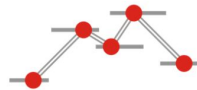


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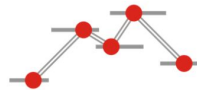
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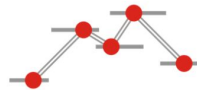


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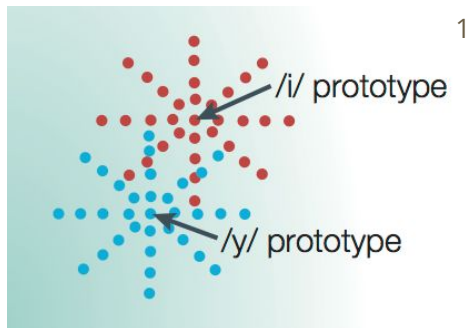


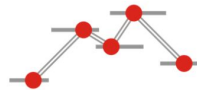
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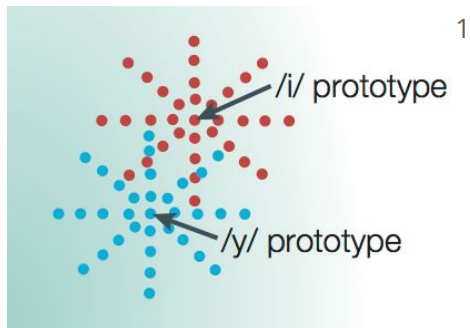


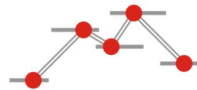
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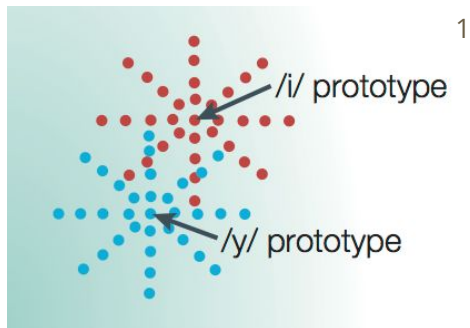


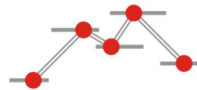
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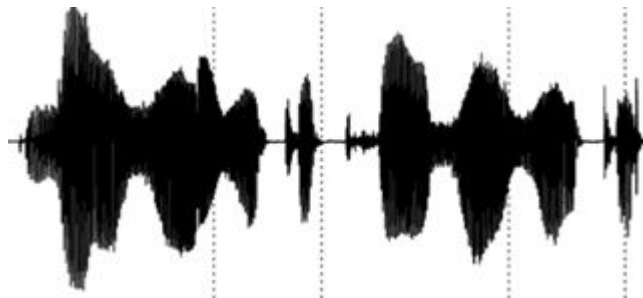
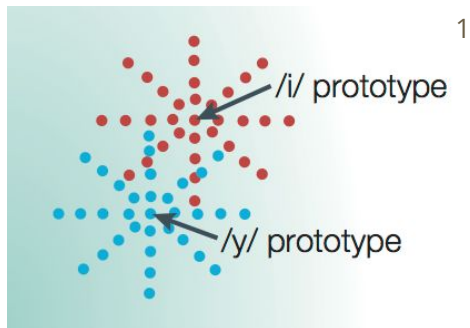


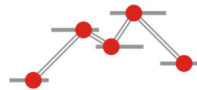
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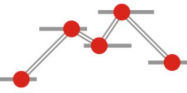


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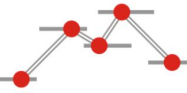


