# STAT5020 Topics in Multivariate Analysis Project Presentation

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#### Abstract

Structural Equation Model (SEM) is applied to a real data set called Abalone. Specifically, the linear SEM with multisample data is adopted. The R package R2WinBUGS is used to call WinBUGS to do the Bayesian analysis.

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#### 1 Introduction

• The real data set (Abalone) is downloaded from the 10th most popular data sets in the UC Irvine Machine Learning Repository on http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/index.php.

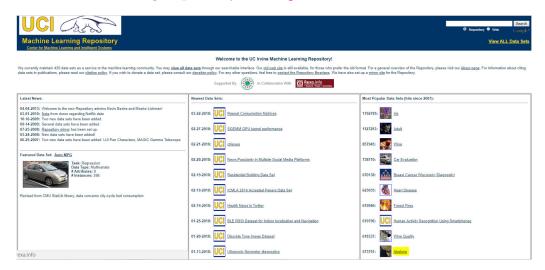


Figure 1: The UC Irvine Machine Learning Repository

• The Abalone data set is found on http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Abalone. The data comes from an original study by Nash, Sellers, Talbot, Cawthorn and Ford. Its text format is stored on http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/abalone/abalone.data.

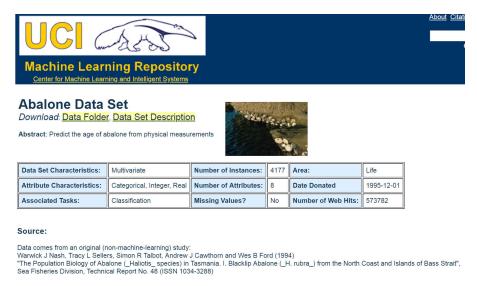


Figure 2: Abalone Data Set Online Description

• The primary objective is to predict the age of abalone from physical measurements. "The age of abalone is determined by cutting the shell through the cone, staining it, and counting the number of rings through a microscope – a boring and time-consuming task. Other measurements, which are easier to obtain, are used to predict the age."

# 2 Data Set Description

• The attribute name, attribute type, the measurement unit and a brief description are given on the website as follows:

Name	Notation	Data Type	Measurement Unit	Description
Sex	N.A.	nominal	N.A.	M, F, and I (infant)
Rings	$y_1$	integer	N.A.	+1.5 gives the age in years
Length	$y_2$	continuous	mm	longest shell measurement
Diameter	$y_3$	continuous	mm	perpendicular to length
Height	$y_4$	continuous	mm	with meat in shell
Whole Weight	$y_5$	continuous	grams	whole abalone
Shucked Weight	$y_6$	continuous	grams	weight of meat
Viscera Weight	$y_7$	continuous	grams	gut weight (after bleeding)
Shell Weight	$y_8$	continuous	grams	after being dried

Table 1: Attribute Information

• The number of rings is the value to predict. Since it ranges from 1 to 29, it is treated as a continuous variable in the subsequent analyses. The histogram is in line with the view:

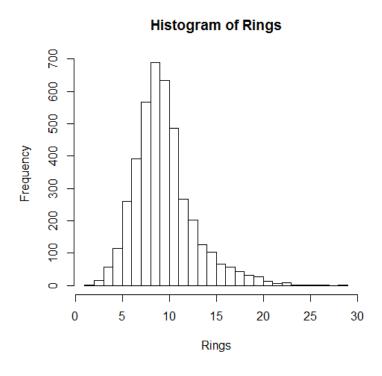


Figure 3: Histogram of Rings

• Excluding Sex, there are 8 continuous and observed variables each with 4177 observations in total without any missing value.

#### 2.1 Latent Constructs

• The 8 observed variables are correlated as shown by the correlation matrix:

	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$y_4$	$y_5$	$y_6$	$y_7$	$y_8$
$y_1$	1	0.5567	0.5747	0.5575	0.5404	0.4209	0.5038	0.6276
$y_2$	0.5567	1	0.9868	0.8276	0.9253	0.8979	0.9030	0.8977
$y_3$	0.5747	0.9868	1	0.8337	0.9255	0.8932	0.8997	0.9053
$y_4$	0.5575	0.8276	0.8337	1	0.8192	0.7750	0.7983	0.8173
$y_5$	0.5404	0.9253	0.9255	0.8192	1	0.9694	0.9664	0.9554
$y_6$	0.4209	0.8979	0.8932	0.7750	0.9694	1	0.9320	0.8826
$y_7$	0.5038	0.9030	0.8997	0.7983	0.9664	0.9320	1	0.9077
$y_8$	0.6276	0.8977	0.9053	0.8173	0.9554	0.8826	0.9077	1

Table 2: Correlation Matrix for All Sexes

- In this study, structural equation model (SEM) is a powerful multivariate tool because it can simultaneously group highly correlated variables into latent variables and assess interrelationships among latent variables through a regression model of latent variables.<sup>1</sup>
- As the variable description suggests, "Length"  $(y_2)$ , "Diameter"  $(y_3)$  and "Height"  $(y_4)$  should be combined to a latent variable "Size" of abalone.
- Moreover, "Whole Weight"  $(y_5)$ , "Shucked Weight"  $(y_6)$ , "Viscera Weight"  $(y_7)$  and "Shell Weight"  $(y_8)$  should be combined to a latent variable "Weight" of abalone.
- Lastly, "Rings"  $(y_1)$  plus 1.5 gives the age in years so it is related to "Age" of abalone.

Latent Variable	Notation	Related Observed Variable(s)
Age	$\eta$	$y_1$
Size	$\xi_1$	$y_2, y_3, y_4$
Weight	$\xi_2$	$y_5, y_6, y_7, y_8$

Table 3: Latent Constructs

### 2.2 Multisample Data Structure

- Multisample data come from a number of distinct groups/ populations. In this data set, there are three sexes, namely "Male", "Female" and "Infant", each belonging to a group.
- Note that the word "Sex" and "Group" are used interchangeably in multisample setting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch1

• The number of observations for each sex is:

Sex Notation		Sample Index	Number of Observation	
Male	M	1	$N_1$	1528
Female	F	2	$N_2$	1307
Infant	I	3	$N_3$	1342

Table 4: Number of Observations for Each Sex

- For multisample data, it is assumed that the observations within each group (sex) are independent rather than correlated. The number of groups is 3 and the group membership of each observation has been specified.
- The objective is to investigate the similarities or differences among the models in the different groups (sexes). The main interest is the testing of hypotheses about the different kinds of invariances among the models in different groups.
- In Bayesian analysis, each hypothesis of interest is associated with a model, and the problem is approached through model comparison and can be addressed by DIC.<sup>2</sup>
- The unstandardized (denoted by \*) sample mean vector for each sex is:

	$\bar{y}_1^*$	$\bar{y}_2^*$	$\bar{y}_3^*$	$\bar{y}_4^*$	$\bar{y}_5^*$	$\bar{y}_6^*$	$\bar{y}_7^*$	$\bar{y}_8^*$
M	10.7055	0.5614	0.4393	0.1514	0.9915	0.4329	0.2155	0.2820
F	11.1293	0.5791	0.4547	0.1580	1.0465	0.4462	0.2307	0.3020
I	7.8905	0.4277	0.3265	0.1080	0.4314	0.1910	0.0920	0.1282
Overall	9.9337	0.5240	0.4079	0.1395	0.8287	0.3594	0.1806	0.2388

Table 5: Unstandardized Sample Mean Vector for Each Sex

- From Table 5, the observed variables for "Male" are on average smaller in values than those for "Female" but on average larger in values than those for "Infant".
- To unify scales of variables, the raw continuous data are standardized:

	$\bar{y}_1$	$\bar{y}_2$	$\bar{y}_3$	$\bar{y}_4$	$ar{y}_5$	$\bar{y}_6$	$\bar{y}_7$	$\bar{y}_8$
M	0.2394	0.3114	0.3165	0.2837	0.3318	0.3315	0.3189	0.3099
F	0.3708	0.4588	0.4721	0.4422	0.4441	0.3911	0.4570	0.4539
I	-0.6337	-0.8014	-0.8201	-0.7536	-0.8103	-0.7584	-0.8081	-0.7949

Table 6: Standardized Sample Mean Vector for Each Sex

#### 2.3 Foreword

- Due to heterogeneity introduced by Sex and latent constructs of variables, for the time being, consider the multisample model with linear structural equation.
- Formal hypothesis testing of constraints or model comparison with the multisample models with non-linear structural equation are done in Section 4.1 and 4.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch6

## 3 Linear SEM with Multisample Data

#### 3.1 Model Formulation

- Linear SEMs are formulated with a measurement equation and a structural equation with linear terms of explanatory latent variables. Under the assumption that the observed variables in each group are continuous, and identically and independently distributed with a normal distribution, the linear multisample SEM is the most basic.<sup>3</sup>
- Consider 3 independent groups (sexes) of abalones that represent different populations. The sample indices for "Male", "Female" and "Infant" are 1, 2 and 3 respectively. Their corresponding sample sizes are  $N_1 = 1528$ ,  $N_2 = 1307$  and  $N_3 = 1342$ .
- For g = 1, 2, 3 and  $i = 1, ..., N_g$ , let  $\mathbf{y}_i^{(g)}$  be the  $8 \times 1$  random vector of observed variables that correspond to the *i*th observation (abalone) in the *g*th group. In the *g*th group,  $\mathbf{y}_i^{(g)}$  are assumed to be independent.<sup>4</sup>

#### 3.1.1 Measurement Equation

• For each  $g=1,2,3,~\boldsymbol{y}_i^{(g)}$  is related to latent variables in a  $3\times 1$  random vector  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_i^{(g)}$  through the measurement equation:

$$\mathbf{y}_{i}^{(g)} = \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(g)} + \boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{(g)} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{i}^{(g)} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{i}^{(g)}, \quad g = 1, 2, 3,$$
 (1)

where  $\boldsymbol{y}_i^{(g)}$  is a  $8 \times 1$  vector of observed variables,  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(g)}$  is a  $8 \times 1$  vector of intercepts,  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{(g)}$  is a  $8 \times 3$  parameter matrix of unknown regression coefficients,  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_i^{(g)}$  is a  $3 \times 1$  vector of latent variables, and  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i^{(g)}$  is a  $8 \times 1$  random vector of error measurements.

• It is assumed that  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_i^{(g)}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i^{(g)}$  are independent, and the distribution of  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i^{(g)}$  is  $N[\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^{(g)}]$ , where  $\boldsymbol{\Psi}_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^{(g)} = \mathrm{diag}(\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(g)}, \dots, \psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(g)})$  is diagonal. Let  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_i^{(g)} = (\eta_i^{(g)T}, \boldsymbol{\xi}_i^{(g)T})^T$ . It is natural to assume that the dimensions of  $\eta_i^{(g)}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_i^{(g)}$  are the same for g, which are 1 and 2 respectively.

#### 3.1.2 Structural Equation

• To assess the effects of the linear terms of latent variables in  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_i^{(g)}$  on  $\eta_i^{(g)}$ , a linear SEM is with linear structural equation:

$$\eta_i^{(g)} = \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(g)} \boldsymbol{\xi}_i^{(g)} + \delta_i^{(g)}, \quad g = 1, 2, 3,$$
(2)

where  $\eta_i^{(g)}$  is a scalar of outcome latent variable,  $\Gamma^{(g)}$  is a  $1 \times 2$  parameter matrix of unknown regression coefficients,  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_i^{(g)}$  is a  $2 \times 1$  vector of explanatory latent variables, and  $\delta_i^{(g)}$  is a scalar of residual error.

• It is assumed that  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_i^{(g)}$  and  $\delta_i^{(g)}$  are independent, the distribution of  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_i^{(g)}$  and  $\delta_i^{(g)}$  are  $N[\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(g)}]$  and  $N[\mathbf{0}, \psi_{\delta}^{(g)}]$  respectively, where  $\boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(g)}$  is a general  $2 \times 2$  covariance matrix and  $\psi_{\delta}^{(g)}$  is a scalar.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch6

#### 3.2 Model Identification and Interpretation

- Any element of  $\Lambda^{(g)}$  can be a free parameter or a fixed parameter with a preassigned value. The positions and the preassigned values of fixed parameters are decided on the basis of the prior knowledge of the observed variables and latent variables. Moreover, they are related to the interpretations of latent variables.<sup>5</sup>
- In applications of SEMs, parameter matrices of unknown regression coefficients with nonoverlapping structures are frequently used as in this study. They are used for identification purpose.

#### 3.2.1 Structure in Measurement Equation

• In matrix representation, the measurement equation  $y_i^{(g)} = \mu^{(g)} + \Lambda^{(g)} \omega_i^{(g)} + \epsilon_i^{(g)}$  becomes:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{i1}^{(g)} \\ y_{i2}^{(g)} \\ y_{i3}^{(g)} \\ y_{i3}^{(g)} \\ y_{i4}^{(g)} \\ y_{i5}^{(g)} \\ y_{i6}^{(g)} \\ y_{i7}^{(g)} \\ y_{i8}^{(g)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{i1}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i2}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i3}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i3}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i5}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i5}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i6}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i7}^{(g)} \\ \mu_{i8}^{(g)} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_{32}^{(g)} & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_{42}^{(g)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_{63}^{(g)} \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_{63}^{(g)} \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_{73}^{(g)} \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_{83}^{(g)} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{i1}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i2}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i5}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i5}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i6}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i5}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i6}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i5}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i6}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i7}^{(g)} \\ \epsilon_{i8}^{(g)} \end{bmatrix}$$

where elements 1's and 0's in  $\Lambda^{(g)}$  are known parameters with the fixed values, and the other  $\lambda_{jk}^{(g)}$ 's are unknown parameters. The fixed value 1 is used to introduce a scale to the corresponding latent variable.

