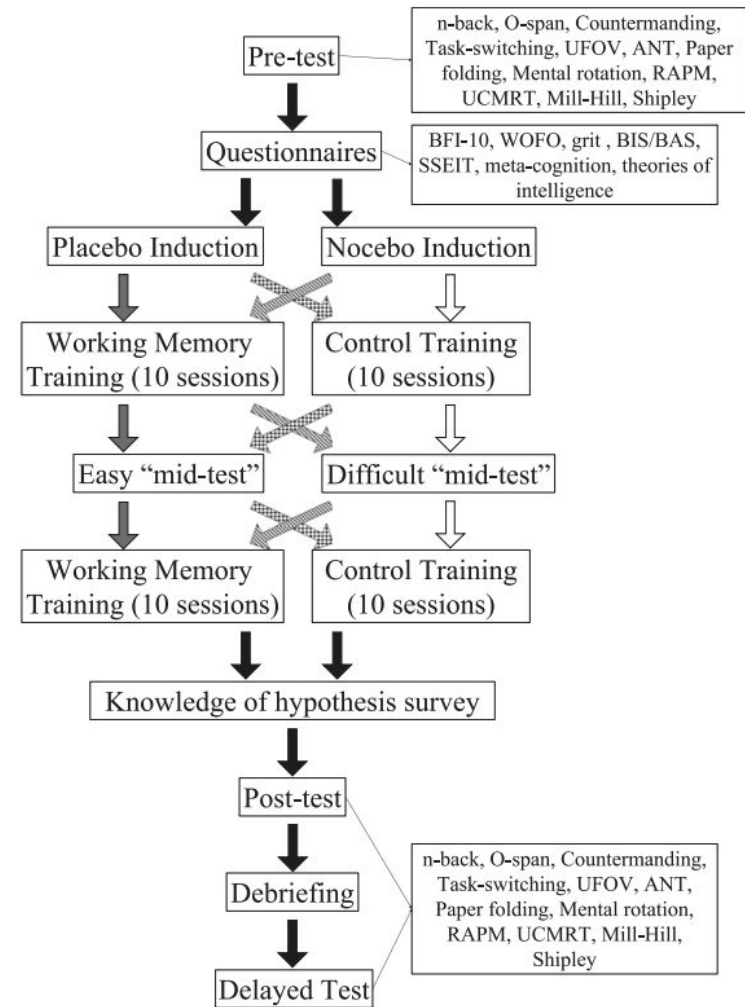
The Issue with Power Analyses

- Perfectly sensible for replications or clinical trials
- Require knowing things that we might not know in basic science studies
- As such, we...make stuff up...



The Issue with Power Analyses

- This results in many studies that have “null results” that were “properly powered” - but in practice, the nulls aren’t that informative...



Core Problem:

Power analyses don't *really* take care of the problems we'd like to take care of... (i.e., we want to ensure informative results whether positive or negative)

