

# Factorial ANOVA: main effects & interactions

Week 9

# Concepts

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- 2-way factorial experimental designs
- marginal means
- main effects & interaction effects
- ANOVA output table for a 2-way factorial design
- interpreting main effects vs interaction effects
- *next week: assumptions, more complex factorial designs, & post-hoc tests*

# Factorial ANOVA

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When to use:

- when you have 2 or more independent variables (factors)
- when you want to test
  - the **main effect** of each factor
  - the **interaction effect** between factors

# Factorial ANOVA

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## Notation:

- 2x2 factorial design: *2 independent variables, each with 2 levels*
- 2x3 factorial design: *2 independent variables, one with 2 levels, one with 3 levels*
- 3x4 factorial design: *2 independent variables, one with 3 levels, one with 4 levels*
- etc.

# 2x2 Design

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2x2 Design		IV 1	
		IV1: Level 1	IV1: Level 2
IV 2	IV2: Level 1	dv	dv
	IV2: Level 2	dv	dv

2x2 Design		Time of Day	
		Morning	Afternoon
Caffeine	Some Caffeine	dv	dv
	No Caffeine	dv	dv

# 2x3 Design

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2x3 Design		IV 1	
		IV1: Level 1	IV1: Level 2
IV 2	IV2: Level 1	dv	dv
	IV2: Level 2	dv	dv
	IV2: Level 3	dv	dv

2x3 Design		Time of Day	
		Morning	Afternoon
Caffeine	1 coffee	dv	dv
	2 coffees	dv	dv
	3 coffees	dv	dv

# Fully Factorial

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- An experimental design is *fully factorial* when the levels of each factor are *fully crossed* with the levels of each other factor
- e.g. in a 2x2 design with factors A (A1,A2) and B (B1,B2), there are 4 conditions
  - A1B1, A1B2, A2B1, A2B2
  - this design is *fully factorial* if there are data for each of these 4 conditions

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- in a 2x3 design, (A1,A2), (B1,B2,B3) there are 6 conditions
  - A1B1, A1B2, A1B3, A2B1, A2B2, A2B3
  - this design is *fully factorial* if there are data for each of these 6 conditions



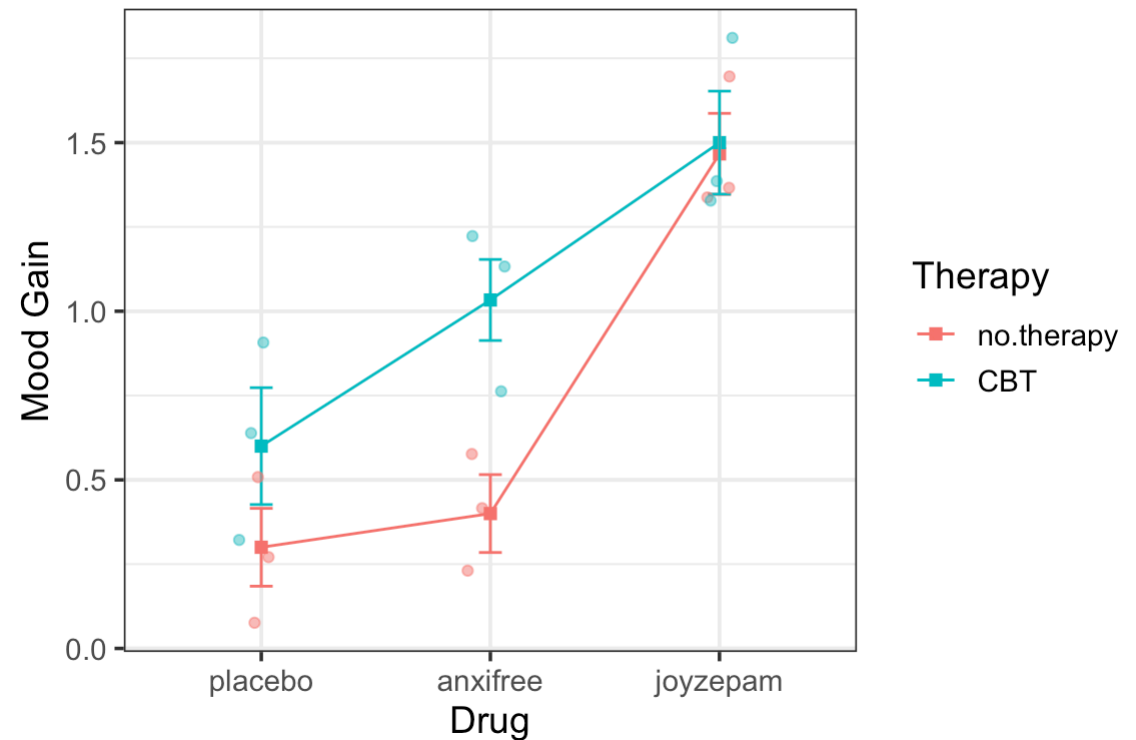
# Example Data

- sample data file from Navarro text: [clinicaltrial.Rdata](#)
- DV is `mood.gain`
- 2 IVs: `drug` (3 levels) and `therapy` (2 levels)

```
1 library(tidyverse)
2 load(url("https://www.gribblelab.o

1 (clin.trial <- tibble(clin.trial))
```

```
# A tibble: 18 × 3
  drug      therapy  mood.gain
<fct>    <fct>    <dbl>
1 placebo no.therapy 0.5
2 placebo no.therapy 0.3
3 placebo no.therapy 0.1
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5 anxifree no.therapy 0.4
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# Marginal Means

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```

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- **marginal means** are the average of the DV for each level of a factor, **across all levels of the other factor**
  - (ignoring the other factor)
- marginal means for **drug**:
- **placebo**:  $(0.5 + 0.3 + 0.1 + 0.6 + 0.9 + 0.3) / 6 = 0.45$
- **anxifree**:  $(0.6 + 0.4 + 0.2 + 1.1 + 0.8 + 1.2) / 6 = 0.72$
- **joyzepam**:  $(1.4 + 1.7 + 1.3 + 1.8 + 1.3 + 1.4) / 6 = 1.48$
- marginal means for **therapy**:
- **no.therapy**:  $(0.5 + 0.3 + 0.1 + 0.6 + 0.4 + 0.2 + 1.4 + 1.7 + 1.3) / 9 = 0.72$
- **CBT**:  $(0.6 + 0.9 + 0.3 + 1.1 + 0.8 + 1.2 + 1.8 + 1.3 + 1.4) / 9 = 1.04$

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- marginal means for **drug**:

```
1 clin.trial %>%
2   group_by(drug) %>% # (we are ignoring therapy)
3   summarise(mean(mood.gain))
```

```
# A tibble: 3 × 2
  drug      `mean(mood.gain)`
<fct>      <dbl>
1 placebo      0.45
2 anxifree     0.717
3 joyzepam     1.48
```

- marginal means for **therapy**:

```
1 clin.trial %>%
2   group_by(therapy) %>% # (we are ignoring drug)
3   summarise(mean(mood.gain))
```

```
# A tibble: 2 × 2
  therapy      `mean(mood.gain)`
<fct>      <dbl>
1 no.therapy  0.722
2 CBT        1.04
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- marginal means for **drug**:

```
1 aggregate(mood.gain ~ drug, data=clin.trial, FUN=mean)
```

```
  drug mood.gain
1 placebo 0.4500000
2 anxifree 0.7166667
3 joyzepam 1.4833333
```

- marginal means for **therapy**:

```
1 aggregate(mood.gain ~ therapy, data=clin.trial, FUN=mean)
```

```
  therapy mood.gain
1 no.therapy 0.7222222
2          CBT 1.0444444
```

- is there an effect of **drug** on **mood.gain**?
- is there an effect of **therapy** on **mood.gain**?
- let's use ANOVA to test these effects

# Testing Main Effects separately

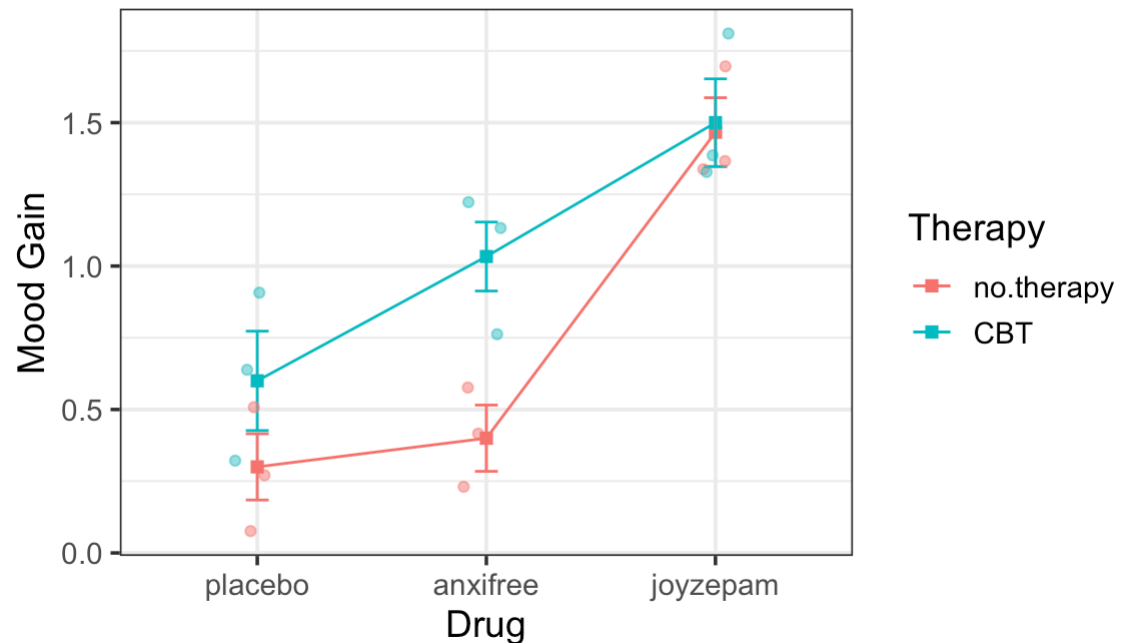
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- we could fit a one-way ANOVA to test the main effect of the **drug** factor, ignoring **therapy**:

```
1 mod.drug <- lm(mood.gain ~ drug , data=clin.trial)
2 summary(aov(mod.drug ))
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
drug	2	3.453	1.7267	18.61	8.65e-05
Residuals	15	1.392	0.0928		



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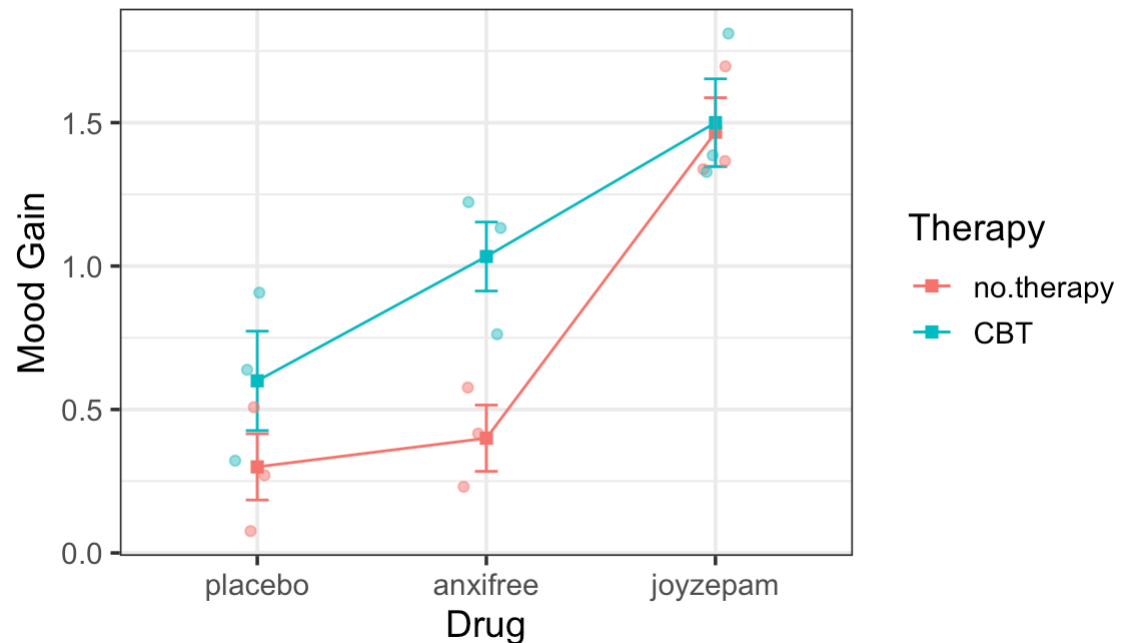
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```

- we could then fit a second one-way ANOVA to test the main effect of the **therapy** factor, ignoring **drug**:

