

1 Online supplementary material: A memory-based judgment
2 account of expectancy-liking dissociations in evaluative
3 conditioning

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7 **Reanalysis 1**

8 Here we report an exploratory set of analyses of our Experiment 3 with different
9 exclusion criteria. The analyses replicate those reported in the main text but we included
10 participants who made no more than one incorrect response in the intermittent US identifi-
11 cation task—some participants reported accidentally clicking the wrong button—but we
12 excluded the three participants who responded with the scale mid-point in CS pleasantness
13 ratings to all CSs.

14 **Participants.** For Experiment 3, we recruited 273 new participants. We excluded 17
15 participants who performed the category recognition task at chance level, that is, participants
16 who respond correctly to 25% or less of all category recognition questions, 25 participants
17 who gave more than one incorrect response to the identification task, three participants who
18 invariably responded with the scale mid-point in CS pleasantness ratings to all CSs, and one
19 participant who aborted the experiment. Thus, we stopped collecting data after 229 valid
20 participants. Participants mean age was 23.39 years ($SD = 6.23$), 164 were female, and 32
21 studied psychology or media psychology. 8 participants reported vision impairments; five
22 were red-green color blind, one had astigmatism and another had a blind eye. 82 participants
23 reported to have prior knowledge about the CS pictures.

24 On average, participants took 49.62 minutes ($SD = 12.71$) to complete the study.

25 **Results**

26 **US expectancy.** End-of-study US expectancy ratings were consistent with the
27 intermittent ratings that we observed in Experiment 2. As in the previous experiments, we
28 analyzed expectancies of the correct US but show a difference score between expectancy
29 of positive and negative US in Figure 1. As predicted, we found strong evidence that the
30 changes in expectancy of the correct US category across experimental contexts differed
31 between acquisition and extinction learning schedules, $BF_{10} = 3.98 \times 10^{31}$. We observed

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32 this pattern irrespective of US valence ($BF_{01} = 451.78$) and of whether US expectancy was
33 assessed before or after CS pleasantness, $BF_{01} = 13.58$. We, thus, analyzed all data and
34 averaged across positively and negatively paired CS.

35 As predicted, expectancy for the correct US category increased from the first to the
36 second experimental context in the acquisition learning schedule ($BF_{10} = 19.42$, one-tailed)
37 but decreased in the extinction learning schedule, $BF_{10} = 1.64 \times 10^4$, one-tailed. We found
38 strong evidence that participants expected USs despite the previous extinction procedure,
39 $BF_{10} = 3.54 \times 10^8$, one-tailed. Comparisons of US expectancy between participants whom
40 we asked to take into account both contexts versus only the second context provided only
41 weak evidence for a difference in both acquisition ($BF_{10} = 3.78$, one-tailed) and extinction
42 schedules, $BF_{10} = 3.47$ (one-tailed). There was no conclusive evidence to suggest that
43 there was any other effect of our manipulations, $BF_{01} \geq 1.66$. To conclude, participants'
44 end-of-study US expectancies corresponded to CS-US contingencies and the intermittent
45 momentary ratings observed in Experiment 2 when we referenced and reinstated the learning
46 contexts.

47 Because we found no conclusive evidence for or against integrative judgments in
48 the preregistered between-participant comparisons of the second and the new contexts
49 we additionally compared the differences between acquisition and extinction schedules in
50 each context. In the first experimental context participants expressed markedly higher
51 US expectancies in the extinction than in the acquisition schedule, $BF_{10} = 1.33 \times 10^7$
52 (one-sided). This pattern was reversed in the second experimental context. Participants
53 expressed markedly higher US expectancies in the acquisition than in the extinction schedule,
54 $BF_{10} = 9.91 \times 10^3$ (one-sided). Critically, we found some—albeit weak—evidence indicating
55 that US expectancies across both experimental contexts did not differ between acquisition
56 and extinction learning schedules, $BF_{01} = 4.53$. These additional analyses indicate that, like
57 the EC effect, US expectancy appeared to be resistant to extinction when we referenced
58 both learning contexts. Hence, we successfully elicited integrative US expectancy judgments.

