Extra-sensory perception under the condition of continuous sensory feedback (CSF) to the agent

Results:

The project was a computerized conceptual replication of the classical Brugmans, Heymans, and Weinberg study of 1920. The experimental design did not only prove to work out well but it was well accepted by the participants; nonetheless the results did not turn out as good as it has been hoped for (due to the implementation of several variables supposed to be psi-conducive). From a total of 5658 runs (61 of them invalid) we had 180 hits as opposed to the chance expectation of 156 hits. The participants were pairs of emotionally-linked persons, e.g. siblings, spouses, intimate, close friends, etc. From this population the mother-child teams scored remarkably better than any other kind of relationship. The (albeit very few) left-handers scored remarkably better than the righthanders. Correlations between hits and the psychological test data of Psychological Variables (NEO-PI-R, Paranormal Belief Scale, Sheep Goat Scale) turned out to be largely insignificant. Interviews with the participants revealed that many of them had experienced occurrences that they themselves rated as paranormal. There was a remarkable side effect: With certain participants the computer applet crashed time and again. Invariably, those persons reported freely – i.e. without being questioned – having had experienced frequent problems with electrical/electronic appliances, from simple light bulbs to computers. Hence, it makes sense to interpret the crashes of the applet as an involuntary PK effect that warrants further investigation. However, there was no correlation between these crashes and the hits scored by this sub-population. With other persons, the applet was running stable hence technical problems are to be ruled out.

Areas of interest:

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