

Mplus: A Tutorial

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About Me

- B.A. from UMD
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 - Alcohol research
 - Complex data modeling



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Today

- Introduction to Mplus and basic functions
 - Intro:
 - Exporting data from SPSS
 - Code terminology
 - Reading output
 - Basics:
 - Path analyses
 - Latent variable modeling
 - Full SEM
 - Indirect effects (mediation)
 - Bootstrapping
 - Diagrammer
 - Troubleshooting

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Today

- Intermediate functions
 - Latent growth modeling
 - Fixing and freeing paths
 - Non-continuous outcomes
 - Multilevel modeling
 - Other forms of estimation
 - Adding and relaxing equality constraints
 - LPA/LCA

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Today

- Hands-on training
 - Sample dataset and suggested activities and models
 - Walk through an example together
 - I will give immediate hands-on training for those who are able to bring the software on their laptop
 - I will also provide ad hoc hands-on training for those who want help as they explore the software in their labs and offices for up to one week after the workshop ends

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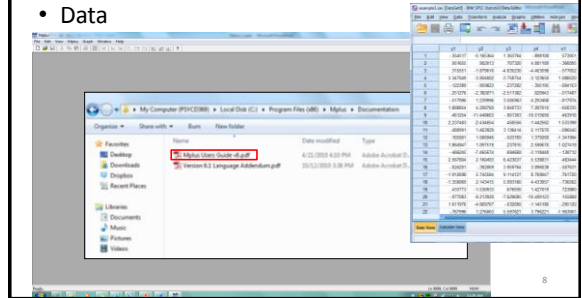
Why Mplus?

- Wide choice of data estimators and algorithms
 - It excels at handling categorical, nominal, binary, censored, and continuous non-normal data
- Several output options
- Beyond traditional SEM:
 - Multilevel modeling (longitudinal and cross-sectional, up to three levels of nesting)
 - Mixture modeling (latent profiles, latent classes, growth mixture)
 - Simulation analyses (Monte Carlo)
- Error messages are somewhat helpful (model is not identified versus need more iterations to reach convergence)
- Support: manual, website, Muthén's themselves
- New: Pictures!
 - Helpful for double-checking yourself, and sharing with others

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What You Need

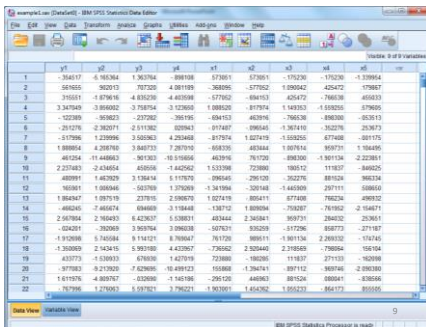
- The editor (a big, grey expanse)
- The Users Guide (in Program Files by default)
- Data



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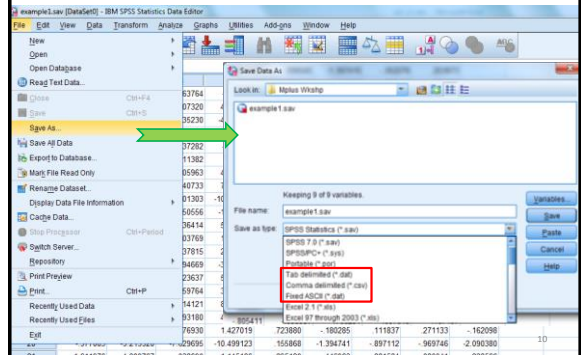
Exporting Your Data

- Must be numeric
- NAMES must be ≤ 8 characters
- y1-y4
- X1-x5



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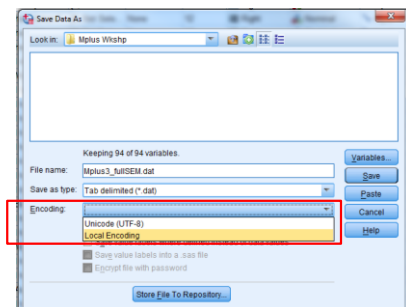
Exporting Your Data



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Exporting Your Data

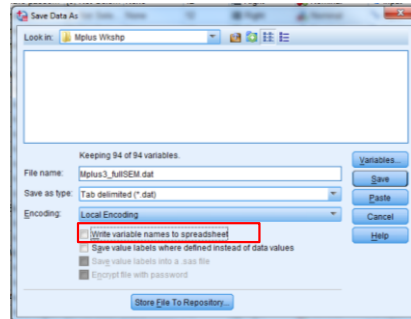
- Make sure it's the right encoding



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Exporting Your Data

- Make sure you do not export the variable NAMES.



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Data File

Exporting Missing Data

- Missing data cannot be blank
- 5, 7, 8, [.] , 32 becomes 5, 7, 8, 32

X1	X2	X3	Drinks	Age
5	7	8	.	32

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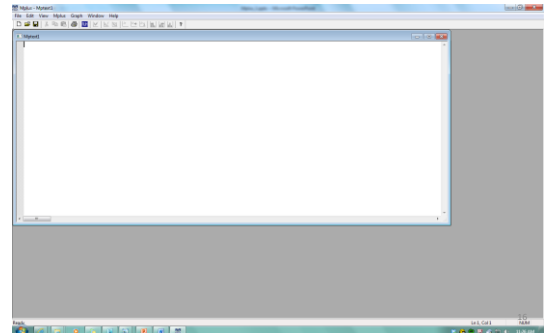
X1	X2	X3	Drinks	...
5	7	8	32	...

- You need some sort of indicator (that is not a plausible value)
- 5, 7, 8, 999, 32 becomes 5, 7, 8, [missing], 32
- You must tell Mplus what your indicator is
– The language gets longer if you use different indicators for different variables, but it is possible

Exporting Your Data

- You may want to copy-paste your variable names from SPSS into Mplus when it's time to enter them
- If you accidentally omit one typing by hand, data will be mis-matched
- This is the time to shorten them if you haven't already:
PROBLEMSt2 → PROBST2

Getting Started



Getting Started

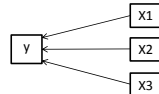
- Title:** Optional, but helpful
- Data:** Required
 - Exported from SPSS
- Variable:** Required
 - NAMES ARE** [your variable names];
 - Lists ALL variables in the dataset
- USEVARIABLES ARE:** Required if you're using only some of the variables in the dataset for your model
- MISSING IS** all (999);
 - Saying 999 is the missing data indicator, and that's true for all variables
- Model:** How you specify what analysis you want

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TITLE: this is an example of a basic linear regression
for a continuous dependent variable
with two predictors;
DATA: FILE IS example1.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y1 y2 y3 y4 x1 x2 x3 x4 x5;
USEVARIABLES ARE y1 x1 x3;
MISSING IS all (999);
MODEL: y1 ON x1 x3;
    
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Basic Model Language

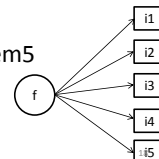
- y **ON** x1 x2 x3
(regression)



- x1 **WITH** x2
(correlation)



- f **BY** item1 item2 item3 item4 item5
(factors or latent variables)



Semi-Colons and Exclamation Points

- Semi-colons are how you complete a command/item in mplus.
- Every statement must end with it.
- Exclamation Points are how you make notes to yourself (or inactivate code).

Today's Uses of a Semicolon



- To separate sentences
- To make whisky (use !)

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Semi-Colons and Exclamation Points

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Mediation_PlacePlanLimit_TYPEcomplex.inp
TITLE: Mplus multilevel mediation for daily drinking
with PBS (daily) as mediator.
Place Context and PBS as predictors.
Drinks as outcome.
No mediation yet to replicate HLM findings;
DATA: FILE IS DailyLimplus.csv;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE SOGA WeekID Home Bar Rest Party;
USEVARIABLES ARE Home Bar Rest Party;
Other Alone Friend Fam OPlace drinks pbsplan
pbsdo pbsall time Weekend age gendD raceD
greekD reaidD marryD;
USEVARIABLES ARE Home Bar Rest Party;
Other drinks pbsplan gendD;
CLUSTER = SOGA;
CENTERING = GRANDMEAN (pbsplan);
ANALYSIS: TYPE = COMPLEX;
!BOOT = 100;
MODEL:
Drinks ON Home Bar Rest Party Other pbsplan;
pbsplan ON Home Bar Rest Party Other;
drinks ON gendD;
pbsplan ON gendD;

!
! WITHIN#
! #6 | drinks ON pbsdo;
! drinks ON Home Bar Rest Party Other;
! #1 | pbsdo ON Home;
! #2 | pbsdo ON Bar;
! #3 | pbsdo ON Rest;
! #4 | pbsdo ON Party;
    
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Double-Checking

- Make sure your data were read correctly by asking for descriptives
- Match with your descriptives from SPSS
- Analysis:** TYPE = BASIC;

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ex
TITLE: this is an example of a basic linear regression
for a continuous dependent variable
with two predictors;
DATA: FILE IS example1.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y1 y2 y3 y4 x1 x2 x3 x4 x5;
USEVARIABLES ARE y1 x1 x3;
MISSING IS all (999);
Analysis: TYPE = BASIC;
!MODEL: y1 ON x1 x3;
    
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Double-Checking

RESULTS FOR BASIC ANALYSIS

ESTIMATED SAMPLE STATISTICS

	Means	X1	X3
1	0.485	0.001	-0.042

	Covariances	X1	X3
Y1	2.408		
X1	1.078	1.094	
X3	0.648	0.028	0.957

	Correlations	X1	X3
Y1	1.000		
X1	0.665	1.000	
X3	0.427	0.028	1.000

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Double-Checking

Descriptive Statistics

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation
y1	500	.48484627	1.553195733
x1	500	.00128901	1.046763906
x3	500	-.04216123	.979130863
Valid N (listwise)	500		

Correlations

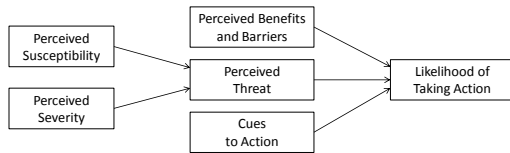
		y1	x1	x3
y1	Pearson Correlation	1	.665 ^{**}	.427 ^{**}
	Covariance	2.412	1.081	.850
	N	500	500	500
x1	Pearson Correlation	.665 ^{**}	1	.028
	Covariance	1.081	1.096	.028
	N	500	500	500
x3	Pearson Correlation	.427 ^{**}	.028	1
	Covariance	.850	.028	.959
	N	500	500	500

Path Analysis

- Series of regressions: but DV's can now also be IV's!
- Great for testing models/theories
- PICTURE and CODE and OUTPUT

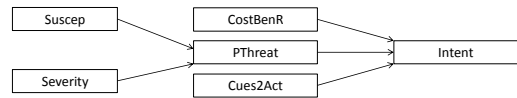
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Path Analysis: Health Belief Model



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Path Analysis



HealthBelief.inp

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TITLE: this is an example of a basic path analysis
with all continuous variables.
Using the Health Belief Model though the data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS example1.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE dem1 intent CostBenR Pthreat dem2 Cues2Act dem3 Suscept Severity;
USEVARIABLES ARE intent CostBenR Pthreat Cues2Act Suscept Severity;
!MISSING IS all (999);
MODEL:
  intent ON CostBenR Pthreat Cues2Act;
  Pthreat ON Suscept Severity;
OUTPUT: stand cint;
  
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Output



- Defaults:
 - Fit statistics (not always relevant)
 - B , SE , t , p
- Can easily request additional information
 - stand = standardized values (e.g., β s)
 - CINT = confidence intervals
 - Gives 99%, 95%, 90%,

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Reading Your Output

healthbelief.out

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INPUT READING TERMINATED NORMALLY

this is an example of a basic path analysis
with all continuous variables.
Using the Health Belief Model though the data are fake;

SUMMARY OF ANALYSIS

Number of groups                1
Number of observations          500

Number of dependent variables   2
Number of independent variables  4
Number of continuous latent variables  0

Observed dependent variables

Continuous
INTENT  PTHREAT

Observed independent variables
COSTBENR  CUES2ACT  SUSCEPT  SEVERITY

Estimator                                ML
Information matrix                        OBSERVED
  
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Reading Your Output

healthbelief.out

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THE MODEL ESTIMATION TERMINATED NORMALLY

MODEL FIT INFORMATION
Number of Free Parameters          9

Loglikelihood
  H0 Value                -2357.703
  H1 Value                -1568.616

Information Criteria
  Akaike (AIC)            4733.407
  Bayesian (BIC)         4771.338
  Sample-Size Adjusted BIC 4742.772
  (n* = (n + 2) / 24)

Chi-Square Test of Model Fit
  Value                    1578.175
  Degrees of Freedom       4
  F-value                  0.0000

RMSEA (Root Mean Square Error Of Approximation)

Estimate                   0.857
90 Percent C.I.           0.851  0.924
Probability RMSEA <= .05  0.000
  
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Reading Your Output

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MODEL RESULTS

              B              SE              t              p
              Estimate      S.E.  Est./S.E.  Two-Tailed
              P-Value

INTENT ON
  COSTBENR    -0.305      0.085    -3.585      0.000
  PTHREAT      0.883      0.047    18.861      0.000
  CUES2ACT    -0.557      0.166    -3.361      0.001

PTHREAT ON
  SUSCEPT    3.656      0.144    25.380      0.000
  SEVERITY     2.163      0.143    15.074      0.000

Intercepts
  INTENT      -1.515      0.092   -16.430      0.000
  PTHREAT      0.622      0.148     4.199      0.000

Residual Variances
  INTENT      3.896      0.246    15.811      0.000
  PTHREAT    10.970      0.694    15.811      0.000
  
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Reading Your Output

STANDARDIZED MODEL RESULTS

healthbelief.out

STDY Standardization

	Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
INTENT ON COSTENR	-0.248	0.064	-3.862	0.000
INTENT ON PTHREAT	0.979	0.028	34.627	0.000
INTENT ON CUES2ACT	-0.117	0.037	-3.200	0.001
PTHREAT ON SUSCEPT	0.670	0.023	29.167	0.000
PTHREAT ON SEVERITY	0.398	0.027	14.744	0.000
Intercepts				
INTENT	-0.298	0.020	-15.002	0.000
PTHREAT	0.110	0.026	4.172	0.000
Residual Variances				
INTENT	0.151	0.015	10.196	0.000
PTHREAT	0.345	0.025	13.819	0.000