59 **CS pleasantness.** We were able to replicate our findings from Experiment 2 without
60 repeated assessment of CS pleasantness. Referring to and reinstating specific experimental
61 contexts had the predicted effect on the EC effect dependent on the learning schedule,
62 $BF_{10} = 2.73 \times 10^3$, Figure 1. We observed this pattern irrespective of whether CS pleasantness
63 was assessed before or after US expectancy ($BF_{01} = 7.80$) and, thus, analyzed all data. When
64 participants rated CS pleasantness in the new context at the end of the experiment, we found
65 evidence for an EC effect in the extinction conditions, $BF_{10} = 11.85$ (one-tailed). Moreover,
66 we found evidence that this EC effect in the extinction schedule was comparable to the EC
67 effect in the acquisition schedule, $BF_{01} = 7.06$ (one-tailed). When we compared participants
68 CS pleasantness ratings for the first and second context, we observed, both, the predicted
69 increase in the EC effect in the acquisition, $BF_{10} = 52.24$ (one-tailed), and the predicted
70 decrease in the extinction schedule, $BF_{10} = 20.84$ (one-tailed). In the extinction schedule, we
71 found some evidence indicating that the EC effect was not reduced when participants rated
72 CS pleasantness in the context of CS-alone trials compared to the new context, $BF_{01} = 6.24$
73 (one-tailed). Participants' ratings in the second context provided some evidence, however,
74 that our learning procedure did not extinguish the EC effect completely, $BF_{10} = 72.51$. In
75 this experiment, we did find evidence indicating that the EC effect was larger in the context
76 of CS-US pairing trials than in the new context, $BF_{10} = 79.97$. Similarly, in the acquisition