- The measurement equation is identified via fixing appropriate parameters.
- Note that  $\lambda_{jk}^{(g)}$  is the coefficient linking the observed variables  $y_{ij}^{(g)}$  with the latent variable  $\omega_{ik}^{(g)}$ . Here i is the observation index,  $\omega_{i1}^{(g)} = \eta_i^{(g)}$ ,  $\omega_{i2}^{(g)} = \xi_{i1}^{(g)}$  and  $\omega_{i3}^{(g)} = \xi_{i2}^{(g)}$ . For instance,
  - 1.  $\eta_i^{(g)}$  is only linked with  $y_{i1}^{(g)}$ ,
  - 2.  $\xi_{i1}^{(g)}$  is only linked with  $y_{i2}^{(g)}$ ,  $y_{i3}^{(g)}$  and  $y_{i4}^{(g)}$ ,
  - 3.  $\xi_{i2}^{(g)}$  is only linked with  $y_{i5}^{(g)},\,y_{i6}^{(g)},\,y_{i7}^{(g)}$  and  $y_{i8}^{(g)},$

which is in line with the latent constructs given in Table 3. As a result, the non-overlapping structure makes the interpretation of the latent variables clear. In other words, the measurement equation is a confirmatory tool.<sup>6</sup>

 $<sup>^5\,\</sup>mathrm{``Basic}$  and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch2

#### 3.2.2 Structure in Structural Equation

• In scalar representation, the structural equation  $\eta_i^{(g)} = \Gamma^{(g)} \xi_i^{(g)} + \delta_i^{(g)}$  becomes:

$$\eta_i^{(g)} = \gamma_1^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)} + \gamma_2^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)} + \delta_i^{(g)}, \quad g = 1, 2, 3.$$
(4)

- The structural equation is identified with identified  $\eta_i^{(g)}$ ,  $\xi_{i1}^{(g)}$  and  $\xi_{i2}^{(g)}$  for all i and g.
- Note that  $\gamma_1^{(g)}$  and  $\gamma_2^{(g)}$  represent the magnitude of the expected changes in  $\eta_i^{(g)}$  for one unit change in  $\xi_{i1}^{(g)}$  and  $\xi_{i2}^{(g)}$  respectively. The outcome latent variable is only partially explained by the explanatory latent variables, the unexplained part is taken into account by the residual error  $\delta_i^{(g)}$ .

#### 3.3 Bayesian Estimation

- In Bayesian analysis, Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algorithms are used to simulate a large number of observations from the joint posterior distribution.
- In SEMs, the Bayesian esimates of the unknown parameters and the latent variables can be obtained from the corresponding sample means of observations simulated from the posterior distribution.<sup>8</sup>
- In this study, the software WinBUGS is used via the R package R2WinBUGS to do the Bayesian inferences.
- For simplicity, the conjugate prior distributions are used and hyperparameters are specified. First, prior distributions for nonconstrained parameters in different groups are naturally assumed to be independent.
- In the gth group model, let  $\psi_{\epsilon k}^{(g)}$  and  $\Lambda_k^{(g)T}$  be the kth diagonal element of  $\Psi_{\epsilon}^{(g)}$  and the kth row of  $\Lambda^{(g)}$  respectively. If parameters are not invariant over groups, the joint prior distribution could be taken as<sup>9</sup>

$$\psi_{\epsilon k}^{(g)-1} \stackrel{D}{=} \operatorname{Gamma}[\alpha_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}, \beta_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}], \quad [\mathbf{\Lambda}_{k}^{(g)}|\psi_{\epsilon k}^{(g)}] \stackrel{D}{=} N[\mathbf{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(g)}, \psi_{\epsilon k}^{(g)} \mathbf{H}_{0yk}^{(g)}], \tag{5}$$

where  $\alpha_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}, \, \beta_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}, \, \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(g)}$  and  $\boldsymbol{H}_{0uk}^{(g)}$  are hyperparameters.

- As pointed out by Song and Lee (2012), the joint prior distribution in (5) is not applicable under the constrained situations, e.g. when  $\Lambda^{(1)} = \Lambda^{(2)} = \Lambda^{(3)}$ . The constrained situations are considered under hypothesis testing/ model comparison problems in later sections.
- To facilitate comparison in Section 4.1 and 4.2, and follow the suggestion in the book, independent prior distributions for  $\Lambda^{(g)}$  and  $\Psi^{(g)}_{\epsilon}$  are selected with or without constraints such that

$$p(\mathbf{\Lambda}^{(g)}, \mathbf{\Psi}_{\epsilon}^{(g)}) = p(\mathbf{\Lambda}^{(g)})p(\mathbf{\Psi}_{\epsilon}^{(g)}), \quad g = 1, 2, 3.$$

<sup>7 &</sup>quot;Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch6

• Independent prior distributions for  $\Gamma^{(g)}$  and  $\psi^{(g)}_{\delta}$  are selected with or without constraints such that

$$p(\Gamma^{(g)}, \psi_{\delta}^{(g)}) = p(\Gamma^{(g)})p(\psi_{\delta}^{(g)}), \quad g = 1, 2, 3.$$

#### 3.3.1 Conjugate Prior Distributions

• In the measurement equation, the conjugate prior distributions of  $\mu^{(g)}$ ,  $\Lambda_k^{(g)}$  and  $\psi_{\epsilon k}^{(g)}$  are  $^{10}$ 

$$\psi_{\epsilon k}^{(g)-1} \stackrel{D}{=} \operatorname{Gamma}[\alpha_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}, \beta_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}], \quad \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(g)} \stackrel{D}{=} N[\boldsymbol{\mu}_{0}^{(g)}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{0}^{(g)}] \quad \text{and} \quad \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{k}^{(g)} \stackrel{D}{=} N[\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(g)}, \boldsymbol{H}_{0yk}^{(g)}]$$
(6)

for g=1,2,3, where  $\alpha_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}$ ,  $\beta_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)}$ , and elements in  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{0}^{(g)}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(g)}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{0}^{(g)}$  and  $\boldsymbol{H}_{0yk}^{(g)}$  are hyperparameters, and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{0}^{(g)}$  and  $\boldsymbol{H}_{0yk}^{(g)}$  are positive definite matrices.

• In the structural equation, the conjugate prior distributions of  $\Phi^{(g)}$ ,  $\Gamma^{(g)}$  and  $\psi^{(g)}_{\delta}$  are

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(g)-1} \stackrel{D}{=} W_2[\boldsymbol{R}_0^{(g)}, \rho_0], \ \psi_{\delta}^{(g)-1} \stackrel{D}{=} \operatorname{Gamma}[\alpha_{0\delta}^{(g)}, \beta_{0\delta}^{(g)}] \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{(g)} \stackrel{D}{=} N[\boldsymbol{\Gamma}_0^{(g)}, \boldsymbol{H}_{0\omega}^{(g)}]$$
 (7)

for g=1,2,3, where  $\rho_0$ ,  $\alpha_{0\delta}^{(g)}$ ,  $\beta_{0\delta}^{(g)}$ , and elements in  $\mathbf{R}_0^{(g)}$ ,  $\mathbf{\Gamma}_0^{(g)}$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{0\omega}^{(g)}$  are hyperparameters, and  $\mathbf{R}_0^{(g)}$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{0\omega}^{(g)}$  are positive definite matrices.

#### 3.3.2 Specified Hyperparameters

- Since there is no available prior knowledge of the parameters, the hyperparameters are specified for convenience and/ or to have vague priors. No prior knowledge of the group difference is available, thus the hyperparameters are set to be equal for all groups.
- With reference to (6), the hyperparameters used in the measurement equation are:

$$\alpha_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)} = 6, \ \beta_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)} = 10, \ \boldsymbol{\mu}_{0}^{(g)} = \boldsymbol{0}, \ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{0}^{(g)} = 2.5\boldsymbol{I}, \ \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(g)} = 0.81 \ \text{and} \ \boldsymbol{H}_{0yk}^{(g)} = 2.5\boldsymbol{I}$$

for g = 1, 2, 3, where  $\mathbf{I}$  is an identity matrix with appropriate dimension and  $\mathbf{1}$  is a vector with every element 1 and appropriate dimension.

• With reference to (7), the hyperparameters used in the structural equation are:

$$\mathbf{R}_0^{(g)} = 8\mathbf{I}, \ \rho_0 = 4, \ \alpha_{0\delta}^{(g)} = 6, \ \beta_{0\delta}^{(g)} = 10, \ \mathbf{\Gamma}_0^{(g)} = 0.61 \ \text{and} \ \mathbf{H}_{0\omega}^{(g)} = 2.5\mathbf{I}$$

for g = 1, 2, 3, where I is an identity matrix with appropriate dimension and 1 is a vector with every element 1 and appropriate dimension.

• Under this choice, the means of  $\psi_{\epsilon k}^{(g)}$  and  $\psi_{\delta}^{(g)}$  are 2 and their variances are 1 for all g. The variability of  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(g)}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{k}^{(g)}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{(g)}$  is large because their covariance matrices are set to be 2.5  $\boldsymbol{I}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch3

#### 3.3.3 Initial Values of Parameters

- There are two sets of initial values of parameters (denoted by \*) used in the measurement equation defined in (1) or (3) and the structural equation defined in (2) or (4).
- The first set of initial values is:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)*} = \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(2)*} = \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(3)*} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \lambda_{jk}^{(1)*} = \lambda_{jk}^{(2)*} = \lambda_{jk}^{(3)*} = 0 \text{ for valid } j, k,$$

$$\gamma_{1}^{(1)*} = \gamma_{1}^{(2)*} = \gamma_{1}^{(3)*} = 0, \quad \gamma_{2}^{(1)*} = \gamma_{2}^{(2)*} = \gamma_{2}^{(3)*} = 0, \quad \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(1)*} = \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(2)*} = \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(3)*} = 0,$$

$$\psi_{\epsilon j}^{(1)*} = \psi_{\epsilon j}^{(2)*} = \psi_{\epsilon j}^{(3)*} = 1 \text{ for } j = 2, \dots, 8, \quad \psi_{\delta}^{(1)*} = \psi_{\delta}^{(2)*} = \psi_{\delta}^{(3)*} = 1, \quad \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(1)*} = \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(2)*} = \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(3)*} = \boldsymbol{I}.$$

• The second set of initial values is:

$$\mu_{i1}^{(1)*} = \mu_{i1}^{(2)*} = \mu_{i1}^{(3)*} = 0, \quad \mu_{ij}^{(1)*} = \mu_{ij}^{(2)*} = \mu_{ij}^{(3)*} = 1 \text{ for } j = 2, \dots, 8,$$

$$\lambda_{jk}^{(1)*} = \lambda_{jk}^{(2)*} = \lambda_{jk}^{(3)*} = 1 \text{ for valid } j, k, \quad \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(1)*} = \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(2)*} = \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(3)*} = 0.5 \boldsymbol{I},$$

$$\gamma_{1}^{(1)*} = \gamma_{1}^{(2)*} = \gamma_{1}^{(3)*} = 1, \quad \gamma_{2}^{(1)*} = \gamma_{2}^{(2)*} = \gamma_{2}^{(3)*} = 1, \quad \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(1)*} = \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(2)*} = \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(3)*} = 0,$$

$$\psi_{\epsilon j}^{(1)*} = \psi_{\epsilon j}^{(2)*} = \psi_{\epsilon j}^{(3)*} = 0.5 \text{ for } j = 2, \dots, 8, \quad \psi_{\delta}^{(1)*} = \psi_{\delta}^{(2)*} = \psi_{\delta}^{(3)*} = 0.5.$$

#### 3.4 Main Results

- In using R2WinBUGS to do Bayesian estimation, the burn-in iterations required for achieving convergence of the MCMC algorithms are set to be 5,000. In fact, it can be checked by plots of the simulated sequences of the individual parameters.<sup>11</sup>
- The number of simulated observations collected after the burn-in iterations is set to be 5,000, i.e.  $\{(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}, \boldsymbol{\Omega}^{(t)}) : t = 1, \dots, 5000\}$ . In other words, the total number of iterations run by the program is 10,000.
- The running mean plots of different parameters, generated by the two different initial values (given in Section 3.3.3), are shown in Appendix from Figure 4 to Figure 21.
- From Figure 4 to Figure 21, the two sequences generated with different initial values mix well. It is concluded that convergence is achieved and hence 5,000 burn-in iterations are enough for the data set.
- In this study, the posterior means (the elements of  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ ) and standard error estimates (the positive square roots of the diagonal elements in  $\widehat{\mathrm{Var}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{Y})$ ) of parameters are reported for Bayesian analysis:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \frac{1}{5,000} \sum_{i=1}^{5,000} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}, \quad \widehat{\text{Var}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{Y}) = \frac{1}{4,999} \sum_{i=1}^{5,000} (\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) (\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})^T.$$

• With the linear SEM with multisample data defined in Section 3.1 and 3.2, prior distributions, hyperparameters and initial values of parameters given in Section 3.3, the posterior means and standard error estimates of parameters in linear SEM with multisample data are shown in Appendix Table 11.

