



New technologies in language studies

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ELAN and R

Intro

Objectives

- Learn how to make transcriptions in ELAN (Day1, morning)
- Discuss basic concepts of R and Statistics
- Take the first steps in a statistical analysis
 - Graphic explorations
 - Raising hypotheses
 - Testing hypotheses
 - Interpretation and follow up analyses

→ To learn how to use any new software, **you need to practice!**



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Why use new technologies?

To optimize your work and spend more time on what really matters:
your readings and your analyses!

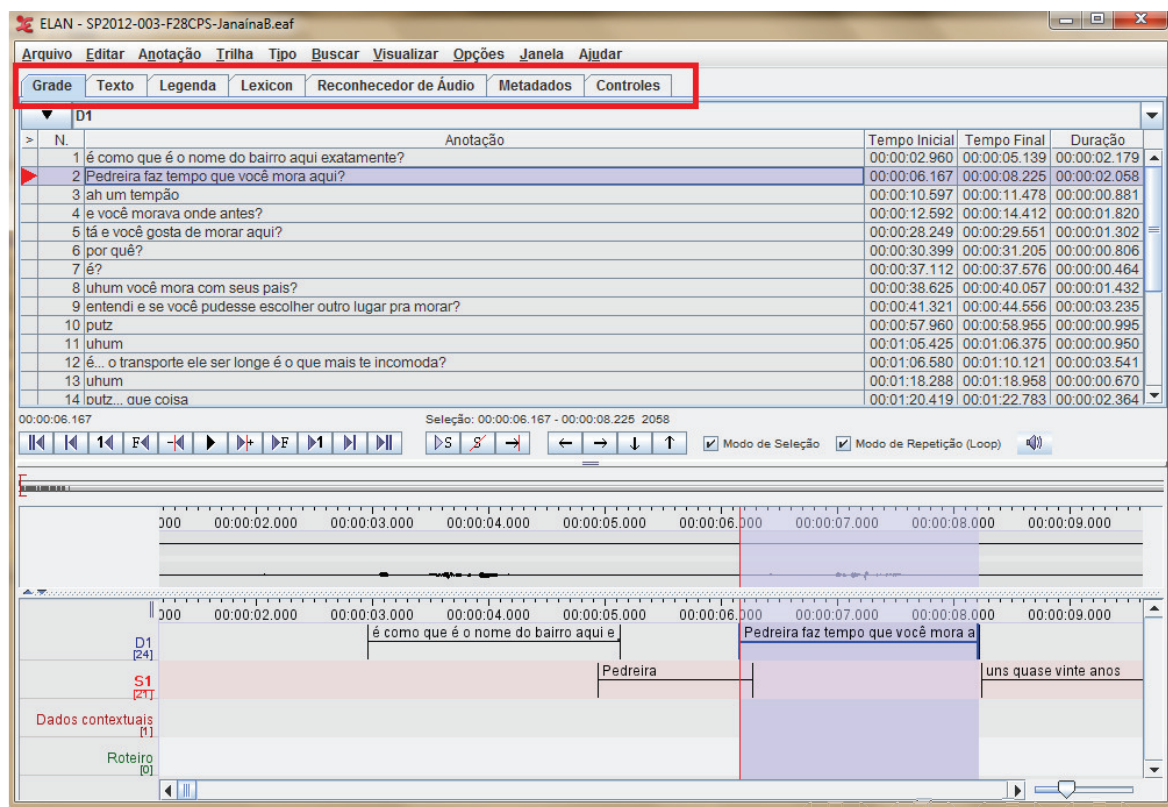
Advantages

Rosenfelder (2011)

- audio and video file transcriptions
- synchronization between media file and transcript/annotation
- possibility to create multiple tiers
- automatic searches in a corpus through regular expressions
- different formats for exporting transcript (.txt, .TextGrid, etc.)
- free and made for linguists!

