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## 1 Title

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## 10 Abstract

11 As tasting is a dynamic process, temporal data are collected simultaneously with tasting. Indeed, most newly reported  
12 studies involving consumers have been conducted using the Temporal Dominance of Sensations (TDS) or Temporal  
13 Check That Apply methods. Concurrent data collection reduces potential bias such as memory, but it attaches great  
14 importance to the moment at which the sensations are cited. Thus, it results in measurement of durations possibly  
15 made imprecise due to heterogeneity in consumers' behaviour, which could affect conclusions. A new retrospective  
16 method inspired from Temporal Order of Sensations, Pick 3 and Rank and the 3 phases of wine evaluation is introduced  
17 in this article. Based on a concept close to dominance, the Attack-Evolution-Finish (AEF) method allows consumers to  
18 select one descriptor each at the beginning, at the middle and at the end of the tasting. The results obtained with two  
19 different panels carrying out both the AEF and TDS tasks on dark chocolates are compared. The conclusions are very  
20 similar in terms of product discrimination. The retrospective task removes the consumers' heterogeneity in terms of  
21 the number of citations, delays and durations and thus requires no data transformation before analyses. In view of  
22 these results, rather than promoting a new method, the article raises questions about the level of detail to look at in  
23 temporal sensory data.

## 24 1. Introduction

25 Perception is a time-dependent process that has been investigated in sensory science for the last 60 years using  
26 different methodologies (Kemp et al., 2017). Intensity-based methods requiring a trained panel, such as Time-  
27 Intensity (Lee & Pangborn, 1986), progressive profiling (Jack et al., 1994) or sequential profiling (Methven et al., 2010),  
28 are still used, but the current trend is in favour of rapid methods. Indeed, sensory analysis tends to work increasingly  
29 with a panel of consumers in the natural contexts of consumption (Jaeger et al., 2017; Jaeger & Porcherot, 2017;  
30 Meiselman, 2013). Among the temporal methods, Temporal Dominance of Sensations (TDS) (Pineau et al., 2009) and  
31 Temporal Check All That Apply (TCATA) (Castura et al., 2016) have already been successfully used with consumers  
32 (Ares et al., 2016, 2015; Dinnella, Masi, Zoboli, & Monteleone, 2012; Hutchings, Foster, Grigor, Bronlund, &  
33 Morgenstern, 2014; Jaeger et al., 2018, 2017; Rodrigues et al., 2016; Thomas, Visalli, Cordelle, & Schlich, 2015; Visalli,  
34 Lange, Mallet, Cordelle, & Schlich, 2016). Indeed, TDS requires little or no training (Albert et al., 2012; Di Monaco et  
35 al., 2014), even if most studies include a briefing phase (Albert et al., 2012; Hutchings et al., 2014; Rodrigues et al.,  
36 2016; Thomas et al., 2015), which is also suggested for TCATA (Jaeger et al., 2017). TDS and TCATA consist of measuring  
37 in continuous time and concurrently tasting the evolution of a predefined list of descriptors by clicking on dominant  
38 or applicable descriptors at any given time. Even if they are based on different concepts (Meyners, 2020), these  
39 methods are frequently compared. If they are usually in general agreement, TCATA has tended to pick up more

40 differences than TDS (Ares et al., 2015; Berget et al., 2020; Esmerino et al., 2017; Kawasaki et al., 2019; Nguyen et al.,  
41 2018). However, these differences are subtle, and even if most of them may be due to the task (dominance vs.  
42 applicability), the level of precision and replicability of these methods is not well documented.

43 Outside the field of sensory analysis, even if real-time data capture has been judged "applicable and preferable" for  
44 measuring changes over time by psychologists (Stone et al., 1999), it does not eliminate other potential sources of bias  
45 in self-reports (Schwarz, 2012). Indeed, focusing on differences over time is a demanding task for consumers, which  
46 can be a potential source of differences in panellists' behaviour (Varela et al., 2018), as previously observed by Pineau  
47 et al. (2012). Conceptually simpler methods that do not involve continuous duration. The Temporal Order of  
48 Sensations (TOS) (Pecore, Rathjen-Nowak & Tamminen, 2011; Torres-Moreno, Hort, & Tarrega, 2016), a method based  
49 on the concept of key descriptor, was developed with the specific objective to capture a particular attribute of interest.  
50 In TOS, panellists select from a list the first 3 attributes they perceive during the tasting. Another method called "Pick  
51 3 and Rank" (P3R) (Vandeputte, Romans, Lenfant, & Pineau, 2011) was used to measure the temporality between  
52 several bites corresponding to a full portion. P3R consists in retrospectively picking then ranking the 3 most important  
53 descriptors perceived during a bite. Neither TOS nor P3R does take the whole duration of the tasting experience into  
54 account. This limitation could be leveraged by forcing a description in 3 phases to take into account the entire tasting  
55 experience, as is common in the world of wine with the attack-evolution-finish sequence (Grainger, 2009; Harrington,  
56 2008; Osterland, 2012; Spence & Wang, 2018). For wine professionals, the attack phase is the initial impression that  
57 the wine makes on the palate. The evolution phase (also called mid-palate or middle range perception) focuses on the  
58 flavour profile. The finish is the final phase, where the aftertaste comes into play.

59 This article introduces a new retrospective temporal method called Attack-Evolution-Finish (AEF) inspired from TOS,  
60 P3R and the tasting in 3 phases. AEF proposes to retrospectively split the tasting in 3 periods and then to select the  
61 most important descriptor during each period. As one can ask if such a method would result in a loss of information,  
62 the article compares the results from AEF and TDS studies on dark chocolates, the selection of the important  
63 descriptors being related to the concept of dominance. Regarding the results, the article discusses several aspects of  
64 sensory temporal data collection and their respective benefits and defects.

## 65 **2. Material and methods**

### 66 **2.1. Protocol**

#### 67 **2.1.1. Samples**

68 The 5 dark chocolates provided by Barry Callebaut and labelled as C54, C65, C68, C70 and C73 were composed of 54%,  
69 65%, 68%, 70% and 73% cocoa, respectively. Each chocolate was given to the consumers in a sealed transparent plastic  
70 container (height 3 cm, diameter 4 cm) labelled with a 3-digit code and containing 4 "callets" (pucks of chocolates  
71 formulated for melting rather than baking) of 0.5 g each that had to be completely consumed in a single intake. The  
72 samples were presented at ambient temperature in a sequential monadic order according to a Williams Latin square.

#### 73 **2.1.2. Consumers**

74 The study took place at the Centre for Taste and Feeding Behaviour, Dijon, France. Two panels of consumers who were  
75 regular consumers of dark chocolates (at least once every two weeks) were recruited from a population registered in  
76 the ChemoSens Platform's PanelSens database. This database has been declared to the relevant authority  
77 (Commission Nationale Informatique et Libertés—CNIL—no. d'autorisation 1148039). The consumers were financially  
78 rewarded for their participation in the study. Panel 1 was composed of 68 consumers (36 men and 32 women aged 19  
79 to 63 years old, the average age of men being 41 and the average age of women 40), and panel 2 was composed of 61  
80 consumers (35 men and 26 women aged 19 to 61 years old, the average age of men being 42 and the average age of  
81 women 41).

### 2.1.3. Descriptors

The descriptors were chosen according to the expertise of Barry Callebaut and the experience of previous studies. The same list of descriptors was proposed in both the AEF and TDS sessions (the original French terms are mentioned in brackets): Astringent (Astringent), Bitter (Amer), Cocoa (Cacao), Dry (Sec), Fat (Gras), Floral (Floral), Fruity (Fruité), Melting (Fondant), Sour (Acide), Sticky (Collant), Sweet (Sucré), and Woody (Boisé). The descriptors were presented in a random order on the screen but this order was constant for each consumer.

### 2.1.4. Sessions

The 2 panels carried out both the TDS and AEF sessions; panel 1 started with the TDS method, and panel 2 started with the AEF method. Forty-eight hours separated the two sessions for each panel.

[INSERT FIGURE 1 HERE]

Figure 1: TDS (left) and AEF (right) measurement screens (translated from French).

#### TDS protocol and instructions

The consumers were briefed in groups just before the session. The concept of dominance was defined as "the sensation that catches the attention", and an example of a TDS screen was presented. No specific explanation about the descriptors was given, but consumers could ask questions. The sessions took place in individual booths running TimeSens<sup>®</sup> software 2.0 (INRA, Dijon, France). The consumers were reminded of the instructions on the first screen of the session as follows: "You will describe each chocolate by clicking at any moment on the sensation that catches your attention. A sensation can be clicked several times or never. There are no constraints on the number of sensations clicked. You will have to click on START at the same time you put the chocolate in your mouth and on STOP when you no longer perceive anything". Before tasting each sample, the attribute list was displayed on the screen as follows: "Here is the list of sensations available: astringent, bitter, cocoa, dry, fat, floral, fruity, melting, sour, sticky, sweet, woody. On the next screen, please remember the location of each of these sensations before you click on START". On each TDS measurement screen (Figure 1, left), the following instruction was displayed: "Now, put the 4 callets of chocolate in your mouth and immediately click on START, then click on the sensations that catch your attention. Once you do not perceive any more sensations, click on STOP". After each sample, the consumers had to rinse their mouth with water during a forced 30-second break.

#### AEF protocol and instructions

The experimenters assumed that the task was self-explanatory. Therefore, contrary to the TDS session, the consumers were not briefed and instead directly took their places in individual booths running TimeSens<sup>®</sup> software 2.0. The instructions were presented on the first screen of the session as follows: "You are going to taste 5 chocolates. After each tasting, we will ask you to choose from a list the 3 sensations that you perceived during the tasting, in the chronological order in which you perceived them. Here is the list of sensations available: astringent, bitter, cocoa, dry, fat, floral, fruity, melting, sour, sticky, sweet, woody". An example was provided on the second screen as follows: "Example: At first, I perceived this chocolate *sour*, then after a few moments I perceived it *fruity*, and at the end of the tasting I perceived it *sweet*. You can use the same sensation several times; for example: At first, I perceived this chocolate *sour*, then after a few moments I perceived it *sour*, and at the end of the tasting I perceived it *sweet*". For each sample, measurement was separated into two screens. The first screen measured the duration of the tasting as follows: "Put the 4 callets in your mouth and taste them. Focus on the chronological order of the 3 perceived sensations! When the tasting is finished, click on the 'NEXT' button to indicate the perceived sensations". A minimum time of 10 seconds was set for this screen. The second screen displayed the list of descriptors (Figure 1, right) and asked the following: "What sensations did you perceive during the tasting, in chronological order? (Click on the drop-down lists to answer). At first, I perceived this chocolate..., then after a few moments I perceived it..., and at the end of the tasting I perceived it...". In the rest of this article, the first sensation chosen will be referred to as "attack" (A), the second as "evolution" (E) and the third as "finish" (F). After each sample, the consumers had to rinse their mouth with water during a forced 30-second break.

## 127 Questionnaire

128 After each session of either AEF or TDS, a questionnaire adapted from the one used to compare TDS and TCATA (Ares  
129 et al., 2015) was displayed to assess the difficulty of the tasks.

130 The items of the questionnaire (see table 3) were measured on a Likert scale (Likert, 1932) using the following labels:  
131 "strongly agree", "agree", "neither agree nor disagree", "disagree", and "strongly disagree".

132 An additional open-ended question was asked about their overall opinion about the experiment.

133 After the second session (AEF for panel 1, TDS for panel 2), the following question concerning the relative comparison  
134 of AEF and TDS was asked on a five-point scale: "Compared to the task in the first session, did today's task seem to  
135 you to be 'much easier', 'easier', 'at the same level of difficulty', 'more difficult', or 'much more difficult?'" An open-  
136 ended question about remarks oriented towards the comparison of the two methods was also asked.

## 137 2.2. Data analysis

138 For the purpose of comparison, when necessary, the TDS sequences were split into 3 sequences of equal sizes.  
139 Correspondences with standardized times were established as follows:  $A = \{0 - 0.33\}$ ,  $E = \{0.34 - 0.66\}$ ,  $F = \{0.67 - 1\}$ .

140 AEF data were structured in a table with 5 columns "Consumer", "Product", "Descriptor", "Period (A/E/F)" and  
141 "Citation (0/1)" and 15480 rows (129 consumers x 5 products x 12 descriptors x 3 periods). For a given consumer and  
142 a given product, the sum of citations is equal to 3.

143 Statistical analyses were performed using R 3.5.0 software (R Core team, 2017) and TimeSens<sup>®</sup> 2.0 (INRA, Dijon,  
144 France).

### 145 2.2.1. Consumers' behaviour in TDS

146 The distributions used to assess heterogeneity in the consumers' behaviour in TDS were those defined in Lepage et al.  
147 (2014) and Visalli et al. (2016), namely, the distribution of the number of descriptors per TDS sequence, the distribution  
148 of the number of citations per TDS sequence, the distribution of the times of first citation per TDS sequence, and the  
149 distribution of the tasting duration per TDS sequence. The averages per consumer of these 4 indices were also  
150 considered.

151 The Pearson coefficients of correlation have been computed and tested against 0 for the following pairs of vectors:  
152 number of attributes / number of citations, number of citations / total durations, first times of citation / total durations.

153 The differences between TDS and AEF means in tasting durations (from START to STOP) were evaluated using an  
154 ANOVA model, i.e., duration = subject + product + method + 2-way interactions, with subject and subject interactions  
155 being random factors. It was followed by a Tukey LSD post-hoc test, with  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

### 156 2.2.2. Sequentiality of sensations

157 TDS curves (Pineau et al., 2009) were plotted using TimeSens software, the times being standardized between 0 (time  
158 of citation of the first attribute) and 1 (time of click on STOP). The significance lines were drawn with  $\alpha = 0.10$ ,  
159 based on a binomial proportion test and the chance level being defined as  $1/\text{number of descriptors}$  (12). To facilitate  
160 the visual correspondence between the TDS and AEF periods, vertical segments were added at  $t=0.33$  (end of period  
161 A) and  $t=0.66$  (end of period E).

162 For AEF, the proportions of dominances were represented as 3 side-by-side barplots, one for each period. To facilitate  
163 comparison with TDS, the significance lines were drawn in the same way as those for TDS.

164 The conclusions based on the TDS curves and AEF barplots are summarized in a table containing the significant  
165 attributes. As significance lines have been contested for the TDS curves (Meyners & Castura, 2019), the attributes were  
166 considered significantly dominant when their 90% simultaneous multinomial confidence interval (Goodman, 1965)

167 lower bounds were greater than (1/number of descriptors), as suggested by Meyners & Castura (2018). For AEF, the  
168 proportions of each attribute were considered for each period. For TDS, the proportions of each attribute at its  
169 maximum peak inside each period were considered. The function “MultinomCI” of the package DescTools was used.

