

Shah and Alter (2014) – Study 3 Replication

Original (N=127):

Binary logistic regression revealed an interaction between elimination condition and valence (Wald-test $\chi^2 = 4.85, p < .05$). Participants in the “elimination impossible” condition chose the more-visited country slightly (but not significantly) more often in the negative frame (24%) than in the positive frame (16%; $\chi^2 (1, N = 60) = .6, p > .4$, Cramer’s $V = .1$). This difference was far greater in the “elimination possible” condition (63% vs. 12%; $\chi^2 (1, N = 66) = 18.34, p < .001$, Cramer’s $V = .53$).

Replication (N=329):

Binary logistic regression revealed a marginally significant interaction between elimination condition and valence (Wald-test $\chi^2 = 3.01, p = .083$). Participants in the “elimination impossible” condition chose the more-visited country slightly (but not significantly) more often in the negative frame (33%) than in the positive frame (26%; $\chi^2 (1, N = 166) = .91, p = .341$, Cramer’s $V = .07$). This difference was far greater in the “elimination possible” condition (56% vs. 29%; $\chi^2 (1, N = 163) = 12.36, p < .001$, Cramer’s $V = .28$).

We also included a manipulation check, in which participants were asked to recall the number of total trips they were required to take to Ecuador. Forty-six (14%) provided an incorrect answer. Excluding these participants pushes the critical interaction effect to significance (Wald-test $\chi^2 = 6.39, p = .012$). The comparisons within each elimination possibility condition, however, remain largely unchanged (impossible: 30% vs. 26%, $\chi^2 (1, N = 142) = .34, p = .560$, Cramer’s $V = .05$; possible: 58% vs. 23%, $\chi^2 (1, N = 141) = 18.06, p < .001$, Cramer’s $V = .36$).