```
1 mod.therapy <- lm(mood.gain ~ therapy, data=clin.trial)
2 summary(aov(mod.therapy))
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
therapy	1	0.467	0.4672	1.708	0.21
Residuals	16	4.378	0.2736		



# Testing Main Effects together

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- main effect of **drug**:

```
1 mod.drug <- lm(mood.gain ~ drug, data=dat)
2 summary(aov(mod.drug))
```

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- main effect of **therapy**:

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- we can do better than this!
- if we put *both factors* in the model, we can test both **main effects together**
- each **main effect** accounts for a different portion of the total variance in the DV
- each **main effect** takes a bite out of the *SSres*

# Testing Main Effects together

- main effect of **drug**:

```
1 mod.drug <- lm(mood.gain ~ drug, data=clin.tri)
2 summary(aov(mod.drug))
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- two-way ANOVA to test **drug** and **therapy** together
- both main effects are in the model

```
1 mod.both <- lm(mood.gain ~ drug + therapy, data=clin.tri)
2 summary(aov(mod.both))
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
drug	2	3.453	1.7267	26.149	1.87e-05
therapy	1	0.467	0.4672	7.076	0.0187
Residuals	14	0.924	0.0660		

- df, Sum Sq, Mean Sq for **drug** and **therapy** are the same as in the one-way ANOVAs
- **But** the F-statistics are larger, and the p-values are smaller
- why? the **Residuals** row is different (smaller!)



# Testing Main Effects together

- $SS_{drug} + SS_{res} = SS_{tot}$
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- when we put both factors in the model, the SS for the Residuals is smaller
- **each factor in the model reduces the SSRes**
- each factor accounts for some variability in the DV
- **the more factors we add to the model, the smaller the SSRes**
- smaller SSres means smaller MSres
- smaller MSres means larger F-statistic
- larger F-statistic means smaller p-value
- smaller p-values means more confidence that the factor has an effect