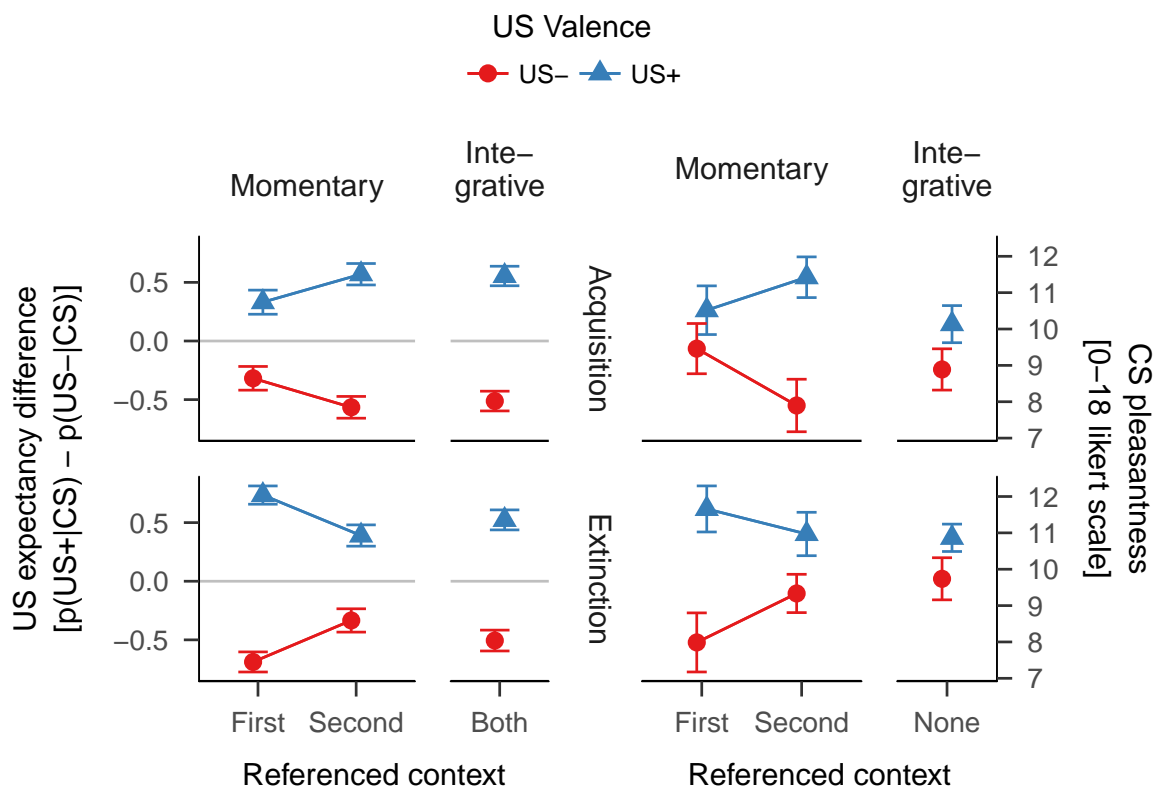


Figure 1. US expectancy and perceived CS pleasantness at the end of Experiment 3. The left plot shows observed differences in mean US expectancy for acquisition (top) and extinction (bottom) learning schedules. Expectancy for positive and negative USs is indicated by positive and negative values, respectively. The right plot shows observed mean CS pleasantness ratings for each learning schedule. Error bars represent 95% within-subject confidence intervals.

77 schedule, the EC effect was larger in the second context, in which CS were paired with US,
 78 than in the new context, $BF_{10} = 19.29$. The comparison between the EC effect in the first
 79 context (in which CSs were presented alone) and the new context, however, was inconclusive,
 80 $BF_{01} = 1.70$ (one-tailed). We found no noteworthy evidence for any other effects of our
 81 manipulations, $BF_{10} \leq 1.06$. In sum, we found comparable EC effects in the acquisition and
 82 extinction procedures when participants rated CS pleasantness in a new context at the end
 83 of the learning procedure. We did, however, also observe the predicted extinction effects on
 84 nondefault momentary CS pleasantness judgments: the EC effect was larger in the context
 85 of CS-US pairing trials than in the context of CS-alone trials.

86 In the first experimental context, participants exhibited a larger EC effect in the
 87 extinction than in the acquisition schedule, $BF_{10} = 84.68$ (one-sided). In the second
 88 experimental context, this pattern reversed: Participants exhibited a larger EC effect in
 89 the acquisition than in the extinction schedule, $BF_{10} = 10.54$ (one-sided). In this between-
 90 participant design, the data were uninformative as to whether participants' prior knowledge
 91 about CSs affected these findings, $BF_{01} = 1.31$.

92 **CS-US pairing memory.** Again, US category recognition was quite accurate. As
93 predicted, we found that US category memory varied with referenced context and learning
94 schedule, $BF_{10} = 5.16 \times 10^{12}$. Unlike in Experiment 2, we found evidence indicating that the
95 recognition advantage for US absence was dependent on the learning schedule, $BF_{10} = 348.86$.
96 Participants best remembered that a US was absent in the acquisition learning schedule
97 ($M = .87$, $SD = .28$); however, memory for US absence in the extinction learning schedule
98 ($M = .77$, $SD = .35$) was comparable in magnitude to the memory for the correct category
99 when a CS had been paired with a US ($M = .76$, $SD = .32$, and $M = .73$, $SD = .33$ for
100 acquisition and extinction, respectively). We found no evidence on whether collecting US
101 expectancy or CS pleasantness first affected memory for CS-US pairings, $BF_{01} = 1.26$; we no
102 noteworthy evidence for any other effects of our experimental manipulations, all $BF_{01} \geq 1.26$.

103 US identity recognition, too, was quite accurate in both acquisition ($M = .85$, $SD = .29$)
104 and extinction learning schedule ($M = .84$, $SD = .29$). We found some evidence suggesting
105 that memory for negative USs ($M = .86$, $SD = .27$) was better than for positive USs
106 ($M = .81$, $SD = .31$) but there was no conclusive evidence indicating that any other
107 experimental manipulation affected US identity recognition, all $BF_{01} \leq 0.85$.

108 As in the previous experiments, end-of-study pleasantness ratings of US categories
109 indicated that participants remembered the valence of the US categories, $BF_{10} = 1.63 \times 10^{165}$.
110 Without any exemplars available, participants rated the animal category as more pleasant
111 than the object category, $BF_{10} = 1.40 \times 10^{35}$, and human category as less pleasant than
112 object category, $BF_{10} = 2.10 \times 10^{88}$. Thus, recognition memory for US categories may be
113 indicative of participants US valence memory.