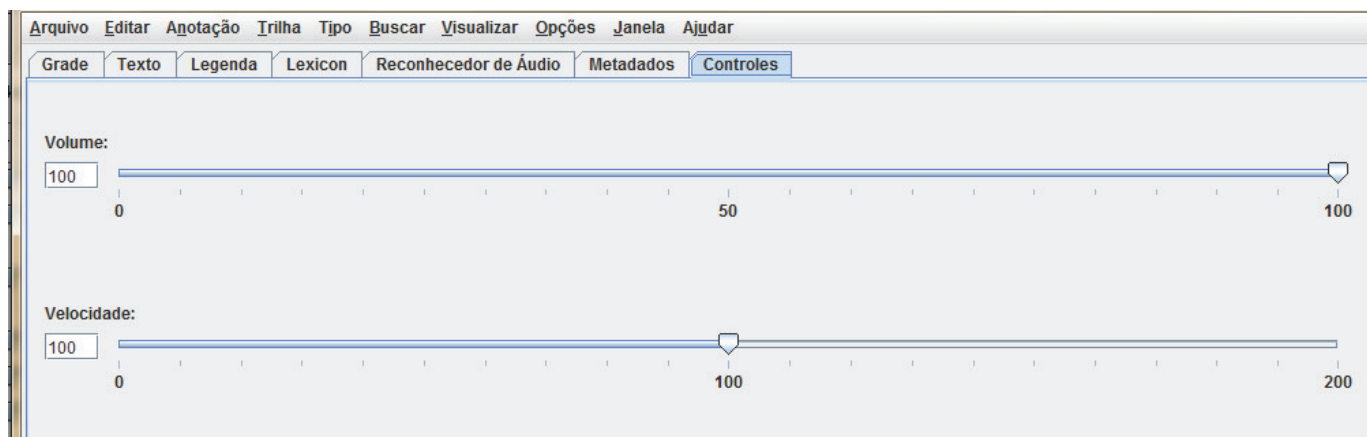
ELAN's main functions

Tabs



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Controls



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Grid

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Grade Texto Legenda Lexicon Reconhecedor de Áudio Metadados Controles					
D1					
>	N.	Anotação	Tempo Inicial	Tempo Final	Duração
	1	é como que é o nome do bairro aqui exatamente?	00:00:02.960	00:00:05.139	00:00:02.179
	2	Pedreira faz tempo que você mora aqui?	00:00:06.167	00:00:08.225	00:00:02.058
	3	ah um tempão	00:00:10.597	00:00:11.478	00:00:00.881
	4	e você morava onde antes?	00:00:12.592	00:00:14.412	00:00:01.820
	5	tá e você gosta de morar aqui?	00:00:28.249	00:00:29.551	00:00:01.302
	6	por quê?	00:00:30.399	00:00:31.205	00:00:00.806
	7	é?	00:00:37.112	00:00:37.576	00:00:00.464
	8	uhum você mora com seus pais?	00:00:38.625	00:00:40.057	00:00:01.432
	9	entendi e se você pudesse escolher outro lugar pra morar?	00:00:41.321	00:00:44.556	00:00:03.235
	10	putz uhum você mora com seus pais?	00:00:57.960	00:00:58.955	00:00:00.995
	11	uhum	00:01:05.425	00:01:06.375	00:00:00.950
	12	é... o transporte ele ser longe é o que mais te incomoda?	00:01:06.580	00:01:10.121	00:00:03.541
	13	uhum	00:01:18.288	00:01:18.958	00:00:00.670
	14	putz... que coisa	00:01:20.419	00:01:22.783	00:00:02.364

00:00:06.167 Seleção: 00:00:06.167 - 00:00:08.225 2058



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Text

Arquivo Editar Anotação Trilha Tipo Buscar Visualizar Opções Janela Ajudar					
Grade Texto Legenda Lexicon Reconhecedor de Áudio Metadados Controles					
D1					
<p>é como que é o nome do bairro aqui exatamente? · Pedreira faz tempo que você mora aqui? · ah um tempão · e você morava onde antes? · tá e você gosta de morar aqui? · por quê? · é? · uhum você mora com seus pais? · entendi e se você pudesse escolher outro lugar pra morar? · putz · uhum · é... o transporte ele ser longe é o que mais te incomoda? · uhum · putz ... que coisa · é?... e como que é em relação com os vizinhos você conhece os seus vizinhos (todos)? · uhum · e aí vocês costumam se encontrar aqui na rua? · ahn o bairro mudou muito nesse tempo? · é? · mas o que que... fez deixar de ser bacana? · uhum · entendi antes não tinha/ era mais vazio por aqui? · uhum · ah nossa... tinha bastante árvore ainda então? ·</p>					

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Control buttons

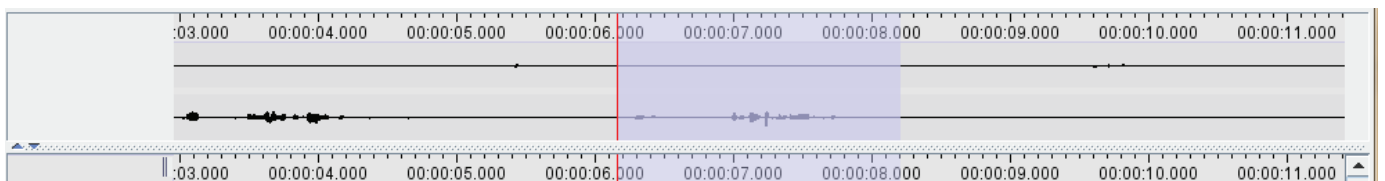


(but you'll be using keyboard shortcuts!)



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Waveform (only for .wav files)



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Tiers

The screenshot shows the ELAN interface with a timeline from 00:00:03.000 to 00:00:11.000. A context menu is open over a segment, listing the following tiers:

- Nome da Trilha D1
- Trilha Mãe -
- Participante
- Anotador
- Tipo Lingüístico default-It
- Língua padrão

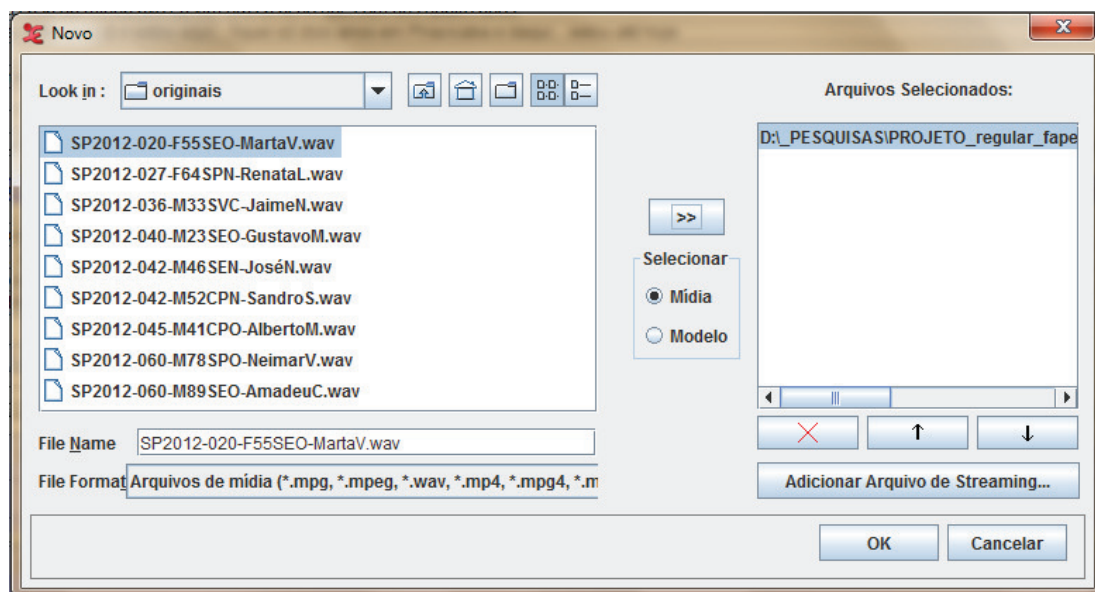
Shortcuts

Edit > Preferences > Edit shortcuts...

