



# Comparison of State Anxiety Levels in Individual and Team Competition Settings

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# Anxiety

- **Athletic Performance** (Geukes, 2013)
- **Trait vs. State Anxiety** (Horkawa, 2012)(Turksoy, 2012)
- **Cognitive vs. Somatic Anxiety** (Kais, 2005)





# Research in Anxiety

- **Anxiety level changes through time**  
(Kais, 2005)(Chamberlain, 2007)(Engler, 2012)(Kais, 2004)(Filaire, 2009)
- **Group cohesion**(Geukes, 2013)(Kais, 2005)(Chamberlain, 2007)(Norton, 2000)(Filaire, 2009)(Behzadi, 2011)
- **Public and private audiences**(Geukes, 2013)(Kais, 2005)(Chamberlain, 2007)(Norton, 2000)(Behzadi, 2011)





# Individual vs. Team Competition Settings

- **Team sports and settings** (Norton, 2000)
  - Subjects are more affected by the group's performance
  - Audience attention can be dispersed among players
- **Individual sports and settings** (Behzadi, 2011)
  - Subjects are more affected by their own skills and abilities
  - Captures all of the audience attention



# + Competitive State Anxiety Inventory-2



- More accurate than other anxiety questionnaires in the sports context
- Specifically measures cognitive anxiety, somatic anxiety, and self-confidence
- CSAI-2

# + Purpose

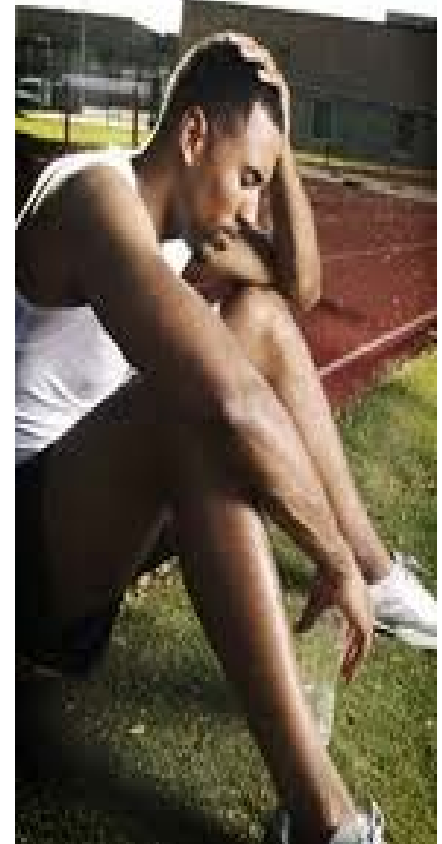
- The purpose of this study was to determine if subjects produced a higher level of state anxiety in individual or team competition settings.





# Hypothesis

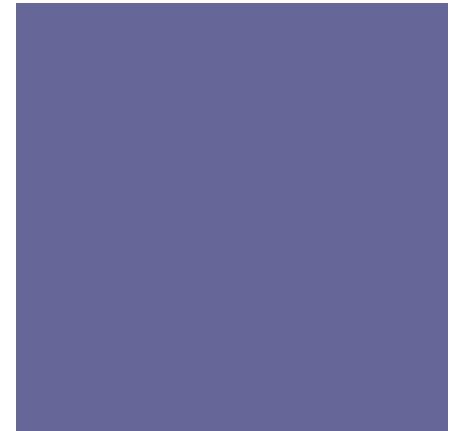
Individual competition settings will create a higher level of state anxiety.





# Participants

- 38 male and female young adults
- Aged 18-24
- Selected from the Manchester University's golf class

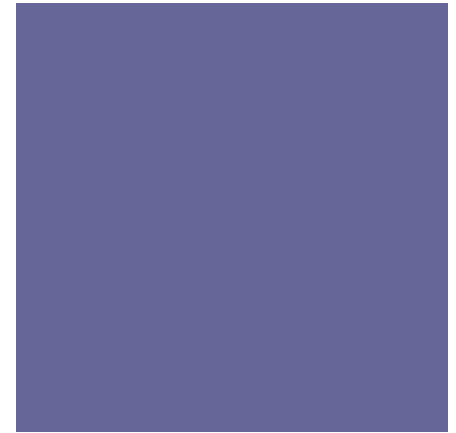






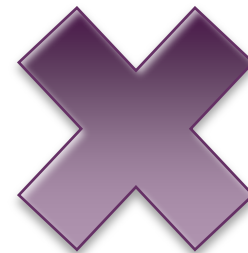
# Instrumentation

- Competitive State Anxiety Inventory-2
- Standard Putter
- Standard Golf Ball



# + Procedure

- Obtained approval from the Manchester University Institutional Review Board
- Subjects were informed of the study
- Random team assignments
- Randomly assigned to conditions



# + Procedure

## Individual Condition

- Given condition-specific instructions
- CSAI-2
- Task
- Scores compared individually

## Team Condition

- Given condition-specific instructions
- CSAI-2
- Task
- Scores added to team score and compared



# Scoring the CSAI-2

## Cognitive state anxiety

Sum items 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, and 25.