# The Interaction Term

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- but we can do even better
- we can take another bite out of  $SS_{res}$
- we can add a third effect to the model:
  - an **interaction** term
  - the interaction between **drug** and **therapy**
- `mood.gain ~ drug + therapy + drug:therapy`
- or shorthand: `mood.gain ~ drug * therapy`  
 \* means include all main effects and interactions

```
1 mod.full <- lm(mood.gain ~ drug * therapy, data=clin.tri)
2 summary(aov(mod.full))
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
drug	2	3.453	1.7267	31.714	1.62e-05
therapy	1	0.467	0.4672	8.582	0.0126
drug:therapy	2	0.271	0.1356	2.490	0.1246
Residuals	12	0.653	0.0544		

# Main Effects & Interaction

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- $SS_{res}$  is even smaller!
- reduces unexplained variance in the DV
- denominator of F-statistic is smaller
- F-statistics for our main effects are bigger
- p-values for our main effects are smaller

# What is the Interaction?

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- an **interaction** occurs when the effect of one factor on the DV depends on the level of the other factor
- the difference in means between the levels of one factor is different for each level of the other factor
- the interaction is a difference of differences

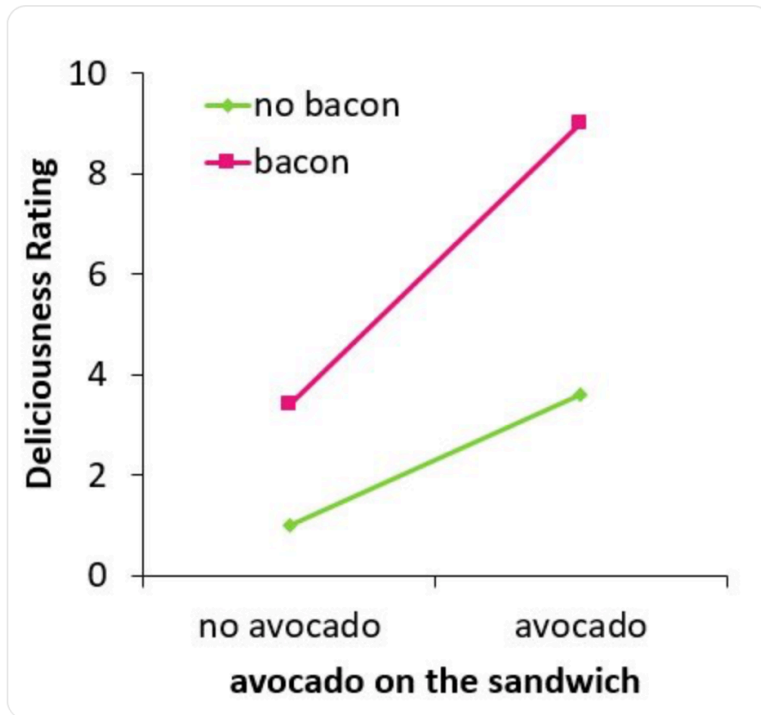
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That feeling when your student says she'll never forget what an interaction is because of your bacon-avocado sandwich example during a stats lecture 🤪

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- the effect of avocado on the deliciousness of a sandwich depends upon whether bacon was present or absent

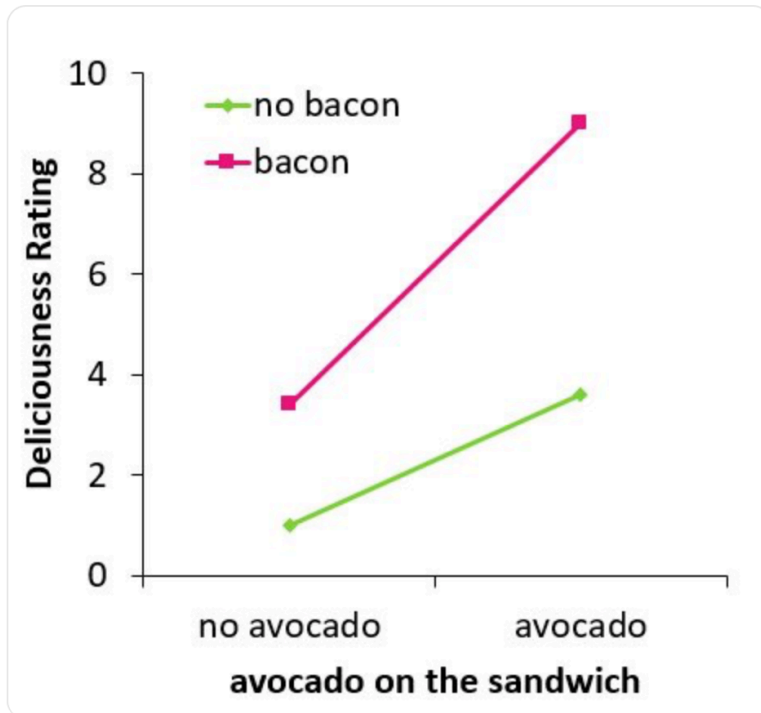
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- **bacon absent:**  
avocado increases deliciousness by 3 ( $4 - 1$ )
- **bacon present:**  
avocado increases deliciousness by 6 ( $9 - 3$ )
- ( $4-1$ ) is different than ( $9-3$ )
- a difference in the differences

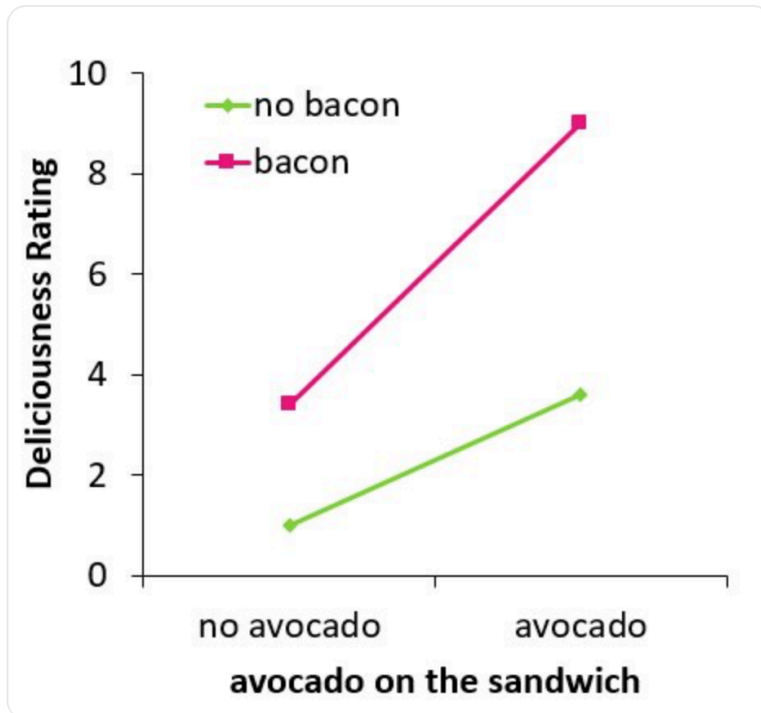
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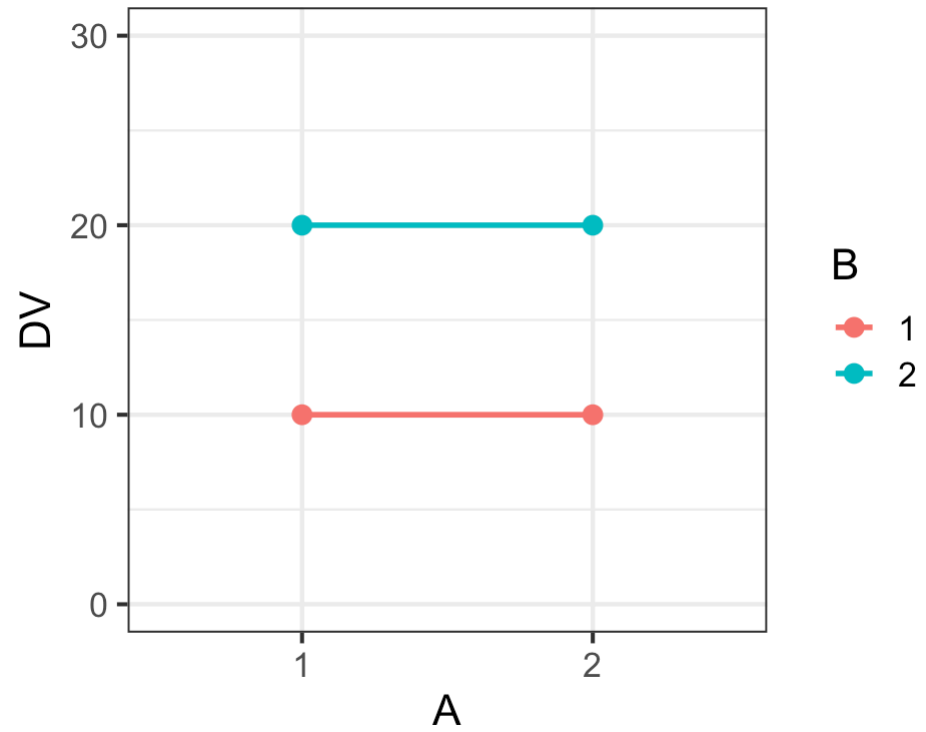
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- a bigger effect of avocado when bacon is present compared to when bacon is absent
- the difference between avocado present vs absent is different for each level of bacon
- a difference in the difference

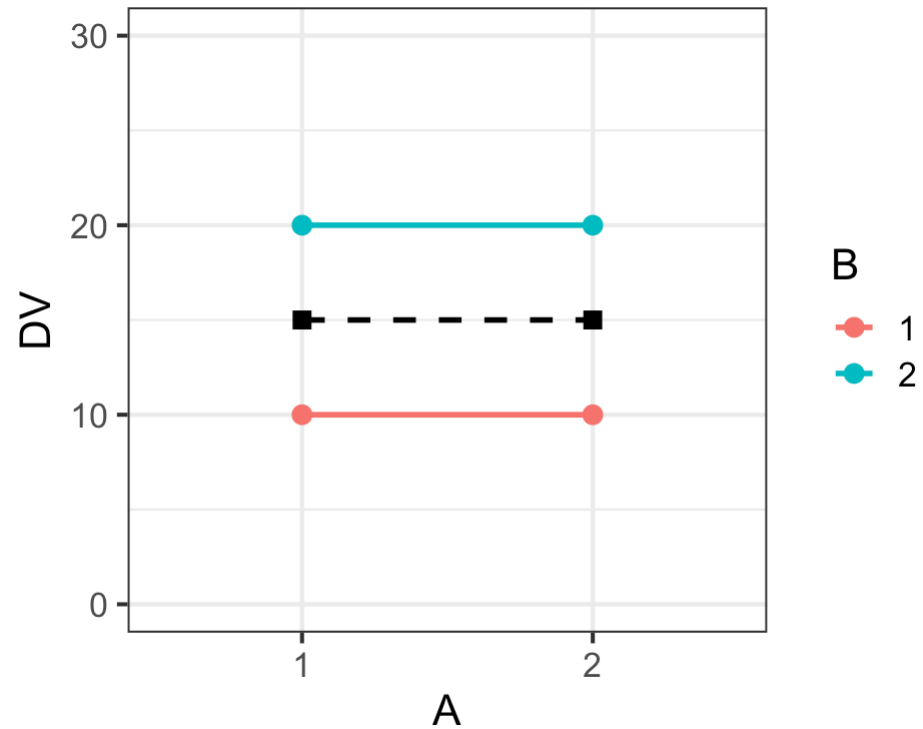
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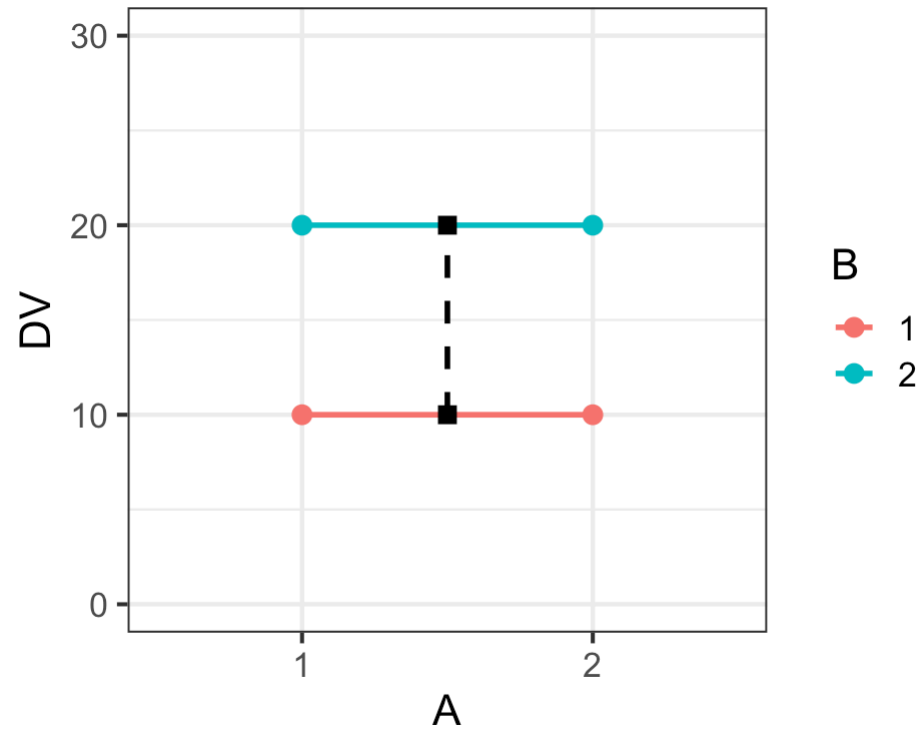


