

Statistics for Linguists

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Post-hoc analysis and model visualization

Learning objectives

- You will learn to load/import data
- Explore a dataset and create descriptive statistics
- Transform a dataset (if needed)
- Code your factors
- Build a mixed model
- **Perform post-hoc statistics**
- **Visualize your data and your model**

What does this mean?

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participant), data = psycholinguistics_data)  
> summary(m5.lmer)
```

Groups	Name	Variance	Std.Dev.
participant	(Intercept)	0.03543	0.1882
Residual		0.31941	0.5652

Number of obs: 2039, groups: participant, 30

Fixed effects:

	Estimate	Std. Error	df	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	5.81156	0.03661	28.85073	158.753	<2e-16 ***
capitalization1	0.01593	0.01258	2006.66649	1.266	0.205
determiner1	-0.19560	0.01260	2009.09620	-15.520	<2e-16 ***
capitalization1:determiner1	-0.01616	0.01257	2006.50155	-1.285	0.199

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> m6.lmer <- lmer(log(ReadingTime) ~ condition + (1 | participant),  
data = psycholinguistics_data)
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              Estimate Std. Error      df t value Pr(>|t|)  
(Intercept)    5.97508    0.04188  49.36933  142.665  <2e-16 ***  
condition+C/-D -0.35888    0.03593 2008.31218   -9.988  <2e-16 ***  
condition-C/+D  0.06418    0.03402 2006.24503    1.887   0.0594 .  
condition-C/-D -0.35935    0.03511 2007.16928  -10.235  <2e-16 ***  
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Post-hoc analyses

- Post-hoc analyses might be necessary because lmers don't provide a comparison of every level against each other level of a factor
- For continuous variables, a post-hoc analysis may involve correlation testing
- For factors, we can use special packages such as *emmeans*

emmeans

- Computes estimated marginal means (EMMs) for specified factors or factor combinations in a linear model; and optionally, comparisons or contrasts among them

```
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```
> emmeans(m5.lmer, pairwise ~ capitalization * determiner, adjust =  
"Tukey")
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```
$emmeans  
capitalization determiner emmean      SE    df lower.CL upper.CL  
nocap          nodet      5.62 0.0429 54.7      5.53      5.70  
cap            nodet      5.62 0.0436 58.1      5.53      5.70  
nocap          det       6.04 0.0420 50.4      5.95      6.12  
cap            det       5.98 0.0419 49.7      5.89      6.06
```

Degrees-of-freedom method: kenward-roger

Results are given on the log (not the response) scale.

Confidence level used: 0.95

```
$contrasts  
contrast  
nocap nodet - cap nodet -0.000471 0.0371 2007 -0.013 1.0000  
nocap nodet - nocap det -0.423531 0.0353 2007 -12.006 <.0001  
nocap nodet - cap det -0.359354 0.0351 2007 -10.235 <.0001  
cap nodet - nocap det -0.423061 0.0361 2009 -11.719 <.0001  
cap nodet - cap det -0.358884 0.0359 2008 -9.987 <.0001  
nocap det - cap det 0.064177 0.0340 2006 1.887 0.2341
```


emmeans

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> emmeans(m6.lmer, pairwise ~ condition, adjust = "Tukey")
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```

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-C/+D	6.04	0.0420	50.4	5.95	6.12
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contrast	estimate	SE	df	t.ratio	p.value
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(+C/-D) - (-C/-D)	0.000471	0.0371	2007	0.013	1.0000
(-C/+D) - (-C/-D)	0.423531	0.0353	2007	12.006	<.0001

Post-hoc analyses

- For continuous variables, this makes little sense.