114 As in the previous experiments, memory for CS-US pairings was too accurate to
115 test whether the observed changes in CS pleasantness across contexts in the two learning
116 schedules was contingent on memory for CS-US pairs.

117 Reanalysis 2

118 Here we report a second exploratory set of analyses of our Experiment 3 with different
119 exclusion criteria. The analyses replicate those reported in the main text but we included
120 participants who respond correctly to 25% or less of all category recognition questions.

121 **Participants.** For Experiment 3, we recruited 273 new participants. We excluded
122 57 participants who gave more than one incorrect response to the identification task and one
123 participant who aborted the experiment. Thus, we stopped collecting data after 215 valid
124 participants. Participants mean age was 23.72 years ($SD = 6.56$), 154 were female, and 32
125 studied psychology or media psychology. 7 participants reported vision impairments; five
126 were red-green color blind, one had astigmatism and another had a blind eye. 79 participants
127 reported to have prior knowledge about the CS pictures.

128 On average, participants took 49.62 minutes ($SD = 12.71$) to complete the study.

129 Results

130 **US expectancy.** End-of-study US expectancy ratings were consistent with the
131 intermittent ratings that we observed in Experiment 2. As in the previous experiments, we
132 analyzed expectancies of the correct US but show a difference score between expectancy
133 of positive and negative US in Figure ???. As predicted, we found strong evidence that

134 the changes in expectancy of the correct US category across experimental contexts differed
135 between acquisition and extinction learning schedules, $BF_{10} = 2.03 \times 10^{31}$. We observed
136 this pattern irrespective of US valence ($BF_{01} = 230.24$) and of whether US expectancy was
137 assessed before or after CS pleasantness, $BF_{01} = 32.85$. We, thus, analyzed all data and
138 averaged across positively and negatively paired CS.

139 As predicted, expectancy for the correct US category increased from the first to the
140 second experimental context in the acquisition learning schedule ($BF_{10} = 10.40$, one-tailed)
141 but decreased in the extinction learning schedule, $BF_{10} = 3.89 \times 10^3$, one-tailed. We found
142 strong evidence that participants expected USs despite the previous extinction procedure,
143 $BF_{10} = 3.49 \times 10^5$, one-tailed. Comparisons of US expectancy between participants whom
144 we asked to take into account both contexts versus only the second context provided only
145 weak evidence for a difference in both acquisition ($BF_{10} = 1.79$, one-tailed) and extinction
146 schedules, $BF_{10} = 1.65$ (one-tailed). There was no conclusive evidence to suggest that
147 there was any other effect of our manipulations, $BF_{01} \geq 1.61$. To conclude, participants'
148 end-of-study US expectancies corresponded to CS-US contingencies and the intermittent
149 momentary ratings observed in Experiment 2 when we referenced and reinstated the learning
150 contexts.

151 Because we found no conclusive evidence for or against integrative judgments in
152 the preregistered between-participant comparisons of the second and the new contexts
153 we additionally compared the differences between acquisition and extinction schedules in
154 each context. In the first experimental context participants expressed markedly higher
155 US expectancies in the extinction than in the acquisition schedule, $BF_{10} = 8.68 \times 10^6$
156 (one-sided). This pattern was reversed in the second experimental context. Participants
157 expressed markedly higher US expectancies in the acquisition than in the extinction schedule,
158 $BF_{10} = 4.72 \times 10^3$ (one-sided). Critically, we found some—albeit weak—evidence indicating
159 that US expectancies across both experimental contexts did not differ between acquisition
160 and extinction learning schedules, $BF_{01} = 5.35$. These additional analyses indicate that, like
161 the EC effect, US expectancy appeared to be resistant to extinction when we referenced
162 both learning contexts. Hence, we successfully elicited integrative US expectancy judgments.