STDY Standardization

Reading Your Output

R-SQUARE

Observed Variable	Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
INTENT	0.849	0.015	57.390	0.000
PTHREAT	0.655	0.025	26.185	0.000

QUALITY OF NUMERICAL RESULTS

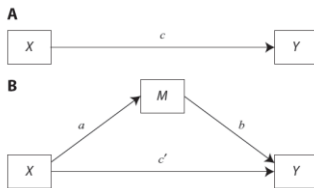
Condition Number for the Information Matrix (ratio of smallest to largest eigenvalue) 0.477E-02

CONFIDENCE INTERVALS OF MODEL RESULTS

	Lower .5%	Lower 2.5%	Lower 5%	Estimate	Upper 5%	Upper 2.5%	Upper .5%
INTENT ON COSTENR	-0.524	-0.471	-0.445	-0.305	-0.165	-0.138	-0.086
INTENT ON PTHREAT	0.762	0.791	0.806	0.883	0.960	0.975	1.003
INTENT ON CUES2ACT	-0.985	-0.889	-0.830	-0.557	-0.285	-0.232	-0.130
PTHREAT ON SUSCEPT	3.285	3.374	3.419	3.656	3.893	3.939	4.027
PTHREAT ON SEVERITY	1.793	1.882	1.927	2.163	2.399	2.444	2.539

Indirect Effects

- Also called mediation



- c = total effect
- c' = direct effect
- ab = indirect effect

Indirect Effects



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with all continuous variables.
Incorporating an indirect effect (data are still fake);
DATA: FILE IS example1.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE dem1 intent SelfEff Pthreat dem2 Cues2Act dem3 s;
USEVARIABLES ARE intent Pthreat Neuro SelfEff;
'MISSING IS all (999);
MODEL:
  Intent ON Pthreat SelfEff Neuro;
  Pthreat ON Neuro;
  SelfEff ON Neuro;
MODEL INDIRECT: Intent IND Pthreat Neuro;
  Intent IND SelfEff Neuro;
OUTPUT: stand gint;
  
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MODEL INDIRECT: y IND mediator x

Indirect Effects



TOTAL, TOTAL INDIRECT, SPECIFIC INDIRECT, AND DIRECT EFFECTS

	Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
Sum of indirect	1.280	0.130	9.831	0.000
Specific indirect				
INTENT PTHREAT NEURO	1.408	0.137	10.286	0.000
INTENT SELF EFF NEURO	-0.158	0.042	-3.803	0.000

STANDARDIZED TOTAL, TOTAL INDIRECT, SPECIFIC INDIRECT, AND DIRECT EFFECTS

Bootstrapping

- Bootstrapping example with means:

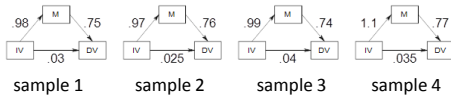
Original	sample 1	sample 2	sample 3	sample 1000
31.15	31.15	31.15	31.15	31.15
26.41	26.41	26.41	31.15	26.41
30.82	30.82	30.82	30.82	26.41
21.59	21.59	30.82	21.59	21.59
26.76	26.76	26.76	26.76	26.76
26.02	26.02	26.76	26.02	26.02
28.32	28.32	28.32	28.32	26.02
21.26	28.32	21.26	21.26	21.26
19.50	19.50	19.50	21.26	19.50
24.03	19.50	24.03	24.03	24.03

μ 's: 25.586 26.32 26.03 26.24 24.59

- Notice that some values are repeated in the samples because they were sampled with replacement.

Bootstrapping

- Applied to mediation:



- Each parameter estimate gets a set of possible values (in this case, 1000 of them)

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Bootstrapping

- Final estimate = midpoint of ordered estimates
- Significance assessed with middle 95% of ordered estimates

	[0.968]	[0.737]	[0.713]
	0.969	0.739	0.716
	0.971	0.740	0.719

a =	1.031	b = 0.762	∴ ab = 0.786

	1.062	0.781	0.829
	1.062	0.783	0.832
	1.064	0.783	0.833

- Indirect effect = 0.833 (95% CI: 0.719, 0.829)

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Bootstrapping

- No longer requires normally distributed variables (or coefficients)
- Create our own (normal) sampling distribution
- Assess significance using 95% CI (no 0 ~ p < .05)

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with all continuous variables.
Incorporating an indirect effect (data are still fake);
DATA: FILE IS example1.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE dem1 intent SelfEff Pthreat dem2 Cues2Act dem3 Suscept;
USEVARIABLES ARE intent Pthreat Neuro SelfEff;
ANALYSIS: BOOTSTRAP = 5000;
MODEL:
  intent ON Pthreat SelfEff Neuro;
  Pthreat ON Neuro;
  SelfEff ON Neuro;
MODEL INDIRECT: intent IND Pthreat Neuro;
  intent IND SelfEff Neuro;
OUTPUT: stand cint(bcboot);
    
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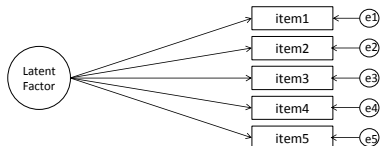
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Latent Variable Modeling (CFAs)

- Crux of SEM (1 minute review)
- Assumes underlying, unobserved, *latent* construct is driving observed items
 - Allows for *Measurement Error*
 - Allows for best combination *weighting* of items
- Different from composite scores

Latent Variable Modeling (CFAs)



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TITLE: this is an example of a basic CFA
with all continuous variables.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS example1.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE item1 item2 item3 item4 item5 x1 x2 x3 y;
USEVARIABLES ARE item1 item2 item3 item4 item5;
!MISSING IS all (999);
MODEL:
  F BY item1 item2 item3 item4 item5;
OUTPUT: stand cint;
    
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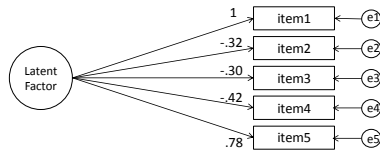
Latent Variable Modeling (CFAs)

MODEL RESULTS		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
F	BY				
	ITEM1	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	ITEM2	-0.317	0.189	-1.731	0.083
	ITEM3	-0.297	0.184	-1.613	0.107
	ITEM4	-0.416	0.252	-1.654	0.098
	ITEM5	0.781	0.149	5.249	0.000
	Intercepts				
	ITEM1	0.485	0.069	6.987	0.000
	ITEM2	-1.108	0.187	-5.932	0.000
	ITEM3	0.027	0.185	0.144	0.886
	ITEM4	0.499	0.252	1.980	0.048
	ITEM5	0.001	0.047	0.028	0.978
	Variances				
	F	1.375	0.287	4.788	0.000
	Residual Variances				
	ITEM1	1.032	0.260	3.963	0.000
	ITEM2	17.294	1.097	15.764	0.000
	ITEM3	16.982	1.077	15.761	0.000
	ITEM4	31.518	2.000	15.757	0.000

- Default is to set first item loading to 1 (to scale factor)
- Alternative is to set variance of factor to 1

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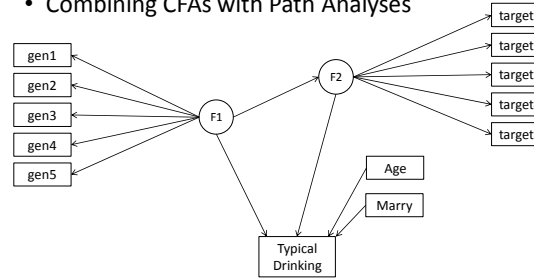
Latent Variable Modeling (CFAs)



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Full SEM Models

- Combining CFAs with Path Analyses



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Full SEM Models

- Code (old and new)

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File Edit View Mplus Graph Window Help
MODEL:
TITLE: this is an example of a full SEM
model with all continuous variables.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS fullSEM.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12 Q13 Q14
Q60 Q61 Q62 Q63 Q64 Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2
gen3 gen4 gen5 target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age
FIPT rea greek ups race hisp year athlete gender marry
DrinkTyp DrinkHvy Probs;
USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1 target2
target3 target4 target5 age marry DrinkTyp;
!MISSING IS all (999);
ANALYSIS: ITERATIONS = 10000;
MODEL:
F1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
F2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5; } Factor Loadings
DrinkTyp ON F1 F2 age marry; } Paths
F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: MOD(ALL); stand cint;
    
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Full SEM Models

MODEL FIT INFORMATION	
Number of Free Parameters	37
Loglikelihood	
HO Value	-4725.046
H1 Value	-4614.352
Information Criteria	
Akaike (AIC)	9524.092
Bayesian (BIC)	9668.083
Sample-Size Adjusted BIC	9550.699
(n* = (n + 2) / 24)	
Chi-Square Test of Model Fit	
Value	217.388
Degrees of Freedom	62
P-Value	0.0000
RMSEA (Root Mean Square Error Of Approximation)	
Estimate	0.083
90 Percent C.I.	0.071 0.095
Probability RMSEA <= .05	0.000
CFI/TLI	
CFI	0.935
TLI	0.920

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Full SEM Models

MODEL RESULTS				
		Estimate	S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
F2	BY			
GEN1		1.000	0.000	999.000
GEN2		1.311	0.145	9.021
GEN3		0.946	0.093	10.217
GEN4		1.532	0.136	11.244
GEN5		1.369	0.130	10.846
F2	BY			
TARGET1		1.000	0.000	999.000
TARGET2		1.002	0.047	23.182
TARGET3		1.067	0.046	20.003
TARGET4		1.118	0.042	24.279
TARGET5		1.111	0.042	24.550
F2	ON			
F1		0.942	0.126	7.455
DRINKTYP	ON			
F1		-4.652	1.133	-4.107
F2		1.151	0.509	2.260
DRINKTYP	ON			
AGE		-0.003	0.049	-0.045
MARRY		-0.313	0.258	-1.221
Intercepts				
GEN1		4.738	0.036	132.289
GEN2		4.337	0.049	87.645

- Factor Loadings
- Main Paths
- Covariate Paths

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Full SEM Models

MODEL MODIFICATION INDICES					
Minimum M.I. value for printing the modification index 10.000					
		M.I.	E.P.C.	Std E.P.C.	StdYX E.P.C.
ON/BY Statements					
TARGET1	ON F1				
F1	BY TARGET1	10.246	-0.241	-0.102	-0.110
ON Statements					
F1	ON TARGET1	10.252	-0.256	-0.604	-0.562
F2	ON TARGET1	10.277	0.812	0.974	0.906
GEN2	ON GEN5	15.868	0.410	0.410	0.337
GEN2	ON TARGET2	13.831	0.170	0.170	0.185
GEN5	ON GEN2	15.867	0.185	0.185	0.226
TARGET1	ON GEN4	14.424	-0.122	-0.122	-0.109
TARGET1	ON TARGET3	11.819	0.380	0.380	0.204
TARGET1	ON GEN2	43.512	0.241	0.241	0.222
TARGET3	ON TARGET1	11.812	0.339	0.339	0.295
TARGET4	ON GEN4	14.000	0.135	0.135	0.109
TARGET5	ON GEN5	14.237	0.138	0.138	0.105
WITH Statements					
GEN5	WITH GEN2	15.868	0.107	0.107	0.276
TARGET1	WITH F1	10.246	-0.043	-0.102	-0.248

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Diagrammer

```

Mplus - [fullsem]
File Edit View Mplus Plot Diagram Window Help
Open Diagrammer
View diagram Alt+D

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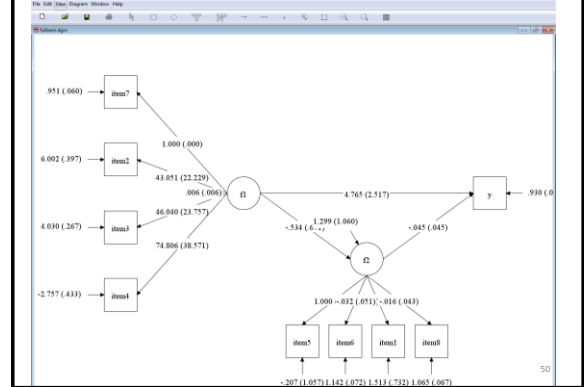
INPUT INSTRUCTIONS

TITLE: this is an example of a basic CFA
with all continuous variables.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS example1.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE item1 item2 item3 item4 item5 item6 item7 item8 y;
!USEVARIABLES ARE item1 item2 item3 item4 item5;
!MISSING IS all (999);

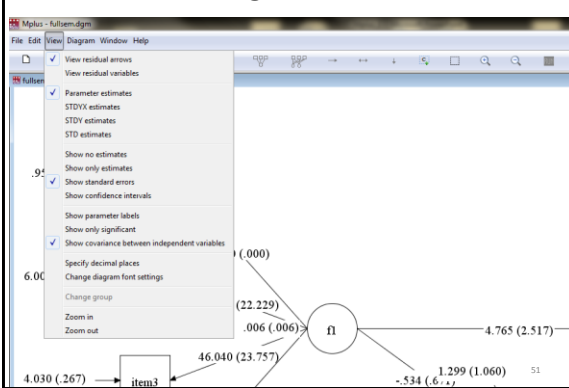
MODEL:
F1 BY item7 item2 item3 item4;
F2 BY item5 item6 item1 item8;
Y ON F1 F2;
F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: stand cint mod;

!y2 = intent;
!y3 = CostBenR;
!y4 = Pthreat;
    
```