### 170 2.2.3. Unidimensional analyses

171 For each TDS sequence, durations by descriptor were computed for the whole sequence and by period (A, E, F). Then,  
172 they were analysed using an ANOVA model, i.e., “duration = subject + product + error” (Galmarini et al., 2017).

173 For each AEF sequence, the total number of citations (0 to 3) by descriptor was computed. Then, a Poisson log-linear  
174 model for count data was fitted, i.e., “total number of citations = subject + product + error”. Overdispersion (ratio  
175 “residual deviance / degrees of freedom”) has been checked less than 1 using function “dispersiontest” of package  
176 AER. Residuals were checked using randomized quantile residuals by Dunn and Smyth (1996) with function  
177 “simulateResiduals” of package DHARMA. For each period and descriptor, a binomial model for binary data was fitted,  
178 i.e., “citation (0/1) = subject + product + error”. Both models were fitted (function “glm”, parameter family = “poisson”  
179 or “binomial”) using a generalized linear model (GLM, Agresti, 2013). Then, analyses of deviance for generalized linear  
180 model fits were performed (function “Anova” of package car) using a likelihood ratio (LR) test and assumed to be chi-  
181 square distributed. The null hypothesis of this test was that the count data are unrelated to the Product factor. It is to  
182 be noticed that, even if the GLMs should be preferred over linear models (LM), standard LM tests are robust and can  
183 have good type I error control, so they can also be used for counts (Warton, 2016). Thus, the same analyses have been  
184 conducted with LMs and the conclusions (not presented) were the same with slight differences in p-values. When they  
185 were significant (alpha=0.10), ANOVAs and analyses of deviance were followed by a Tukey post-hoc test (alpha=0.10).  
186 The functions “lsmeans” from the package lsmeans was used.

### 187 2.2.4. Multidimensional analyses

188 Canonical Variate Analysis (CVA) was used to represent the product map of the TDS durations (Galmarini et al., 2017)  
189 over all periods, with a level of confidence set to 90% for the binormal distribution of the product ellipses.  
190 Discrimination between product pairs was established using a Hotelling T<sup>2</sup> test on all dimensions. The trajectory  
191 Principal Component Analysis (PCA) of the TDS durations (Lenfant et al., 2009) at 3 points corresponding to the periods  
192 of AEF was also plotted to evaluate the within-product evolution. TimeSens software was used to produce these  
193 graphics.

194 As AEF data were count data, correspondence analysis (CA) of the contingency table product x descriptor (5 rows:  
195 chocolates, 12 columns: descriptors) was used to represent the product map of citations of descriptors over all periods  
196 of AEF. The individual profiles were projected as supplementary elements, and then the covariance matrix related to  
197 these projected points was calculated and used to draw confidence ellipses under a binormal assumption (Saporta &  
198 Hatabian, 1986), with a level of confidence set to 90%. Discrimination between product pairs was established using a  
199 Hotelling test on all dimensions. Trajectory CA (Castura et al., 2016) of the contingency table product/period \*  
200 descriptor (15 rows: 5 chocolates x 3 periods, 12 columns: descriptors) was used to represent the within-product  
201 evolution over the 3 periods. The function “CA” of the package FactoMineR was used.

### 202 2.2.5. Answers to questionnaire

203 The Likert scale labels were transformed into scores between 1 (strongly disagree) and 5 (strongly agree), which were  
204 averaged over the consumers. Then means were compared with a two-tailed one sample t-test against a known mean  
205 of 3 (corresponding to “neither agree or disagree”). The relative difficulty scale was coded between -2 (TDS much  
206 easier) and 2 (AEF much easier). An ANOVA model, i.e., “difficulty = method + panel + error”, was then performed. The  
207 answers to the open-ended questions were qualitatively analysed.

208

## 3. Results

### 3.1. Consumers' behaviour in TDS

[INSERT FIGURE 2 HERE]

Figure 2: Histograms of consumer behaviour observed during the TDS sequences. A: Distribution of the number of descriptors used in a sequence, B: Distribution of the number of dominant sensations (number of clicks), C: Distribution of the times of first dominant sensations, D: Distribution of the total durations of the evaluation.

Figure 2A shows the distribution of the number of descriptors observed during the TDS sequences. The numbers of descriptors varied from 1 to 10. Two thirds of the sequences included 3 to 6 distinct descriptors, thus slightly or somewhat less than one half of the proposed descriptors. Figure 2B shows the distribution of the number of dominant sensations observed during the TDS sequences. The number of dominant sensations varied from 2 to 23. A representative sequence included 4 to 8 dominant sensations. Compared to statistics of Figure 2A, it means that one or two descriptors in average are used twice in a given sequence (in AEF, 6% of sequences had twice the same descriptors, less than 0.2% had three times the same descriptors). Figure 2C shows the distribution of the times of first dominant sensations observed during the TDS sequences. These times varied from 1 to 30 seconds. Approximately 60% of the consumers cited their first attribute before 8 s, and about 15% reported it after 12 s. Figure 2D shows the distribution of durations observed during the TDS sequences. These durations varied from 5 to 125 seconds with a coefficient of variation of 46%. Generally, the 4 distributions were characterized by a positive skewness (long right tails), and a large heterogeneity (coefficients of variations of 32, 51, 83 and 56% respectively).

The coefficient of correlation between the number of attributes and the number of citations was significant ( $r=0.74$ ,  $p<0.001$ ). The coefficient between the number of citations and the total durations was also significant ( $r=0.42$ ,  $p<0.001$ ) but with a lower coefficient. It means that consumers having cited a large number of descriptors have the longer durations. The coefficient between the first times of citation and the total durations ( $r=0.20$ ,  $p=0.02$ ) was also significant, but with the lower coefficient. It denotes a tendency for the consumers having starting the earlier to have shorter evaluation durations while consumers having a late start have longer evaluation durations.

The mean duration of the tasting (not represented) associated with the AEF task was 30.2 s with a standard deviation of 22 s (CV=73%).

The difference of durations between the two methods ( $F=297.32$ ,  $p<0.001$ ) was significant, the mean duration being longer in TDS (46.2 s) than in AEF (30.2 s). The differences of durations between the 5 products were also significant ( $F=2.84$ ,  $p=0.023$ ), the post-hoc test showing that C54 was perceived longer than C65. The interaction "product x method" was not significant, meaning that the difference between the products were not significantly different with the two methods.

### 3.2. Sequentiality of sensations

[INSERT FIGURE 3 HERE]

Figure 3: TDS curves (left) and AEF barplots (right) of the proportion of dominances for C54, C65, C68, C70, and C73 (from top to bottom). The grey mask corresponds to the region below significance level (as defined in TDS). The descriptors significant in sense of the binomial test are summarized below each pair of figures. The descriptors also significant in sense of the multinomial test are in bold and followed by a letter in superscript if the test was significant for one method only (A for AEF, T for TDS).

Figure 3 represents the TDS curves and AEF barplots for the 5 chocolates. Overall, whatever the method, except for C54, the proportions of dominance were not very high (below 30%). The levels of the attribute that reached the highest dominance rate observed in this study inside each period were comparable. Without going into details, the product temporal profiles were relatively similar between the two methods in the sense that the main dominances (those being largely above significance) were the same. The multinomial test was less liberal than the binomial test to

determine the dominant descriptors (21% and 43% of significances were lost using the multinomial test in TDS and AEF respectively). In TDS (AEF), for C54, C65, C68, C70, and C73, the binomial test showed 8 (5), 13 (9), 14 (10), 12 (9) and 14 (9) significant attributes (a total of 61 in TDS and 42 in AEF), while the multinomial test showed 7 (4), 9 (5), 12 (7), 9 (5) and 11 (4) (a total of 48 in TDS and 24 in AEF). Whatever the test, TDS systematically showed more dominant descriptors compared to AEF (45% and 100% more with the binomial and the multinomial tests respectively), but these additional significant descriptors were almost all below 15%; therefore, it is suggested that AEF captures dominances established with certainty and TDS adds a number of potential dominances. It seems that the percentage of Cocoa in the chocolate was not the main driver of perceived dominances for Bitter and Astringent, the descriptors having been cited more dominant at a panel level for C68 and C70 than for C73. One can note that Floral was never significant whatever the method and the test. Based on the binomial, but not on the multinomial test, Fruity reached significance in TDS only and in one product only. It is suggested that Floral and Fruity, which might be applicable in black chocolates, may not be adequate to use with consumers in a TDS or AEF paradigm.

### 3.3. Unidimensional analyses

Table 1: ANOVA of durations or citations by descriptor, method and period.

The columns 4 to 6 report the p-values for the product effect for TDS (F statistic, df: 4) and AEF (LR statistic) for each period, bold values being significant with alpha = 0.10.

The columns 7 to 10 reports the number of product pairs discriminated (NPD) by period (9 possible comparisons).

Attribute	Protocol	p-values All periods	p-values Attack	p-values Evolution	p-values Finish	NPD All periods	NPD Attack	NPD Evolution	NPD Finish
Astringent	TDS	0.106	0.415	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.107	2	-	4	-
	AEF	<b>0.027</b>	0.588	<b>0.01</b>	<b>0.064</b>	1	-	0	1
Bitter	TDS	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	8	6	5	4
	AEF	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	7	5	6	5
Cocoa	TDS	0.286	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.096</b>	<b>0.049</b>	3	3	1	1
	AEF	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.004</b>	<b>0.051</b>	0.127	3	2	1	-
Dry	TDS	<b>0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.305	7	8	4	-
	AEF	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.01</b>	0.98	7	8	3	-
Fat	TDS	0.496	0.131	0.331	<b>0.099</b>	-	-	-	0
	AEF	0.102	<b>0.001</b>	0.502	0.12	-	3	-	-
Floral	TDS	0.123	<b>0.013</b>	<b>0.03</b>	0.128	-	3	1	-
	AEF	0.180	0.31	0.377	0.659	-	-	-	-
Fruity	TDS	<b>0.032</b>	0.621	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.034</b>	2	-	4	1
	AEF	<b>0.044</b>	<b>0.054</b>	<b>0.066</b>	<b>0.025</b>	1	0	1	1
Melting	TDS	<b>0.049</b>	0.72	<b>0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	4	-	3	4
	AEF	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.069</b>	<b>0.003</b>	0.184	3	0	2	-
Sour	TDS	<b>0.002</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	6	4	4	4
	AEF	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.005</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.009</b>	4	1	3	2
Sticky	TDS	<b>0.013</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.125	4	3	5	-
	AEF	<b>0.015</b>	<b>0.001</b>	0.406	<b>0.002</b>	4	0	-	2
Sweet	TDS	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	5	6	4	4
	AEF	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	7	3	5	6
Woody	TDS	<b>0.044</b>	0.105	0.134	<b>0.008</b>	3	-	-	2
	AEF	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.011</b>	<b>0.043</b>	<b>0.014</b>	3	1	1	1

Table 1 shows that all periods combined and with alpha = 0.10, the TDS discriminates products for 8 descriptors and the AEF discriminates products for 10 descriptors. All attributes except Fat and Floral (plus Cocoa and Astringent for TDS) had significant differences in durations (TDS) or citations (AEF). The tests performed all periods combined were independent from those performed by period. A non-significant statistic all periods combined does not necessarily imply that the statistics by period would also be non-significant. Thus, in periods A, E and F, the TDS discriminates products for 7, 10 and 8 descriptors and the AEF discriminates products for 10, 9 and 7 descriptors. The number of descriptors discriminating the products was higher in period E and F for TDS, while it was higher all periods combined and in period A for AEF. Taking everything into account, AEF seems to discriminate slightly more products than TDS. The conclusions of the pairwise comparison tests by period were in accordance overall, but when TDS discriminates products with a given attribute, more product pairs were separated (44, 33, 35 and 20 in TDS versus 40, 23, 22 and 18 in AEF for all periods then periods A, E and F). This happened notably for Astringent (in period E), Floral (in periods A



280 and E), Fruity (in period E), Melting (in period F), Sour (all periods) and Sticky (in periods A and E). However, one should  
 281 keep in mind that this table compares durations of dominance to frequencies of citations, two different concepts.

### 282 3.4. Multidimensional analyses

283 [INSERT FIGURE 4 HERE]

284 Figure 4: Multidimensional maps, axes 1 and 2. A - CVA of the TDS durations for all periods combined, with 90%  
 285 confidence ellipses. B – Trajectory PCA of the TDS durations over the 3 periods of AEF. C – CA of the AEF sensations  
 286 for all periods combined, with 90% confidence ellipses. D – Trajectory CA of the AEF sensations over the 3 periods of  
 287 AEF.

288 All periods combined and considering all axes (figures 4A and 4C), the between-product discriminations were the same  
 289 in TDS and AEF, and all product pairs were discriminated with an  $\alpha$ -risk less than 0.1%. 91.1% of the total variance was  
 290 explained on axes 1 and 2 of CVA of durations (figure 4A), and the test for the determination of the number of  
 291 significant axes (not presented here) recommends to keep 3 axes. The 2 first axes of the CA of citations (figure 4C) of  
 292 citations explained 94.4% of variance. Whatever the map, the first axis mainly separated the products in 3 poles,  
 293 basically C54 (perceived Sweet and Dry for a longer duration/by more consumers than the others), C68/C70 (perceived  
 294 Astringent, Bitter, Woody and Sour for a longer duration/by more consumers) and C65/C73 (perceived Cocoa, Fruity  
 295 and Melting for a longer duration/by more consumers).

296 The within-product evolution (figures 4B and 4D), was very similar in TDS and AEF. The PCA of durations (figure 4B)  
 297 explained 81.6% of the variance on the 2 first axes. The axis 1 separates the products in the same way as the CVA, the  
 298 axis 2 showing the evolutions of all products except C65 from Dry to Sweet (C54) or to Sticky, Astringent and Bitter  
 299 (C68, C70 and C73). The CA of citations (figure 4D) explained 74.8% of the variance and can be interpreted in the same  
 300 way as the PCA.

