model selection

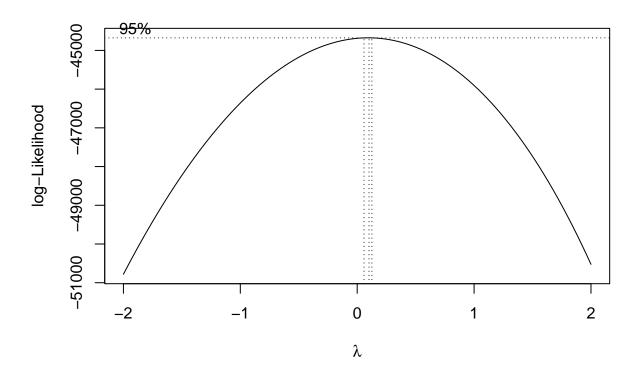
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Create one dataset containing both the experimental data and the questionnaire scores. Furthermore, exclude participant 12 and 14 from all statistical analyses.

Model selection for a linear model predicting performance (average distance to line throughout trial)

Distributional analysis:



[1] 0.1010101

referring to: https://www.statisticshowto.com/probability-and-statistics/normal-distributions/box-cox-transformation/

lambda, the expected value is close to 0.0, implying a log transformation.

null model to explore random intercept effects

predict mean (independent of any predictors) performance rating

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
##
  Formula: log(avg_dist_trialwise) ~ 1 + (1 | code)
      Data: all_data
##
##
##
        AIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
                 BIC
##
      12764
               12786
                        -6379
                                  12758
                                           11517
##
```

```
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               30
                                      Max
  -3.3848 -0.7803 -0.0469 0.7710 4.1836
##
##
## Random effects:
##
   Groups
           Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
   code
             (Intercept) 0.02869 0.1694
##
   Residual
                        0.17450
                                 0.4177
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                                        df t value Pr(>|t|)
              Estimate Std. Error
## (Intercept) 3.48315
                          0.02475 48.00000
                                            140.7
                                                    <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## [1] "estimate: 32.56"
## [1] "Std. Error: 1.03"
```

How much variance in performance (in %) is explained by the individual random intercept effect code?

[1] 0.1438104

Exploring fixed effects by likelihood ratio tests

We start with the most complex fixed effects structure (simply throwing fixed effects in the model that are specified by our hypotheses). Then we will test this model against less complex ones (where we eliminate individual fixed effects). For the model that predicts performance that is not overly complex...

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: log(avg_dist_trialwise) ~ input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 |
##
       code)
##
      Data: all_data
##
##
        ATC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
              2415.7 -1179.8
##
     2371.6
                                2359.6
                                          11514
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -3.8486 -0.6414 -0.0028 0.6533 6.6424
##
## Random effects:
   Groups
                         Variance Std.Dev.
   code
             (Intercept) 0.02885 0.1699
##
   Residual
                         0.07050 0.2655
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
## Fixed effects:
                                  Estimate Std. Error
                                                               df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                 3.261e+00 2.586e-02 5.825e+01 126.077 < 2e-16
## (Intercept)
```

```
## input_noise_magnitude2
                               5.849e-01 1.161e-02 1.150e+04 50.397 < 2e-16
## block
                               -2.090e-02 1.601e-03 1.149e+04 -13.055 < 2e-16
## input_noise_magnitude2:block 1.100e-02 2.331e-03 1.150e+04 4.718 2.4e-06
##
## (Intercept)
## input_noise_magnitude2
                               ***
## block
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
              (Intr) inp__2 block
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.239
## block
              -0.289 0.686
## inpt_ns_m2: 0.213 -0.904 -0.737
```

And we only find significant effects. We can still try to eliminate the interaction effect and see what happens.

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
    method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: log(avg_dist_trialwise) ~ input_noise_magnitude + block + (1 |
##
      code)
##
     Data: all_data
##
##
       AIC
                BIC
                      logLik deviance df.resid
             2428.6 -1190.9
##
    2391.8
                               2381.8
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
             1Q Median
                               30
## -3.9130 -0.6470 -0.0059 0.6558 6.6470
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
            Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
            (Intercept) 0.02912 0.1706
                        0.07063 0.2658
## Residual
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                           Estimate Std. Error
                                                       df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                          3.235e+00 2.539e-02 5.308e+01 127.43
                                                                    <2e-16 ***
## input_noise_magnitude2 6.345e-01 4.965e-03 1.147e+04 127.80
                                                                    <2e-16 ***
                         -1.533e-02 1.083e-03 1.147e+04 -14.15
## block
                                                                    <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
              (Intr) inp__2
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.111
              -0.199 0.070
## block
## Data: all_data
## Models:
```

We detect significance. That means that if we were to eliminate the interaction term, we would take out something crucial that reduces predictive power of our model. We will thus stick to model1.complex.

Exploring random slope effects by referring to BIC

Now that we identified the fixed effects in our model we can work on the random effects structure. When it comes to selecting random slope effects though, the likelihood ratio test won't be sufficient anymore (not for comparing models with different random effects structures). Random slopes "open up" the fixed effects for the different groups of our random intercept effects: they split the model apart by introducing a lot more parameters. We can select random slope effects by referring to an **information criterion**. I usually use the **Bayes information criterion (BIC)**. It penalizes the number of data points used to fit the model (on top of the number of parameters). I like the idea of accounting for overfitting when selecting models. (An alternative to the BIC is the **Akaike information criterion (AIC)**, which only penalizes the number of parameters.)

Here we will start with the most complex random effects structure and reduce the complexity further and further until we don't detect singularity anymore or the BIC won't go smaller anymore (smaller BICs are preferred).

Just entering all the fixed effects as random slopes.

```
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0196131 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
```

Failed to converge. Eliminating the interaction term in the random slope structure.

