

Acknowledgments and report for the year 2010

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Here is the annual report. I welcome suggestions and questions, including those concerning issues not mentioned here.

News

We have made the transition to a new governing structure. JDM is now the joint journal of SJDM and EADM. SJDM has said that it must approve the next editor. Otherwise, the supervisory committee contains representatives of both societies: Derek Koehler, Jay McClelland, Cilia Witteman, and Nicolao Bonini. So far the board has had little to do.

We are in the middle of three special issues on recognition processes in judgment (e.g., “the recognition heuristic”) edited by Julian Marewski, Rüdiger Pohl, and Oliver Vitouch. Another special issue, on methodology, edited by Andreas Glöckner and Ben Hilbig, is underway.

JDM is now indexed by Airiti, which apparently makes it more easily available to scholars in China. And we have just signed an agreement with EBSCO for including in their indices. We are already indexed in PsycInfo, Econlit (supposedly — I haven’t checked), EconPapers, Google Scholar, Social Science Citation Index, Directory of Open Access Journals, and Scopus.

As a result of the EBSCO agreement, we have modified the copyright notice retroactively (after informing all previous authors) so that authors give permission for indexing. This should have been done from the outset. For the most part, the authors hold the copyright.

Another recent change concerns making data public. Up to now, a few authors — sometimes because I asked them specifically — have let us archive their data with their articles. I have now made this the default. Authors who do not want to do it will have to say why not.

Rachel Croson took a 2-year leave from being associate editor, as a result of taking a 2-year position at the National Science Foundation. She is replaced by Jean-Robert Tyran and Charles Noussiar, but I very much hope she comes back too.

Cass Sunstein had to withdraw from the board after taking a position in the U.S. Government as head of OIRA.

Recognition

As of last June, our “impact factor” was 1.468. The most comparable journal, with roughly the same audience, is *Journal of Behavioral Decision Making*, with an impact factor of 1.377. More recent calculations of the h index based on Google Scholar showed a similar pattern, but I cannot update this because Google has made such searches difficult.

The rate of submissions has been increasing. For the years 2007 through 2010, the approximate numbers of submissions per year were, respectively, 59, 77, 114, and 143. The number of published articles is staying roughly constant: approximately 46, 49, 57, 45 for the four years respectively. This does not count special issues. You might infer from this that, since the rejection rate is increasing, the quality is increasing as well. This is hard to measure, but I don't think it is true. I think the first volume had plenty of great articles, and the increased submission rate is unfortunately the result of articles that never would have made the grade. (I still try to reject most of these without review.)

It is clear to me that the journal is sustainable. I like to think that the articles are also good, even if not all of them are fashionable or newsworthy. (Some are, and they have received quite a bit of news coverage, such as the first Dehghani et al. paper about Iran.) We (the associate editors and I) work hard at trying to make sure that the papers avoid methodological and statistical errors that I see often in other journals.

With the success of the journal has come more work. We will need to add board members who are eager to do reviews, perhaps add associate editors, and perhaps increase the number of editors (from 1 to 2). But none of this is urgent.

Thanks

This journal is a complete volunteer effort. Reviewers and board members have been extremely cooperative and prompt in processing articles. I would like to thank everyone and hope that the quality and speed continue. The following (in addition to the associate editors) reviewed articles (roughly) in 2010:

Adam Goodie, Adele Diederich, Alan Cooke, Andreas Glöckner, Anthony Bishara, Anton Navarro, Antonio Rangel, Ap Dijksterhuis, Arndt Bröder, Arnout Fischer, Athena Aktipis, Azim Shariff, Barry Schwartz, Ben Hilbig, Ben Newell, Benjamin Scheibehenne, Bethany Weber, Bettina von Helversen, Brian Zikmund-Fisher, Bruce Burns, Bud Fennema, Chenbo Zhong, Chris Olivola, Chris Peterson, Clint Stober, Colin Camerer, Craig Fox, Craig McKenzie, Cynthia Cryder, Dalia Diab, Dan Bartels, Dan Gilbert, Dan Goldstein, Daniel Kahneman, Daniel Oppenheimer, Daryl Mumpower, Dave Comerford, David Budescu, David Dickinson, David Gal,

David Hardisty, David Sugano, Don Moore, Drazen Prelec, Ed Vul, Eduard Brandstätter, Edward Cokely, Ellen Peters, Eric Igou, Eric Johnson, Eric Rassin, Eunice Kim, Fanfang Tan, Fiery Cushman, Gal Zauberman, George Wu, Gerd Gigerenzer, Gordon Bermant, Greg Barron, Gretchen Chapman, Hal Arkes, Hal Ersner-Hirschfield, Hauke Heekeren, Henning Plessner, Ido Erev, Irwin Levin, Itamar Simonson, Jürgen Eichberger, Jack Hershey, James Konow, Jay Koehler, Jed Siev, Jeff Inman, Jiaying Zhao, Jochen Reb, Joe Baranski, Joe Kable, Joe Paxton, John C. Pettibone, John Horton, John Payne, Jonah Berger, Joshua Greene, Justin Rao, Karl Halvor Teigen, Keith Markman, Klaus Wertenbroch, Konstantinos Katsikopoulos, Kris Kirby, Kristin Appelt, Leonard Green, Lisa Ordoñez, Mandeep Dhami, Manel Baucells, Marc Scholten, Marcel Zeelenberg, Marcus Raab, Marieke de Vries, Marijke van Putten, Matthias Klaes, Michael Birnbaum, Michael Dougherty, Michel Handgraaf, Mike DeKay, Mike Oaksford, Min Gong, Monic Bucciarelli, Monica Capra, Natalia Karelaiia, Neal Roese, Neil Stewart, Nick Sevdalis, Noel Brewer, Ola Svenson, Orit Tykocinski, Paul Rozin, Pavel Atanasov, Pete McGraw, Peter Ayton, Peter Ubel, Philip Tetlock, Priya Raghuram, Rafal Bogacz, Ralph Hertwig, Rebecca Ratner, Rick Antle, Rick Larrick, Rick van der Kleij, Ritesh Saini, Roger Ratcliff, Roy Baumeister, Rui Mata, Sascha Serwe, Shane Frederick, Sheena Iyengar, Sherry Li, Simon Kemp, Simone Moran, Stefan Herzog, Steffen Nestler, Terry Elrod, Thorsten Pachur, Tim Pleskac, Tim Rakow, Timothy Brown, Tom Schonberg, Tom Wallsten, Ulrich Hoffrage, Uri Simonsohn, Valerie Reyna, Vittorio Girotto, Warren Ware, William Batchelder, Wolfgang Gaissmeier, X. T. Wang, Yan Leykin, Ye Li, Yuval Rottenstreich.

Technical stuff

I remain indebted to the many writers of the open-source software that make the production process possible and sometimes even fun: L^AT_EX, OpenOffice, Emacs, Firefox, Perl, Linux, R, other GNU software, and especially Writer2LaTeX (which extracts papers from the clutches of Microsoft), and Hevea (which makes the html versions with almost no extra effort on my part).

Recently more authors have been submitting articles in text format with L^AT_EX formatting, which makes it easier for me. I still have problems with authors following the technical guidelines for word processing documents, and I am thinking of strengthening these and enforcing them more rigorously, even if it means delaying an article by two months.