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1 English Semantic Feature Production Norms: An Extended Database of 4,436 Concepts

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Abstract

17 A limiting factor in understanding memory and language is often the availability of large
18 numbers of stimuli to use and explore in experimental studies. In this study, we expand on
19 three previous databases of concepts to over 4,000 words including nouns, verbs, adjectives,
20 and other parts of speech. Participants in the study were asked to provide lists of features
21 for each concept presented (a semantic feature production task), which were combined with
22 previous research in this area. These feature lists for each concept were then coded into their
23 root word form and affixes (i.e., *cat* and *s* for *cats*) to explore the impact of word form on
24 semantic similarity measures, which are often calculated by comparing concept feature lists
25 (feature overlap). All concept features, coding, and calculated similarity information is
26 provided in a searchable database for easy access and utilization for future researchers when
27 designing experiments that use word stimuli. The final database of word pairs was combined
28 with the Semantic Priming Project to examine the relation of semantic similarity statistics
29 on semantic priming in tandem with other psycholinguistic variables.

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32 Semantic features are the focus of a large area of research which tries to delineate the
33 semantic representation of a concept. These features are key to models of semantic memory
34 (i.e., memory for facts; Collins & Quillian, 1969; Collins & Loftus, 1975), and they have been
35 used to create both feature based (Cree & McRae, 2003; Smith, Shoben, & Rips, 1974;
36 Vigliocco, Vinson, Lewis, & Garrett, 2004) and distributional based models (Griffiths,
37 Steyvers, & Tenenbaum, 2007; Jones & Mewhort, 2007; Riordan & Jones, 2011). Semantic
38 representation is built in a distributional model by examining the co-occurrence of words in a
39 large text with the idea that similar contexts for concepts indicate similarity in meaning.
40 Feature based models simply indicate that similarity between concepts is defined by their
41 overlapping features. To create feature based similarity, participants were often asked to
42 create lists of properties for categories of words. This property listing was a seminal task
43 with corresponding norms that have been prevalent in the literature (Ashcraft, 1978; Rosch
44 & Mervis, 1975; Toggia, 2009; Toggia & Battig, 1978). Feature production norms are created
45 by soliciting participants to list properties or features of a target concept without focusing
46 on category. These features are then compiled into feature sets that are thought to represent
47 the memory representation of a particular concept (Collins & Loftus, 1975; Collins &
48 Quillian, 1969; Jones, Willits, & Dennis, 2015; McRae & Jones, 2013).

49 For example, when queried on what features define a *cat*, participants may list *tail*,
50 *animal*, and *pet*. These features capture the most common types of descriptions: “is a” and
51 “has a”. Additionally, feature descriptions may include uses, locations, behavior, and gender
52 (i.e., *actor* denotes both a person and gender). The goal of these norms is often to create a
53 set of high-probability features, as there can and will be many idiosyncratic features listed in
54 this task, to explore the nature of concept structure. In the classic view of category
55 structure, concepts have defining features or properties, while the probabilistic view suggests
56 that categories are fuzzy with features that are typical of a concept (Medin, 1989). These

57 norms have now been published in Italian (Montefinese, Ambrosini, Fairfield, & Mammarella,
58 2013; Reverberi, Capitani, & Laiacona, 2004), German (and Italian, Kremer & Baroni, 2011),
59 Portuguese (Stein & de Azevedo Gomes, 2009), Spanish (Vivas, Vivas, Comesaña, Coni, &
60 Vorano, 2017), and Dutch (Ruts et al., 2004), as well as for the blind (Lenci, Baroni,
61 Cazzolli, & Marotta, 2013).

62 Previous work on semantic feature production norms in English includes databases by
63 McRae, Cree, Seidenberg, and McNorgan (2005), Vinson and Vigliocco (2008), Buchanan,
64 Holmes, Teasley, and Hutchison (2013), and Devereux, Tyler, Geertzen, and Randall (2014).
65 McRae et al. (2005)'s feature production norms focused on 541 nouns, specifically living and
66 nonliving objects. Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) expanded the stimuli set by contributing
67 norms for 456 concepts that included both nouns and verbs. Buchanan et al. (2013)
68 broadened to concepts other than nouns and verbs with 1808 concepts normed. The
69 Devereux et al. (2014) norms included a replication of McRae et al. (2005)'s concepts with
70 the addition of several hundred more concrete concepts. The current paper represents nearly
71 two thousand new concepts added to these previous projects and a reanalysis of the original
72 data.

73 Creation of norms is vital to provide investigators with concepts that can be used in
74 future research. The concepts presented in the feature production norming task are usually
75 called *cues*, and the responses to the cue are called *features*. The concept paired with a cue
76 (first word) is denoted as a *target* (second word) in semantic priming tasks. In a lexical
77 decision task, participants are shown cue words before a related or unrelated target word.
78 Their task is to decide if the target word is a word or nonword as quickly as possible. A
79 similar task, naming, involves reading the target word aloud after viewing a related or
80 unrelated cue word. Semantic priming occurs when the target word is recognized (responded
81 to or read aloud) faster after the related cue word in comparison to the unrelated cue word
82 (Moss et al., 1995). The feature list data created from the production task can be used to

83 determine the strength of the relation between cue and target word, often by calculating the
84 feature overlap, or number of shared features between concepts (McRae et al., 2005). Both
85 the cue-feature lists and the cue-cue combinations (i.e., the relation between two cues in a
86 feature production dataset, which becomes a cue-target combination in the priming task) are
87 useful and important data for researchers in exploring various semantic based phenomena.

88 These feature lists can provide insight into the probabilistic nature of language and
89 conceptual structure. Some features are considered more typical (e.g., probable) and are
90 listed more often than others. Further, processing time is speeded for concepts with more
91 listed features, which is referred to as the number of features effect (Cree & McRae, 2003;
92 McRae, Sa, & Seidenberg, 1997; Moss, Tyler, & Devlin, 2002; Pexman, Holyk, & Monfils,
93 2003). The feature production norms can be used as the underlying conceptual data to
94 create models of semantic priming and cognition focusing on cue-target relation (Cree,
95 McRae, & McNorgan, 1999; Rogers & McClelland, 2004; Vigliocco et al., 2004). By selecting
96 stimuli from these norms, others have studied semantic word-picture interference (i.e., slower
97 naming times when distractor words are related category concepts in a picture naming task;
98 Vieth, McMahan, & Zubicaray, 2014), recognition memory (Montefinese, Zannino, &
99 Ambrosini, 2015), meaning-syntactic differences (i.e., differences in naming times based on
100 semantic or syntactic similarity; Vigliocco, Vinson, Damian, & Levelt, 2002; Vigliocco,
101 Vinson, & Siri, 2005), and semantic richness, which is a measure of shared defining features
102 (Grondin, Lupker, & McRae, 2009; Kounios et al., 2009; Yap, Lim, & Pexman, 2015; Yap &
103 Pexman, 2016). Last, neuropsychological research has benefited from feature production
104 norms, as Vinson and Vigliocco (2002) and Vinson, Vigliocco, Cappa, and Siri (2003) have
105 used these norms to explore aphasia (i.e., the loss of understanding speech).