```
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0392893 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
```

Also failed to converge. Only entering single random slope effects.

Let's compare these with the random intercept only model:

```
## Data: all_data
## Models:
## model1.complex: log(avg_dist_trialwise) ~ input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 | code)
## model1.in: log(avg_dist_trialwise) ~ input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 + input_noise_magnitude | co
## model1.bl: log(avg_dist_trialwise) ~ input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 + block | code)
                                      logLik deviance Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
##
                         AIC
                                BIC
                    6 2371.6 2415.7 -1179.80
                                               2359.6
## model1.complex
## model1.in
                    8 1373.1 1431.9 -678.53
                                               1357.1 1002.5
                                                              2 < 2.2e-16 ***
## model1.bl
                    8 2171.2 2230.0 -1077.59
                                               2155.2
                                                              0
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

model 1.in, the model with input noise as random slope effect wins (it has the smallest BIC). Now we can take a look at the main effects.

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: log(avg_dist_trialwise) ~ input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 +
##
       input_noise_magnitude | code)
##
     Data: all data
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
     1373.1
              1431.9
                       -678.5
                                1357.1
                                          11512
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                30
                                       Max
## -4.0672 -0.6422 0.0043 0.6344 6.8987
##
## Random effects:
##
  Groups
                                    Variance Std.Dev. Corr
            Name
##
   code
             (Intercept)
                                    0.05848 0.2418
             input_noise_magnitude2 0.02570 0.1603
##
                                                      -0.93
   Residual
                                    0.06404 0.2531
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
## Fixed effects:
                                 Estimate Std. Error
                                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                 3.259e+00 3.583e-02 5.232e+01 90.972 < 2e-16
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                 5.844e-01 2.565e-02 6.673e+01 22.786 < 2e-16
## block
                                -2.058e-02 1.580e-03 1.147e+04 -13.028 < 2e-16
## input_noise_magnitude2:block 1.116e-02 2.219e-03 1.147e+04
                                                                   5.029 5.01e-07
##
## (Intercept)
                                ***
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                ***
## block
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
               (Intr) inp__2 block
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.889
## block
              -0.206 0.289
## inpt_ns_m2: 0.147 -0.390 -0.717
Transform estimates back
```

means:

```
(Intercept)
##
      26.03315
## input_noise_magnitude2
##
                  1.793836
```

```
##
      block
## 1.020792
## input_noise_magnitude2:block
##
                        1.011219
standard errors:
## [1] "intercept:"
## [1] 1.036478
## [1] "input_noise_magnitude2:"
## [1] 1.025978
## [1] "block:"
## [1] 1.001581
## [1] "input_noise_magnitude2*block:"
## [1] 1.002221
... and run simulations based on the final selected model...
```

Generating simulations based on the final selected model

```
parametric bootstrap:
```

```
## [1] -1.023959
```

[1] -1.017624

[1] "input_noise_magnitude2*block:"

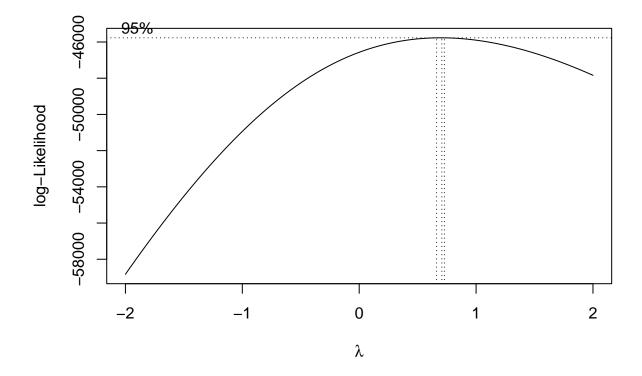
[1] 1.006802

[1] 1.01562

"Compared to input noise magnitude 0.5, input noise magnitude 2.0 significantly increased the average distance to the line followed throughout a trial (beta=1.794, sigma=1.026, CI=[1.705, 1.888], p<.001)."

Model selection for a linear model predicting SoC

Distributional analysis:



[1] 0.7070707

referring to: https://www.statisticshowto.com/probability-and-statistics/normal-distributions/box-cox-transformation/

lambda, the expected value is closer to 0.5 than 1 (1 would be ideal, suggesting no transformation). 0.5 implies a square root transformation, which we will apply. "a boxcox distributional analysis implied a square root transformation of the predicted variable"

null model to explore random intercept effects

predict mean (independent of any predictors) SoC rating

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: sqrt(SoC) ~ 1 + (1 | code)
     Data: all_data
##
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 13270.3
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
                       Median
                                    3Q
                  1Q
## -2.90771 -0.65311 0.09259 0.79177 2.56225
##
## Random effects:
                         Variance Std.Dev.
##
  Groups
            Name
             (Intercept) 0.03609 0.1900
##
  code
                         0.18223 0.4269
  Residual
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
               Estimate Std. Error
                                         df t value Pr(>|t|)
                           0.02771 47.00000
## (Intercept) 1.93698
                                              69.91
                                                      <2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
What is the mean and std of SoC given our null model?
## [1] "estimate: 3.75"
## [1] "Std. Error: 0.00"
```

How much variance in SoC Ratings is explained solely by the random intercept effect code?

[1] 0.1653078

Exploring fixed effects by likelihood ratio tests

We start with the most complex fixed effects structure (simply throwing fixed effects in the model that are specified by our hypotheses). Then we will test this model against less complex ones (where we eliminate individual fixed effects).