### 301 3.5. Answers to questionnaire

302 Table 2: Mean answers to the questionnaire and their 95% confidence intervals

	TDS	AEF
1. The oral explanations were useful (TDS) / I wish I had oral explanations (AEF).	4.35 ± 0.18	2.53 ± 0.17
2. The explanations displayed on the screen about how to evaluate chocolates were useful (TDS) / sufficient (AEF).	4.59 ± 0.16	4.53 ± 0.13
3. I understood how to evaluate the chocolates.	4.87 ± 0.09	4.75 ± 0.11
4. The list of sensations was exhaustive.	4.09 ± 0.16	3.80 ± 0.14
5. The sensations were sufficiently explanatory.	4.34 ± 0.15	3.93 ± 0.14
6. I wished I could select more than 3 sensations.		2.62 ± 0.16
7A. It was easy to identify the sensations that caught my attention during the tasting (TDS). 7B. It was easy to identify the sensations perceived at the beginning of the tasting. 7C. It was easy to identify the sensations perceived at the middle of the tasting. 7D. It was easy to identify the sensations perceived at the end of the tasting.	3.88 ± 0.17	3.25 ± 0.16 3.98 ± 0.14 3.83 ± 0.13
8. It was easy to quickly click on a sensation when it caught my attention.	4.50 ± 0.10	
9. It was easy to identify when to click STOP.	3.94 ± 0.18	
10. The order in which I listed the sensations was important.	4.59 ± 0.16	4.10 ± 0.13
11. I could list the same feeling several times.	4.81 ± 0.14	4.22 ± 0.15
12. The questionnaire interface was easy to use.	4.85 ± 0.08	4.75 ± 0.07
13. The task that was asked of me was easy.	4.51 ± 0.11	4.40 ± 0.13

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304 Table 2 shows that all the answers were in the direction of positive agreement (easiness, usefulness). All means were  
 305 significantly different from 3 (neither agree nor disagree) with  $p < 0.001$  except for questions 1 and 6 (AEF). It means  
 306 that the oral explanations were declared useful for TDS and not for AEF and that the consumers did not declare to be  
 307 limited by the restriction imposed on the selection of only 3 sensations in AEF.

308 The average relative difficulty score obtained from the comparison of the two methods by the same consumers was  
309 -0.15, significantly lower than 0 ( $F=6.3$ ,  $p=0.02$ ), which means that TDS was judged to be slightly easier than AEF. The  
310 panel effect was also significant ( $F=5.1$ ,  $p=0.03$ ), with the last method that was used being judged easier.

311 In the open-ended comments, the methods were declared "simple" (6 consumers). Favourable TDS comments  
312 emphasized that "having the list of sensations in front of the eyes and choosing them at the very moment of feeling is  
313 easier, more spontaneous" (5) and that "it is easier to choose the sensations right after placing the chocolate into your  
314 mouth or during the tasting" (7). Positive comments about AEF reported the "easier choice after the tasting, no time  
315 pressure" (6), "easier because less choices to do, quick, concise" (4). Negative comments about AEF concerned the  
316 difficulty of "picking only 3 sensations" (5), "differentiating the periods" (3) or "memorizing the order" (5). Negative  
317 comments about TDS were about the "lack of clarity of the explanations" (2) or "a need for more instructions, a warm-  
318 up, a training" (2). Regardless of the method, several consumers also found it "too bad for not being able to evaluate  
319 more flavours" (2), that "some descriptors are useless" (3), that "some descriptors are missing" (2), or they regretted  
320 not being able to "express a free opinion" (1).

## 321 4. Discussion

### 322 Overall differences in conclusions obtained with TDS and AEF

323 AEF measured temporality in products in a minimalistic way, as each sequence was composed of 3 descriptors. Even  
324 if this was not a limit evoked by the consumers in their answers to the questionnaire, the results showed that most of  
325 the TDS sequence included 4 to 8 dominant descriptors. By construction, TDS curves had more dominant descriptors  
326 than AEF. As one would expect from the methods, TDS can pick up short-lived differences in the moment and AEF  
327 picks up big remembered differences. However, the big picture is the same whatever the method, and the attributes  
328 that were dominant in TDS but not in AEF had low dominance rates that denoted a poor agreement. We suggest using  
329 the multinomial test for deciding whether these additional dominances should be considered or not. For these reasons,  
330 regarding absolute product description, AEF could miss some sensations compared to TDS. It was confirmed by the  
331 results of unidimensional analyses (section 3.3), which show that TDS discriminated more product pairs. Yet, when  
332 comparing products performing a multidimensional analysis (section 3.4) based on Hotelling test (thus accounting for  
333 correlations between descriptors), TDS was not superior to AEF. The 2 methods were able to discriminate all product  
334 pairs.

### 335 Possible consequences of heterogeneity in durations and number of citations in TDS

336 Heterogeneity in product durations can have an impact on statistical analysis such as ANOVA or CVA. Indeed, if the  
337 products have different durations (as observed between C54 and C68), then the differences in the durations between  
338 the descriptors can be due to differences in the product durations. For example, in this study, the total duration was  
339 longer for C54 than for C68. This could result in small differences in ANOVA results by attribute when considering the  
340 durations or standardized durations (Galmarini et al., 2017).

341 Because of the observed heterogeneity of the times of first citations and total durations among consumers, left and  
342 right time standardization was required to represent the TDS curves. If data standardization erases differences in  
343 evaluation time by aligning individual perceptions, it can change individual patterns substantially enough (Meyners,  
344 2018).

345 The mean values observed in this study for the number of descriptors and the number of citations were consistent  
346 with the mean values reported in the literature (Pineau et al., 2012). However, in this study as in others (Hutchings et  
347 al., 2014), again large heterogeneity was observed. A high number of citations per judge can in particular lower the  
348 panel agreement or make the proportions of the TDS curves unstable because of citation times that are more difficult  
349 to align.

350 The differences observed between the two methods are probably due to the task than to the heterogeneity in citations  
351 and durations. In AEF, heterogeneity (CV of 73%) also existed regarding the durations of the tastings. It was even more  
352 apparent than in TDS (CV of 46%), but only citations (3 per consumer) and proportions were considered in  
353 unidimensional and multidimensional analyses. Thus, it would be interesting to conduct a follow-up study to  
354 determine whether the conclusions of AEF would be more reproducible than those of TDS.

### 355 **Concurrent vs. retrospective measurement**

356 In both TDS and AEF, the stimulus was detected, interpreted, and then transcribed as a click on a descriptor in the list.  
357 In TDS, the action of clicking is hoped to be as close as possible to perception, but in fact, a minimum and individual-  
358 dependent delay is necessary as confirmed by the mean time of first citations. As it was unlikely that the first descriptor  
359 has been perceived after 8 seconds, this delay was probably due to a cognitive load in choosing the dominant  
360 descriptor or to consumers having pressed the START button before to put the sample in mouth. It should be  
361 interesting to check if the results from a trained panel would have been impacted in the same way. Besides, longer  
362 total durations have been observed in TDS compared to AEF, but it is hard to know whether TDS overestimates  
363 durations or AEF underestimates them. It is to be noticed than differences in the evaluation times between methods  
364 evaluating the same products have already been observed (Meyners, 2020), the durations being longer with TCATA  
365 and TDS by modality compared to TDS. In any case, the task has an impact on delays and durations that must be  
366 considered when coupling TDS measures with true real-time data such as Proton-transfer-reaction mass spectrometry  
367 (Mesurolle, Saint-Eve, Délérís, & Souchon, 2013) or facial recognition (Urbano, Mahieu, Thomas, Schlich, Visalli, 2018).

368 The answers to the questionnaire showed that TDS was considered in average slightly easier and more natural than  
369 AEF, but it should be noted that TDS has been very frequently used in Dijon, and in this study, 70% of the consumers  
370 had experience with the method in previous consumer tests. In addition, contrary to TDS, the consumers were not  
371 briefed before evaluating the chocolates with AEF. Answers to more specific items of the questionnaire did not allow  
372 going further in understanding the perceived differences between the two methods, probably because the consumers  
373 answered the questions in a manner that will be viewed favorably by the experimenter (bias of social desirability, Cerri,  
374 Thøgersen, & Testa, 2019). However, the (few) answers to the open-ended question about the overall opinion of the  
375 task suggested that some people felt more comfortable when having the list of attributes during the tasting, while  
376 others were stressed by the measurement during the tasting. In any case, the results of AEF are congruent with those  
377 observed in TDS and the temporality of the products was caught without relying on durations.

378 The retrospective action of clicking in the AEF method required a memorization effort that probably resulted in less  
379 spontaneous answers. The memory can be involved in different ways. First, the consumer can taste and take mental  
380 notes of the descriptors that describe the 3 periods, then pick these descriptors after the tasting because he  
381 remembered the descriptors. In this case, the consumer reports what he experienced with a delayed perception.  
382 Second, the consumer can taste and remember the experience then pick the descriptors later. In this case, the  
383 consumer reports what he remembered of the experience.

### 384 **Continuous time vs. periods**

385 In the TDS curves, the proportions sum to 1 at each time. This means that for a given descriptor, the proportions at  
386 times  $t$  and  $t+1$  can be due to different consumers having a delayed perception or different perceptions (Cardot et al.,  
387 2019). Thus, the overall TDS panel overview can correspond to the perception of nobody. In AEF, as the proportions  
388 are computed with the whole panel in each period, it really corresponds to the panel overview, assuming each  
389 consumer has a similar conceptualization of the periods. However, it is more difficult to have several descriptors that  
390 pass the significance inside a given period, especially when there is a high agreement on a descriptor. This explains the  
391 difference observed between the significant number of descriptors in AEF barplots and TDS curves.

392 In TDS, to simplify the statistical analyses, time has sometimes retrospectively been split into 3 periods of uniform  
393 durations (Dinnella, Masi, Naes, & Monteleone, 2013; Lepage et al., 2014). This transformation makes TDS and AEF  
394 even closer conceptually. However, in AEF, the choice of the temporal periods corresponding to "attack", "evolution"

395 and "finish" is left to the consumer, which makes the frontiers of the periods subjective. Particularly, the evolution  
396 phase is conceptually different from the attack and finish phases. Indeed, the frontiers of the evolution phase are not  
397 clearly temporally defined, being in between attack (first sensation) and finish (last sensation). It would be interesting  
398 to compare the results obtained within each period of AEF to those of TDS curves having their frontiers automatically  
399 determined using semi-Markov chains (Lecuelle, Visalli, Cardot, & Schlich, 2018).

#### 400 **Citations vs. durations**

401 In TDS, durations are computed as the differences between the times of citation of the new and the previous dominant  
402 descriptors. If periods of "no dominance" exist, they do not seem to interfere with the duration-based conclusions. As  
403 durations are quantitative measures, it is natural to use common QDA statistical analyses such as PCA or CVA. However,  
404 both TDS and AEF are methods based on attribute citations, and TDS could also be analysed with CA (Frost et al., 2018).  
405 CA takes into account sums of citations while PCA and CVA weight the citations by the durations of the attributes.  
406 While durations may seem more precise, in this study, CVA and CA maps discriminated all product pairs in the same  
407 way, suggesting than in this study durations did not provide additional information compared to citations.

#### 408 **Dominance in AEF and TDS**

409 The ISO standard (ISO, 2016) recommends to define the dominance sensation in TDS as "the sensation that catches  
410 his/her attention at a given time, which does not mean that this sensation has to be very or the most intense in the  
411 product". In practice, the concept of dominance is not clearly established and several definitions exist (Varela et al.,  
412 2018). Indeed, dominance may be diverse among individuals, and can be related to novelty, intensity, or cognition,  
413 but "it easily measures something useful" (Schlich, 2017). Considering this, in AEF, rather than giving an explicit  
414 definition for dominance, the forced selection of only one descriptor by period implicitly led the consumer to report  
415 his "dominant" sensation, whatever his representation of dominance was. Determining if the concept of dominance  
416 were really the same in TDS and AEF remains an open question, but it is out of the scope of this article. In all cases,  
417 consumers have faced a forced choice involving a degree of subjectivity. Thus, it should still be noted that if TDS can  
418 be biased by the halo-dumping effect (Varela et al., 2018), AEF can certainly be biased in the same way, especially with  
419 descriptors such as Sour and Astringent that are closely related.

#### 420 **Briefing or not?**

421 In TDS, the consumers have to understand the concept of dominance. They have to click on START and STOP buttons.  
422 They also have to declare in real-time what dominant sensations they perceived by consecutively clicking on several  
423 buttons. This makes the briefing phase recommended to avoid possible miscomprehension of the task, as previously  
424 reported in a Temporal Dominant of Emotions study performed at home (Peltier et al., 2019). The AEF task was quite  
425 simple: the consumers just had to select one descriptor in each of the 3 proposed drop-down lists. It does not mean  
426 that attribute selection was easy and that consumers did not ask themselves about the criterion of their choice, but  
427 the task itself was self-explicit, easy to explain with instructions on screens and thus did not require a briefing.

#### 428 **Recommendations about AEF**

429 This study should be considered as a preliminary study and the method still needs to be investigated and replicated  
430 before being validated. AEF relies on a retrospective evaluation of products at 3 specific periods. In this, AEF is a  
431 paradigm shift from current temporal methods that collect data simultaneously with tasting. Thus, the method is  
432 clearly not suitable when durations are of interest, when an accurate measure of temporality is required or when  
433 subtle changes occur at very specific moments of the tasting. At the same time, AEF presents some benefits. AEF does  
434 not seem to require training or even briefing. As it does not rely on durations, AEF data does not need to be time-  
435 standardized, the heterogeneity due to the continuous time measurement is reduced and the statistical analysis of  
436 AEF is simple. There are several scenarios for which AEF may prove to be interesting. An obvious case is when the  
437 panel leader does not have software that allows to record durations. Indeed, the results of the method can be collected  
438 just using a paper and a pen. AEF seems suitable for capturing the big picture of temporality or for comparing several

439 products, especially for at-home studies, when no briefing phase is possible. AEF could also be more suitable than  
440 other temporal methods when there is a long list of descriptors (more than 10). In this study, AEF was used to measure  
441 dominances in an implicit way, without specifying the definition of dominance. This choice is debatable, and the ISO  
442 definition could have been used as well. The most important concept underlying AEF is the evaluation by period rather  
443 than in continuous time: thus, if dominance is judged too multidimensional, asking for the most intense sensation in  
444 each period could be preferred. As a perspective, AEF could even be extended to "multiple AEF" to record applicable  
445 descriptors during each period, making it comparable to TCATA, with the advantage of not needing the fading option  
446 (Ares et al., 2016; Rizo et al., 2020).

#### 447 **Precision of temporal methods and method comparisons**

448 The authors think that introducing the time dimension adds new information to sensory data, but also a new source  
449 of uncontrolled variability. Thus, rather than promoting a new method, the presented results and elements of  
450 discussion question the granularity of temporal sensory data.