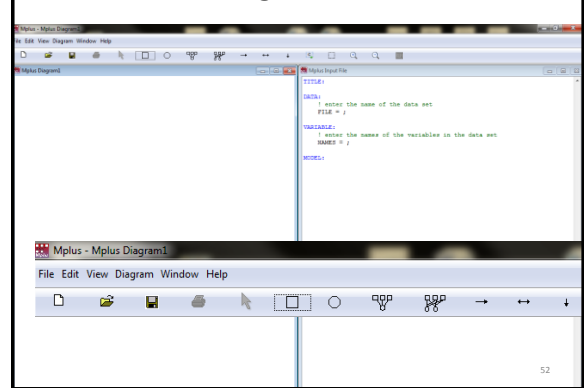
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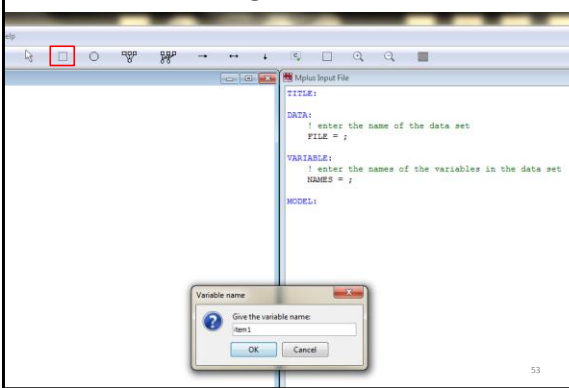
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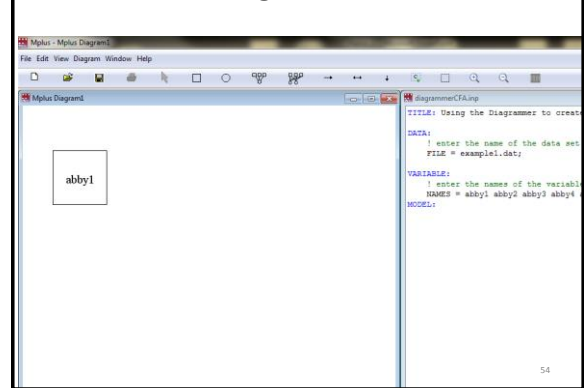
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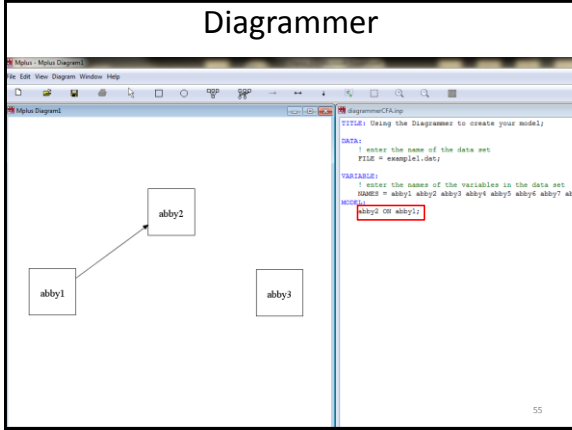
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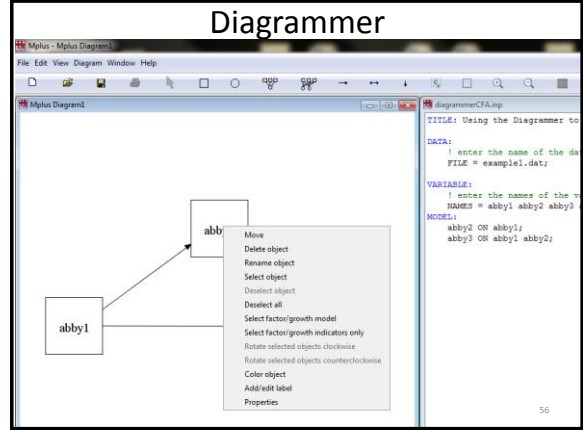
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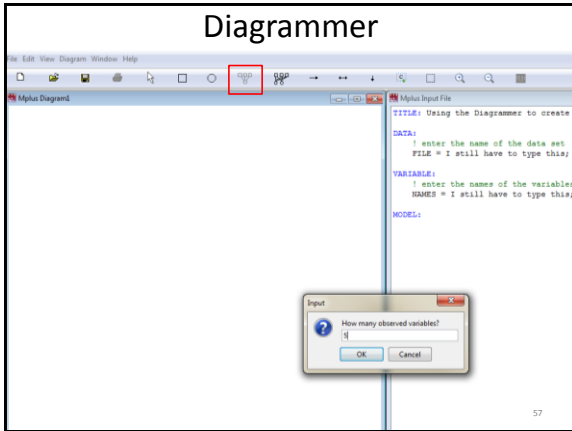
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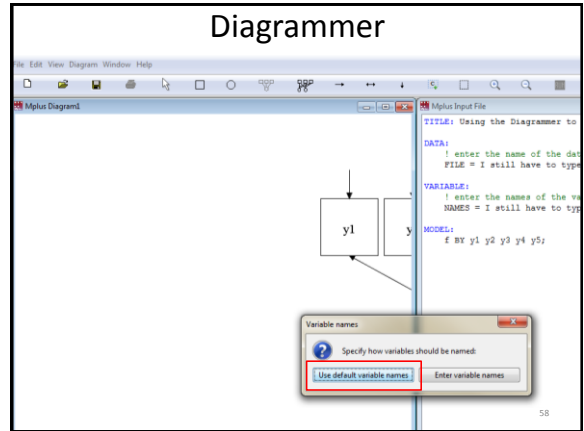
Diagrammer



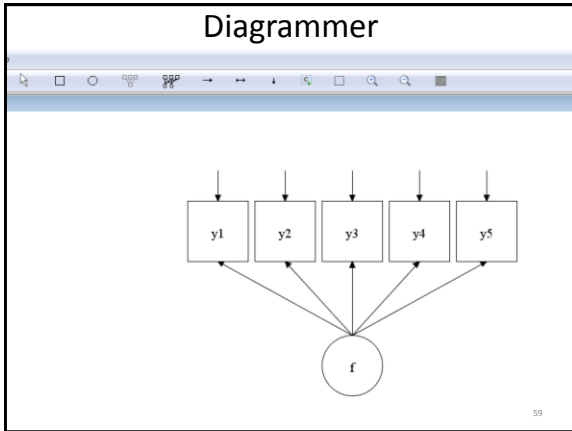
Diagrammer



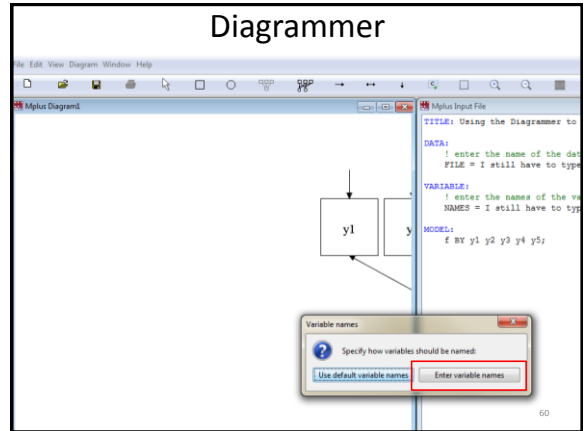
Diagrammer



Diagrammer



Diagrammer



Diagrammer

Diagrammer interface showing a partial path diagram with nodes 'y1' and 'y'. A dialog box titled 'Factor model: factor name' is open, prompting for a factor name. The background text includes:

```

TITLE: Using the Diagrammer to create your model;
DATA:
! enter the name of the data set
FILE = I still have to type this;
VARIABLE:
! enter the names of the variables in the data
NAMES = I still have to type this;
MODEL:
f BY y1 y2 y3 y4 y5;

```

Diagrammer

Diagrammer interface showing a dialog box titled 'Enter the variable names:' with a list of variables: abby1, abby2, abby3, abby4, abby5. The background text includes:

```

TITLE: Using the Diagrammer to create your model;
DATA:
! enter the name of the data set
FILE = I still have to type this;
VARIABLE:
! enter the names of the variables in the data
NAMES = I still have to type this;
MODEL:

```

Diagrammer

Diagrammer interface showing a complete path diagram with five observed variables (abby1, abby2, abby3, abby4, abby5) pointing to a latent variable 'Abby's Factor'.

Diagrammer

Diagrammer interface showing the model specification for the path diagram. The model is defined as:

```

MODEL:
Abby's Factor BY abby1 abby2 abby3 abby4 abby5;

```

Diagrammer

Diagrammer interface showing the path diagram with a more detailed model specification:

```

MODEL:
abby1 ON abbyByHand;
abby2 ON abbyByHand;
abby3 ON abbyByHand;
abby4 ON abbyByHand;
abby5 ON abbyByHand;

```

Diagrammer

Diagrammer interface showing the path diagram with a more detailed model specification. A red box highlights the observed variables in the diagram. The model is defined as:

```

MODEL:
abby1 ON abbyByHand;
abby2 ON abbyByHand;
abby3 ON abbyByHand;
abby4 ON abbyByHand;
abby5 ON abbyByHand;

```

Diagrammer

Diagrammer

Troubleshooting

- The manual
- The website
- The software itself

The Software

```

VARIABLE: NAMES ARE dem1 item1 item2 item3 dem2 dem3 dem4 item4 item5;
USEVARIABLES ARE Intent item1 item2 item3 item4 item5;
MISSING IS all (9999);
MODEL:
F BY item1 item2 item3 item4 item5;
!OUTPUT: stand cint;

!y2 = Intent;
!y3 = CostBenefit;
!y4 = Fthreat;
!x4 = Suscep;
!x5 = Severity;

*** ERROR in VARIABLE command
On the USEVARIABLES list, variables from the NAMES list must come before
all new VARIABLES created using the DEFINE command. The variables(s)
violating this order are: INTENT
    
```

Using the Manual

Following is the set of CFA examples included in this chapter:

- 5.1: CFA with continuous factor indicators
- 5.2: CFA with categorical factor indicators
- 5.3: CFA with continuous and categorical factor indicators
- 5.4: CFA with censored and count factor indicators*
- 5.5: Two-parameter logistic item response theory (IRT) model*
- 5.6: Second-order factor analysis
- 5.7: Non-linear CFA*
- 5.8: CFA with covariates (MIMIC) with continuous factor indicators
- 5.9: Mean structure CFA for continuous factor indicators
- 5.10: Threshold structure CFA for categorical factor indicators

Following is the set of SEM examples included in this chapter:

- 5.11: SEM with continuous factor indicators
- 5.12: SEM with continuous factor indicators and an indirect effect for factors
- 5.13: SEM with continuous factor indicators and an interaction between two factors*

Following is the set of multiple group examples included in this chapter:

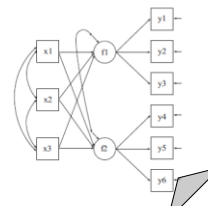
- Lots of examples (hundreds)
- Start with their code and alter to fit your data/model

Using the Manual

EXAMPLE 5.8: CFA WITH COVARIATES (MIMIC) WITH CONTINUOUS FACTOR INDICATORS

```

TITLE: This is an example of a CFA with
covariates (MIMIC) with continuous factor
indicators.
DATA: FILE IS ex5.8.dat;
USEVARIABLES: NAMES ARE x1-x3,
y1-y6;
MODEL: F1 BY y1-y3;
F2 BY x4-x6;
F1 F2 ON x1-x3;
    
```



In this example, the CFA model with covariates (MIMIC)

- Examples include code, pictures, and written explanation

Using the Manual

The first BY statement specifies that $f1$ is measured by $y1$, $y2$, and $y3$. The second BY statement specifies that $f2$ is measured by $y4$, $y5$, and $y6$. The metric of the factors is set automatically by the program by fixing the first factor loading in each BY statement to 1. This option can be overridden. The intercepts and residual variances of the factor indicators are estimated and the residuals are not correlated as the default. The residual variances of the factors are estimated as the default. The residuals of the factors are correlated as the default because residuals are correlated for latent variables that do not influence any other variable in the model except their own indicators. The ON statement describes the linear regressions of $f1$ and $f2$ on the covariates $x1$, $x2$, and $x3$. The ESTIMATOR option of the ANALYSIS command can be used to select a different estimator. An explanation of the other commands can be found in Example 5.1.

9: MEAN STRUCTURE CFA FOR CONTINUOUS INDICATORS

- Explain defaults when relevant
 - Setting factor metric
 - Correlating factors
 - Correlating exogenous variables

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- <http://www.statmodel.com/>

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Latest News

- Mplus Version 7.11 is now available. Click [here](#) to see the new features. Registered users who purchased Mplus within the last year or those with a current Mplus Upgrade and Support Contract can download using our [online system](#) at no cost.
- Revised [paper](#): Asparouhov & Muthén (2013). Multiple-group factor analysis alignment. Web note 18: Version 3. Mplus scripts are available [here](#).
- Mplus pre-conference workshop at the [European Survey Research Association \(ESRA\)](#) meeting in Ljubljana, Slovenia, July 15: New Developments in Latent Variable Modeling Using Mplus (Bengt Muthén). Handouts for the workshop and related July 16 talk are available [here](#).
- New FAQ: [Growth mixture model confidence intervals](#) for estimated trajectory means.
- Revised [paper](#): Asparouhov & Muthén (2013). Auxiliary variables in mixture modeling: 3-step approaches using Mplus. Web note 15: Version 7.

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Using the Website

Message/Author

Monica Oxford posted on Wednesday, November 29, 2000 - 9:51 am

I am running a 3 class 13 wave quadratic growth mixture model and have two questions.

- 1) The model converged and terminated normally, however, the variance estimate for intercepts for the 1st and 3rd classes were negative. This seems to indicate some problems with the model, what are your suggestions (this doesn't happen in the linear model, only in the quadratic)?
- 2) The standard errors for some of the estimates are quite large for the quadratic 3 class model (e.g., class 2 the variance and mean of the intercept). What might be the problem? Again this is not the case with the linear model.

Thanks in advance.
Monica Oxford

bmuthen posted on Wednesday, November 29, 2000 - 10:03 am

The fact that growth mixture modeling has more than one class tends to reduce the within-class variation and in some cases it can be set at zero. You may not get a significant worsening of fit (e.g. by likelihood-ratio chi-square difference testing) if you fix the negative variance estimates at zero. If you do get a significant worsening of fit, this could indicate that the model is not appropriate for the data.