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#### 3.4.1 Intuitive Interpretation of Results

- Full table of Bayesian estimates of parameters is given in Table 11. In general, the standard error estimates are small as compared with the corresponding means. It indicates the reliability of the Bayesian estimates. The running mean plots further support the claim.
- Informally speaking, it is observed that the estimates of parameters are different in the 3 groups. The formal hypothesis testing of equal  $\mu^{(g)}$ ,  $\Lambda^{(g)}$ ,  $\Gamma^{(g)}$  and  $\Phi^{(g)}$  for all g is given in Section 4.2.
- First of all, the values of  $\hat{\mu}_j^{(1)}$ 's are smaller than those of  $\hat{\mu}_j^{(2)}$ 's but larger than those of  $\hat{\mu}_j^{(3)}$ 's. In fact, it is in accordance with the group standardized sample means found in Table 6.
- Of course, they are not exactly equal because the Bayesian estimates have incorporated prior inputs. Since linear SEM is used, the intercepts  $\hat{\mu}_i^{(g)}$  are the posterior means of  $y_i^{(g)}$ :

	$\bar{y}_1^{(g)}$	$ar{y}_2^{(g)}$	$\bar{y}_3^{(g)}$	$\bar{y}_4^{(g)}$	$ar{y}_5^{(g)}$	$\bar{y}_6^{(g)}$	$ar{y}_7^{(g)}$	$\bar{y}_8^{(g)}$
g=1	0.2394	0.3114	0.3165	0.2837	0.3318	0.3315	0.3189	0.3099
g=2	0.3708	0.4588	0.4721	0.4422	0.4441	0.3911	0.4570	0.4539
g=3	-0.6337	-0.8014	-0.8201	-0.7536	-0.8103	-0.7584	-0.8081	-0.7949
	$\hat{\mu}_1^{(g)}$	$\hat{\mu}_2^{(g)}$	$\hat{\mu}_3^{(g)}$	$\hat{\mu}_4^{(g)}$	$\hat{\mu}_5^{(g)}$	$\hat{\mu}_6^{(g)}$	$\hat{\mu}_7^{(g)}$	$\hat{\mu}_8^{(g)}$
g=1	0.2378	0.3080	0.3131	0.2806	0.3279	0.3275	0.3152	0.3066
g=2	0.3702	0.4575	0.4708	0.4410	0.4426	0.3897	0.4556	0.4525
g=3	-0.6337	-0.8019	-0.8204	-0.7538	-0.8108	-0.7588	-0.8086	-0.7953

Table 7: Standardized Sample Means of  $\boldsymbol{y}$  and Posterior Means of  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(g)}$ 

- In other words, the intercepts for each group serve as a baseline for 8 observed variables for the respective group in addition to the effects of 3 latent variables.
- Second point to note in Table 11 is that the values of  $\lambda_{jk}^{(g)}$ 's are large (some are even close to 1). It indicates that there is a strong relationship between the observed variables and the latent variables.
- Moreover, all the values of  $\hat{\lambda}_{32}^{(g)}$  and  $\hat{\lambda}_{42}^{(g)}$  are smaller than 1 for all g while nearly all (with two exceptions) the value of  $\hat{\lambda}_{63}^{(g)}$ ,  $\hat{\lambda}_{73}^{(g)}$  and  $\hat{\lambda}_{83}^{(g)}$  are smaller than 1 for all g.

	$\hat{\lambda}_{32}^{(g)}$	$\hat{\lambda}_{42}^{(g)}$	$\hat{\lambda}_{63}^{(g)}$	$\hat{\lambda}_{73}^{(g)}$	$\hat{\lambda}_{83}^{(g)}$
g=1	0.9912	0.8502	1.0105	0.9610	0.9147
g=2	0.9866	0.7914	0.9728	0.9681	0.9485
g=3	0.9782	0.7938	0.9537	0.9490	1.0124

Table 8: Posterior Means of  $\Lambda^{(g)}$ 

• As mentioned in Section 3.2.1, the fixed value 1 in  $\Lambda^{(g)}$  is used to introduce a scale to the corresponding latent variable. Therefore,  $\hat{\lambda}_{jk}^{(g)}$  should be interpreted in a relative sense.

- In other words, "Length"  $(y_2)$  are more related to "Size"  $(\xi_1)$  than "Diameter"  $(y_3)$  and "Height"  $(y_4)$  while "Whole Weight"  $(y_5)$  are more related to "Weight"  $(\xi_2)$  than "Shucked Weight"  $(y_6)$ , "Viscera Weight"  $(y_7)$  and "Shell Weight"  $(y_8)$ . In addition, "Diameter" is more related to "Size" than "Height".
- Thirdly,  $\Gamma^{(1)}$ ,  $\Gamma^{(2)}$  and  $\Gamma^{(3)}$  are quite different, meaning that there is a heterogeneity of groups in the relationship between the outcome latent variable and the explanatory latent variables:

	$\gamma_1^{(1)}$	$\gamma_2^{(1)}$	$\gamma_1^{(2)}$	$\gamma_2^{(2)}$	$\gamma_1^{(3)}$	$\gamma_2^{(3)}$
Mean	0.5305	-0.0863	0.2607	0.0773	0.3751	0.3939
SE	0.0984	0.0870	0.1717	0.1389	0.0662	0.1023

Table 9: Posterior Means and Standard Error Estimates of  $\Gamma^{(g)}$ 

- From Table 9, the posterior means and standard error estimates suggest that the first regression parameter in the structural equation is significant for all groups. However, the second regression parameter is not so significant for Group 1 and 2 but significant for Group 3.
- In other words, "Size" is useful in explaining "Age" of all abalones. However, "Weight" is only useful in explaining "Age" of abalones for "Infant" but not for "Male" and "Female".
- The non-significance of "Weight" for "Male" and "Female" can be explained in regression terminology. All the observed variables are correlated as revealed in Table 2. In the presence of latent variable "Size", another latent variable "Weight" is no longer important in predicting "Age" for "Male" and "Female".
- Last but not least,  $\Phi^{(1)}$ ,  $\Phi^{(2)}$  and  $\Phi^{(3)}$  are quite different, meaning that there is a heterogeneity of the interrelationship among the 2 explanatory latent variables for groups:

	$\hat{\phi}_{11}^{(g)}$	$\hat{\phi}_{12}^{(g)}$	$\hat{\phi}_{22}^{(g)}$
g=1	0.7132	0.7538	0.9074
g=2	0.5020	0.5831	0.7581
g=3	0.8040	0.4906	0.3431

Table 10: Posterior Means of  $\Phi^{(g)}$ 

- In other words, the interrelationship between "Size" and "Weight" is different in each group. Of course, with  $\hat{\phi}_{12}^{(g)}$  significantly above 0, "Size" and "Weight" are correlated.
- In summary, due to the heterogeneity introduced by "Sex", multisample model is powerful in capturing the group difference. With linear structural equation, the interpretation of parameters is intuitive.

#### 3.5 Sensitivity Analysis

- Since there is no useful prior information, a sensitivity analysis should be conducted to investigate whether the results are robust to prior inputs.<sup>12</sup>
- The linear SEM with multisample data defined in Section 3.1 and 3.2, conjugate type prior distributions and initial values of parameters given in Section 3.3 remain unchanged. However, the hyperparameter values are perturbed to give two new prior inputs.
- For the first new prior inputs, the hyperparameters used in the measurement equation are reset to be:

$$\alpha_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)} = 6$$
,  $\beta_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)} = 10$ ,  $\mu_0^{(1)} = -1$ ,  $\mu_0^{(2)} = 1$ ,  $\mu_0^{(3)} = 0$ ,  $\Sigma_0^{(g)} = 2.5 I$ ,  $\Lambda_{0k}^{(1)} = \Lambda_{0k}^{(2)} = 0.21$ ,  $\Lambda_{0k}^{(3)} = 0.41$ , and  $H_{0yk}^{(g)} = 2.5 I$ 

while the hyperparameters used in the structural equation are reset to be:

$$\mathbf{R}_0^{(g)} = 6\mathbf{I}, \ \rho_0 = 4, \ \alpha_{0\delta}^{(g)} = 6, \ \beta_{0\delta}^{(g)} = 10, \ \Gamma_0^{(1)} = \Gamma_0^{(2)} = 0.41, \ \Gamma_0^{(3)} = 0.71 \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathbf{H}_{0\omega}^{(g)} = 2.5\mathbf{I}$$

for g = 1, 2, 3, where I is an identity matrix with appropriate dimension and 1 is a vector with every element 1 and appropriate dimension.

• For the second new prior inputs, the hyperparameters used in the measurement equation are reset to be:

$$\alpha_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)} = 6$$
,  $\beta_{0\epsilon k}^{(g)} = 10$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_0^{(1)} = 0.21$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_0^{(2)} = 0.41$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_0^{(3)} = 0$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_0^{(g)} = 2.5\boldsymbol{I}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(1)} = \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(3)} = 0.71$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0k}^{(2)} = 0.31$ , and  $\boldsymbol{H}_{0vk}^{(g)} = 2.5\boldsymbol{I}$ 

while the hyperparameters used in the structural equation are reset to be:

$$\mathbf{R}_0^{(g)} = 9\mathbf{I}, \ \rho_0 = 4, \ \alpha_{0\delta}^{(g)} = 6, \ \beta_{0\delta}^{(g)} = 10, \ \mathbf{\Gamma}_0^{(1)} = \mathbf{\Gamma}_0^{(2)} = 0.51, \ \mathbf{\Gamma}_0^{(3)} = 0.71 \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathbf{H}_{0\omega}^{(g)} = 2.5\mathbf{I}$$

for g = 1, 2, 3, where  $\mathbf{I}$  is an identity matrix with appropriate dimension and  $\mathbf{1}$  is a vector with every element 1 and appropriate dimension.

- The Bayesian estimates for the two new prior inputs are not reported. Alternatively, the changes in the estimates as compared with Section 3.4 are given in Table 12 and 13.
- The changes in posterior means and standard error estimates are very small. Therefore, it is concluded that the Bayesian estimation is not sensitive to prior inputs.

# 3.6 Data Dependent Prior Inputs (Auxiliary Estimation)

• Since there is no useful prior information, an alternative approach is to carry out Bayesian analysis by applying data dependent prior inputs that are obtained from an initial estimation with the whole data set as in Section 3.4.<sup>13</sup> However, the results obtained are similar and hence not reported here.

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# 4 Model Comparison or Hypothesis Testing

- In this section, for model comparison purpose, most of the Bayesian estimates are not reported for simplicity. In fact, all the results have been obtained by using R and WinBUGS code in Appendix. Only DIC is used to compare model performance.
- As emphasized repeatedly, hypothesis testing in Bayesian analysis can be done in model comparison setting.<sup>14</sup>

#### 4.1 Comparison with Non-linear Multisample SEMs

- Using the same measurement equation defined in (1) or (3), the structural equation defined in (2) or (4) can be modified to give various non-linear SEMs with multisample data.
- The prior distributions, hyperparameters and initial values of parameters given in Section 3.3 are changed only slightly for the purpose of having comparable results.
- Since linear SEM is the most basic, more terms (like interaction and quadratic terms) are added to the structural equation to yield non-linear models, including but not limited to

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{M}_{1} : & \eta_{i}^{(g)} = \gamma_{1}^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)} + \gamma_{2}^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)} + \gamma_{3}^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)} + \delta_{i}^{(g)}, \\ \mathbf{M}_{2} : & \eta_{i}^{(g)} = \gamma_{1}^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)} + \gamma_{2}^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)} + \gamma_{3}^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)2} + \gamma_{4}^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)2} + \delta_{i}^{(g)}, \\ \mathbf{M}_{3} : & \eta_{i}^{(g)} = \gamma_{1}^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)} + \gamma_{2}^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)} + \gamma_{3}^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)} + \gamma_{4}^{(g)} \xi_{i1}^{(g)2} + \gamma_{5}^{(g)} \xi_{i2}^{(g)2} + \delta_{i}^{(g)}, \end{split}$$

for 
$$g = 1, 2, 3$$
.

- Here  $M_0$  denotes the original linear model,  $M_1$  is called the interaction model,  $M_2$  is called the quadratic model and  $M_3$  is called the second order model. The DIC values for  $M_0$ ,  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  and  $M_3$  are 12508, 12512.6, 12484.8 and 12466.7 respectively.
- Obviously, linear model is better than the interaction model because of smaller DIC value. However, the quadratic and second order models are not used for a number of reasons.
- First of all, as mentioned in Section 3.4, the interpretation of linear model is intuitive, especially the intercept estimates are the posterior means of  $\mathbf{y}^{(g)}$  and can serve as baseline for the group difference.
- Secondly, the DIC values for M<sub>0</sub>, M<sub>2</sub> and M<sub>3</sub> are close enough. It means the linear model can already explain the variation in data well. By the principle of parsimony, the linear SEM with multisample data is adopted.
- Moreover, some of the estimates in the quadratic and second order models are strange. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_2: \hat{\eta}_i^{(1)} &= 0.0901\xi_{i1}^{(1)} + 0.2334\xi_{i2}^{(1)} - 0.1566\xi_{i1}^{(1)2} + 0.0365^{(1)}\xi_{i2}^{(1)2}, \\ \mathbf{M}_3: \hat{\eta}_i^{(3)} &= 0.2438\xi_{i1}^{(g)} + 0.5406\xi_{i2}^{(g)} + 0.6717\xi_{i1}^{(g)}\xi_{i2}^{(g)} - 0.3085\xi_{i1}^{(g)2} - 0.3359\xi_{i2}^{(g)2}. \end{aligned}$$

While the main effects are positive, the quadratic terms can be negative.