451 The first question to ask should be "What level of precision is expected for the time aspect of the measurement?".  
452 Meyners (2020) said that "relating to a piece of music, we are thinking of TDS at rather tracking changes in the melody,  
453 while TCATA explores the harmonies.". Using another analogy, AEF could be the trailer of a movie. Like a book cover,  
454 it doesn't tell all of it but it gives a few impressions of the story. Is it more interesting to learn that people tasting a  
455 chocolate perceive it Cocoa after 5 seconds then Bitter 2 seconds after, or that after consuming it they remember the  
456 attack mainly as Bitter? Again, what is more useful for industry depends on the objective but also on the product  
457 complexity. If the objective is a new product development or optimisation and if the manufacturing process enables  
458 changes that can have an impact at very specific time points, thus maybe the most precise tool using trained panels is  
459 required. If the products only differ by their attribute intensities, Time-Intensity or Multi-Attribute Time-Intensity  
460 (Kuesten et al., 2013) should be the right tool. If the differences between products are mainly driven by the presence  
461 or absence of several attributes, TCATA can be considered. If tracking major changes in perception is good enough,  
462 TDS can be a reasonable choice. If the objective is to get essential information to communicate about products (for  
463 example on back labels or sensory claims), then AEF with consumers can be an alternative.

464 Then, a second question could be "Is the method I want to use at the expected level of precision?". Based on this  
465 preliminary study, it is not clear whether additional noise is more important than additional information, as  
466 considering product temporality in only 3 periods does not seem to result in a severe loss of information. In other  
467 words, this could suggest that it was just about the right level of precision which can be expected of temporal data  
468 collected with consumers on this type of products. Of course, all the previous elements of this discussion should be  
469 kept in mind when comparing the results of two methods having observed differences of the same order of magnitude  
470 as those potentially due to imprecision. Investigating this expected level of precision would definitely be of great  
471 interest. It would require studying other criteria, such as repeatability or at least reproducibility, to either complete  
472 and validate or invalidate the conclusions based on this study. Meta-analysis based on several datasets or simulations  
473 could also help to draw general conclusions.

## 474 **5. Conclusion**

475 This article introduced AEF, a new retrospective method for temporal data collection inspired from Temporal Order of  
476 Sensations, Pick 3 and Rank, and wine evaluation in 3 phases. AEF was based on a concept close to dominance and  
477 allowed consumers to select 3 descriptors, one per period (attack, evolution, final), taking into account the entire  
478 tasting. As AEF data analysis does not consider durations, the consumers' heterogeneity in terms of delays and  
479 durations is no longer a problem, and no data transformation is required. As every consumer had to give only a  
480 sequence of 3 descriptors, no briefing was required, and the consumers' heterogeneity due to differences in the  
481 number of citations was also avoided. Retrospective measurement was proven feasible, and opened new perspectives.  
482 This makes AEF a method to consider for capturing the big picture of temporal descriptions, especially for at-home  
483 studies with consumers. Finally, the discussion encouraged the readers to think about the granularity of temporal

484 sensory data. Indeed, in this study, AEF and TDS discriminated the products in a very similar way. This suggests that  
485 considering temporality in only 3 periods could be the right level of precision which can be expected of temporal data  
486 collected with consumers, at least for this type of products.

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START

Dry

Sweet

Cocoa

Melting

Sour

Fruity

Fat

Bitter

Floral

Sticky

Astringent

Woody

STOP

**What sensations did you perceive during the tasting, in chronological order?**

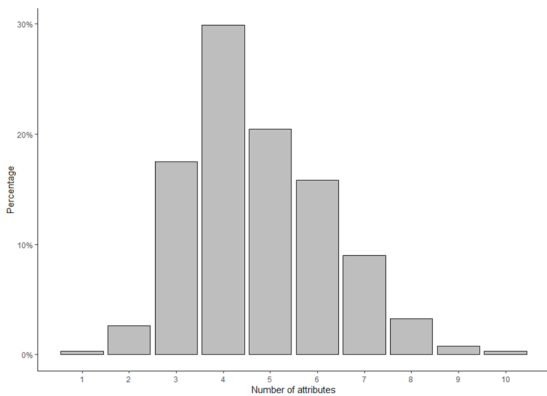
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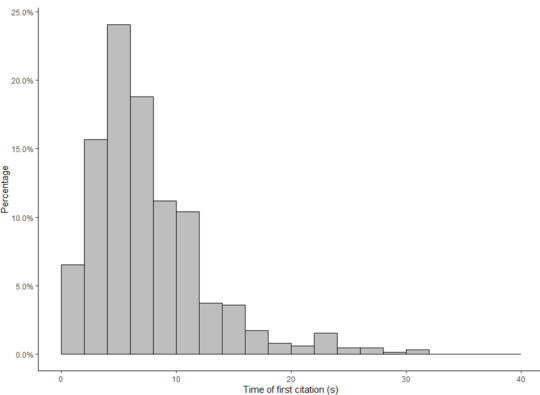
then after a few moments I perceived it

and at the end of the tasting I perceived it

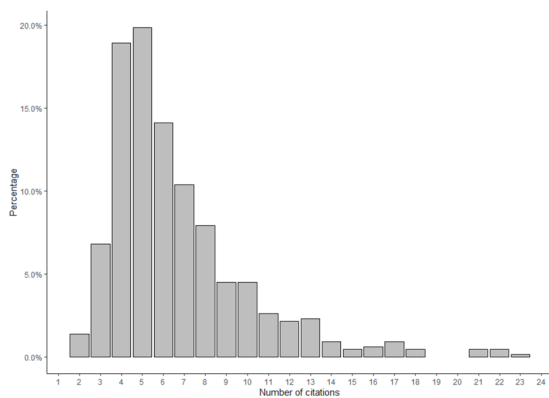
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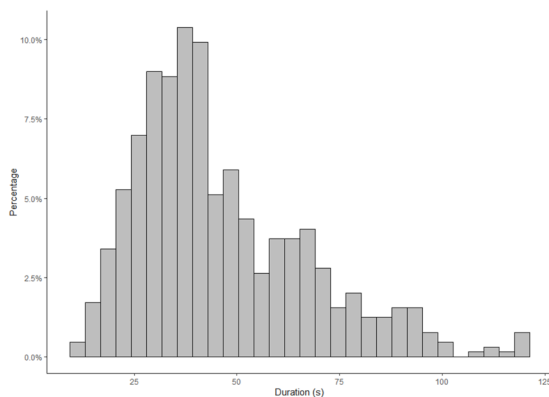
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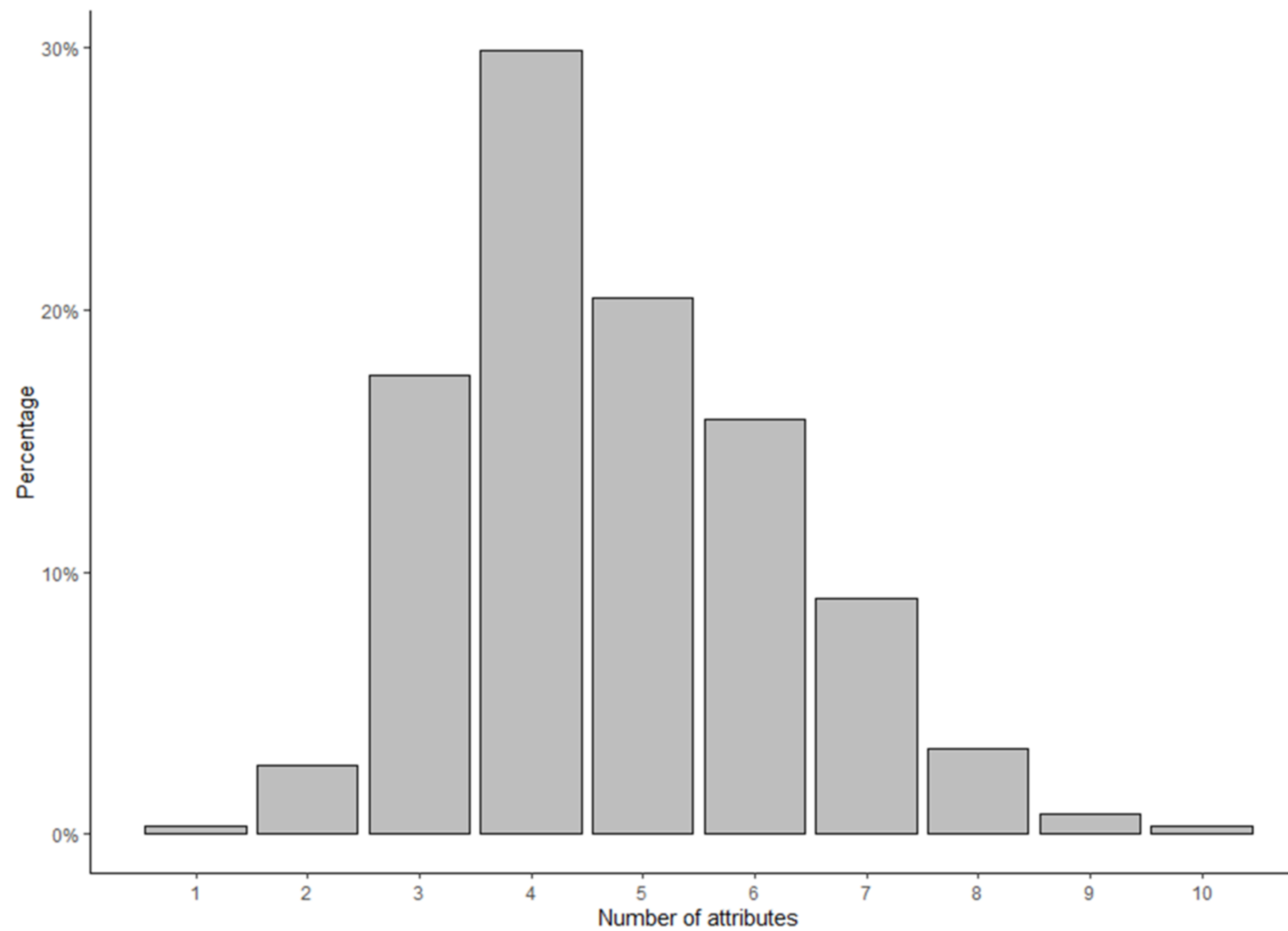
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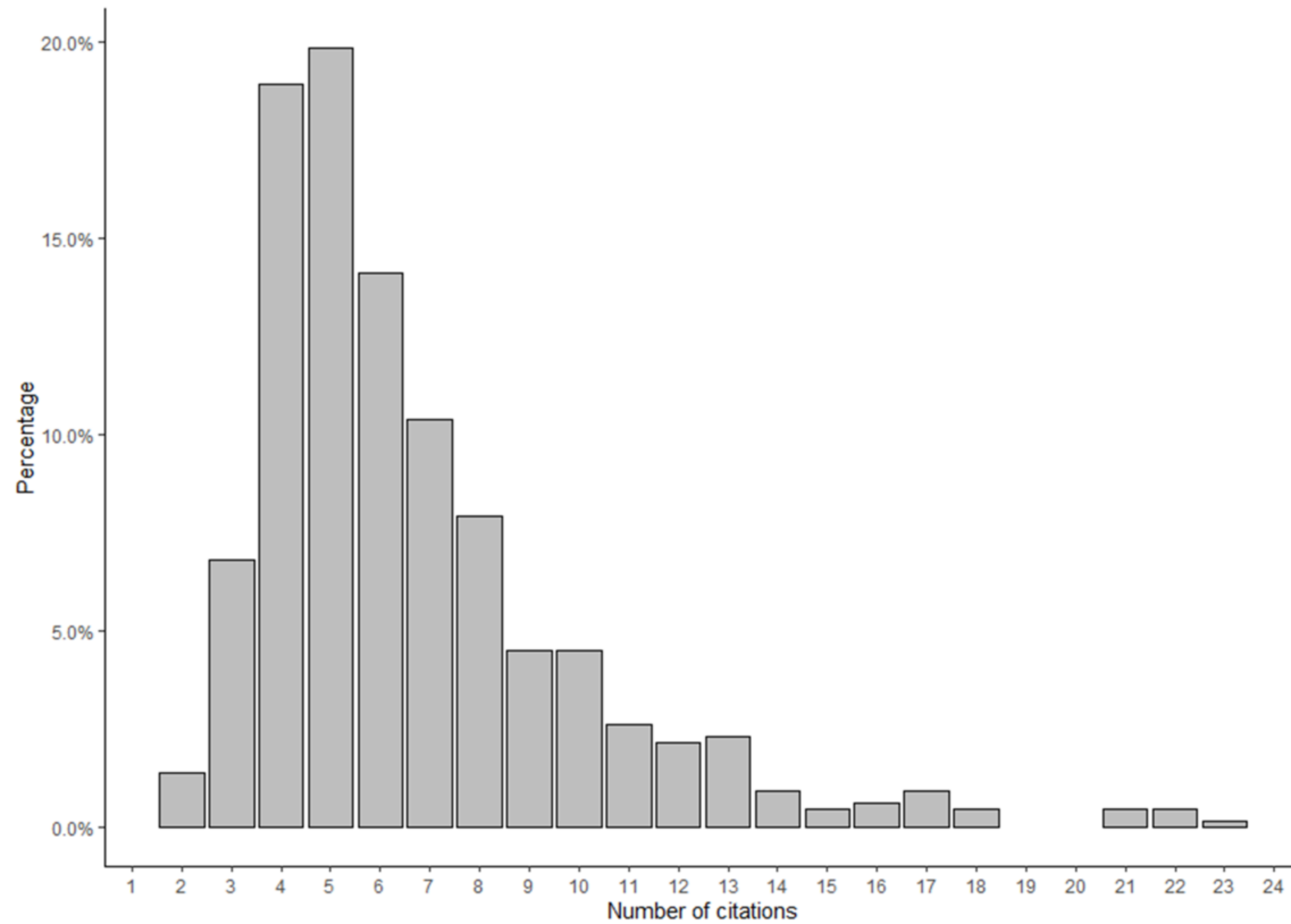
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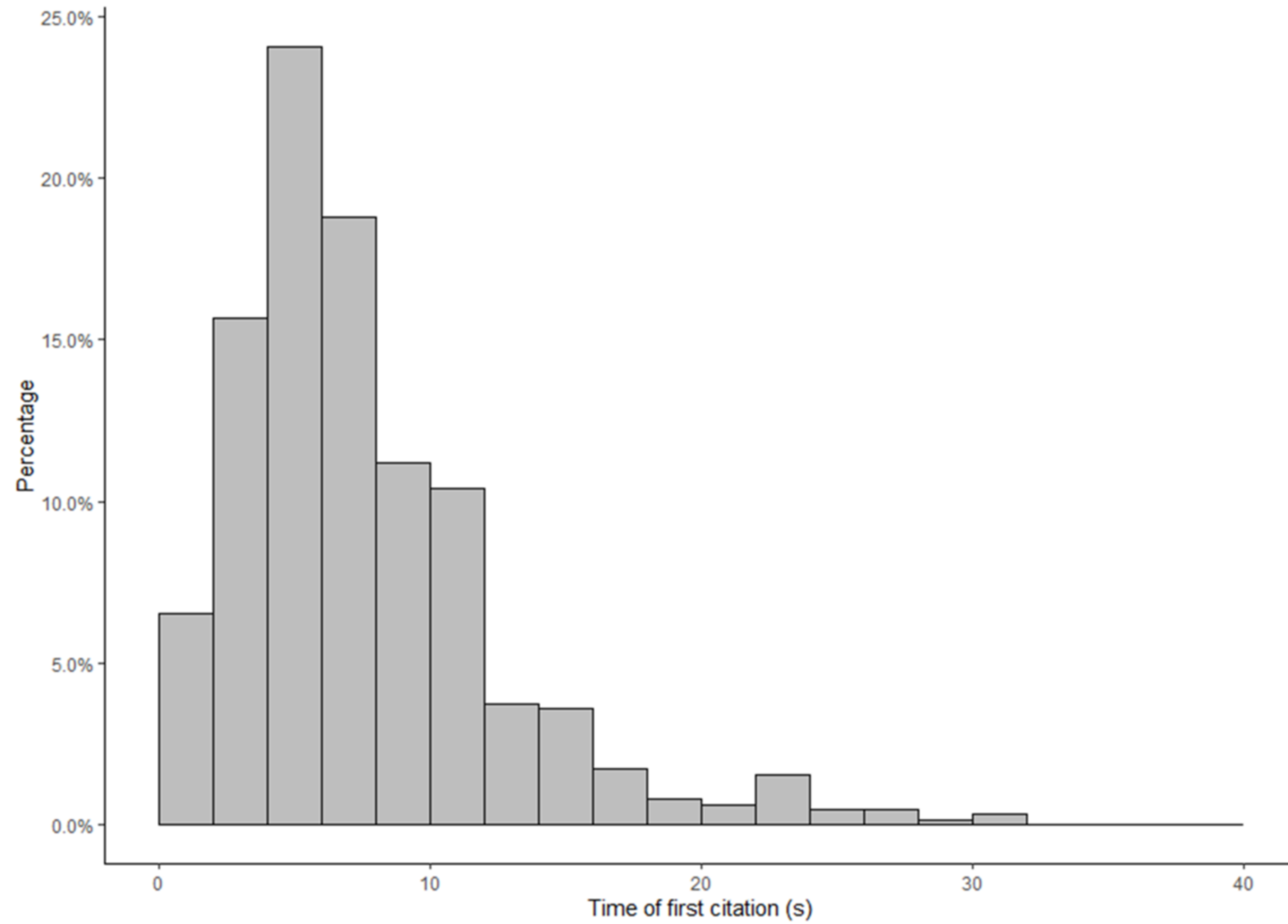
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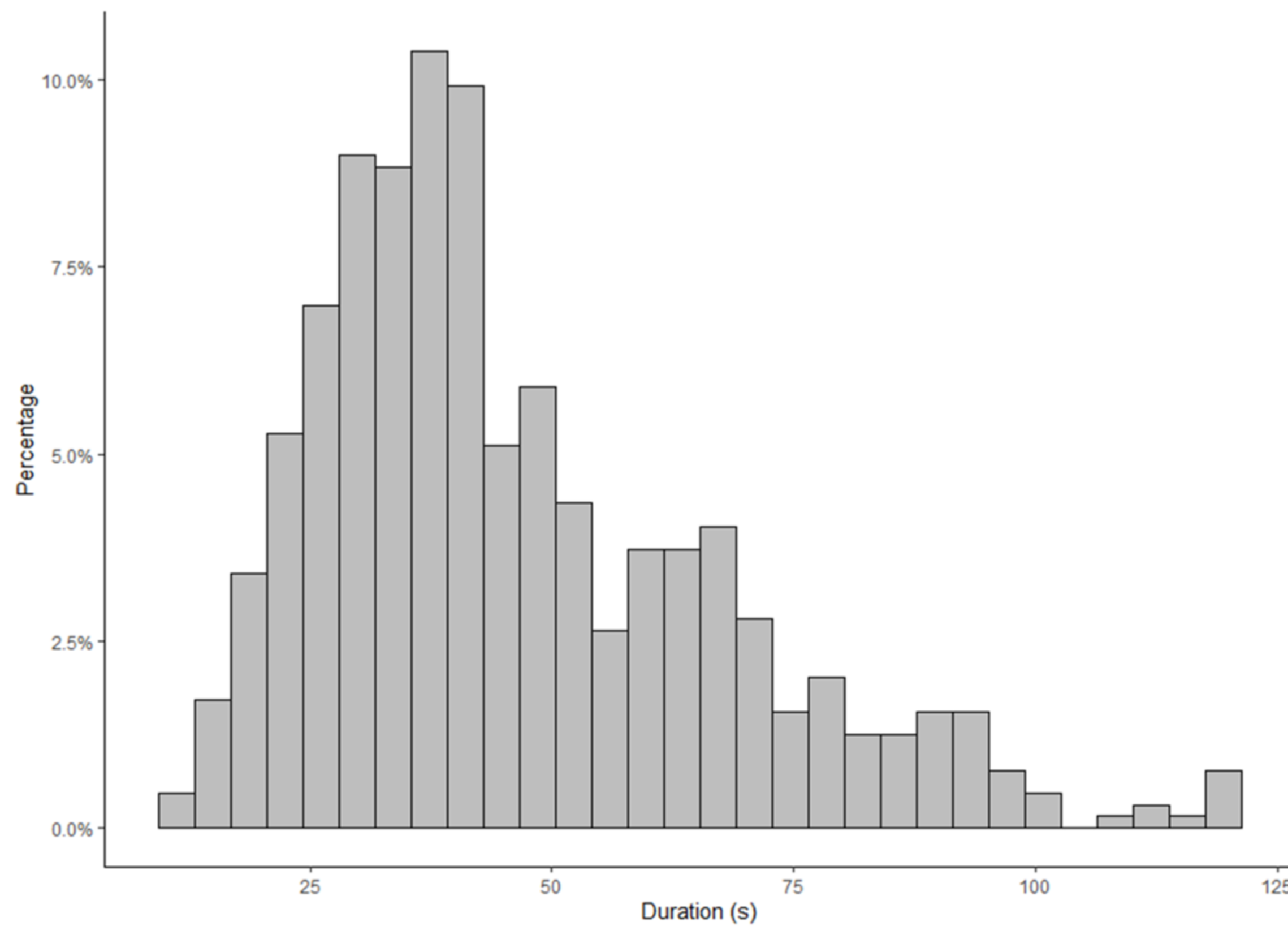
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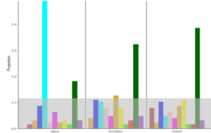
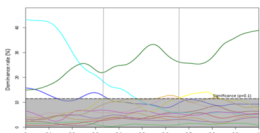