If you have class-specific parameters, standard errors could be large due to small class sizes. The fact that your quadratic model seems to have more problems than the linear might point to the fact that you might only need a linear model once you allow several classes. A good way to visualize your model-data fit on an individual level is mentioned in the growth mixture modeling paper number 87 as listed on this web site.

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%c#3%
Y1 with Y2;
[Y1 Y2];

bmuthen posted on Sunday, December 12, 2004 - 7:38 pm

You have to do this by using starting values that make whatever class you want the last class. So you rerun your analysis giving some key starting values for the last class which you take from class 2 of your current solution.

Anonymous posted on Sunday, December 12, 2004 - 9:54 pm

Thanks a lot for the suggestion. I have tried it and got some strange results. When there was no starting value, the correlation between two variables in one class was positive while it became negative when starting values were given.

All other fit statistics and parameter estimates were exactly the same except the mentioned correlation.

Linda K. Muthen posted on Monday, December 13, 2004 - 6:42 am

Send the two outputs to support@statmodel.com so I can see exactly what you are doing -- the output with no starting values and the output where you use the starting values as starting values.

Individual Troubleshooting!

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BREAK



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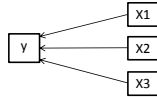
Section 2

- Advanced model language
- Latent Growth Models
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 - Adding and relaxing equality constraints
- Latent Profile/Class Analysis
- Multilevel Modeling

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Basic Model Language

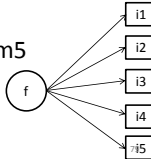
- **y ON** x1 x2 x3
(regression)



- **x1 WITH** x2
(correlation)



- **f BY** item1 item2 item3 item4 item5
(factors or latent variables)



Mathematical Operators

Symbol CODE	Definition	Example
+	Addition	$y + x;$
-	Subtraction	$y - x;$
*	Multiplication	$y * x;$
/	Division	$y / x;$
**	Exponentiation	$y**2;$

CODE	Definition	Alternate Symbol CODE
EQ	Equal	==
NE	Not Equal	!=
GE	Greater than or Equal to	>=
LE	Less than or Equal to	<=
GT	Greater Than	>
LT	Less Than	<

CODE	Definition
AND	logical and
OR	logical or
NOT	logical not

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Advanced Model Language: DEFINE

- DEFINE** NewVariable = mathematical expression;
- `Depress = MEAN (dep1 dep2 dep3 dep4 dep5);` } Decided to create composite instead of CFA
 - `DepSum = SUM (dep1 dep2 dep3 dep4 dep5);`
 - **IF-THEN** NewVariable transformation statements;
 - `IF (gender EQ 1 AND ses EQ 1) THEN group = 1;`
 - `IF (gender EQ 1 AND ses EQ 2) THEN group = 2;`
 - `IF (gender EQ 2 AND ses EQ 1) THEN group = 3;`
 - `IF (gender EQ 2 AND ses EQ 2) THEN group = 4;`
 - **CUT** variable or list of variables (cutpoints);
 - `CUT y1 (30 40);`
 - 0 = less than or equal to 30, } Continuous into ordered groups; Variable keeps same name; Cutpoint is included in lower group;
 - 1 = greater than 30 and less than or equal to 40
 - 2 = greater than 40
 - **_MISSING**
 - `IF (y EQ 0) THEN newvar = _MISSING;` } Changing a value to MISSING, or MISSING to a value
 - `IF (y = _MISSING) THEN newvar = 0;`

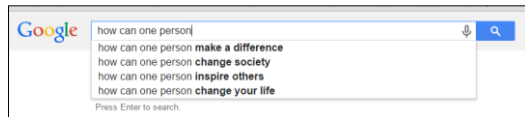
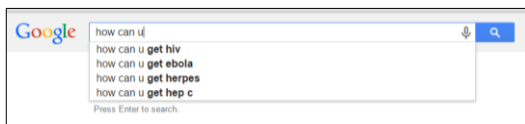
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Advanced Model Language

- **USEOBS** or **USEOBSERVATIONS**
 - conditional statement to select observations
 - `USEOBS ARE gender EQ 1` } Running the model with just males
 - `USEOBS ARE x3 NE 1` } Use everyone EXCEPT group 1
 - `USEOBS ARE age GE 18` } Excluding those who are underage
- **Combine with DEFINE**
 - **DEFINE:** `IF (drinks LT 5 AND probs EQ 0) THEN group = 1;` } identifying low to moderate drinkers (< 5 drinks, no problems)
 - `USEOBS ARE group NE 1;` } Use everyone EXCEPT them

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Language Matters



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Advanced Model Language

Constraints

- ***** frees a parameter, or denotes a specific starting value
 - The variance of y1 will be freely estimated, starting with examining the likelihood that it is 0.5
 - example: `y1*.5;`
- **@** fixes a parameter at a specific value
 - example: `y1@0;` - The variance of y1 is constrained or set to 0
- **(number)** constrains parameters to be equal
 - example: `f1 ON x1 (1);` } The influence of x1 predicting f1 is the same as the influence of x1 predicting f2.
 - `f2 ON x1 (1);`

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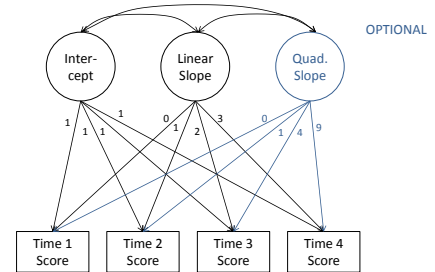
Advanced Model Language

[intercept] versus not

- list of variables without brackets refers to variances and residual variances
 - example: f1 y1-y9;
 - f1@0; - The variance of f1 is set to 0 Var. if exogenous; resid. var. if endogenous
- [list of variables] refers to means, intercepts, thresholds
 - example: [f1, y1-y9];
 - [f1]@0; - The mean of f1 is set to 0 Mean if exogenous; intcpt if endogenous

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Latent Growth Models



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Latent Growth Models

- Can specify with long code:
 - Int BY time1@1;
 - Int BY time2@1;
 - Int BY time2@1;
 - Slope BY time1@0;
 - Slope BY time2@1;
 - Slope BY time3@2;
 - Slope BY time4@3;
 - Int WITH Slope;
 - [time1 time2 time3 time4]@0;

"Int" and "Slope" are names I created. - Not already in the data. - Mplus does not require any specific name. time1-time4 are variable names
- Or use Mplus' shortcut
 - Intercept slope | time1@0 time2@1 time3@2 time4@3;
 - Assumes intercept is 1's all around
 - Creates paths you specify for slope
 - Allows intercept and slope to correlate
 - Sets variable intercepts to 0 so that all prediction is in the mean of the latent variables (Intercept and Slope)

"Intercept" and "slope" are still labels I created. Can be whatever you want.

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```
Mplus - LGM.inp
File Edit View Mplus Graph Window Help
LGM.inp
TITLE: this is an example of a linear growth
model for a continuous outcome
DATA: FILE IS ex6.10.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y11-y14 x1 x2 a31-a34;
USEVARIABLES ARE y11-y14;
MODEL: i s | y11@0 y12@1 y13@2 y14@3;
```

I shortened intercept and slope to "i" and "s"; they can be whatever name you want
time1-time4 are labeled y11-y14 (studying adolescents)

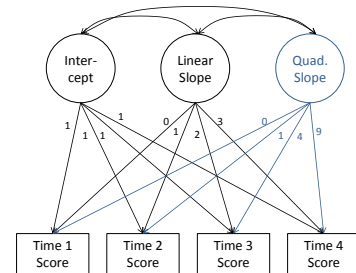
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MODEL RESULTS				
		Estimate	S.E.	Two-Tailed Est./S.E. F-Value
I	Y11	1.000	0.000	999.000
	Y12	1.000	0.000	999.000
	Y13	1.000	0.000	999.000
	Y14	1.000	0.000	999.000
S	Y11	0.000	0.000	999.000
	Y12	1.000	0.000	999.000
	Y13	2.000	0.000	999.000
	Y14	3.000	0.000	999.000
S	WITH	0.559	0.040	9.282
Means	I	0.620	0.049	9.048
	S	1.049	0.035	29.972
Intercepts	Y11	0.000	0.000	999.000
	Y12	0.000	0.000	999.000
	Y13	0.000	0.000	999.000
	Y14	0.000	0.000	999.000
Variances	I	1.943	0.152	12.772
	S	0.490	0.040	12.148
Residual Variances	Y11	0.545	0.074	7.412
	Y12	0.694	0.056	12.343

Loadings we specified.
All 1's for intercept.
0,1,2,3 for linear growth slope.
Focus of analysis. What is initial value for construct? What is growth?
Set to zero so that prediction is all captured in the means

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TITLE: this is an example of a linear growth model for a continuous outcome
 DATA: FILE IS ex6.10.dat;
 VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y11-y14 x1 x2 a31-a34;
 USEVARIABLES ARE y11-y14;
 MODEL: i s [q] | y11@0 y12@1 y13@2 y14@3;

- Added “q” for the quadratic term
- Assigned loadings for *linear* term
- Mplus knows to square loadings for “q”

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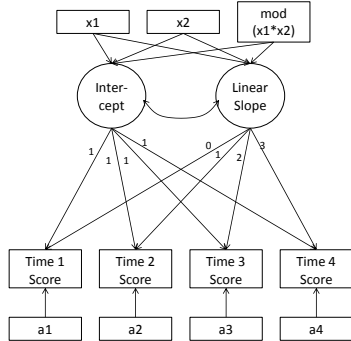
		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
I	Y11	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y12	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y13	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y14	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
S	Y11	0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y12	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y13	2.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y14	3.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Q	Y11	0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y12	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y13	4.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
WIRTH	I	0.722	0.272	2.656	0.008
	S	-0.059	0.065	-0.912	0.362
	Q	-0.122	0.060	-2.027	0.043
Means	I	0.611	0.069	8.889	0.000
	S	1.082	0.067	16.196	0.000
	Q	-0.011	0.028	-0.397	0.691
	Intercepts	Y11	0.000	0.000	999.000
	Y12	0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000

Q loadings are squared S loadings

Construct starts at 0.611
 Grows 1.082 each year/week/etc.
 Quadratic growth term was not sig.

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Latent Growth Models

TITLE: this is an example of a linear growth model for a continuous outcome with predictors;
 DATA: FILE IS ex6.10.dat;
 VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y11-y14 x1 x2 a31-a34;
 USEVARIABLES ARE y11-y14 x1 x2 a31-a34 [mod]; - Not in dataset. Create in DEFINE.
 DEFINE: mod = x1 * x2;
 MODEL: i s | y11@0 y12@1 y13@2 y14@3; - LGM language
 i s ON x1 x2 mod;
 y11 ON a31;
 y12 ON a32;
 y13 ON a33;
 y14 ON a34; - ON statements (path analyses)

- Combining LGM language with ON statements
- Time-*invariant* predictors for *i* and *s*
- Time-*varying* predictors for individual *timepoints*

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		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
I	Y11	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y12	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y13	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y14	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
S	Y11	0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y12	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y13	2.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
	Y14	3.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
I	X1	0.569	0.054	10.475	0.000
	X2	0.713	0.055	12.887	0.000
	MOD	-0.110	0.055	-1.990	0.047
S	X1	0.262	0.025	10.399	0.000
	X2	0.474	0.026	18.436	0.000
	MOD	0.021	0.026	0.834	0.404
Y11	A31	0.186	0.044	4.197	0.000
	Y12	0.323	0.038	8.447	0.000
	Y13	0.344	0.038	8.982	0.000
	Y14	0.301	0.051	5.947	0.000

- Predictors' influence on baseline values

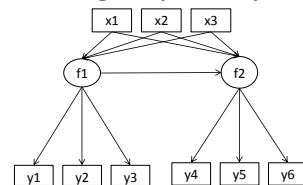
- Predictors' influence on growth slopes

- Controlling for time-specific covariates (or main predictors)

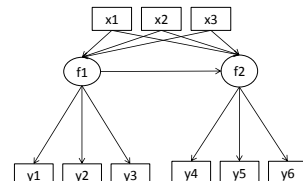
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Multigroup Analyses

Males:



Females:



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Multigroup Analysis Code

- Approach changed in newer versions
- Version 6 and older
 - The "MODEL" describes the overall model to be estimated for each group
 - Default is that **ALL** code under the "MODEL" command was constrained to equality across groups unless an exception was made
 - Exceptions were specified using "MODEL [group]" command after the overall command
- Version 7 and newer
 - The "MODEL" describes the overall model to be estimated for each group
 - Default is for **measurement** to be constrained, but **structure** to be different
 - Factor loadings are held equal across groups
 - Intercepts (for continuous variables) and thresholds (for categorical variables) are held equal across groups
 - Paths such as ON and WITH are estimated separately for each group
 - Exceptions were specified using "MODEL [group]" command after the overall command

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Multigroup Analyses: Version 6 and older

```

TITLE: this is an example of a multigroup
analysis with all continuous indicators.
Testing invariance, too.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS multigroup.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y1 y2 y3 y4 y5 y6 x1 x2 x3 gender;
GROUPING IS gender (1=male 2=female);
MODEL:
F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 F2 ON x1 x2 x3;
F2 ON F1;
MODEL female:
F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 F2 ON x1 x2 x3;
F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: stand cint;
    
```

How you indicate you are doing a multigroup analysis:
Specifying grouping variable AND group labels

Second set of model code allows estimates to be different from original model

Inactivated CFA code because construct needs to be consistently measured across groups

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Multigroup Analyses: Version 7 and newer

```

multigroupTEST.inp
TITLE: testing multigroup code in version 7.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS multigroup.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y1 y2 y3 y4 y5 y6 x1 x2 x3 gender;
GROUPING IS gender (1=male 2=female);
MODEL:
F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 F2 ON x1 x2 x3;
F2 ON F1;
MODEL female:
! F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
! F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
! F1 F2 ON x1 x2 x3;
! F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: stand cint;
    