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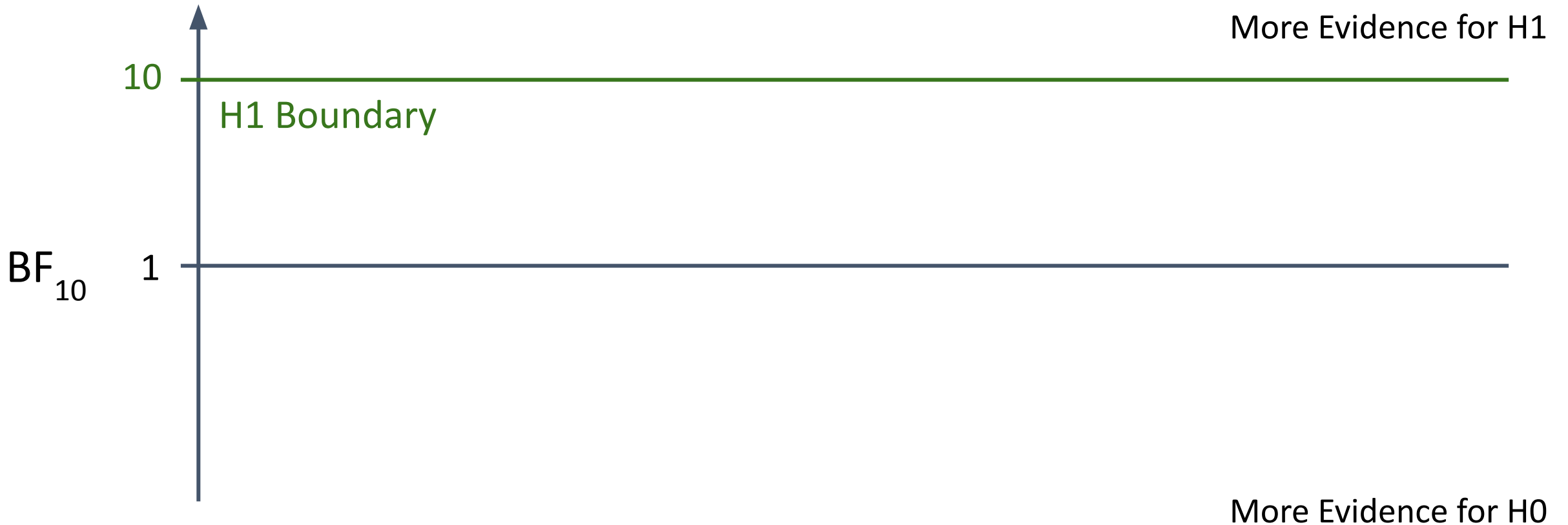
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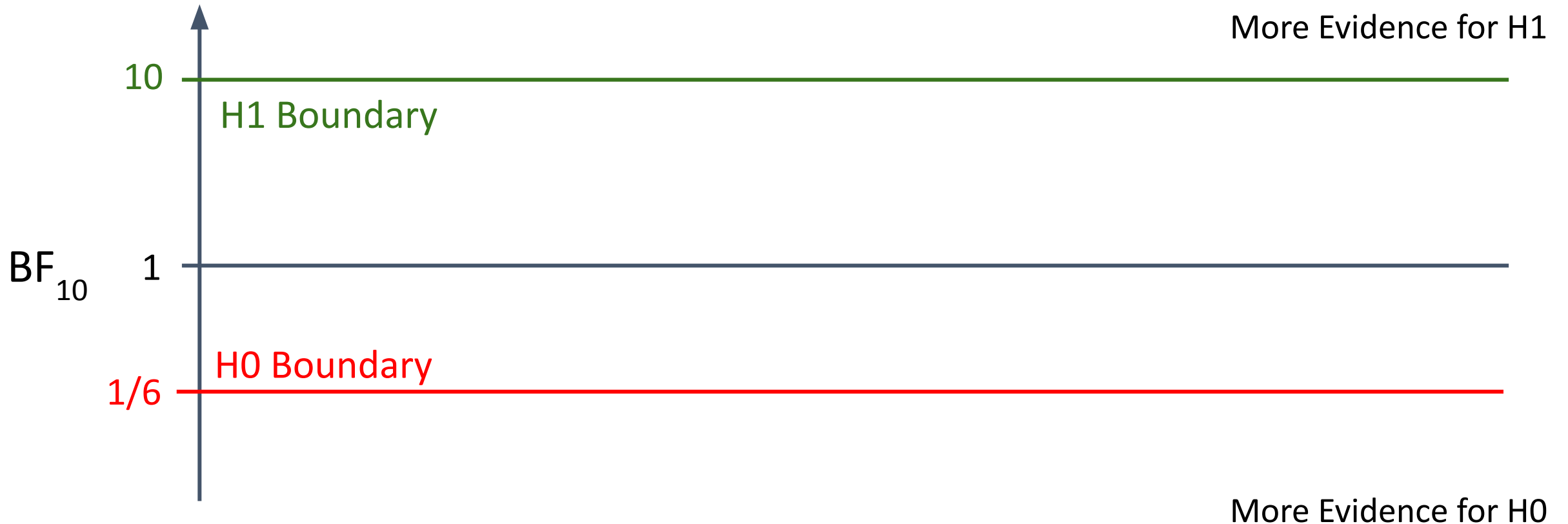
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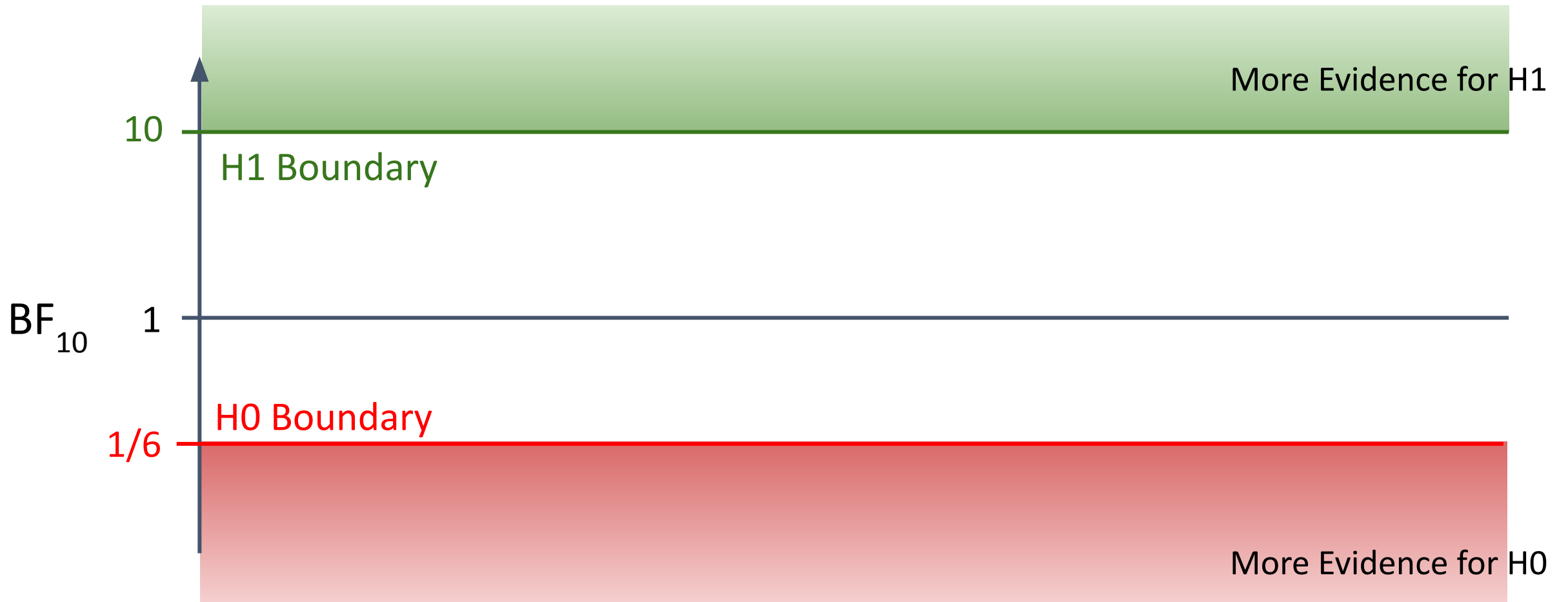
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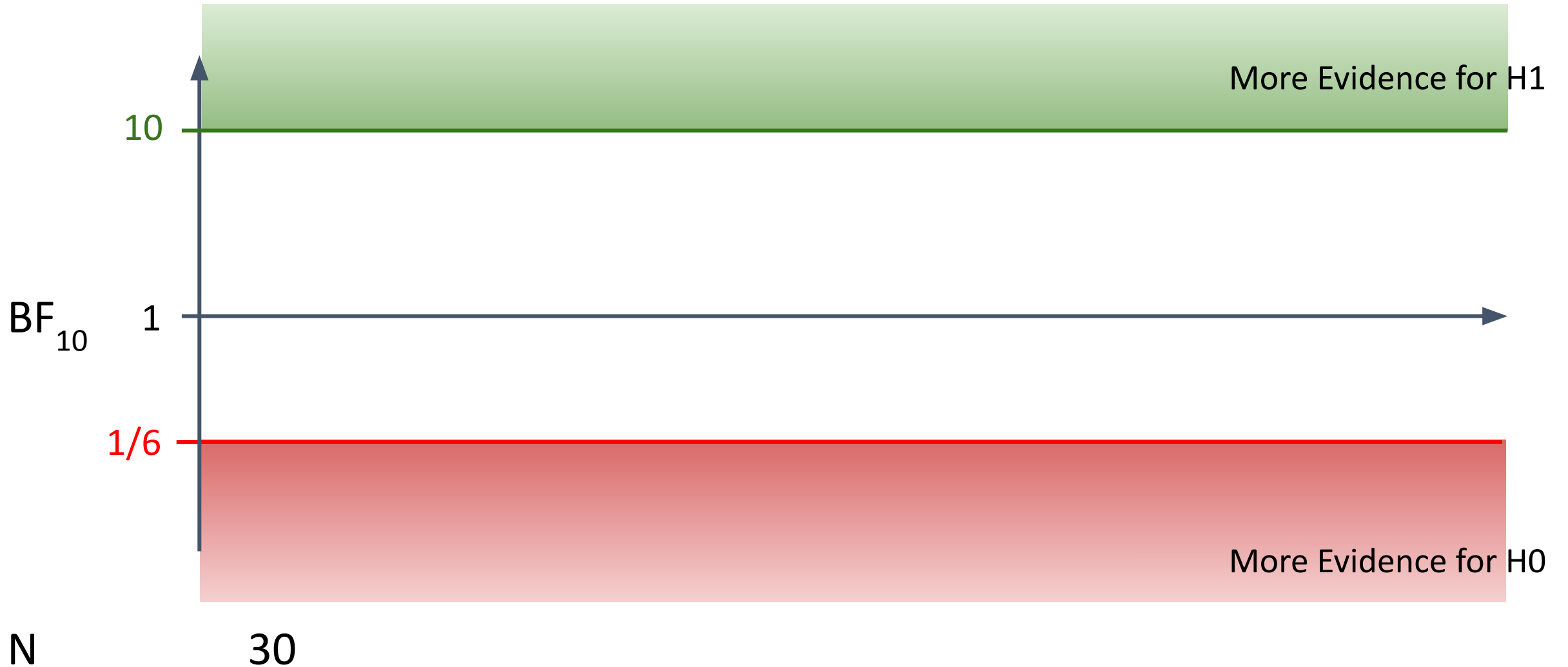
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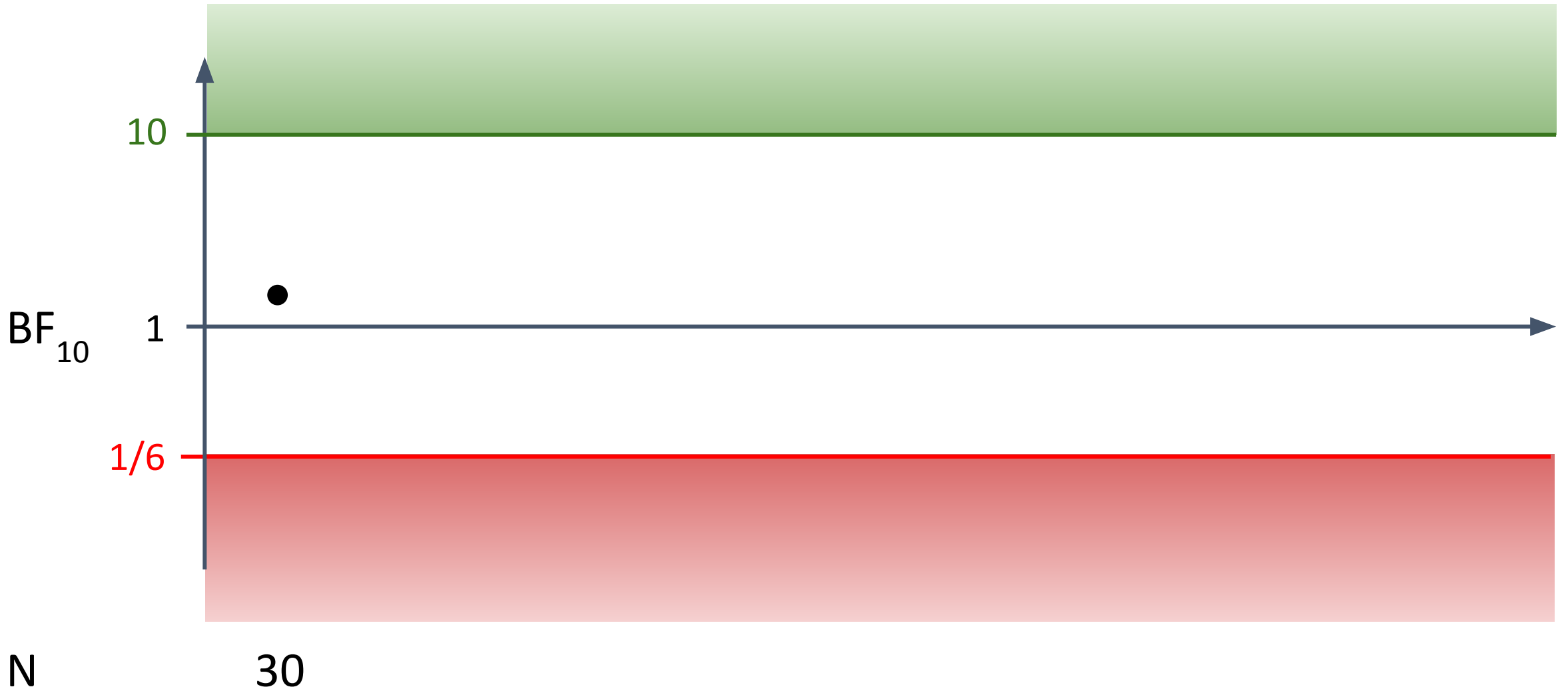
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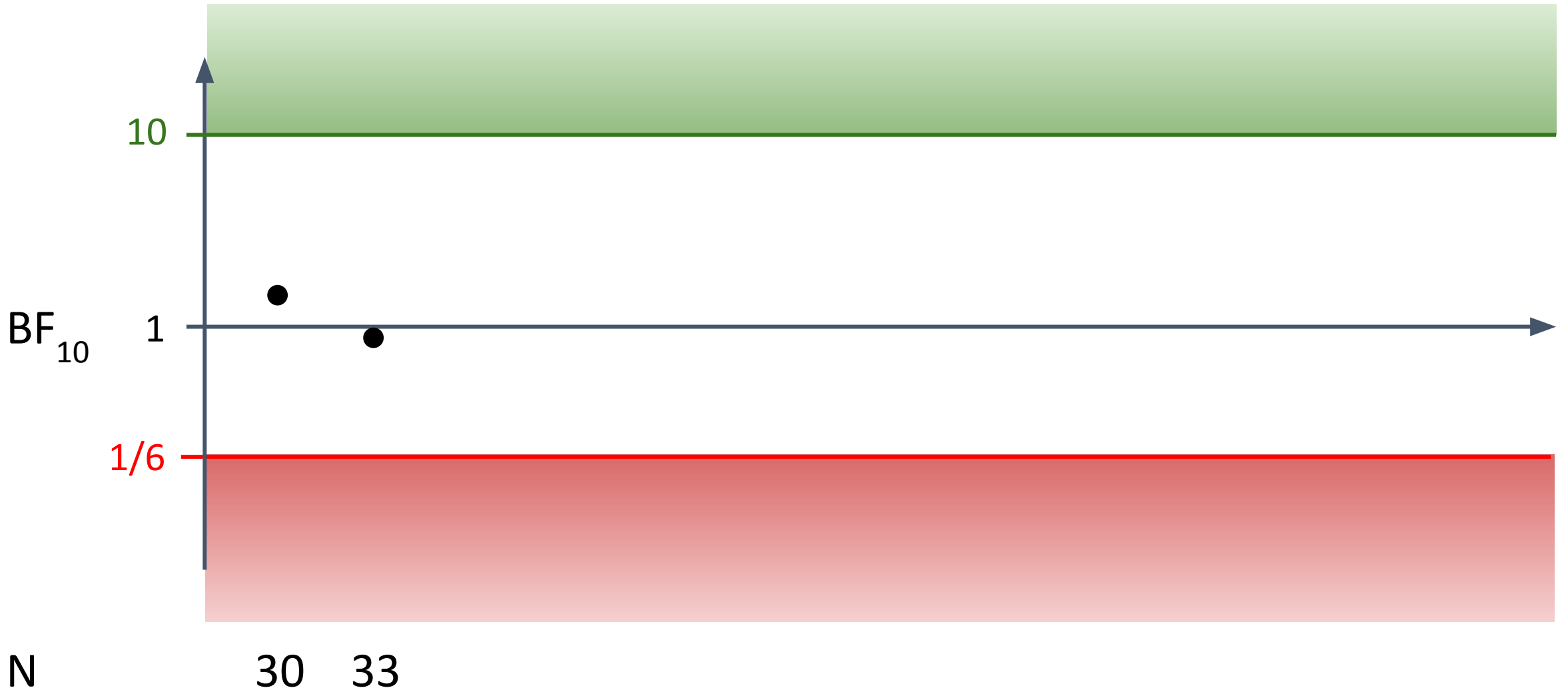
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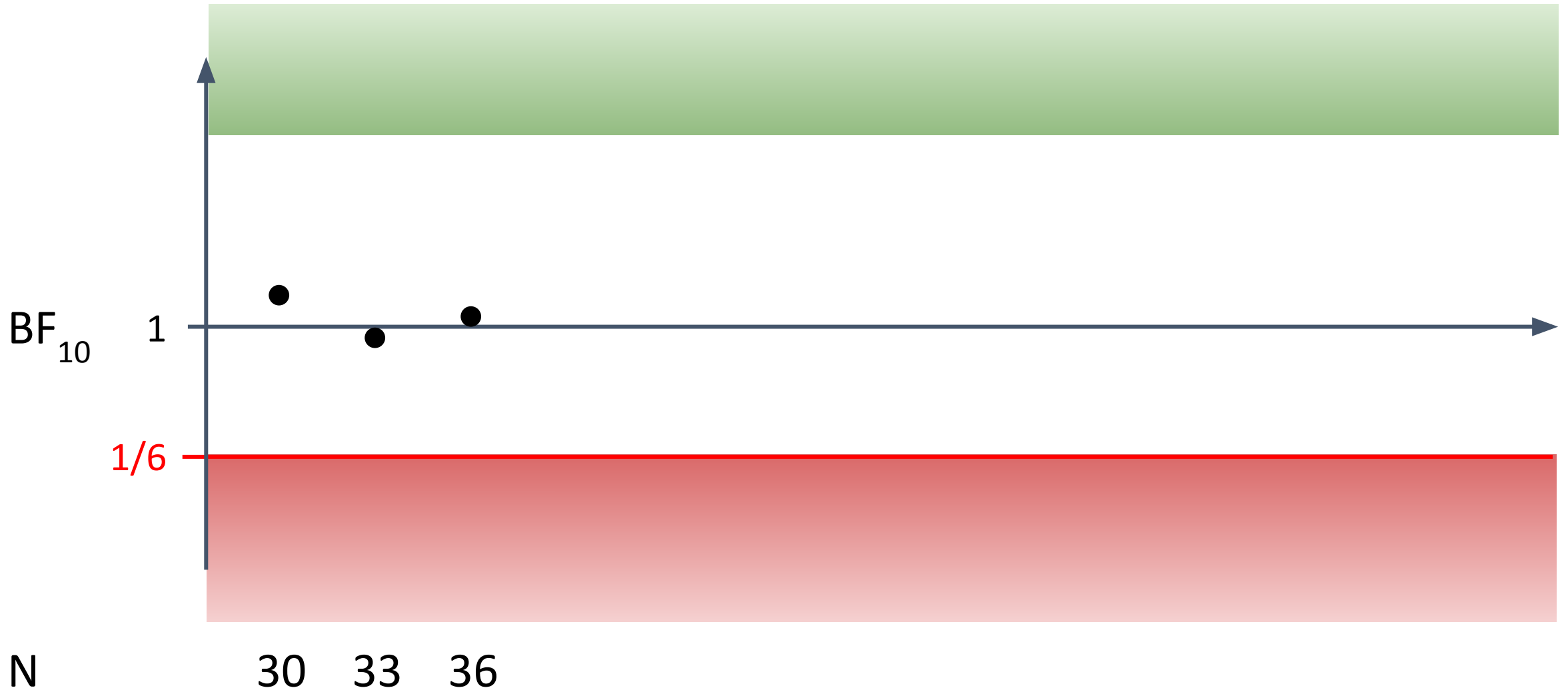
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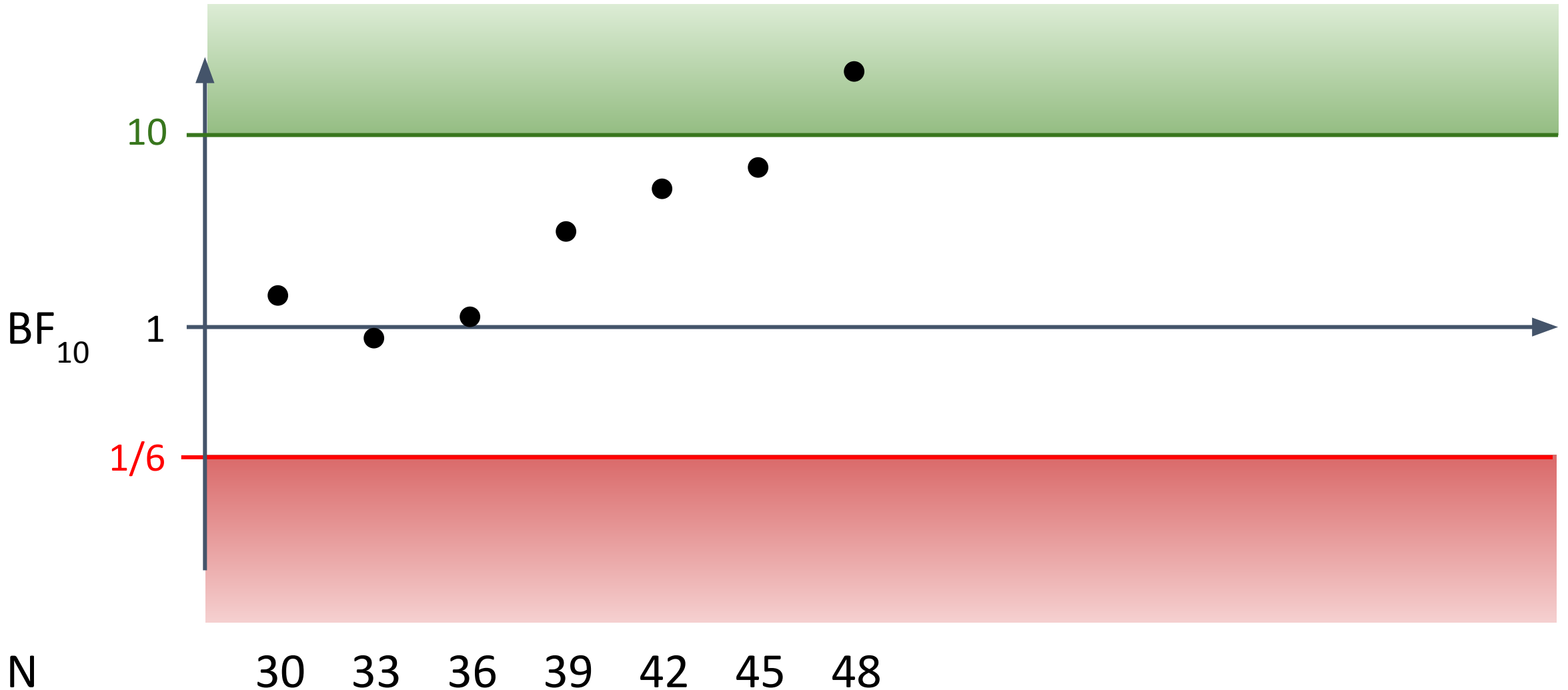
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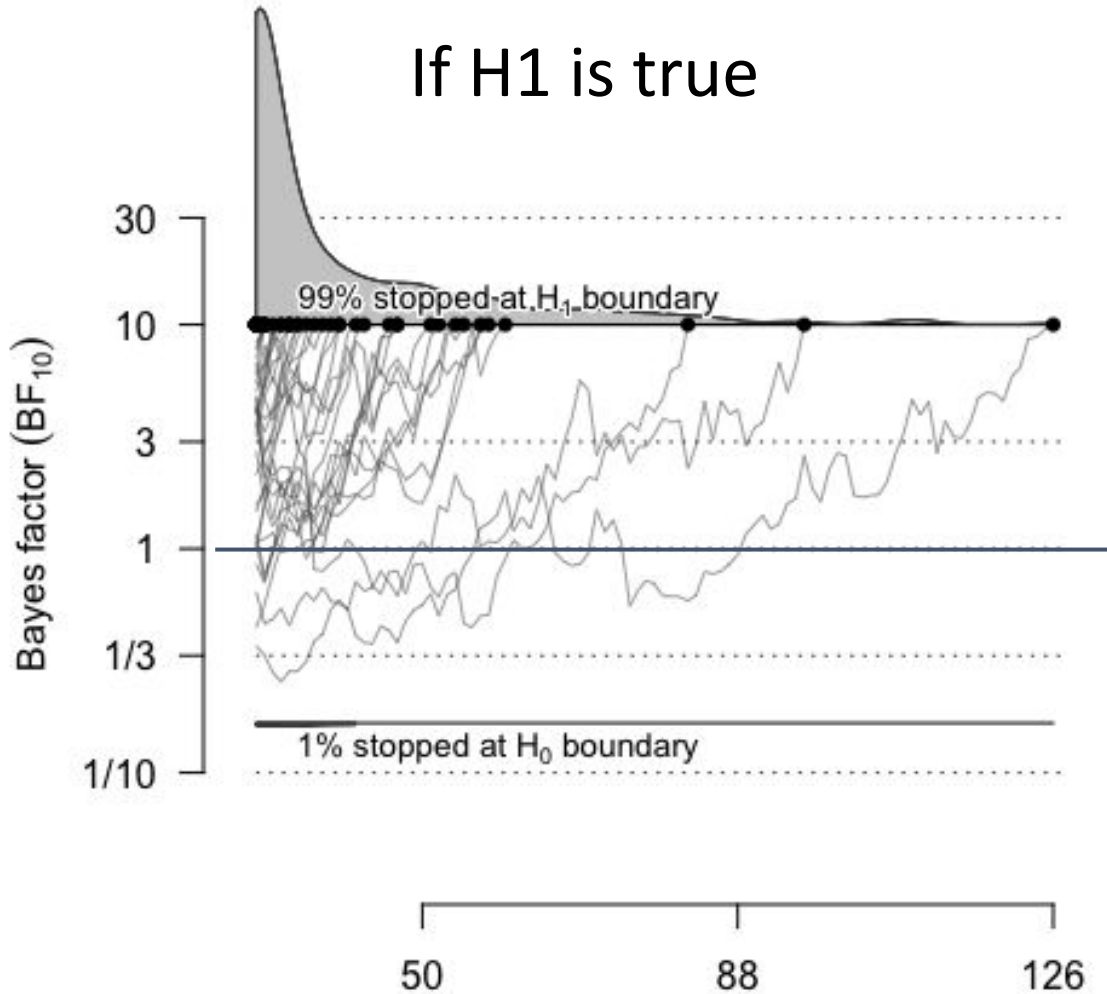
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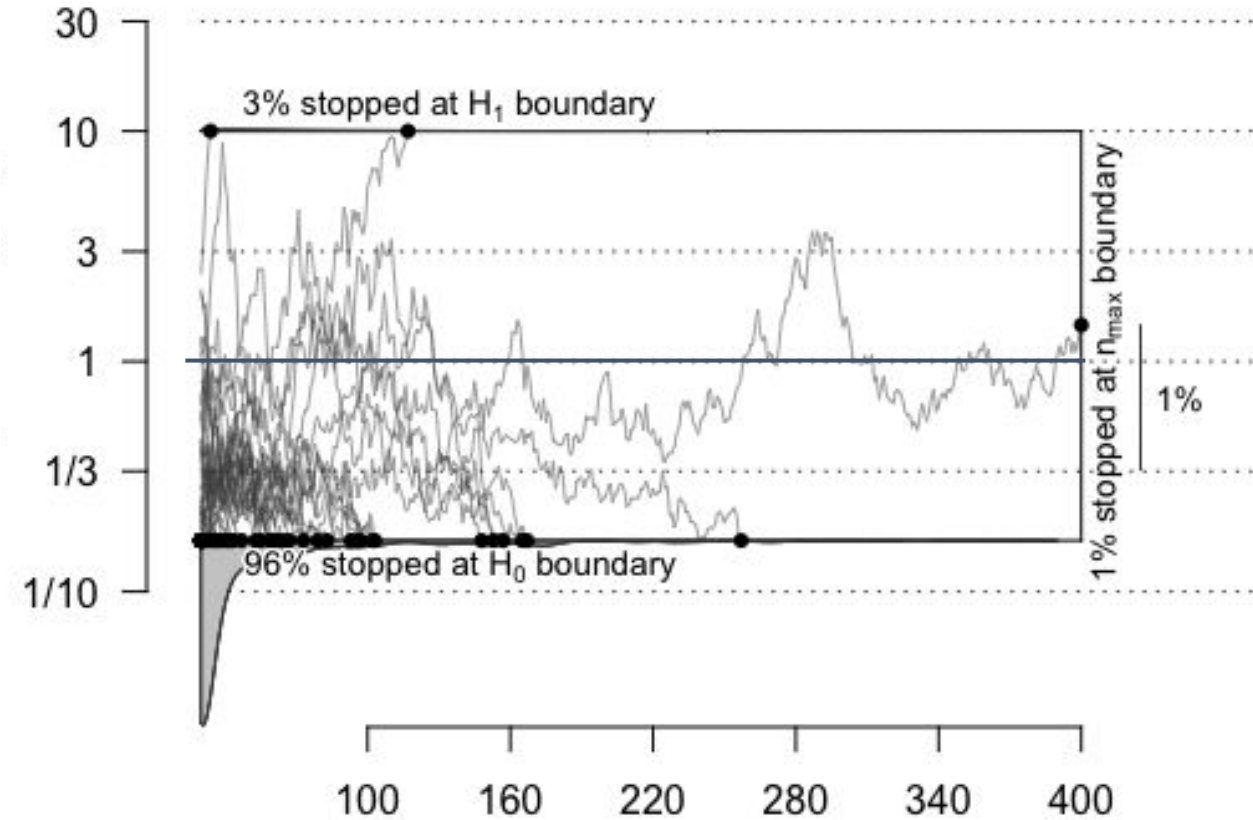
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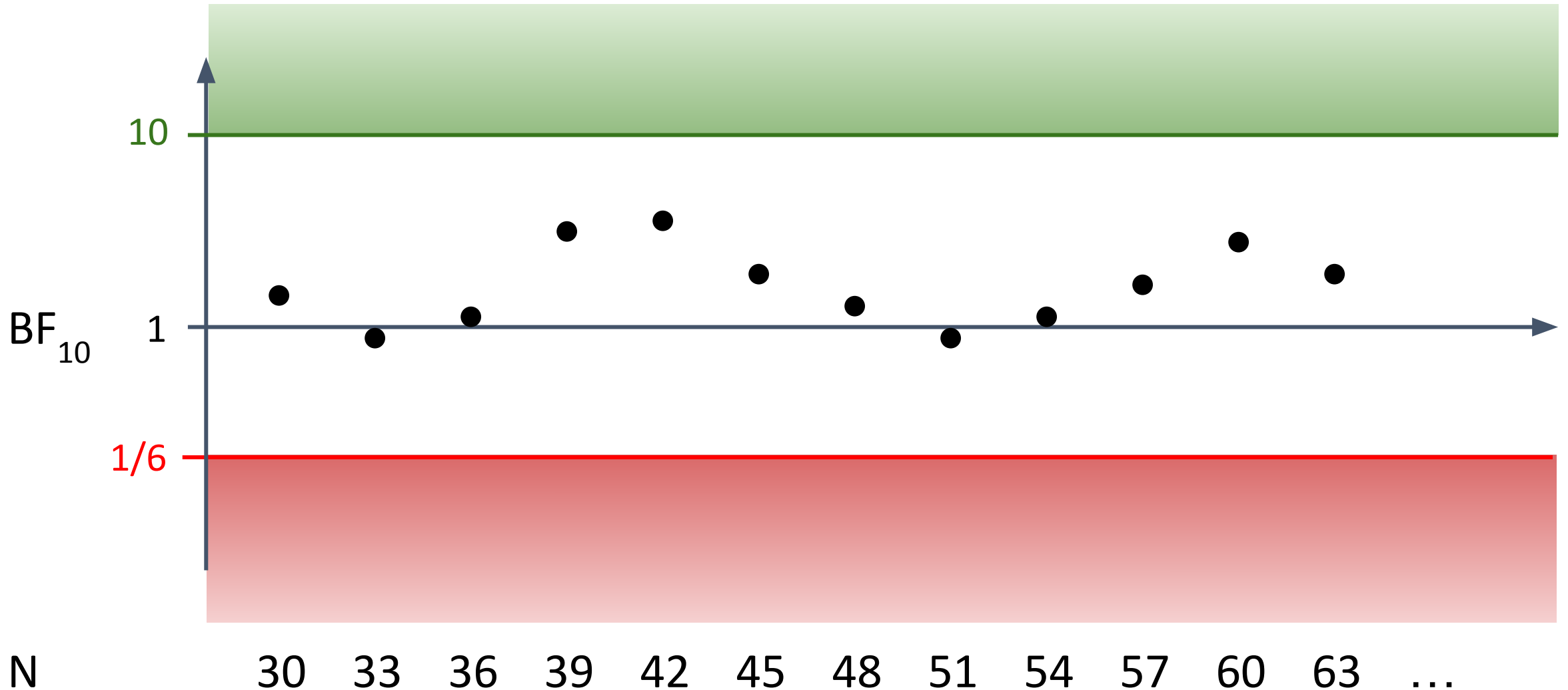
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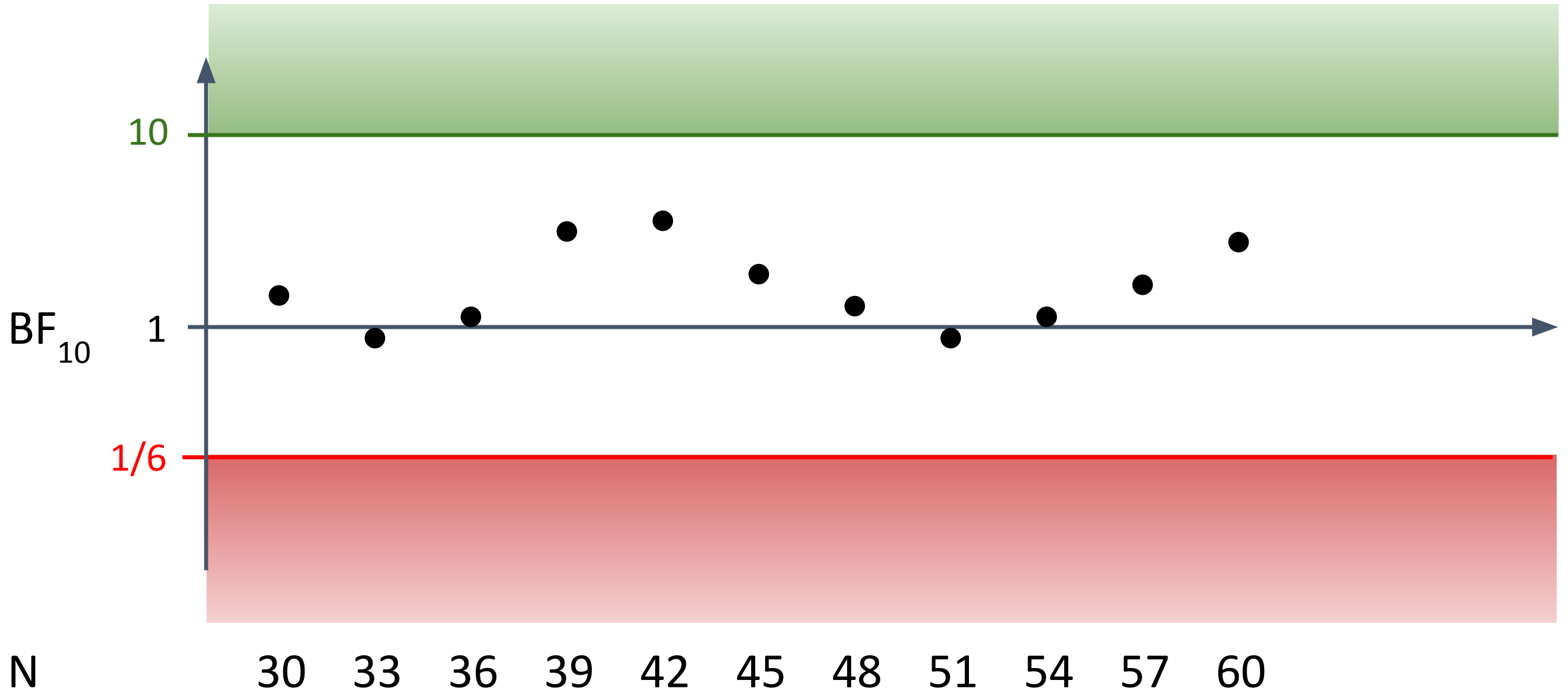
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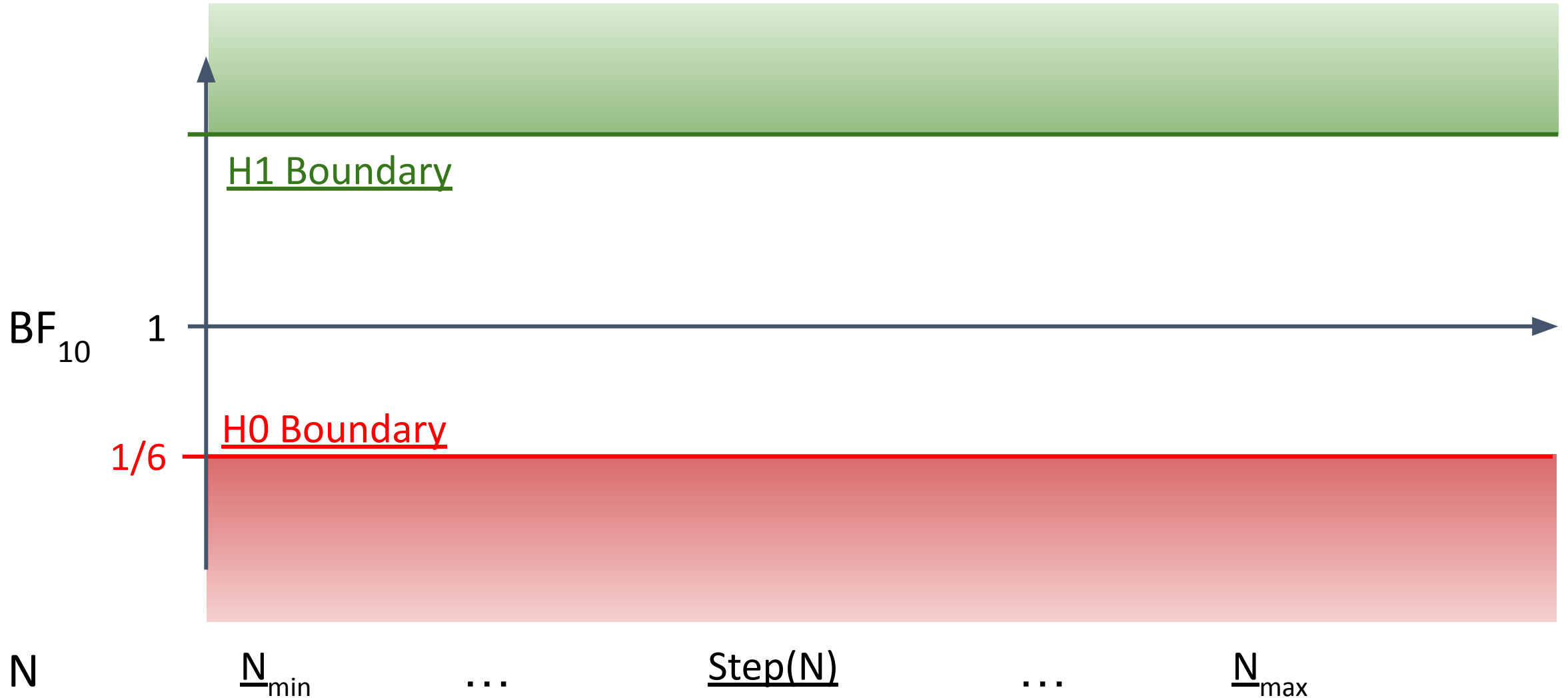
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Finding the right parameters