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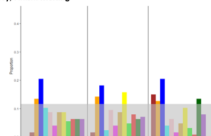
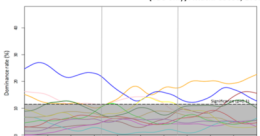
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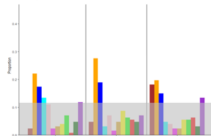
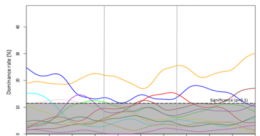
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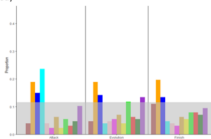
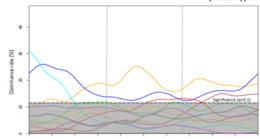
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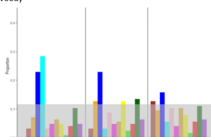
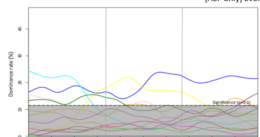
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 [TDS only] Attack: **Fat, Sweet**; Evolution: **Fat, Sour**

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[TDS & AEF] Attack: **Bitter, Cocoa, Dry<sup>T</sup>, Woody<sup>T</sup>**; Evolution: **Bitter, Cocoa**; Finish: **Astringent, Bitter, Cocoa**  
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 [AEF only] Finish: **Woody**

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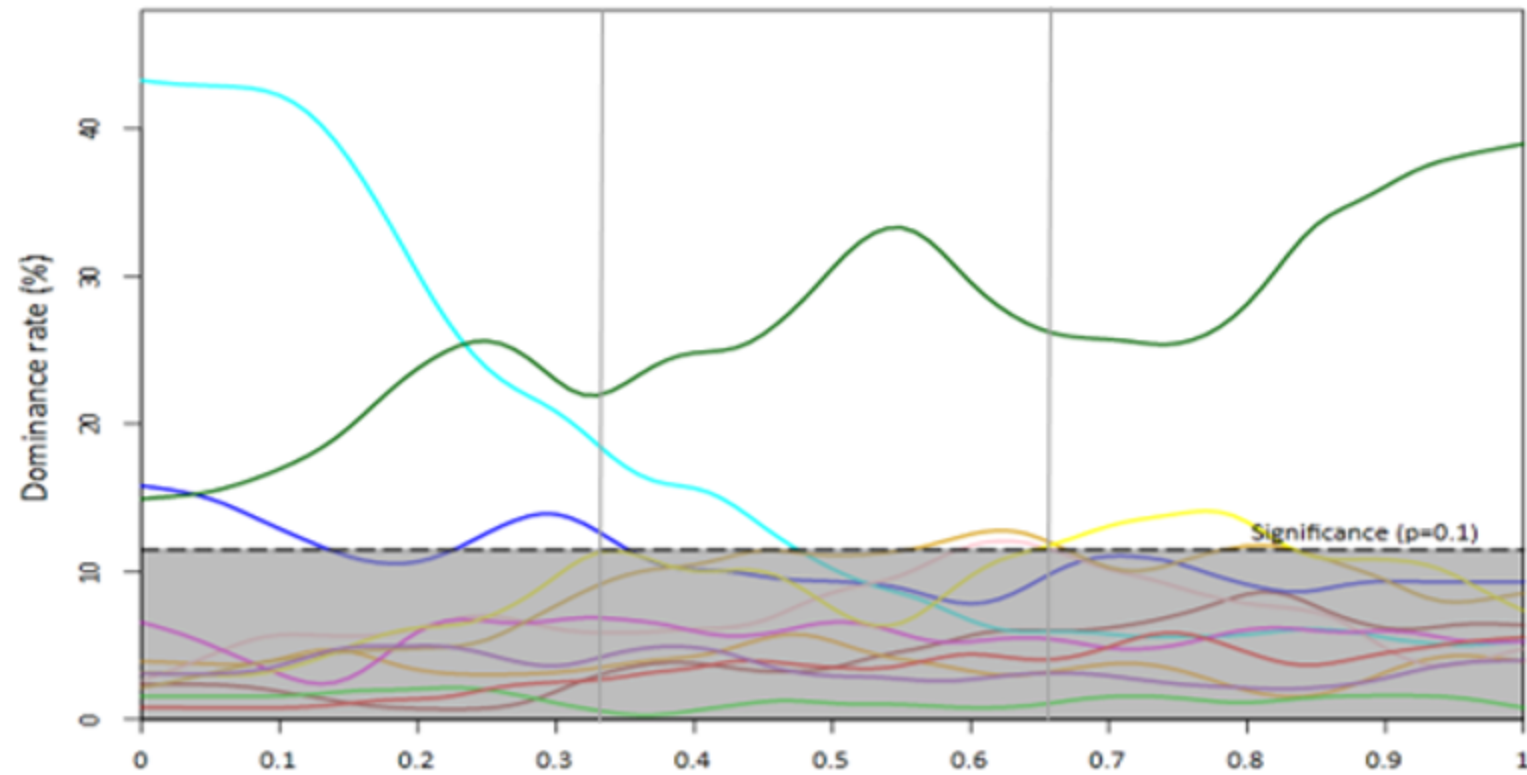
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 [AEF only] Evolution: **Woody**