```
> emmeans(mn.lmer, pairwise ~ sequential_trial, adjust="Tukey")
```

- How could we further investigate the relation between sequential_trial and reading time?
 - Group the independent variable (often done in cognitive domains, e.g. high vs. low working memory)
 - Correlations (with different subsets of the data, when needed)
 - Visually presenting the data or model output

Post-hoc analyses

- Correlation

> cor.test(x,y)

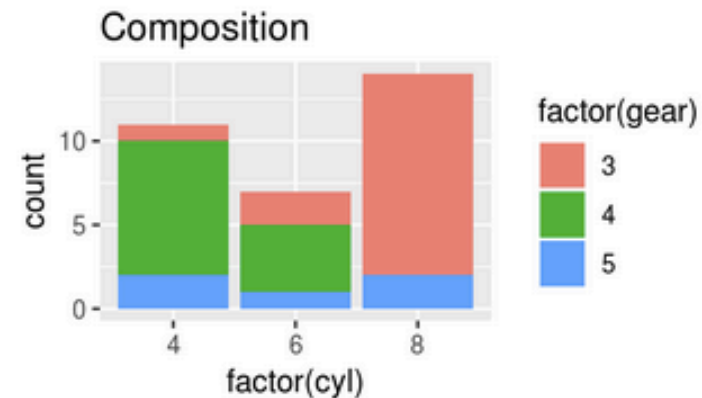
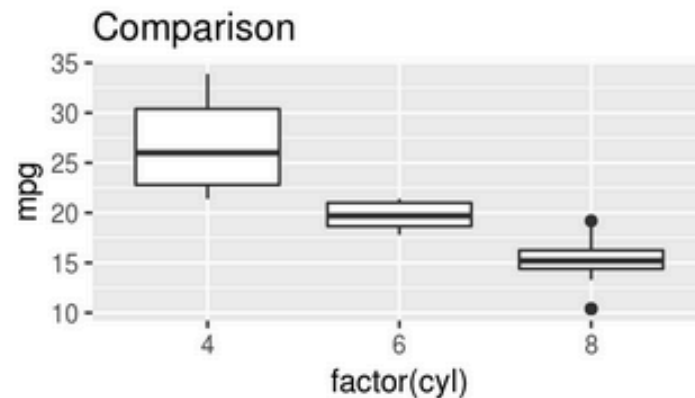
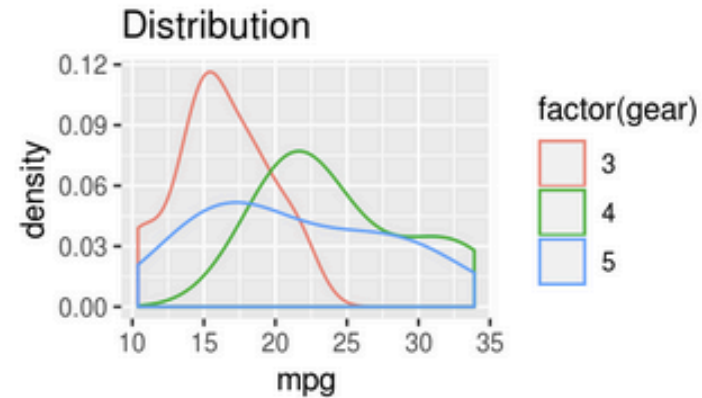
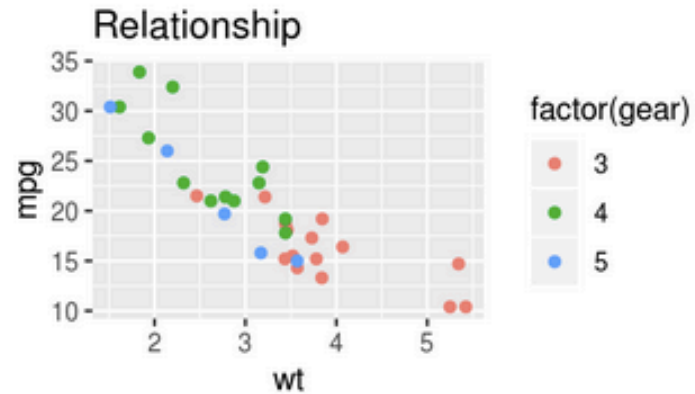
- Multiple types possible (pearson's, spearman's,...)
- However, this again ignores the issue of variability between participants and items

Pearson's product-moment correlation