163 **CS pleasantness.** We were able to replicate our findings from Experiment 2 without
164 repeated assessment of CS pleasantness. Referring to and reinstating specific experimental
165 contexts had the predicted effect on the EC effect dependent on the learning schedule,
166 $BF_{10} = 587.34$, Figure ???. We observed this pattern irrespective of whether CS pleasantness
167 was assessed before or after US expectancy ($BF_{01} = 8.19$) and, thus, analyzed all data. When
168 participants rated CS pleasantness in the new context at the end of the experiment, we found
169 evidence for an EC effect in the extinction conditions, $BF_{10} = 11.60$ (one-tailed). Moreover,
170 we found evidence that this EC effect in the extinction schedule was comparable to the EC
171 effect in the acquisition schedule, $BF_{01} = 7.03$ (one-tailed). When we compared participants
172 CS pleasantness ratings for the first and second context, we observed, both, the predicted
173 increase in the EC effect in the acquisition, $BF_{10} = 33.83$ (one-tailed), and the predicted
174 decrease in the extinction schedule, $BF_{10} = 11.87$ (one-tailed). In the extinction schedule, we
175 found some evidence indicating that the EC effect was not reduced when participants rated
176 CS pleasantness in the context of CS-alone trials compared to the new context, $BF_{01} = 3.75$
177 (one-tailed). Participants' ratings in the second context provided some evidence, however,
178 that our learning procedure did not extinguish the EC effect completely, $BF_{10} = 7.13$. In

179 this experiment, we did find evidence indicating that the EC effect was larger in the context
180 of CS-US pairing trials than in the new context, $BF_{10} = 10.48$. Similarly, in the acquisition
181 schedule, the EC effect was larger in the second context, in which CS were paired with US,
182 than in the new context, $BF_{10} = 15.56$. The comparison between the EC effect in the first
183 context (in which CSs were presented alone) and the new context, however, was inconclusive,
184 $BF_{01} = 1.80$ (one-tailed). We found no noteworthy evidence for any other effects of our
185 manipulations, $BF_{10} \leq 2.35$. In sum, we found comparable EC effects in the acquisition and
186 extinction procedures when participants rated CS pleasantness in a new context at the end
187 of the learning procedure. We did, however, also observe the predicted extinction effects on
188 nondefault momentary CS pleasantness judgments: the EC effect was larger in the context
189 of CS-US pairing trials than in the context of CS-alone trials.

190 In the first experimental context, participants exhibited a larger EC effect in the extinc-
191 tion than in the acquisition schedule, $BF_{10} = 9.62$ (one-sided). In the second experimental
192 context, this pattern reversed: Participants exhibited a larger EC effect in the acquisition
193 than in the extinction schedule, $BF_{10} = 45.05$ (one-sided). In this between-participant
194 design, the data were uninformative as to whether participants' prior knowledge about CSs
195 affected these findings, $BF_{10} = 1.69$.

196 **CS-US pairing memory.** Again, US category recognition was quite accurate. As
197 predicted, we found that US category memory varied with referenced context and learning
198 schedule, $BF_{10} = 1.34 \times 10^9$. Unlike in Experiment 2, we found evidence indicating that the
199 recognition advantage for US absence was dependent on the learning schedule, $BF_{10} = 247.78$.
200 Participants best remembered that a US was absent in the acquisition learning schedule
201 ($M = .84$, $SD = .32$); however, memory for US absence in the extinction learning schedule
202 ($M = .74$, $SD = .37$) was comparable in magnitude to the memory for the correct category
203 when a CS had been paired with a US ($M = .73$, $SD = .33$, and $M = .71$, $SD = .34$ for
204 acquisition and extinction, respectively). We found no evidence on whether collecting US
205 expectancy or CS pleasantness first affected memory for CS-US pairings, $BF_{01} = 11.34$;
206 we no noteworthy evidence for any other effects of our experimental manipulations, all
207 $BF_{01} \geq 5.75$.

208 US identity recognition, too, was quite accurate in both acquisition ($M = .81$, $SD = .32$)
209 and extinction learning schedule ($M = .81$, $SD = .31$). We found some evidence suggesting
210 that memory for negative USs ($M = .83$, $SD = .30$) was better than for positive USs
211 ($M = .79$, $SD = .32$) but there was no conclusive evidence indicating that any other
212 experimental manipulation affected US identity recognition, all $BF_{01} \leq 1.33$.