What are the probabilities to hit the H_1 and H_0 boundaries before reaching the maximum sample size?

Finding the right parameters

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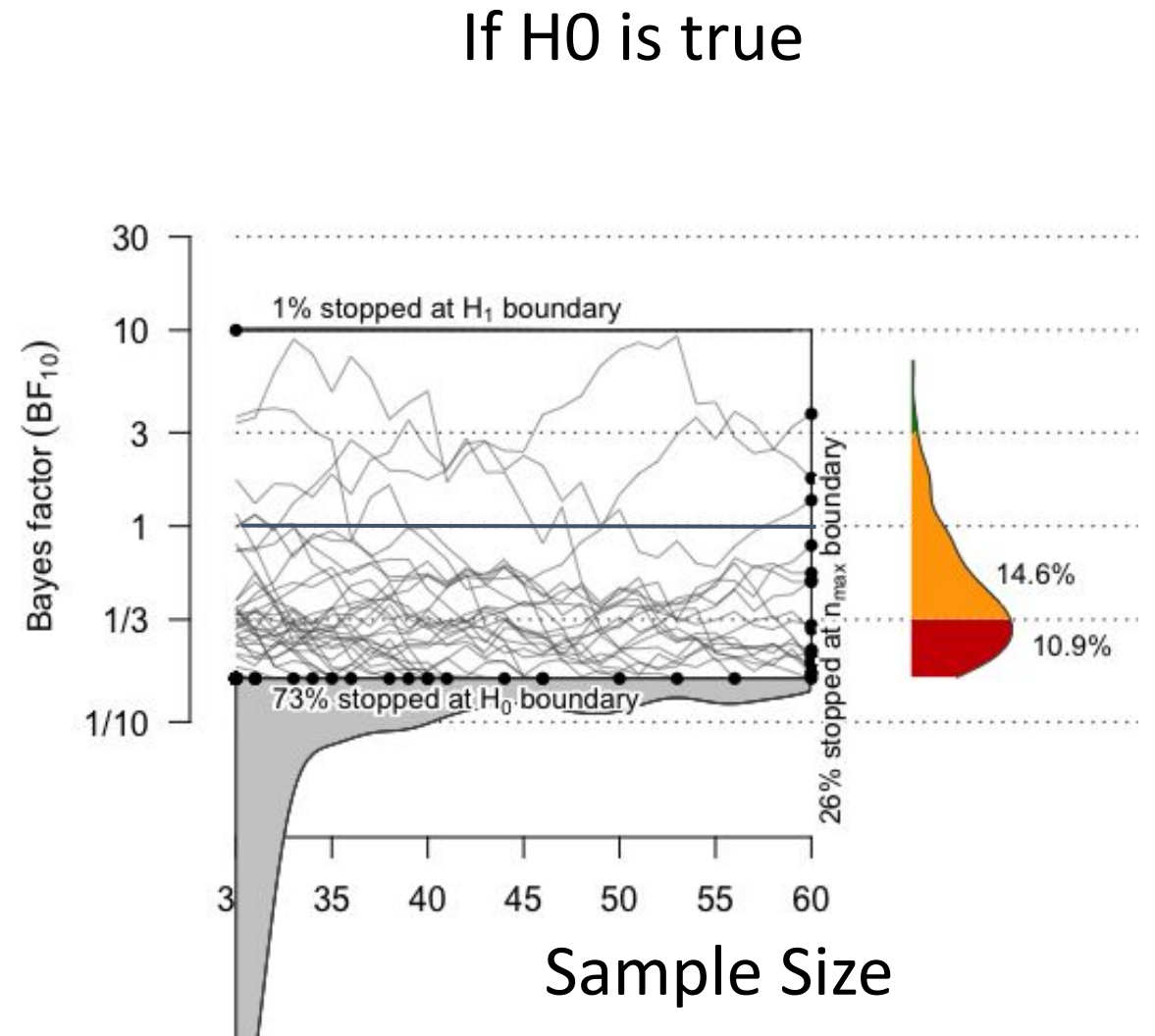
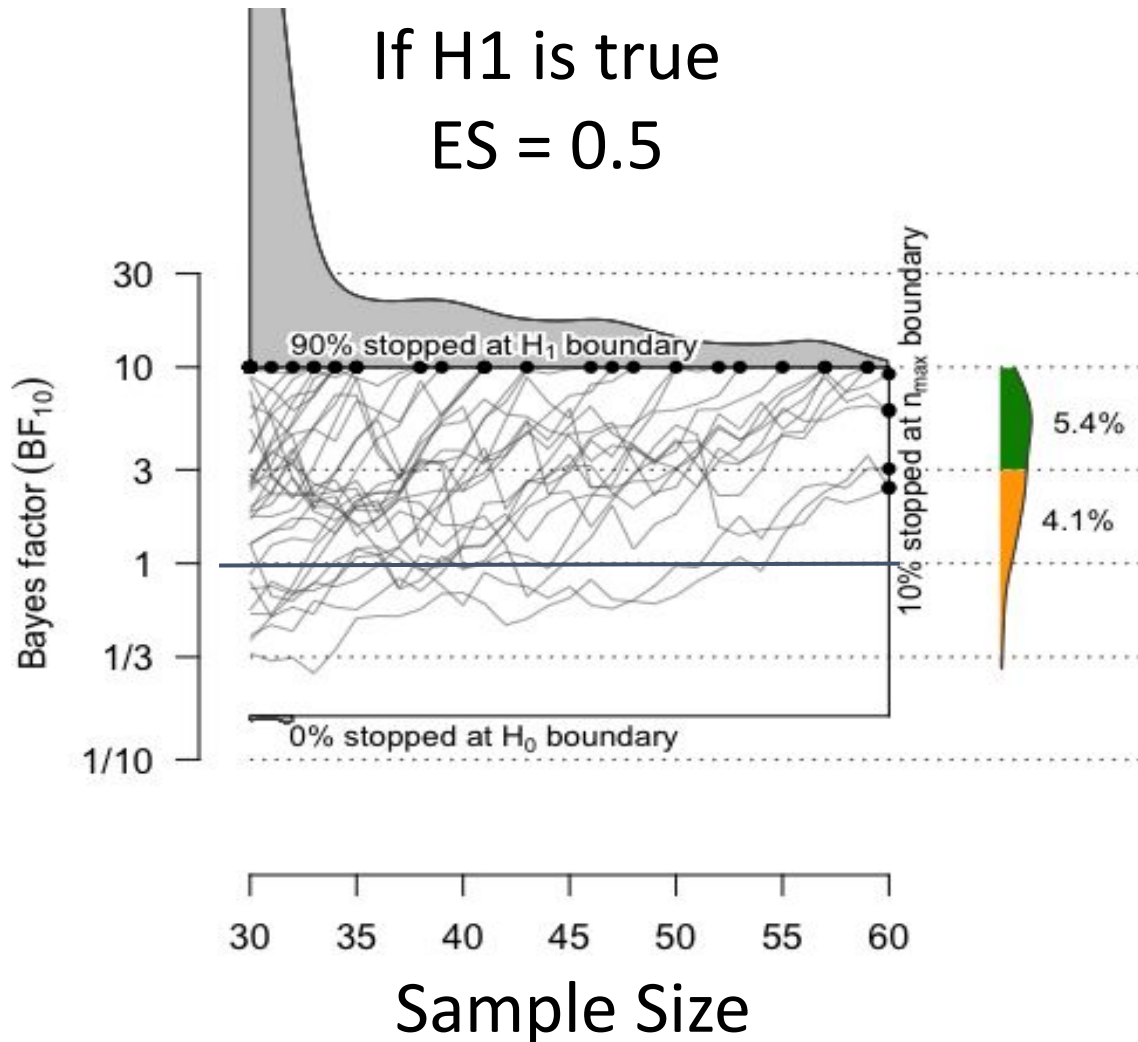
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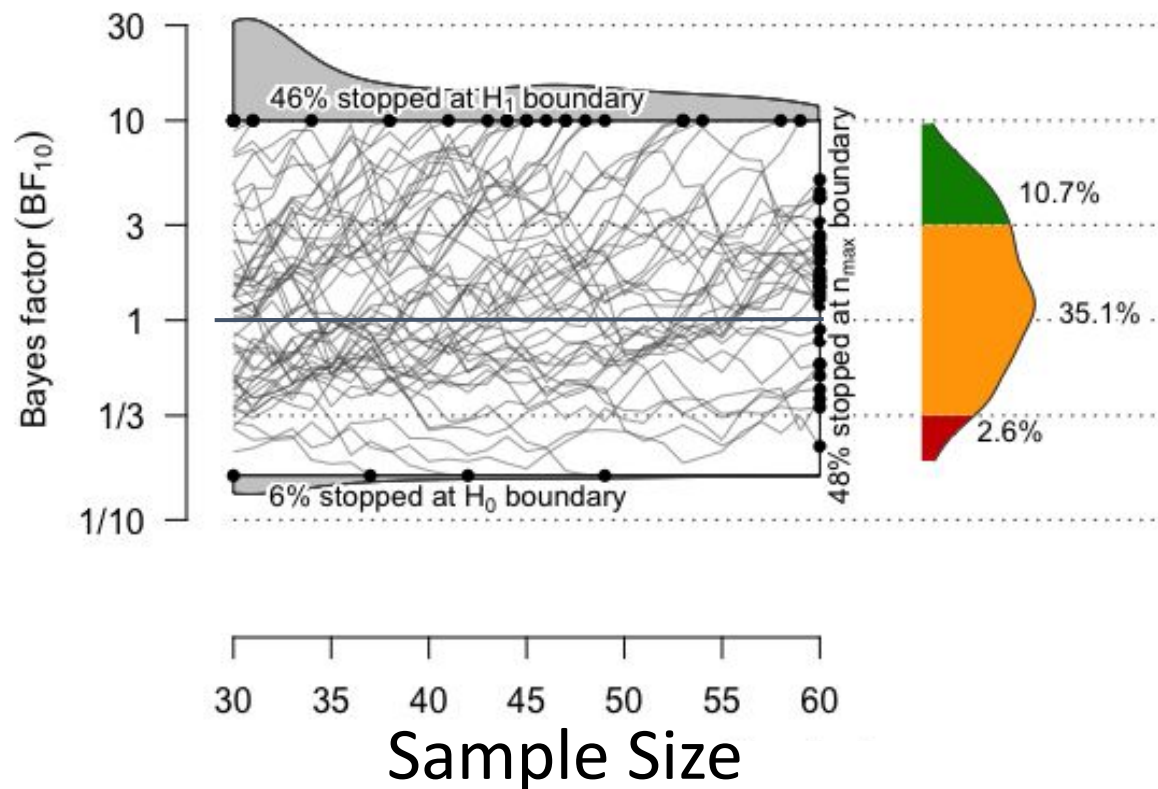
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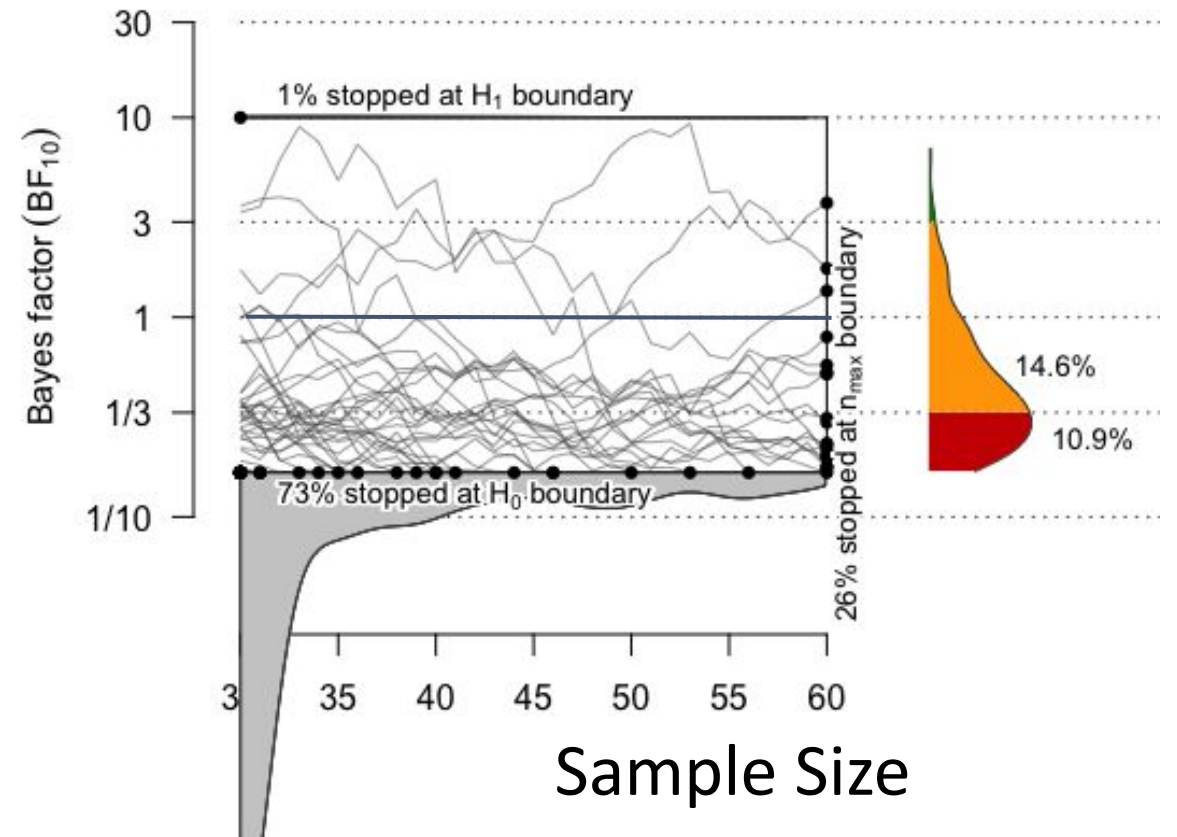


Finding the right parameters

If H_1 is true
 $ES = 0.3$



If H_0 is true



We can also provide a distribution of Effect sizes instead of a point estimate

For example, here a normal distribution with mean 0.5 and standard deviation 0.1, but it could be any array of Effect Sizes (even discrete values).