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
## method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC +
## CESDR + block + avg_dist_trialwise + feedback * ExternalLC +
## feedback * InternalLC + feedback * input_noise_magnitude +
## feedback * CESDR + input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 | code)
## Data: all_data
```

```
##
##
        ATC
                BIC
                      logLik deviance df.resid
##
     5066.2
             5213.3
                    -2513.1
                               5026.2
##
## Scaled residuals:
             1Q Median
##
      Min
                               3Q
                                      Max
  -4.4736 -0.6216 0.0663 0.6891
##
## Random effects:
##
   Groups
            Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
   code
             (Intercept) 0.02435 0.1560
                                0.2983
                        0.08900
   Residual
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                                             Estimate Std. Error
                                                                         df
## (Intercept)
                                            2.180e+00 1.377e-01 5.157e+01
## feedbackpositive
                                           3.184e-02 4.116e-02 1.147e+04
## feedbacknegative
                                           -1.018e-01 4.116e-02 1.147e+04
## input noise magnitude2
                                           -2.621e-01 1.621e-02 1.151e+04
## ExternalLC
                                           1.104e-01 3.199e-02 5.093e+01
## InternalLC
                                           9.921e-04 3.134e-02 5.094e+01
## CESDR
                                          -1.053e-03 2.721e-03 5.091e+01
## block
                                           1.543e-02 1.804e-03 1.149e+04
                                          -9.922e-03 2.594e-04 1.152e+04
## avg_dist_trialwise
## feedbackpositive:ExternalLC
                                           3.721e-03 9.455e-03 1.147e+04
## feedbacknegative:ExternalLC
                                           -1.610e-02 9.455e-03 1.147e+04
## feedbackpositive:InternalLC
                                           -6.292e-04 9.264e-03 1.147e+04
## feedbacknegative:InternalLC
                                            1.270e-02 9.264e-03 1.147e+04
## feedbackpositive:input_noise_magnitude2 7.876e-03 1.362e-02 1.147e+04
## feedbacknegative:input_noise_magnitude2 4.281e-03
                                                      1.362e-02 1.147e+04
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
                                           -3.580e-04 8.044e-04 1.147e+04
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
                                            2.581e-03 8.044e-04 1.147e+04
## input_noise_magnitude2:block
                                           -1.947e-02 2.618e-03 1.151e+04
##
                                           t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                           15.823 < 2e-16 ***
## feedbackpositive
                                            0.774 0.43912
## feedbacknegative
                                           -2.473 0.01343 *
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                          -16.172 < 2e-16 ***
## ExternalLC
                                            3.451 0.00113 **
## InternalLC
                                            0.032 0.97487
## CESDR
                                            -0.387 0.70037
## block
                                             8.554
                                                   < 2e-16 ***
## avg_dist_trialwise
                                           -38.253
                                                   < 2e-16 ***
## feedbackpositive:ExternalLC
                                            0.394 0.69390
## feedbacknegative:ExternalLC
                                            -1.702
                                                   0.08871 .
## feedbackpositive:InternalLC
                                            -0.068 0.94585
## feedbacknegative:InternalLC
                                             1.371 0.17046
## feedbackpositive:input_noise_magnitude2
                                            0.578 0.56304
## feedbacknegative:input_noise_magnitude2
                                            0.314 0.75328
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
                                                   0.65623
                                            -0.445
## feedbacknegative: CESDR
                                            3.209 0.00134 **
## input_noise_magnitude2:block
                                            -7.435 1.12e-13 ***
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation matrix not shown by default, as p = 18 > 12.
## Use print(x, correlation=TRUE) or
## vcov(x) if you need it
```

We see no significance for several of the effects. This is where we can start. I will target the interactions first and try keeping the main effects.

Eliminating the interaction term between feedback and input noise magnitude:

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
##
  sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC +
##
       CESDR + block + avg_dist_trialwise + feedback * ExternalLC +
##
       feedback * InternalLC + feedback * CESDR + input_noise_magnitude *
##
       block + (1 | code)
##
     Data: all_data
##
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
     5062.6
              5194.9
                      -2513.3
                                5026.6
                                          11502
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -4.4739 -0.6231 0.0677 0.6889
                                   3.8229
##
## Random effects:
  Groups
             Name
                         Variance Std.Dev.
  code
             (Intercept) 0.02435 0.1560
##
                         0.08901 0.2983
   Residual
## Number of obs: 11520, groups:
                                  code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                                  Estimate Std. Error
                                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                 2.177e+00 1.377e-01 5.148e+01 15.815
                                                                         < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive
                                 3.578e-02 4.059e-02 1.147e+04
                                                                   0.882
                                                                          0.37806
## feedbacknegative
                                -9.963e-02 4.059e-02
                                                       1.147e+04
                                                                  -2.454
                                                                          0.01413
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                -2.581e-01 1.416e-02 1.151e+04 -18.230
                                                                          < 2e-16
## ExternalLC
                                 1.104e-01 3.199e-02 5.093e+01
                                                                   3.451
                                                                          0.00113
## InternalLC
                                 9.905e-04 3.134e-02 5.094e+01
                                                                   0.032
                                                                          0.97491
## CESDR
                                -1.053e-03 2.721e-03
                                                       5.091e+01
                                                                  -0.387
                                                                          0.70039
                                 1.543e-02 1.804e-03
## block
                                                                   8.554
                                                                          < 2e-16
                                                       1.149e+04
## avg_dist_trialwise
                                -9.922e-03 2.593e-04
                                                       1.152e+04 -38.258
                                                                          < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive:ExternalLC
                                                                   0.394
                                 3.721e-03 9.455e-03
                                                       1.147e+04
                                                                          0.69390
## feedbacknegative:ExternalLC
                                -1.610e-02 9.456e-03
                                                       1.147e+04
                                                                  -1.702
                                                                          0.08872
## feedbackpositive:InternalLC
                                -6.292e-04 9.264e-03
                                                       1.147e+04
                                                                  -0.068
                                                                          0.94585
## feedbacknegative:InternalLC
                                 1.270e-02 9.264e-03
                                                       1.147e+04
                                                                   1.371
                                                                          0.17046
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
                                -3.580e-04 8.044e-04
                                                      1.147e+04
                                                                  -0.445
                                                                          0.65623
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
                                 2.581e-03 8.044e-04 1.147e+04
                                                                   3.209
                                                                          0.00134
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -1.947e-02 2.618e-03 1.151e+04 -7.435 1.12e-13
## (Intercept)
                                ***
```

```
## feedbackpositive
## feedbacknegative
## input_noise_magnitude2
## ExternalLC
## InternalLC
## CESDR
## block
## avg_dist_trialwise
## feedbackpositive:ExternalLC
## feedbacknegative:ExternalLC
## feedbackpositive:InternalLC
## feedbacknegative:InternalLC
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
##
## Correlation matrix not shown by default, as p = 16 > 12.
## Use print(x, correlation=TRUE) or
       vcov(x)
                      if you need it
```