```

How you indicate you are doing a multigroup analysis:
Specifying grouping variable AND group labels

Second set of model code allows estimates to be different from original model

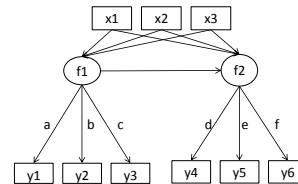
Inactivated CFA code because construct needs to be consistently measured across groups

Inactivated path code because new default for v7+ is to allow these to vary across groups

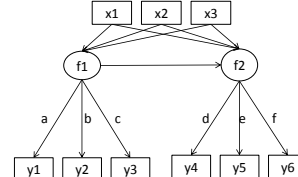
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Multigroup Analyses

Males:



Females:



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Multigroup Analyses

		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
Group MALE					
F1	BY				
Y1		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y2		1.016	0.021	48.830	0.000
Y3		0.644	0.026	24.837	0.000
F2	BY				
Y4		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y5		1.001	0.018	55.703	0.000
Y6		1.007	0.018	54.562	0.000
F2	ON				
F1		0.285	0.050	5.744	0.000
F1	ON				
X1		0.515	0.027	18.963	0.000
X2		0.598	0.032	18.596	0.000
X3		0.719	0.045	15.863	0.000
F2	ON				
X1		0.517	0.034	15.006	0.000
X2		0.419	0.040	10.447	0.000
X3		0.218	0.052	4.204	0.000
Intercepts					
Y1		0.061	0.100	0.603	0.543
Y2		0.036	0.110	0.320	0.741

Factor loadings

Predictive paths

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Multigroup Analyses

		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
Group FEMALE					
F1	BY				
Y1		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y2		1.016	0.021	48.830	0.000
Y3		0.644	0.026	24.837	0.000
F2	BY				
Y4		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y5		1.001	0.018	55.703	0.000
Y6		1.007	0.018	54.562	0.000
F2	ON				
F1		0.404	0.055	7.385	0.000
F1	ON				
X1		0.422	0.023	18.415	0.000
X2		0.572	0.027	20.841	0.000
X3		0.615	0.037	16.510	0.000
F2	ON				
X1		0.511	0.032	15.929	0.000
X2		0.407	0.040	10.055	0.000
X3		0.256	0.049	5.268	0.000
Intercepts					
Y1		0.061	0.109	0.558	0.577
Y2		0.036	0.110	0.320	0.741

Factor loadings (identical)

Predictive paths (unique)

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Testing Measurement Invariance

```

TITLE: this is an example of a multigroup
analysis with all continuous indicators.
Testing invariance, too.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS multigroup.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y1 y2 y3 y4 y5 y6 x1 x2 x3 gender;
GROUPING IS gender (1=male 2=female);
MODEL:
F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 F2 ON x1 x2 x3;
F2 ON F1;
MODEL female:
F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 F2 ON x1 x2 x3;
F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: stand cint;
    
```

Activated CFA code for females

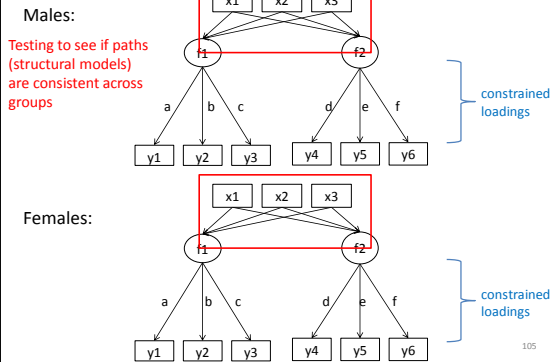
- Run with factor loadings free, and constrained
- Compare model fit
- Can conduct likelihood ratio test (nested models)

Testing Measurement Invariance

Constrained Model			Unconstrained Model		
MODEL FIT INFORMATION			MODEL FIT INFORMATION		
Number of Free Parameters	42		Number of Free Parameters	48	
Loglikelihood			Loglikelihood		
H0 Value	-9093.735		H0 Value	-8509.887	
H1 Value	-8790.544		H1 Value	-8790.544	
Information Criteria			Information Criteria		
Akaike (AIC)	18271.470		Akaike (AIC)	17716.774	
Bayesian (BIC)	18461.598		Bayesian (BIC)	17895.921	
Sample-Size Adjusted BIC	18340.194		Sample-Size Adjusted BIC	17803.462	
Chi-Square Test of Model Fit			Chi-Square Test of Model Fit		
Value	606.379		Value	38.683	
Degrees of Freedom	48		Degrees of Freedom	42	
F-Value	0.0000		F-Value	0.6174	
Chi-Square Contributions From Each Group			Chi-Square Contributions From Each Group		
MALE	451.533		MALE	20.284	
FEMALE	154.856		FEMALE	18.397	
RMSEA (Root Mean Square Error Of Approximation)			RMSEA (Root Mean Square Error Of Approximation)		
Estimate	0.145		Estimate	0.000	
90 Percent C.I.	0.135		90 Percent C.I.	0.000	
Probability RMSEA <= .05	0.000		Probability RMSEA <= .05	1.000	
CFI/TLI			CFI/TLI		
CFI	0.936		CFI	1.000	

$\chi^2(6) = 567.696, p < .001$ – Significant Misfit

Multigroup Analyses Cont'd



Testing to see if paths (structural models) are consistent across groups

Multigroup Analyses Cont'd: Version 6 and older

```

TITLE: this is an example of a multigroup
analysis with all continuous indicators.
Testing invariance, too.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS multigroup.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y1 y2 y3 y4 y5 y6 x1 x2 x3 gender;
GROUPING IS gender (1=male 2=female);
MODEL:
F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 ON x1 (1);
F1 ON x2 (2);
F1 ON x3 (3);
F2 ON x1 (4);
F2 ON x2 (5);
F2 ON x3 (6);
F2 ON F1 (7);
MODEL female:
! F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
! F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 ON x1 (1);
F1 ON x2 (2);
F1 ON x3 (3);
F2 ON x1 (4);
F2 ON x2 (5);
F2 ON x3 (6);
F2 ON F1 (7);
OUTPUT: STAND CINT;
    
```

- Equality Constraints
- Making each path consistent across groups
- Paths with the same (#) are constrained to equality with one another

Not technically necessary under "MODEL female" because default is to keep everything the same unless otherwise specified
Does not hurt to include them to be sure software is doing exactly what you want.

Multigroup Analyses Cont'd: Version 7 and newer

```

TITLE: this is an example of a multigroup
analysis with all continuous indicators.
Testing invariance, too.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS multigroup.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE y1 y2 y3 y4 y5 y6 x1 x2 x3 gender;
GROUPING IS gender (1=male 2=female);
MODEL:
F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 ON x1 (1);
F1 ON x2 (2);
F1 ON x3 (3);
F2 ON x1 (4);
F2 ON x2 (5);
F2 ON x3 (6);
F2 ON F1 (7);
MODEL female:
! F1 BY y1 y2 y3;
! F2 BY y4 y5 y6;
F1 ON x1 (1);
F1 ON x2 (2);
F1 ON x3 (3);
F2 ON x1 (4);
F2 ON x2 (5);
F2 ON x3 (6);
F2 ON F1 (7);
OUTPUT: STAND CINT;
    
```

- Equality Constraints
- Making each path consistent across groups
- Paths with the same (#) are constrained to equality with one another

Are definitely necessary under "MODEL female" because default in V7+ is to allow ON paths to be estimated separately for each group unless otherwise specified.

This code specifies that they should be the same across groups.

Multigroup Analyses Cont'd

MODEL RESULTS					
		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
Group MALE					
F1	BY	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y1		1.017	0.021	49.122	0.000
Y2		0.426	0.023	23.508	0.000
F2	BY	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y4		0.999	0.018	55.773	0.000
Y5		1.007	0.018	54.978	0.000
F2	ON	0.329	0.037	8.994	0.000
F1	ON	0.461	0.018	25.596	0.000
X1		0.556	0.021	27.379	0.000
X2		0.457	0.029	22.319	0.000
F2	ON	0.522	0.024	21.978	0.000
X2		0.422	0.029	14.744	0.000
X3		0.249	0.035	7.042	0.000
Intercepts					
Y1		0.195	0.052	2.387	0.017
Y2		0.173	0.052	2.098	0.036
X3		0.138	0.041	2.268	0.023
Y4		0.252	0.054	2.653	0.011

Factor loadings equal (like before)

Predictive/structural paths

Multigroup Analyses Cont'd

Group FEMALE				
F1 BY				
Y1	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y2	1.017	0.021	49.122	0.000
Y3	0.626	0.025	25.508	0.000
F2 BY				
Y4	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Y5	0.999	0.018	55.773	0.000
Y6	1.097	0.018	54.875	0.000
F2 ON				
F1	0.329	0.037	8.994	0.000
F1 ON				
X1	0.461	0.018	25.596	0.000
X2	0.586	0.021	27.379	0.000
X3	0.657	0.029	22.319	0.000
F2 ON				
X1	0.522	0.024	21.978	0.000
X2	0.421	0.029	14.744	0.000
X3	0.249	0.035	7.042	0.000
Intercepts				
Y1	0.195	0.082	2.387	0.017
Y2	0.173	0.082	2.098	0.036
Y3	0.138	0.061	2.268	0.029
Y4	0.276	0.076	1.001	0.317

Factor loadings equal (like before)

Predictive/structural paths now ALSO equal

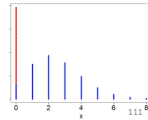
Multigroup Analyses Cont'd

Constrained Model	Unconstrained Model
MODEL FIT INFORMATION	
Number of Free Parameters: 35	Number of Free Parameters: 42
Loglikelihood: -9104.524	Loglikelihood: -8790.546
HO Value: -9104.524	HO Value: -9099.735
HI Value: -8790.546	HI Value: -8790.546
Information Criteria	
Akaike (AIC): 18279.048	Akaike (AIC): 18271.470
Bayesian (BIC): 18484.154	Bayesian (BIC): 18481.598
Sample-Size Adjusted BIC (n* = (n + 2) / 24): 18342.987	Sample-Size Adjusted BIC (n* = (n + 2) / 24): 18349.196
Chi-Square Test of Model Fit	
Value: 627.937	Value: 606.379
Degrees of Freedom: 55	Degrees of Freedom: 48
P-Value: 0.000	P-Value: 0.000
Chi-Square Contributions From Each Group	
MALE: 480.793	MALE: 451.523
FEMALE: 147.144	FEMALE: 154.856
RMSEA (Root Mean Square Error of Approximation)	
Estimate: 0.139	Estimate: 0.145
90 Percent C.I.: 0.128	90 Percent C.I.: 0.135
Probability RMSEA <= .05: 0.000	Probability RMSEA <= .05: 0.000
CFI/TLI	
CFI: 0.936	CFI: 0.936
TLI: 0.936	TLI: 0.936

$\chi^2(7) = 21.578, p = .001$ - Significant Misfit

Noncontinuous Variables

- CATEGORICAL ARE (or IS):** names of binary and ordered categorical (ordinal) variables;
- NOMINAL ARE (or IS):** names of unordered categorical (nominal) variables;
- COUNT ARE (or IS):** names of count variables;
 - Poisson distribution models
 - Zero-Inflated Poisson (ZIP) models



Noncontinuous Variables

- Still must follow rules of SEM (and regression)
- No nominal predictors
 - Need to dummy code into relevant groups (0,1)
 - EXAMPLE: Marital status = 6 groups (unordered)

```

USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1 target2
target3 target4 target5 age marry DrinkTyp;
!MISSING IS all (999);
NOMINAL ARE marry;
ANALYSIS: ITERATIONS = 10000;
MODEL:
F1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
F2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5;
DrinkTyp ON F1 F2 age marry;
F2 ON F1;
    
```

*** ERROR in MODEL command
A nominal variable may not appear on the right-hand side of an ON statement: MARRY

Noncontinuous Variables

- CAN run analyses with categorical outcomes
- Somewhat equivalent to logistic regressions

```

USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1 target2
target3 target4 target5 age marry DrinkTyp;
!MISSING IS all (999);
NOMINAL ARE marry;
ANALYSIS: ITERATIONS = 10000;
MODEL:
F1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
F2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5;
DrinkTyp ON F1 F2 age;
Marry ON DrinkTyp;
F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: mod(all) stand cint;
    
```

Noncontinuous Variables

F2				
TARGET3	1.064	0.048	22.072	0.000
TARGET4	1.115	0.087	16.727	0.000
TARGET5	1.111	0.067	14.639	0.000
Traditional structural paths				
F1	0.942	0.154	4.110	0.000
DRINKTYP	-4.809	1.361	-3.534	0.000
F2	1.185	0.337	3.514	0.000
DRINKTYP	-0.004	0.046	-0.124	0.901
Logistic structural paths				
MARRY1	0.353	0.040	8.894	0.000
MARRY2	0.336	0.024	14.258	0.000
MARRY3	0.243	0.035	7.032	0.000
MARRY4	0.275	0.064	4.266	0.000
MARRY5	0.309	0.025	12.404	0.000
Intercepts				
GEN1	4.738	0.036	132.288	0.000
GEN2	4.337	0.049	87.645	0.000
GEN3	4.733	0.032	151.844	0.000

For k classes, has k-1 estimates:
Reflect probability of being in current class versus final class, given x

Default is to use final class for comparison purposes (may want to recode prior to analysis)

Noncontinuous Variables

- Poisson (count) variables

```

FullSEM_Poissoning
TITLE: this is an example of a full SEM
model with all continuous variables.
All data are fake;
DATA: FILE IS fullsem.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12 Q13 Q14
Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25 Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29
Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38 Q39 Q40 Q41 Q42 Q43 Q44
Q45 Q46 Q47 Q48 Q49 Q50 Q51 Q52 Q53 Q54 Q55 Q56 Q57 Q58 Q59
Q60 Q61 Q62 Q63 Q64 Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2
gen3 gen4 gen5 target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age
F1F1 res greek gpa race hisp year athlete gender marry
DrinkTyp DrinkTyp;
USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1 target2
target3 target4 target5 age DrinkTyp;
'MISSING IS all (999);
COUNT ARE DrinkTyp;
ANALYSIS: ITERATIONS = 10000;
MODEL:
F1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
F2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5;
DrinkTyp ON F1 F2 age;
F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: mod(all) stand cint;
    