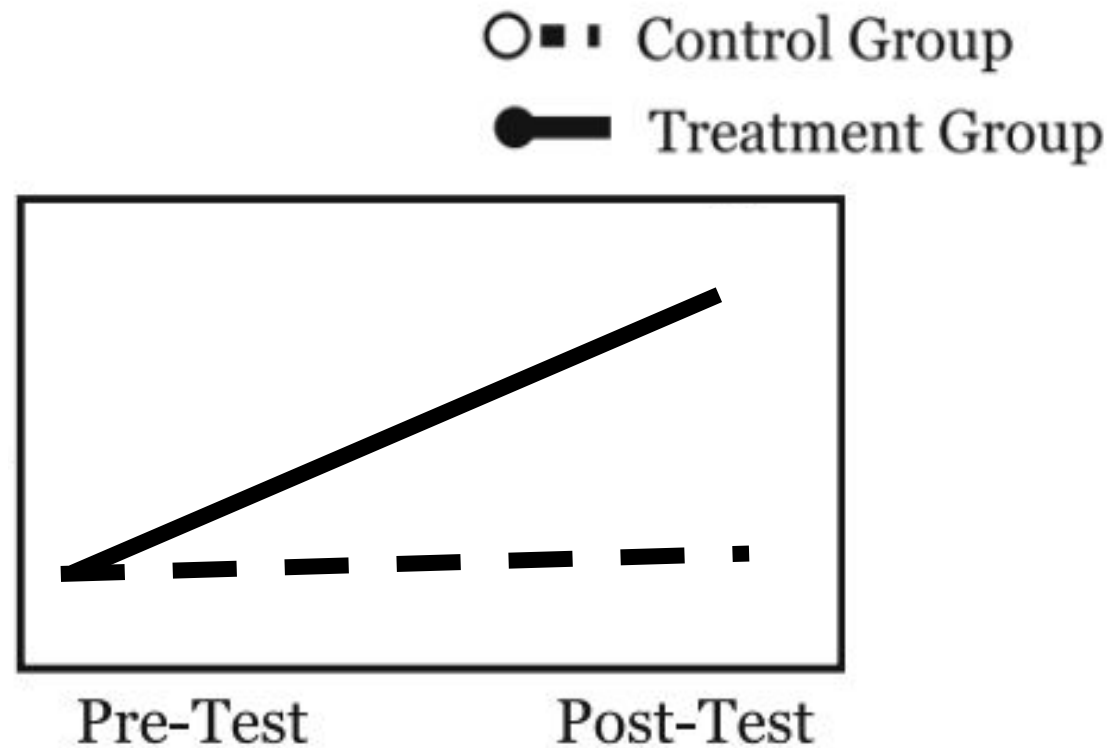
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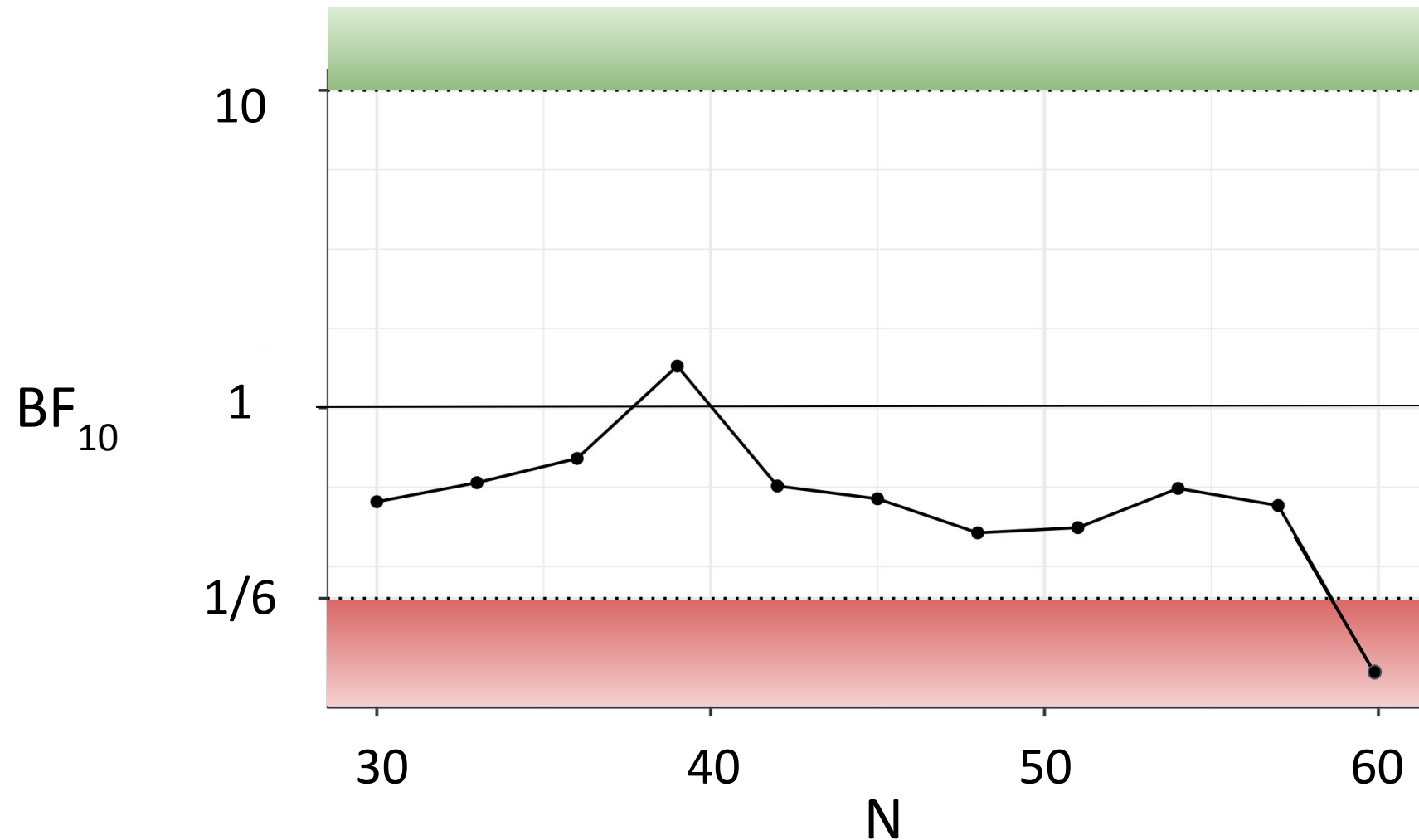
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Example (fresh out of the oven)



How much evidence is there for an interaction?
And follow-up, is it in the hypothesized direction?

Example (fresh out of the oven)



I am excited, where can I find this tool?

Schönbrodt, F. D., & Wagenmakers, E.-J. (2018). Bayes factor design analysis: Planning for compelling evidence. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*, 25(1), 128–142.

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<https://bit.ly/schonbrodt-2018>

Instructions and scripts (in R) are available on gitlab, here :

<https://github.com/nicebread/BFDA>



<https://bit.ly/bfda-gitlab>

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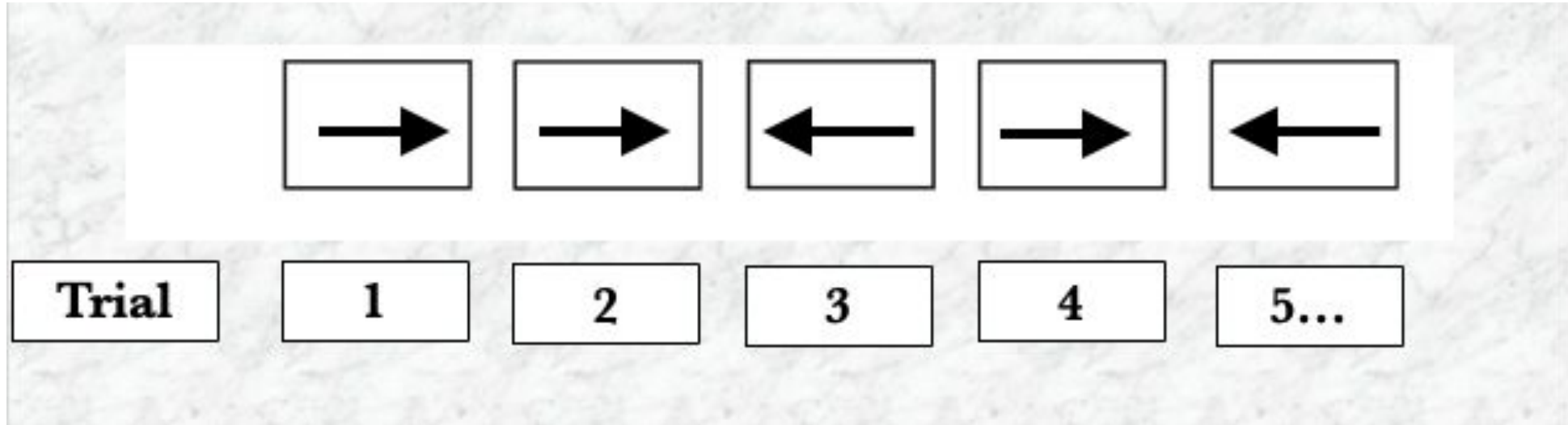
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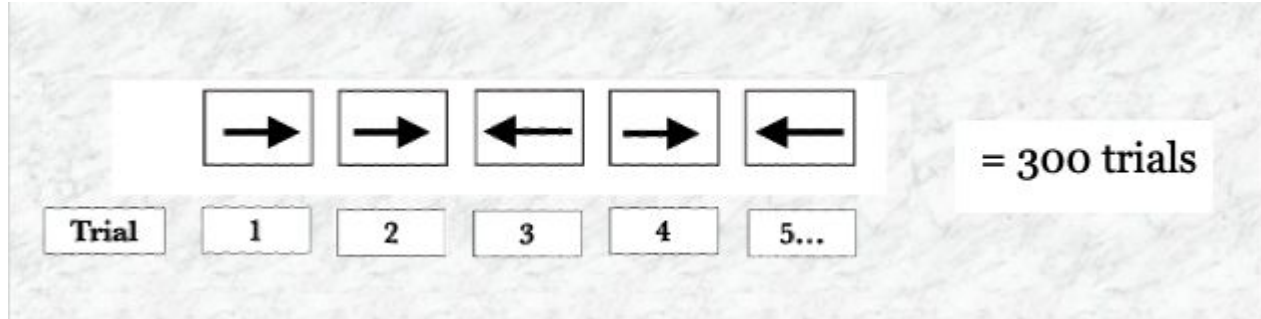
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3) Making a stationarity assumption weakens our understanding of actual behavior and thus can make the inferences we draw incomplete/wrong.

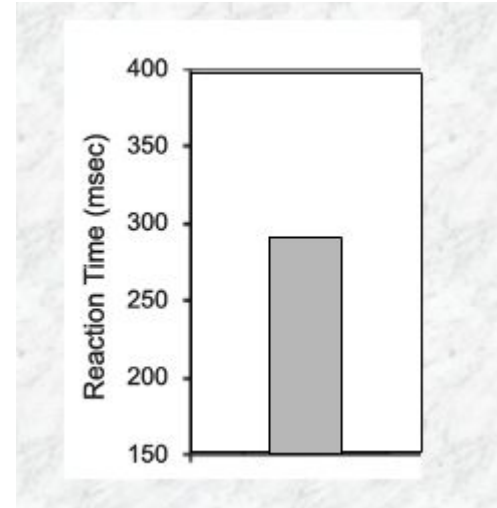
Example Simple RT Task



DVs: Average RT & Average %Corr

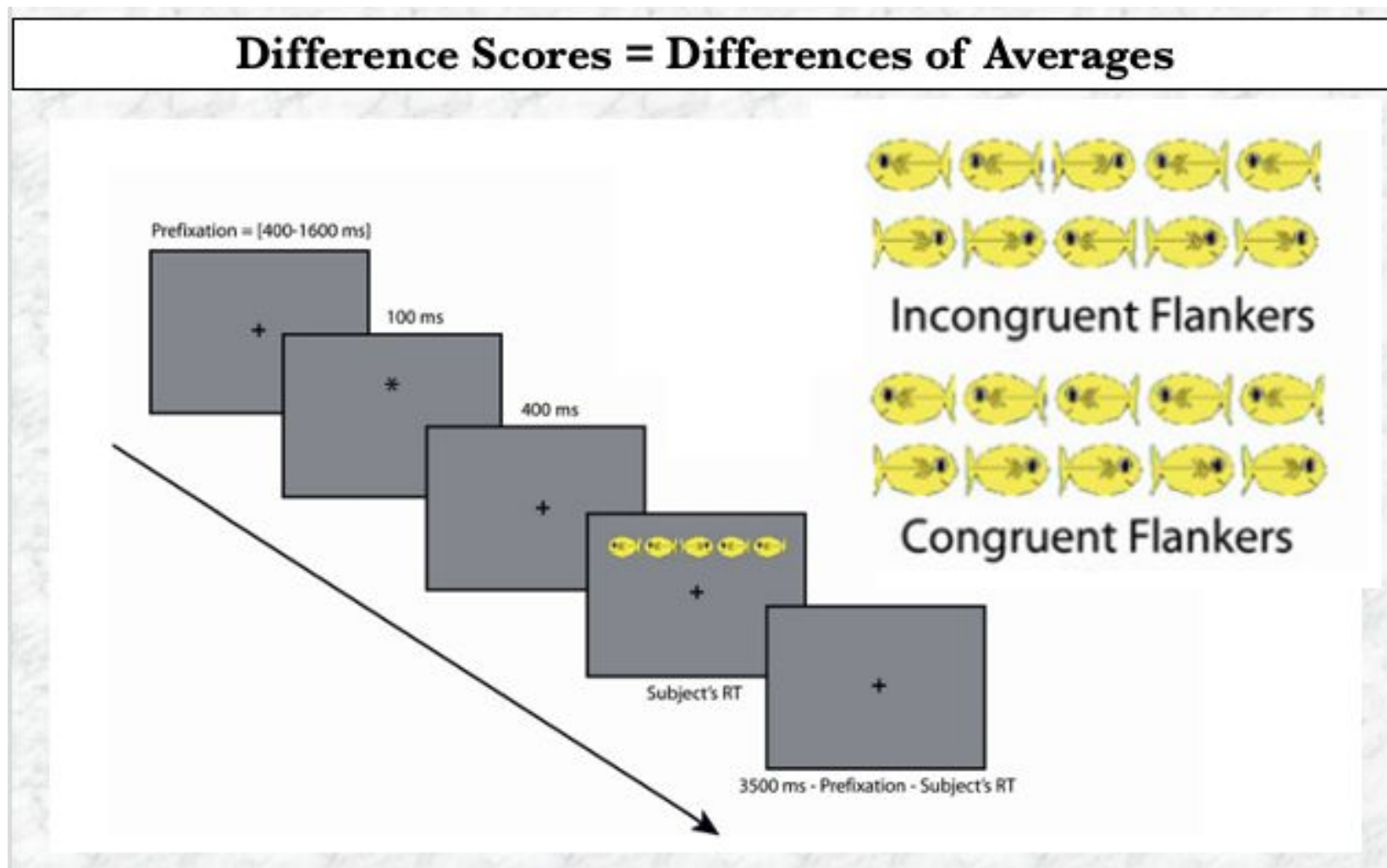


Trial	1	2	3	4	5...
RT	296	275	253	255	261
<u>Corr</u>	1	1	1	0	1

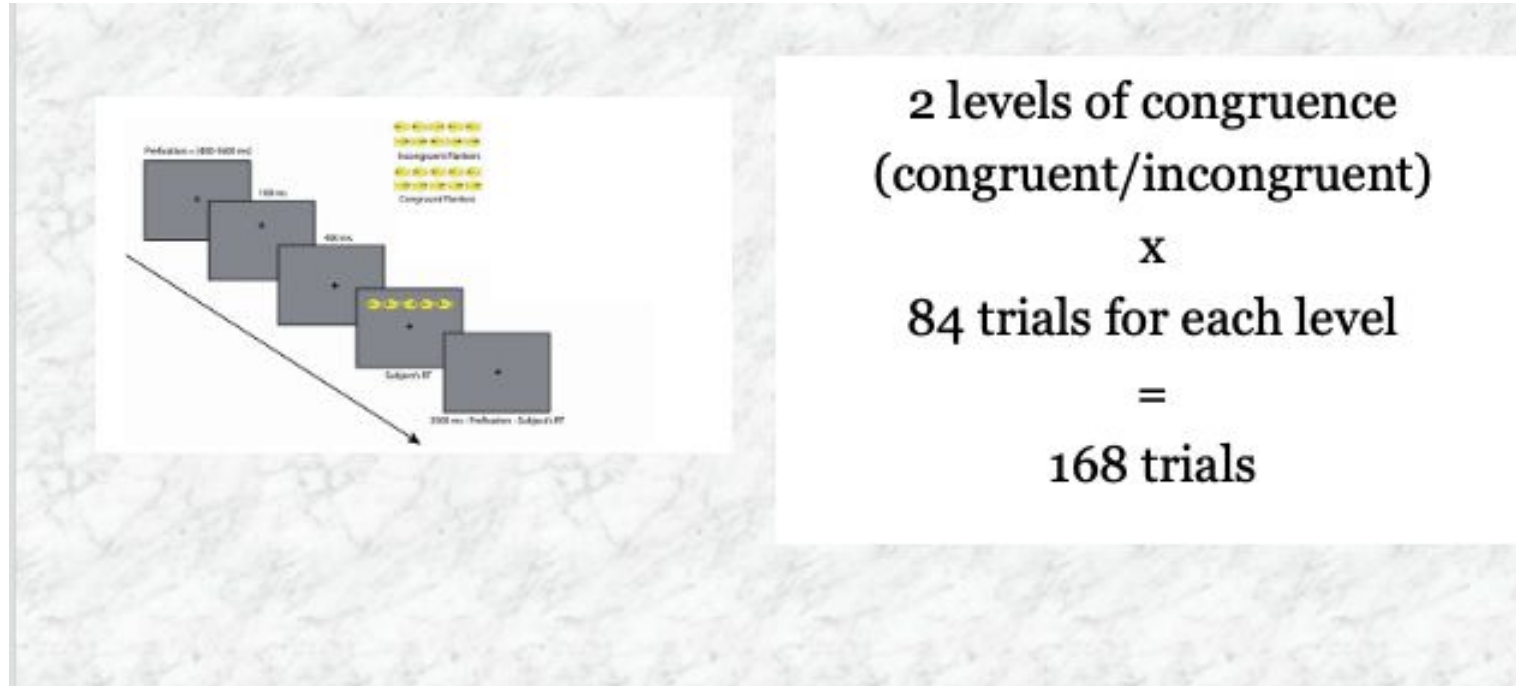


Subtracted Measures

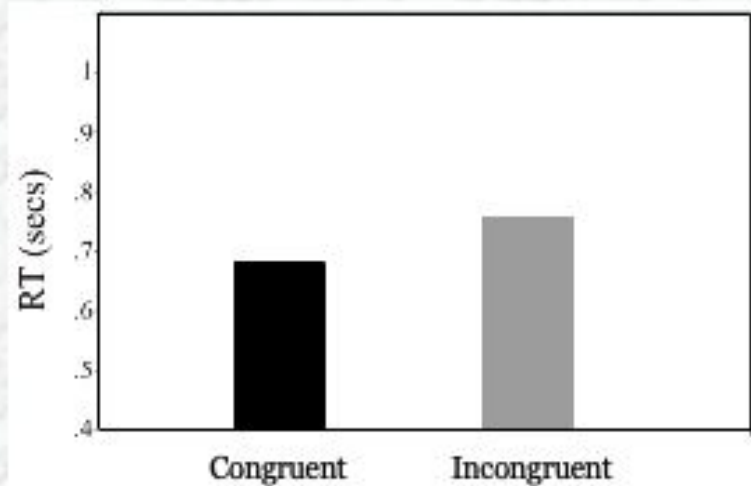
Difference Scores = Differences of Averages



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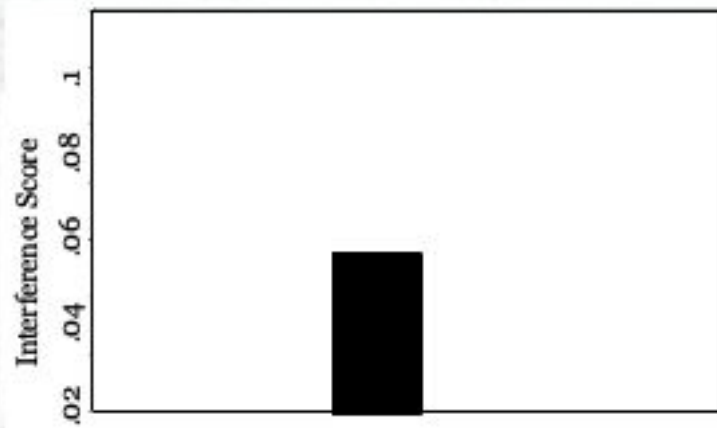


Subtracted Measures



For each individual, take the average reaction time across all 84 trials of the same level of congruence

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Subtract the average RT for congruent trials from the average RT for incongruent trials

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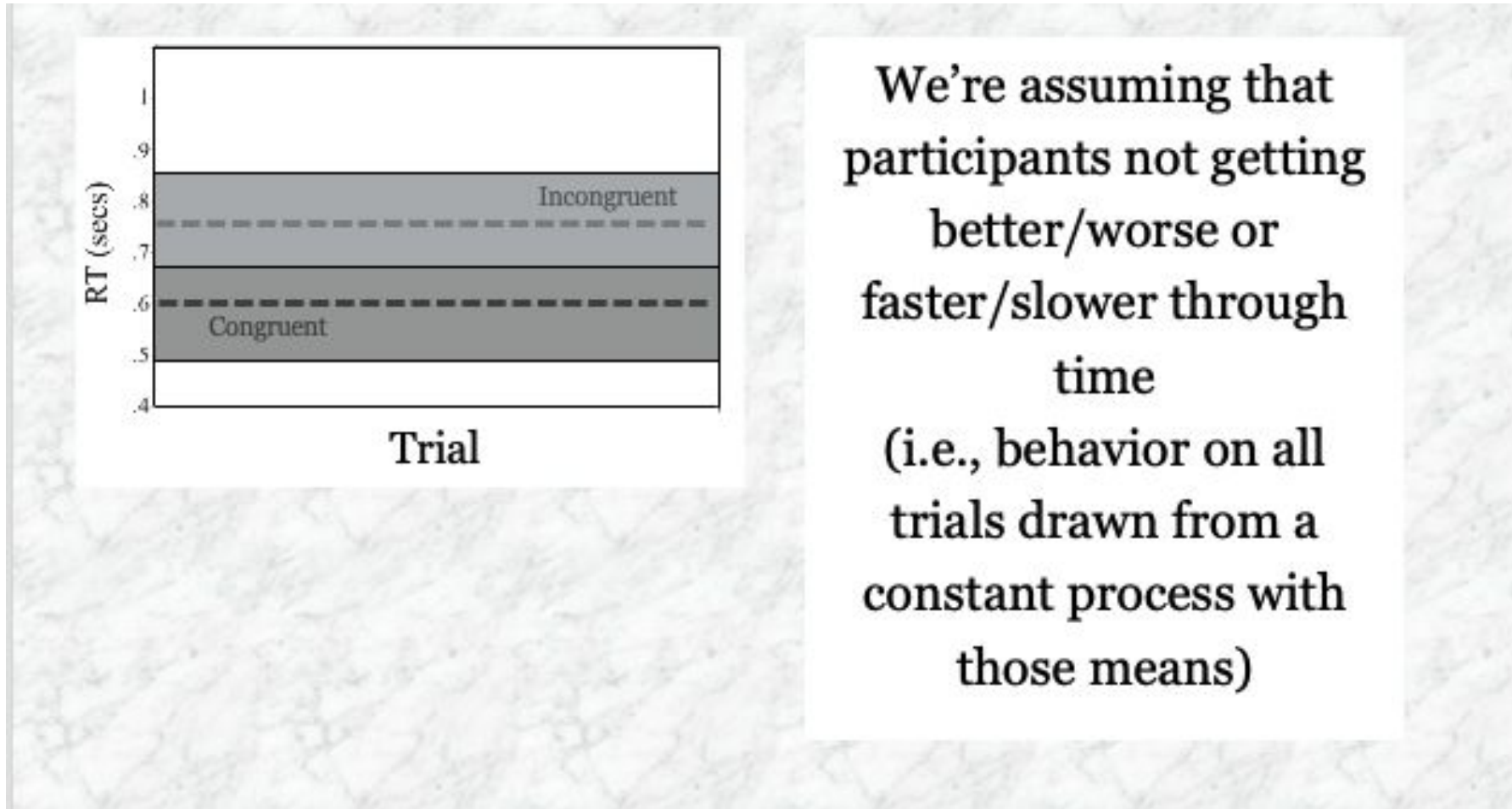
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B) The trials are not iid, but any violations (e.g., temporal dynamics) are irrelevant to what we're trying to measure