106 However, it would be unwise to consider these norms as an exact representation of a
107 concept in memory (McRae et al., 2005). These norms represent salient features that
108 participants can recall, likely because saliency is considered special to our understanding of

109 concepts (Cree & McRae, 2003). Additionally, Barsalou (2003) suggested that participants
110 are likely creating a mental model of the concept based on experience and using that model
111 to create a feature property list. This model may represent a specific instance of a category
112 (i.e., their pet dog), and feature lists will represent that particular memory. One potential
113 solution to overcome saliency effects would be to solicit applicability ratings for features
114 across multiple exemplars of a category, as De Deyne et al. (2008) have shown that this
115 procedure provides reliable ratings across exemplars and provides more connections than the
116 sparse representations that can occur when producing features.

117 Computational modeling of memory requires sufficiently large datasets to accurately
118 portray semantic memory, therefore, the advantage of big data in psycholinguistics cannot be
119 understated. There are many large corpora that could be used for exploring the structure of
120 language and memory through frequency (see the SUBTLEX projects Brysbaert & New,
121 2009; New, Brysbaert, Veronis, & Pallier, 2007). Additionally, there are large lexicon
122 projects that explore how the basic features of words affect semantic priming, such as
123 orthographic neighborhood (words that are one letter different from the cue), length, and
124 part of speech (Balota et al., 2007; Keuleers, Lacey, Rastle, & Brysbaert, 2012). In contrast
125 to these basic linguistic features of words, other norming efforts have involved subjective
126 ratings of concepts. Large databases of age of acquisition (i.e., rated age of learning the
127 concept; Kuperman, Stadthagen-Gonzalez, & Brysbaert, 2012), concreteness (i.e., rating of
128 how perceptible a concept is; Brysbaert, Warriner, & Kuperman, 2014), and valence (i.e.,
129 rating of emotion in a concept; Warriner, Kuperman, & Brysbaert, 2013) provide further
130 avenues for understanding the impact these rated properties have on semantic memory. For
131 example, age of acquisition and concreteness ratings have been shown to predict performance
132 on recall tasks (Brysbaert et al., 2014; Dewhurst, Hitch, & Barry, 1998), while valence
133 ratings are useful for gauging the effects of emotion on meaning (Warriner et al., 2013).
134 These projects represent a small subset of the larger normed stimuli available (Buchanan,
135 Valentine, & Maxwell, 2018), however, research is still limited by the overlap between these

136 datasets. If a researcher wishes to control for lexical characteristics and subjective rating
137 variables, the inclusion of each new variable to the study will further restrict the item pool
138 for study. Large, overlapping datasets are crucial for exploring the entire range of an effect
139 ensuring that the stimuli set is not the only contributing factor to the results of a study.

140 Therefore, the purpose of this study was to expand the number of cue and feature word
141 stimuli available, which additionally increases the possible cue-target pairings for studies
142 using word-pair stimuli (like semantic priming tasks). To accomplish these goals, we have
143 expanded our original semantic feature production norms (Buchanan et al., 2013) to include
144 all cues and targets from The Semantic Priming Project (Hutchison et al., 2013). The
145 existing norms were reprocessed along with these new norms to provide new feature coding
146 and affixes (i.e., word addition that modifies meaning, such as *pre* or *ing*) to explore the
147 impact of word form. Previously, Buchanan et al. (2013) illustrated convergent validity with
148 McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) even with a different approach to
149 processing feature production data. In McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008),
150 features were coded with complexity, matching the “is a” and “has a” format that was first
151 found in Collins and Quillian (1969) and Collins and Loftus (1975). Buchanan et al. (2013)
152 took a count based approach, wherein each feature is treated as a separate concept (i.e., *four*
153 *legs* would be treated as two features, rather than one complex feature). Both approaches
154 allow for the computation of similarity by comparing feature lists for cue words, however, the
155 count based approach matches popular computational models, such as Latent Semantic
156 Analysis (Landauer & Dumais, 1997) and Hyperspace Analogue to Language (Lund &
157 Burgess, 1996). These models treat each word in a document or text as a cue word and
158 similarity is computed by assessing a matrix of frequency counts between concepts and texts,
159 which is similar to comparing overlapping feature lists.

160 In contrast, hybrid models include both a compositional view (i.e., words are first
161 broken down into their components *cat* and *s*; Jarvella & Meijers, 1983; Mackay, 1978) and a

162 full-listing view (i.e., each word form is represented completely separately, *cat* and *cats*
163 Bradley, 1980; Butterworth, 1983), and processing occurs as a race between each type of
164 representation. Given these various models, we created a coding system to capture the
165 feature word meaning, in addition to morphology, to provide different levels of information
166 about each cue-feature combination. In the previous study by Buchanan et al. (2013), each
167 feature was converted to a common form if they denoted the same concept (i.e., most
168 features were translated to their root form). To reduce the sparsity of the matrix, features
169 such as *beauty* or *beautiful* are grouped together to help capture the essential features.
170 However, we previously included a few exceptions to this coding system, such as *act* and
171 *actor* when the differences in features denoted a change of action (noun/verb) or gender or
172 cue sets did not overlap (i.e., features like *will* and *willing* did not have overlapping
173 associated cues). These exceptions were designed to capture how changes in morphology
174 might be important cues to word meaning, as hybrid models of word identification have
175 outlined that morpheme processing can be complex (Caramazza, Laudanna, & Romani,
176 1988; Marslen-Wilson, Tyler, Waksler, & Older, 1994). In this study, we reduced words to
177 their root form, but additionally coded the affixes to ensure a reduction in sparsity and
178 morphological information was included.

179 The entire dataset is available at <http://wordnorms.com/> which allows the use of
180 detailed queries to search for specific stimuli. The data collection, (re)processing, website,
181 and finalized dataset are detailed below. The basic properties of the cue-feature data will be
182 detailed, such as the average number of features each cue elicited across parts of speech and
183 datasets. The cue-feature data will be explored for divergent validity from the free
184 association norms to show evidence that the new feature production norms provide
185 additional information not found in the Nelson, McEvoy, and Schreiber (2004) dataset. We
186 then provide details on how to calculate semantic similarity and then use these values to
187 portray convergent validity by correlating multiple measures of meaning. Additionally, the
188 similarity measures are compared to the priming times from the Semantic Priming Project

189 (Hutchison et al., 2013) to demonstrate the relation between semantic similarity and priming.

190

Method

191 Participants

192 A total of 198 new participants were recruited from Amazon’s Mechanical Turk, which
193 is a large, diverse participant pool wherein users can complete surveys for small sums of
194 money (Buhrmester, Kwang, & Gosling, 2011). Participants signed up for the HITS through
195 Amazon’s Mechanical Turk website and completed the study within the Mechanical Turk
196 framework. These data were combined with previously collected datasets, for which we list
197 the location of testing, sample size and number of concepts in Table 1. Participant answers
198 were screened for errors, and incorrect or incomplete surveys were rejected or discarded
199 without payment. These surveys were usually rejected if they included copied definitions
200 from Wikipedia, “I don’t know”, or the participant wrote a paragraph about the concept.
201 Each participant was paid five cents for a survey, and they could complete multiple Human
202 Intelligence Tasks or HITS. Participants were required to be located in the United States
203 with a HIT approval rate of at least 80%, and no other special qualifications were required.
204 HITS would remain active until $n = 30$ valid survey answers were obtained.