• In summary, it is suggested to use linear SEM with multisample data in this data set.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> "Basic and Advanced Bayesian Structural Equation Modeling" (Song and Lee) Ch6

#### 4.2 Testing Constraints under Linear Multisample SEM

• The following nonnested competing models (or hypothese) are considered:

$$\begin{split} & M_0: \text{No constraints}, \quad M_A: \pmb{\mu}^{(1)} = \pmb{\mu}^{(2)} = \pmb{\mu}^{(3)}, \quad M_B: \pmb{\Lambda}^{(1)} = \pmb{\Lambda}^{(2)} = \pmb{\Lambda}^{(3)} \\ & M_C: \pmb{\Gamma}^{(1)} = \pmb{\Gamma}^{(2)} = \pmb{\Gamma}^{(3)}, \quad M_D: \pmb{\Phi}^{(1)} = \pmb{\Phi}^{(2)} = \pmb{\Phi}^{(3)}. \end{split}$$

- The DIC values for  $M_0$ ,  $M_A$ ,  $M_B$ ,  $M_C$  and  $M_D$  are 12508, 12885.5, 12603.6, 12603.5 and 14018.8 respectively. It is crystal clear that the linear multisample SEM with no constraints is selected because its DIC value is far smaller than the others.
- For intuitive explanation of the rationale behind, please refer to Section 3.4.1.

# 5 Appendix

# 5.1 Figures, Tables and R/WinBUGS Code

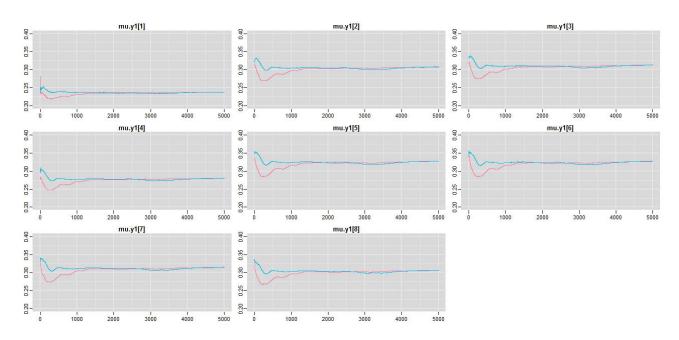


Figure 4: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)}$ 

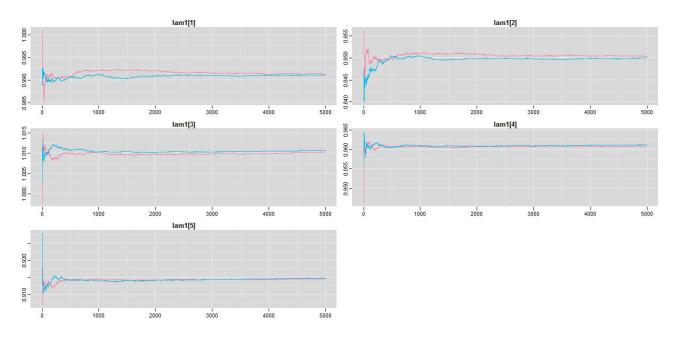


Figure 5: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{(1)}$ 

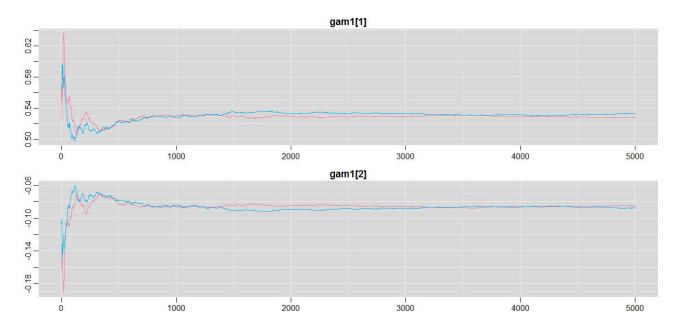


Figure 6: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  ${\bf \Gamma}^{(1)}$ 

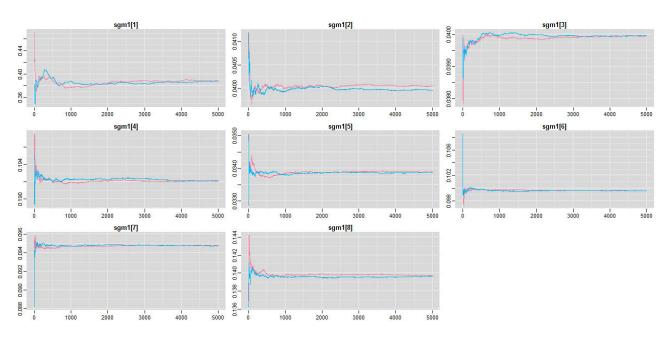


Figure 7: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\Psi_{\epsilon}^{(1)}$ 

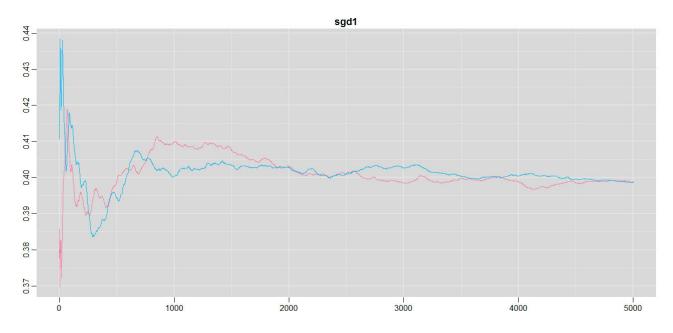


Figure 8: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\psi_\delta^{(1)}$ 

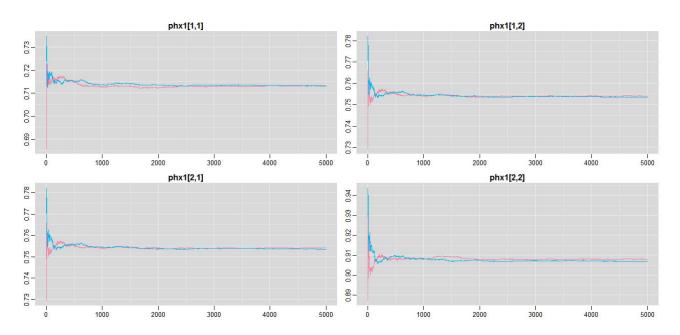


Figure 9: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\mathbf{\Phi}^{(1)}$ 

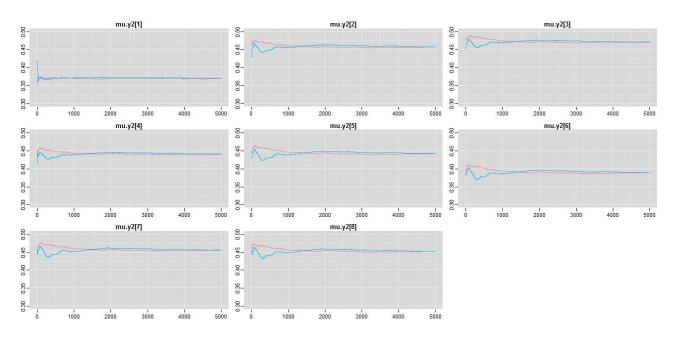


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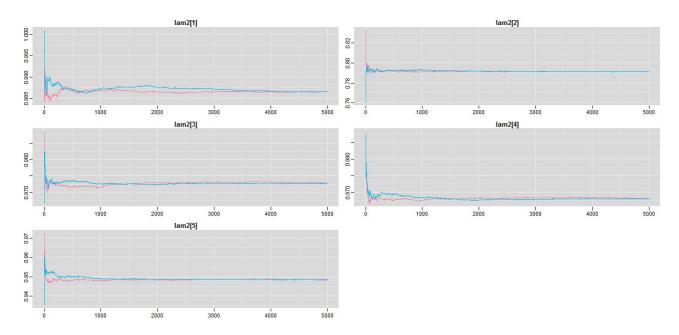


Figure 11: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\pmb{\Lambda}^{(2)}$ 

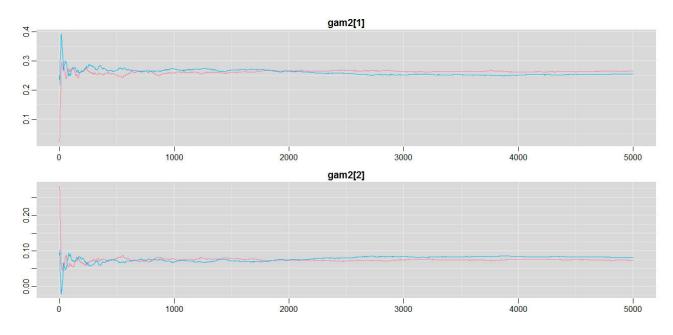


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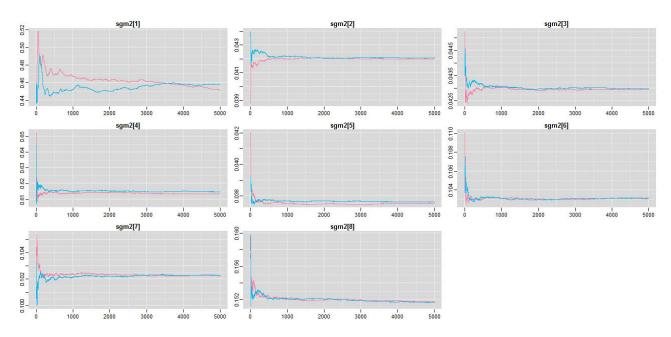


Figure 13: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\boldsymbol{\Psi}_{\epsilon}^{(2)}$ 

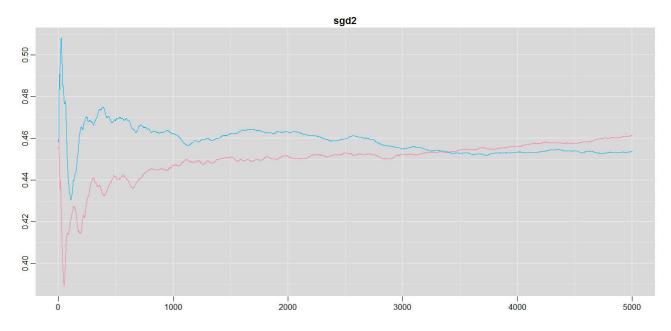


Figure 14: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\psi_{\delta}^{(2)}$ 

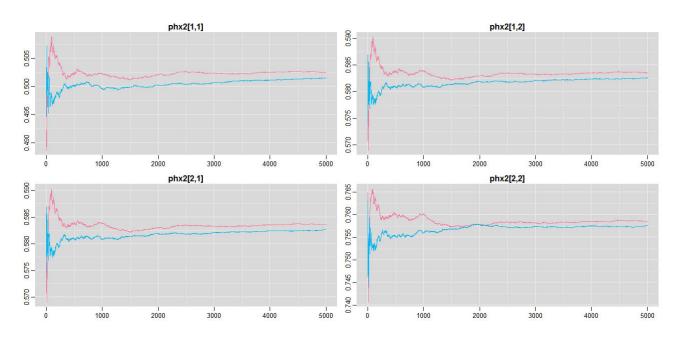


Figure 15: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\mathbf{\Phi}^{(2)}$ 

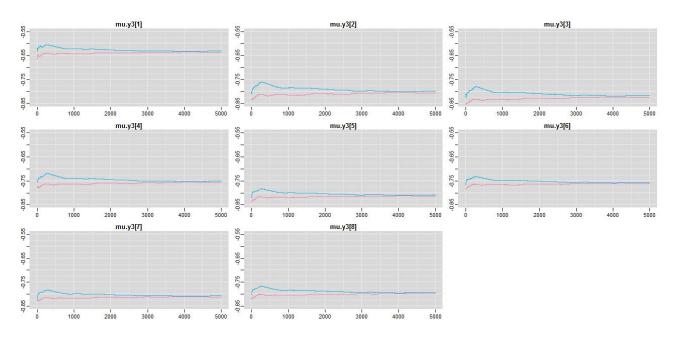


Figure 16: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(3)}$ 

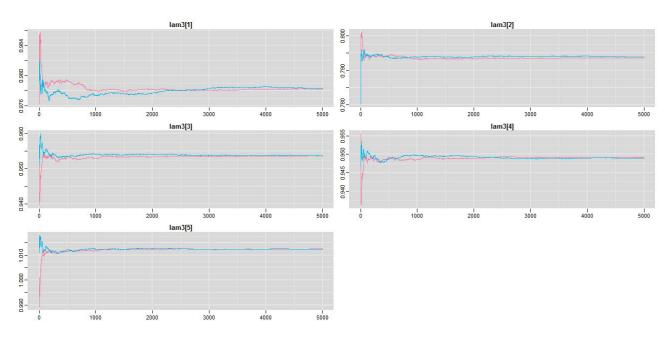


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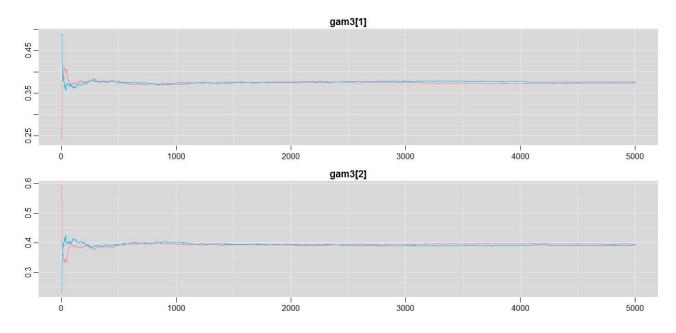