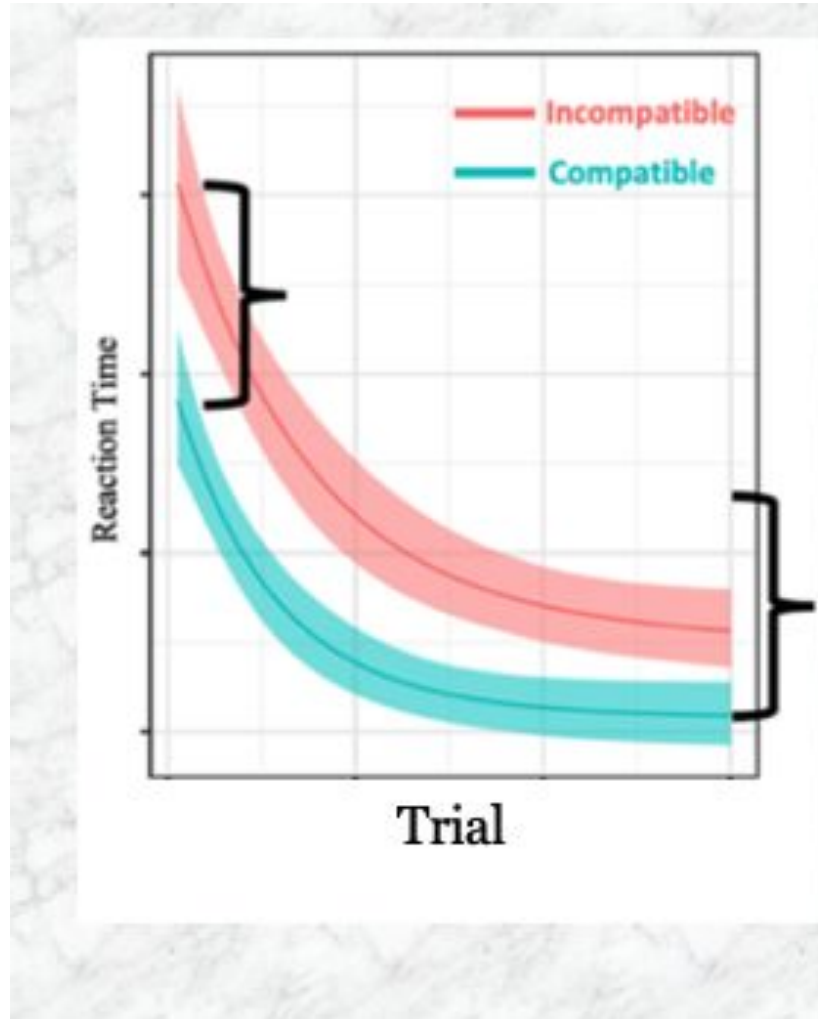
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If that assumption is
wrong (it is)...

and the data actually
looks like this through
time?

It's unclear what that the
average-based metric
even means?

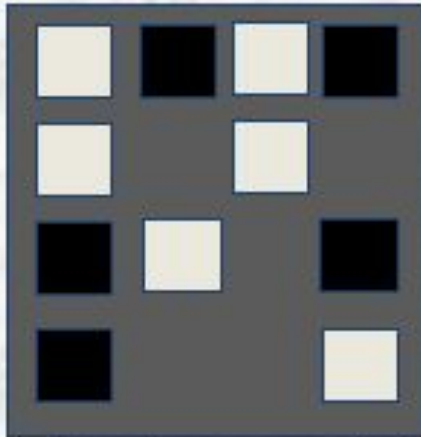
Why Should We Care That Our Assumptions Are Wrong?

Understanding Individual Differences

Short-term memory related to fluid intelligence

Spatial span
(short-term memory)

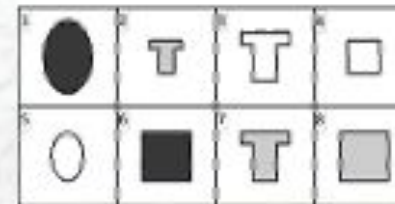
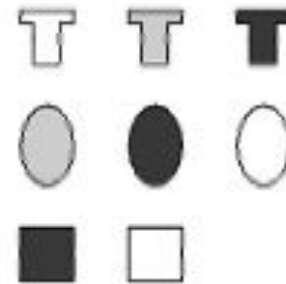
Remember the order that
the squares change color



Click on the squares in the
order they changed color

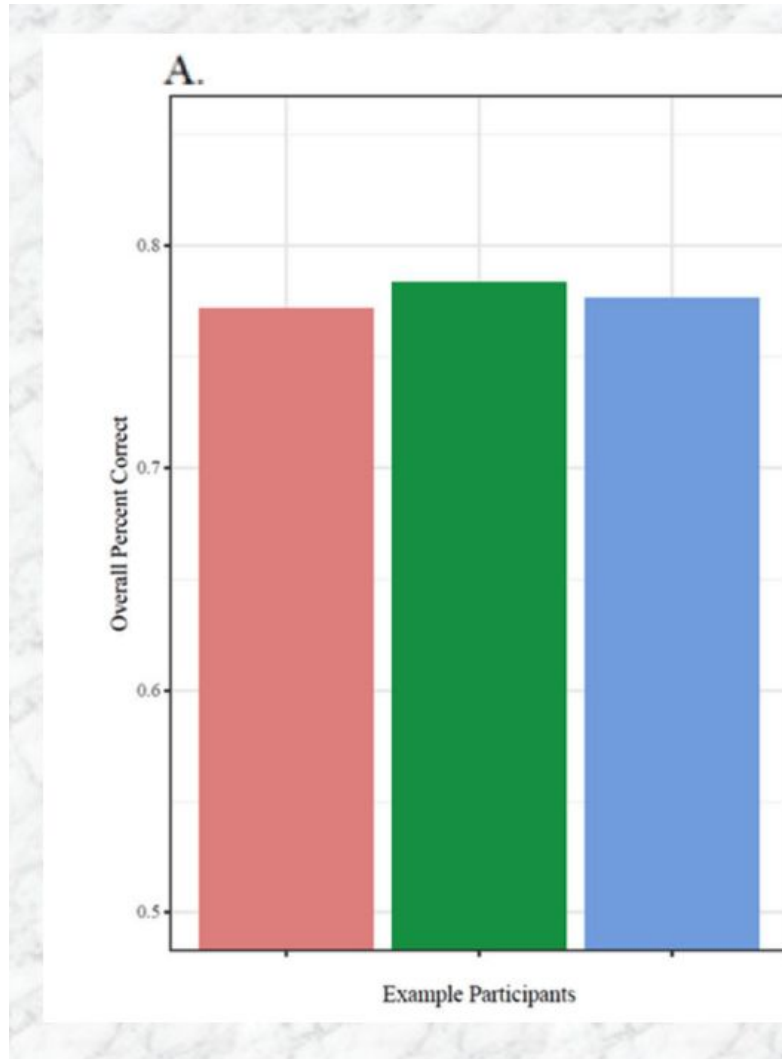


Matrix reasoning
(fluid intelligence)



Which item from
the bottom best
completes the
pattern at the top?

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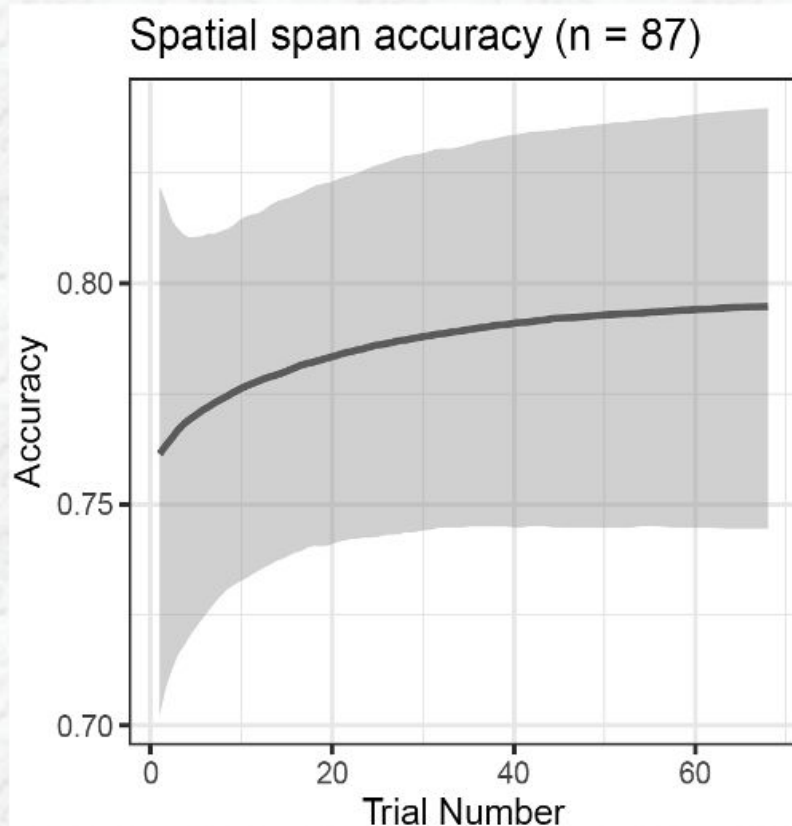
Typical STM analyses – average accuracy

Key assumption: That this DV provides an informative window into individual differences

In particular, people with the same score should be “the same”

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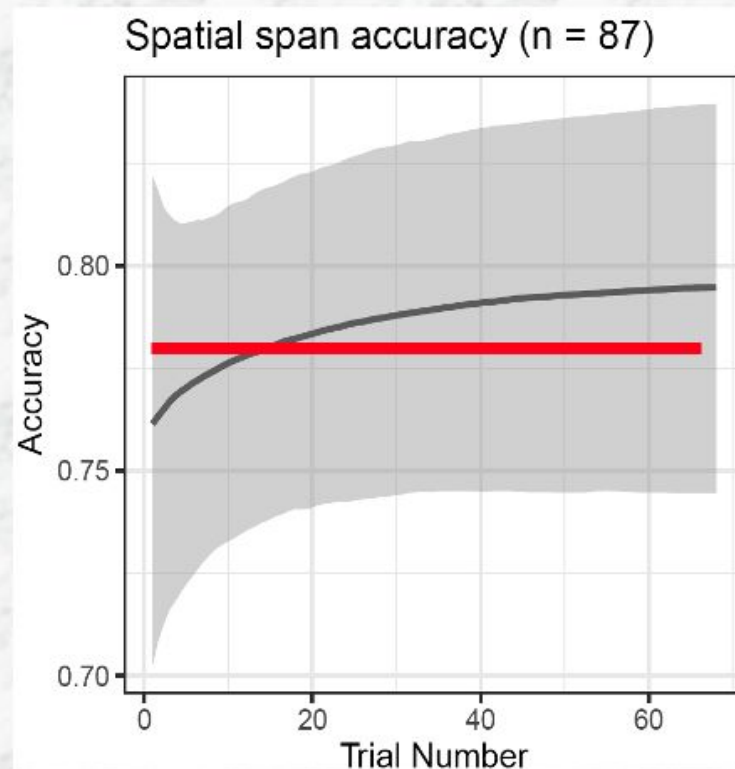
But performance is NOT stationary on the short-term memory task.



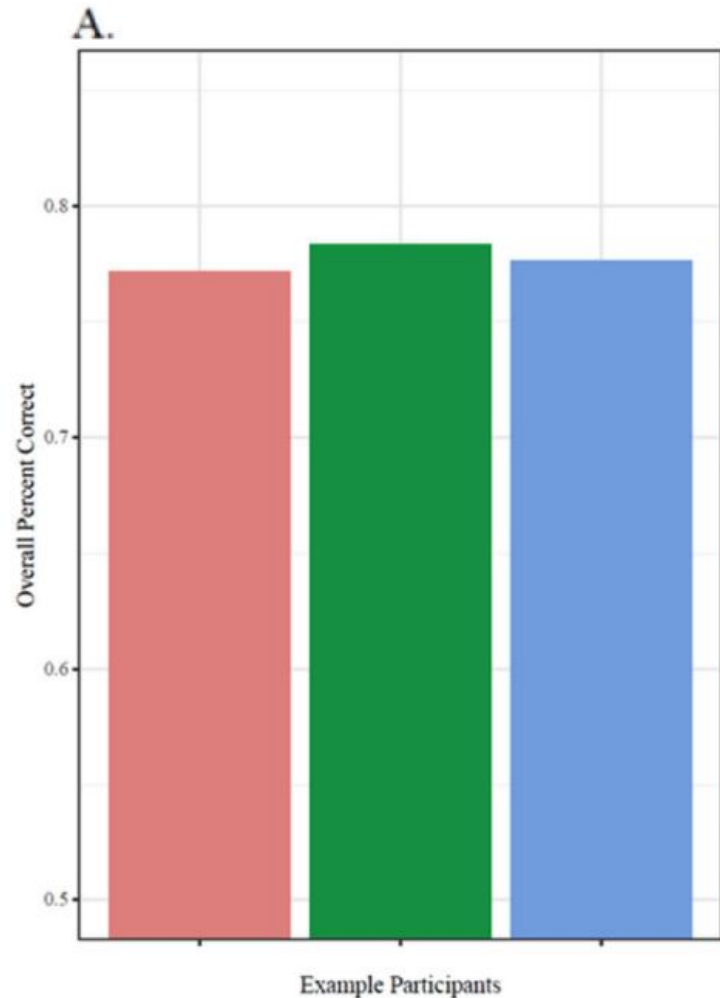
Indeed, not only do people improve at this task through time, we can identify reliable individual differences in their initial ability, rate of change, and estimated final performance.

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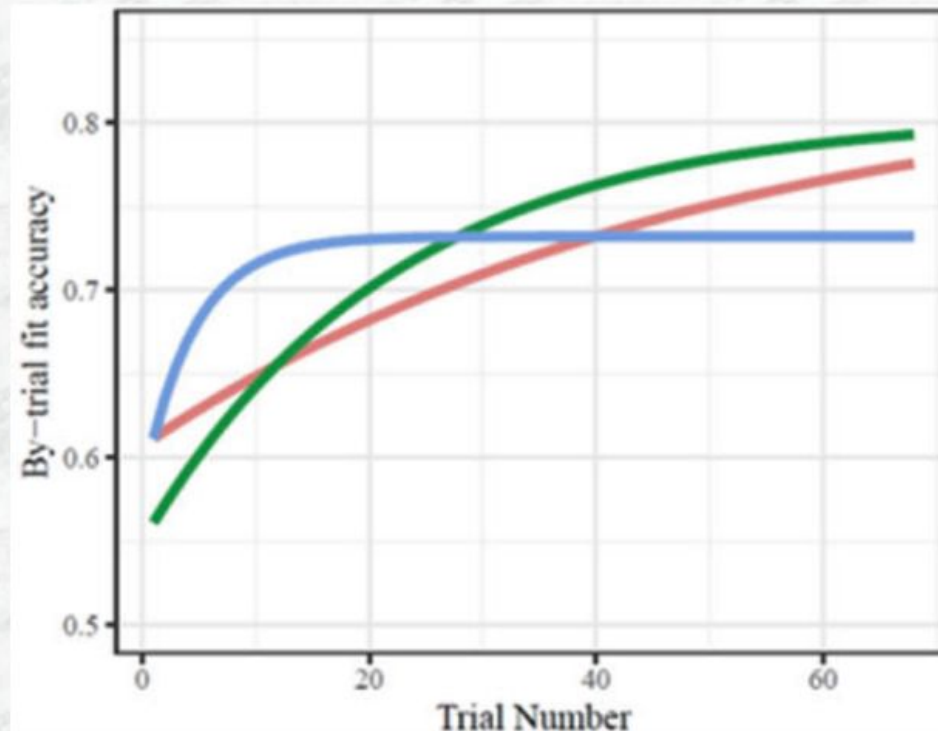
Problem #1: Not really clear what “average” performance on this task means; it’s not a good description of the behavior



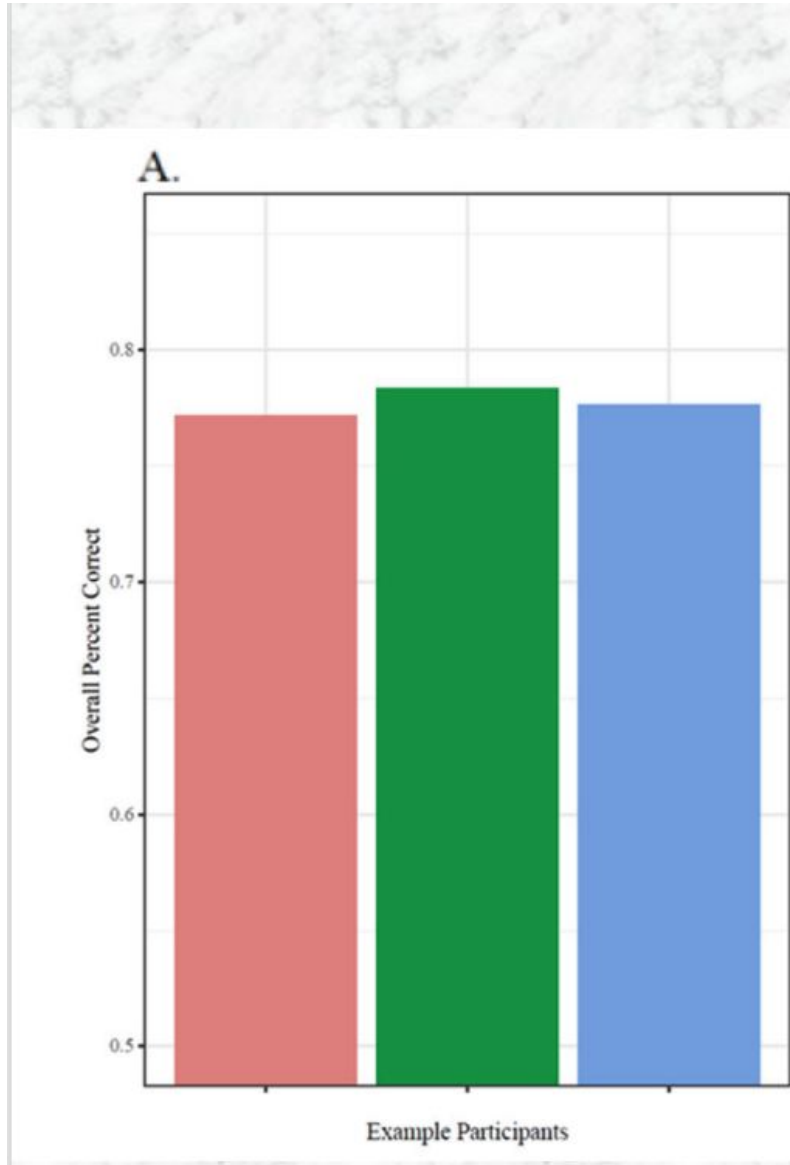
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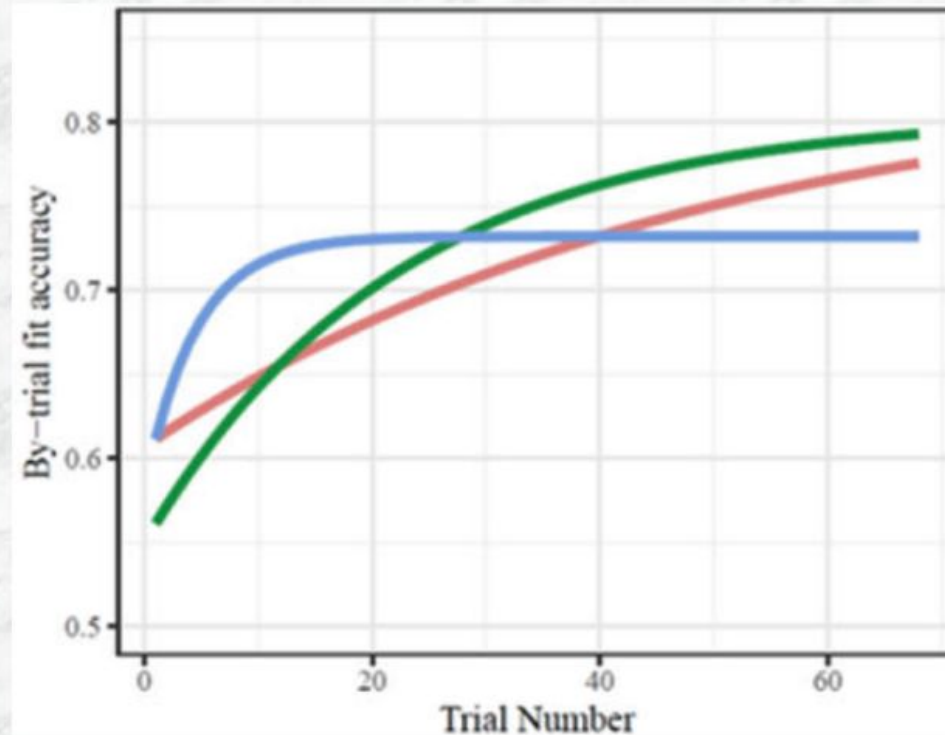
Problem #2: Worse, taking an average can make people who are different look “the same”



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Problem #3: Theories are no longer specific enough to predict links with true behavior...