	Default	Suggestion
Annotation mode – Annotation editing		
Delete annotation	[Alt] + [D]	[Ctrl] + [Delete]
Modify active annotation value	[Alt] + [M]	[Ctrl] + [M]
New annotation here	[Alt] + [N]	[Shift] + [Enter]
Remove annotation value	[Alt] + [Delete]	[Shift] + [Delete]
Segmentation Mode – Media navigation		
Pause/play the media	[Ctrl] + [Space]	[Shift] + [Space]
Play selection	[Ctrl] + [Shift] + [Space]	[Ctrl] + [Space]
Set time one second back	[Shift] + [←]	[Ctrl] + [←]
Set time one second ahead	[Shift] + [→]	[Ctrl] + [→]
Go to previous pixel	[Ctrl] + [Shift] + [←]	[Shift] + [←]
Go to next pixel	[Ctrl] + [Shift] + [→]	[Shift] + [→]
Segmentation Mode – Selection		
Clear selection	[Alt] + [Shift] + [C]	[Esc]

New transcription

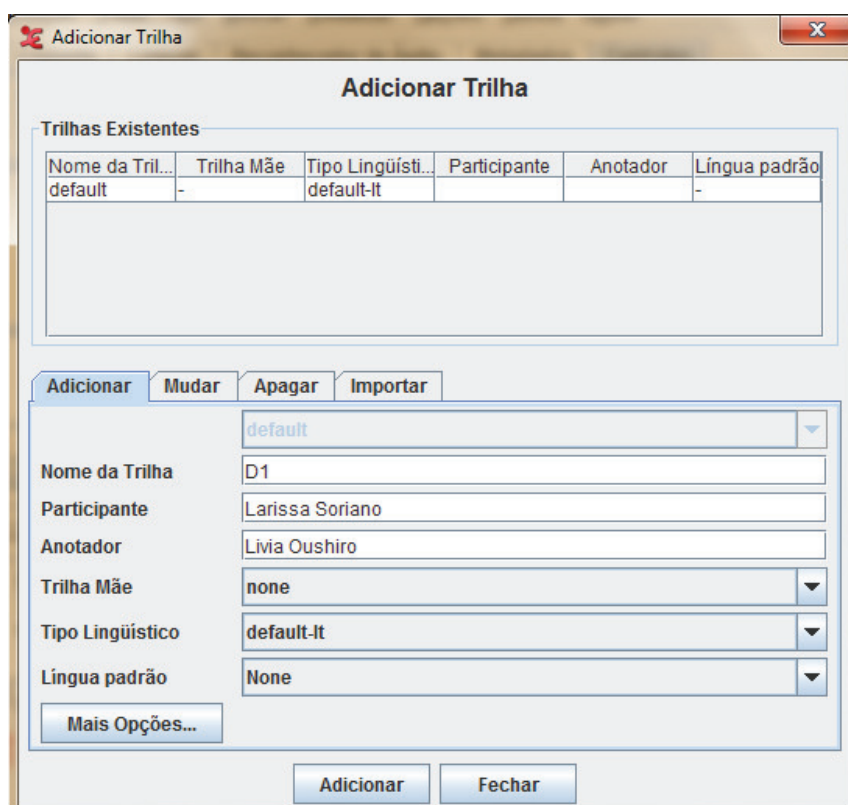
File > New...



- ELAN: extension .eaf
- N.B.: The .pfsx file links the transcription and media files

Creating new tiers

Tier > Add new tier... (or [Ctrl] + [T])



Workflow

See Rosenfelder (2011:17–18)

Statistical analyses

- Three main objectives: synthesize, explain, predict
 - Descriptive Statistics: tables, plots
 - Inferential Statistics: tests that seek to generalize the observations on a sample to the population in general

R: what it is and what it does

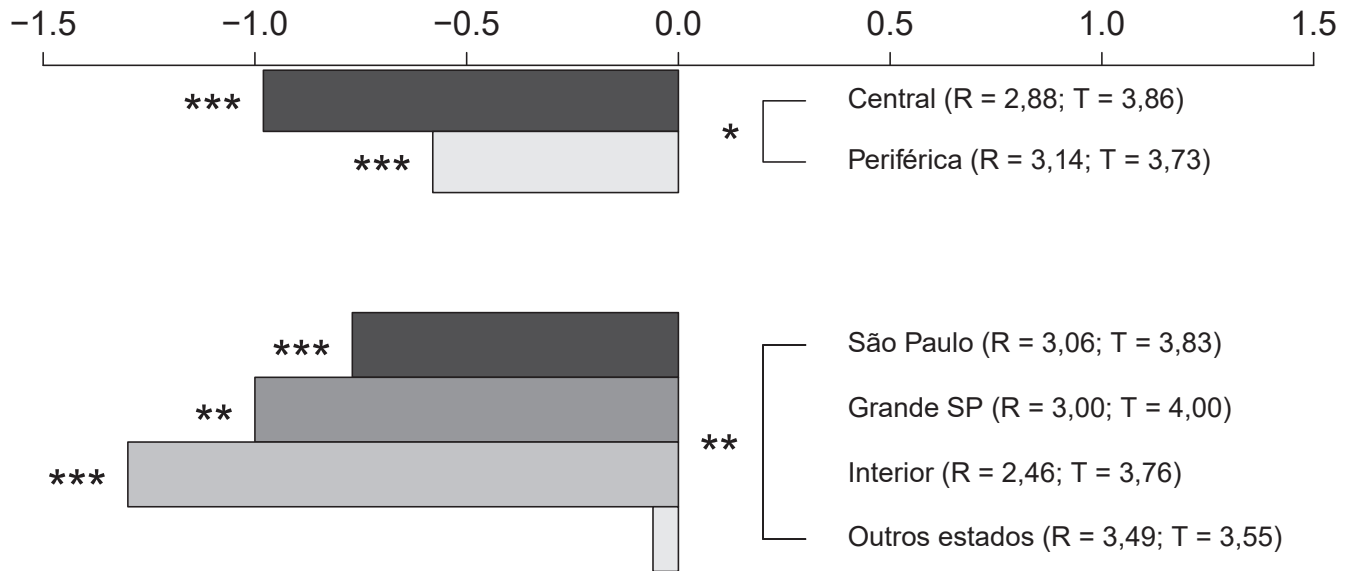
- Free software (available for Windows, Linux, MacOS)
- Programming language for statistical and graphical computations
- With R you can...
 - perform statistical analyses
 - make graphics
 - compile corpora
 - annotate corpora
 - make concordances
 - make frequency lists
 - ...

