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I am enclosing the manuscript entitled "*JOLer: A Java standalone application for simulating the Weaver & Kelemen's judgment of learning (JOL) model*", which are authored by Marcos Ruiz and Cristóbal Arroyo, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Madrid, Spain.

The manuscript is about a crossplatform Java standalone program that works as a judgment of learning (JOL) simulator. The simulator implements a metamemory model put forward by Weaver and Kelemen (1997) to disentangle the effect of judgment of learning distribution on the Kruskal-Goodman gamma as a resolution estimate. Some simulation parameters can be defined by a researcher to mirror the experimental conditions of interest (number of simulated experimental conditions, number of trials per condition, number of participants, JOL distribution and calibration per condition, metamemory calibration per condition, etc...). The program "execute" the experiment and report some statistical summary about its results. The simulation results can be saved to an Excell file, in order for the researcher to compare them with those empirically obtained. Since the model appeared, to our knowledge no software tool has been published for its implementation. The program is a useful tool for researchers to know if the experimental effects on metamemory resolution estimates could be attributed to a spurious change due to new JOL distributions or to genuine effects on metamemory resolution.

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