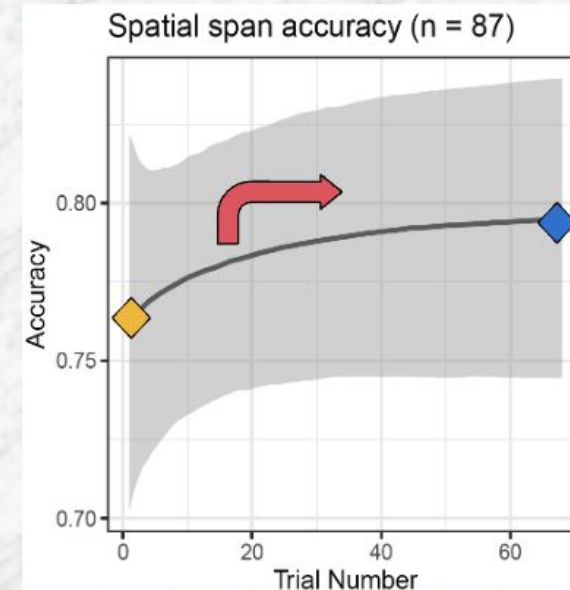


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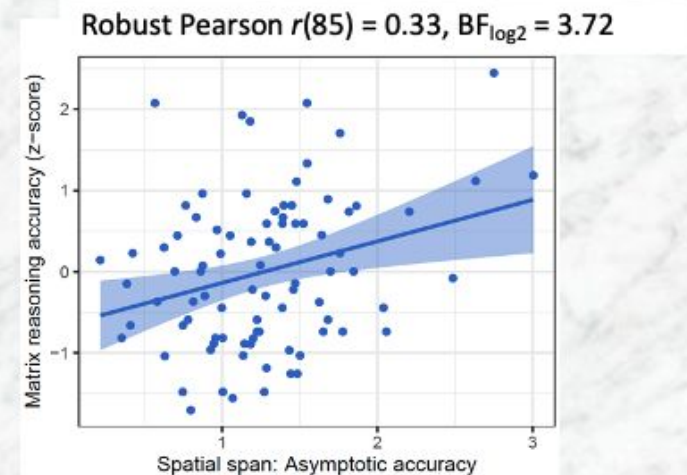
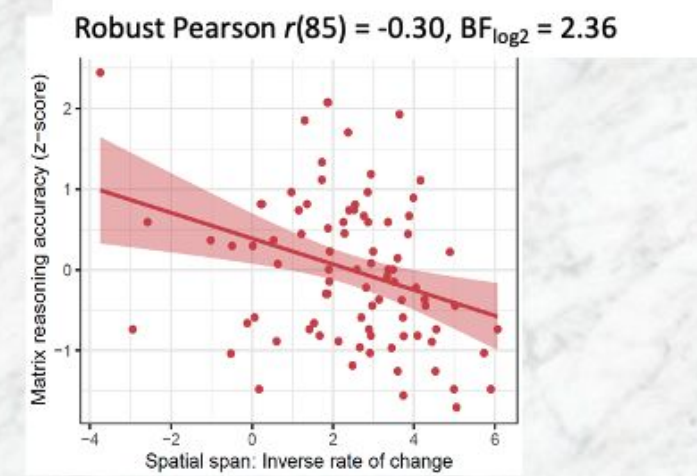
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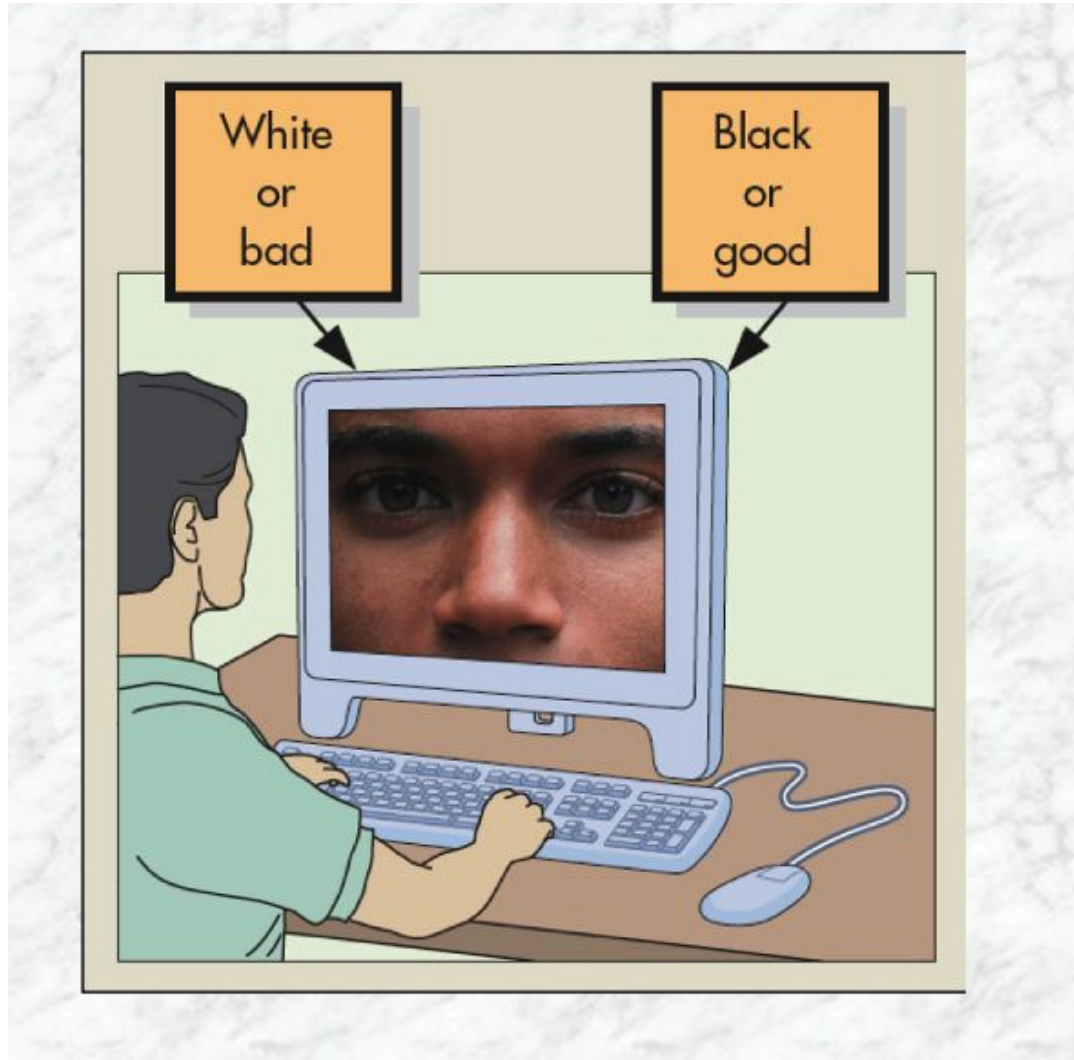
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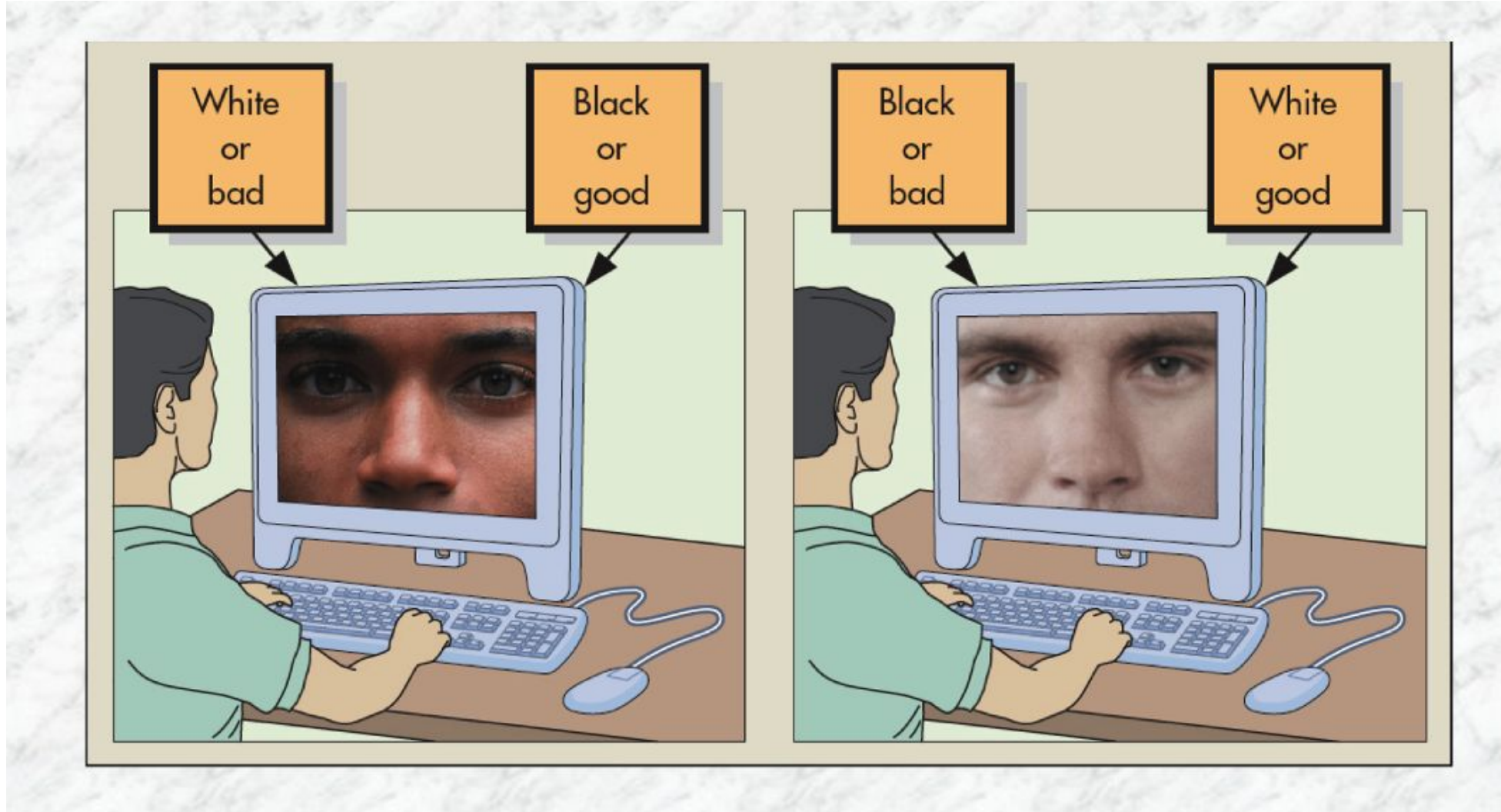


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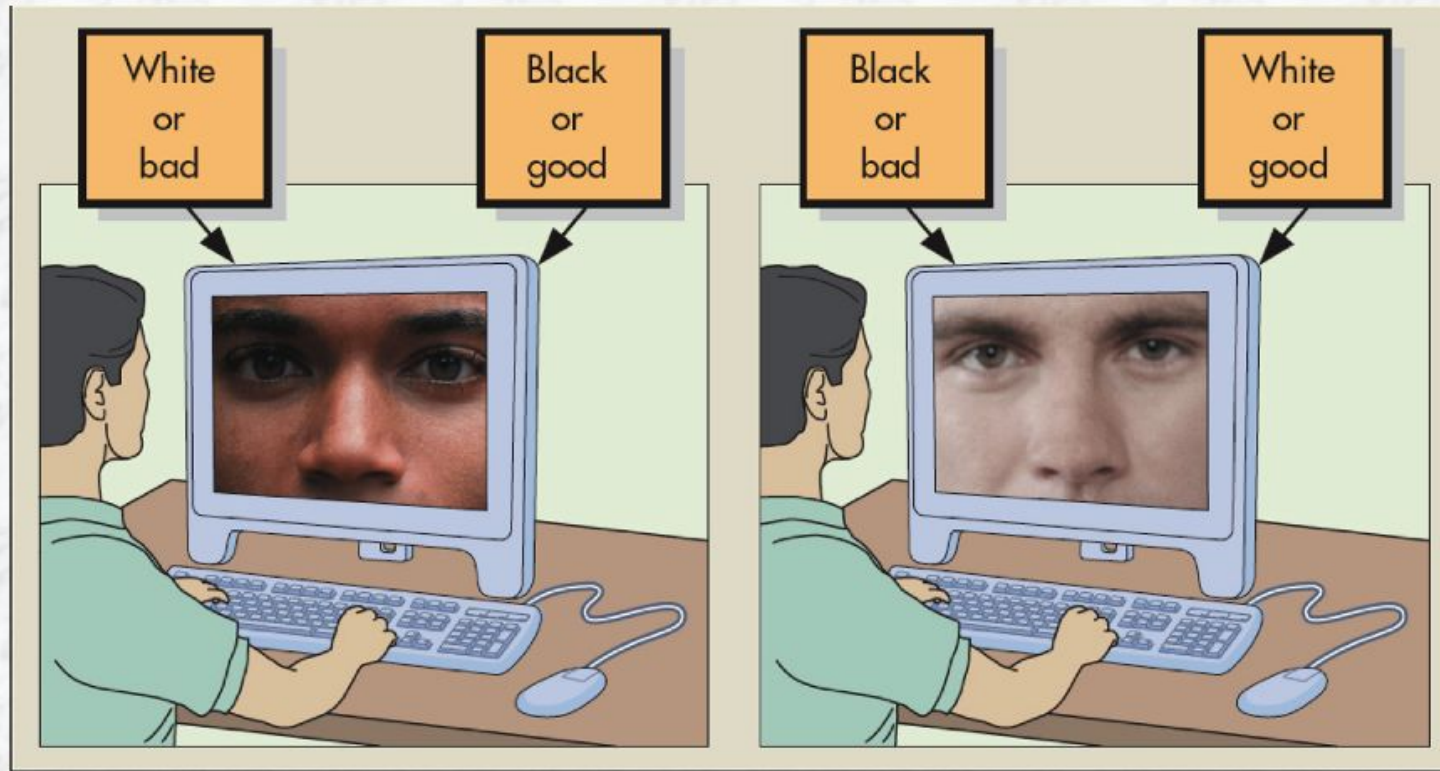
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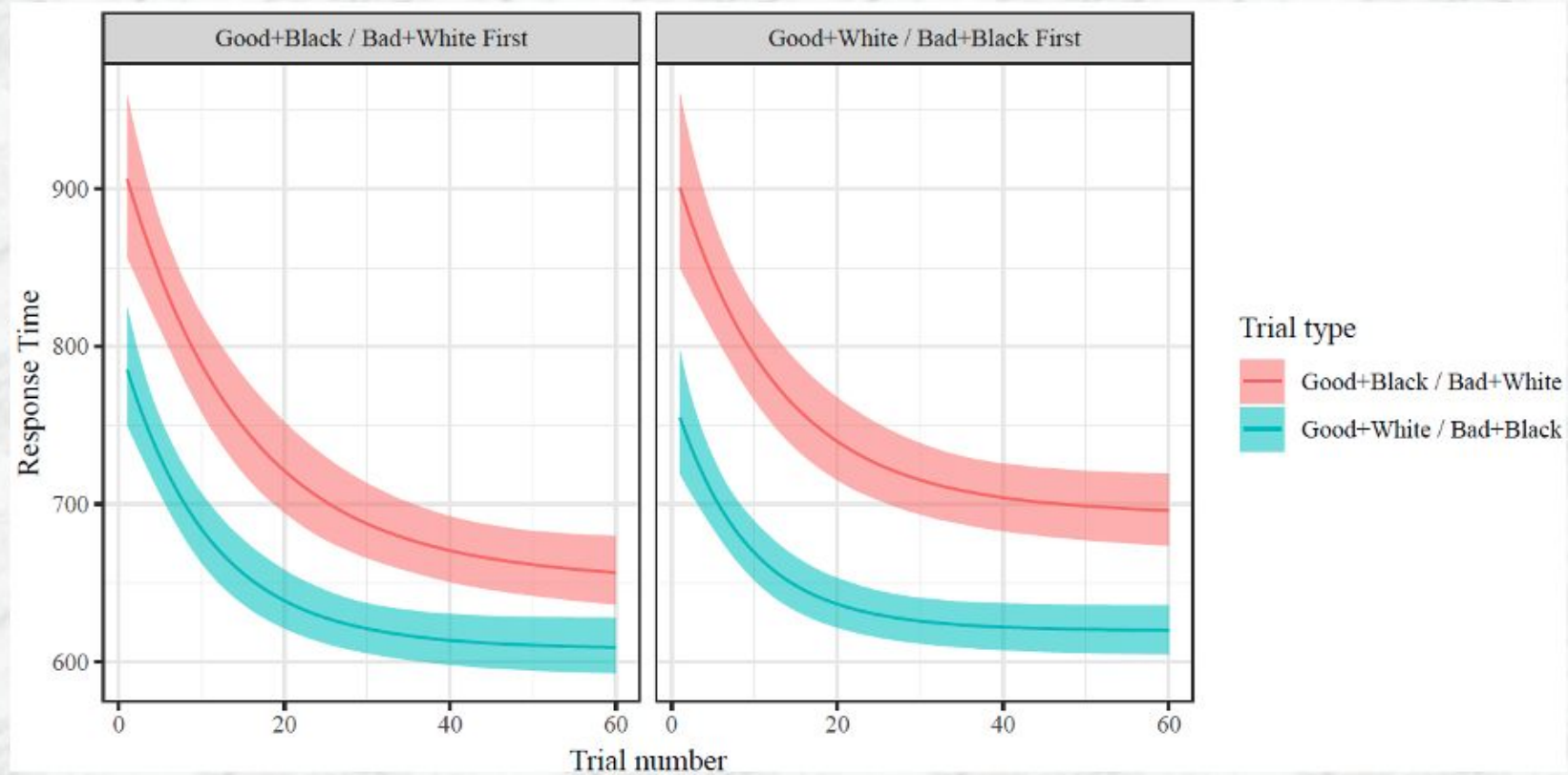


Measure of Implicit Bias =

Average RT in first block type – Average RT in second block type

IAT Task

Performance not remotely iid...