Advantages

- Free, open source
- Flexibility in data manipulation (both textual/linguistic and numeric)
- Analyses of different types of variables (cf. GoldVarb)
- Analyses of interaction between predictors
- Mixed effects models
- Figures and graphics

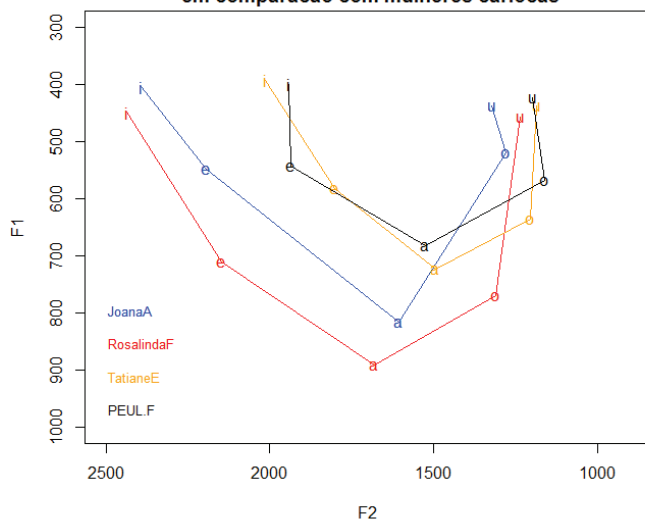
Figures in R

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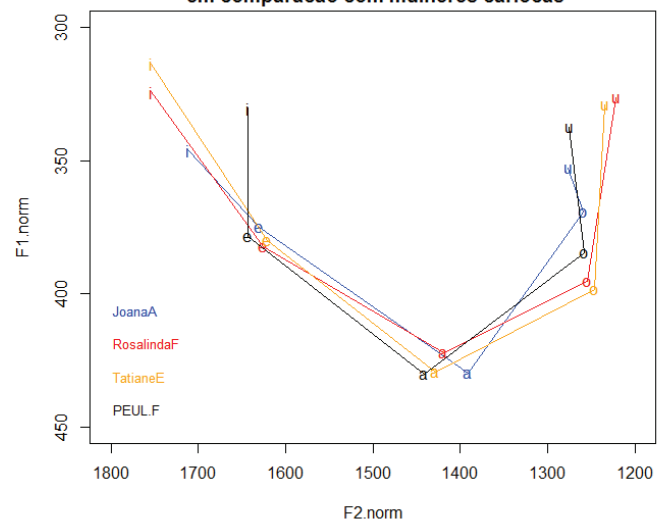


Figures in R

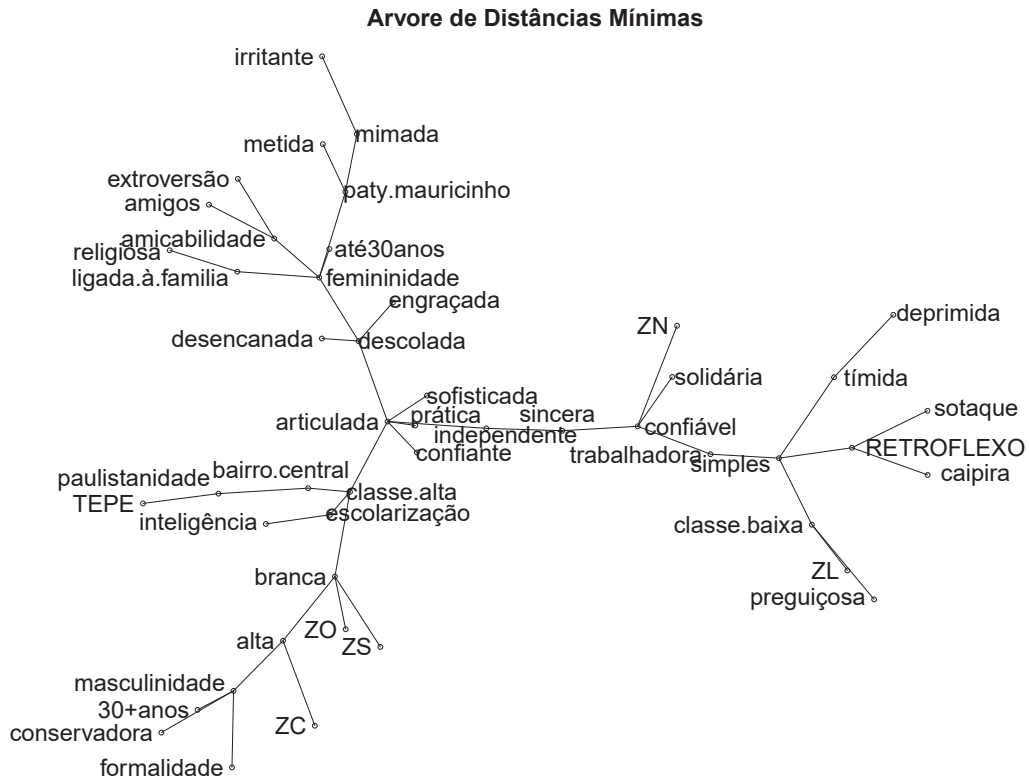
Medias de F1/F2 para VOGAIS PRETONICAS para mulheres paraibanas no Rio de Janeiro em comparacao com mulheres cariocas



Medias de F1/F2 (normalizadas) para VOGAIS PRETONICAS para mulheres paraibanas no Rio de Janeiro em comparacao com mulheres cariocas



Figures in R



Navigation icons: back, forward, search, etc.