205 Materials

206 The 1914 new concepts provided in this study expands upon the 1808 concepts
207 previously published in Buchanan et al. (2013) and provides complete coverage of the
208 Semantic Priming Project (Hutchison et al., 2013). The concept set from Buchanan et al.
209 (2013) was selected primarily from the Nelson et al. (2004) database, with small overlaps in
210 the McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) database sets for convergent
211 validity. To create the final database of 4436 concepts, the Buchanan et al. (2013), McRae et

212 al. (2005), and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) feature lists were all combined into one larger
213 dataset. Concepts were labeled by their most frequent part of speech using the English
214 Lexicon Project (Balota et al., 2007) and Google’s define search. The complete dataset of
215 4436 concepts includes: 70.4% of concepts were nouns, 14.9% adjectives, 12.4% verbs, and
216 2.3% were other forms of speech, such as adverbs and conjunctions. The new concepts from
217 this norming set only constituted: 72.0% nouns, 14.9% adjectives, 12.4% verbs, and 2.3%
218 other parts of speech.

219 Procedure

220 The survey instructions were copied from McRae et al. (2005)’s Appendix B, which
221 were also used in the previous publication of these norms. Because the McRae et al. (2005)
222 data were collected on paper, we modified these instructions slightly. The original lines to
223 write in responses were changed to an online text box response window. The detailed
224 instructions additionally no longer contained information about how a participant should
225 only consider the noun of the target concept, as the words in our study included multiple
226 forms of speech and senses. Participants were encouraged to list the properties or features of
227 each concept in the following areas: physical (looks, sounds, and feels), functional (uses), and
228 categorical (belongings). The exact instructions were as follows:

229 *We want to know how people read words for meaning. Please fill in features of the word*
230 *that you can think of. Examples of different types of features would be: how it looks, sounds,*
231 *smells, feels, or tastes; what it is made of; what it is used for; and where it comes from. Here*
232 *is an example:*

233 *duck: is a bird, is an animal, waddles, flies, migrates, lays eggs, quacks, swims, has*
234 *wings, has a beak, has webbed feet, has feathers, lives in ponds, lives in water, hunted by*
235 *people, is edible*

236 *Complete this questionnaire reasonably quickly, but try to list at least a few properties*
237 *for each word. Thank you very much for completing this questionnaire.*

238 **Data Processing**

239 The entire dataset, at each processing stage described here, can be found at:
240 <https://osf.io/cjyzw/>.¹ First, each concept’s answers were separated into an individual text
241 file that is included as the “raw” data online. Each of these files was then spell checked and
242 corrected if it was clear that the participant answer was a typo. As noted earlier,
243 participants often cut and paste Wikipedia or other online dictionary sources into the their
244 answers. These entries were easily spotted because the formatting of the webpage was
245 included in their answer, and we processed this data by opening the raw text files that were
246 compiled for each cue, looking for these large blocks of formatted text, and deleting that
247 information. Approximately 113 HITS were rejected because of poor data, and 4524 HITS
248 were paid. Therefore, we estimate approximately 2% of the HITS included Wikipedia articles
249 or other ineligible entries.

250 Next, each concept was processed for feature frequency. In this stage, the raw frequency
251 counts of each cue-feature combination were calculated and put together into one large file.
252 Cue-cue combinations were discarded, as they were often participants writing the definition
253 of a concept in a sentence. English stop words such as *the*, *an*, *of* were then discarded, as
254 well as terms that were often used as part of a definition (*like*, *means*, *describes*). Figure 1
255 portrays the cue-feature dataset provided online. The first column in the dataset (“where”)
256 indicates the norming of the cue: b = Buchanan et al. (2013) or this expansion, m = McRae

¹On our OSF page, we have included a detailed processing guide on how concepts were examined for this publication. This paper was written with *R* markdown (R Core Team, 2017) and *papaja* (Aust & Barth, 2018). The markdown document allows an interested reader to view the scripts that created the article in line with the written text. However, the processing of the text documents was performed on the raw files, and therefore, we have included the processing guide for transparency of each stage.

257 et al. (2005), and $v =$ Vinson and Vigliocco (2008). The next column is the “cue” or concept
258 word, followed by the “feature” or raw, unprocessed feature listed with the cue.

259 We then created a “translated” column for each feature listed by using a Snowball
260 stemmer (Porter, 2001) and hand coding. This column indicates the root word for each
261 feature. The “frequency_feature” column portrays the frequency of the “feature” column
262 (raw word), while the “frequency_translated” includes the frequency of the “translated”
263 column. As you can see in Figure 1, *leave*, *leaving*, and *left* were combined into *leave* for the
264 “translated” column and the frequency of each of the raw words in the “frequency_feature”
265 column was then totaled for the “frequency_translated” column. The affixes were added in
266 the columns “a1”, “a2”, and “a3” (not pictured). For example, the original feature *cats*
267 would be translated to *cat* and *s*, wherein *cat* would be the translated feature and the *s*
268 would be the affix code.

269 The “n” column denotes the sample size for that cue word, as the sample sizes varied
270 across experiment time, as shown in Table 1. The “normalized_feature” and
271 “normalized_translated” columns are the two frequency columns divided by sample size
272 times 100 (i.e., the percent of participants who used each raw and translated feature for that
273 cue word). At this stage, the data were reduced to cue-feature combinations that were listed
274 by at least 16% of participants (matching McRae et al., 2005’s procedure) or were in the top
275 five features listed for that cue. This calculation was performed on the feature percent for
276 the root word (the “normalized_translated” column). Table 2 indicates the average number
277 of cue-feature pairs found for each data collection site/time point and part of speech for the
278 cue word. The data from McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) were added
279 by including all the cue-feature combinations listed in their supplemental files with their
280 original feature in the “feature” column. If features could be translated into root words with
281 affixes, the same procedure as described above was applied. The cue-feature file includes
282 69284 cue-raw feature combinations, where 48925 are from our dataset, and 24449 of which

283 are unique cue-translated feature combinations.

284 The parts of speech for the cue (“pos_cue”), raw feature (“pos_feature”), and
 285 translated feature (“pos_translated”) are the next columns in this file. Table 3 depicts the
 286 pattern of feature responses for cue-feature part of speech combinations. Statistics in Table 3
 287 only include information from the reprocessed Buchanan et al. (2013) norms and the new
 288 cues collected for this project. The overall percent of part of speech combinations are
 289 presented in the “% Raw” and “% Root” columns in Table 3, indicating, for example, the
 290 percent of time that both the cue and feature were both adjectives (38.09%). The mean
 291 frequency columns portray the average of the “normalized_feature” (raw) and
 292 “normalized_translated” (root) columns from Figure 1 for each cue-feature part of speech
 293 combination.