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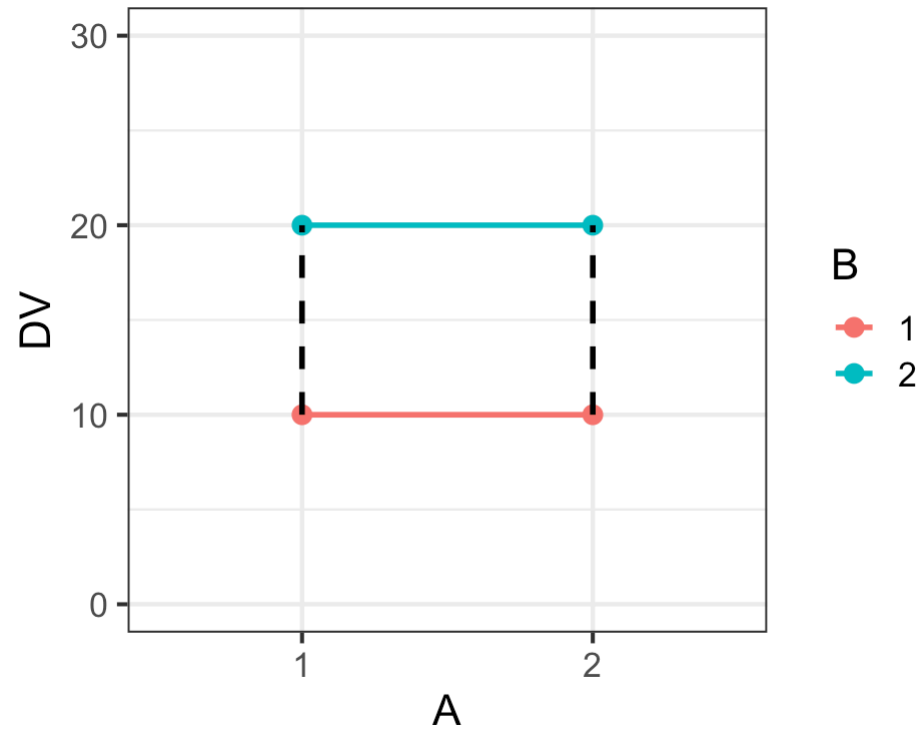
- main effect of A: no
- $A1 - A2 = 0$
- $(10+20)/2 - (10+20)/2 = 0$
- $15 - 15 = 0$

# Example 1



- main effect of B: **yes**
- $B1 - B2 \neq 0$
- $(20+20)/2 - (10+10)/2 \neq 0$
- $20 - 10 \neq 0$
- $10 \neq 0$

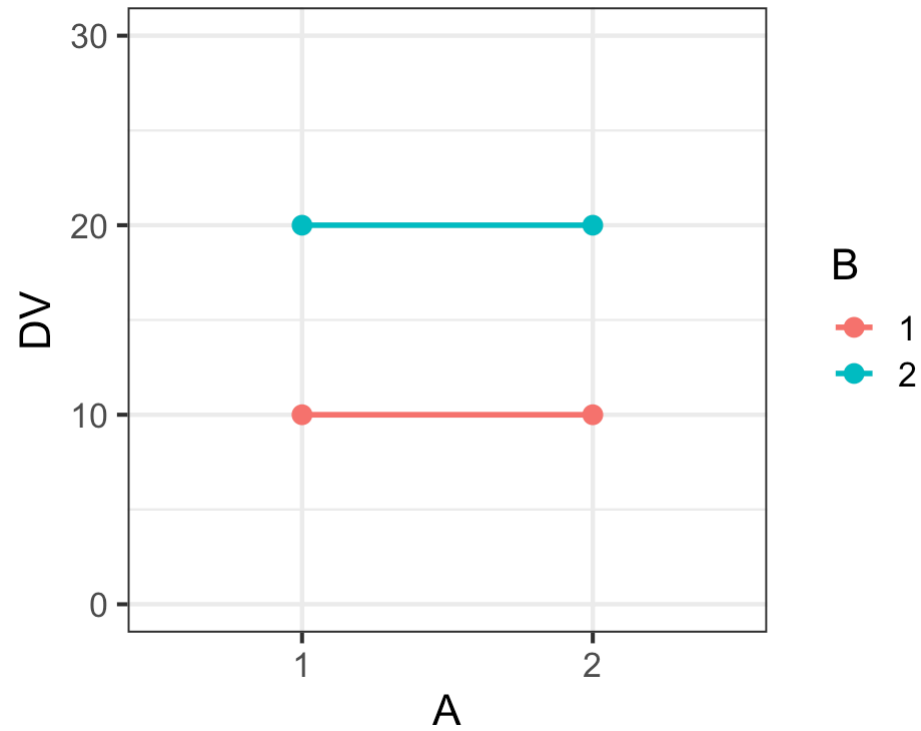
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- A:B interaction: no
- effect of A (A1-A2) is:
  - $(10-10) = 0$  for B1
  - $(20-20) = 0$  for B2
  - interaction effect is  $(0 - 0) = 0$
  - interaction effect is 0 so no interaction

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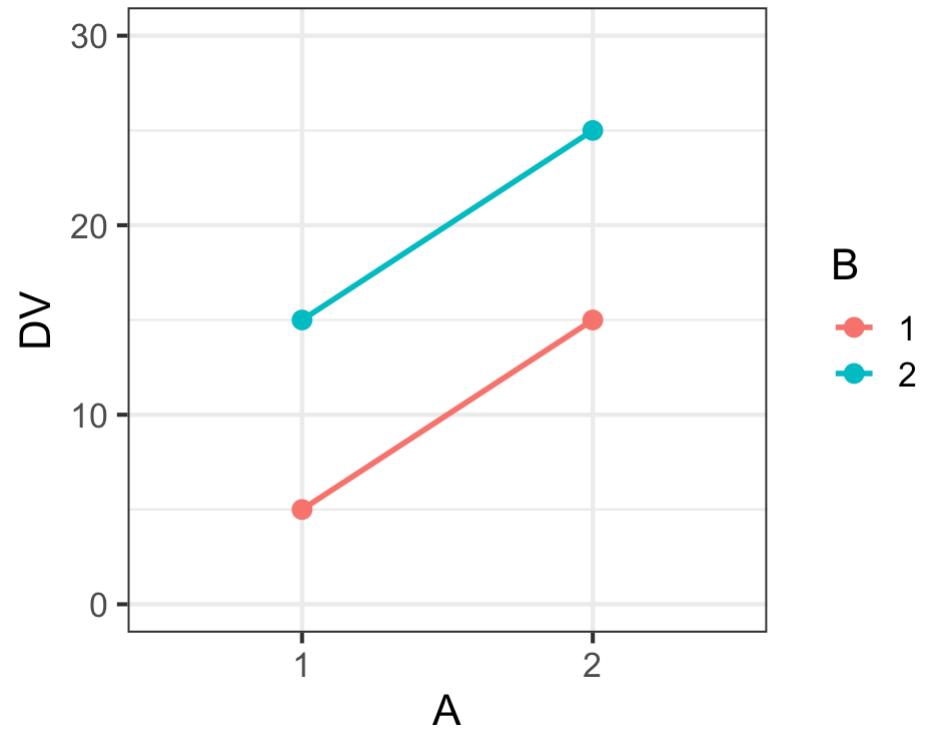


a general rule:

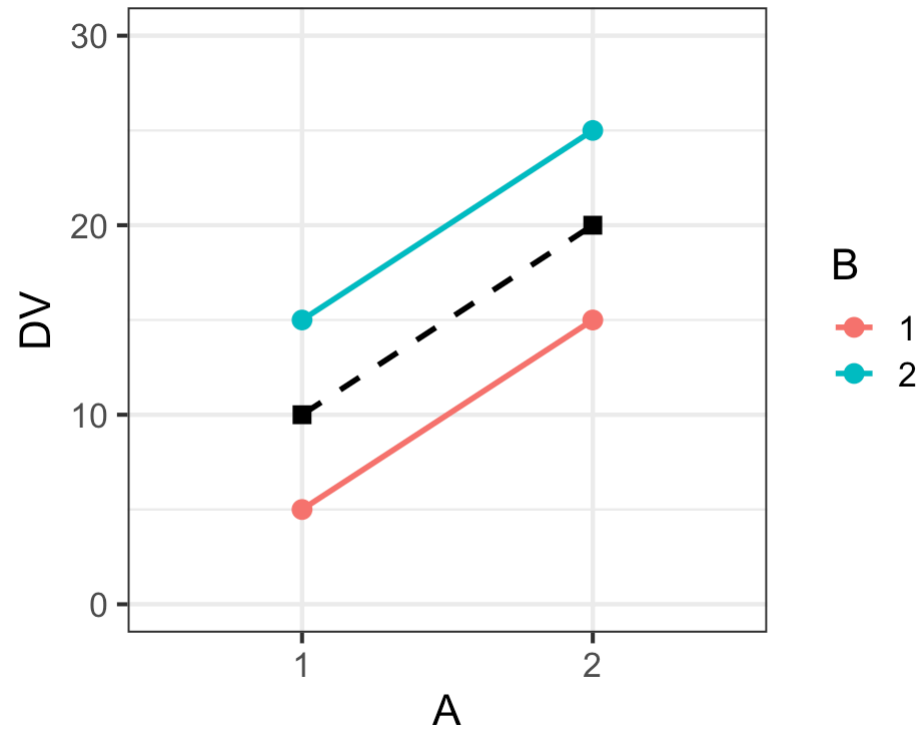
- **parallel lines = no interaction**

# Example 2

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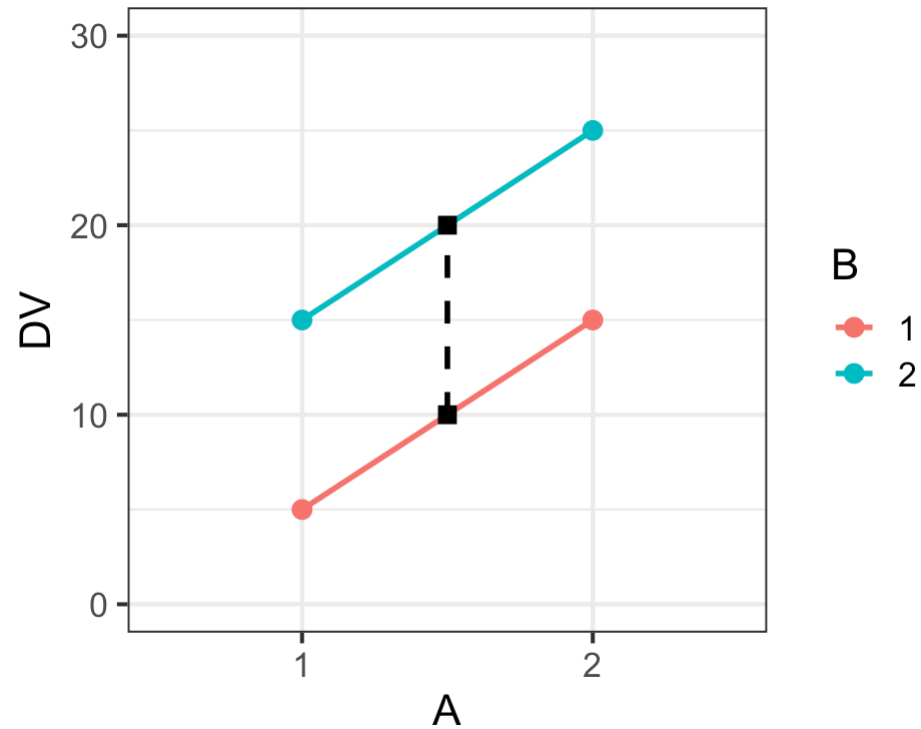


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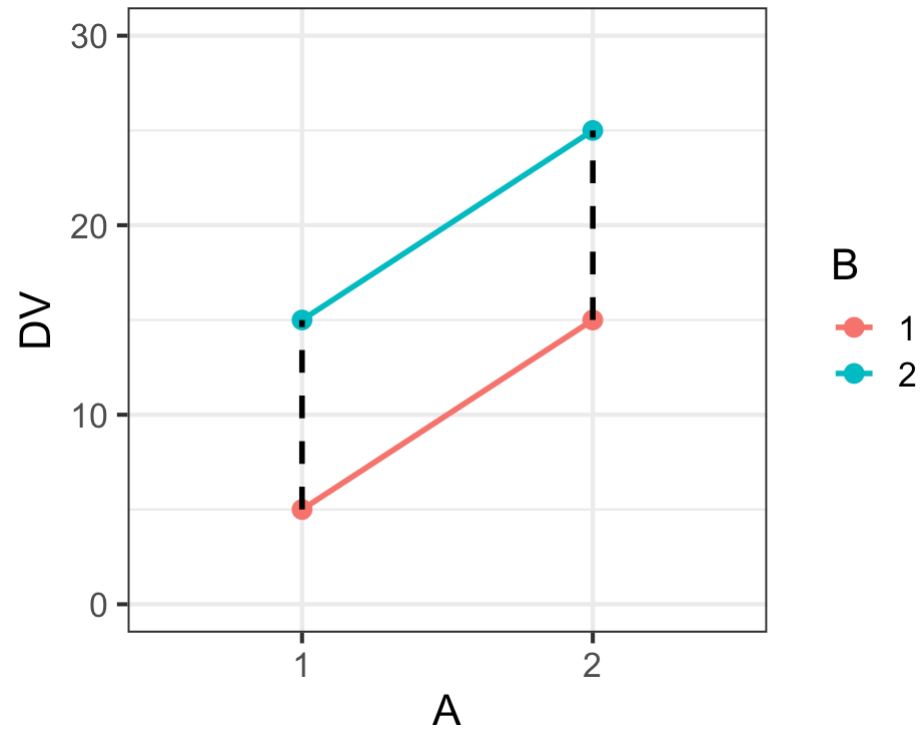
- main effect of A: **yes**
- $A1 - A2 \neq 0$
- $(15+5)/2 - (25+15)/2 \neq 0$
- $10 - 20 \neq 0$
- $-10 \neq 0$

# Example 2



- main effect of B: **yes**
- $B1 - B2 \neq 0$
- $(15+25)/2 - (5+15)/2 \neq 0$
- $20 - 10 \neq 0$
- $10 \neq 0$

# Example 2

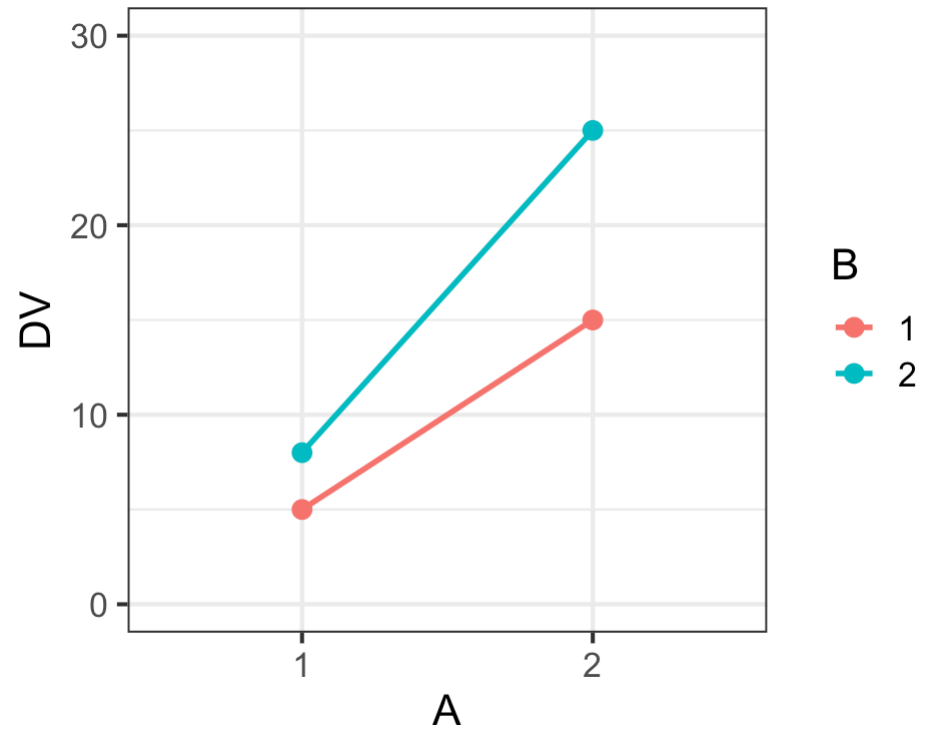