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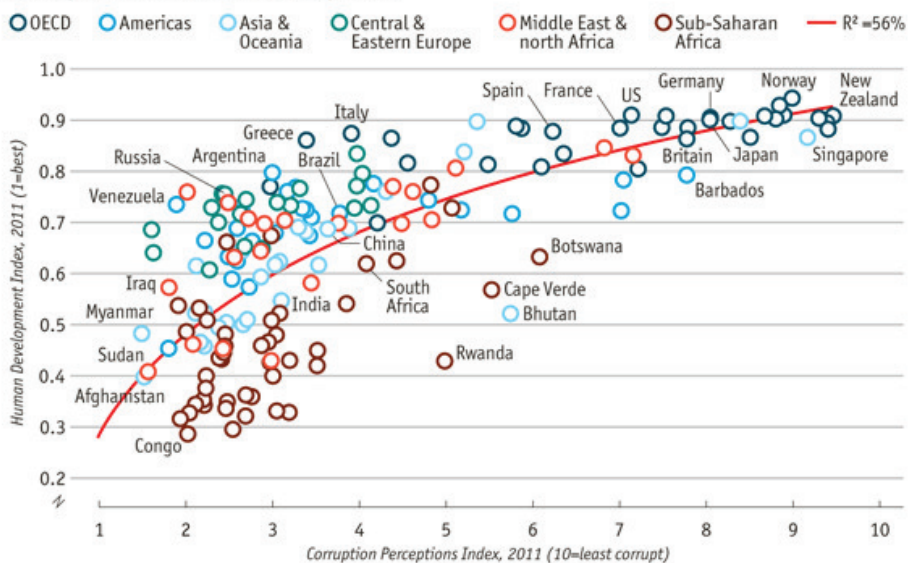
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Figures in R

Corruption and human development



<http://tutorials.iq.harvard.edu/R/Rgraphics/Rgraphics.html>

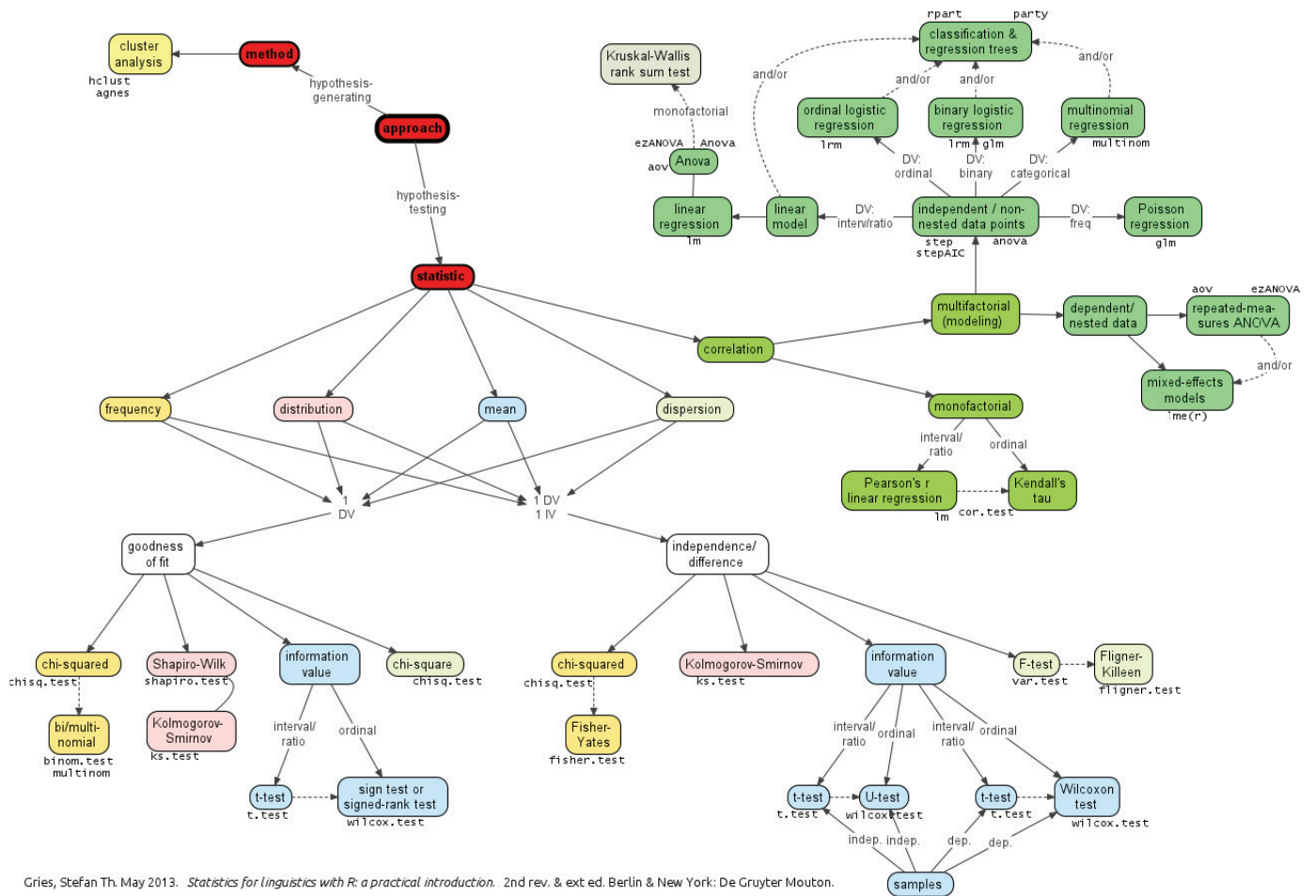
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R

Your data and your research questions should determine what statistical tests to be run, and not the other way round

Using R means having a **new stance towards your data**



Installation

- R
 - Go to <http://cran.r-project.org/> and download the latest version to your operational system (Linux, Mac, Windows)
 - Download and install the program
- RStudio: “friendlier” UI
 - Go to <http://www.rstudio.com/ide/download/> and download the latest version to your operational system
 - Install and start the program
 - N.B.: it’s necessary to have R installed to run RStudio

First contact

- Because it is a programming language, the user must instruct the program what is to be done through command lines
 - Disadvantage: for most commands, there are no pre-programmed buttons
 - Advantage: Because it doesn’t have limited command buttons, the number of options the program offers is much wider than others (like GoldVarb X, SPSS, Excel, Calc)
 - Advantage: The user can save a sequence of commands in scripts, which can be reutilized and adapted later
 - Advantage: If you don’t know which analysis is more adequate to your data, operating a series of pre-programmed buttons can be more harmful than beneficial...