294 The final data processing step was to code affixes found on the original features.
 295 Multiple affix codes were often needed for features, as *beautifully* would have been translated
 296 to *beauty*, *ful*, and *ly* (the “feature”, “a1”, and “a2” columns). A coding schema was created
 297 from online searches of affixes (provided in the supplemental materials). Table 4 displays the
 298 list of affix types, common examples for each type of affix, and the percent of affixes that fell
 299 into each category. Generally, affixes were tagged in a one-to-one match, however, special
 300 care was taken with numbers (*cats*) and verb tenses (*walks*).

301 To create similarity measures, we used cosine calculated in three different ways: by the
 302 “feature” + “normalized_feature” percentages, the “translated” + “normalized_translated”
 303 percentages, and affixes + “normalized_feature” percentages (as the frequency of affixes is
 304 tied to the original raw word). Cosine values were calculated for each of these feature sets by
 305 using the following formula:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \times B_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n A_i^2} \times \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n B_i^2}}$$

306 This formula is similar to a dot-product correlation, where A_i and B_i indicate the
307 overlapping frequency percent between cue A and cue B. The i subscript denotes the current
308 feature, and when features match, the frequencies are multiplied together and summed
309 across all matches (Σ). For the denominator, the feature frequency is first squared and
310 summed from i to n features for cue A and B. The square root of these summation values is
311 then multiplied together. In essence, the numerator calculates the overlap of feature
312 frequency for matching features, while the denominator accounts for the entire feature
313 frequency set for each cue. Cosine values range from 0 (no overlapping features) to 1
314 (complete overlapping features). With over four thousand cue words from all data sources
315 (i.e., the current paper plus; Buchanan et al., 2013; McRae et al., 2005; Vinson & Vigliocco,
316 2008), just under twenty million cue-cue cosine combinations can be calculated.

317 Website

318 In addition to our OSF page, we present a revamped website for this data at
319 <http://www.wordnorms.com/>. The single word norms page includes information about each
320 of the cue words including cue set size, concreteness, word frequency from multiple sources,
321 length, full part of speech, orthographic/phonographic neighborhood, and number of
322 phonemes, syllables, and morphemes. These values were taken from Nelson et al. (2004),
323 Balota et al. (2007), and Brysbaert and New (2009). A definition of each of these variables
324 is provided along with the minimum, maximum, mean, and standard deviation of numeric
325 values.² On the word pair norms page, all information about cue-feature and cue-cue
326 statistics can be found. The cue-feature data includes the cue, features, and their processed

²The table is programmed using Shiny apps (Chang, Cheng, Allaire, Xie, & McPherson, 2017). Shiny is an *R* package that allows the creation of dynamic graphical user interfaces for interactive web applications. The advantage to using Shiny applications is data manipulation and visualization with the additional bonus of up to date statistics for provided data (i.e., as typos are fixed or data is updated, the web app will display the most recent calculations).

327 information, as described above. The cue-cue data includes the cue and target words from
328 this project (cue-cue combinations), the root, raw, and affix cosines described above, as well
329 as the original Buchanan et al. (2013) cosines. Additional semantic information includes
330 Latent Semantic Analysis (LSA; Landauer & Dumais, 1997) and JCN (JCN stands for
331 Jiang-Conrath, see explanation below; Jiang & Conrath, 1997) values provided in the Maki,
332 McKinley, and Thompson (2004) norms, along with forward strength and backward strength
333 (FSG; BSG) from the Nelson et al. (2004) norms for association. Users can search and save
334 filtered output in a csv or Excel file. The complete data is also provided for download.

335 We have provided the data on the website to calculate a broad range of linguistic
336 information or simply use the provided values. From our OSF page (also linked to GitHub:
337 <https://github.com/doomlab/Word-Norms-2>), you can find the data at each stage of
338 processing and final data from this manuscript. Interested researchers could use our raw
339 feature files to create their own coding schemes (or ones similar to McRae et al., 2005), use
340 the processed files to calculate set sizes for each cue or feature, and use these files plus the
341 cosine files to create their own experimental stimuli. These data could also be used to
342 calculate other measures of interest, such as pointwise positive mutual information, entropy,
343 and random walk statistics (De Deyne, Navarro, Perfors, & Storms, 2016).

344 Results

345 Research Questions

346 In this section, we will detail the results of the new data collection and reprocessing of
347 previous data.

348 1) Descriptive Statistics: First, we provide descriptive statistics on the cue-feature lists to
349 compare the newly collected concepts ($n = 1914$) to the Buchanan et al. (2013) data
350 ($n = 1808$). The data were then examined for general trends in parts of speech for

351 cue-feature pairs for both raw and root translated words. The affixes were a new and
352 important component to this study, and their descriptive statistics are detailed.

353 2) Divergent Validity: When collecting semantic feature production norms, there can be a
354 concern that the information produced will simply mimic the free association norms,
355 and thus, be a more of representation of association (context) rather than meaning.
356 Association and meaning do overlap, however, the variables used to represent these
357 concepts have been shown to tap different underlying constructs (Maki & Buchanan,
358 2008). Therefore, it is important to show that, while some overlap is expected, the
359 semantic feature production norms provide useful, separate information from the free
360 association norms. To ensure divergent validity, we examined the percent overlap and
361 correlations between the cue-feature data and the free association norms (Nelson et al.,
362 2004).

363 3) Convergent Validity: The new data and Buchanan et al. (2013) were then compared to
364 the McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) to portray convergent
365 validity. We calculated the cosine values between matching cue sets, and correlated the
366 cosine scores between overlapping cue-cue pairs in these datasets. For a second form of
367 convergent validity, the correlation between other semantic similarity measures (LSA,
368 JCN) and cosine values are provided.

369 4) Relation to Semantic Priming: Last, we examined the correlation between semantic
370 similarity values and semantic priming using the data in the Semantic Priming Project
371 (Hutchison et al., 2013). This project was designed to provide complete coverage of the
372 Semantic Priming Project, we wished to explore the relation between similarity
373 measures and the priming scores provided, as a potential use for the new norms.

374 **Descriptive Data**

375 An examination of the results of the cue-feature lists indicated that the new data
376 collected was similar to the previous semantic feature production norms. As shown in Table
377 2, the new Mechanical Turk data showed roughly the same number of listed features for each
378 cue concept, usually between five to seven features. These numbers represent, for each cue
379 and part of speech, the average number of distinct cue-feature pairs provided by participants
380 after processing. Table 3 portrayed that adjective cues generally included other adjectives or
381 nouns as features, while noun cues were predominately described by other nouns. Verb cues
382 included a large feature list of nouns and other verbs, followed by adjectives and other word
383 forms. Lastly, the other cue types generally elicited nouns and verbs. Frequency percentages
384 were generally between seven and twenty percent when examining the raw words. These
385 words included multiple forms, as the percent increased to around thirty percent when
386 features were translated into their root words. Indeed, nearly half of the 48925 cue-feature
387 pairs were repeated, as 24449 cue-feature pairs were unique when examining translated
388 features. Generally, because of the translation process, word forms shifted towards nouns
389 and verbs and away from adjectives because adjectives are often formed by adding an affix to
390 a noun or verb.