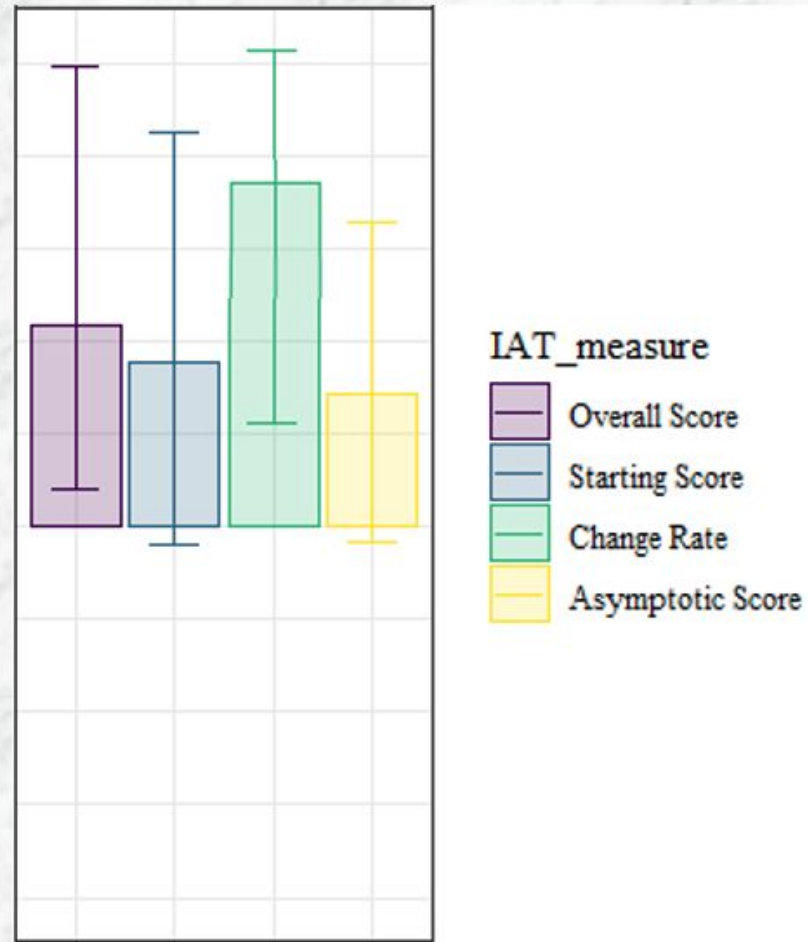
IAT Task

Lots of controversy as to whether this implicit bias score predicts any real-world behavior (like seating distance)



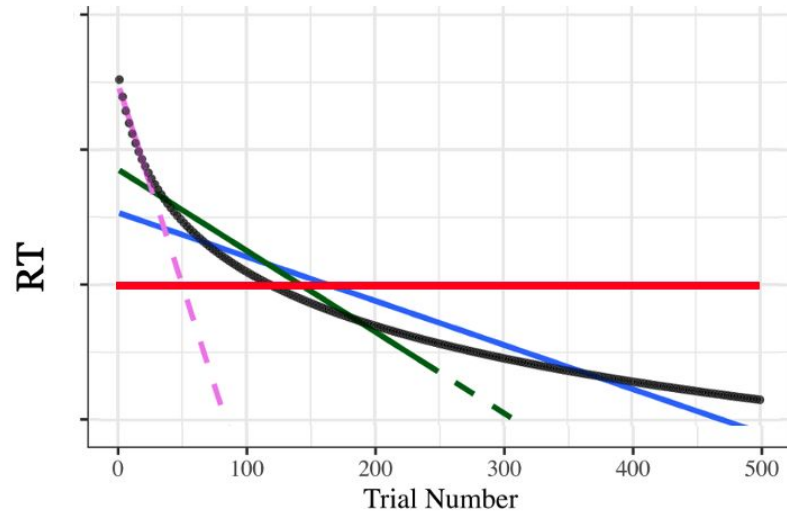
IAT Task

Rate of change best predictor of seating distance...



Why Use Time-Continuous Rather Than Aggregate Approaches?

- Benefits:
 - It's typically just a better description of the data



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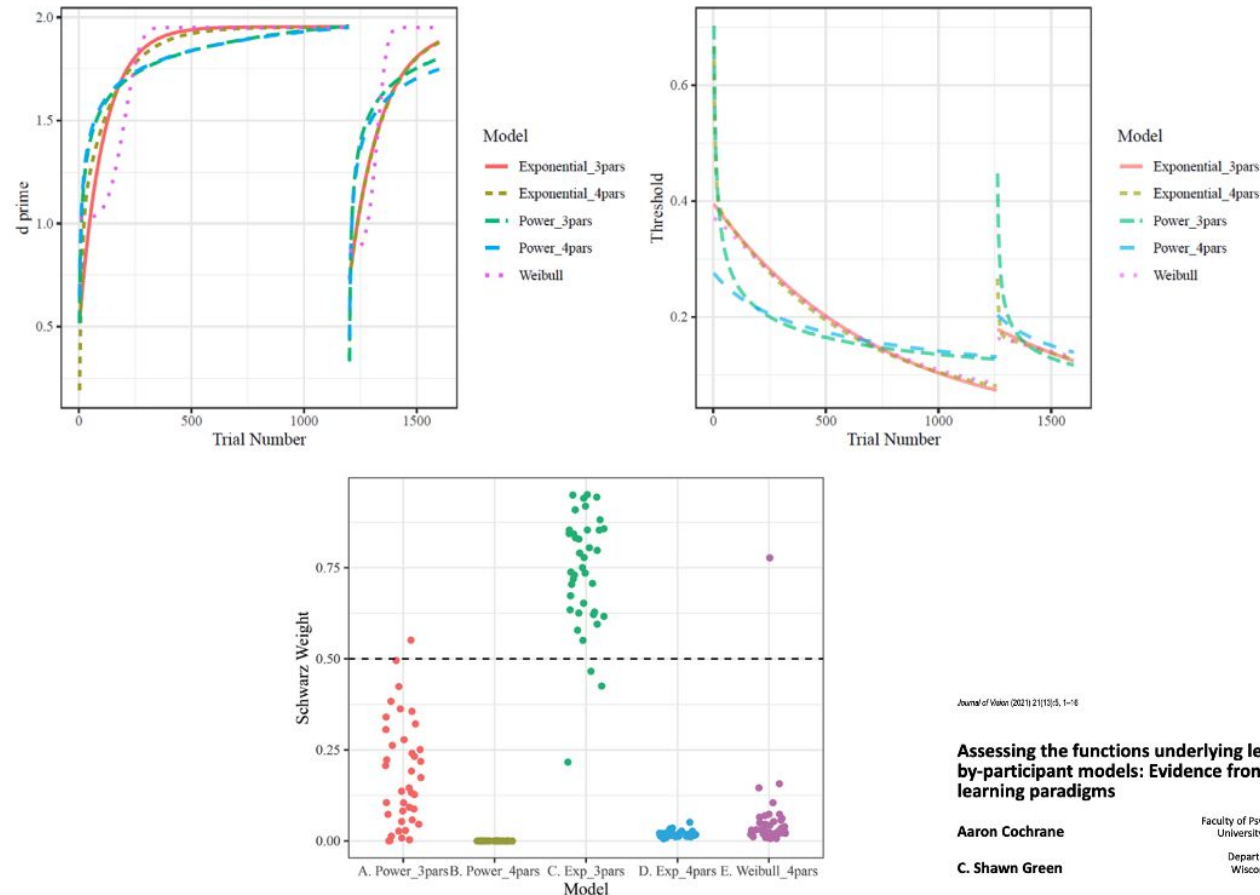
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 - Immediate (transfer)
 - Faster learning (learning to learn)

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 - Ability to learn new tasks
 - Asymptotic capabilities

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 - How bias changes with experience...


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- Benefits:
 - More practical benefits...
 - “Practice trials” unnecessary...

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Learning is just one of many factors that make behavioral data non-iid

- Fatigue
- Mind-wandering
- Post-error slowing
- Beliefs about temporal dependence

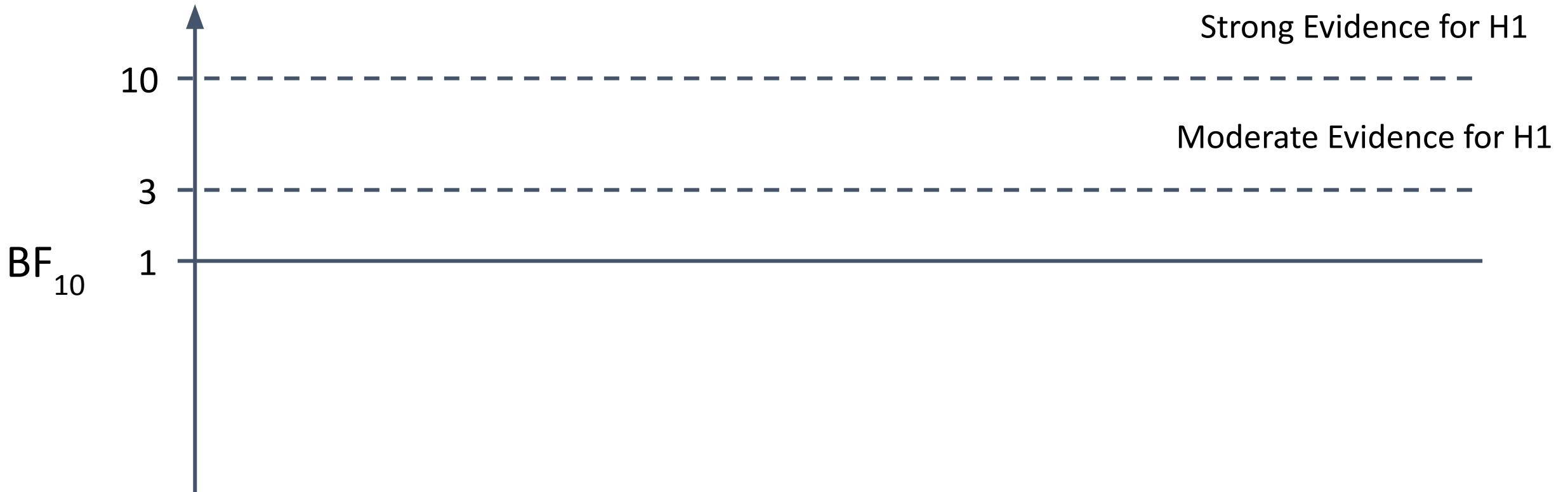
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                B=10000, design = "sequential")  
  