```

Processing

The screenshot shows the Mplus software interface. A console window displays the 'Total number of integration points: 225' and a table of integration points with columns for ITER, LOG LIKELIHOOD, ABS CHANGE, RES CHANGE, ELGO, TIME, and TOTAL TIME. A model summary window is also visible, showing the model structure: F1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5; F2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5; DrinkTyp ON F1 F2 age; F2 ON F1; OUTPUT: mod(all) stand cint;.

Noncontinuous Variables

		TARGET4	0.116	0.068	16.503	0.000
TARGET5		1.124	0.071	15.931	0.000	
F2						
F1	ON	1.856	0.426	4.358	0.000	
DRINKTYP						
F1	ON	-7.010	1.651	-4.246	0.000	
F2	ON	2.628	0.559	4.701	0.000	
DRINKTYP						
AGE	ON	0.009	0.013	0.676	0.499	
Intercepts						
GEN1		4.738	0.036	132.315	0.000	
GEN2		4.337	0.049	87.647	0.000	
GEN3		4.779	0.032	151.592	0.000	
GEN4		4.586	0.044	105.039	0.000	
GEN5		4.630	0.041	113.954	0.000	
TARGET1		4.593	0.049	94.616	0.000	
TARGET2		4.436	0.054	82.281	0.000	
TARGET3		4.535	0.055	81.867	0.000	
TARGET4		4.499	0.054	82.837	0.000	
TARGET5		4.552	0.054	84.542	0.000	
DRINKTYP		0.778	0.157	4.953	0.000	
Variances						
F1		0.104	0.043	2.384	0.017	

Traditional coefficients (adjusted)

Noncontinuous Variables

- Zero-Inflated Poisson (ZIP models)

```

USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1
target3 target4 target5 age DrinkTyp;
'MISSING IS all (999);
COUNT ARE DrinkTyp (4);
ANALYSIS: ITERATIONS = 10000;
MODEL:
F1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
F2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5;
DrinkTyp ON F1 F2 age;
DrinkTyp#1 ON F1 F2 age;
F2 ON F1;
OUTPUT: mod(all) stand cint;
    
```

The figure shows two histograms. The top histogram is for 'DrinkTyp' and the bottom histogram is for 'DrinkTyp#1'. Both histograms show a distribution of counts from 0 to 118, with a peak at 0 and a long tail extending to the right.

Noncontinuous Variables

		F1	0.217	5.893	0.000	
DRINKTYP		F1	-3.048	0.647	-4.711	0.000
		F2	1.531	0.307	4.988	0.000
DRINKTYP#1						
F1	ON	-0.732	1.352	-0.541	0.588	
F2	ON	1.245	0.987	1.261	0.207	
DRINKTYP						
AGE	ON	-0.005	0.011	-0.483	0.629	
DRINKTYP#1						
AGE	ON	-0.038	0.026	-1.455	0.146	
Intercepts						
GEN1		4.738	0.036	132.562	0.000	
GEN2		4.338	0.049	87.719	0.000	
GEN3		4.779	0.031	151.862	0.000	
GEN4		4.586	0.044	105.232	0.000	
GEN5		4.631	0.041	114.157	0.000	
TARGET1		4.595	0.049	94.161	0.000	
TARGET2		4.437	0.054	82.631	0.000	

Traditional coefficients

Additional logit coefficients

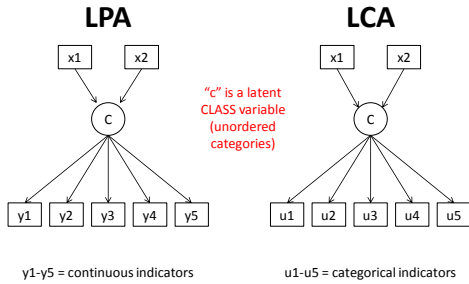
If they are a drinker, how does age/f1/f2 impact how much they drink?

How does age/f1/f2 impact the probability of being a drinker (a non-zero)?

Noncontinuous Variables

- One exception to rule:
- LATENT VARIABLES may be nominal predictors
- Most common version of this...

Latent Profile/Class Analysis



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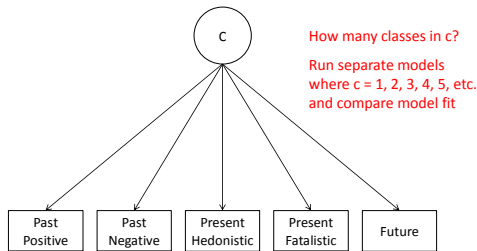
Latent Profile/Class Analysis

- Mplus calls this "mixture modeling with cross-sectional data" (chapter 7)
- Longitudinal version is often called Growth Mixture Modeling (chapter 8)
- Only covering cross-section data today (LPA/LCA), but same principles apply to longitudinal data (GMM)

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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

- Zimbardo's Time Perspective (5 Facets)



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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

```
LPA_c3.inp
TITLE: Latent Profile Analysis of Zimbardo Time Perspective.
Continuous indicators.
DATA: FILE IS LPA.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE id sex relat alc1-alc6 typweek heavweek BTP ABTP
peakBAC TDDtyp TDDheav age raceD liveD greekD Qtyp Qheav
ztpi_pp ztpi_ph ztpi_pf ztpi_f;
USEVARIABLES ARE ztpi_pp ztpi_ph ztpi_pf ztpi_f;
CLASSES = c (3);
Missing are ALL (999); "3" indicates we believe there are three groups/profiles.
Analysis:
TYPE = MIXTURE;
STARTS=20 5;
TECH1;
!savedata;
!save=cprobabilities;
!file is cprob.dat;
```

← Default type is GENERAL, so need to include code to change it to MIXTURE

← Number of initial starts and final stage optimizations. Default of 10, 2 is often not enough.

← Allows you to save the probabilities of being in each class for each participant. Helpful if you plan on predicting classes from covariates, or using class to predict outcomes. Not necessary YET.

Tech11 output includes Lo-Mendell-Rubin Adjusted LRT (compares fit for current number of classes to one fewer)

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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

- Warning!

```
lpa_c3.out
RANDOM STARTS RESULTS RANDED FROM THE BEST TO THE WORST LOGLIKELIHOOD VALUES
Final stage loglikelihood values at local maxima, seeds, and initial stage start numbers:
-1856.443 462953 7
-1856.443 unpercurbed 0
-1856.443 107946 12
-1863.945 579096 20
-1865.945 600371 14

WARNING: WHEN ESTIMATING A MODEL WITH MORE THAN TWO CLASSES, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF RANDOM STARTS USING THE STARTS OPTION TO AVOID LOCAL MAXIMA.

THE MODEL ESTIMATION TERMINATED NORMALLY

MODEL FIT INFORMATION
Number of Free Parameters 22
Loglikelihood
H0 Value -1856.443
```

Already took care of this with STARTS 20 5;

Should say HELPFUL TIP: When estimating..

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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

- Fit (abbreviated list)

```
lpa_c3.out
MODEL FIT INFORMATION
Number of Free Parameters 22
Loglikelihood
H0 Value -1856.443
H0 Scaling Correction Factor 1.140 for MLR

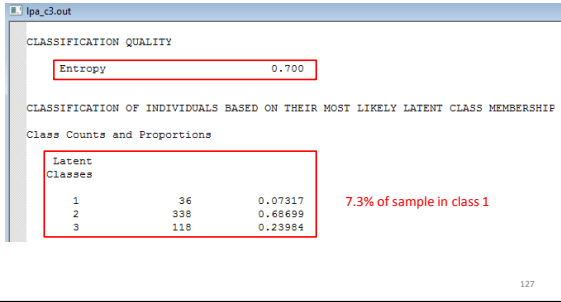
Information Criteria
Akaike (AIC) 3756.886
Bayesian (BIC) 3849.253
Sample-Size Adjusted BIC 3779.425
(n* = (n + 2) / 24)

FINAL CLASS COUNTS AND PROPORTIONS FOR THE LATENT CLASSES
BASED ON THE ESTIMATED MODEL
```

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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

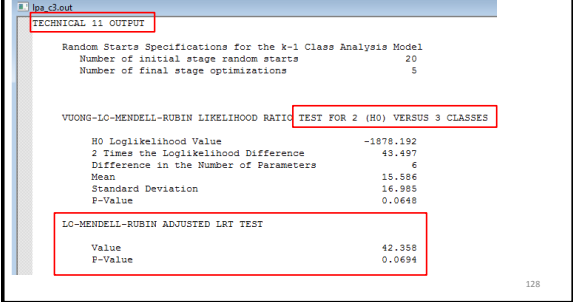
- **Relative** Entropy and class counts/proportions



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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

- Lo-Mendell-Rubin adjusted LRT



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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

- Compare model fit across number of classes

Classes:	AIC	BIC	Adjusted BIC	Relative Entropy	LMR p	Proportion of smallest group
1	3952.805	3994.790	3963.050	--	--	--
2	3788.383	3855.559	3804.775	0.620	.0000	.341
3	3756.886	3849.253	3779.425	0.700	.0694	.091
4	3736.655	3854.213	3765.341	0.754	.1910	.012
5	3722.782	3865.530	3757.614	0.773	.1497	.013
6	3715.194	3883.134	3756.174	0.753	.7717	.012
7	3703.795	3896.925	3750.921	0.766	.7638	.011

Groups with $p < .05$

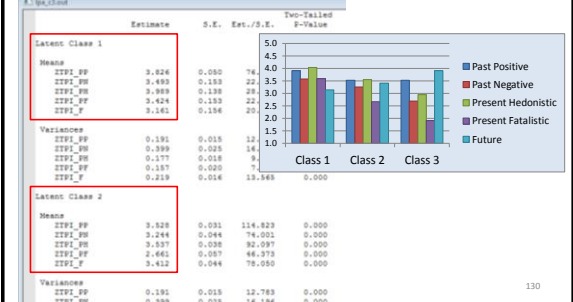
Separate Analyses:

CLASSES = c(1), CLASSES = c(2), CLASSES = c(3), CLASSES = c(4), CLASSES = c(5), CLASSES = c(6), CLASSES = c(7)

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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

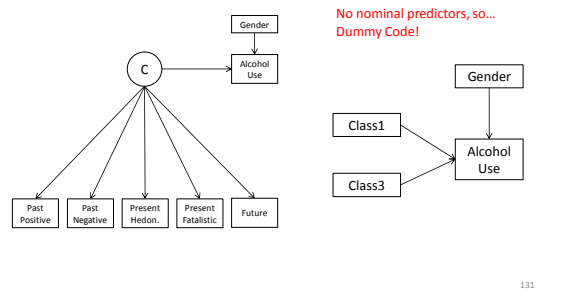
- Class Means (for final set of classes)



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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

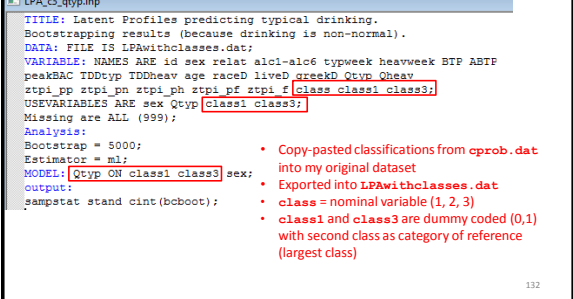
- **Zimbardo's Time Perspective (5 Facets)**



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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

- Model with classes predicting drinking



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Latent Profile/Class Analysis

• Prediction results

MODEL RESULTS

	Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed F-Value
QTFP ON				
CLASS1	2.110	1.863	1.133	0.287
CLASS3	-2.701	1.868	-1.446	0.011
SEX	4.157	1.249	3.327	0.001
Intercepts				
QTFP	5.244	0.604	8.685	0.000
Residual Variances				
QTFP	106.851	19.453	5.499	0.000

STANDARDIZED MODEL RESULTS

	StdX Estimate	StdY Estimate	Std Estimate
QTFP ON			
CLASS1	0.052	0.198	2.110
CLASS3	-0.106	-0.254	-2.701
SEX	0.196	0.391	4.157

Dummy coding:
 β = average number of drinks increase/decrease compared to class 2

Remember, dummy coding is one of the cases where we only want to standardize Y, because now β represents the standardized increase for one class versus another (x=0 versus x=1)

Latent Profile/Class Analysis

LCA.inp

```

TITLE: this is an example of a LCA with
binary latent class indicators.
DATA: FILE IS LCA.dat;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE u1-u4 x1-x10;
USEVARIABLES = u1-u4;
CLASSES = c (2);
CATEGORICAL = u1-u4;
ANALYSIS: TYPE = MIXTURE;
OUTPUT: TECH11;
    