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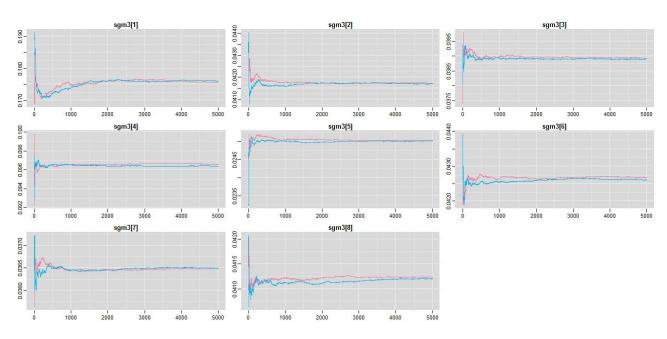


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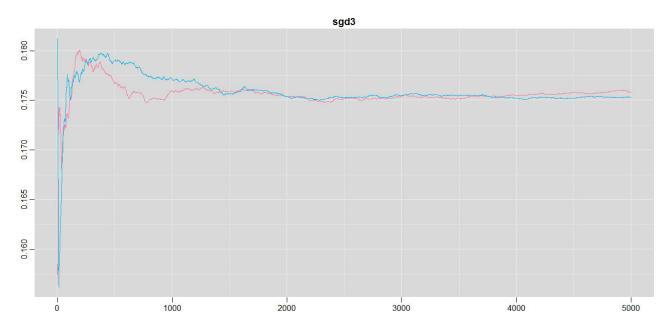


Figure 20: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\psi_\delta^{(3)}$ 

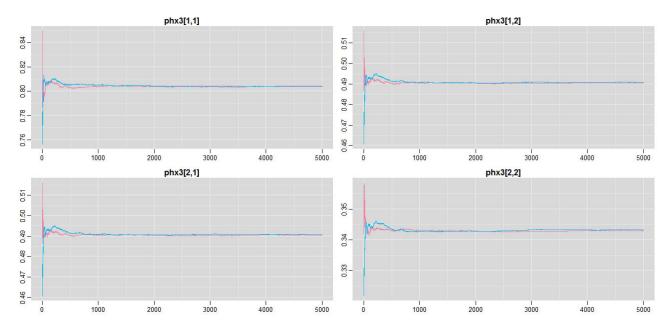


Figure 21: Running Mean Plots Corresponding to  $\boldsymbol{\Phi}^{(3)}$ 

Parameter	Mean	SE	Parameter	Mean	SE
$\mu_1^{(1)}$	0.2378	0.0250	$\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(2)}$	0.4546	0.0512
(1)	0.3080	0.0224	$\psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(2)}$	0.0420	0.0020
$\mu_3^{(1)}$	0.3131	0.0223	$\begin{array}{c c} \psi_{\epsilon_{1}}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon_{2}}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon_{3}}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon_{4}}^{(2)} \end{array}$	0.0430	0.0021
11\ /	0.2806	0.0217	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 4}$	0.6141	0.0246
(1)	0.3279	0.0247	$\psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(2)}$	0.0375	0.0018
11(-)	0.3275	0.0258	$\psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(2)}$	0.1031	0.0047
$\mu_{7}$	0.3152	0.0245	$\psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(2)}$	0.1023	0.0046
$\mu_{8}^{(1)} \ \lambda_{32}^{(1)}$	0.3066	0.0239	$\psi_{\epsilon5}^{(2)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon6}^{(2)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon7}^{(2)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon8}^{(2)}$ $\psi_{\delta}^{(2)}$	0.1517	0.0066
$\lambda_{32}^{(1)}$	0.9912	0.0087	$\psi^{(2)}_{\delta}$	0.4576	0.0522
$\lambda_{42}^{(1)}$	0.8502	0.0145	$\phi_{11}^{(2)}$	0.5020	0.0213
$\lambda_{63}^{(1)}$	1.0105	0.0100	$\phi_{12}^{(2)}$	0.5831	0.0245
$\lambda_{73}^{(1)}$	0.9610	0.0097	$\phi_{\alpha\alpha}^{(2)}$	0.7581	0.0314
$\lambda_{83}^{(1)}$	0.9147	0.0110	$\mu_1^{(3)}$	-0.6337	0.0223
$\lambda_{42}^{(1)} \ \lambda_{63}^{(1)} \ \lambda_{73}^{(1)} \ \lambda_{83}^{(1)} \ \gamma_{1}^{(1)}$	0.5305	0.0984	$\mu_{1}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{2}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{3}^{(3)}$	-0.8019	0.0251
$\gamma_2^{(1)}$	-0.0863	0.0870	$\mu_3^{(3)}$	-0.8204	0.0246
$\psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 1}$	0.3882	0.0433	$\mu_4^{(3)}$	-0.7538	0.0213
$\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(1)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(1)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(1)}$	0.0400	0.0019	$\mu_{5}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{6}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{7}^{(3)}$	-0.8108	0.0169
$\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(1)}$	0.0399	0.0019	$\mu_6^{(3)}$	-0.7588	0.0166
$\psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(1)} \ \psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(1)}$	0.1921	0.0074	$\mu_7^{(3)}$	-0.8086	0.0163
$\psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 5}$	0.0339	0.0016	$\mu_{8}^{(3)}$	-0.7953	0.0174
$\psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(1)}$	0.0996	0.0043	$\lambda_{32}^{(3)}$	0.9782	0.0088
$\psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 7} \ \psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 8}$	0.0948	0.0040	$\mu_8^{(3)} \ \lambda_{32}^{(3)} \ \lambda_{42}^{(3)} \ \lambda_{63}^{(3)} \ \lambda_{73}^{(3)} \ \lambda_{83}^{(3)}$	0.7938	0.0109
$\psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(1)}$	0.1397	0.0057	$\lambda_{63}^{(3)}$	0.9537	0.0119
$\eta/\gamma_{\rm s}^{(1)}$	0.3988	0.0437	$\lambda_{73}^{(3)}$	0.9490	0.0113
$\phi_{11}^{(1)}$	0.7132	0.0272	$\lambda_{83}^{(3)}$	1.0124	0.0122
$\phi_{12}^{(1)}$	0.7538	0.0288	(3)	0.3751	0.0662
$\phi_{22}^{(1)}$	0.9074	0.0340	$\gamma_1$ $\gamma_2$ $\gamma_2$	0.3939	0.1023
$\mu_1^{(2)}$	0.3702	0.0271	$\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(3)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(3)}$	0.1759	0.0135
$\mu_2^{(2)}$	0.4575	0.0186	$\psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(3)}$	0.0417	0.0021
$\mu_3^{\overline{(2)}}$	0.4708	0.0185	$\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(3)}$	0.0389	0.0019
$\mu_4^{(2)}$	0.4410	0.0260	$\psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(3)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(3)}$	0.0965	0.0040
$\mu_5^{(2)}$	0.4426	0.0225	$\psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(3)}$	0.0250	0.0011
$\mu_6^{(2)}$	0.3897	0.0232	$\psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(3)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(3)}$	0.0426	0.0019
$\mu_7^{(2)}$	0.4556	0.0230	$\psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(3)}$	0.0365	0.0016
$\mu_{8}^{(2)}$	0.4525	0.0234	$\psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(3)}$	0.0412	0.0018
$\lambda_{32}^{(2)}$	0.9866	0.0112	$\psi_{\delta}^{(3)}$	0.1756	0.0136
$\lambda_{42}^{(2)}$	0.7914	0.0323	$\psi^{(3)}_{\delta} \ \phi^{(3)}_{11}$	0.8040	0.0324
$\lambda_{63}^{(2)}$	0.9728	0.0122	$\phi_{12}^{(3)}$	0.4906	0.0200
$\lambda_{73}^{(2)}$	0.9681	0.0118	$\phi_{22}^{\overline{(3)}}$	0.3431	0.0140
$\lambda_{83}^{(2)}$	0.9485	0.0137			
$\lambda_{73}^{(2)} \ \lambda_{83}^{(2)} \ \gamma_{1}^{(2)}$	0.2607	0.1717	DIC:12508		
$\gamma_2^{(2)}$	0.0773	0.1389			

Table 11: Bayesian Estimates of Parameters in Linear SEM with Multisample Data

Parameter	$\Delta \mathrm{Mean}$	$\Delta \mathrm{SE}$	Parameter	$\Delta \mathrm{Mean}$	$\Delta \mathrm{SE}$
$\mu_1^{(1)}$	-0.00080	-0.00001	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 1}$	-0.00003	-0.00001
$\mu_2^{(1)}$	-0.00138	-0.00005	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 2}$	0.00022	0.00001
$\mu_3^{(1)}$ $\mu_4^{(1)}$	-0.00137	-0.00003	$\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{\overline{(2)}}$	0.00031	0.00002
$\mu_4^{(1)}$	-0.00122	-0.00003	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 4}$	-0.00057	-0.00003
$\mu_4 \\ \mu_5^{(1)}$	-0.00157	-0.00003	$\psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(2)}$	0.00013	0.00001
$\mu_6^{(1)}$	-0.00160	-0.00002	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 6}$	0.00023	0.00000
$\mu_7^{(1)}$	-0.00152	-0.00002	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 7}$	0.00017	0.00000
$\mu_8^{(1)}$	-0.00146	-0.00002	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 8}$	-0.00019	-0.00002
$\lambda_{32}^{(1)}$	0.00064	0.00004	$\psi^{(2)}_{\delta}$	-0.00003	-0.00001
$\begin{array}{c} \mu_6^{(1)} \\ \mu_7^{(1)} \\ \mu_8^{(1)} \\ \lambda_{32}^{(1)} \\ \lambda_{42}^{(1)} \\ \lambda_{63}^{(1)} \\ \lambda_{73}^{(1)} \\ \lambda_{83}^{(1)} \\ \gamma_1^{(1)} \\ \gamma_2^{(1)} \end{array}$	0.00098	0.00001	$\begin{array}{c} \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\delta}^{(2)} \\ \phi_{11}^{(2)} \\ \phi_{12}^{(2)} \\ \phi_{22}^{(2)} \\ \mu_{1}^{(3)} \end{array}$	-0.00335	-0.00012
$\lambda_{63}^{(1)}$	0.00028	0.00002	$\phi_{12}^{(2)}$	0.00008	-0.00006
$\lambda_{73}^{(1)}$	0.00034	0.00001	$\phi_{22}^{(2)}$	-0.00260	-0.00009
$\lambda_{83}^{(1)}$	0.00045	0.00000	$\mu_1^{(3)}$	0.00000	-0.00001
$\gamma_1^{(1)}$	0.00515	0.00144	$\mu_2^{(3)}$	-0.00001	-0.00003
$\gamma_2^{(1)}$	-0.00433	0.00122	$\mu_3^{(3)}$	-0.00001	-0.00001
$\psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 1}$	-0.00005	0.00000	$\mu_4^{(3)}$	-0.00001	-0.00001
$\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(1)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(1)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(2)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(1)}$ $\psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(1)}$	0.00019	0.00001	$\mu_{2}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{2}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{3}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{4}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{5}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{6}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{7}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{8}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{32}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{42}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{63}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{73}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{83}^{(3)}$ $\gamma_{1}^{(3)}$	0.00001	-0.00008
$\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(1)}$	0.00025	0.00002	$\mu_6^{(3)}$	0.00001	-0.00004
$\psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(1)}$	-0.00038	-0.00001	$\mu_7^{(3)}$	0.00001	-0.00004
$\psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 5}$	0.00010	0.00001	$\mu_8^{(3)}$	0.00001	-0.00005
$\psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 5} \ \psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 6}$	0.00022	0.00001	$\lambda_{32}^{(3)}$	0.00057	0.00003
$\psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(1)}$	0.00008	0.00000	$\lambda_{42}^{(3)}$	0.00072	0.00001
$\psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(1)} \ \psi_{\delta}^{(1)}$	-0.00015	-0.00001	$\lambda_{63}^{(3)}$	0.00171	0.00005
$\psi^{(1)}_{\delta}$	-0.00005	-0.00001	$\lambda_{73}^{(3)}$	0.00166	0.00005
$\phi_{11}^{(1)}$	-0.00248	-0.00008	$\lambda_{83}^{(3)}$	0.00198	0.00004
$\phi_{12}^{(1)}$	0.00007	-0.00004	$\gamma_1^{(3)}$	0.00119	0.00150
$\phi_{22}^{(1)}$	-0.00205	-0.00007	$\gamma_2^{(3)}$	-0.00104	0.00244
$\mu^{(2)}$	0.00070	0.00000	$\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(3)}$	-0.00003	0.00000
$\mu_2^{-\prime}$	0.00120	-0.00005	$\psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(3)}$	0.00023	0.00001
$\mu_3$	0.00118	-0.00002	$\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(3)}$	0.00018	0.00001
$\mu_4^{(2)}$	0.00112	-0.00001	$\psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(3)}$	-0.00022	-0.00001
$\mu_5^{(2)}$	0.00147	-0.00003	$\psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(3)}$	0.00006	0.00000
(2)	0.00146	-0.00002	$\begin{array}{c} \gamma_{2}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\delta}^{(3)} \\ \phi_{11}^{(3)} \end{array}$	0.00008	0.00000
$\mu_7^{(2)}$	0.00145	-0.00002	$\psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(3)}$	0.00010	0.00000
$\mu_8^{(2)}$	0.00143	-0.00002	$\psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(3)}$	-0.00003	0.00000
$\lambda_{32}^{(2)}$	0.00148	0.00007	$\psi_{\delta}^{(3)}$	-0.00003	0.00000
$\mu_8^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{32}^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{42}^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{63}^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{73}^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{83}^{(2)} \\ \gamma_1^{(2)}$	0.00196	0.00005	$\phi_{11}^{(3)}$	-0.00262	-0.00009
$\lambda_{63}^{(2)}$	0.00051	0.00003	$\phi_{12}^{(3)}$	-0.00028	-0.00006
$\lambda_{73}^{(2)}$	0.00054	0.00002	$\phi_{22}^{(3)}$	-0.00279	-0.00010
$\lambda_{83}^{(2)}$	0.00077	0.00001			
$\gamma_1^{(2)}$	0.00404	0.00696			
$\gamma_2^{(2)}$	-0.00307	0.00547			