The p value is way above 0.05. This tells us that we fail to reject the null hypothesis. The models are "similar" meaning that we can use the less complex model and reduce the degrees of freedom (number of parameters).

Now with the package...

Checks out, same results! The Pr(>Chisq) is not significant, telling us that the models are not significantly different from another. This means we can use the less complex model (if we reduce the number of parameters by throwing out the interaction term, we're not loosing critical predictive power).

Proceeding with model 2.1 and trying to eliminate further interaction terms. Here we try to eliminate the interaction between feedback and Internal LC. It also had no significance whatsoever above.

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
##
## Formula:
  sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC +
##
       CESDR + block + avg_dist_trialwise + feedback * ExternalLC +
##
       feedback * CESDR + input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 | code)
##
      Data: all_data
##
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
              5178.8 -2514.6
                                5029.2
                                           11504
##
     5061.2
```

```
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
## -4.4765 -0.6257 0.0668 0.6915 3.8275
## Random effects:
  Groups
            Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
             (Intercept) 0.02435 0.1560
## code
## Residual
                        0.08903 0.2984
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
## Fixed effects:
                                 Estimate Std. Error
                                                             df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                2.163e+00 1.363e-01 4.937e+01 15.872 < 2e-16
                                3.345e-02 2.165e-02 1.147e+04
## feedbackpositive
                                                                 1.545
                                                                        0.12236
## feedbacknegative
                               -5.256e-02 2.165e-02
                                                     1.147e+04 -2.428
                                                                         0.01522
## input_noise_magnitude2
                               -2.580e-01 1.416e-02 1.151e+04 -18.222
                                                                        < 2e-16
## ExternalLC
                                1.096e-01 3.197e-02 5.083e+01
                                                                  3.429 0.00121
## InternalLC
                                5.022e-03 3.088e-02 4.801e+01
                                                                  0.163 0.87150
## CESDR
                               -9.089e-04 2.714e-03 5.041e+01 -0.335
                                                                        0.73912
## block
                                1.543e-02 1.804e-03 1.149e+04
                                                                 8.552
                                                                        < 2e-16
## avg_dist_trialwise
                               -9.926e-03 2.594e-04 1.152e+04 -38.270
                                                                        < 2e-16
                                3.602e-03 9.294e-03 1.147e+04
## feedbackpositive:ExternalLC
                                                                 0.388
                                                                        0.69833
## feedbacknegative:ExternalLC -1.371e-02 9.295e-03 1.147e+04 -1.475
                                                                         0.14022
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
                               -3.355e-04 7.326e-04 1.147e+04 -0.458 0.64701
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
                                2.125e-03 7.326e-04 1.147e+04
                                                                  2.901 0.00372
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -1.947e-02 2.619e-03 1.151e+04 -7.434 1.12e-13
## (Intercept)
                               ***
## feedbackpositive
## feedbacknegative
## input_noise_magnitude2
                               ***
## ExternalLC
## InternalLC
## CESDR
## block
                               ***
## avg_dist_trialwise
## feedbackpositive:ExternalLC
## feedbacknegative:ExternalLC
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
##
## Correlation matrix not shown by default, as p = 14 > 12.
## Use print(x, correlation=TRUE) or
      vcov(x)
                     if you need it
## Data: all_data
## Models:
## model2.2: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC + CESDR + block + a
## model2.1: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC + CESDR + block + a
```