213 As in the previous experiments, end-of-study pleasantness ratings of US categories
214 indicated that participants remembered the valence of the US categories, $BF_{10} = 6.08 \times 10^{160}$.
215 Without any exemplars available, participants rated the animal category as more pleasant
216 than the object category, $BF_{10} = 2.35 \times 10^{38}$, and human category as less pleasant than
217 object category, $BF_{10} = 2.00 \times 10^{83}$. Thus, recognition memory for US categories is indicative
218 or participants US valence memory.

219 As in the previous experiments, memory for CS-US pairings was too accurate to
220 test whether the observed changes in CS pleasantness across contexts in the two learning
221 schedules was contingent on memory for CS-US pairs.

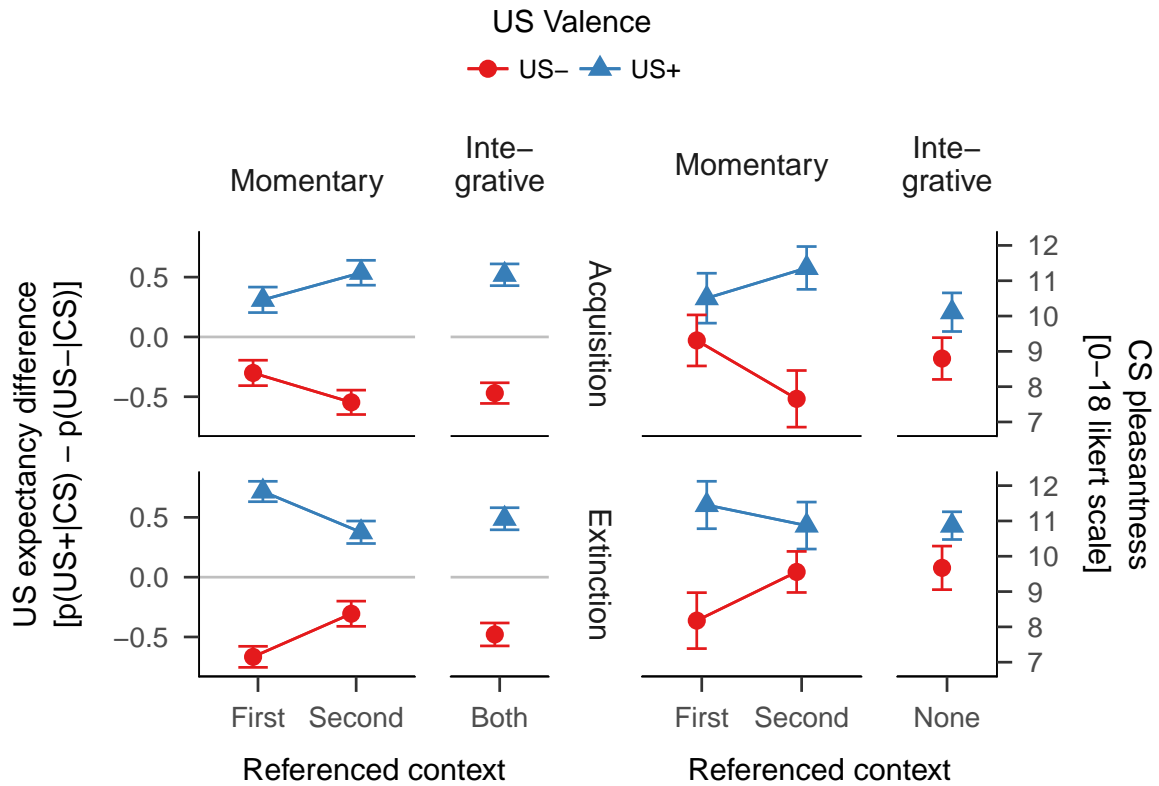


Figure 2. US expectancy and perceived CS pleasantness at the end of Experiment 3. The left plot shows observed differences in mean US expectancy for acquisition (top) and extinction (bottom) learning schedules. Expectancy for positive and negative USs is indicated by positive and negative values, respectively. The right plot shows observed mean CS pleasantness ratings for each learning schedule. Error bars represent 95% within-subject confidence intervals.