## Somatic state anxiety

Sum items 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 23, 26.

## Self-confidence

Sum items 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, and 27.

Score for each will range from 9 to 36, with 9 indicating low anxiety (high confidence) and 36 indicating high anxiety (low confidence)



## Limitations

- Class time
- Small sample size

## Delimitations

- Young adult age group: 18-24
- Manchester University Students
- Enrolled in Manchester University's golf class



# Statistical Analysis

- Password protected computer
- PASW
- Matched Paired T-Test



# + Results

## ■ Individual vs. Team

**One-Sample Statistics**

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
DIFF	38	-.8684	9.07081	1.47148

**One-Sample Test**

	Test Value = 0					
	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Mean Difference	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference	
					Lower	Upper
DIFF	-.590	37	.559	-.86842	-3.8499	2.1131

The Match Paired t-test resulted in a t-score of -0.590 ( $P > 0.05$ ). There is not enough evidence to suggest a difference in overall state anxiety levels between individual and team competition settings

# + Results

## ■ Individual Cognitive vs. Team Cognitive

**One-Sample Statistics**

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
DIFFCOG	38	-.1842	4.25444	.69016

**One-Sample Test**

	Test Value = 0					
	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Mean Difference	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference	
					Lower	Upper
DIFFCOG	-.267	37	.791	-.18421	-1.5826	1.2142

The Match Paired t-test resulted in a t-score of -0.267 ( $P > 0.05$ ). There is not enough evidence to suggest a difference in cognitive state anxiety levels between individual and team competition settings.



# + Results

## ■ Individual Somatic vs. Team Somatic

**One-Sample Statistics**

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
DIFFSOM	38	-.4211	2.78637	.45201

**One-Sample Test**

	Test Value = 0					
	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Mean Difference	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference	
					Lower	Upper
DIFFSOM	-.932	37	.358	-.42105	-1.3369	.4948

The Match Paired t-test resulted in a t-score of -0.932 ( $P > 0.05$ ). There is not enough evidence to suggest a difference in somatic state anxiety levels between individual and team competition settings.

# + Results

## ■ Individual Self-Confidence vs. Team Self-Confidence

**One-Sample Statistics**

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
DIFFADJSC	38	.6053	4.64141	.75294

**One-Sample Test**

	Test Value = 0					
	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Mean Difference	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference	
					Lower	Upper
DIFFADJSC	.804	37	.427	.60526	-.9203	2.1309

The Match Paired t-test resulted in a t-score of 0.804 ( $P > 0.05$ ). There is not enough evidence to suggest a difference in self-confidence levels between individual and team competition settings.



# Correlations: Overall Anxiety



Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model	Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
	B	Std. Error	Beta		
1 (Constant)	11.072	5.689		1.946	.059
TEAMQSCORE	.731	.124	.700	5.881	.000

a. Dependent Variable: INDVQSCORE

There is not enough evidence to suggest a correlation between overall state anxiety levels between individual and team competition settings ( $P > 0.05$ ).



# Correlations: Cognitive Anxiety



Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model	Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
	B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	4.091	2.186	1.871	.069
	TEAMCOG	.686	.153	.599	.000

a. Dependent Variable: INDVCOG

There is not enough evidence to suggest a correlation between cognitive state anxiety levels between individual and team competition settings ( $P > 0.05$ ) (Table 7, Table 8).



# Correlations: Somatic Anxiety



Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model	Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
	B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	7.231	1.334	5.421	.000
	TEAMSOM	.314	.116	.412	.010

a. Dependent Variable: INDVSOM

There is enough evidence to suggest a correlation between somatic state anxiety levels between individual and team competition settings ( $P < 0.05$ ).



# Correlations: Self-Confidence



**Coefficients<sup>a</sup>**

Model	Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.		
	B	Std. Error	Beta				
1	(Constant)	4.640	2.151		2.157	.038	
	ADJSCTEAM	.787	.107		.775	7.351	.000

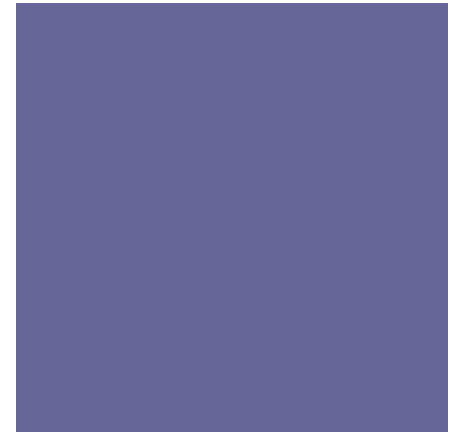
a. Dependent Variable: ADJSCINDV

**There is enough evidence to suggest a correlation between self-confidence levels between individual and team competition settings ( $P < 0.05$ ).**



# Discussion

- Factors that can create different levels of anxiety
- Reasons for findings
- Further research
- How this can help Athletic Trainers in the future





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Questions?