- A:B interaction: no
- B1-B2 within A1 is same as B1-B2 within A2

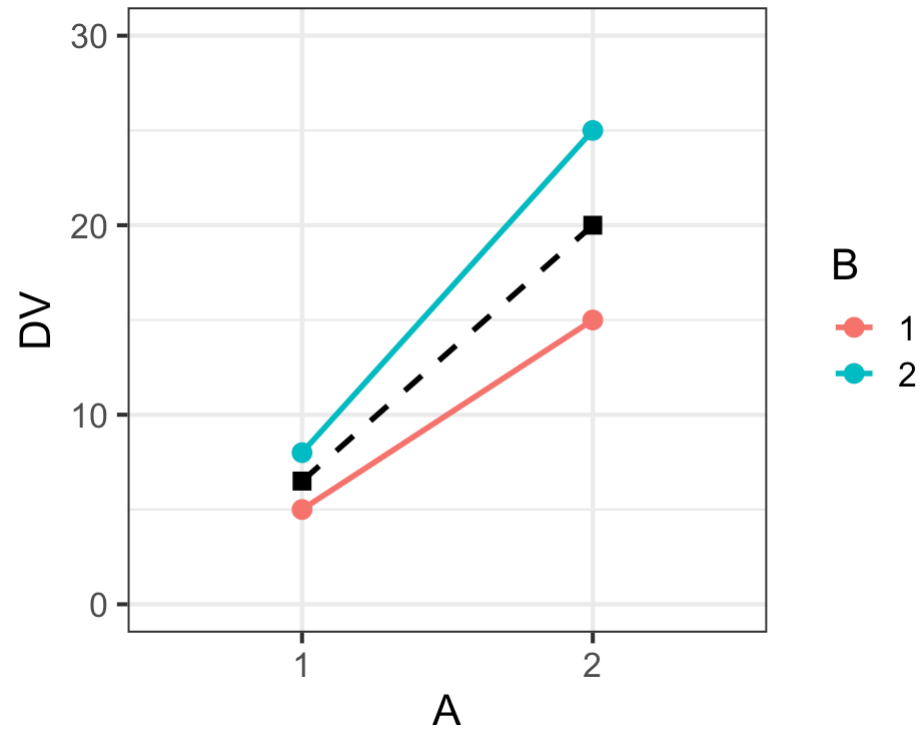


# Example 3

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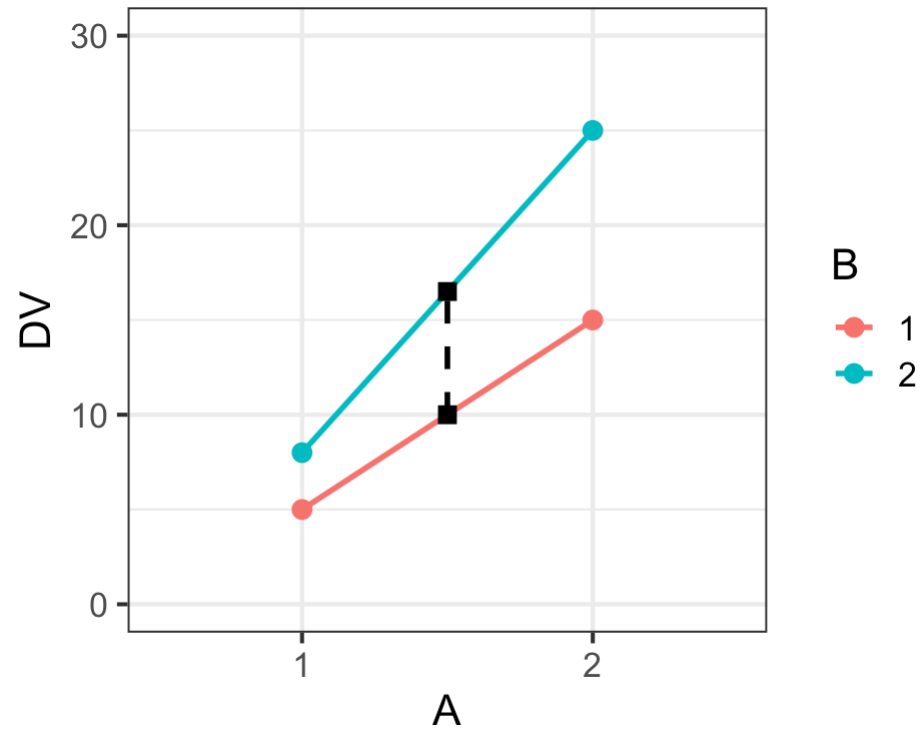
# Example 3



- main effect of A: yes

# Example 3

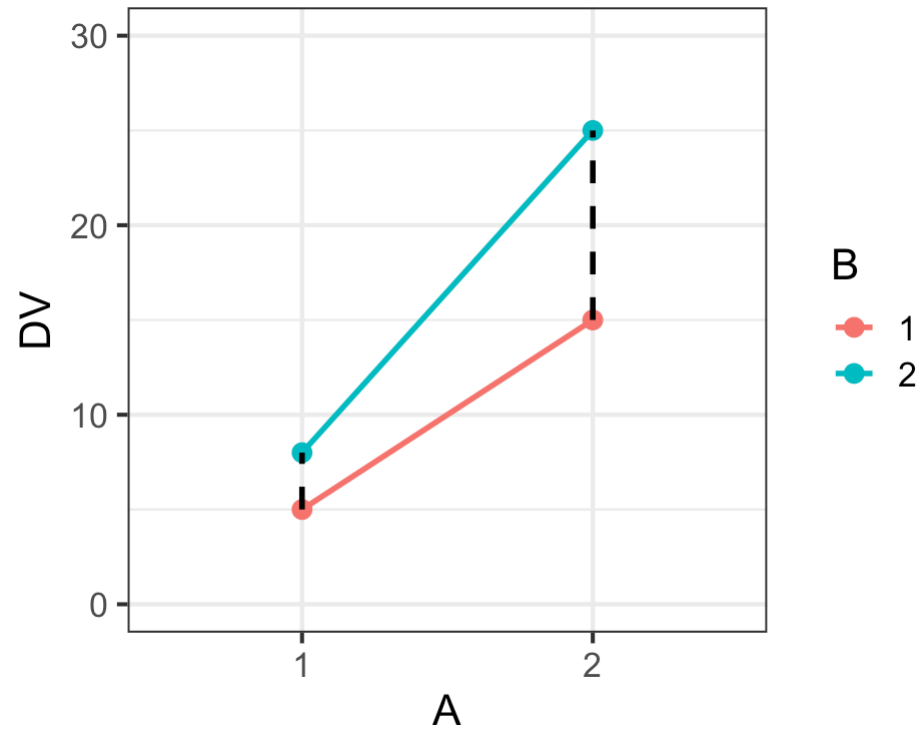
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- main effect of B: yes

# Example 3

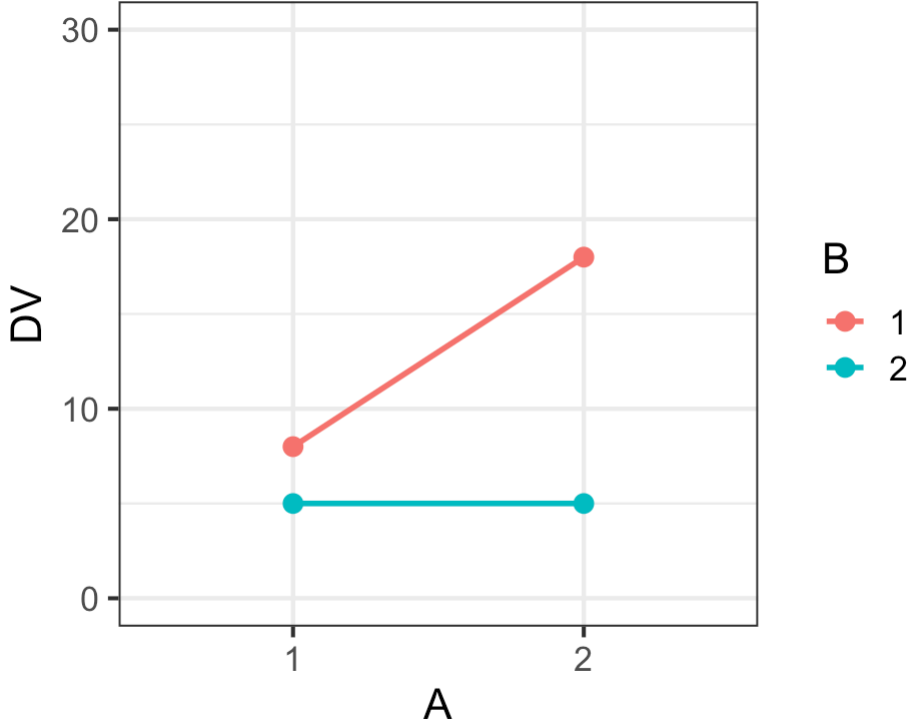
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- A:B interaction: **yes**

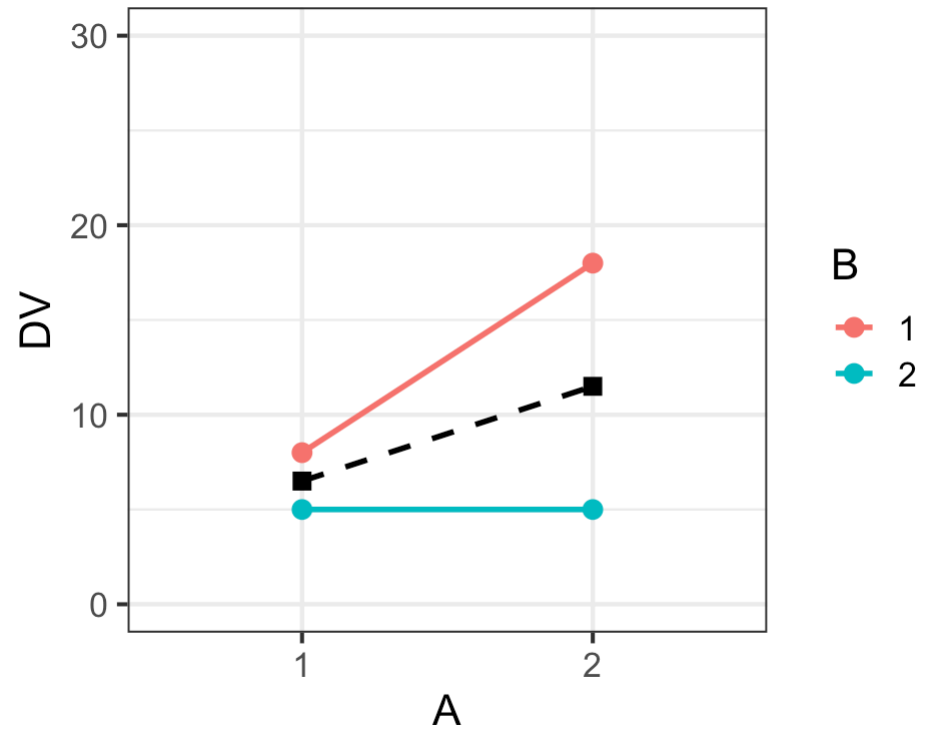
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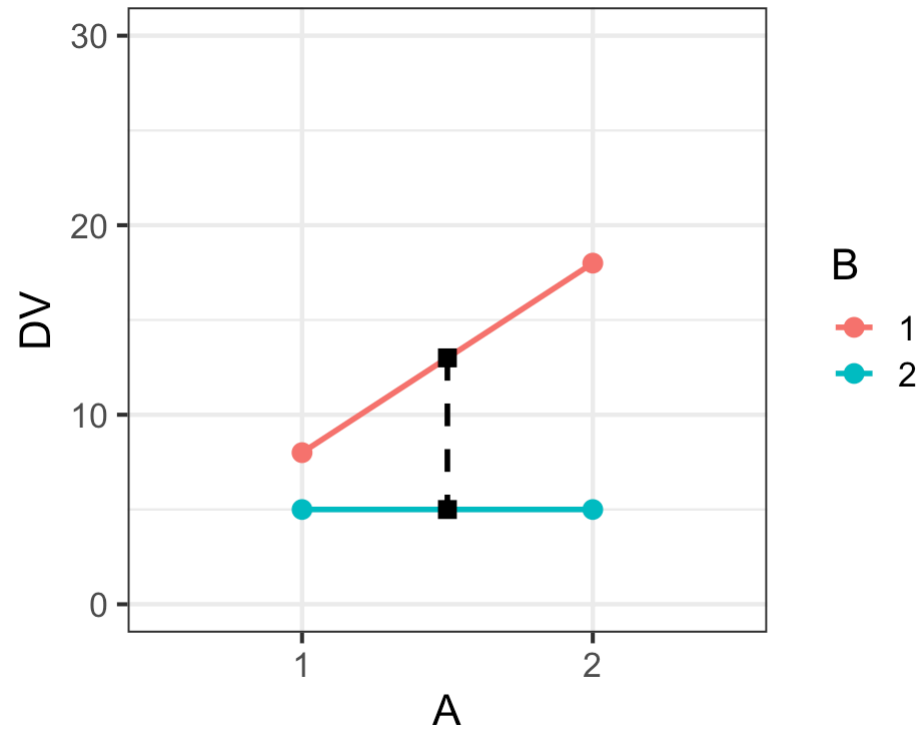
# Example 4

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- main effect of A: yes

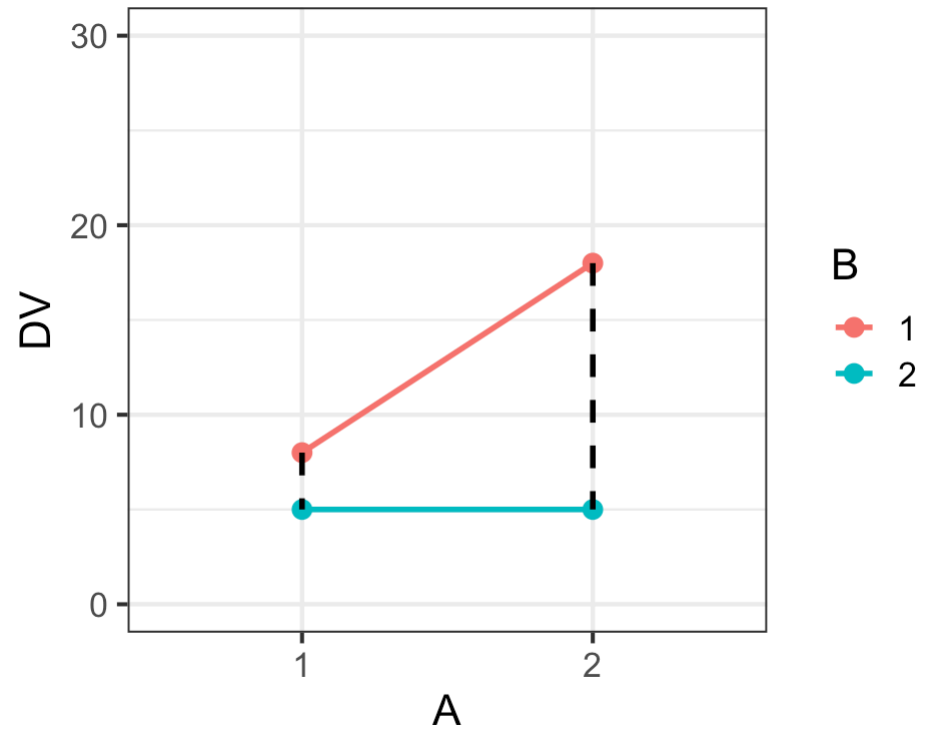
# Example 4



- main effect of B: yes

# Example 4

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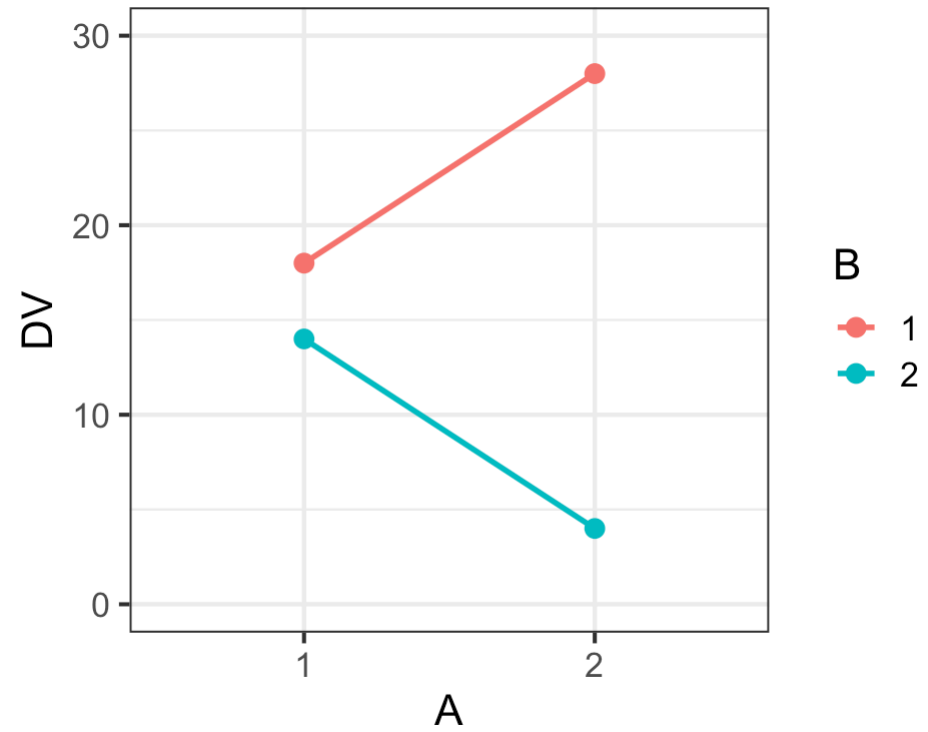


- A:B interaction: **yes**

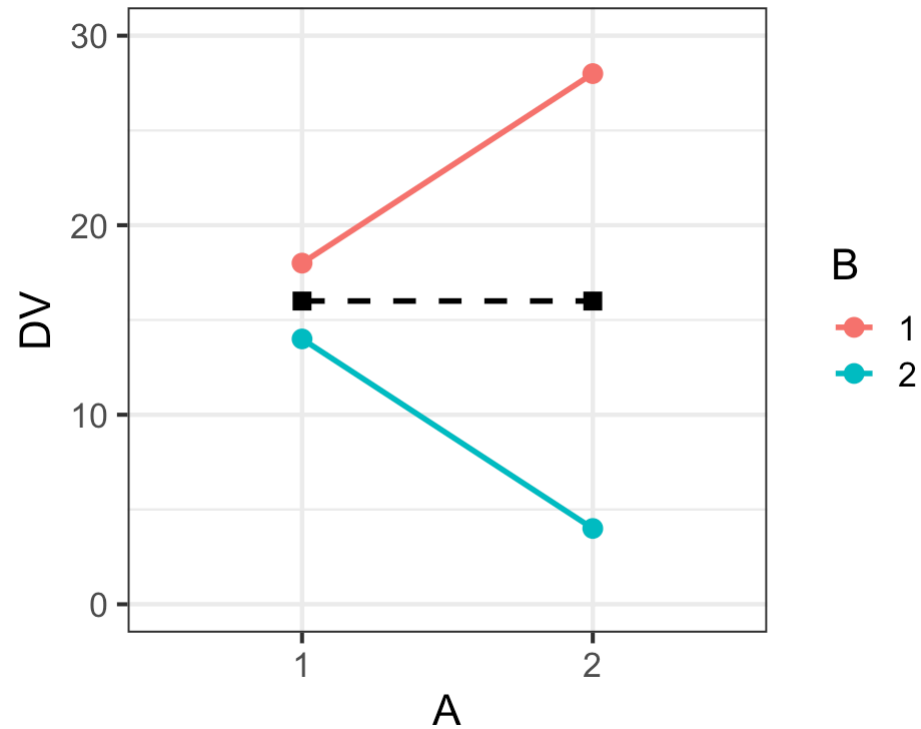


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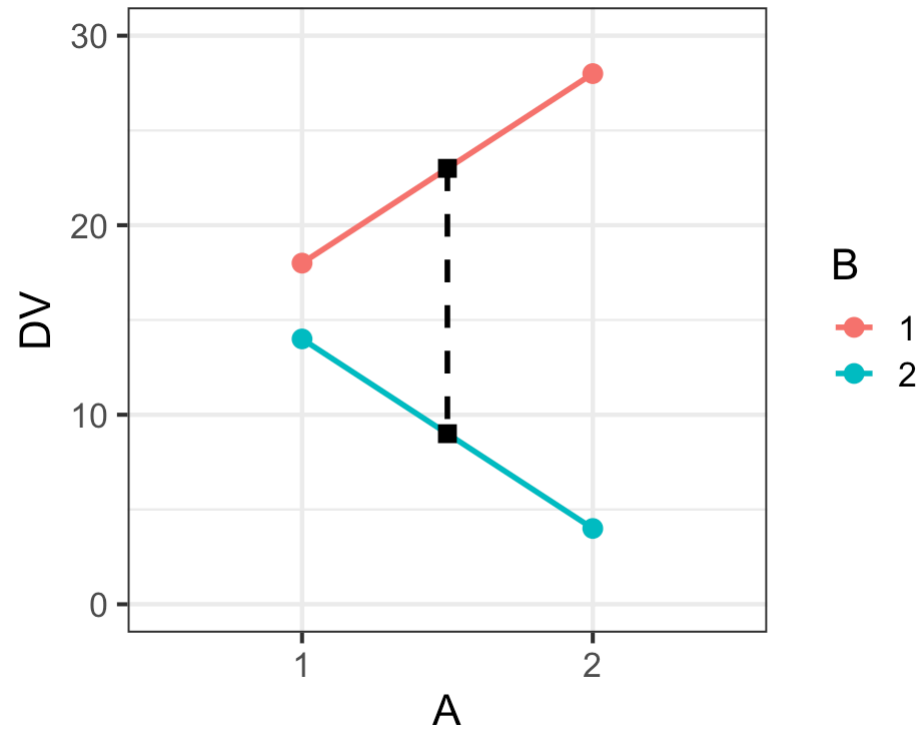


# Example 5



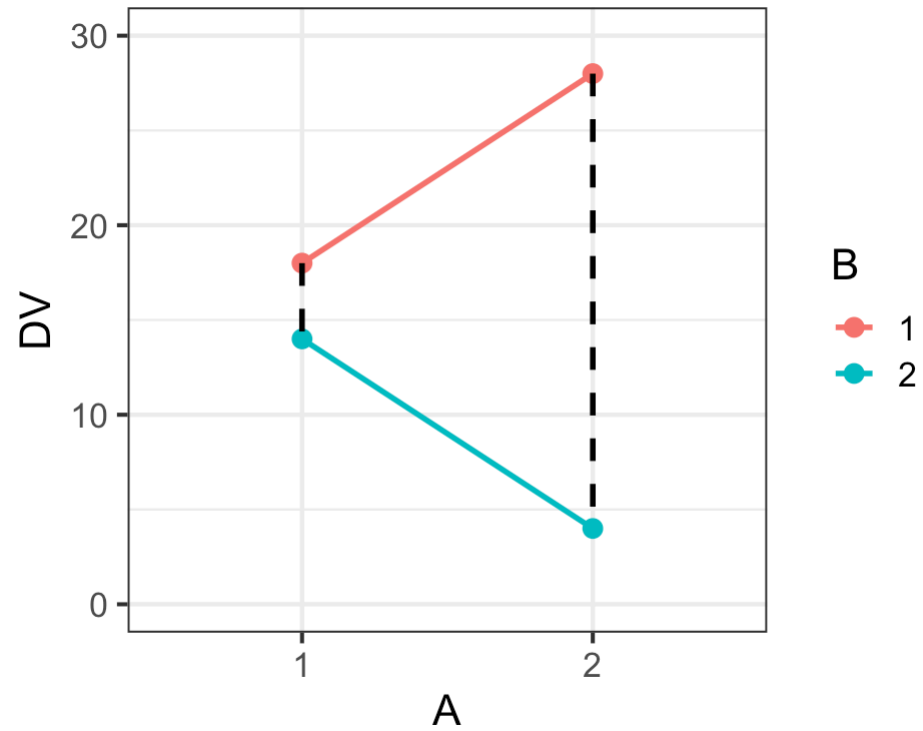
- main effect of A: no
  - !! is this an ok conclusion? !!
  - is it true A has no effect on the DV? (no!)