```
## npar AIC BIC logLik deviance Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
## model2.2 16 5061.2 5178.8 -2514.6 5029.2
## model2.1 18 5062.6 5194.9 -2513.3 5026.6 2.6355 2 0.2677
```

Again the test statistic tells us that there is no significant difference. Proceeding with model 2.2 Now we target the interaction between feedback and External LC and try to eliminate this one.

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
  sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC +
       CESDR + block + avg dist trialwise + feedback * CESDR + input noise magnitude *
##
       block + (1 | code)
##
     Data: all_data
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
     5061.1
              5164.0
                      -2516.5
                                5033.1
                                          11506
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
                10 Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -4.4876 -0.6263 0.0668 0.6891 3.8625
##
## Random effects:
  Groups
                         Variance Std.Dev.
             Name
##
   code
             (Intercept) 0.02435 0.1560
                         0.08906 0.2984
##
   Residual
## Number of obs: 11520, groups:
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                  Estimate Std. Error
## (Intercept)
                                 2.169e+00 1.358e-01
                                                      4.877e+01 15.970 < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive
                                 4.067e-02 1.101e-02 1.147e+04
                                                                   3.693 0.000223
## feedbacknegative
                                -8.005e-02 1.102e-02
                                                      1.147e+04
                                                                  -7.267 3.90e-13
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                -2.581e-01 1.416e-02 1.151e+04 -18.228 < 2e-16
## ExternalLC
                                 1.063e-01 3.152e-02 4.801e+01
                                                                   3.372 0.001484
## InternalLC
                                                       4.801e+01
                                 5.010e-03 3.088e-02
                                                                   0.162 0.871803
## CESDR
                                -8.775e-04 2.714e-03
                                                       5.037e+01
                                                                  -0.323 0.747763
## block
                                 1.543e-02 1.804e-03
                                                       1.149e+04
                                                                   8.552
                                                                          < 2e-16
## avg_dist_trialwise
                                -9.920e-03 2.594e-04
                                                       1.152e+04 -38.245
                                                                          < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
                                -3.024e-04
                                           7.277e-04
                                                       1.147e+04 -0.416 0.677726
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
                                 1.999e-03 7.277e-04
                                                       1.147e+04
                                                                   2.748 0.006010
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -1.947e-02 2.619e-03 1.151e+04 -7.433 1.13e-13
##
## (Intercept)
## feedbackpositive
## feedbacknegative
                                ***
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                ***
## ExternalLC
## InternalLC
## CESDR
## block
                                ***
## avg_dist_trialwise
                                ***
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
```

```
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
               (Intr) fdbckp fdbckn inp_2 ExtrLC IntrLC CESDR block avg_d_
## feedbckpstv -0.040
## feedbckngtv
               -0.041 0.500
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.036 0.003 -0.004
## ExternalLC
               -0.295 0.000 0.000 0.014
               -0.842 0.000 0.000 0.004 -0.184
## InternalLC
               -0.492 0.105 0.105 -0.004 -0.178 0.408
## CESDR
               -0.067 -0.001 0.001 0.601 0.009 -0.004 -0.001
## block
## avg_dst_trl -0.036 -0.007 0.009 -0.389 -0.008 -0.017 0.007 0.076
## fdbckp:CESDR 0.032 -0.786 -0.393 0.000 0.000 0.000 -0.134 0.000 0.000
## fdbckn:CESDR 0.032 -0.393 -0.786 0.000 0.000 0.000 -0.134 0.000 0.000
                0.049 0.000 0.000 -0.830 -0.014 0.003 0.002 -0.735 -0.006
## inpt_ns_m2:
               fdbckp:CESDR fdbckn:CESDR
## feedbckpstv
## feedbckngtv
## inpt_ns_mg2
## ExternalLC
## InternalLC
## CESDR
## block
## avg_dst_trl
## fdbckp:CESDR
## fdbckn:CESDR
               0.500
## inpt_ns_m2:
                0.000
                             0.000
## Data: all data
## Models:
## model2.3: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC + CESDR + block + a
## model2.2: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC + CESDR + block + a
                          BIC logLik deviance Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
           npar
                   AIC
## model2.3
             14 5061.1 5164.0 -2516.5
                                        5033.1
## model2.2
             16 5061.2 5178.8 -2514.6
                                        5029.2 3.8632 2
                                                            0.1449
```

Again no difference between the models, so we can kick the interaction term and don't loose critical predictive power. Proceeding with model 2.3.

We will target our first main effect: InternalLC:

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR +
       block + avg_dist_trialwise + feedback * CESDR + input_noise_magnitude *
##
##
       block + (1 | code)
##
      Data: all_data
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
     5059.1
              5154.7 -2516.6
                                5033.1
##
```

```
## Scaled residuals:
           1Q Median
##
                              30
      Min
                                     Max
## -4.4876 -0.6262 0.0668 0.6893
                                 3.8626
##
## Random effects:
  Groups
            Name
                       Variance Std.Dev.
  code
            (Intercept) 0.02436 0.1561
## Residual
                       0.08906
                               0.2984
## Number of obs: 11520, groups:
                                code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                                Estimate Std. Error
                                                           df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                               2.188e+00 7.339e-02 5.130e+01 29.813 < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive
                               4.067e-02 1.101e-02 1.147e+04
                                                                3.693 0.000223
## feedbacknegative
                              -8.005e-02 1.102e-02 1.147e+04 -7.267 3.90e-13
## input_noise_magnitude2
                              -2.581e-01
                                          1.416e-02
                                                    1.151e+04 -18.229
## ExternalLC
                               1.072e-01 3.099e-02
                                                   4.801e+01
                                                                3.460 0.001144
## CESDR
                              -1.057e-03 2.478e-03 5.089e+01
                                                              -0.427 0.671474
## block
                               1.543e-02 1.804e-03 1.150e+04
                                                               8.553 < 2e-16
## avg dist trialwise
                              -9.919e-03 2.593e-04
                                                    1.152e+04 -38.248 < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
                              -3.024e-04 7.277e-04 1.147e+04 -0.416 0.677726
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
                               1.999e-03 7.277e-04 1.147e+04
                                                                2.748 0.006010
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -1.947e-02 2.619e-03 1.151e+04 -7.434 1.13e-13
## (Intercept)
                              ***
## feedbackpositive
                              ***
## feedbacknegative
                              ***
## input_noise_magnitude2
                              ***
## ExternalLC
                              **
## CESDR
## block
                              ***
## avg_dist_trialwise
                              ***
## feedbackpositive:CESDR
## feedbacknegative:CESDR
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
               (Intr) fdbckp fdbckn inp__2 ExtrLC CESDR block avg_d_
##
## feedbckpstv
               -0.074
## feedbckngtv
              -0.076
                      0.500
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.060 0.003 -0.004
## ExternalLC
               -0.847 0.000 0.000 0.015
## CESDR
               -0.301 0.115 0.116 -0.006 -0.115
               -0.130 -0.001 0.001 0.601 0.009 0.001
## block
## avg_dst_trl -0.094 -0.007 0.009 -0.389 -0.011 0.015 0.076
## fdbckp:CESDR 0.059 -0.786 -0.393 0.000 0.000 -0.147 0.000
## fdbckn:CESDR 0.059 -0.393 -0.786 0.000 0.000 -0.147 0.000 0.000
                ## inpt_ns_m2:
##
               fdbckp:CESDR fdbckn:CESDR
## feedbckpstv
## feedbckngtv
## inpt_ns_mg2
```