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[TDS & AEF] Attack: **Cocoa, Dry**; Evolution: **Bitter, Cocoa, Melting<sup>T</sup>, Sweet<sup>T</sup>**; Finish: **Astringent<sup>T</sup>, Cocoa**  
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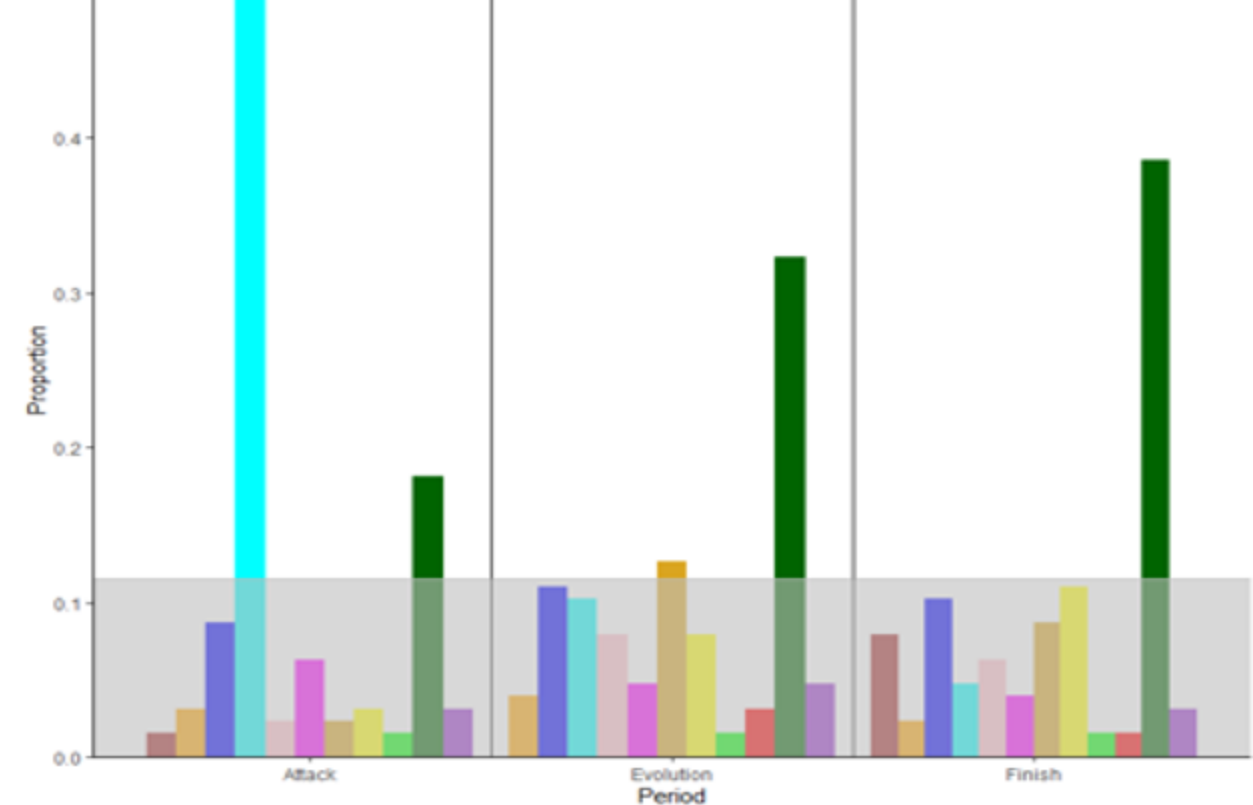
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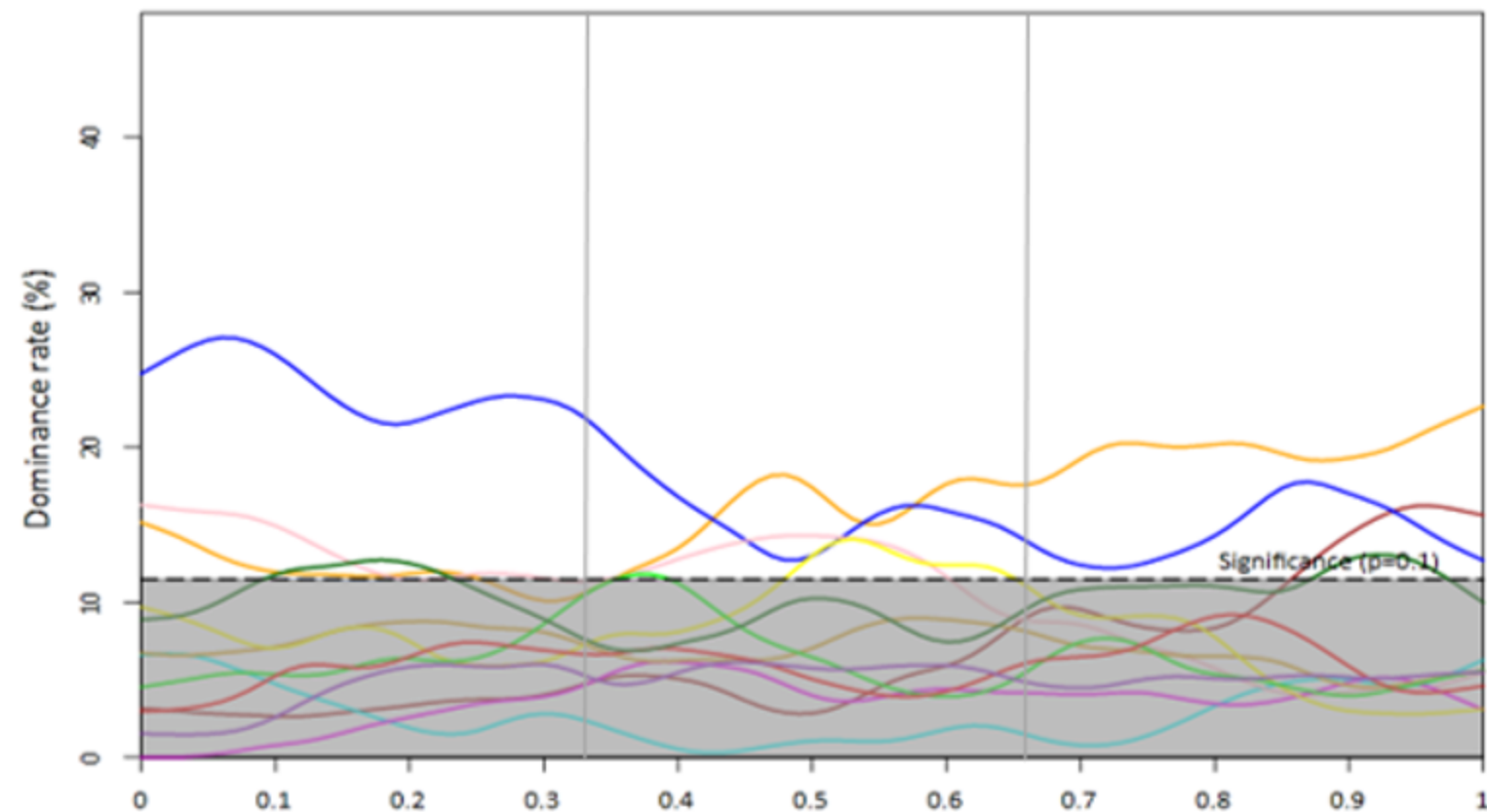


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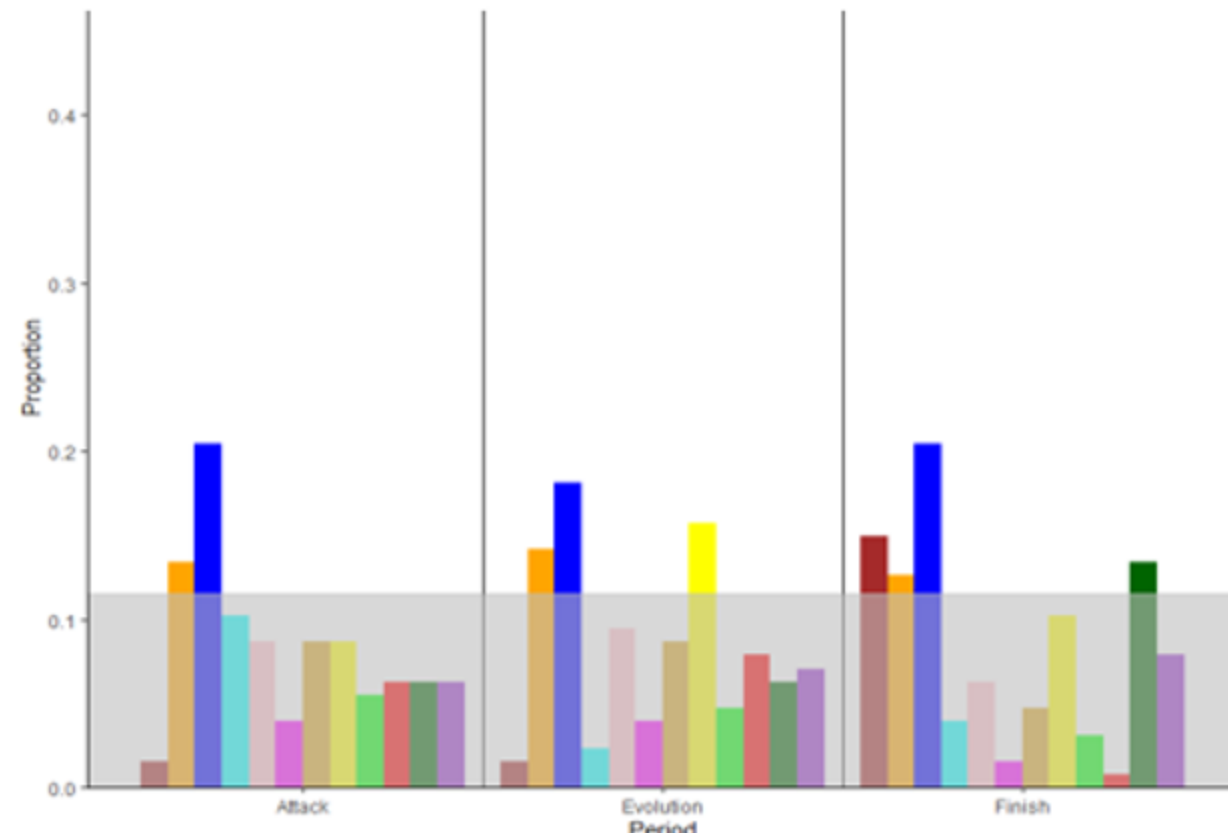
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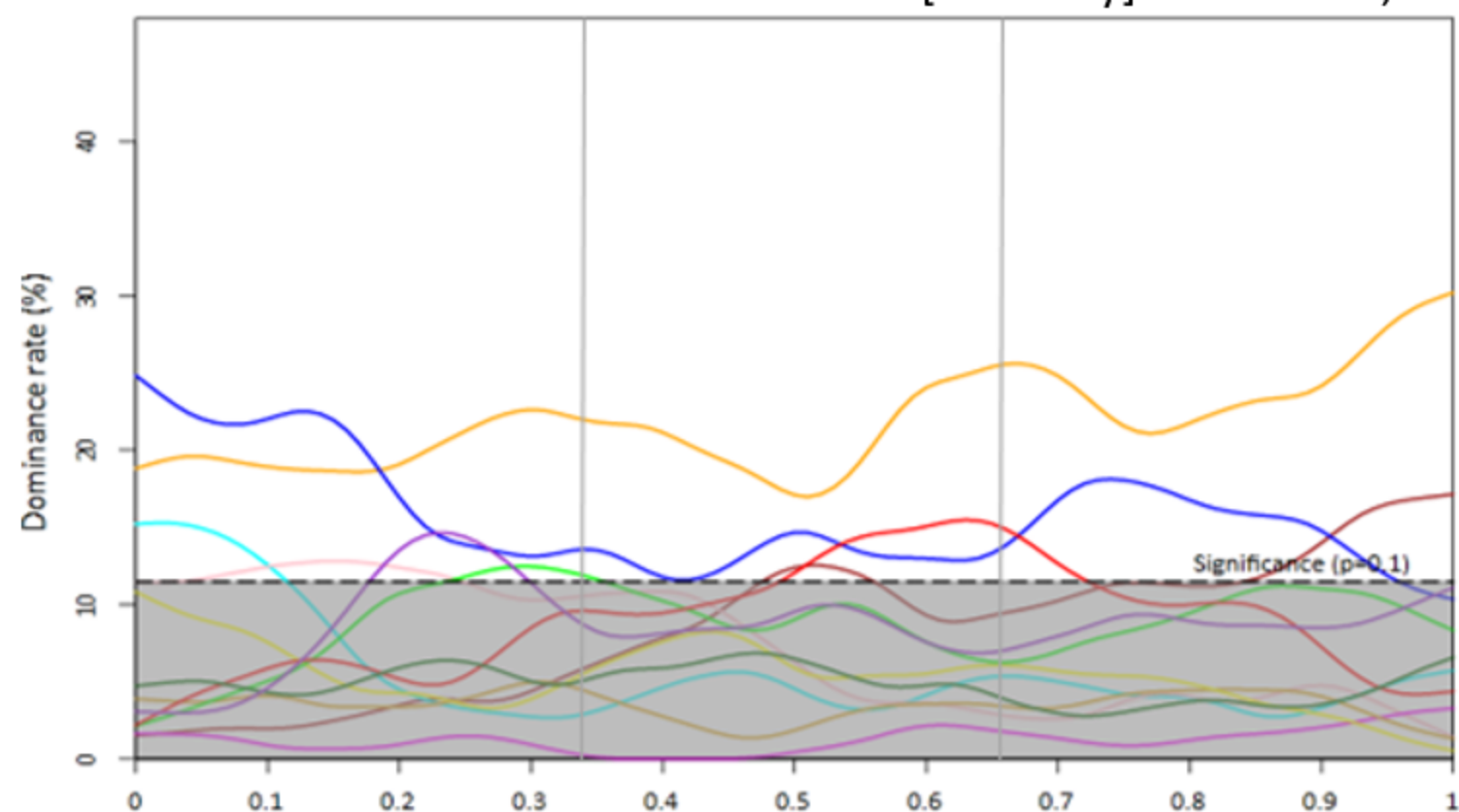




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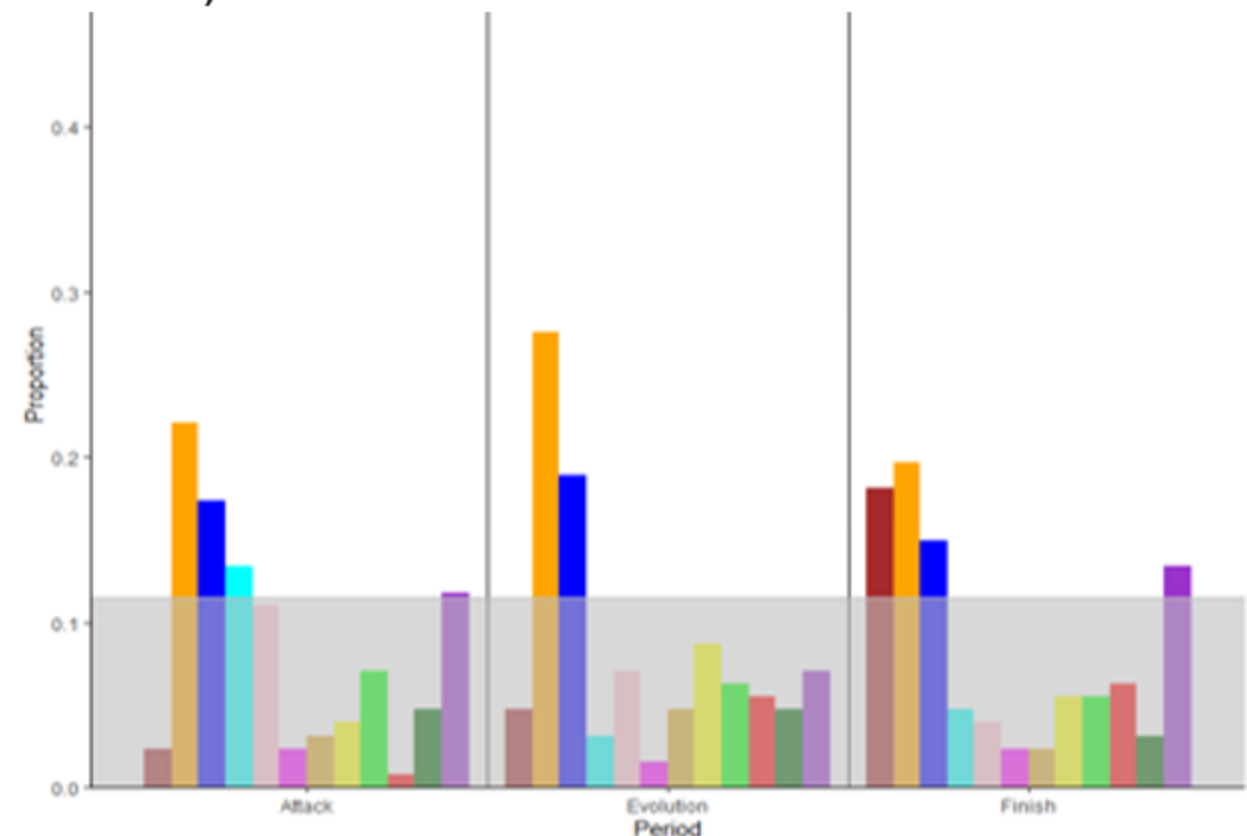