```

Remember, CATEGORICAL means binary or ordinal. If you have unordered 3+ categories, you need to use NOMINAL.

Latent Profile/Class Analysis

MODEL FIT INFORMATION

Number of Free Parameters: 9

Loglikelihood

HO Value: -965.244
 HO Scaling Correction Factor for MLR: 1.013

Information Criteria

Akaike (AIC): 1945.485
 Bayesian (BIC): 1986.420
 Sample-Size Adjusted BIC: 1957.953
 (n* = (n + 2) / 24)

Entropy: 0.904

CLASSIFICATION OF INDIVIDUALS BASED ON THEIR MOST LIKELY LATENT CLASS MEMBERSHIP

Class Counts and Proportions

Latent Classes	Count	Proportions
1	127	0.25400
2	373	0.74600

Model Fit

Entropy and proportions

Latent Profile/Class Analysis

RESULTS IN PROBABILITY SCALE

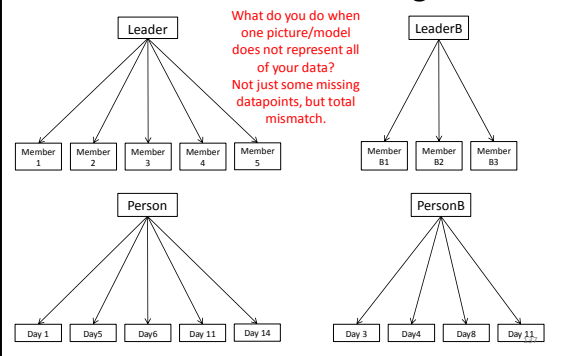
Latent Class	Category	u1	u2	u3	u4
Latent Class 1	U1 Category 1	0.113	0.037	3.025	0.002
	U1 Category 2	0.887	0.037	23.799	0.000
	U2 Category 1	0.151	0.038	3.934	0.000
	U2 Category 2	0.849	0.038	22.056	0.000
Latent Class 2	U3 Category 1	0.911	0.051	28.000	0.000
	U3 Category 2	0.089	0.051	2.000	0.000
	U4 Category 1	0.889	0.032	28.000	0.000
	U4 Category 2	0.111	0.032	3.000	0.000

Probability of membership for each indicator by class

	Class 1	Class 2
u1	no	yes
u2	no	yes
u3	yes	no
u4	yes	no

Lo-Mendell-Rubin adjusted LRT available, but omitted for space

Multilevel Modeling



Multilevel Modeling

- ABANDON SEM!
 - Latent variables/structures are not appropriate
- Different number of units within cluster, different spacing of time, etc.
- Conduct Multilevel Modeling (MLM), Hierarchical Linear Modeling (HLM), nested models, mixed models, random effects models, random coefficient models, etc.

Multilevel Modeling

- Other than LGMs (with matching timepoints), multilevel modeling is impossible in most SEM software packages
- Can use HLM (software by SSI)
 - Limited functionality beyond HLM
 - No bootstrapping
 - No path analyses where outcomes are also predictors (e.g., mediation)
- Can use SAS, MIXOR, MLWIN, VARCL, BUGS, or R, but need to learn another language

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Multilevel Modeling

Level 1:

$$Drinks_{Sti} = \pi_{0i} + \pi_{1i}(Bar_{ti}) + \pi_{2i}(Rest_{ti}) + \pi_{3i}(Party_{ti}) + \pi_{4i}(Other_{ti}) + \pi_{5i}(PBS_{ti}) + e_{ti}$$

Level 1: Drinks for person i at time t depends on: their personal intercept, plus where they drank that day (dummy coded across 4 variables), plus their PBS that day, plus random error

Level 2:

$$\pi_{0i} = \beta_{00} + \beta_{01}(Gender_i) + \tau_{0i}$$

$$\pi_{1i} = \beta_{10}$$

$$\pi_{2i} = \beta_{20}$$

$$\pi_{3i} = \beta_{30}$$

$$\pi_{4i} = \beta_{40}$$

$$\pi_{5i} = \beta_{50}$$

Level 2: A person's personal intercept depends on: their gender. The effect of location does not vary by gender. The influence of PBS does not vary by gender.

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Multilevel Modeling in Mplus

- TYPE = TWOLEVEL RANDOM

```
%WITHIN%
drinks ON Home Bar Rest Party Other PBS;
```

```
%BETWEEN%
drinks ON gendD;
```

Level 1: Regress drinks on level-1 predictors (location and PBS). Drinks for person i at time t depends on: where they drank that day and plus their PBS that day. Personal intercept (π_{0i}) and random error (e_{ti}) are included as default.

Level 2: Regress drinks on level-2 predictor (gender). Personal intercept is influenced by gender.

- TYPE = COMPLEX

```
Drinks ON Home Bar Rest Party Other pbsdo;
Drinks ON gendD;
```

Same interpretation as above.

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Multilevel Modeling in Mplus

- Code relevant to both:

TYPE=COMPLEX & TYPE=TWOLEVEL RANDOM

– CLUSTER = name of grouping variable;

– CENTERING IS GRANDMEAN (variable names);

– GROUPEAN (variable names);

- TYPE = TWOLEVEL RANDOM code only

– WITHIN ARE names of level-1 observed variables;

– BETWEEN ARE names of level-2 observed variables;

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Multilevel Modeling: TWOLEVEL RANDOM

```
HLM_nobootinp
TITLE: Mplus multilevel mediation for daily drinking
with PBS (daily) as mediator.
Place Context and PBS as predictors.
Drinks as outcome.
No mediation yet to replicate HLM findings;
DATA: FILE IS DaillyL1mplus.csv;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE SONA WeekID Home Bar Rest Party
Other Alone Friend Fam OPlace drinks pbsplan
pbsdo pbsall time Weekend age gendD raceD
gendD residD marryD;
USEVARIABLES ARE Home Bar Rest Party
Other drinks pbsdo gendD;
WITHIN = Home Bar Rest Party Other;
BETWEEN = gendD;
CLUSTER = SONA;
CENTERING = GRANDMEAN (pbsdo);
ANALYSIS: TYPE = TWOLEVEL RANDOM;
MODEL:
%WITHIN%
drinks ON Home Bar Rest Party Other PBSdo;
%BETWEEN%
drinks ON gendD;
!Output: stand;
```

Note "drinks" is not under WITHIN or BETWEEN. Outcome does not need to be specified by level.

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Multilevel Modeling: TWOLEVEL RANDOM

```
HLM_nobootout
```

MODEL RESULTS		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
Within Level					
DRINKS	ON				
HOME		0.926	0.359	2.583	0.010
BAR		1.800	0.458	3.928	0.000
REST		0.018	0.396	0.047	0.963
PARTY		3.279	0.368	8.908	0.000
OTHER		2.038	0.559	3.645	0.000
PBSDO		-0.136	0.092	-1.460	0.139
Residual Variances					
DRINKS		9.047	1.041	8.693	0.000
Between Level					
DRINKS	ON				
GENDD		1.823	0.447	4.081	0.000
Intercepts					
DRINKS		1.637	0.424	3.863	0.000
Residual Variances					
DRINKS		5.601	0.983	5.697	0.000

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Multilevel Modeling: COMPLEX

```

HLM_TYPEcomplex.inp
TITLE: Mplus multilevel mediation for daily drinking
with FBS (daily) as mediator.
Place Context and FBS as predictors.
Drinks as outcome.
No mediation yet to replicate HLM findings;
DATA: FILE IS DailyLimplus.csv;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE SONA WeekID Home Bar Rest Party
Other Alone Friend Fam OPlace drinks pbsplan
pbsdo pbsall time Weekend age gendD raceD
greekd residD marryD;
USEVARIABLES ARE Home Bar Rest Party
Other drinks pbsdo gendD;
CLUSTER = SONA;
CENTRING = GRANDMEAN (pbsdo);
ANALYSIS: TYPE = COMPLEX;
MODEL:
  Drinks ON Home Bar Rest Party Other pbsdo;
  Drinks ON gendD;
!Output: stand;
    
```

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Multilevel Modeling: COMPLEX

```

Hlm_typecomplex.out
MODEL RESULTS

```

	Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
DRINKS ON				
HOME	1.427	0.496	2.880	0.004
BAR	2.422	0.609	3.977	0.000
REST	-0.537	0.461	-1.166	0.245
PARTY	3.654	0.457	7.994	0.000
OTHER	2.436	0.615	3.959	0.000
FBSDO	-0.184	0.089	-2.073	0.038
GENDD	1.745	0.449	3.897	0.000
Intercepts				
DRINKS	1.505	0.533	2.823	0.005
Residual Variances				
DRINKS	14.300	1.321	10.829	0.000
QUALITY OF NUMERICAL RESULTS				
Condition Number for the Information Matrix (ratio of smallest to largest eigenvalue)				0.170E-01
Beginning Time: 17:57:40				
Ending Time: 18:57:40				

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Remember... Language Matters



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BREAK

A Haiku about getting out of bed:

No no no no no,
No no no no no no no,
No no no no no.



your eCards
someecards.com

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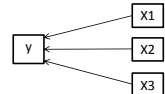
This Section

- Analyze examples together
 - I provide SPSS data
 - Together: export datafile
 - Write necessary language for Mplus to read data
 - Write model language for desired analyses
- Full SEM with continuous outcomes
- Latent Growth Models

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Basic Model Language

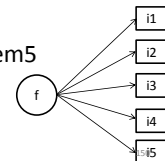
- y **ON** x1 x2 x3
(regression)



- x1 **WITH** x2
(correlation)



- f **BY** item1 item2 item3 item4 item5
(factors or latent variables)



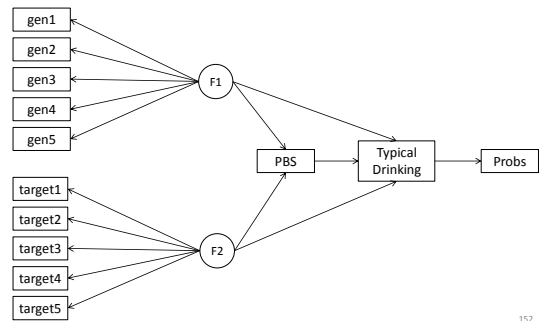
Data

- Mplus3_fullSEM.sav
- No missing data
- Convert to Mplus-compatible file
 - Save as
 - .dat (tab delimited), .csv (comma delimited), .dat (fixed ASCII)
 - Don't "Write variable names"

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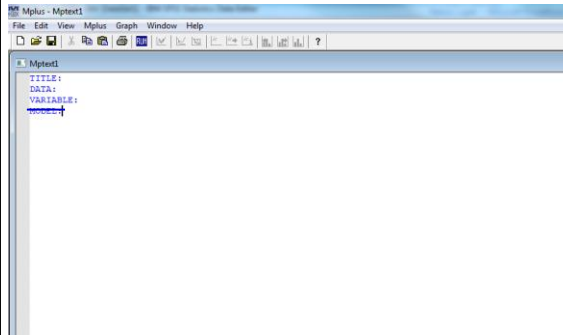
Main Model

- Combining CFAs with Path Analyses



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Fill In The Blanks

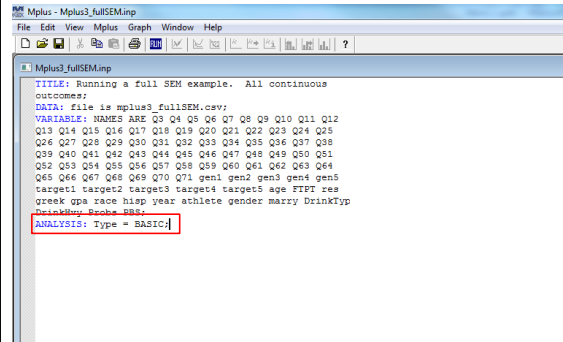


Variable List

NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12
 Q13 Q14 Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25
 Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29 Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38
 Q39 Q40 Q41 Q42 Q43 Q44 Q45 Q46 Q47 Q48 Q49 Q50 Q51
 Q52 Q53 Q54 Q55 Q56 Q57 Q58 Q59 Q60 Q61 Q62 Q63 Q64
 Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5
 target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age FTPT res
 greek gpa race hisp year athlete gender marry DrinkTyp
 DrinkHvy Probs PBS;

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Double-Check



Double-Check

	TARGET2	TARGET3	TARGET4	TARGET5	AGE
1	4.436	4.536	4.500	4.552	6.249

	FTPT	RES	GREEK	GPA	RACE
1	1.141	2.948	1.113	2.761	2.583

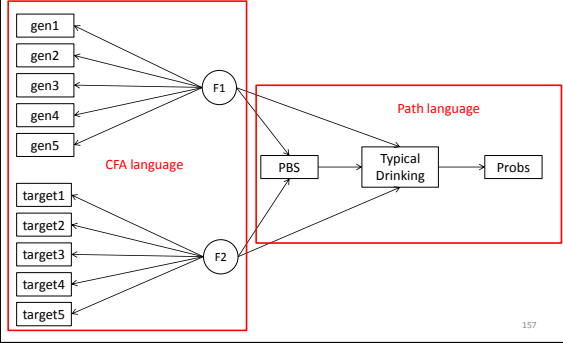
	YEAR	ATHLETE	GENDER	MARRY
1	0.075	2.693	0.044	0.293

	DRINKHvy	DRINKTyp	PROBS	PBS
1	5.517	10.640	6.422	93.796

	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7
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Main Model

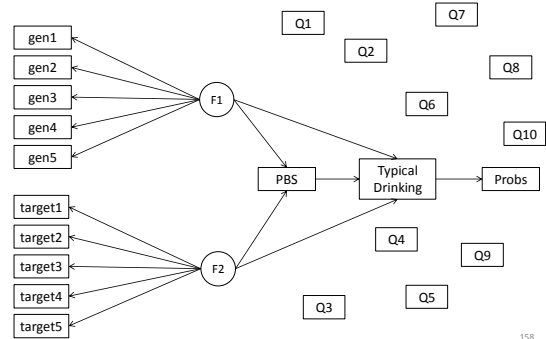
- Combining CFAs with Path Analyses



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Main Model: Don't End Up With...

- USEVARIABLES are...



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Model: ???

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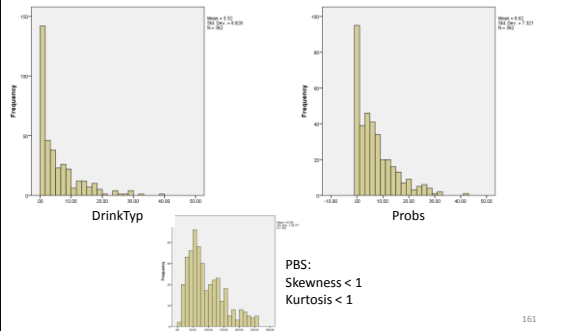
Mplus - Mplus3
File Edit View Mplus Graph Window Help
Mplus3_fullSEM.inp
TITLE: Running a full SEM example. All continuous
outcome:
DATA: file is mplus3_fullSEM.csv;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12
Q13 Q14 Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25
Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29 Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38
Q39 Q40 Q41 Q42 Q43 Q44 Q45 Q46 Q47 Q48 Q49 Q50 Q51
Q52 Q53 Q54 Q55 Q56 Q57 Q58 Q59 Q60 Q61 Q62 Q63 Q64
Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5
target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age FITF ree
greek upa race hisp year athlete gender marry DrinkTyp
DrinkTyp Probs PBS;
USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1
target2 target3 target4 target5 DrinkTyp Probs PBS;
MODEL:
OUTPUT: stand;
    
```

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Run It!