```
data: psycholinguistics_data2$sequential_trial and psycholinguistics_data2$ReadingTime
t = 0.4664, df = 2037, p-value = 0.641
alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -0.03309113  0.05371890
sample estimates:
      cor
0.01033335
```

Model visualization

- Data plots are easiest with the ggplot package



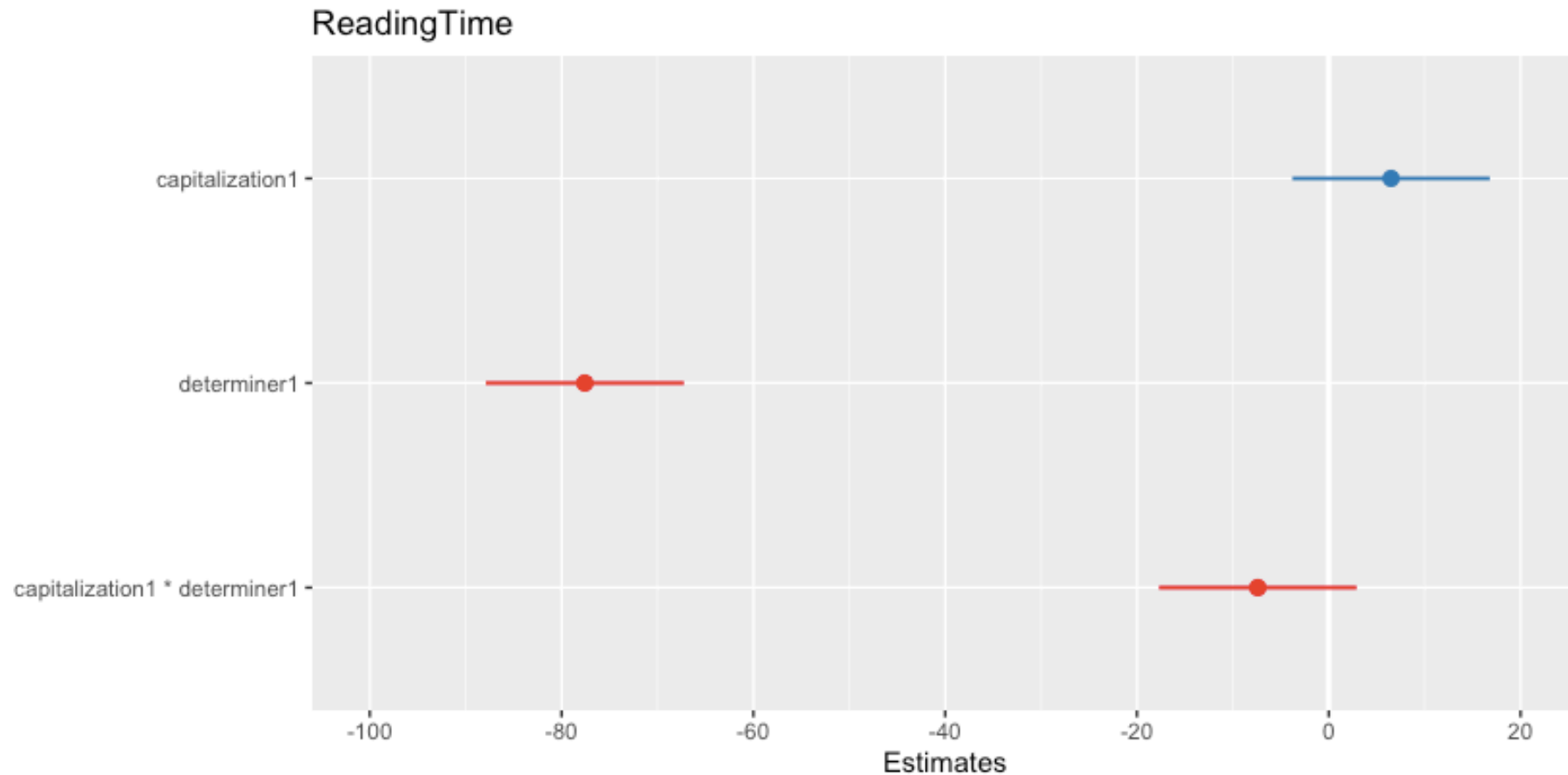
Model visualization

- However, *model* plots display the model effects, not the original data
- They can be used for presentation (in articles etc.) or for better understanding your results