RStudio's interface

- Source: script files
- Environment/History: objects in R's current session memory / history of command lines
- Console: where the command lines are executed
- Files, Plots, Packages, Help, Viewer

Intro to R swirl course

- swirl: Interactive interface for learning R in R
- Day 1, afternoon

`http://swirlstats.com/students.html`

- '...' means you should hit ENTER to continue
- `skip()` "skips" a question
- `play()` allows you to temporarily leave the swirl environment
- `nxt()` goes back to the tutorial

Types of variables

Types	How R reads them
categorical/nominal	factor
ordinal	factor/integer
numeric/continuous	integer/numeric

- All numeric variables are also ordinal
- All ordinal variables can be turned into nominal variables
- Therefore: given the chance to code a variable as numeric, do it!

How to organize your data file

The case-by-variable format (Gries 2013:15-26)

- The first row contains the names of the variables
- Each row represents one and only one case (one observation of the response/dependent variable)
- Each of the following columns represents one and only one variable
- Missing data are entered as “NA”, and are not represented by empty cells
- Suggestions
 - code nominal variables as characters, not numbers (e.g., “1st”, instead of “1”)
 - don't use characters such as space, comma, tab, #, quotation marks, diacritics etc. for the variables or the variants
 - employ maximally simple but also maximally informative names for variables and variants

Valid for all types of plots

- See function `legend()` in `templateAnalyses.R`, lines 82–86
- For a list of colors, see <http://www.stat.columbia.edu/~tzheng/files/Rcolor.pdf>
- To save plots: Plots > Export > Save as Image/PDF...

Line charts

`templateAnalyses.R`, lines 97–124

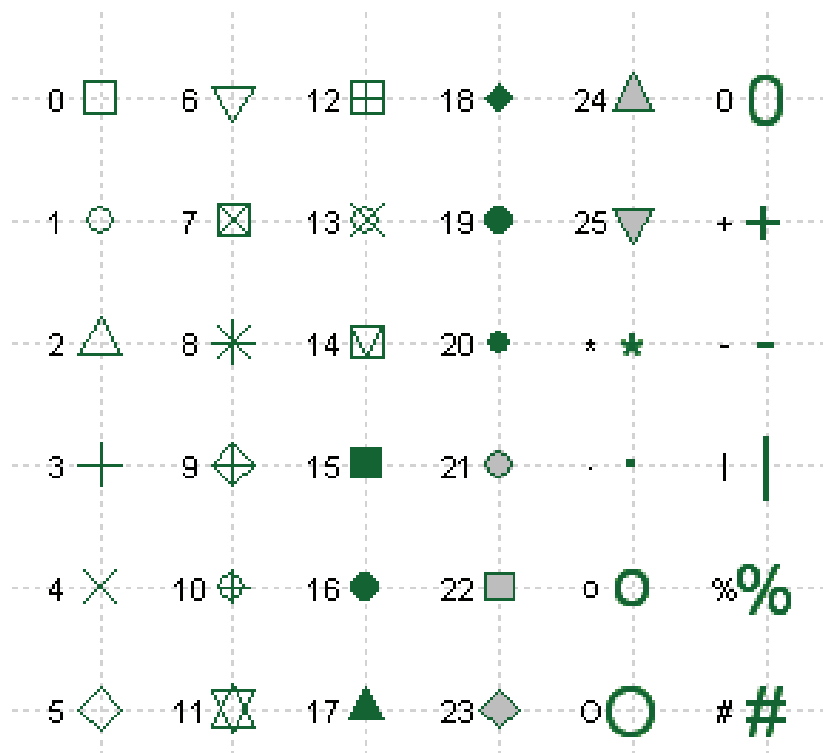
- `plot()`

```
plot( x, #Table to be plotted
      type="o", #See ?plot
      pch=19, #plot symbols (see next slides)
      lty=1, #line type (see next slides)
      col="black", #symbol and line color
      axes=F, #plot axes?
      ylim=c(0,100), #Limit values on the y-axis
      xlab="", #Name of the variable on the x-axis
      ylab="") #Name of the variable on the y-axis
```

- See also `axis()`, `box()` e `title()` in `templateAnalyses.R`, lines 109–119

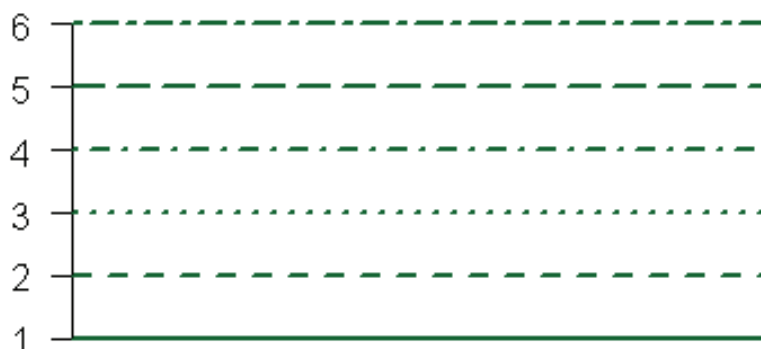
Plot symbols for "pch"

plot symbols : pch =



Line types for "lty"

Line Types: lty=



Proportion and Chisquare test

 templateAnalyses.R, lines 175–233

- For nominal variables
- Tests if there's difference between proportions
- Functions `prop.test()` and `chisq.test()`

`chisq.test(x)` #x is a frequency table

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$$

Degrees of freedom: $(n\text{-rows} - 1) \times (n\text{-columns} - 1)$

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Analysis of nominal variables

Hypothesis testing: univariate analyses

Table of probabilities of the chi-square distribution

Degrees of Freedom	Probability										
	0.95	0.90	0.80	0.70	0.50	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.05	0.01	0.001
1	0.004	0.02	0.06	0.15	0.46	1.07	1.64	2.71	3.84	6.64	10.83
2	0.10	0.21	0.45	0.71	1.39	2.41	3.22	4.60	5.99	9.21	13.82
3	0.35	0.58	1.01	1.42	2.37	3.66	4.64	6.25	7.82	11.34	16.27
4	0.71	1.06	1.65	2.20	3.36	4.88	5.99	7.78	9.49	13.28	18.47
5	1.14	1.61	2.34	3.00	4.35	6.06	7.29	9.24	11.07	15.09	20.52
6	1.63	2.20	3.07	3.83	5.35	7.23	8.56	10.64	12.59	16.81	22.46
7	2.17	2.83	3.82	4.67	6.35	8.38	9.80	12.02	14.07	18.48	24.32
8	2.73	3.49	4.59	5.53	7.34	9.52	11.03	13.36	15.51	20.09	26.12
9	3.32	4.17	5.38	6.39	8.34	10.66	12.24	14.68	16.92	21.67	27.88
10	3.94	4.86	6.18	7.27	9.34	11.78	13.44	15.99	18.31	23.21	29.59
	Nonsignificant								Significant		