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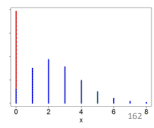
But Wait!



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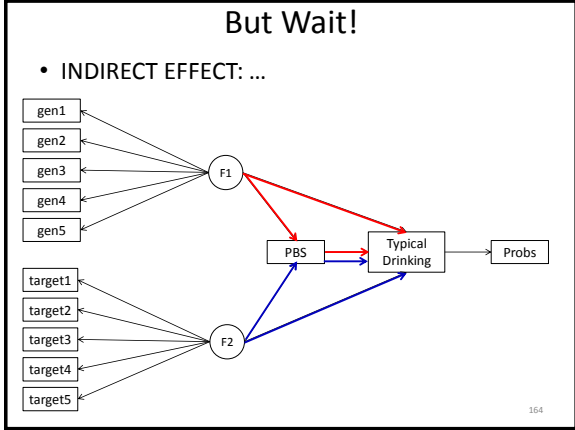
Noncontinuous Variables

- CATEGORICAL ARE (or IS):** names of binary and ordered categorical (ordinal) variables;
- NOMINAL ARE (or IS):** names of unordered categorical (nominal) variables;
- COUNT ARE (or IS):** names of count variables;
 - Poisson distribution models
 - Zero-Inflated Poisson (ZIP) models



Run It!

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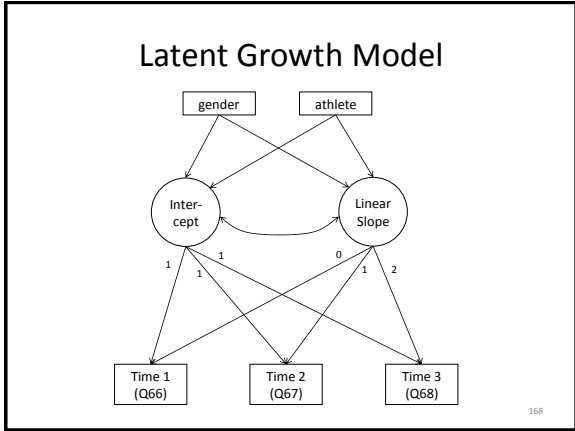
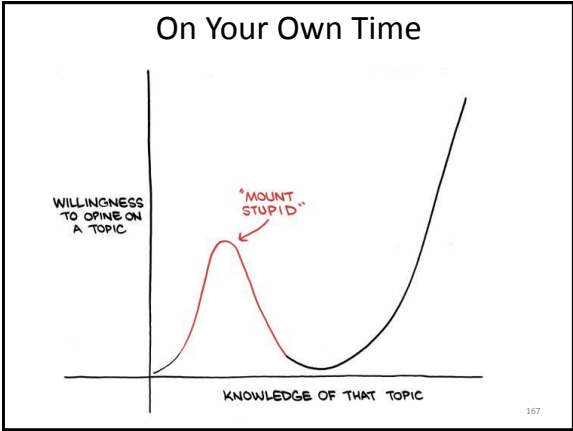
But Wait!

- We cannot assume that indirect effects (the combined ab paths) are normally distributed)
- What do we do?
- **Bootstrap!!**
 - Can delete Poisson code (bootstrap also corrects for non-normality)

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Run It!

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Model: ???

```

Mplus3_LatentGrowth.t
TITLE: Running latent growth model example. All continuous
outcomes;
DATA: file is mplus3_fullSEM.csv;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12
Q13 Q14 Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25
Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29 Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38
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Q52 Q53 Q54 Q55 Q56 Q57 Q58 Q59 Q60 Q61 Q62 Q63 Q64
Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5
target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age FTPT res
greek gpa race hisp year athlete gender marry DrinkTyp
DrinkHvy Probs PFS;
USEVARIABLES ARE Q66 Q67 Q68 athlete gender;
MODEL:
OUTPUT: stand;
    
```

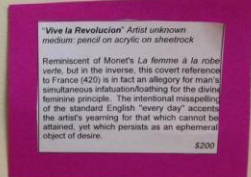
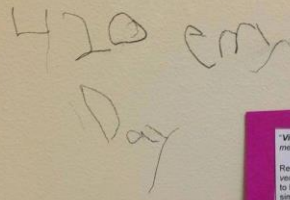
Answers

- Coming up!



Almost There

The teachers at my high school do this to all of the graffiti in the bathrooms...



ANSWERS! Main Model

```

Mplus - Mplus3_fullSEM.mpl
Mplus3_fullSEM.mpl
TITLE: Running a full SEM example. All continuous
outcomes;
DATA: file is mplus3_fullSEM.csv;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12
Q13 Q14 Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25
Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29 Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38
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Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5
target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age FTPT res
greek gpa race hisp year athlete gender marry DrinkTyp
DrinkHvy Probs PFS;
USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1
target2 target3 target4 target5 DrinkTyp Probs PFS;
MODEL:
f1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
f2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5;
PFS ON f1 f2;
DrinkTyp ON PFS f1 f2;
Probs ON DrinkTyp;
OUTPUT: stand;
    
```

Factor loadings (BY)
Paths (ON)

Results

	Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
F1 BY				
GEN1	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
GEN2	1.313	0.145	9.028	0.000
GEN3	0.946	0.093	10.214	0.000
GEN4	1.939	0.136	14.267	0.000
GEN5	1.389	0.130	10.549	0.000
F2 BY				
TARGET1	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
TARGET2	1.002	0.047	21.301	0.000
TARGET3	1.065	0.046	22.969	0.000
TARGET4	1.115	0.042	26.278	0.000
TARGET5	1.111	0.042	26.188	0.000
PFS ON				
F1	6.496	3.181	0.708	0.479
F2	11.501	4.384	2.624	0.009
DRINKTYP ON				
F1	-4.817	1.130	-4.261	0.000
F2	1.189	0.515	2.309	0.021
DRINKTYP ON PFS				
PFS	0.000	0.006	-0.042	0.947
PROBS ON				
DRINKTYP	0.628	0.046	13.760	0.000
F2 WITH				
F1	0.169	0.026	6.484	0.000
Intercepts				
GEN1	4.735	0.036	130.289	0.000

Factor Loadings

Paths

ANSWERS! Zero-Inflated Poisson

```

Mplus3_fullSEM_count.mpl
TITLE: Running a full SEM example. All continuous
outcomes;
DATA: file is mplus3_fullSEM.csv;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12
Q13 Q14 Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25
Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29 Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38
Q39 Q40 Q41 Q42 Q43 Q44 Q45 Q46 Q47 Q48 Q49 Q50 Q51
Q52 Q53 Q54 Q55 Q56 Q57 Q58 Q59 Q60 Q61 Q62 Q63 Q64
Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5
target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age FTPT res
greek gpa race hisp year athlete gender marry DrinkTyp
DrinkHvy Probs PFS;
USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1
target2 target3 target4 target5 DrinkTyp Probs PFS;
COUNT ARE DrinkTyp(i) Probs(i);
MODEL:
f1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
f2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5;
PFS ON f1 f2;
DrinkTyp ON PFS f1 f2;
Probs ON DrinkTyp;
DrinkTyp#1 ON PFS f1 f2;
Probs#1 ON DrinkTyp;
OUTPUT: stand;
    
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Remember "(i)" means zero-inflated, and is associated with the DV#1 code.

Can omit for regular Poisson distributions.

Results

mplus3_fullsem_count.out					
GEN4		1.434	0.192	7.468	0.000
GEN5		1.285	0.210	6.118	0.000
F2	BY	1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
TARGET1		1.003	0.062	16.091	0.000
TARGET2		1.063	0.048	22.120	0.000
TARGET3		1.113	0.066	16.960	0.000
TARGET5		1.124	0.069	16.251	0.000
FBS	ON	7.488	11.510	0.651	0.515
F1		11.182	6.394	2.545	0.011
DRINKTYP	ON	-3.057	0.653	-4.683	0.000
F1		-0.457	1.369	-0.334	0.739
F2		0.970	0.982	0.967	0.324
DRINKTYP	ON	0.000	0.001	-0.116	0.908
FBS		0.043	0.005	8.564	0.000
DRINKTYP	ON	-0.001	0.003	-0.272	0.785
FBS		-0.497	0.105	-4.712	0.000
F2	WITH	0.155	0.043	4.336	0.000

Paths from original model

New paths (#1) identifying impact on likelihood of drinking at all (anything other than 0).

ANSWERS!

Bootstrapping and Indirect Effects

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TITLE: Running a full SEM example. All continuous
outcomes:
DATA: file is mplus3_fullsem.count;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12
Q13 Q14 Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25
Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29 Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38
Q39 Q40 Q41 Q42 Q43 Q44 Q45 Q46 Q47 Q48 Q49 Q50 Q51
Q52 Q53 Q54 Q55 Q56 Q57 Q58 Q59 Q60 Q61 Q62 Q63 Q64
Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5
target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age FFFT res
greek gpa race hisp year athlete gender marry DrinkTyp
DrinkTyp Probe FBS;
USEVARIABLES ARE gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5 target1
target2 target3 target4 target5 DrinkTyp Probe FBS;
ANALYSIS: boot = 5000;
MODEL:
f1 BY gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5;
f2 BY target1 target2 target3 target4 target5;
FBS ON f1 f2;
DrinkTyp ON FBS f1 f2;
Probe ON DrinkTyp;
MODEL INDIRECT: DrinkTyp FBS f1;
MODEL INDIRECT: DrinkTyp FBS f1;
OUTPUT: stand; CINT(BCBOOT);
    
```

Bootstrap samples of n = 5,000

Assessing two different indirect effects (y IND m x)

Results

mplus3_fullsem_bootind.out				
TOTAL, TOTAL INDIRECT, SPECIFIC INDIRECT, AND DIRECT EFFECTS				
	Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
Effects from F1 to DRINKTYP				
Sum of indirect	-0.003	0.107	-0.031	0.975
Specific indirect				
DRINKTYP				
FBS	-0.002	0.053	-0.031	0.975
DRINKTYP				
FBS	-0.002	0.053	-0.031	0.975
STANDARDIZED TOTAL, TOTAL INDIRECT, SPECIFIC INDIRECT, AND DIRECT EFFECTS				
STDYX Standardization				

Combined impact of both indirect effects

Estimates of each individual indirect effect

Results

mplus3_fullsem_bootind.out							
CONFIDENCE INTERVALS OF TOTAL, TOTAL INDIRECT, SPECIFIC INDIRECT, AND DIRECT EFFECTS							
	Lower .5%	Lower 2.5%	Lower 5%	Estimate	Upper 5%	Upper 2.5%	Upper .5%
Effects from F1 to DRINKTYP							
Sum of indirect	-0.441	-0.273	-0.198	-0.003	0.136	0.190	0.358
Specific indirect							
DRINKTYP							
FBS	-0.221	-0.136	-0.099	-0.002	0.068	0.095	0.179
DRINKTYP							
FBS	-0.221	-0.136	-0.099	-0.002	0.068	0.095	0.179
CONFIDENCE INTERVALS OF STANDARDIZED TOTAL, TOTAL INDIRECT, SPECIFIC INDIRECT, AND DIRECT EFFECTS							
STDYX Standardization							
	Lower .5%	Lower 2.5%	Lower 5%	Estimate	Upper 5%	Upper 2.5%	Upper .5%
Effects from F1 to DRINKTYP							

- 95% CI's use 2.5% upper and lower boundaries
- Zero is in all three intervals, so no indirect effects are significant

Latent Growth Models

- Remember: Mplus shortcut
 - i s | time1@0 time2@1 time3@2;
 - Assumes intercept is 1's all around
 - Creates paths you specify for slope
 - Allows intercept and slope to correlate
 - Sets variable intercepts to 0 so that all prediction is in the mean of the latent variables (Intercept and Slope)

"i" and "s" are still labels I created for the latent variables. Can be whatever you want.

Answers! LGM

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TITLE: Running latent growth model example. All continuous
outcomes:
DATA: file is mplus3_fullsem.count;
VARIABLE: NAMES ARE Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12
Q13 Q14 Q15 Q16 Q17 Q18 Q19 Q20 Q21 Q22 Q23 Q24 Q25
Q26 Q27 Q28 Q29 Q30 Q31 Q32 Q33 Q34 Q35 Q36 Q37 Q38
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Q65 Q66 Q67 Q68 Q69 Q70 Q71 gen1 gen2 gen3 gen4 gen5
target1 target2 target3 target4 target5 age FFFT res
greek gpa race hisp year athlete gender marry DrinkTyp
DrinkTyp Probe FBS;
USEVARIABLES ARE Q66 Q67 Q68 athlete gender;
MODEL:
i s | Q66@0 Q67@1 Q68@2;
i s ON athlete gender;
OUTPUT: stand;
    
```

First row = LGM

Second row = prediction paths

Results

		mplus_latentgrowth.out			
		Estimate	S.E.	Est./S.E.	Two-Tailed P-Value
1					
Q44		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Q47		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Q48		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
2					
Q44		0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Q47		1.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Q48		2.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
3					
ON					
ATHLETE		-0.246	0.840	-0.293	0.769
GENDER		-0.165	0.380	-0.433	0.665
4					
ON					
ATHLETE		-0.486	0.508	-0.956	0.339
GENDER		-0.410	0.230	-1.782	0.078
5					
WITH					
1		0.938	0.556	1.687	0.092
Intercepts					
Q44		0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Q47		0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
Q48		0.000	0.000	999.000	999.000
1		3.335	0.208	16.041	0.000
2		0.835	0.125	6.683	0.000
Residual Variances					
Q44		6.003	1.040	5.771	0.000
Q47		1.837	0.636	2.891	0.000
Q48		1.415	1.287	1.256	0.209
1		2.876	1.036	2.880	0.000
2		1.664	0.408	4.080	0.000

Loadings

Influence of gender and athletic status on baseline levels (i) and linear growth over time (s)

Baseline levels for female non-athletes (i) and their growth over time (s)

Thank You!!

World's Most Accurate Pie Chart