```
> plot_model(m5.lmer) # from sjPlot package
```

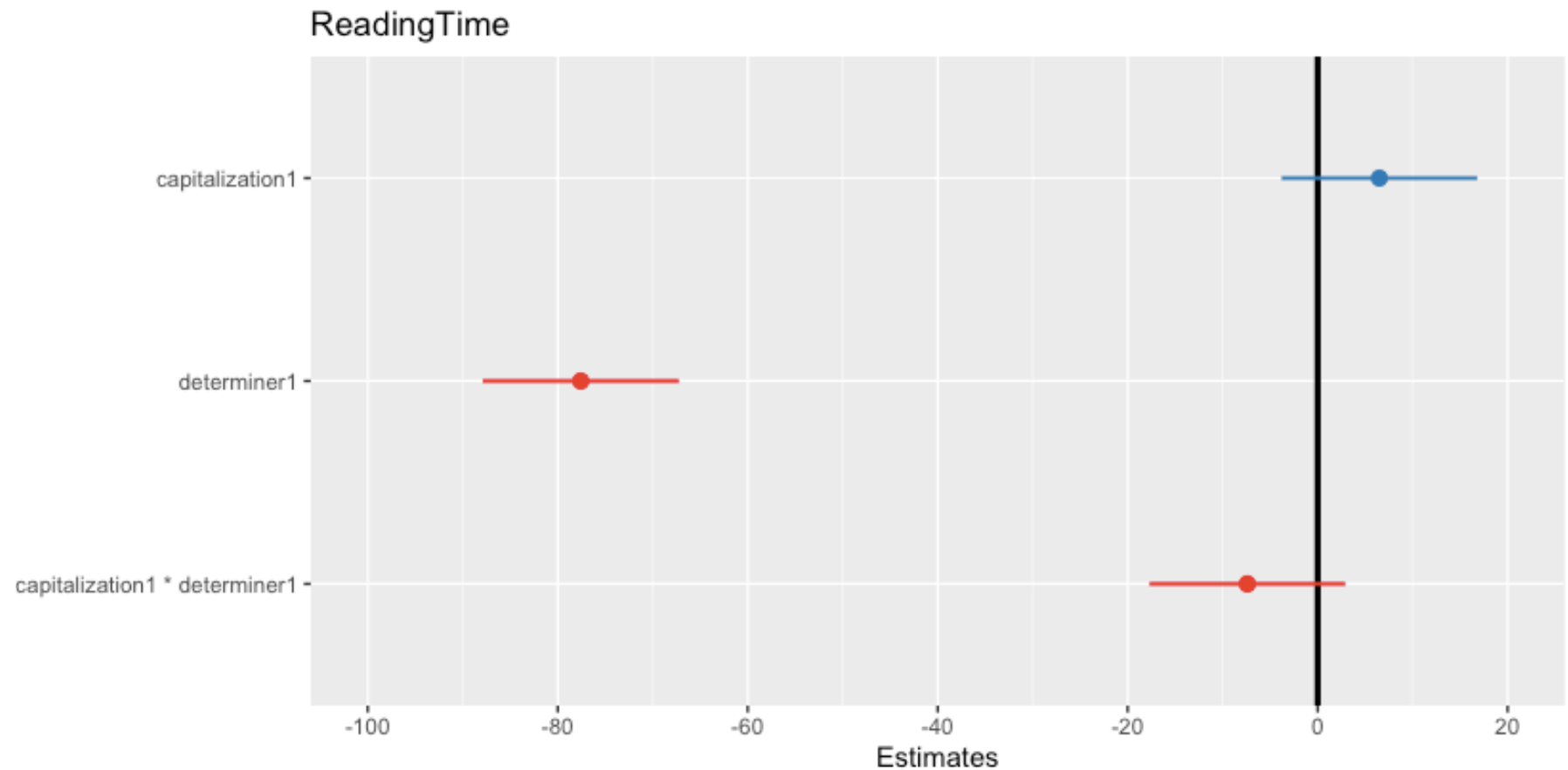
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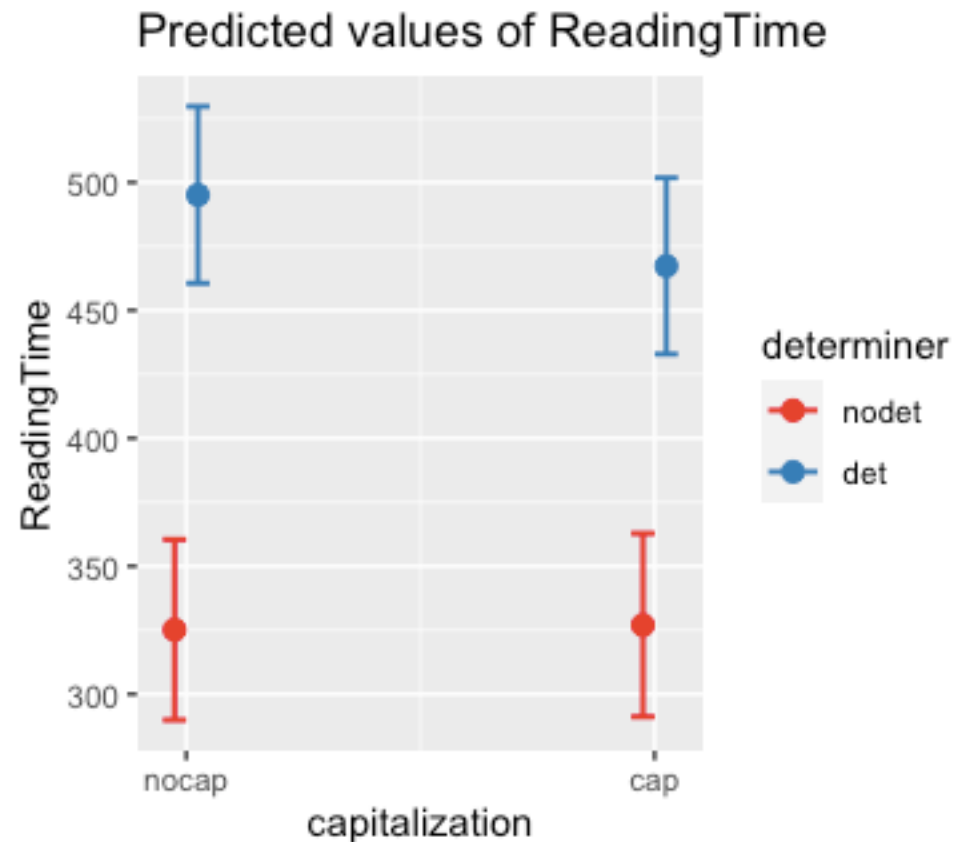
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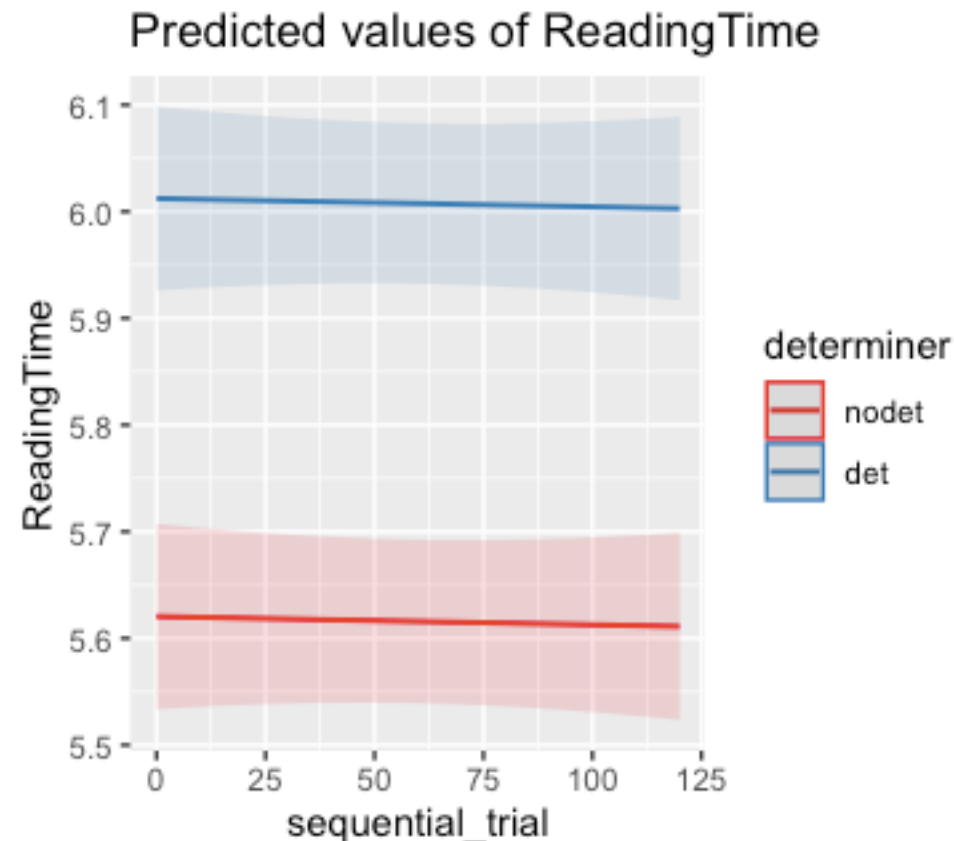
Model visualization

- `> plot_model(m5.lmer, type = "eff", terms = c("capitalization", "determiner"))`



Model visualization

- Also with one continuous variable
- ```
> plot_model(m7.lmer, type = "eff", terms = c("sequential_trial", "determiner"))
```



# Effect sizes

- Effect size is the size of the effect
- In our data, the effect of capitalization was  $430 - 419 = 11$  ms (dependent on outlier removal technique)
- Whether 11 ms is a lot or not depends on the variation in the data
- This is reflected in a relative or standardized effect size
- Popular measure of standardized effect size for comparisons between two means: Cohen's  $d$

# Effect sizes

- Popular measure of standardized effect size for comparisons between two means: Cohen's d

```
> lme.dscores(m5.lmer, psycholinguistics_data, type="lme4")
```

|                             | t           | df       | d           |
|-----------------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| capitalization1             | 1.5909857   | 2025.474 | 0.07070221  |
| determiner1                 | -14.3795260 | 2027.232 | -0.63873819 |
| capitalization1:determiner1 | -0.8180792  | 2025.402 | -0.03635547 |

- This value will then have to be interpreted
  - Typically  $d = 0.2$  represents a 'small' effect size,  $0.5$  represents a 'medium' effect size and  $0.8$  a 'large' effect size

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