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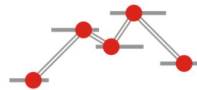
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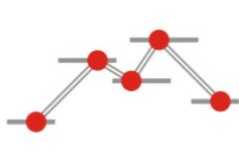
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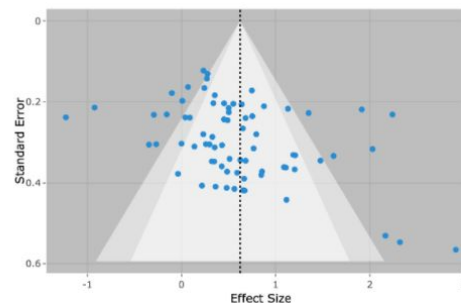
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Funnel plot of bias in effect sizes



1. Cristia et al. (2020) 2. Tsuji et al. (2014)

Datasets

All Cognitive Development Early Language

Abstract rule learning

Can infants learn abstract repetition rules from different types of stimuli?

20 papers | 95 experiments | 1111 subjects



Categorization bias

In a triad-task, bias to generalize to taxonomic as opposed to thematic alternative.

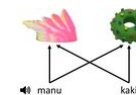
9 papers | 80 experiments | 328 subjects



Cross-situational word learning

Infants and children's abilities to learn words across multiple ambiguous situations.

16 papers | 50 experiments | 2271 subjects



Familiar word recognition

Do infants distinguish familiar words from novel/rare words in listening tasks?

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Function word segmentation



Applications

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Explore a variety of interactive charts driven by the MetaLab database by your datasets and moderators



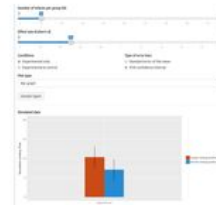
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Analyzes power of your experiment under a variety of conditions



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Domain

Early language

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Language discrimination and preference

Select a dataset / meta-analysis

Dataset description: Discrimination of, or preference between, two language varieties, with results from various methods
 Dataset citation: Gasparini, L., Langus, A., Tsuji, S., & Boll-Avetisyan, N. (2020, September 17). Quantifying the role of rhythm in infants' language discrimination abilities: A meta-analysis. <https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/rm5x>

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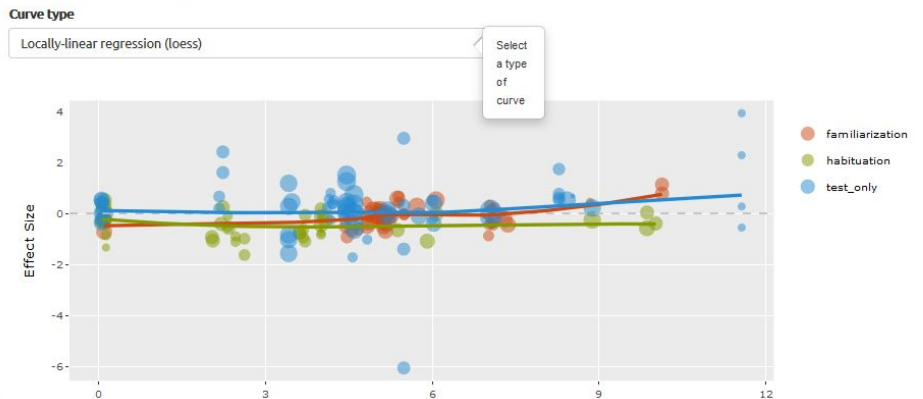
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Random effects model assuming studies within a paper share variance. For details, see [Statistical Approach](#).