391 Table 4 shows the distribution of these affix values. A total of 36030 affix values were
392 found across 4407 of the 4436 cue concepts. The total number of affixes was broken into:
393 first $n = 33052$, second $n = 2832$, and third $n = 146$. The most affixes were found in the
394 numbers and characteristic categories, indicating that participants were indicating quantity
395 and type (i.e., to/from a noun). Verb tenses comprised another large set of affixes portraying
396 the action of the cue word. Persons and objects affixes were used about 7% of the time on
397 features to explain cues, while actions and processes were added to the feature about 8% of
398 the time.

399 **Divergent Validity**

400 Table 5 portrays the overlap with the Nelson et al. (2004) norms. The percent of time
401 a cue-feature combination was present in the free association norms was calculated, along
402 with the average forward strength for those overlapping pairs. First, these values were
403 calculated on the complete dataset with the McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco
404 (2008) norms (as we are presenting them as a combined dataset) on the translated
405 cue-feature set only. Because we used the translated cue-feature set, repeated instances of
406 cue-features would occur (i.e., the original *abandon-leave* and *abandon-leaving* is only one
407 line when using translated *abandon-leave*), and thus only the unique set was considered.
408 Second, we calculated these values on each dataset separately, as well as for the 26 cues that
409 overlapped in all three datasets. The overall overlap between the database cue-feature sets
410 and the free association cue-target sets was approximately 37%, ranging from 32% for verbs
411 and nearly 52% for adjectives.

412 Next, we investigated the strength of the relation between cue-feature combinations
413 that were present in the Nelson et al. (2004) norms. Forward strength indicates the number
414 of times a target word was listed in response to a cue word in a free association task, which
415 simply asks participants to name the first word that comes to mind when presented with a
416 cue word. Backward strength is the number of times a cue word was listed with a target
417 word, as free association is directional (i.e., the number of times *cheese* is listed in response to
418 *cheddar* is not the same as the number of times that *cheddar* is listed in response to *cheese*).

419 Similar to our previous results, the range of the forward strength was large (.01 - .94),
420 however, the average forward strength was low for overlapping pairs, $M = .11$ ($SD = .14$).
421 These results indicated that while it will always be difficult to separate association and
422 meaning, the dataset presented here represents a low association when examining
423 overlapping values, and more than 60% of the data is completely separate from the free

424 association norms. The limitation to this finding is the removal of idiosyncratic responses
425 from the Nelson et al. (2004) norms; but even if these were to be included in some form, the
426 average forward strength would still be quite low when comparing cue-feature lists to
427 cue-target lists. In examining these values by dataset, it appears that the new norms have
428 the highest overlap with the Nelson et al. (2004) data, while the average, standard deviation,
429 minimum, and maximum values were roughly similar for each dataset and the overlapping
430 cues. This effect is likely driven by the inclusion of adjectives and other forms of speech,
431 which show higher overlaps than nouns and verbs, which represent the cues present in
432 McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008).

433 In the last column of Table 5, we calculated the correlation between forward strength
434 and the frequency percent for the the root (translated) cue-feature pairs. This correlation
435 provides information about the relation between the strength of the association and the
436 frequency of cue-feature mentions. Correlations were similar across parts of speech except,
437 notably, the other category included the lowest relation. This result is likely because the
438 instructions of a semantic feature production task might exclude normal “first word that
439 pops into your mind” association task concepts. The correlations across datasets and the
440 overlapping cues were also similar, denoting that as forward strength increased, the
441 likelihood of the cue-feature mentions also increased. In general, these cue-feature pairs were
442 still of low associative strength, as shown in the mean column of Table 5.

443 **Convergent Validity**

444 For convergent validity, we calculated the overlap between the different data sources
445 and the correlation between cosine and other measures of semantic similarity. First, the
446 matching cue-cue cosines between data sources were calculated ($n_{cue} = 188$, $n_{cosines} = 240$).
447 Buchanan et al. (2013) and the new dataset are listed with the subscript B, while McRae et
448 al. (2005) is referred to with M and V for Vinson and Vigliocco (2008). For root cosine

449 values, we found high overlap between all three datasets: $M_{BM} = .67$ ($SD = .14$), $M_{BV} =$
450 $.66$ ($SD = .18$), and $M_{MV} = .72$ ($SD = .11$). The raw cosine values were also correlated,
451 even though the McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) datasets were already
452 mostly preprocessed for word stems: $M_{BM} = .55$ ($SD = .15$), $M_{BV} = .54$ ($SD = .20$), and
453 $M_{MV} = .45$ ($SD = .19$). Last, the affix cosines overlapped similarly between Buchanan et al.
454 (2013) and McRae et al. (2005) datasets, $M_{BM} = .43$ ($SD = .29$), but did not overlap with
455 the Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) datasets: $M_{BV} = .04$ ($SD = .14$), and $M_{MV} = .09$ ($SD =$
456 $.19$), likely due to Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) dataset preprocessing.

457 These values were then correlated with Latent Semantic Analysis score (LSA), and
458 Jiang-Conrath semantic distance (JCN). LSA is one of the most well-known semantic
459 memory models (Landauer & Dumais, 1997; McRae & Jones, 2013), wherein a large text
460 corpus (i.e., many texts) is used to create a word by document (i.e., each text) matrix. From
461 this matrix, words are weighted relative to their frequency, and singular value decomposition
462 is then used to select only the largest semantic components. This process creates a word
463 space that can then be used to calculate the relation between two cues by examining the
464 patterns of their occurrence across documents, usually cosine or correlation. JCN is
465 calculated from an online dictionary (WordNet; Fellbaum & Felbaum, 1998), by measuring
466 the semantic distance between concepts in a hierarchical structure. JCN is backwards coded,
467 as zero values indicate close semantic neighbors (low dictionary distance) and high values
468 indicate low semantic relation. These two measures were selected for convergent validity
469 because they are well-cited measures of meaning. To examine if the type of processing
470 impacted convergent validity of the dataset, we calculated the McRae et al. (2005) and
471 Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) cosine values based on their original cue-feature matrices
472 provided in their publications. These datasets were coded for more complex features in a
473 propositional style (“is a”, “has a”), while our processing took a single word count based
474 approach. Therefore, providing the original processing correlations allows one to examine if
475 the cosine values provided are convergent, as well as similarly correlated across other

476 measures of meaning.

477 Table 6 displays the correlations between similarity measures. Of particular interest
478 was the different processing styles between previous publications and the current paper
479 (“MV COS”, “PCOS”, “Raw”, and “Root”), and these correlations were all $r > .80$
480 indicating convergent validity. The affix measures indicated medium to large size correlations
481 with the cosine measures, and approximately the same size correlations with the other
482 similarity measures implying a different but still related piece of information in our affix
483 values. The small negative correlations between JCN and cosine measures replicated
484 previous findings (Buchanan et al., 2013). LSA values showed small positive correlations
485 with cosine values, indicating some overlap with thematic information and semantic feature
486 overlap (Maki & Buchanan, 2008). The correlation between propositional processing (“MV
487 COS” column) and JCN was higher than the new root cosine measure (-.39 versus -.18
488 respectively). JCN is created through a hierarchical dictionary with a structure similar to
489 the complex propositional coding provided in McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco
490 (2008), and correspondingly, the relation between them is stronger.