sim.H0 <- BFDA.sim(expected.ES=0, type="t.paired", alternative="greater",  
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plot(sim.H1, n.min=N_min, n.max=N_max, boundary=boundaries_test)  
plot(sim.H0, n.min=N_min, n.max=N_max, boundary=boundaries_test)
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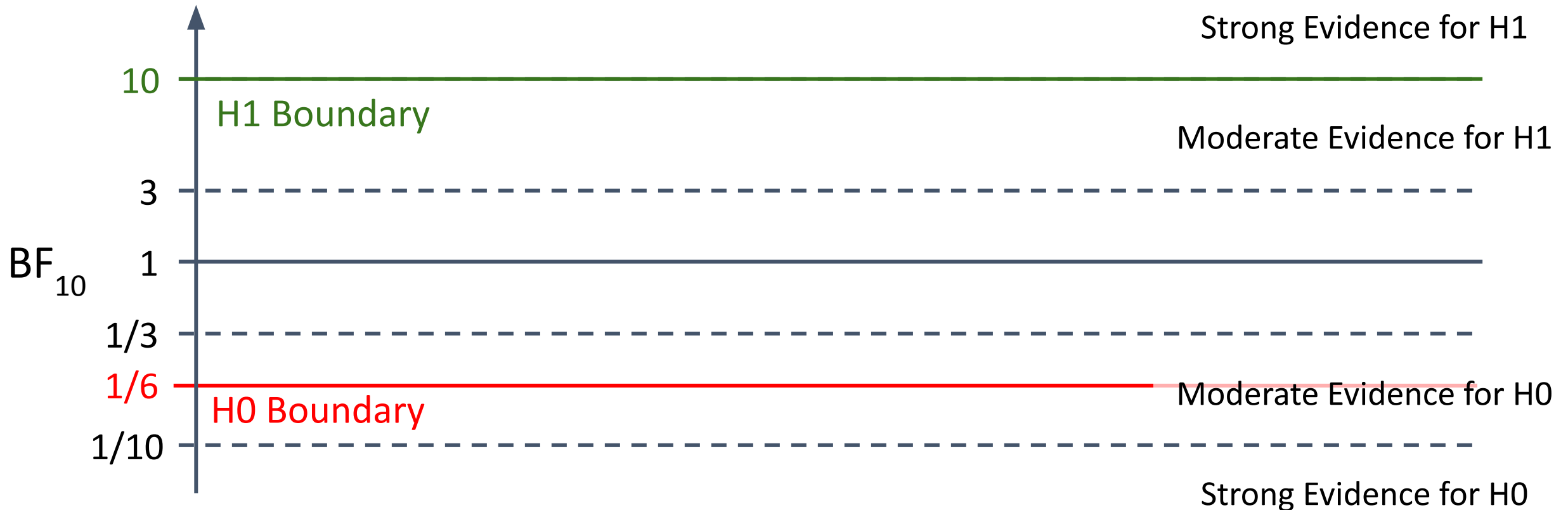
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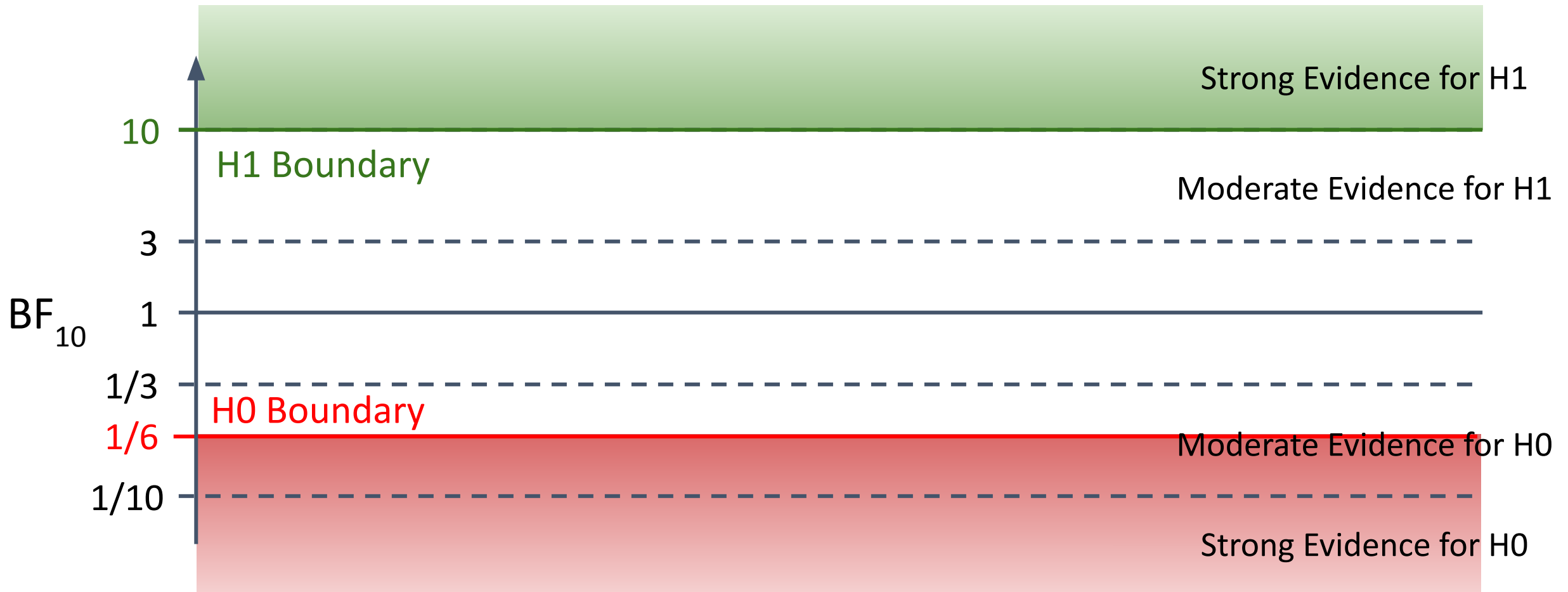
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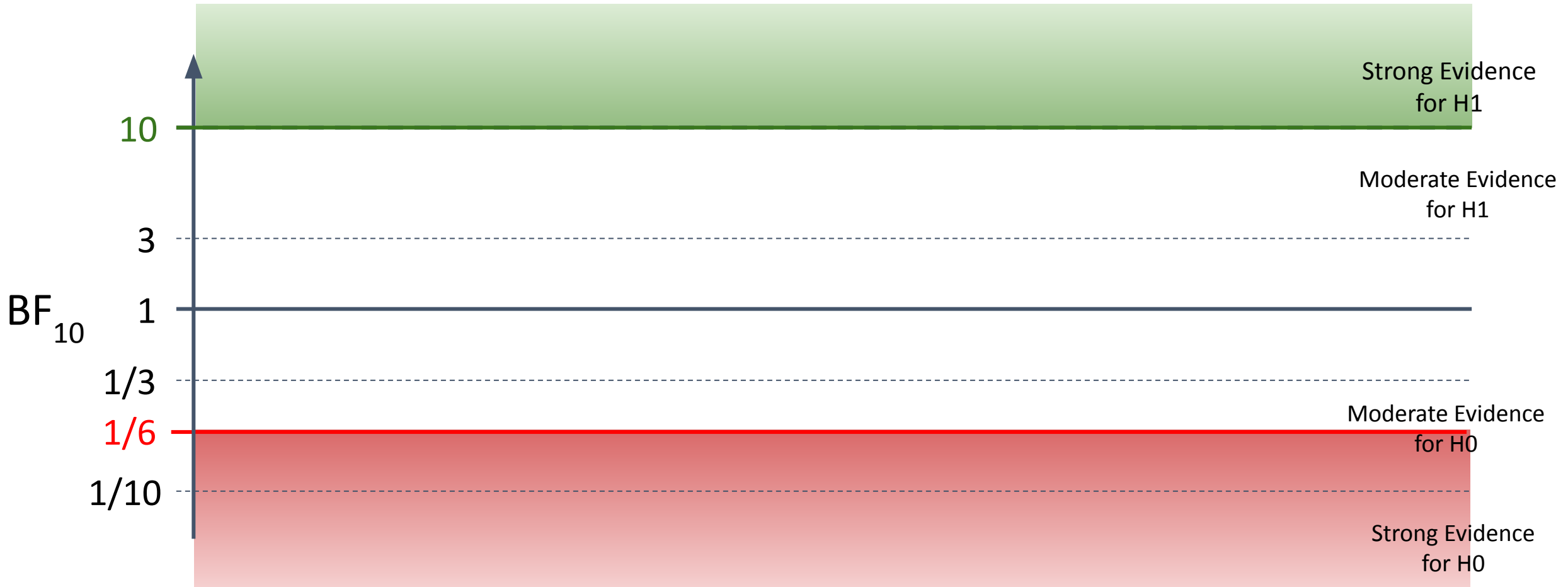
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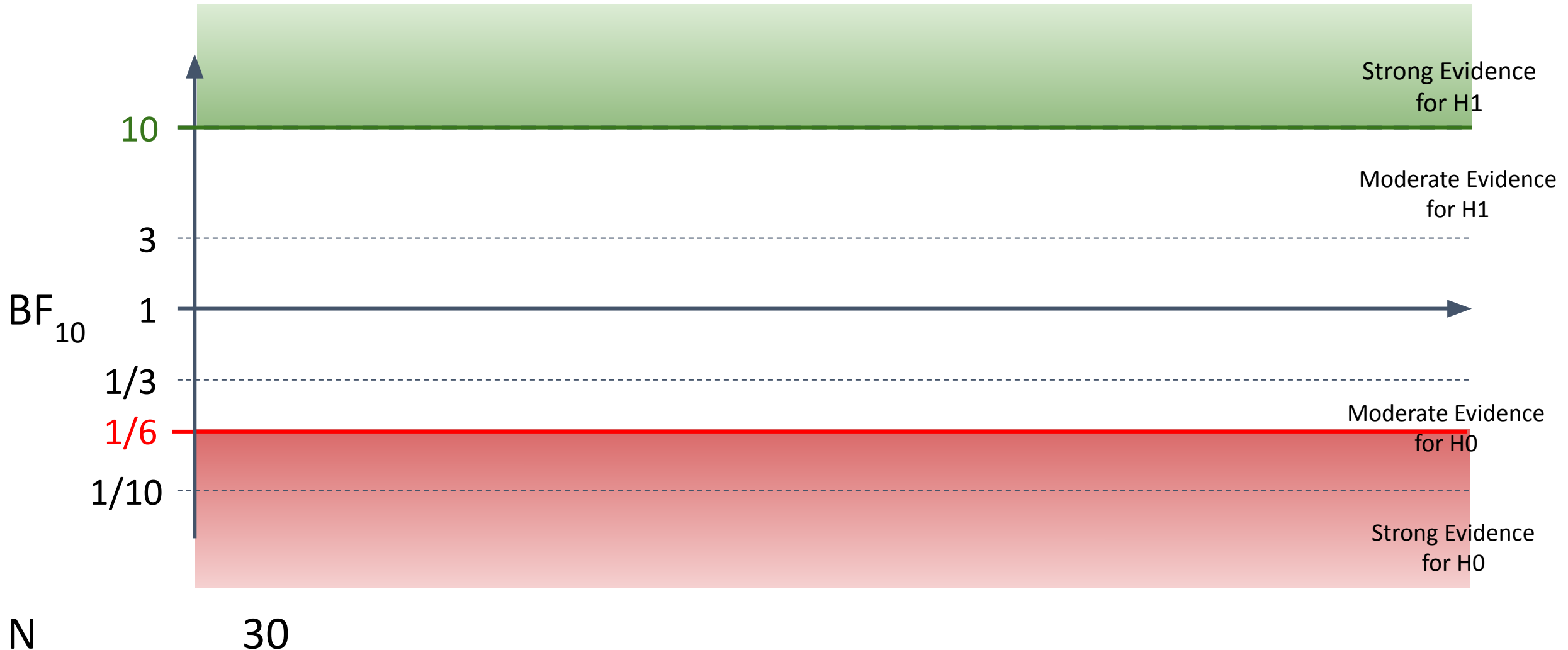
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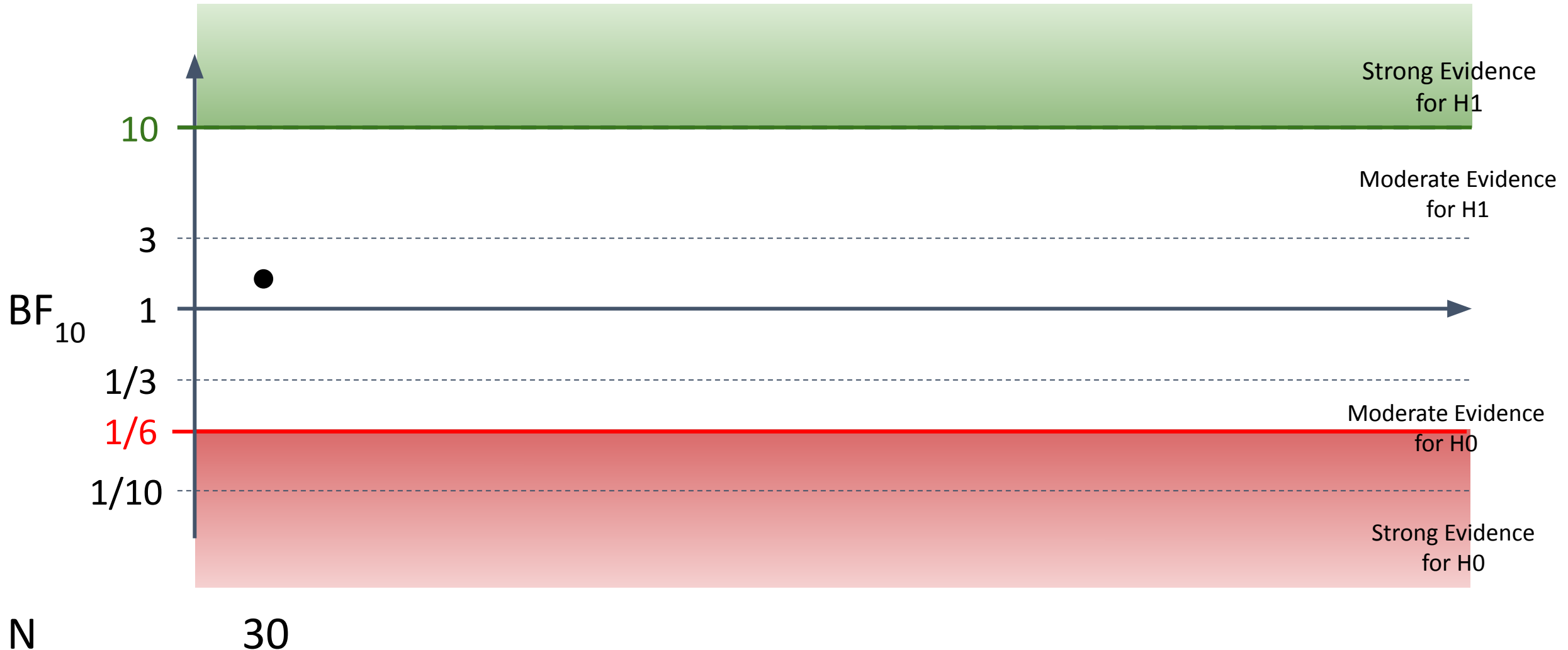
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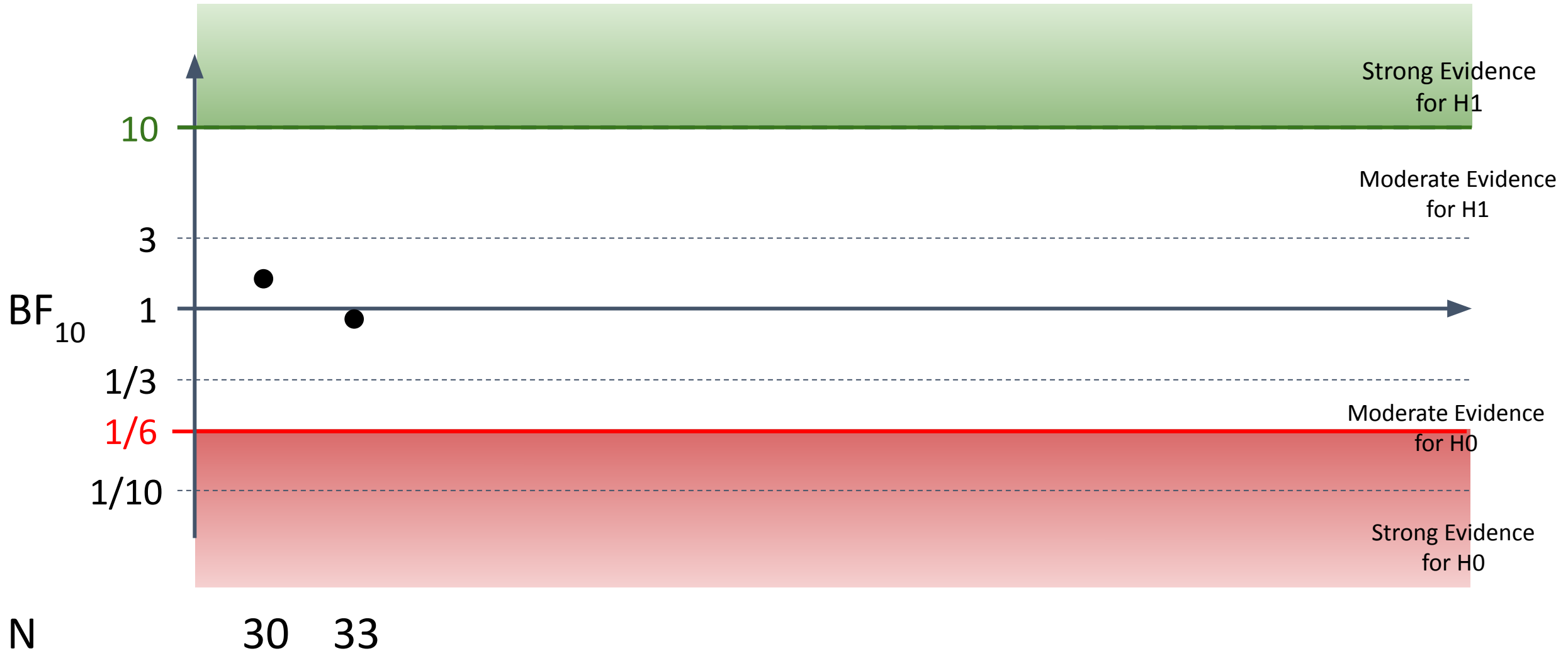
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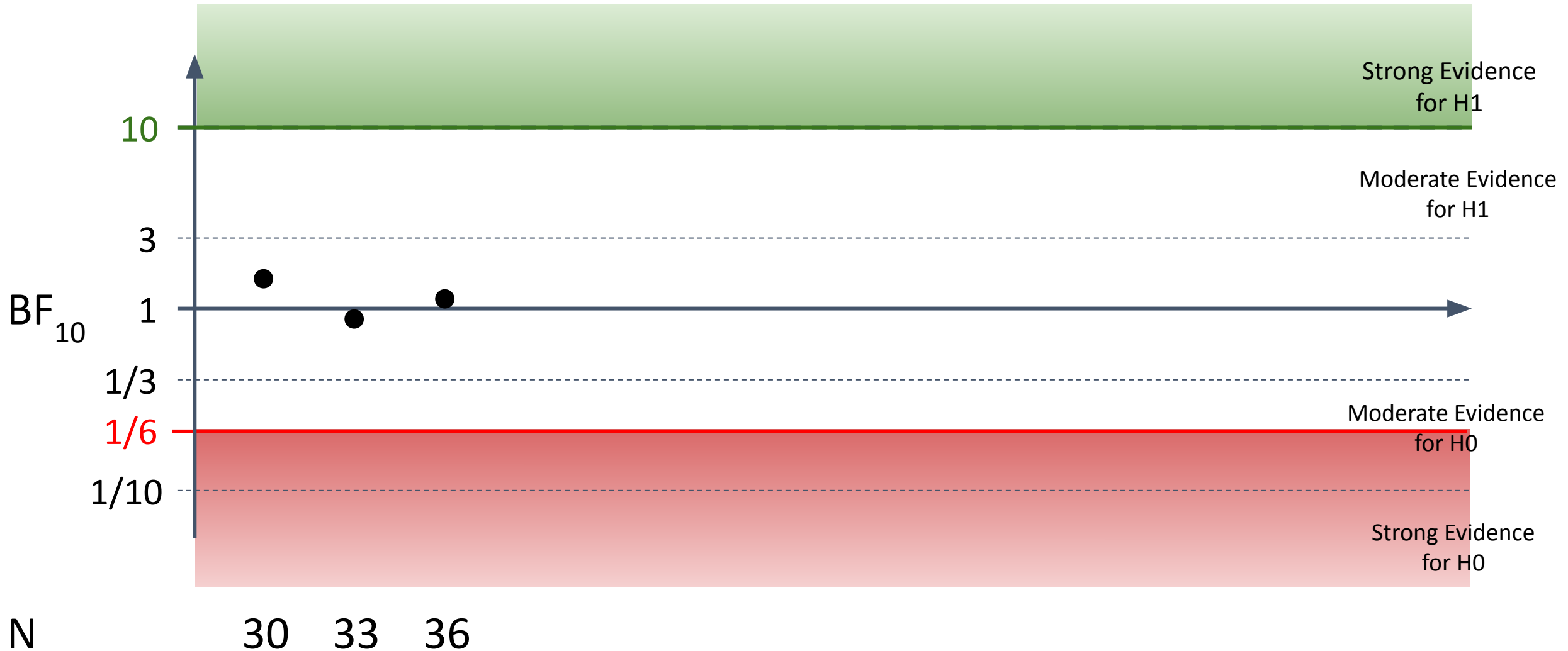
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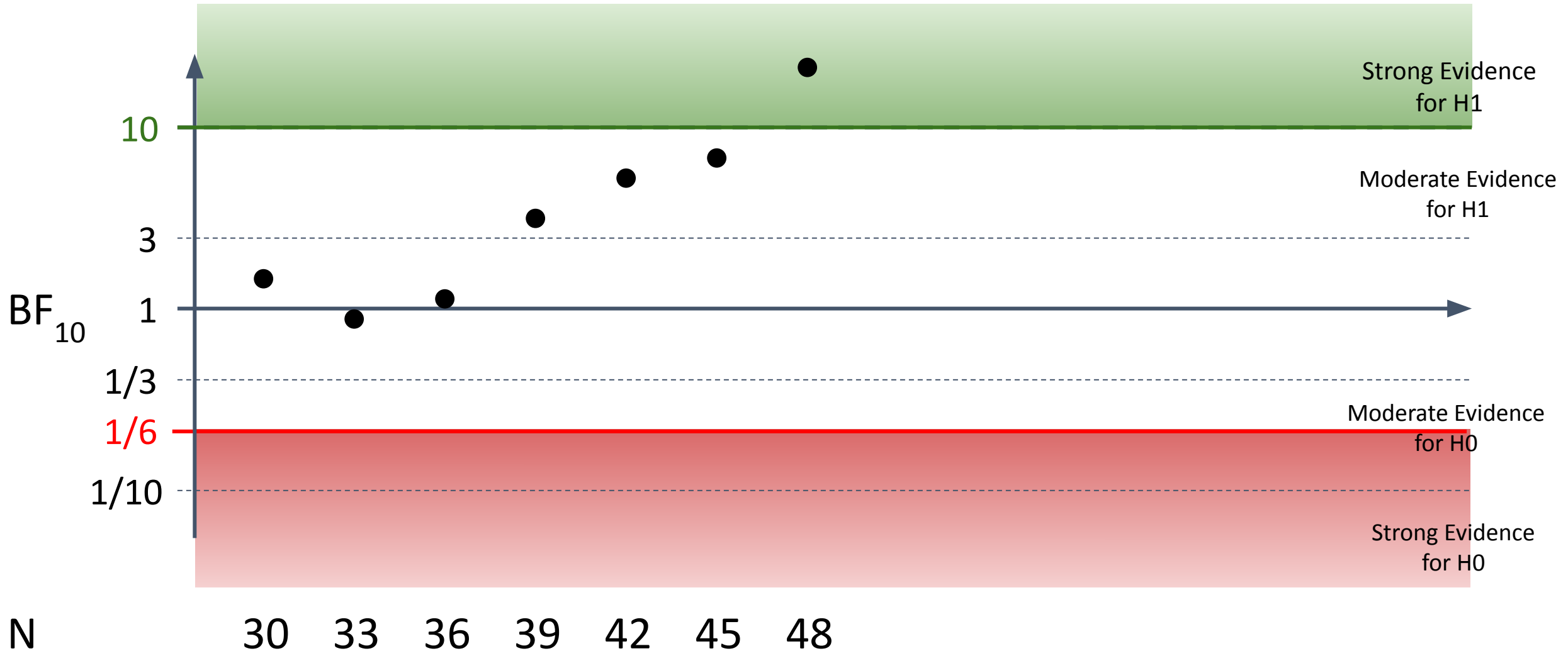
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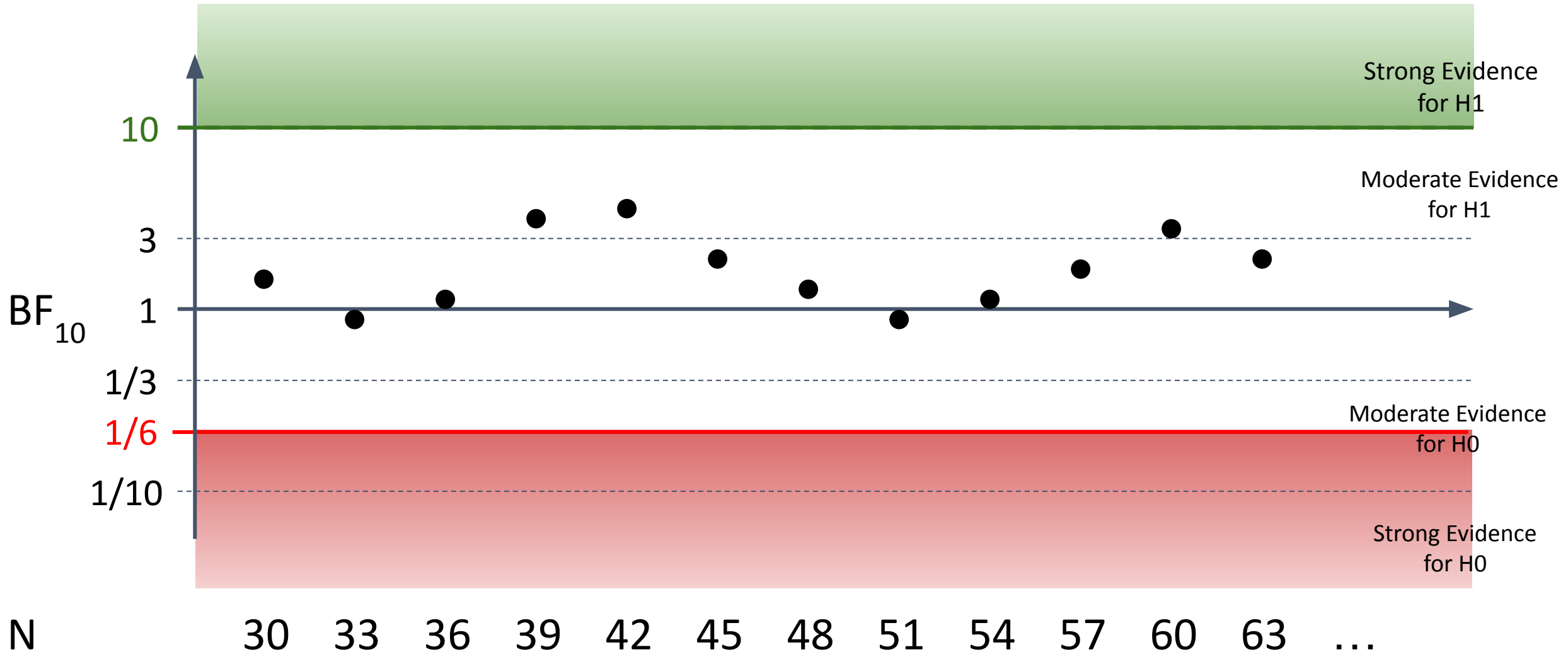
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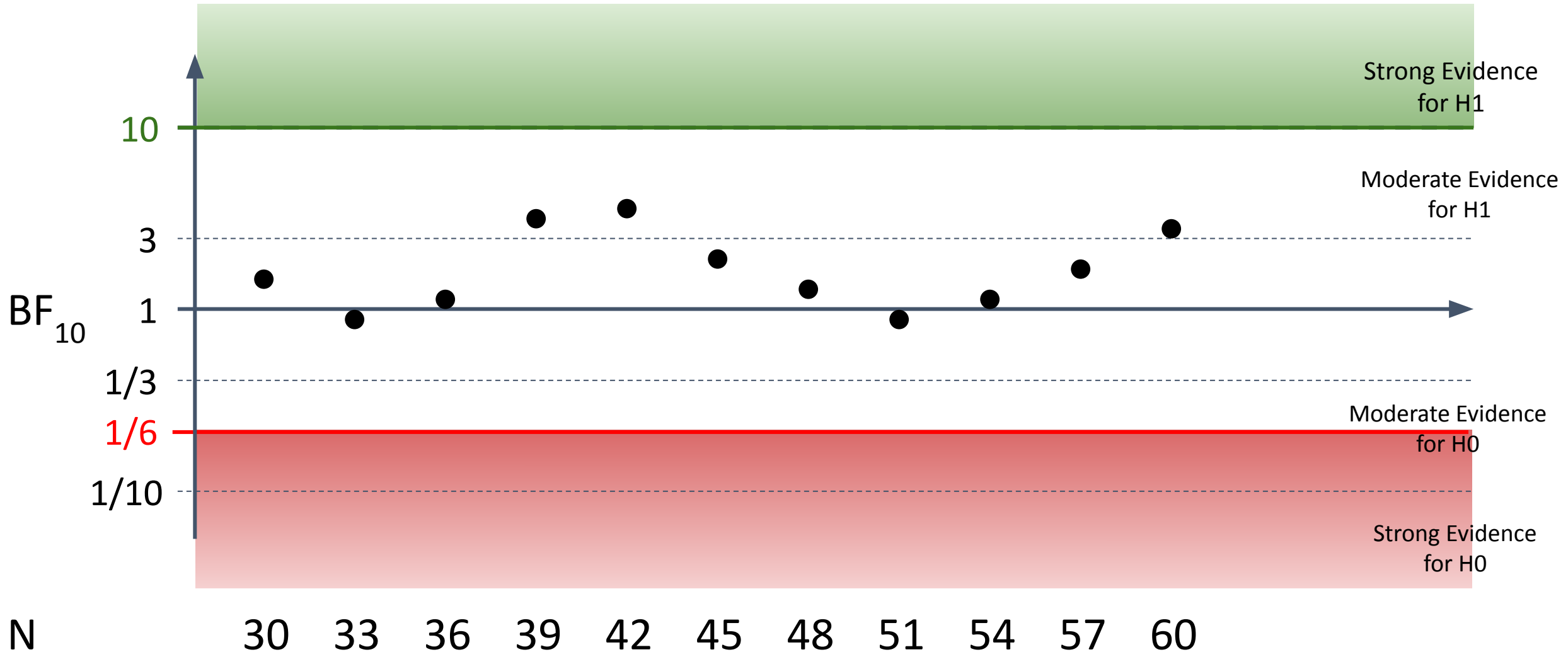
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