Scatter plot of effect sizes over age

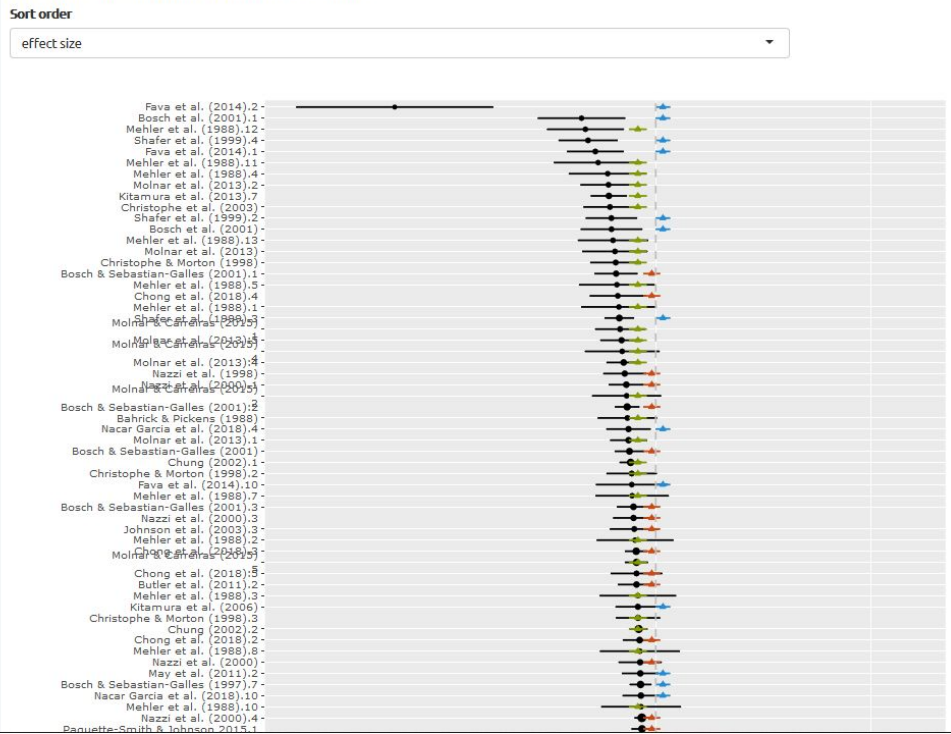


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Forest plot of effect sizes and meta-analysis model estimates