491 **Relation to Semantic Priming**

492 The correlation between our cosine values and the Z -priming values from the Semantic
493 Priming Project were examined. The Semantic Priming Project includes lexical decision (i.e.,
494 responding if a presented string is a word or nonword) and naming (i.e., reading a concept
495 aloud) response latencies for priming at 200 and 1200 ms stimulus onset asynchronies (SOA).
496 In these experiments, participants were shown cue-target words that were either the first
497 associate of a concept or an other associate (second response or higher in the Nelson et al.,
498 2004 norms) with the delay between the cue and target at 200 or 1200 ms SOA. The
499 response latency of the target word in the related condition (either first or other associate)
500 was subtracted from the response latency in the unrelated condition to create a priming

501 response latency. We selected the Z -scored priming from the dataset to correlate with our
502 data, as Hutchison et al. (2013) demonstrated that the Z -scored data more accurately
503 captures priming controlled for individual differences in response latencies.

504 In addition to root, raw, and affix cosine, we additionally calculated feature set size for
505 the cue and target of the primed pairs. Feature set size is the number of features listed by
506 participants when creating the norms for that concept. Because of the nature of our norms,
507 we calculated both feature set size for the raw, untranslated features, as well as the
508 translated features. The average feature set sizes for our dataset can be found in Table 2.
509 The last variable included was cosine set size which was defined as the number of other
510 concepts each cue or target was nonzero paired with in the cosine values. Feature set size
511 indicates the number of features listed for each cue or target, while cosine set size indicates
512 the number of other semantically related concepts for each cue or target. Feature and cue set
513 size are often called semantic richness, representing the variability or extent of associated
514 information for a cue (Buchanan, Westbury, & Burgess, 2001; Pexman, Hargreaves, Edwards,
515 Henry, & Goodyear, 2007; Pexman, Hargreaves, Siakaluk, Bodner, & Pope, 2008). Several
516 studies have showed the positive effects of semantic richness on semantic tasks based on task
517 demand (Duñabeitia, Avilés, & Carreiras, 2008; Pexman et al., 2008; Yap, Pexman, Wellsby,
518 Hargreaves, & Huff, 2012; Yap, Tan, Pexman, & Hargreaves, 2011), and thus, they were
519 included as important variables to examine.

520 Tables 7 (for the lexical decision task) and 8 (for the naming task) display the
521 correlations between the new semantic variables described above, as well as forward strength,
522 backward strength, Latent Semantic Analysis score, and Jiang-Conrath semantic distance for
523 reference. Only cue-target pairs with complete values were included in this analysis to allow
524 for comparison between correlations. Looking at both tables reveals that most of the
525 correlations between semantic/associative similarity and priming are nearly zero or very
526 small. The notable exceptions are lexical decision priming times and semantic richness,

527 which showed some medium correlations ($r_s \sim .3$) for feature set sizes; however, this effect
528 did not appear in the naming data.

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Discussion

530 This research project focused on expanding the availability of English semantic feature
531 overlap norms, in an effort to provide more coverage of concepts that occur in other large
532 database projects like the Semantic Priming and English Lexicon Projects. The number and
533 breadth of linguistic variables and normed databases has increased over the years, however,
534 researchers can still be limited by the concept overlap between them. Projects like the Small
535 World of Words provide newly expanded datasets for association norms (De Deyne, Navarro,
536 Perfors, Brysbaert, & Storms, 2018), and our work helps fill the voids for corresponding
537 semantic norms. To provide the largest dataset of similar data, we combined the newly
538 collected data with previous work by using Buchanan et al. (2013), McRae et al. (2005), and
539 Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) together. These norms were reprocessed from previous work to
540 explore the impact of feature coding for feature overlap. As shown in the correlation between
541 root and raw cosines, the parsing of words to root form created very similar results across
542 other variables. This finding does not imply that these cosine values are the same, as root
543 cosines were larger than their corresponding raw cosine. It does, however, imply that the
544 cue-feature coding can produce similar results in raw or translated format. Because the
545 correlation between the current paper's cosine values and the previous cosine values was high
546 ($r_s = .91$ and $.94$), we would suggest using the new values, simply for the increase in dataset
547 size.

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549 Of particular interest was the information that is often lost when translating raw
550 features back to a root word. One surprising result in this study was the sheer number of
551 affixes present on each cue word. With these values, we believe we have captured some of the
nuance that is often discarded in this type of research. Affix cosines were less related than

552 other cosines to their feature root and raw counterparts. Potentially, affix overlap can be
553 used to add small but meaningful predictive value to related semantic phenomena. Further
554 investigation into the compound prediction of these variables is warranted to fully explore
555 how these, and other lexical variables, may be used to understand semantic priming. An
556 examination of the cosine values from the Semantic Priming Project cue-target set indicates
557 that these values were low, with many zeros (i.e., no feature overlap between cues and
558 targets). This restriction of range of the cosine relatedness could explain the small
559 correlations with priming because the semantic priming was variable, but the cosine values
560 were not.

561 One important limitation of the instructions in this study is that multiple senses of
562 concepts were not distinguished. We did not wish to prime participants for specific senses to
563 capture the features for multiple senses of a concept, however, this procedure could lead to
564 lower cosine values for concepts that might intuitively seem very related. The affixes could
565 shed light on the polysemy of cues, as normal processing of features might exclude
566 characteristic, location or magnitude type cues. The cue-feature lists could be examined for
567 different senses and categorized by their ontology.

568 We encourage readers to use the corresponding website associated with these norms to
569 download the data, explore the Shiny apps, and use the options provided for controlled
570 experimental stimuli creation. We previously documented the limitations of feature
571 production norms that rely on single word instances as their features (i.e., *four* and *legs*),
572 rather than combined phrase sets. One potential limitation, then, is the inability to create
573 fine distinctions between cues; however, the small feature set sizes imply that the granulation
574 of features is large, since many distinguishing features are often never listed in these tasks.
575 For instance, *dogs* are living creatures, but *has lungs* or *has skin* would usually not be listed
576 during a feature production task, and thus, feature sets should not be considered a complete
577 snapshot of mental representation (Rogers & McClelland, 2004). Additionally, the

578 cue-feature lists could be explored for the type of cue-feature representation that is listed for
579 each part of speech (i.e., physical, functional, etc.) and the complexity in coding could be
580 increased or decreased depending on the researcher's goal. The previous data and other
581 norms were purposely combined in the recoded format, so that researchers could use the
582 entire set of available norms which increases comparability across datasets. Given the strong
583 correlation between databases, we suspect that using single word features does not reduce
584 their reliability and validity. We found high correlations between the different types of
585 feature coding (i.e., complex/propositional versus single word/count), thus suggesting that
586 either dataset could be used for future work where the advantage of the current project is
587 the size of the norms.