Table 12: Changes in Bayesian Estimates of Parameters for the First New Prior Inputs

Parameter	$\Delta \mathrm{Mean}$	$\Delta \mathrm{SE}$	Parameter	$\Delta \mathrm{Mean}$	$\Delta \mathrm{SE}$
$\mu_1^{(1)}$	0.00016	0.00000	$\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(2)}$	0.00001	0.00000
(1)	0.00027	0.00002	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 2}$	-0.00008	0.00000
$\mu_3^{(1)}$	0.00027	0.00002	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 3}$	-0.00012	-0.00001
11\ /	0.00024	0.00001	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 4}$	0.00026	0.00001
(1)	0.00031	0.00001	$\begin{array}{c} \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\delta}^{(2)} \\ \phi_{11}^{(2)} \end{array}$	-0.00005	0.00000
	0.00032	0.00001	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 6}$	-0.00009	0.00000
$\mu_{7}$	0.00030	0.00001	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 7}$	-0.00007	0.00000
$\mu_8^{(1)}$	0.00029	0.00001	$\psi^{(2)}_{\epsilon 8}$	0.00009	0.00001
$\lambda_{32}^{(1)}$	-0.00032	-0.00002	$\psi^{(2)}_{\delta}$	0.00001	0.00000
$\mu_{8}^{(1)}$ $\lambda_{32}^{(1)}$ $\lambda_{42}^{(1)}$	-0.00049	-0.00001	$\phi_{11}^{(2)}$	0.00160	0.00006
$\lambda_{63}^{(1)}$	-0.00015	0.00000	$\phi_{12}^{(2)}$	0.00001	0.00003
$\lambda_{73}^{(1)}$	-0.00018	-0.00001	$\phi_{22}^{(2)}$	0.00129	0.00005
$\lambda_{83}^{(1)}$	-0.00023	0.00000	$\mu_1^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00001
$\lambda_{63}^{(1)} \ \lambda_{73}^{(1)} \ \lambda_{83}^{(1)} \ \gamma_{1}^{(1)} \ \gamma_{2}^{(1)}$	-0.00241	-0.00064	$\phi_{12}^{(2)} \\ \phi_{22}^{(2)} \\ \mu_{1}^{(3)} \\ \mu_{2}^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00001
$\gamma_2^{(1)}$	0.00197	-0.00055	$\mu_2^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00001
$\psi^{(1)}_{\epsilon 1}$	0.00002	0.00000	$\mu_4^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00000
$\begin{array}{c} \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(1)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(1)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(2)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(1)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(1)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(1)} \end{array}$	-0.00008	-0.00001	$\mu_{4}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{5}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{6}^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00004
$\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(1)}$	-0.00011	-0.00001	$\mu_6^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00002
$\psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(1)}$	0.00017	0.00001	$\mu_7^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00002
$\psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(1)}$	-0.00004	0.00000	$\mu_8^{(3)}$	0.00000	0.00002
$\psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(1)}$	-0.00010	0.00000	$\mu_{7}^{(3)}$ $\mu_{8}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{32}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{42}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{63}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{73}^{(3)}$ $\lambda_{83}^{(3)}$	-0.00027	-0.00002
$\psi_{\epsilon7}^{(1)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon8}^{(1)}$	-0.00004	0.00000	$\lambda_{42}^{(3)}$	-0.00034	0.00000
$\psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(1)}$	0.00007	0.00000	$\lambda_{63}^{(3)}$	-0.00080	-0.00002
$\psi_{\delta}^{(1)}$	0.00003	0.00000	$\lambda_{73}^{(3)}$	-0.00077	-0.00002
$\phi_{11}^{(1)}$	0.00122	0.00004	$\lambda_{83}^{(3)}$	-0.00092	-0.00002
$\phi_{12}^{(1)}$	-0.00001	0.00002	$\gamma_1^{(3)}$	-0.00061	-0.00063
$\downarrow$	0.00102	0.00004	$\gamma_2^{(3)}$	0.00062	-0.00103
$\mu_1^{(2)}$	0.00028	0.00000	$\psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(3)}$	0.00001	0.00000
$\mu_2$	0.00047	0.00002	$\psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(3)}$	-0.00010	-0.00001
$\mu_3^{(2)}$	0.00046	0.00001	$\psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(3)}$	-0.00007	0.00000
$\mu_4^{(2)}$	0.00044	0.00000	$\begin{array}{c} \gamma_{2}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 1}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 2}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 3}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 4}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(3)} \end{array}$	0.00010	0.00000
$\mu_5^{(2)}$	0.00059	0.00001	$\psi_{\epsilon 5}^{(3)}$	-0.00002	0.00000
$\mu_6^{(2)}$	0.00058	0.00001	$\begin{array}{c} \psi_{\epsilon 6}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(3)} \\ \psi_{\delta}^{(3)} \\ \phi_{11}^{(3)} \\ \phi_{12}^{(3)} \end{array}$	-0.00003	0.00000
$\mu_{\pi}^{(2)}$	0.00058	0.00001	$\psi_{\epsilon 7}^{(3)}$	-0.00004	0.00000
$\mu_{8}^{(2)}$	0.00057	0.00001	$\psi_{\epsilon 8}^{(3)}$	0.00002	0.00000
$\lambda_{32}^{(2)}$	-0.00072	-0.00002	$\psi_{\delta}^{(3)}$	0.00001	0.00000
$\lambda_{42}^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{63}^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{73}^{(2)} \\ \lambda_{83}^{(2)} \\ \gamma_{1}^{(2)}$	-0.00118	-0.00002	$\phi_{11}^{(3)}$	0.00126	0.00004
$\lambda_{63}^{(2)}$	-0.00030	-0.00001	$\phi_{12}^{(3)}$	0.00014	0.00003
$\lambda_{73}^{(2)}$	-0.00031	-0.00001	$\phi_{22}^{(3)}$	0.00134	0.00005
$\lambda_{83}^{(2)}$	-0.00042	0.00000			
$\gamma_1^{(2)}$	-0.00209	-0.00281			
$\gamma_2^{(2)}$	0.00151	-0.00221			

Table 13: Changes in Bayesian Estimates of Parameters for the Second New Prior Inputs

