

Review of: "Effects of Schizophrenia on Attention"

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The references in the paper are all before 2010, and some go back almost a century. Thus, I consider it outdated. Next, follow my comments up to section 2.

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- Please add the full reference in Table 1 (name and year); it's easier to read (without discarding number references).
- I would prefer a bit more elaborate details on what the question mark means in Table 1, one or two sentences. Specifically, what is the uncertainty about?
- In section 2.1, attention is defined regarding specifically the input sensory signal. Attention potentially has a cognitive aspect as well, in the sense that one might focus on his/her own thoughts – which is not sensory input. I don't know yet if this point is relevant to the rest of the paper, but I will leave it here for now.
- In 2.4, the fourth line reads 'emotional perception'. I am not familiar with this term; is it related to inter- or intra-emotional intelligence?
- Please add a reference in the sentence 'these are consistent with the emotion-attention interaction hypothesis' in section 2.4.
- Section 2.4 seems to be hypothetical to a degree. Maybe it should be formulated explicitly as a hypothesis, or a proposal.
- Section 2.5. There is literature specifically on working memory in schizophrenia. See, for example, the following meta-analysis: Forbes NF, Carrick LA, McIntosh AM, Lawrie SM. Working memory in schizophrenia: a meta-analysis. *Psychological Medicine*. 2009;39(6):889-905. doi:10.1017/S0033291708004558. Such references should be included in this part.
- Section 3.1, reference to DSM. The newest edition is DSM-5; I think this should be used instead of the old one.