```
## ExternalLC
## CESDR
## block
## avg_dst_trl
## fdbckp:CESDR
## fdbckn:CESDR
                0.500
## inpt_ns_m2:
                 0.000
                              0.000
## Data: all_data
## Models:
## model2.4: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dist_trial
## model2.3: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + InternalLC + CESDR + block + a
                           BIC logLik deviance Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
                    AIC
              13 5059.1 5154.7 -2516.6
                                         5033.1
## model2.4
## model2.3
              14 5061.1 5164.0 -2516.5
                                         5033.1 0.0263 1
```

Yep we can safely kick InternalLC. Proceeding with model2.4.

Now it get's a little more tricky. We find no significance for the main effects of CESDR and also no significance for one of its interaction effects. But the other interaction effect is significant... Is it safe to eliminate the whole interaction term or the main effect? We'll see.

Eliminating the complete interaction term:

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR +
       block + avg_dist_trialwise + input_noise_magnitude * block +
##
##
       (1 | code)
##
      Data: all_data
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
     5066.9
              5147.8 -2522.5
                                5044.9
##
## Scaled residuals:
               1Q Median
##
      Min
                                30
## -4.4656 -0.6272 0.0647 0.6887
##
## Random effects:
##
  Groups
             Name
                         Variance Std.Dev.
  code
             (Intercept) 0.02436 0.1561
                         0.08915 0.2986
## Residual
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
                                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
##
                                  Estimate Std. Error
## (Intercept)
                                 2.181e+00 7.322e-02 5.083e+01 29.790 < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive
                                 3.708e-02 6.815e-03
                                                      1.147e+04
                                                                   5.441 5.42e-08
## feedbacknegative
                                -5.626e-02 6.815e-03
                                                       1.147e+04 -8.256
                                                                          < 2e-16
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                -2.581e-01 1.417e-02
                                                       1.151e+04 -18.220
                                                                          < 2e-16
## ExternalLC
                                 1.072e-01 3.099e-02
                                                      4.801e+01
                                                                   3.460
                                                                          0.00114
## CESDR
                                -4.914e-04 2.442e-03 4.801e+01
                                                                  -0.201
                                                                          0.84138
## block
                                 1.543e-02 1.805e-03 1.150e+04
                                                                   8.549
                                                                          < 2e-16
## avg_dist_trialwise
                                -9.919e-03 2.595e-04 1.152e+04 -38.227 < 2e-16
```

```
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -1.947e-02 2.620e-03 1.151e+04 -7.430 1.16e-13
##
## (Intercept)
## feedbackpositive
                               ***
## feedbacknegative
## input noise magnitude2
                               ***
## ExternalLC
## CESDR
## block
## avg_dist_trialwise
                               ***
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
              (Intr) fdbckp fdbckn inp__2 ExtrLC CESDR block avg_d_
## feedbckpstv -0.045
## feedbckngtv -0.048 0.500
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.060 0.004 -0.006
## ExternalLC -0.849 0.000 0.000 0.015
## CESDR
              -0.294 0.000 0.000 -0.006 -0.117
## block
              -0.130 -0.001 0.001 0.601 0.009 0.001
## avg_dst_trl -0.094 -0.011 0.014 -0.389 -0.011 0.016 0.076
## inpt_ns_m2: 0.097 0.000 0.000 -0.830 -0.013 0.000 -0.735 -0.006
## Data: all_data
## Models:
## model2.5: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dist_trial
## model2.4: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dist_trial
##
           npar
                   AIC
                          BIC logLik deviance Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
             11 5066.9 5147.8 -2522.5
## model2.5
                                        5044.9
## model2.4
             13 5059.1 5154.7 -2516.6
                                        5033.1 11.814 2
                                                           0.002721 **
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

We see significance. This means that the models are significantly different from another in their predictive power and we shouldn't just throw out the interaction term. But because it's the feedback:positive * CESDR -interaction that is the weak point, we can create columns in our data set that are separate for *negative* and *positive* feedback.

Keeping the main effect for feedback, now we put the individual columns in the interaction terms of the model but leave out the interaction between positive feedback and CESDR:

```
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR +
       block + avg_dist_trialwise + negative_feedback * CESDR +
##
##
       input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 | code)
##
     Data: all data
##
##
       ATC
                 BIC
                     logLik deviance df.resid
     5057.3 5145.5 -2516.6
##
                                5033.3
                                          11508
```