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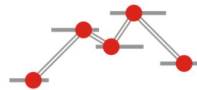
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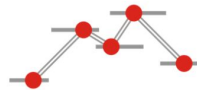
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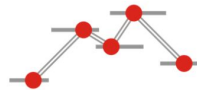
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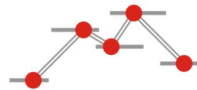
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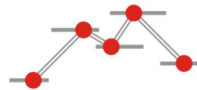
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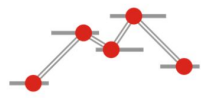
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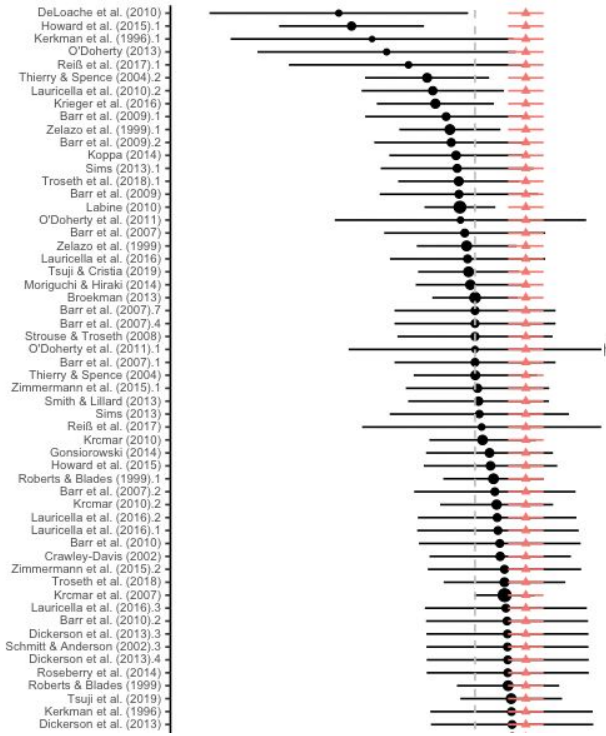
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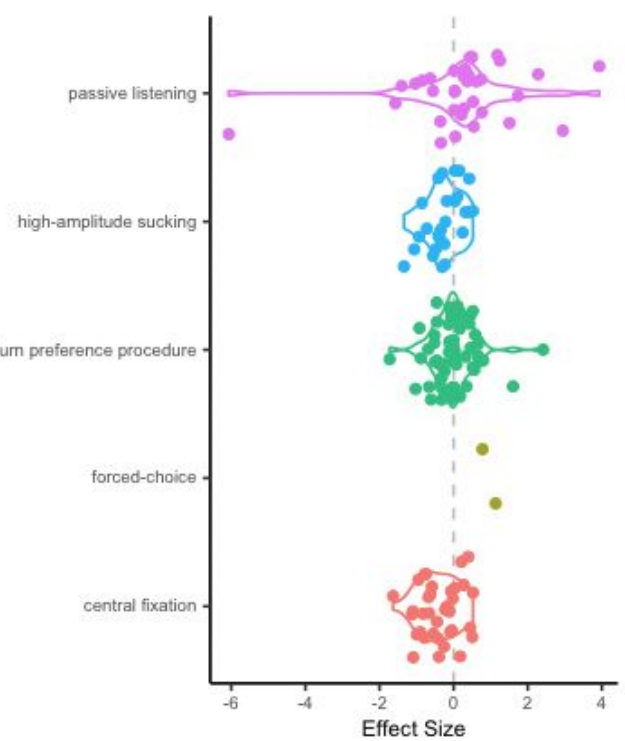
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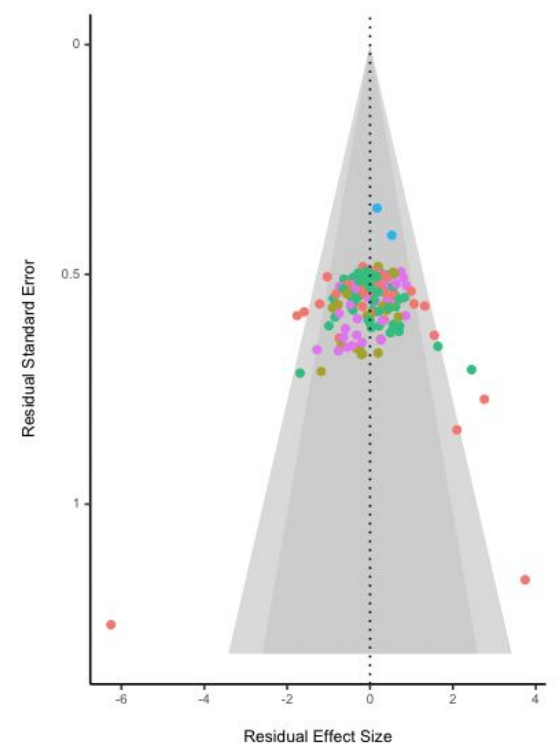
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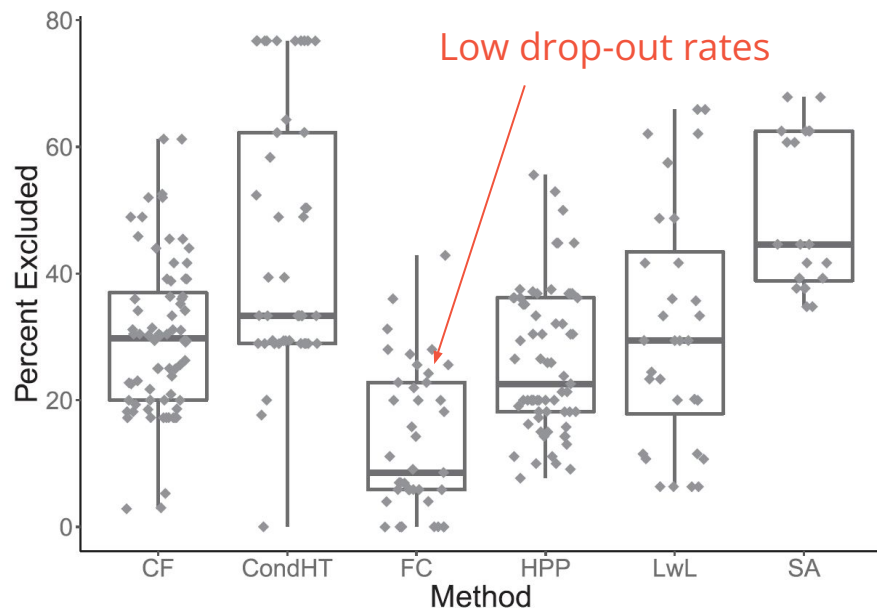
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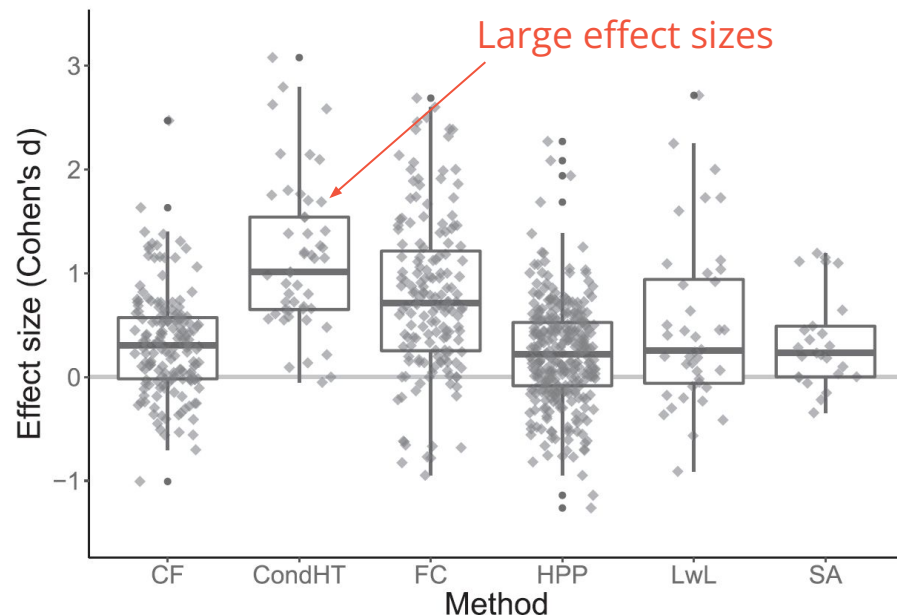
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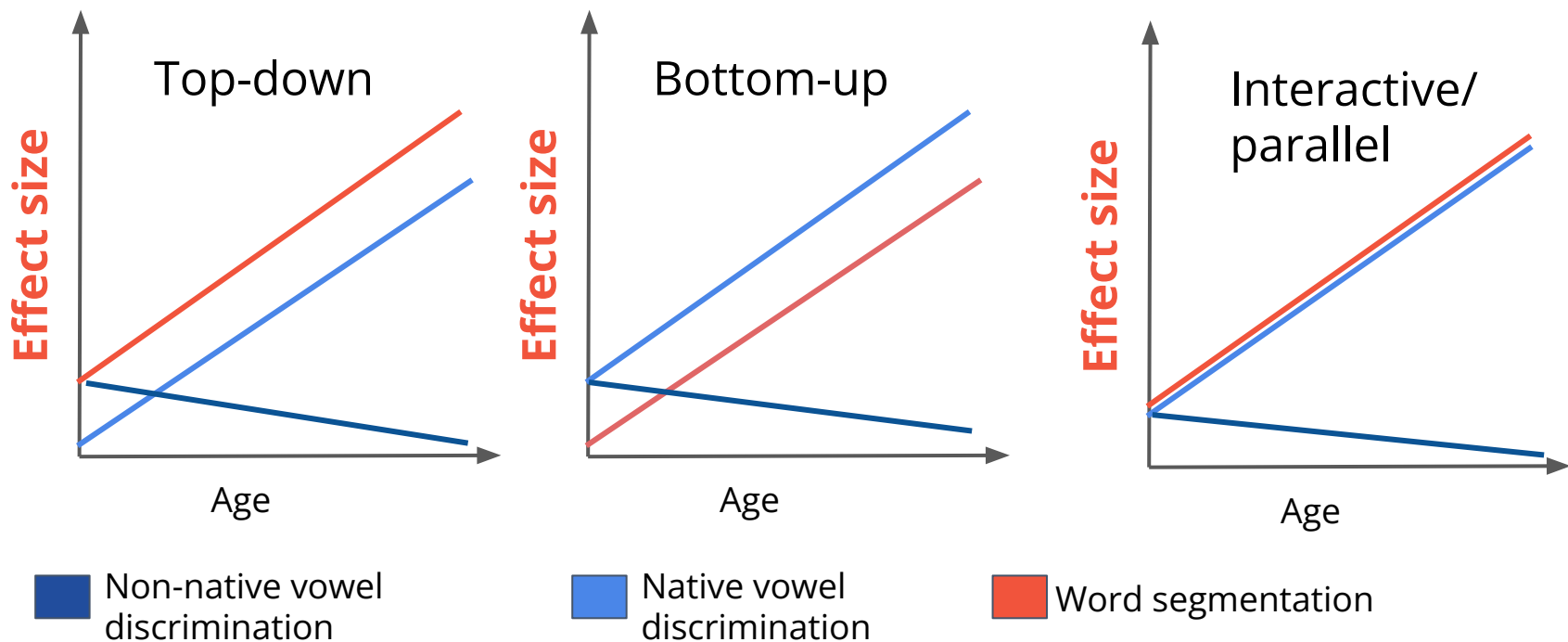