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#R Code with the use of R2WinBUGS
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setwd("C:/Users/Benjamin Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project")
#Load packages
library(mvtnorm)
                               #Load mvtnorm package
library(R2WinBUGS)
                               #Load R2WinBUGS package
library(mcmcplots)
                               #Load mcmcplots package
library(plyr)
                               #Load plyr package
#Data Processing
#The data found on http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-
databases/abalone/abalone.data
#are saved in "Abalone.txt" first.
X<-read.table("Abalone.txt", sep=",")</pre>
                                          #Read in data
colnames(X) < -
c("Sex", "Length", "Diameter", "Height", "Whole.weight", "Shucked.weight", "Vis
cera.weight", "Shell.weight", "Rings")
head(X)
D < -X[,c(1,9,2:8)]
                               #Rearrange columns
head(D)
                               #Display some data
#Output the data (with column rearrangement) in csv
write.csv(D, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/Abalone.csv", row.names=FALSE)
(Freqcount Rings<-count(D, 'Rings'))</pre>
write.csv(Freqcount Rings, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/Freqcount Rings.csv")
hist(D$Rings, main="Histogram of
Rings", xlab="Rings", breaks=seq(1,29,by=1))
(N < -nrow(D))
                               #Total sample size
D1<-D[D$Sex=="M",2:9]
                               #Select sex M
                               \# Number of observations for sex M
(N1 < -nrow(D1))
D2<-D[D$Sex=="F",2:9]
                               #Select sex F
(N2 < -nrow(D2))
                               #Number of observations for sex F
D3<-D[D$Sex=="I",2:9]
                               #Select sex I
                               #Number of observations for sex I
(N3 < -nrow(D3))
Dall<-D[,2:9]
                               #Save all data, only remove sex attribute
(original data order)
Dall<-as.matrix(Dall)</pre>
(Cor<-cor(Dall))
                               #Correlation matrix for all sexes
write.csv(Cor, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/Correlation matrix.csv")
(p<-ncol(Dall))
                               #Number of observed variables (sex not
included)
                               #Compute column mean for all sexes
(Mean<-apply(Dall,2,mean))
(Sd<-apply(Dall, 2, sd))
                               #Compute column sd for all sexes
                               #Compute unstandardized mean vector for sex
(mean M<-apply(D1,2,mean))</pre>
M
                               #Compute unstandardized mean vector for sex
(mean F<-apply(D2,2,mean))</pre>
(mean I<-apply(D3,2,mean)) #Compute unstandardized mean vector for sex</pre>
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mean Overall<-Mean
                               #Compute unstandardized mean vector for all
sexes
mean compare<-rbind(mean M, mean F, mean I, mean Overall)</pre>
write.csv(mean compare,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/mean compare.csv")
Vall<-rbind(D1,D2,D3)
                                #Initialize matrices to store standardized
observations (in sex order: M,F,I)
Vall<-as.matrix(Vall)</pre>
for (i in 1:N) {
   for (j in 1:p) {
     Vall[i,j] = (Vall[i,j]-Mean[j])/Sd[j]
}
head(Vall)
                                   #Display some standardized observations
V1<-Vall[1:N1,]
                                   #Save standardized observations for sex
V2 < -Vall[(N1+1):(N1+N2),]
                                  #Save standardized observations for sex
V3<-Vall[(N1+N2+1):(N1+N2+N3),] #Save standardized observations for sex
                                  #Standardized mean vector for each sex
V1mean<-apply(V1,2,mean)</pre>
V2mean<-apply(V2,2,mean)</pre>
V3mean<-apply(V3,2,mean)
(mean compare standard<-rbind(V1mean, V2mean, V3mean))</pre>
write.csv(mean compare standard, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/mean compare standard.csv")
                                  #Standard deviation vector for each sex
(V1sd<-apply(V1,2,sd))
(V2sd < -apply(V2, 2, sd))
(V3sd < -apply(V3, 2, sd))
#Linear multisample model estimation (also act as auxiliary Bayesian
estimation)
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1",
              "mu.y2", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2", "mu.y3", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1 lin=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 lin=list(mu.y1=c(0, rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,2),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits lin=list(init1 lin, init2 lin)
R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
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data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model linear<-bugs(data, inits lin, parameters,</pre>
                   model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/linearmodel.txt",
                   n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                   working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary linear<-model linear$summary</pre>
write.csv(defaultsummary linear,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary linear.csv")
#Convergence plots (linear model)
rmeanplot(model_linear,parms="mu.y1",ylim=c(0.2,0.4))
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="lam1")
rmeanplot(model linear, parms="gam1")
rmeanplot(model_linear,parms="sgm1")
rmeanplot(model_linear,parms="sgd1")
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="phx1")
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="mu.y2",ylim=c(0.3,0.5))
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="lam2")
rmeanplot(model linear, parms="gam2")
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="sgm2")
rmeanplot(model linear, parms="sgd2")
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="phx2")
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="mu.y3",ylim=c(-0.85,-0.55))
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="lam3")
rmeanplot(model linear,parms="gam3")
rmeanplot(model_linear,parms="sgm3")
rmeanplot(model linear, parms="sqd3")
rmeanplot(model linear, parms="phx3")
#Sensitivity analysis without the aid of auxiliary Bayesian estimation
# New prior 1
init1 lin=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 lin=list(mu.y1=c(0, rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
              mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,2),
psi3=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits lin=list(init1 lin, init2 lin)
R=matrix(c(6, 0, 0, 6), nrow=2)
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data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model_newprior1<-bugs(data, inits_lin, parameters,</pre>
                      model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/newprior1model.txt",
                      n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                      working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary newprior1<-model newprior1$summary</pre>
write.csv(defaultsummary newprior1, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary newprior1.csv")
# New prior 2
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1",
             "mu.y2", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2",
             "mu.y3", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1 lin=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2_lin=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,2),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits_lin=list(init1_lin, init2 lin)
R=matrix(c(9, 0, 0, 9), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model newprior2<-bugs(data, inits lin, parameters,</pre>
                      model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/newprior2model.txt",
                      n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                      working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary newprior2<-model newprior2$summary
write.csv(defaultsummary newprior2,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary newprior2.csv")
# Change in mean and sd for new prior 1
change mean newprior1<-defaultsummary_newprior1[,1]-</pre>
defaultsummary linear[,1]
change sd newprior1<-defaultsummary newprior1[,2]-
defaultsummary linear[,2]
# Change in mean and sd for new prior 2
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change mean newprior2<-defaultsummary newprior2[,1]-
defaultsummary linear[,1]
change sd newprior2<-defaultsummary newprior2[,2]-
defaultsummary linear[,2]
#Summary of Sensitivity analysis
change mean sd newpriors<-
cbind (change mean newprior1, change sd newprior1, change mean newprior2, cha
nge sd newprior2)
head(change mean sd newpriors)
                                           #Display some results
write.csv(change mean sd newpriors, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/change mean sd newpriors.csv")
#Linear multisample model estimation with the aid of auxiliary Bayesian
estimation (previous results)
#Hyperparameters are set by auxiliary Bayesian estimation
Ephx1<-(4-2-1) *model linear$mean$phx1; R1<-solve(Ephx1)</pre>
Ephx2<-(4-2-1) *model linear$mean$phx2; R2<-solve(Ephx2)</pre>
Ephx3<-(4-2-1) *model linear$mean$phx3; R3<-solve(Ephx3)
(mulprior=as.vector(model linear$mean$mu.y1))
(mu2prior=as.vector(model linear$mean$mu.y2))
(mu3prior=as.vector(model linear$mean$mu.y3))
(lam1prior=as.vector(model linear$mean$lam1))
(lam2prior=as.vector(model_linear$mean$lam2))
(lam3prior=as.vector(model linear$mean$lam3))
(gam1prior=as.vector(model_linear$mean$gam1))
(gam2prior=as.vector(model_linear$mean$gam2))
(gam3prior=as.vector(model linear$mean$gam3))
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1",
             "mu.y2", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2", "mu.y3", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1 lin=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,2),
psi2=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,2),
psi3=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 lin=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,2),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits lin=list(init1 lin, init2 lin)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R1=R1, R2=R2, R3=R3, y1=V1,
y2=V2, y3=V3)
model lin withaux<-bugs(data, inits lin, parameters,</pre>
                         model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/linearwithauxmodel.txt",
                         n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000,
n.thin=1, bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
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working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary lin withaux<-model lin withaux$summary
write.csv(defaultsummary lin withaux,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary lin withaux.csv")
# Compare results with and without auxiliary Bayesian estimation
summary linear<-c(defaultsummary linear[,1],DIC=model linear$DIC)</pre>
summary lin withaux<-
c(defaultsummary lin withaux[,1],DIC=model lin withaux$DIC)
summary lin without with aux < - cbind (summary linear, summary lin withaux)
write.csv(summary lin without with aux,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/summary lin without with aux.csv")
#Convergence plots (linear model with auxiliary Bayesian estimation)
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="mu.y1",ylim=c(0.2,0.4))
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="lam1")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="gam1")
rmeanplot(model_lin_withaux,parms="sgm1")
rmeanplot(model_lin_withaux,parms="sgd1")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="phx1")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="mu.y2",ylim=c(0.3,0.5))
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="lam2")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="gam2")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="sgm2")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="sgd2")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="phx2")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="mu.y3",ylim=c(-0.85,-0.55))
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="lam3")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="gam3")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux, parms="sgm3")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="sgd3")
rmeanplot(model lin withaux,parms="phx3")
#Model comparison
#Interaction multisample model (with main and interaction effects)
estimation without the aid of auxiliary Bayesian estimation
#Note that gam1, gam2 and gam3 are now 3x1 vectors instead of 2x1 vectors
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1",
             "mu.y2", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2",
             "mu.y3", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1_interact=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,3),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                    mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,3),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                    mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,3),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 interact=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,3),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                    mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,3),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                    mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,3),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits interact=list(init1 interact, init2 interact)
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R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model interact<-bugs(data, inits interact, parameters,</pre>
                      model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/interactionmodel.txt",
                      n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                      working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary interact<-model interact$summary</pre>
write.csv(defaultsummary interact, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary interact.csv")
#Quadratic multisample model (without interaction term) estimation
without the aid of auxiliary Bayesian estimation
#Note that gam1, gam2 and gam3 are now 4x1 vectors instead of 2x1 vectors
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1", "mu.y2", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2", "mu.y3", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1 qua=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,4),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,4),
psi2=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,4),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 qua=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,4),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,4),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,4),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits_qua=list(init1_qua, init2_qua)
R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model_quadratic<-bugs(data, inits_qua, parameters,</pre>
                      model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/quadraticmodel.txt",
                      n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                      working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary quadratic <- model quadratic $\summary$
write.csv(defaultsummary quadratic,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary quadratic.csv")
#Second order multisample model (with interaction and quadratic terms)
estimation without the aid of auxiliary Bayesian estimation
#Note that gam1, gam2 and gam3 are now 5x1 vectors instead of 2x1 vectors
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1",
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"mu.y2", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2",
             "mu.y3", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1 sec=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,5),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,5),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,5),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 sec=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,5),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,5),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
               mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,5),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits sec=list(init1 sec, init2 sec)
R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model secorder <- bugs (data, inits sec, parameters,
                      model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/secordermodel.txt",
                      n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                      working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary secorder <- model secorder $ summary
write.csv(defaultsummary seconder, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary seconder.csv")
#Model comparison based on DIC
(linear DIC=model linear$DIC)
                                          #Main effects only
(interaction_DIC=model_interact$DIC)
                                          #Main and interaction effects
(quadratic DIC=model quadratic$DIC)
                                         #Main and quadratic effects
(without interaction)
(secorder DIC=model secorder$DIC)
                                         #Full second order model
(DIC models<-
rbind(linear DIC,interaction DIC,quadratic DIC,secorder DIC))
write.csv(DIC models, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/DIC_models.csv")
#Conclusion: Linear multisample model is selected for subsequent use
because of its simplicity and interpretability while
#its DIC value is comparable with others.
#Testing constraints as model comparison (under linear models)
#Under equal intercepts constraints
#Note that mu.y1, mu.y2 and mu.y3 are replaced by mu.y.
parameters=c("mu.y", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1 eqint=list(mu.y=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
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lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                               lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 eqint=list(mu.y=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                                    lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,2),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                                    lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits eqint=list(init1 eqint, init2 eqint)
R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model eqint<-bugs (data, inits eqint, parameters,
                     model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/equalintmodel.txt",
                     n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                     working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary eqint<-model eqint$summary</pre>
write.csv(defaultsummary eqint,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary eqint.csv")
#Under equal lambdas constraints
#Note that lam1, lam2 and lam3 are replaced by lam.
"gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
             "mu.y3",
init1 eqlam=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                mu.y2=rep(0,8),
                                              gam2=rep(0,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                mu.y3=rep(0,8),
                                              gam3=rep(0,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 eqlam=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)),
                                                   gam2=rep(1,2),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)),
                                                   gam3=rep(1,2),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits eqlam=list(init1 eqlam, init2 eqlam)
R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model eqlam <- bugs (data, inits eqlam, parameters,
                 model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/equallammodel.txt",
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n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                   working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary eqlam<-model eqlam$summary</pre>
write.csv(defaultsummary eqlam, file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary eqlam.csv")
#Under equal gammas constraints
#Note that gam1, gam2 and gam3 are replaced by gam.
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx1", "mu.y2", "lam2", "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2", "mu.y3", "lam3", "sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
                                       "sgm2", "sgd2", "phx2",
"sgm3", "sgd3", "phx3")
init1_eqgam=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi1=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                  mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1, phi2=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                  mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5),
psi3=c(9999,rep(1,7)), psd3=1, phi3=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2))
init2 eqgam=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi1=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                  mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5),
psi2=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd2=2, phi2=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                  mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5),
psi3=c(9999,rep(2,7)), psd3=2, phi3=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2))
inits eqgam=list(init1 eqgam, init2 eqgam)
R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model eggam<-bugs(data, inits eggam, parameters,
                   model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/equalgammodel.txt",
                   n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                   working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary_eqgam<-model eqgam$summary</pre>
write.csv(defaultsummary_eqgam,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary eggam.csv")
#Under equal covariance matrices of the two explanatory latent variables
constraints
#Note that phi1, phi2 and phi3 are replaced by phi while phx1, phx2 and
phx3 are replaced by phx.
parameters=c("mu.y1", "lam1", "gam1", "sgm1", "sgd1", "phx",
              "mu.y2", "lam2", "gam2", "sgm2", "sgd2",
              "mu.y3", "lam3", "gam3", "sgm3", "sgd3")
init1 eqcov=list(mu.y1=rep(0,8), lam1=rep(0,5), gam1=rep(0,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd1=1, phi=matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 1), nrow=2),
                  mu.y2=rep(0,8), lam2=rep(0,5), gam2=rep(0,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd2=1,
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mu.y3=rep(0,8), lam3=rep(0,5), gam3=rep(0,2),
psi3=c(9999, rep(1,7)), psd3=1)
init2 eqcov=list(mu.y1=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam1=rep(1,5), gam1=rep(1,2),
psi1=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd1=2, phi=matrix(c(2, 0, 0, 2), nrow=2),
                 mu.y2=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam2=rep(1,5), gam2=rep(1,2),
psi2=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd2=2,
                 mu.y3=c(0,rep(1,7)), lam3=rep(1,5), gam3=rep(1,2),
psi3=c(9999, rep(2,7)), psd3=2)
inits eqcov=list(init1 eqcov, init2 eqcov)
R=matrix(c(8, 0, 0, 8), nrow=2)
data=list(N1=N1, N2=N2, N3=N3, zero=c(0,0), R=R, y1=V1, y2=V2, y3=V3)
model_eqcov<-bugs(data, inits_eqcov, parameters,</pre>
                  model.file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/equalcovmodel.txt",
                  n.chains=2, n.iter=10000, n.burnin=5000, n.thin=1,
bugs.directory="C:/Program Files/WinBUGS14/",
                  working.directory="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/")
defaultsummary eqcov<-model eqcov$summary
write.csv(defaultsummary eqcov,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/defaultsummary eqcov.csv")
#Testing constraints based on DIC
(noconstraints DIC=model linear$DIC)
                                       #Linear Model without constraints
(equalint DIC=model eqint$DIC)
                                       #Equal intercepts
(equallam DIC=model eqlam$DIC)
                                       #Equal lambdas
(equalgam DIC=model eggam$DIC)
                                       #Equal gammas
(equalcov DIC=model eqcov$DIC)
                                       #Equal covariance matrices of
explanatory latent variables
(DIC testconstraints<-
rbind(noconstraints DIC, equalint DIC, equallam DIC, equalgam DIC, equalcov D
write.csv(DIC testconstraints,file="C:/Users/Benjamin
Chan/Desktop/CUHK/Stat/5020/Project/DIC testconstraints.csv")
#Conclusion: Multisample model is useful in the sense that the DIC is
samllest without constraints for all linear models considered.
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#Linear SEM with multisample data (linearmodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
         mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
         mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
         mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
         mu1[i,4]<-mu.y1[4]+lam1[2]*xi1[i,1]</pre>
         mu1[i,5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i,2]
         mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
         mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
         mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
         nu1[i]<-gam1[1]*xi1[i,1]+gam1[2]*xi1[i,2]</pre>
         xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
         mu2[i,1]<-mu.y2[1]+eta2[i]</pre>
         mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
         mu2[i, 6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i, 2]
         mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
         mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
         nu2[i] < -gam2[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam2[2] *xi2[i,2]
         xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
         mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
         mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i,4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i,2]
         mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
         mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
         nu3[i] < -gam3[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam3[2] *xi3[i,2]
         xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
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} #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam2[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y3[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi1[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]
    }
    psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
   psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2] \sim dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
   psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
   phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} # end of model
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#WinBUGS: Linear Multisample SEM with first new prior
(newprior1model.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,4] < -mu.y1[4] + lam1[2] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i] <-gam1[1] *xi1[i,1] +gam1[2] *xi1[i,2]</pre>
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1] < -mu.y2[1] + eta2[i]
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i] < -gam2[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam2[2] *xi2[i,2]
        xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i, 6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i, 2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
        nu3[i] < -gam3[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam3[2] *xi3[i,2]
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xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(-1,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.2,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.4,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(1,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam2[i]~dnorm(0.2,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.4,0.4) }
    for (i in 1:8) \{mu.y3[i] \sim dnorm(0,0.4)\}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.4,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.7,0.4) }
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi1[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]</pre>
   psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
   psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
   psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd3 < -1/psd3
   phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} #end of model
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#WinBUGS: Linear Multisample SEM with second new prior
(newprior2model.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,4] < -mu.y1[4] + lam1[2] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i] <-gam1[1] *xi1[i,1] +gam1[2] *xi1[i,2]</pre>
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1] < -mu.y2[1] + eta2[i]
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i] < -gam2[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam2[2] *xi2[i,2]
        xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i, 6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i, 2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
        nu3[i] < -gam3[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam3[2] *xi3[i,2]
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xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.2,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.7,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.5,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.4,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam2[i]~dnorm(0.3,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.5,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y3[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.7,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.7,0.4) }
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi1[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]</pre>
   psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
   psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
   psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd3 < -1/psd3
   phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} #end of model
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#WinBUGS: Linear Multisample SEM with auxiliary estimation
(linearwithauxmodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,4] < -mu.y1[4] + lam1[2] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i] <-gam1[1] *xi1[i,1] +gam1[2] *xi1[i,2]</pre>
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1] < -mu.y2[1] + eta2[i]
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i] < -gam2[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam2[2] *xi2[i,2]
        xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
        nu3[i] < -gam3[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam3[2] *xi3[i,2]
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xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
} #end of i
#priors on loadings and coefficients
mu.y1[1]~dnorm(0.23776977,4)
mu.y1[2]~dnorm(0.30800997,4)
mu.y1[3]~dnorm(0.31311459,4)
mu.y1[4] \sim dnorm(0.28061309, 4)
mu.y1[5]~dnorm(0.32791675,4)
mu.y1[6] \sim dnorm(0.32748821,4)
mu.y1[7]~dnorm(0.31516263,4)
mu.y1[8]~dnorm(0.30663321,4)
lam1[1]~dnorm(0.99121838,4)
lam1[2]~dnorm(0.85018533,4)
lam1[3]~dnorm(1.01047776,4)
lam1[4]~dnorm(0.9610022,4)
lam1[5]~dnorm(0.91471167,4)
gam1[1]~dnorm(0.53051649,4)
gam1[2]~dnorm(-0.086271204206,4)
mu.y2[1]~dnorm(0.3701532,4)
mu.y2[2] \sim dnorm(0.45751105, 4)
mu.y2[3]~dnorm(0.4707897,4)
mu.y2[4]~dnorm(0.44102394,4)
mu.y2[5]~dnorm(0.44263698,4)
mu.y2[6]~dnorm(0.38971012,4)
mu.y2[7]~dnorm(0.45556052,4)
mu.y2[8]~dnorm(0.45253739,4)
lam2[1]~dnorm(0.98658896,4)
lam2[2]~dnorm(0.79141268,4)
lam2[3]~dnorm(0.97279875,4)
lam2[4]~dnorm(0.9680939,4)
lam2[5]~dnorm(0.94853086,4)
gam2[1]~dnorm(0.260710912323,4)
gam2[2]~dnorm(0.077336998146,4)
mu.y3[1]~dnorm(-0.63370484,4)
mu.y3[2]~dnorm(-0.80187014,4)
mu.y3[3]~dnorm(-0.8204269,4)
mu.y3[4] \sim dnorm(-0.75382003, 4)
mu.y3[5]~dnorm(-0.81080713,4)
mu.y3[6]~dnorm(-0.75877274,4)
mu.y3[7] \sim dnorm(-0.8085693,4)
mu.y3[8] \sim dnorm(-0.79528537, 4)
lam3[1]~dnorm(0.9782375,4)
lam3[2]~dnorm(0.7937561,4)
lam3[3]~dnorm(0.95368988,4)
lam3[4]~dnorm(0.94904175,4)
lam3[5]~dnorm(1.01238725,4)
gam3[1]~dnorm(0.3750694,4)
gam3[2]~dnorm(0.3938962559,4)
#priors on precisions
for (j in 1:8) {
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psi1[j] \sim dgamma(9,4)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]
    psd1~dgamma(9,4)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R1[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(9,4)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
    psd2~dgamma(9,4)
    sgd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R2[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(9,4)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
    }
    psd3~dgamma(9,4)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
    phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R3[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} #end of model
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#WinBUGS: Multisample SEM with interation term (interactionmodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,4]<-mu.y1[4]+lam1[2]*xi1[i,1]</pre>
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i]<-
gam1[1]*xi1[i,1]+gam1[2]*xi1[i,2]+gam1[3]*xi1[i,1]*xi1[i,2]
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1]<-mu.y2[1]+eta2[i]</pre>
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i, 4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i, 1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i, 6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i, 2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i]<-
gam2[1]*xi2[i,1]+gam2[2]*xi2[i,2]+gam2[3]*xi2[i,1]*xi2[i,2]
        xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
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nu3[i]<-
gam3[1]*xi3[i,1]+gam3[2]*xi3[i,2]+gam3[3]*xi3[i,1]*xi3[i,2]
        xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:3) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam2[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:3) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y3[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:3) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psil[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]
    }
    psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
    psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j]<-1/psi3[j]
    psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd3<-1/psd3
    phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} #end of model
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#WinBUGS: Multisample SEM with quadratic term (quadraticmodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,4]<-mu.y1[4]+lam1[2]*xi1[i,1]</pre>
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i]<-
gam1[1]*xi1[i,1]+gam1[2]*xi1[i,2]+gam1[3]*xi1[i,1]*xi1[i,1]+gam1[4]*xi1[i
,2]*xi1[i,2]
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1] < -mu.y2[1] + eta2[i]
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i, 6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i, 2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
        #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i]<-
gam2[1]*xi2[i,1]+gam2[2]*xi2[i,2]+gam2[3]*xi2[i,1]*xi2[i,1]+gam2[4]*xi2[i
,2]*xi2[i,2]
         xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i, 4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i, 1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
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nu3[i]<-
gam3[1]*xi3[i,1]+gam3[2]*xi3[i,2]+gam3[3]*xi3[i,1]*xi3[i,1]+gam3[4]*xi3[i
,2]*xi3[i,2]
        xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:4) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5){lam2[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:4) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    for (i in 1:8) \{mu.y3[i] \sim dnorm(0.0,0.4)\}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:4) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi1[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]
    psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
    psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j]<-1/psi3[j]
    psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
    phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} # end of model
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#WinBUGS: Multisample SEM with second order terms (secordermodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,4]<-mu.y1[4]+lam1[2]*xi1[i,1]</pre>
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i]<-
gam1[1]*xi1[i,1]+gam1[2]*xi1[i,2]+gam1[3]*xi1[i,1]*xi1[i,2]+gam1[4]*xi1[i
,1]*xi1[i,1]+qam1[5]*xi1[i,2]*xi1[i,2]
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1] < -mu.y2[1] + eta2[i]
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i, 6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i, 2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
        #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i]<-
gam2[1]*xi2[i,1]+gam2[2]*xi2[i,2]+gam2[3]*xi2[i,1]*xi2[i,2]+gam2[4]*xi2[i
,1]*xi2[i,1]+gam2[5]*xi2[i,2]*xi2[i,2]
         xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i, 4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i, 1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
```