```
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
## -4.4876 -0.6263 0.0672 0.6877 3.8626
## Random effects:
  Groups
            Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
            (Intercept) 0.02436 0.1561
## code
## Residual
                        0.08906 0.2984
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
## Fixed effects:
                                 Estimate Std. Error
                                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                2.190e+00 7.326e-02 5.094e+01 29.889 < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive
                                3.708e-02 6.811e-03 1.147e+04
                                                                 5.443 5.33e-08
## feedbacknegative
                               -8.185e-02 1.013e-02 1.147e+04 -8.081 7.09e-16
## input_noise_magnitude2
                               -2.581e-01 1.416e-02 1.151e+04 -18.229 < 2e-16
## ExternalLC
                               1.072e-01 3.099e-02 4.801e+01
                                                                 3.460 0.001144
## CESDR
                               -1.208e-03 2.451e-03 4.872e+01 -0.493 0.624262
## block
                                1.543e-02 1.804e-03 1.150e+04
                                                                 8.553 < 2e-16
## avg_dist_trialwise
                               -9.919e-03 2.593e-04 1.152e+04 -38.248 < 2e-16
## CESDR:negative_feedback
                                2.151e-03 6.302e-04 1.147e+04
                                                                 3.413 0.000645
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -1.947e-02 2.619e-03 1.151e+04 -7.434 1.13e-13
## (Intercept)
                               ***
## feedbackpositive
                               ***
## feedbacknegative
                               ***
## input_noise_magnitude2
                               ***
## ExternalLC
## CESDR
## block
                               ***
## avg_dist_trialwise
                               ***
## CESDR:negative_feedback
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
              (Intr) fdbckp fdbckn inp_2 ExtrLC CESDR block avg_d_ CESDR:
##
## feedbckpstv -0.045
## feedbckngtv -0.057 0.336
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.060 0.004 -0.004
## ExternalLC -0.848 0.000 0.000 0.015
## CESDR
              -0.296 0.000 0.064 -0.006 -0.116
              -0.130 -0.001 0.001 0.601 0.009 0.001
## avg_dst_trl -0.094 -0.011 0.010 -0.389 -0.011 0.016 0.076
## CESDR:ngtv_ 0.034 0.000 -0.740 0.000 0.000 -0.086 0.000 0.000
## inpt_ns_m2: 0.097 0.000 0.000 -0.830 -0.013 0.000 -0.735 -0.006 0.000
## fit warnings:
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## Data: all_data
## Models:
## model2.6: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dist_trial
```

We can safely proceed with model 2.6.

There is no significant main effect of CESDR, but it is involved in a significant interaction effect and it's a numeric variable. We will just leave the effect in the model. This is our final fixed effects structure. Now we can start to explore random effects structure.

Exploring random slope effects by referring to BIC

Now that we identified the fixed effects in our model we can work on the random effects structure. When it comes to selecting random slope effects though, the likelihood ratio test won't be sufficient anymore (not for comparing models with different random effects structures). Random slopes "open up" the fixed effects for the different groups of our random intercept effects: they split the model apart by introducing a lot more parameters. We can select random slope effects by referring to an **information criterion**. I usually use the **Bayes information criterion (BIC)**. It penalizes the number of data points used to fit the model (on top of the number of parameters). I like the idea of accounting for overfitting when selecting models. (An alternative to the BIC is the **Akaike information criterion (AIC)**, which only penalizes the number of parameters.)

Here we will start with the most complex random effects structure and reduce the complexity further and further until we don't detect singularity anymore or the BIC won't go smaller anymore (smaller BICs are preferred).

Just entering all the fixed effects as random slopes.

```
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## boundary (singular) fit: see help('isSingular')

## Warning: Model failed to converge with 4 negative eigenvalues: -1.2e-07
## -5.4e-06 -4.3e+00 -5.9e+00

That took a while and the model is drastically overparameterized (failed to converge)... We will first eliminate interaction effects.
eliminating negative_feedback*CESDR

## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## boundary (singular) fit: see help('isSingular')

## Warning: Model failed to converge with 2 negative eigenvalues: -8.1e-01
## -2.9e+01
```

Detecting singularity...

Throwing out input_noise_magnitude*block.

fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient

```
## boundary (singular) fit: see help('isSingular')
## Warning: Model failed to converge with 1 negative eigenvalue: -5.2e+01
Still singular. Hmmmm maybe we should start keeping only a single random slope effect. Starting with
input noise magnitude.
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
That one worked. Ok than let's just build single random slope models and compare those.
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00292896 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## boundary (singular) fit: see help('isSingular')
## Warning: Model failed to converge with 1 negative eigenvalue: -4.7e+02
That one is singular. We will omit it in the model comparison.
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.4054 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
Also singular.
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0937213 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
That one actually failed to converge
Let's compare the non-singular models and the random intercept only one.
```

```
## Data: all_data
## Models:
## model2.6: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dist_trial
## model2.in: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dist_tria
## model2.nfeedback: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_di
## model2.block: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dist_t
## model2.feedback: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR + block + avg_dis
                                        logLik deviance Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
##
                    npar
                            AIC
                                  BIC
## model2.6
                      12 5057.3 5145.5 -2516.64
                                                  5033.3
## model2.in
                      14 1913.2 2016.1 -942.59
                                                  1885.2 3148.1 2
                                                                       <2e-16 ***
## model2.nfeedback
                     14 5025.1 5128.1 -2498.56
                                                  4997.1
                                                            0.0 0
## model2.block
                      14 3928.8 4031.7 -1950.40
                                                  3900.8 1096.3 0
## model2.feedback
                     17 5010.5 5135.5 -2488.24
                                                  4976.5
                                                            0.0 3
                                                                            1
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
```

The only statistic of interest for us in this output is the BIC and we're searching for the smallest BIC. model2.in (input_noise_magnitude as random slope effect) has the lowest BIC even outcompeting the random intercept only model.

We can try to add additional random slope effects now. Starting with the interaction: input_noise_magnitude*block

```
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0041499 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
```

Failed to converge again. Maybe without the interaction and just main effects?