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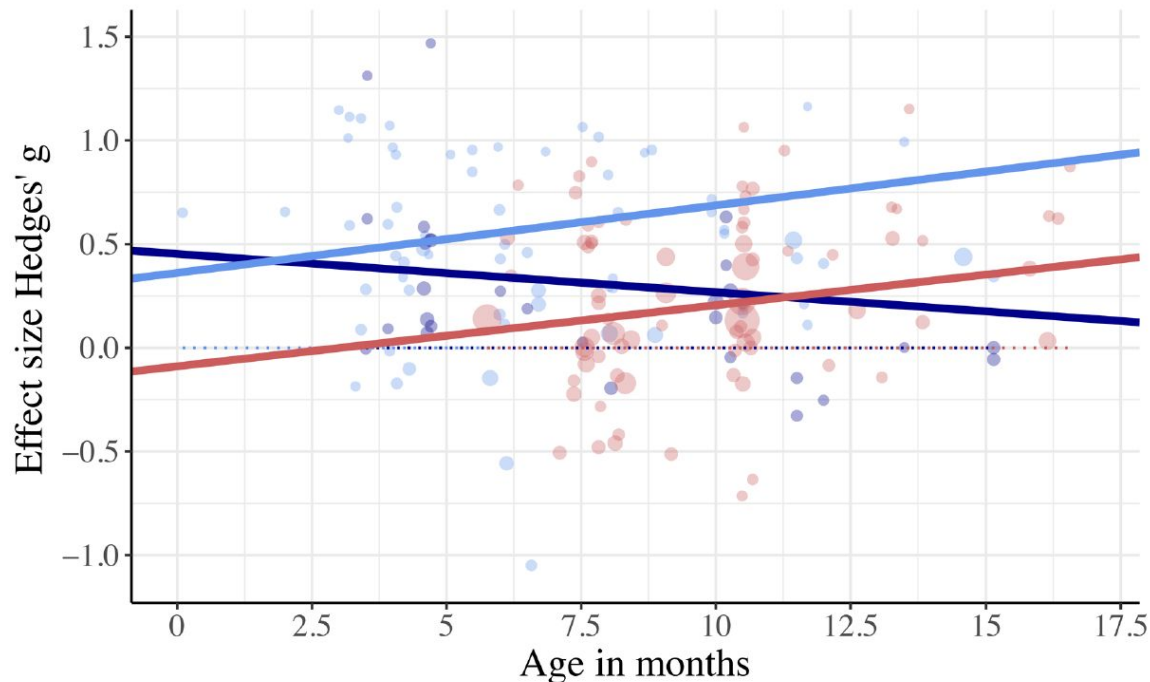