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Useful functions

- Função `factor()`: turns vectors into factors
- Função `levels()`: assigns values to the levels of a factorial variable
 - reorganize the order of factors of a nominal variable
 - amalgamate factors of a nominal variable

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Logistic regressions

`templateAnalyses.R`, lines 234–239

- Função `glm()`
ex.: `modelo00 <- glm(DV ~ IV, data = data, family = "binomial")`

```
> modelo.01<-glm(VD~SEXO.GENERO, data=dados, family=binomial)
> summary(modelo.01)
```

```
Call:
glm(formula = VD ~ SEXO.GENERO, family = binomial, data = dados)
```

```
Deviance Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-1.6528 -1.4187  0.7676  0.9539  0.9539
```

```
Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)    1.07121    0.05499  19.480 < 2e-16 ***
SEXO.GENEROmasculino -0.51988    0.07362  -7.062 1.64e-12 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
```

```
Null deviance: 4390.6 on 3539 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 4340.0 on 3538 degrees of freedom
AIC: 4344
```

```
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4
```

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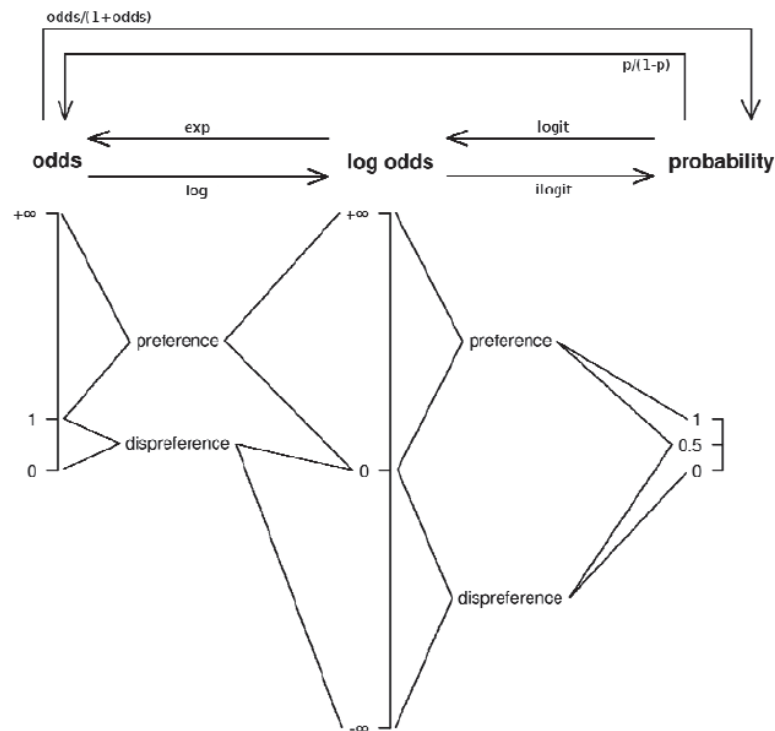
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Odds, Logodds, Probabilities

Gries (2013:300)



Interpretation

- Null deviance: how much variability there is if no predictor is included in the model
- Residual deviance: how much variability there is after including predictors
- Therefore: Null deviance - residual deviance: how much variability the included predictors can account for
- Fisher Scoring iterations: if number is too big (say, more than 20), the model is too complex to be run on the data you have and it doesn't converge -> include fewer predictors

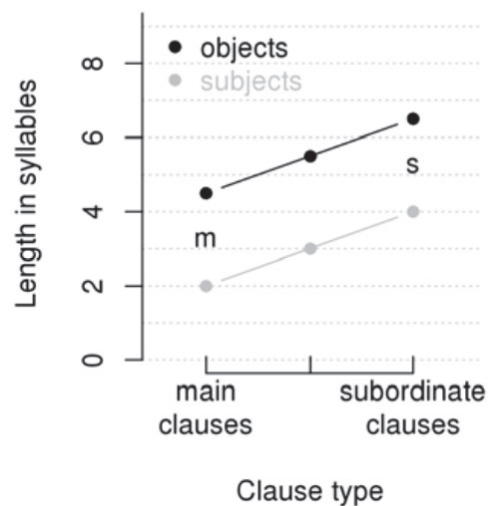
Interpretation (*cont.*)

- Coefficients
 - Intercept: logodds estimate for the *second* level of the DV
 - (Coefficients): difference between the estimate logodds in relation to the intercept, for the *second* level of the DV, when the predictor corresponds to that level

Interaction

Gries 2013:249–253 Example 1

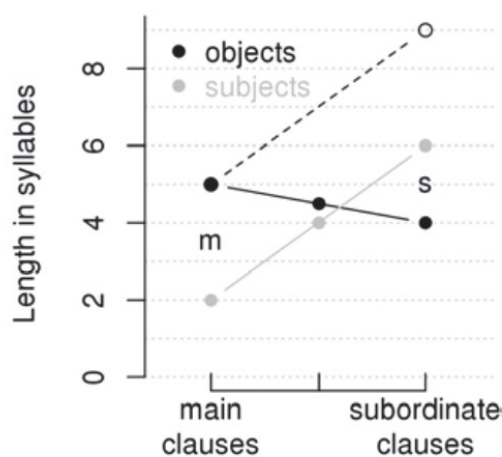
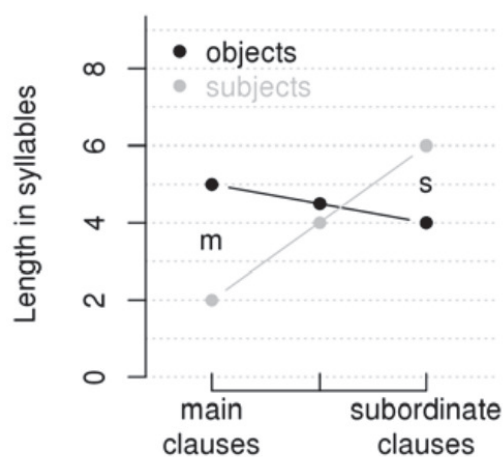
- In multivariate analyses, it's necessary to watch out for possible interactions between predictors
- **Independence**: additive effect



Interaction

Gries 2013:249–253 Example 2

- In multivariate analyses, it's necessary to watch out for possible interactions between predictors
- **Interaction**: the effect of a predictor cannot be predicted without taking the effect of another predictor on the same response/dependent variable.