```
nu3[i]<-
gam3[1]*xi3[i,1]+gam3[2]*xi3[i,2]+gam3[3]*xi3[i,1]*xi3[i,2]+gam3[4]*xi3[i
,1]*xi3[i,1]+gam3[5]*xi3[i,2]*xi3[i,2]
        xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5){lam2[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    for (i in 1:8) \{mu.y3[i] \sim dnorm(0.0,0.4)\}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi1[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]
    psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
    psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j]<-1/psi3[j]
    psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
    phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} # end of model
```

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#WinBUGS: Linear Multisample SEM with equal intercepts
(equalintmodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i, 4] < -mu.y[4] + lam1[2] *xi1[i, 1]
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,6] < -mu.y[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i] <-gam1[1] *xi1[i,1] +gam1[2] *xi1[i,2]</pre>
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1] < -mu.y[1] + eta2[i]
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,4] < -mu.y[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i, 6] < -mu.y[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i, 2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i] < -gam2[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam2[2] *xi2[i,2]
        xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,4] < -mu.y[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i, 6] < -mu.y[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i, 2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
        nu3[i] < -gam3[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam3[2] *xi3[i,2]
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xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam2[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
       psi1[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]
    psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
   psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
   psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
   phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} #end of model
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#WinBUGS: Linear Multisample SEM with equal lambda (equallammodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
         mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
         mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
         mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam[1] * xi1[i,1]
         mu1[i,4]<-mu.y1[4]+lam[2]*xi1[i,1]</pre>
         mu1[i,5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i,2]
         mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam[3] *xi1[i, 2]
         mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam[4] *xi1[i,2]
         mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
         nu1[i]<-gam1[1]*xi1[i,1]+gam1[2]*xi1[i,2]</pre>
         xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
         mu2[i,1]<-mu.y2[1]+eta2[i]</pre>
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam[1] *xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam[2] *xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
         mu2[i,6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam[3] *xi2[i,2]
         mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam[4] *xi2[i,2]
         mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
         nu2[i] < -gam2[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam2[2] *xi2[i,2]
         xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
         mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
         mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam[1] *xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i, 4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam[2] *xi3[i, 1]
         mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam[3] *xi3[i,2]
         mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam[4] *xi3[i,2]
         mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
         nu3[i] < -gam3[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam3[2] *xi3[i,2]
         xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
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} #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:2) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y3[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psil[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j] < -1/psi1[j]
   psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
       psi2[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
   psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd2<-1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
    phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
   psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
   phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
} #end of model
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#WinBUGS: Linear Multisample SEM with equal gamma (equalgammodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
         mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
         mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
         mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
         mu1[i,4]<-mu.y1[4]+lam1[2]*xi1[i,1]</pre>
         mu1[i,5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i,2]
         mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
         mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
         mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
         nu1[i]<-gam[1]*xi1[i,1]+gam[2]*xi1[i,2]</pre>
         xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi1[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
         mu2[i,1]<-mu.y2[1]+eta2[i]</pre>
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
         mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
         mu2[i, 6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i, 2]
         mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
         mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
         nu2[i] < -gam[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam[2] *xi2[i,2]
         xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi2[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
         mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
         mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i,4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
         mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i,2]
         mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
         mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
         nu3[i] < -gam[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam[2] *xi3[i,2]
         xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi3[1:2,1:2])
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} #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam2[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y3[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
       psi1[j]~dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]
    psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd1 < -1/psd1
    phi1[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx1[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi1[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
   psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd2 < -1/psd2
    phi2[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx2[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi2[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
   psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
   phi3[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx3[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi3[1:2,1:2])
}#end of model
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#WinBUGS: Linear Multisample SEM with equal covariance matrix of latent
var (equalcovmodel.txt)
model {
    #Group one
    for (i in 1:N1) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y1[i,j]~dnorm(mu1[i,j], psi1[j]) }
        mu1[i,1]<-mu.y1[1]+eta1[i]</pre>
        mu1[i,2] < -mu.y1[2] + xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,3] < -mu.y1[3] + lam1[1] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i,4] < -mu.y1[4] + lam1[2] *xi1[i,1]
        mu1[i, 5] < -mu.y1[5] + xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i, 6] < -mu.y1[6] + lam1[3] *xi1[i, 2]
        mu1[i,7] < -mu.y1[7] + lam1[4] *xi1[i,2]
        mu1[i,8] < -mu.y1[8] + lam1[5] *xi1[i,2]
         #structural equation
         eta1[i]~dnorm(nu1[i], psd1)
        nu1[i] <-gam1[1] *xi1[i,1] +gam1[2] *xi1[i,2]</pre>
        xi1[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group two
    for (i in 1:N2) {
        for (j in 1:8) { y2[i,j]~dnorm(mu2[i,j], psi2[j]) }
        mu2[i,1] < -mu.y2[1] + eta2[i]
        mu2[i,2] < -mu.y2[2] + xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,3] < -mu.y2[3] + lam2[1] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,4] < -mu.y2[4] + lam2[2] *xi2[i,1]
        mu2[i,5] < -mu.y2[5] + xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,6] < -mu.y2[6] + lam2[3] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,7] < -mu.y2[7] + lam2[4] *xi2[i,2]
        mu2[i,8] < -mu.y2[8] + lam2[5] *xi2[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta2[i]~dnorm(nu2[i], psd2)
        nu2[i] < -gam2[1] *xi2[i,1] + gam2[2] *xi2[i,2]
        xi2[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #Group three
    for (i in 1:N3) {
         for (j in 1:8) { y3[i,j]~dnorm(mu3[i,j], psi3[j]) }
        mu3[i,1] < -mu.y3[1] + eta3[i]
        mu3[i,2] < -mu.y3[2] + xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,3] < -mu.y3[3] + lam3[1] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,4] < -mu.y3[4] + lam3[2] *xi3[i,1]
        mu3[i,5] < -mu.y3[5] + xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i, 6] < -mu.y3[6] + lam3[3] *xi3[i, 2]
        mu3[i,7] < -mu.y3[7] + lam3[4] *xi3[i,2]
        mu3[i,8] < -mu.y3[8] + lam3[5] *xi3[i,2]
         #structural equation
        eta3[i]~dnorm(nu3[i], psd3)
        nu3[i] < -gam3[1] *xi3[i,1] + gam3[2] *xi3[i,2]
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xi3[i,1:2]~dmnorm(zero[1:2], phi[1:2,1:2])
    } #end of i
    #priors on loadings and coefficients
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y1[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:5) {lam1[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:2) {gam1[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y2[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam2[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam2[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    for(i in 1:8) {mu.y3[i]~dnorm(0.0,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:5) {lam3[i]~dnorm(0.8,0.4)}
    for(i in 1:2) {gam3[i]~dnorm(0.6,0.4) }
    #priors on precisions
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi1[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm1[j]<-1/psi1[j]</pre>
   psd1~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd1<-1/psd1
    phi[1:2,1:2]~dwish(R[1:2,1:2], 4)
   phx[1:2,1:2]<-inverse(phi[1:2,1:2])
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi2[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm2[j] < -1/psi2[j]
   psd2~dgamma(6,10)
    sqd2<-1/psd2
    for (j in 1:8) {
        psi3[j] \sim dgamma(6,10)
     sgm3[j] < -1/psi3[j]
   psd3~dgamma(6,10)
    sgd3<-1/psd3
} #end of model
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