CF = central fixation; CondHT = conditioned headturn; FC = forced choice; HPP = headturn preference procedure; LwL = looking while listening; SA = stimulus alternation. Each point indicates a single study.

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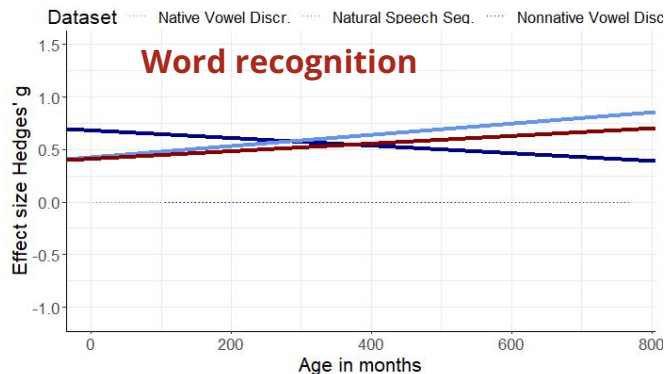
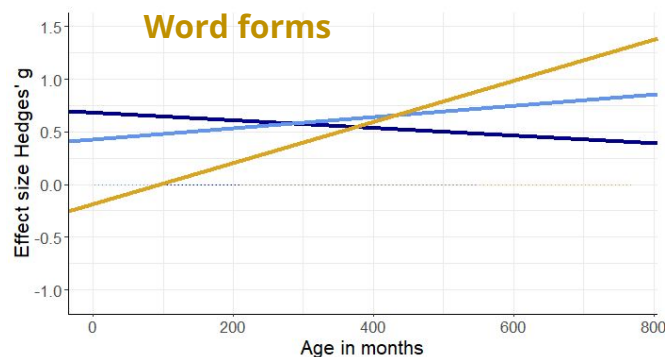
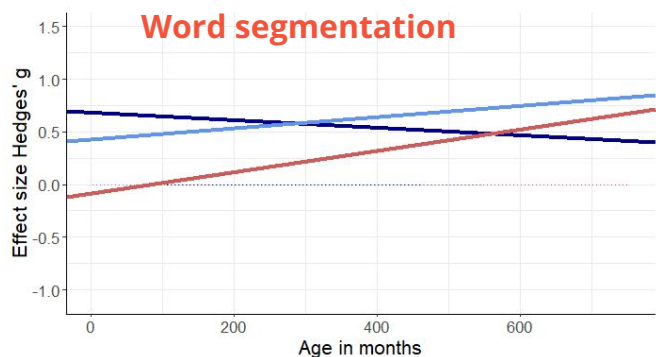
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Not supporting top-down theories

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Dataset Native Vowel Discr. Nonnative Vowel Discr. Word Recognitor

Subsequent analyses:

Word recognition from 6 months onwards →

Supporting top-down theories?