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Table 1

*Sample Size and Concept Norming Size for Each Data Collection**Location/Time Point*

Institution	Total Participants	Concepts	Mean <i>N</i>
University of Mississippi	749	658	67.8
Missouri State University	1420	720	71.4
Montana State University	127	120	63.5
Mechanical Turk 1	571	310	60
Mechanical Turk 2	198	1914	30

Table 2

Average (SD) Cue-Feature Pairs by Location/Time Point

Institution	Adjective	Noun	Verb	Other	Total
University of Mississippi	5.57 (1.53)	7.35 (4.05)	5.33 (0.87)	6.01 (2.11)	6.71 (3.44)
Missouri State University	5.74 (1.56)	6.85 (2.82)	6.67 (2.08)	7.45 (5.35)	6.65 (2.92)
Montana State University	5.81 (1.74)	7.25 (3.35)	5.59 (1.13)	5.76 (1.74)	6.69 (2.93)
Mechanical Turk 1	6.27 (2.28)	7.74 (4.34)	5.77 (1.17)	5.57 (1.40)	7.14 (3.79)
Mechanical Turk 2	5.76 (1.36)	6.62 (1.85)	5.92 (1.38)	5.78 (1.17)	6.38 (1.75)
Total	5.78 (1.61)	6.94 (2.88)	5.67 (1.18)	5.84 (1.71)	6.57 (2.60)

Table 3

Percent and Average Percent of Frequency for Cue-Feature Part of Speech Combinations

Cue Type	Feature Type	% Raw	% Root	<i>M</i> (SD) Freq. Raw	<i>M</i> (SD) Freq. Root
Adjective	Adjective	38.09	29.74	17.84 (16.47)	30.02 (18.83)
	Noun	40.02	46.74	13.14 (14.96)	29.71 (19.94)
	Verb	17.69	20.72	8.51 (9.78)	26.88 (17.27)
	Other	4.20	2.80	15.17 (15.64)	28.04 (15.54)
Noun	Adjective	16.56	12.07	15.55 (15.17)	31.20 (18.17)
	Noun	60.85	62.67	17.21 (17.01)	33.26 (20.05)
	Verb	20.80	23.68	8.88 (9.73)	31.01 (17.87)
	Other	1.79	1.58	17.06 (15.29)	28.87 (17.14)
Verb	Adjective	15.16	12.27	13.95 (13.98)	30.03 (18.28)
	Noun	42.92	44.35	14.59 (14.92)	29.59 (18.90)
	Verb	36.92	39.72	12.75 (14.85)	30.43 (19.54)
	Other	5.00	3.66	19.16 (15.95)	25.59 (19.54)
Other	Adjective	20.80	20.32	16.61 (17.37)	31.66 (19.51)
	Noun	42.74	39.03	16.77 (19.41)	37.28 (25.94)
	Verb	19.66	23.93	7.18 (7.57)	26.14 (19.38)
	Other	16.81	16.71	22.72 (16.69)	30.70 (18.48)
Total	Adjective	19.74	14.93	16.12 (15.57)	30.75 (18.37)
	Noun	55.41	57.81	16.55 (16.74)	32.58 (20.09)
	Verb	22.02	24.95	9.50 (10.91)	30.29 (18.24)
	Other	2.82	2.31	17.76 (15.83)	28.45 (16.83)

Note. Raw words indicate original feature listed, while root words indicated translated feature. These data are only from the current project.

Table 4

Example of Affix Coding and Percent of Affixes Found

Affix Type	Example	Percent
Actions/Processes	ion, ment, ble, ate, ize	8.21
Characteristic	y, ous, nt, ful, ive, wise	22.72
Location	under, sub, mid, inter	0.44
Magnitude	er, est, over, super, extra	1.31
Not	less, dis, un, non, in , im, ab	2.76
Number	s, uni, bi, tri, semi	28.31
Opposites/Wrong	mis, anti, de	0.13
Past Tense	ed	8.03
Person/Object	er, or, men, person, ess, ist	7.23
Present Participle	ing	14.03
Slang	bros, bike, bbq, diff, h2o	0.12
Third Person	s	6.16
Time	fore, pre, post, re	0.54

Table 5

Percent and Mean Overlap to the Free Association Norms

	% Overlap	<i>M</i> FSG	<i>SD</i> FSG	Min	Max	<i>r</i>
Adjective	51.86	.12	.15	.01	.94	.36
Noun	36.48	.11	.14	.01	.91	.40
Verb	32.15	.11	.13	.01	.94	.44
Other	44.44	.13	.18	.01	.88	.09
Total	37.47	.11	.14	.01	.94	.39
All Buchanan cues	52.12	.11	.14	.01	.94	.41
McRae et al. cues	23.50	.10	.14	.01	.91	.28
Vinson & Vigliocco cues	15.19	.09	.13	.01	.88	.38
Overlapping Cues	27.26	.09	.14	.01	.88	.30

Note. Overlap was defined as the percent of cue-feature combinations from our feature list included in the Nelson et al. (2004) norms. FSG: Forward strength indicating the number of times a target was elicited after seeing a cue word.

Correlation represents the relationship between frequency percent and forward strength.

Table 6

Correlations and 95% CI between Semantic and Associative Variables

	Root	Raw	Affix	PCOS	MVCOS	JCN	LSA	FSG	BSG
Root	1	208515	208515	83762	101446	5617	5590	6753	6685
Raw	.93 [.93,.93]	1	208515	83762	101446	5617	5590	6753	6685
Affix	.50 [.50,.50]	.53 [.53,.54]	1	83762	101446	5617	5590	6753	6685
PCOS	.94 [.94,.94]	.91 [.91,.91]	.49 [.48,.49]	1	52342	2762	2759	3280	3243
MVCOS	.84 [.84,.84]	.89 [.89,.89]	.46 [.45,.46]	.83 [.82,.83]	1	1179	1179	1248	1232
JCN	-.18 [-.20,-.15]	-.22 [-.25,-.20]	-.17 [-.20,-.15]	-.22 [-.26,-.19]	-.39 [-.44,-.34]	1	5590	5617	5617
LSA	.18 [.16,.21]	.15 [.12,.18]	.10 [.07,.13]	.21 [.18,.25]	.14 [.08,.19]	-.06 [-.08,-.03]	1	5590	5590
FSG	.06 [.04,.08]	.04 [.01,.06]	.08 [.05,.10]	.10 [.06,.13]	.10 [.04,.15]	-.15 [-.18,-.13]	.24 [.22,.27]	1	6685
BSG	.14 [.12,.16]	.15 [.13,.17]	.17 [.14,.19]	.18 [.15,.22]	.26 [.20,.31]	-.18 [-.21,-.16]	.26 [.23,.28]	.31 [.29,.33]	1

Note. Root, raw, and affix cosine values are from the current reprocessed dataset. PCOS indicates the cosine values in the original Buchanan et al. (2013) dataset. MVCOS: Cosine values from the original cue-feature lists in McRae et al. (2005) and Vinson and Vigliocco (2008) data, JCN: Jiang-Conrath semantic distance, LSA: Latent Semantic Analysis score, FSG: Forward Strength, BSG: Backward Strength. Sample sizes for each correlation are presented in the top half of the table.