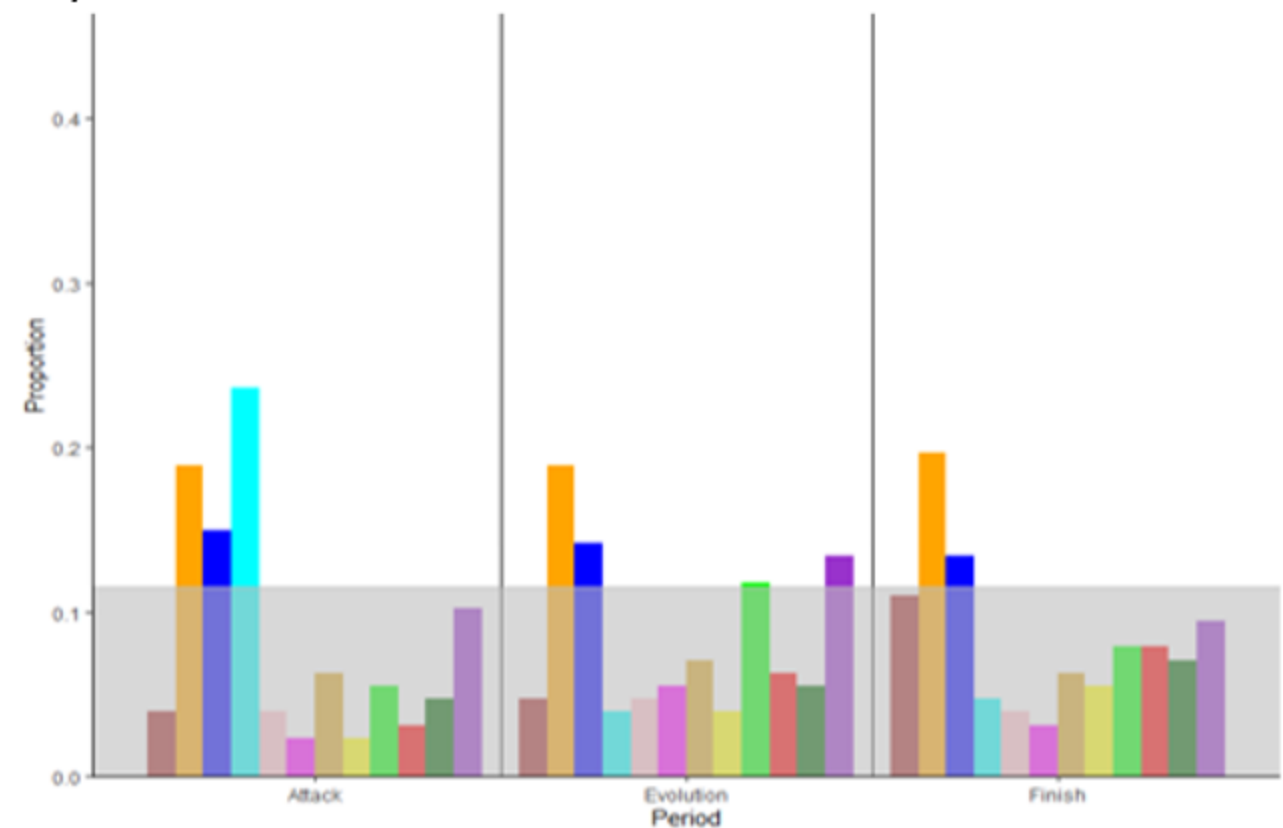
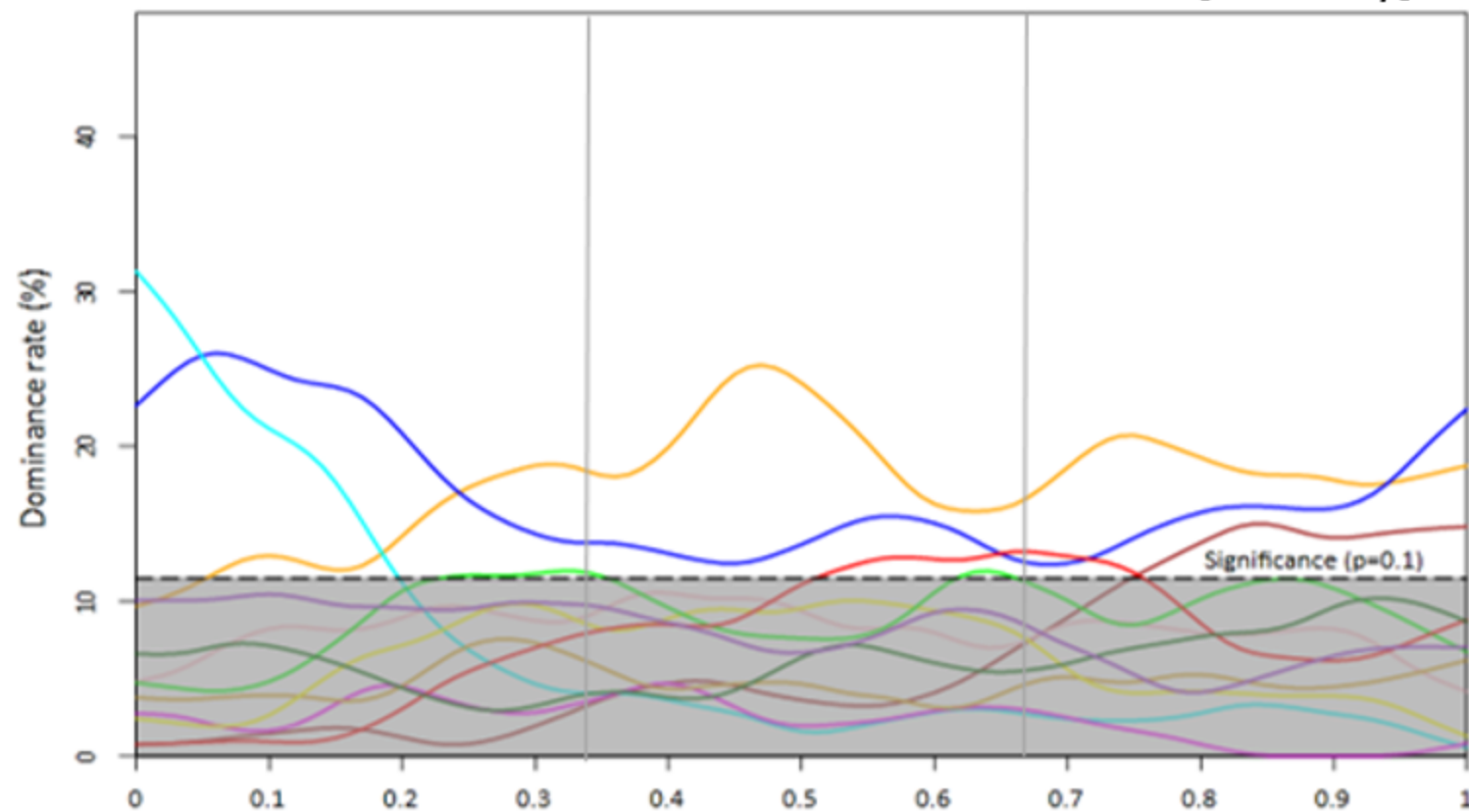


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[AEF only] Finish: Woody

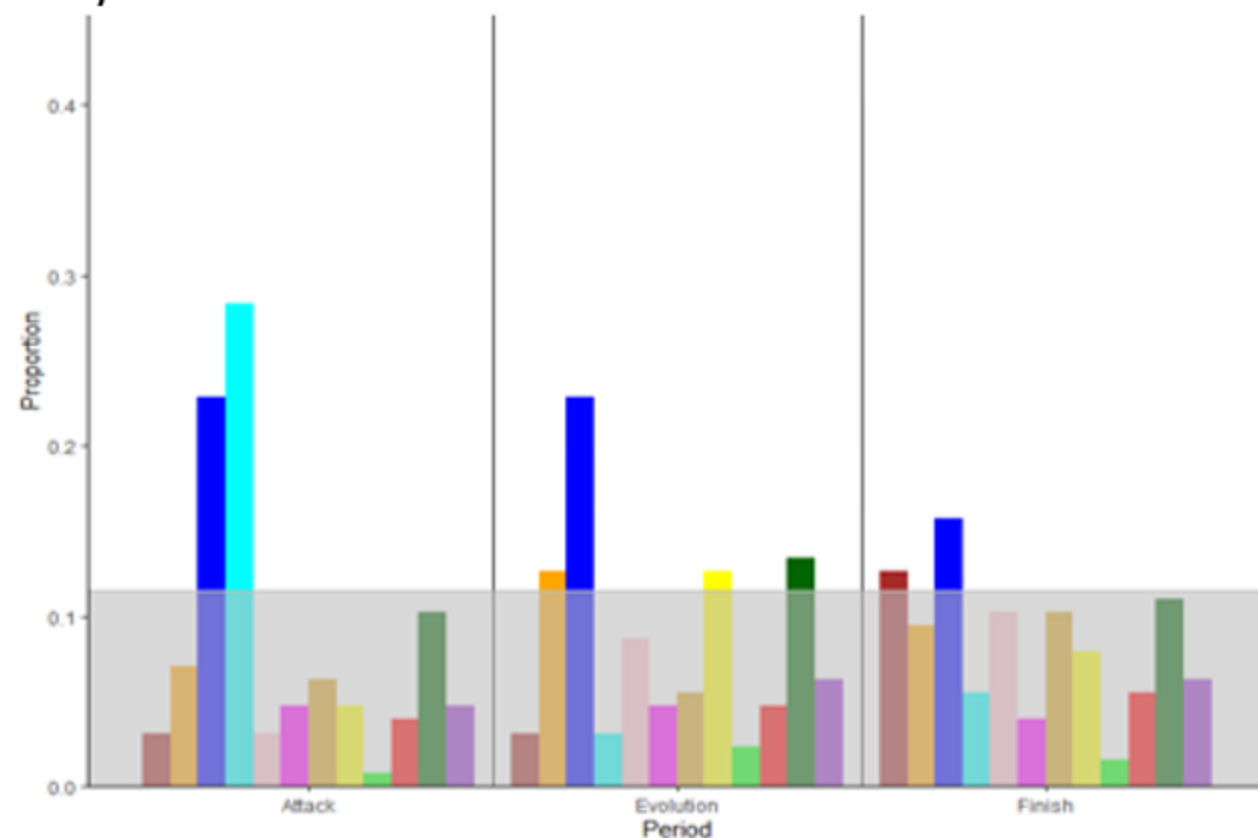
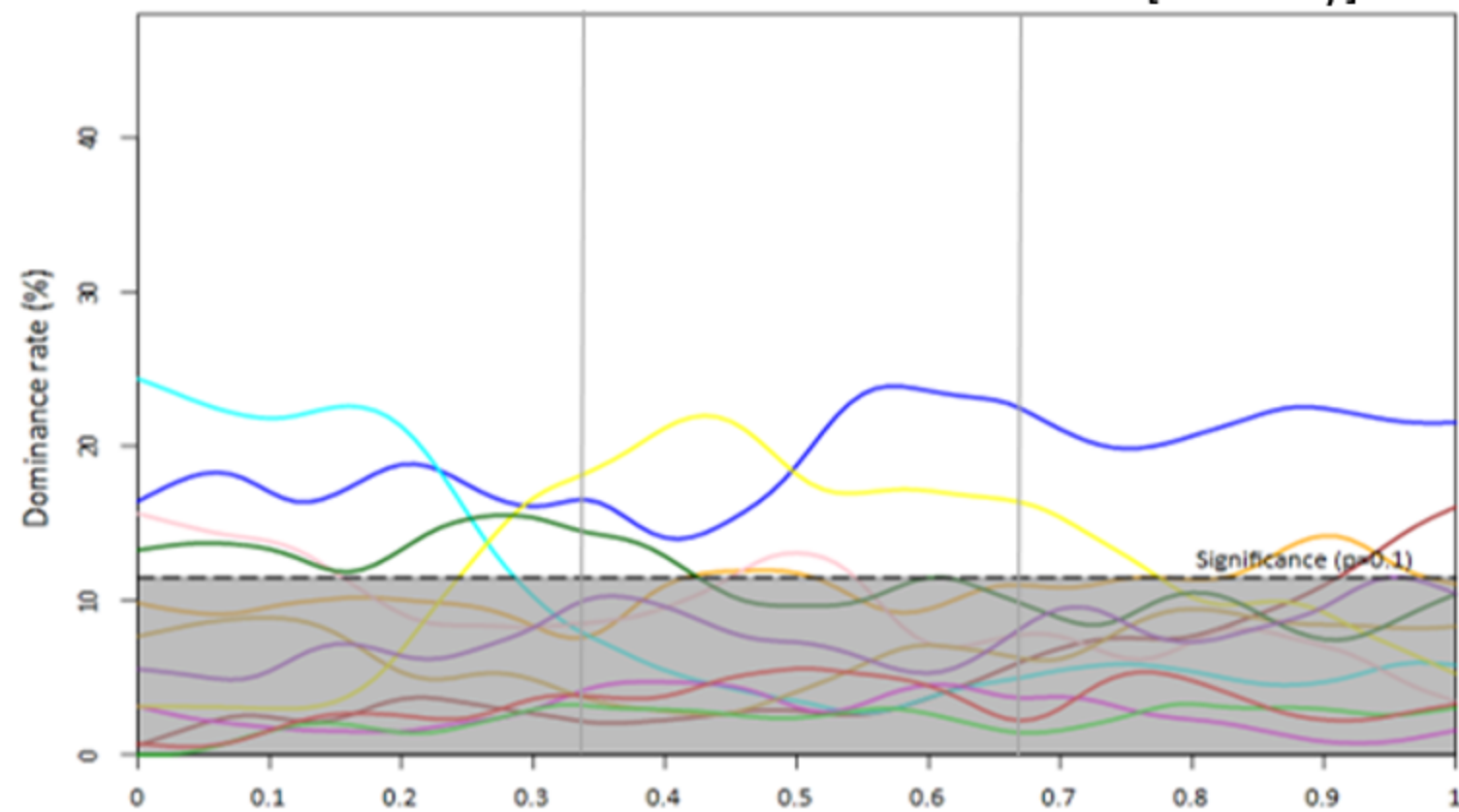