More empirical work needed

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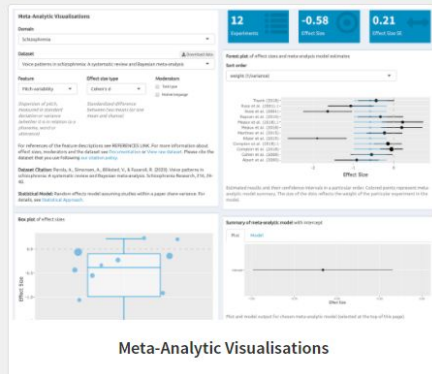
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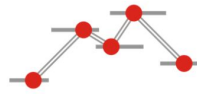
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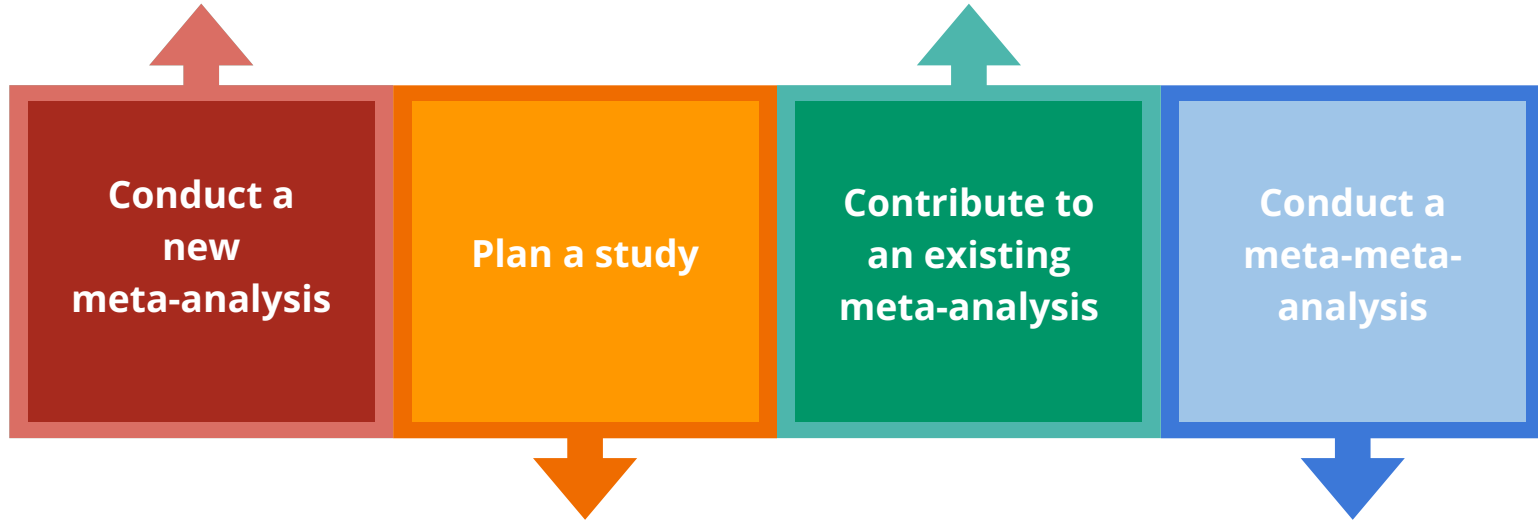
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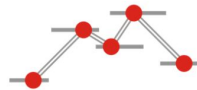
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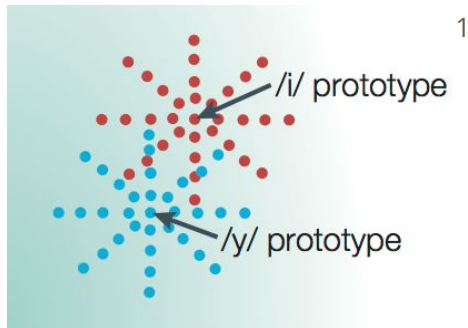
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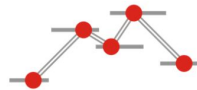
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Visualization



How and when do babies learn language?



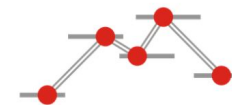


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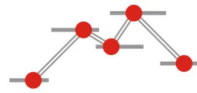


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