Table 7

Lexical Decision Response Latencies' Correlation and 95% CI with Semantic and Associative Variables

Variable	First 200	First 1200	Other 200	Other 1200
Root Cosine	.06 [.01,.12]	-.05 [-.10,.01]	.09 [.03,.14]	.09 [.03,.14]
Raw Cosine	.07 [.02,.12]	.05 [-.01,.10]	.09 [.04,.15]	.07 [.01,.12]
Affix Cosine	-.01 [-.06,.05]	.00 [-.05,.06]	.06 [.00,.11]	.04 [-.01,.10]
Target Root FSS	-.02 [-.07,.04]	-.31 [-.36,-.26]	-.03 [-.09,.02]	-.03 [-.08,.03]
Target Raw FSS	-.09 [-.15,-.04]	-.27 [-.32,-.22]	-.03 [-.08,.03]	-.02 [-.08,.03]
Target CSS	-.07 [-.12,-.02]	-.11 [-.16,-.06]	-.05 [-.10,.01]	.02 [-.04,.07]
Cue Root FSS	-.02 [-.07,.04]	-.32 [-.37,-.27]	.03 [-.02,.09]	.03 [-.02,.09]
Cue Raw FSS	.01 [-.04,.07]	-.34 [-.38,-.29]	.01 [-.05,.06]	.01 [-.04,.07]
Cue CSS	.16 [.11,.21]	-.23 [-.28,-.18]	.06 [.01,.12]	.01 [-.05,.06]
Forward Strength	-.12 [-.17,-.06]	-.12 [-.18,-.07]	.07 [.01,.12]	.04 [-.01,.10]
Backward Strength	.15 [.10,.20]	.10 [.04,.15]	.08 [.03,.14]	.04 [-.02,.10]
LSA	.05 [-.00,.11]	-.20 [-.26,-.15]	.13 [.08,.19]	.09 [.03,.14]
Jiang-Conrath	-.05 [-.11,.00]	.11 [.06,.17]	-.05 [-.11,.00]	.01 [-.04,.07]

Note. First indicates first associate, other indicates other associate cue-target relation. 200 and 1200 ms represent the SOA, which is the time from the presentation of the cue to the target. CSS: Cue set size, FSS: Feature set size, LSA: Latent Semantic Analysis distance. Sample size is 1290 cue-target pairs for first associates and 1254 pairs for other associates.

Table 8

Naming Response Latencies' Correlation and 95% CI with Semantic and Associative Variables

Variable	First 200	First 1200	Other 200	Other 1200
Root Cosine	-.02 [-.08,.03]	.10 [.05,.15]	-.00 [-.06,.05]	.06 [.00,.11]
Raw Cosine	-.02 [-.07,.04]	.11 [.06,.17]	-.01 [-.06,.05]	.05 [-.01,.10]
Affix Cosine	-.01 [-.07,.04]	.06 [.01,.11]	.03 [-.03,.08]	.01 [-.05,.06]
Target Root FSS	-.03 [-.09,.02]	-.03 [-.09,.02]	-.01 [-.07,.04]	.03 [-.03,.08]
Target Raw FSS	-.04 [-.09,.02]	-.02 [-.07,.04]	-.02 [-.08,.03]	.03 [-.02,.09]
Target CSS	-.06 [-.11,-.00]	-.04 [-.09,.02]	-.02 [-.08,.03]	.01 [-.04,.07]
Cue Root FSS	-.03 [-.09,.02]	-.00 [-.06,.05]	.02 [-.03,.08]	-.02 [-.07,.04]
Cue Raw FSS	-.01 [-.07,.04]	-.01 [-.07,.04]	.02 [-.04,.07]	-.02 [-.07,.04]
Cue CSS	-.01 [-.06,.05]	-.01 [-.07,.04]	-.01 [-.07,.04]	-.01 [-.06,.05]
Forward Strength	-.02 [-.08,.03]	.02 [-.03,.08]	.04 [-.01,.10]	.04 [-.01,.10]
Backward Strength	.10 [.05,.15]	.08 [.02,.13]	.11 [.06,.17]	.04 [-.02,.09]
LSA	.06 [.01,.12]	.03 [-.02,.09]	.06 [.00,.11]	.03 [-.03,.08]
Jiang-Conrath	-.05 [-.11,.00]	.00 [-.05,.06]	-.09 [-.14,-.03]	-.01 [-.06,.05]

Note. First indicates first associate, other indicates other associate cue-target relation. 200 and 1200 ms represent the SOA, which is the time from the presentation of the cue to the target. CSS: Cue set size, FSS: Feature set size, LSA: Latent Semantic Analysis distance. Sample size is 1287 cue-target pairs for first associates and 1249 pairs for other associates.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	where	cue	feature	translated	frequency_feature	frequency_translated	n	normalized_feature	normalized_translated	pos_cue	pos_feature	pos_translated	a1	a2
2	b	abandon	desert	desert	9	9	60	15.00	15.00	verb	noun	noun	0	0
3	b	abandon	give	give	19	19	60	31.67	31.67	verb	verb	verb	0	0
4	b	abandon	leave	leave	26	32	60	43.33	53.33	verb	verb	verb	0	0
5	b	abandon	leaving	leave	1	32	60	1.67	53.33	verb	verb	verb	present_participle	0
6	b	abandon	left	leave	5	32	60	8.33	53.33	verb	adjective	verb	past_tense	0
7	b	abandon	up	up	18	18	60	30.00	30.00	verb	other	other	0	0
8	b	abandon	withdraw	withdraw	8	8	60	13.33	13.33	verb	verb	verb	0	0
9	b	abdomen	belly	belly	7	7	30	23.33	23.33	noun	noun	noun	0	0
10	b	abdomen	body	body	10	10	30	33.33	33.33	noun	noun	noun	0	0
11	b	abdomen	middle	middle	7	7	30	23.33	23.33	noun	adjective	adjective	0	0
12	b	abdomen	muscle	muscle	2	8	30	6.67	26.67	noun	noun	noun	0	0
13	b	abdomen	muscles	muscle	5	8	30	16.67	26.67	noun	noun	noun	numbers	0
14	b	abdomen	musculature	muscle	1	8	30	3.33	26.67	noun	noun	noun	characteristic	0
15	b	abdomen	organs	organ	5	5	30	16.67	16.67	noun	noun	noun	numbers	0
16	b	abdomen	stomach	stomach	21	21	30	70.00	70.00	noun	noun	noun	0	0
17	b	abduct	against	against	8	8	30	26.67	26.67	verb	other	other	0	0
18	b	abduct	away	away	9	9	30	30.00	30.00	verb	other	other	0	0
19	b	abduct	kidnap	kidnap	16	17	30	53.33	56.67	verb	verb	verb	0	0
20	b	abduct	kidnapping	kidnap	1	17	30	3.33	56.67	verb	noun	verb	present_participle	0
21	b	abduct	steal	steal	10	10	30	33.33	33.33	verb	verb	verb	0	0
22	b	abduct	take	take	19	20	30	63.33	66.67	verb	verb	verb	0	0
23	b	abduct	taken	take	1	20	30	3.33	66.67	verb	verb	verb	past_tense	0
24	b	abduct	will	will	8	8	30	26.67	26.67	verb	noun	noun	0	0
25	b	ability	abilities	able	1	19	60	1.67	31.67	noun	noun	adjective	characteristic	numbers

Figure 1. Example of the cue-feature dataset created from the feature listing task.