```
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
```

Nope. Let's take model2.in as our final model as adding further random slopes will only end up in a worse fit. Now we can take our first look at the effects.

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
    method [lmerModLmerTest]
##
## Formula: sqrt(SoC) ~ feedback + input_noise_magnitude + ExternalLC + CESDR +
       block + avg_dist_trialwise + negative_feedback * CESDR +
##
##
       input_noise_magnitude * block + (1 + input_noise_magnitude |
                                                                          code)
##
      Data: all_data
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
     1913.2
              2016.1
                       -942.6
                                1885.2
                                           11506
##
## Scaled residuals:
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
  -5.5719 -0.5815 0.0522 0.6015 4.6763
##
##
## Random effects:
                                    Variance Std.Dev. Corr
## Groups
             Name
##
  code
             (Intercept)
                                    0.04451 0.2110
             input_noise_magnitude2 0.09213 0.3035
                                                       -0.67
## Residual
                                    0.06644 0.2578
```

```
## Number of obs: 11520, groups: code, 48
##
## Fixed effects:
                                Estimate Std. Error
##
                                                           df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                2.210e+00 7.613e-02 5.672e+01 29.026 < 2e-16
## feedbackpositive
                               3.680e-02 5.883e-03 1.142e+04
                                                                6.256 4.09e-10
## feedbacknegative
                              -8.148e-02 8.749e-03 1.142e+04 -9.314 < 2e-16
## input_noise_magnitude2
                              -2.820e-01 4.549e-02 5.446e+01 -6.199 7.92e-08
                               1.017e-01 3.114e-02 4.800e+01
## ExternalLC
                                                                3.265 0.00202
## CESDR
                               -5.459e-04 2.461e-03 4.852e+01 -0.222 0.82536
## block
                               6.915e-03 1.616e-03 1.146e+04
                                                                4.279 1.89e-05
                               -8.984e-03 2.271e-04 1.147e+04 -39.565 < 2e-16
## avg_dist_trialwise
## CESDR:negative_feedback
                                2.150e-03 5.443e-04 1.142e+04
                                                                 3.950 7.86e-05
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -1.927e-02 2.263e-03 1.145e+04 -8.515 < 2e-16
## (Intercept)
                               ***
## feedbackpositive
                               ***
## feedbacknegative
## input_noise_magnitude2
                               ***
## ExternalLC
## CESDR
## block
## avg_dist_trialwise
                               ***
## CESDR:negative feedback
## input_noise_magnitude2:block ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
              (Intr) fdbckp fdbckn inp__2 ExtrLC CESDR block avg_d_ CESDR:
## feedbckpstv -0.038
## feedbckngtv -0.048 0.336
## inpt_ns_mg2 -0.270 0.001 -0.001
## ExternalLC -0.820 0.000 0.000 0.004
              -0.285 0.000 0.055 -0.002 -0.116
## CESDR
## block
              -0.112 -0.001 0.001 0.156 0.008 0.001
## avg dst trl -0.080 -0.011 0.010 -0.106 -0.010 0.014 0.078
## CESDR:ngtv_ 0.028 0.000 -0.740 0.000 0.000 -0.074 0.000 0.000
## inpt_ns_m2: 0.080 0.000 0.000 -0.223 -0.011 0.000 -0.710 -0.006 0.000
## fit warnings:
## fixed-effect model matrix is rank deficient so dropping 1 column / coefficient
Back-transformation
means:
## (Intercept)
     4.882552
## feedbackpositive
       0.001354507
## feedbacknegative
       0.006639666
```

##

```
## input_noise_magnitude2
               0.07954416
## ExternalLC
    0.010335
##
          CESDR
## 2.980259e-07
##
          block
## 4.781432e-05
## avg_dist_trialwise
        8.070707e-05
## CESDR:negative_feedback
##
               4.62267e-06
## input_noise_magnitude2:block
                   0.0003712566
standard errors:
## [1] "intercept:"
## [1] 0.005795448
## [1] "negative_feedback:"
## [1] 3.460823e-05
## [1] "positive_feedback:"
## [1] 7.653976e-05
## [1] "input_noise_magnitude2:"
## [1] 0.002069699
## [1] "ExternalLC:"
## [1] 0.0009694341
## [1] "CESDR:"
## [1] 6.055187e-06
```

[1] "block:"

```
## [1] 2.611162e-06
## [1] "avg_dist_trialwise:"
## [1] 5.155591e-08
## [1] "negative_feedback*CESDR:"
## [1] 2.962887e-07
## [1] "input_noise_magnitude2*block:"
## [1] 5.12066e-06
Generating simulations based on the final selected model
parametric bootstrap:
## Computing bootstrap confidence intervals ...
## 170 warning(s): Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00200133 (tol = 0.002, component 1) (and
                                       2.5 %
                                                   97.5 %
## feedbackpositive
                                 0.025204015 0.047975512
## feedbacknegative
                                -0.099079119 -0.064289019
## input_noise_magnitude2
                                -0.371335048 -0.193213762
                                 0.041552818 0.164827718
## ExternalLC
## CESDR
                                -0.005585759 0.004406567
## block
                                 0.003797198 0.010063422
## avg_dist_trialwise
                                -0.009427785 -0.008545179
                                 0.001079844 0.003229721
## CESDR:negative_feedback
## input_noise_magnitude2:block -0.023712643 -0.014914305
"...bounds of the 95% confidence interval were obtained by a parametric bootstrap with {N_iterations}
iterations."
## [1] "positive_feedback:"
## [1] 0.0006352424
## [1] 0.00230165
## [1] "negative_feedback:"
## [1] -0.009816672
## [1] -0.004133078
```

```
## [1] "input_noise_magnitude2:"
```

- ## [1] -0.1378897
- ## [1] -0.03733156
- ## [1] "ExternalLC:"
- ## [1] 0.001726636
- ## [1] 0.02716817
- ## [1] "CESDR:"
- ## [1] -3.120069e-05
- ## [1] 1.941783e-05
- ## [1] "block:"
- ## [1] 1.441871e-05
- ## [1] 0.0001012725
- ## [1] "avg_dist_trialwise:"
- ## [1] -8.888313e-05
- ## [1] -7.302008e-05
- ## [1] "negative_feedback*CESDR:"
- ## [1] 1.166063e-06
- ## [1] 1.04311e-05
- ## [1] "input_noise_magnitude2*block:"
- ## [1] -0.0005622894
- ## [1] -0.0002224365

reporting our effect: ... compared to input noise magnitude=0.5, increasing the magnitude of input noise to 2.0 significantly decreases SoC (beta=0.080, sigma=0.002, CI=[-0.138, -0.037], p<.001).