# Example 5



- main effect of B: yes

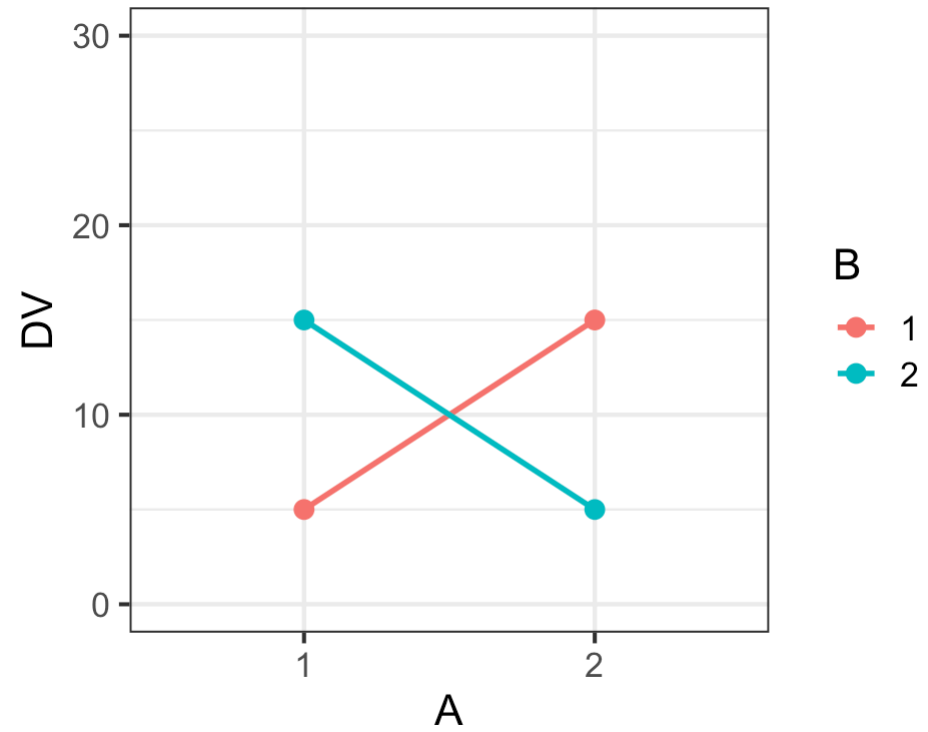
# Example 5



- A:B interaction: **yes**

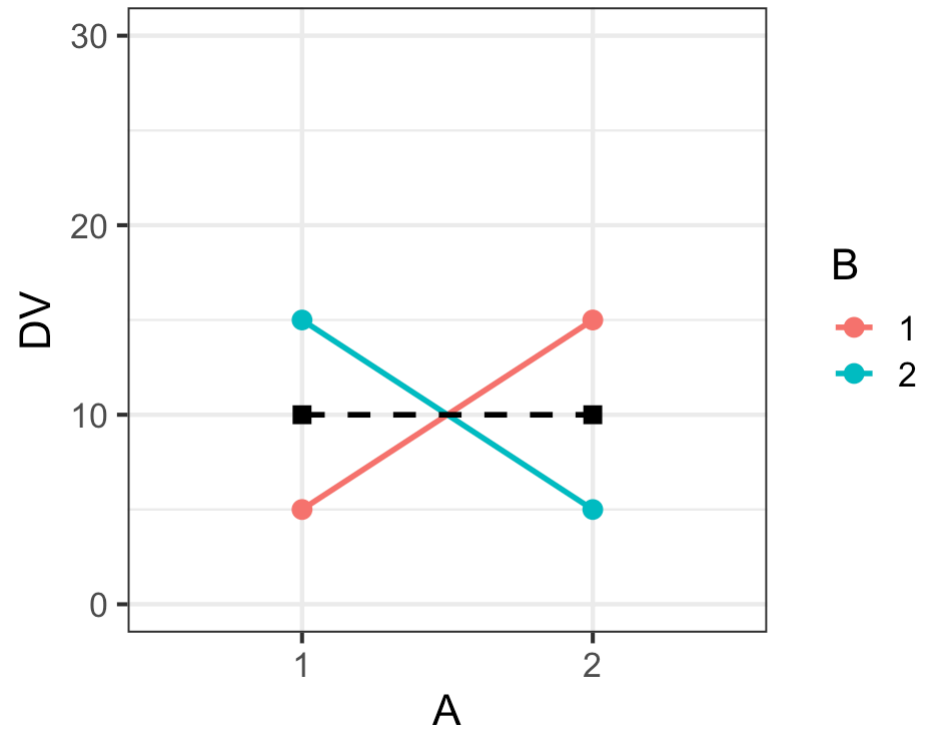
# Example 6

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# Example 6

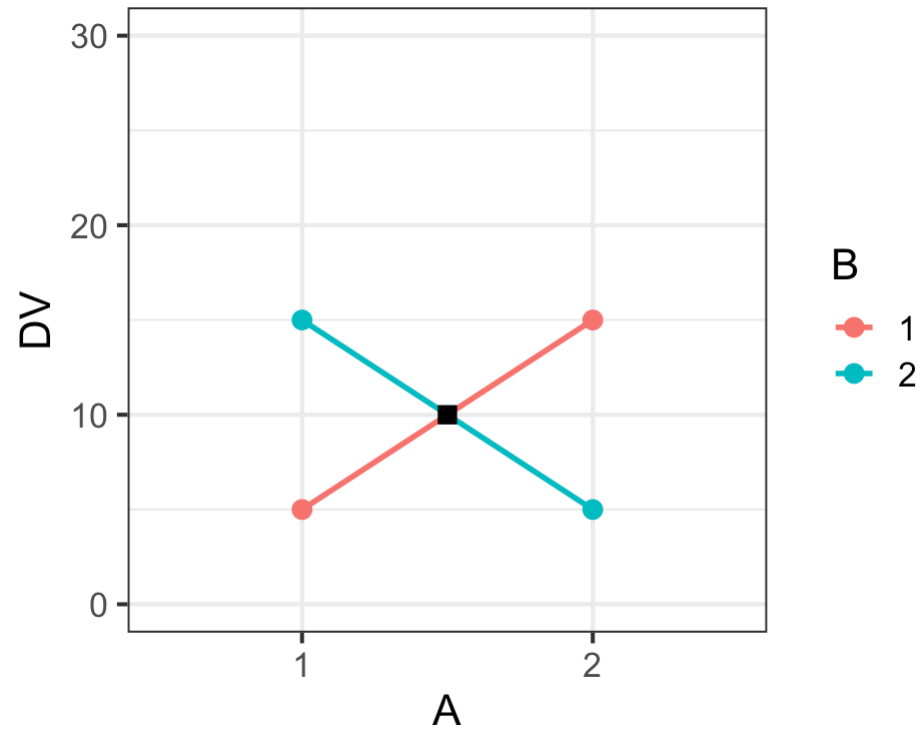
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- main effect of A: no

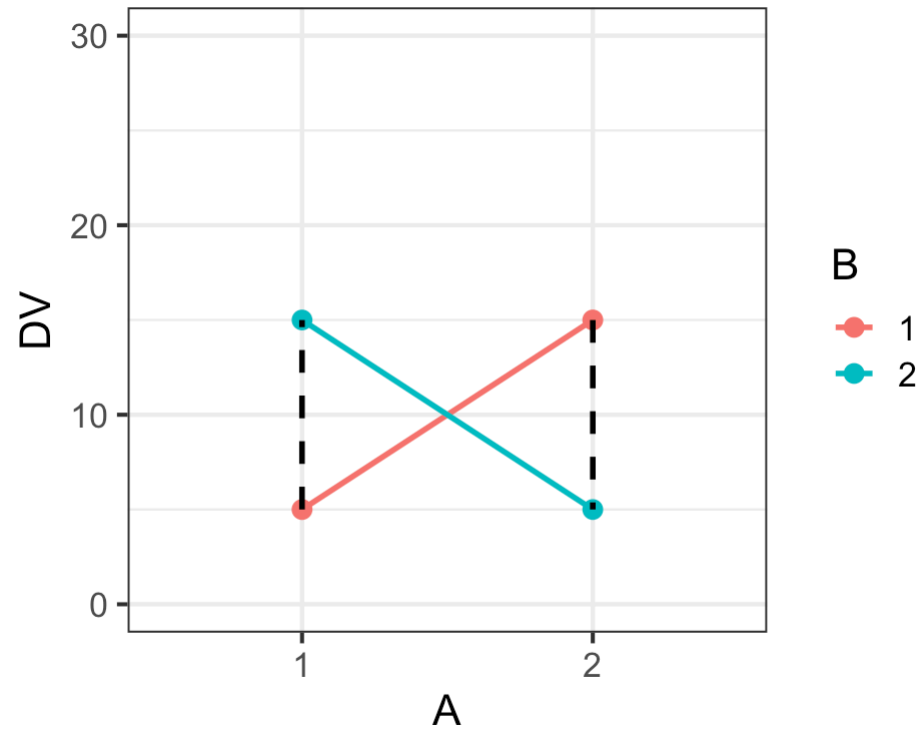
# Example 6

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- main effect of B: no

# Example 6



- A:B interaction: **yes!**
- effect of A (A1-A2) is:
  - $(5-15) = -10$  for B1
  - $(15-5) = +10$  for B2
- $-10 - +10 = -20$ 
  - $-20$  is not zero
  - interaction is present



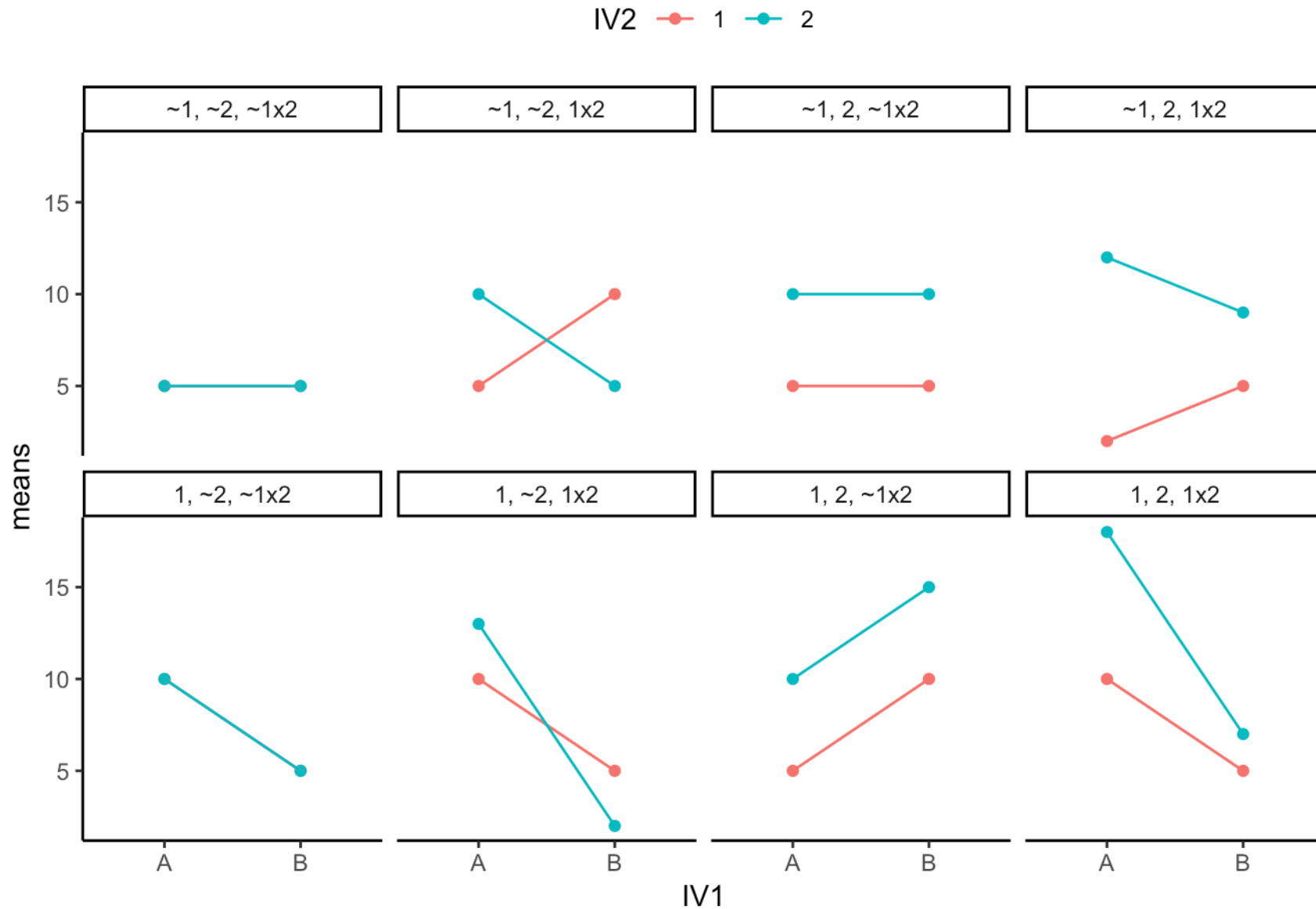
# Possible Outcomes

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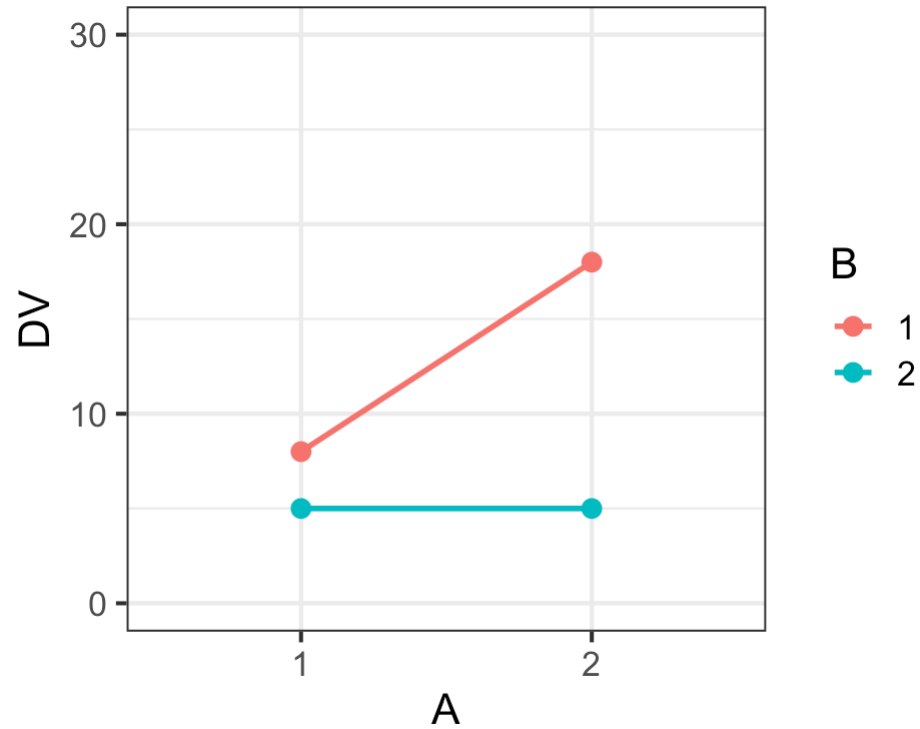
For a two-way factorial design:

1. IV1: no, IV2: no, IV1:IV2: no
2. IV1: yes, IV2: no, IV1:IV2: no
3. IV1: no, IV2: yes, IV1:IV2: no
4. IV1: yes, IV2: yes, IV1:IV2: no
5. IV1: no, IV2: no, IV1:IV2: yes
6. IV1: yes, IV2: no, IV1:IV2: yes
7. IV1: no, IV2: yes, IV1:IV2: yes
8. IV1: yes, IV2: yes, IV1:IV2: yes

# Possible Outcomes: examples



# Interepretation of Effects

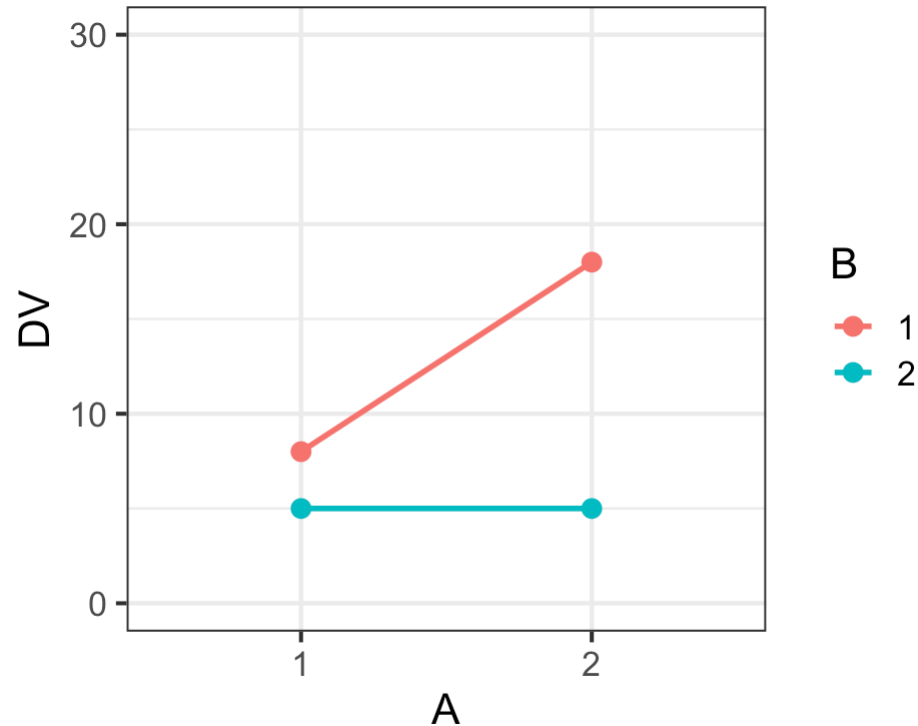


- main effect of A: **yes**