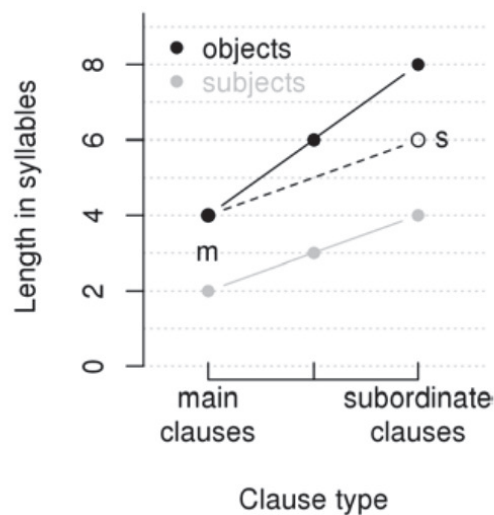
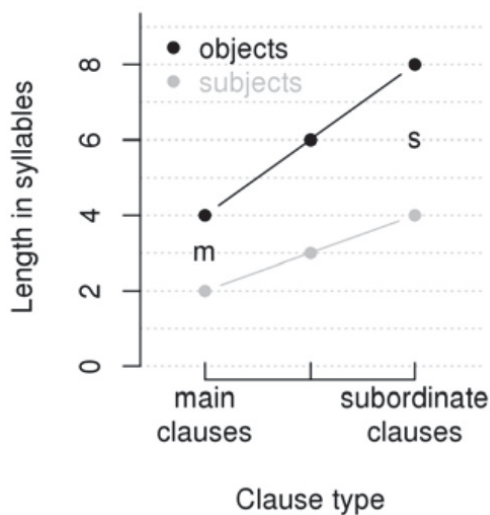


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Interaction

Gries 2013:249–253 Example 3

- In multivariate analyses, it's necessary to watch out for possible interactions between predictors
- **Interaction**: the effect of a predictor cannot be predicted without taking the effect of another predictor on the same response/dependent variable.



Navigation icons: back, forward, search, etc.

Interactions in regression models

- `model.glm<-glm(DV ~ VI * VI, data = data, family = binomial)`

```
> summary(modelo.04.glm.int)
```

```
Call:
```

```
glm(formula = VD ~ FAIXA.ETARIA * REGIAO, family = binomial,
     data = dadosRT)
```

```
Deviance Residuals:
```

```
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-1.1847 -0.8046 -0.6561  1.1701  1.8970
```

```
Coefficients:
```

```
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)      -1.31754    0.06490  -20.301 < 2e-16 ***
FAIXA.ETARIA2a   -0.10887    0.09287   -1.172  0.24112
FAIXA.ETARIA3a   -0.30091    0.09562   -3.147  0.00165 **
REGIAOperiferica  1.33476    0.08168  16.341 < 2e-16 ***
FAIXA.ETARIA2a:REGIAOperiferica -0.69440    0.11688   -5.941 2.83e-09 ***
FAIXA.ETARIA3a:REGIAOperiferica -0.67794    0.12268   -5.526 3.27e-08 ***
```

```
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
```

```
Null deviance: 10993  on 9225  degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 10421  on 9220  degrees of freedom
AIC: 10433
```

```
Number of Fisher scoring iterations: 4
```

```
~ |
```

How to report results

Gries (2013:257)

Table 44. The results of the linear model in (57)

	SumSq	Estimate	Std. error	t	p
Intercept	23.61	2.75	1.52	1.8	0.08
GERMAN	2931.69	1.75	0.09	20.1	<0.001
CLASS	3010.30	-8.72	0.43	-20.37	<0.001
Residual var.	558.68				
overall R^2 / p	mult. $R^2 =$ 0.974	adj. $R^2 =$ 0.973		$F_{2, 77} =$ 1416	$p < 0.001$

Table 45. The results of the linear model in (58)

	SumSq	Estimate	Std. error	t	p
Intercept	24.9	2.82	1.15	2.44	0.017
GERMAN	2461.42	1.64	0.07	24.29	<0.001
CLASS	0.25	-0.28	1.15	-0.25	0.807
GERMAN:CLASS	241.73	-0.515	0.07	-7.61	<0.001
Residual var.	316.95				
overall R^2 / p	mult. $R^2 =$ 0.985	adj. $R^2 =$ 0.984		$F_{3, 76} =$ 1661	$p < 0.001$

How to report results

Walker et al. (2014:179)

TABLE 2. Summary of best mixed-effects model for status factor ($N = 2,200$)

	Estimate	SE	<i>t</i> value	<i>p</i> value
Intercept	-.09334	.1316	-.709	.478
Speaker = Puerto Rican	.16994	.16247	1.046	.296
Variant = [s]	.32958	.05556	5.932	<.001
Participant = Puerto Rican	-.20599	.06993	-2.946	.003
Speaker = Puerto Rican: Variant = [s]	-.23736	.07228	-3.284	.001

Note: Random effects = (1 + speaker nationality * variant | participant) + (1 + variant | speaker).

How to report results

... and many figures

To learn more

To learn more about a function, type `?nameoffunction` on the Console. E.g.: `?scan`

R manuals: <http://cran.r-project.org/manuals.html>

Baayen, R. H. (2008) *Analyzing Linguistic Data. A practical introduction to statistics using R.* São Paulo: Cambridge University Press.

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