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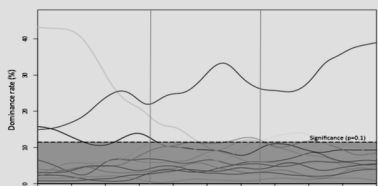
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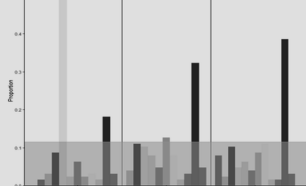
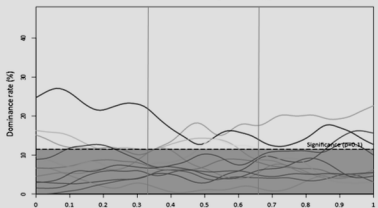


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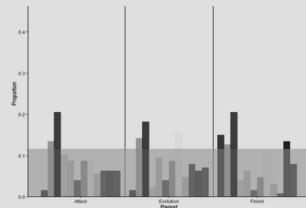
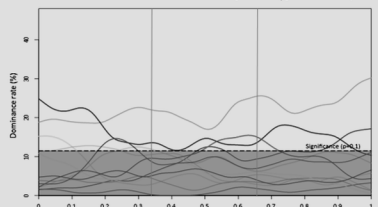
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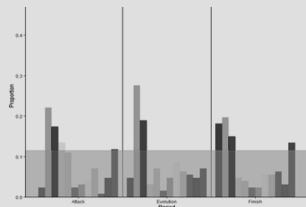
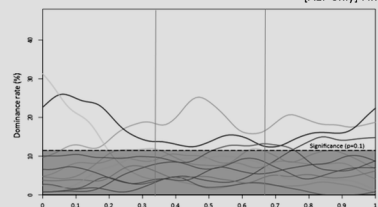
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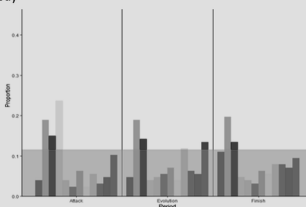
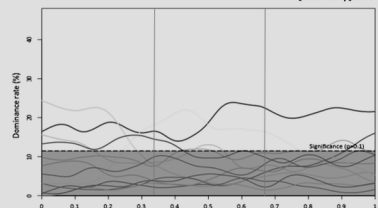
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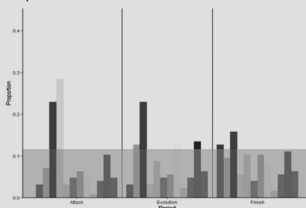
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 [TDS only] Attack: **Fat, Sour**; Evolution: **Sticky, Astringent**; Finish: **Sticky**  
 [AEF only] Finish: **Woody**

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[TDS & AEF] Attack: **Bitter, Cocoa, Dry**; Evolution: **Bitter, Cocoa<sup>T</sup>, Sour**; Finish: **Bitter, Cocoa<sup>T</sup>**  
 [TDS only] Attack: **Sour**; Evolution: **Sticky<sup>T</sup>**; Finish: **Astringent, Sticky**  
 [AEF only] Evolution: **Woody**

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[TDS & AEF] Attack: **Cocoa, Dry**; Evolution: **Bitter, Cocoa, Melting<sup>T</sup>, Sweet<sup>T</sup>**; Finish: **Astringent<sup>T</sup>, Cocoa**  
 [TDS only] Attack: **Fat, Melting, Sweet**; Evolution: **Fat, Finish: Bitter, Melting**



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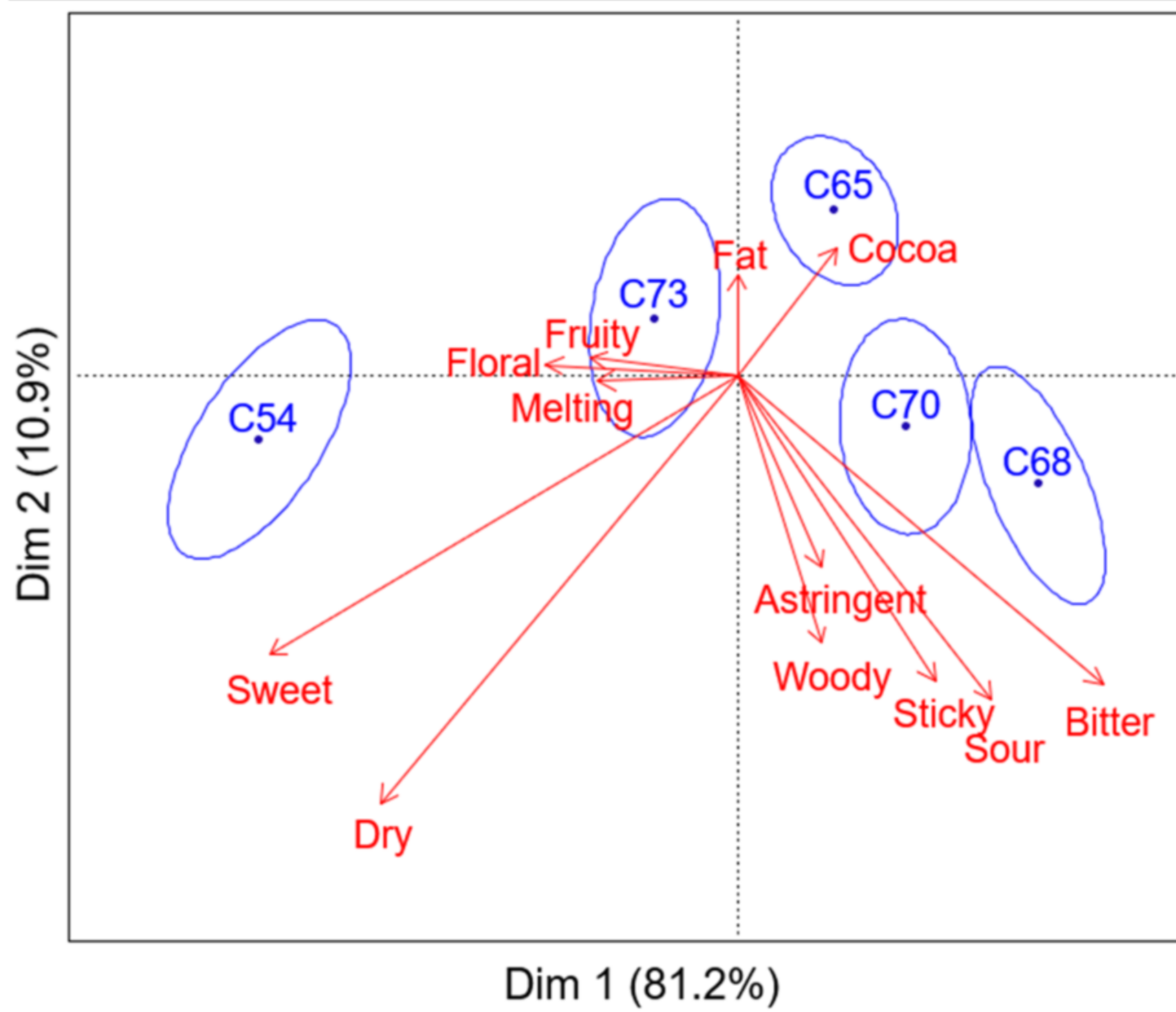


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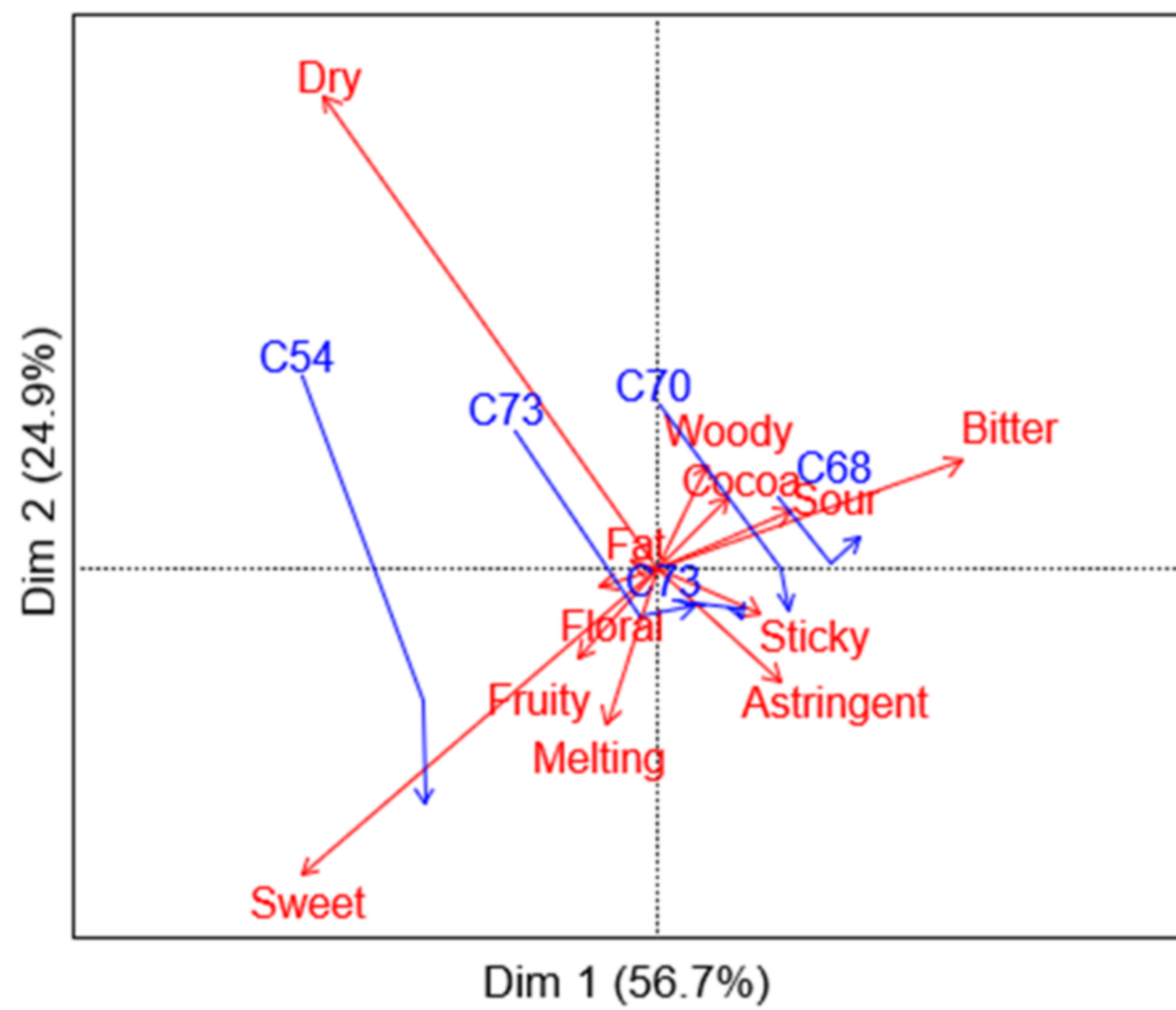


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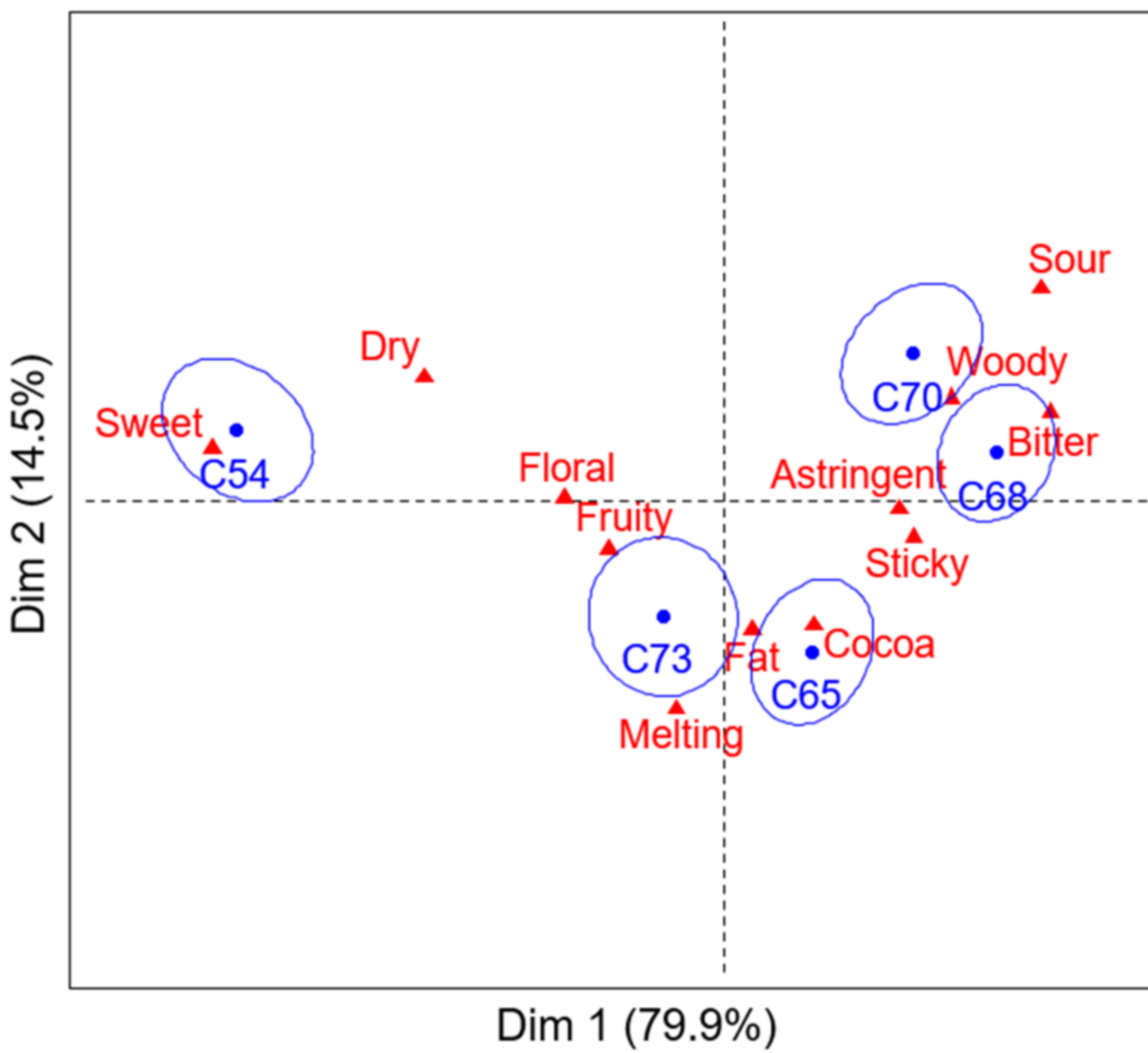
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