- main effect of B: **yes**
- A:B interaction: **yes**

Question:

- Is the **main effect of A** meaningful?

# Interepretation of Effects

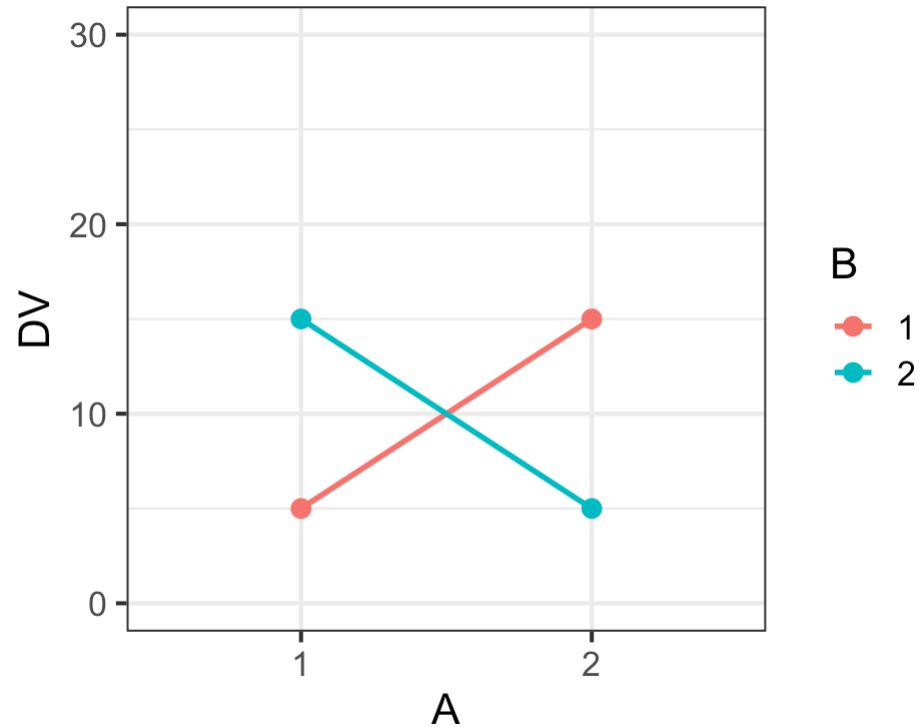


- main effect of A: **yes**
- main effect of B: **yes**
- A:B interaction: **yes**

Advice:

- if the **interaction effect** is significant, then the **main effects** are not meaningful
- the main effect ignores the levels of the other factor(s)
  - but if there is an interaction, that means by definition the effect of A is different for different levels of B
  - so **averaging over B does not make sense**

# Interepretation of Effects

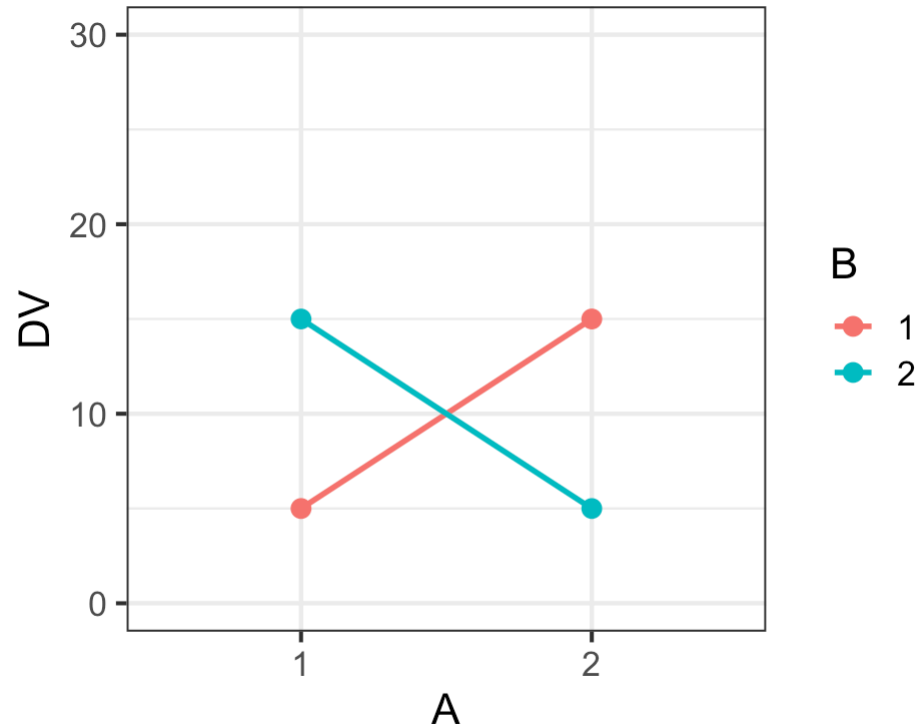


- main effect of A: no
- main effect of B: no
- A:B interaction: **yes**

Question:

- Is it true that A has no effect and B has no effect?
  - (main effect of A is not significant)
  - (main effect of B is not significant)

# Interepretation of Effects



- main effect of A: no
- main effect of B: no
- A:B interaction: **yes**

Answer:

- of course not!
- the interaction effect is significant
- so the main effects are not meaningful
- A has an effect, but it is different for different levels of B
- *follow-up* tests are needed to test the effect of A at each level of B
  - we will cover this topic next week