

The parameter  $f^2$  used in G\*Power in the univariate case of Repeated Measurements differs from that used in SPSS, and because 'partial eta square' =  $f^2/(1+f^2)$  the same holds true with respect to 'partial eta square'.

### How to translate between the values used in G\*Power $f^2$ and SPSS $f^2$ ?

In order to be able to distinguish between both effect sizes, we here write the SPSS  $f^2$  as  $g^2$  .

In SPSS it always holds  $F = g^2 df_2 / df_1$ , that is, the noncentrality parameter is given as  $\lambda = g^2 df_2$

In G\*Power,  $f^2$  is defined as

$$f^2 = (\text{population effect variance}) / (\text{population error variance within conditions})$$

exactly as in the non-repeated case.

The simplest way to convert between  $f^2$  and  $g^2$  is via the definitions of  $\lambda$  used in G\*Power, which are listed in Table 3 in Faul et al (2007).

I will illustrate the **conversion for „between-interaction“**. From Table 3 we get:

$$\lambda = f^2 m / (1-\rho) N \varepsilon$$

$$df_2 = (N-k)(m-1)\varepsilon$$

with  $m$  = number of repetitions,  $k$  = number of groups,  $\varepsilon$  = nonsphericity correction

Now equate the definitions of  $\lambda$  used in G\*Power and those used in SPSS (which must be numerically identical)

$$f^2 m / (1-\rho) N \varepsilon = g^2 df_2 = g^2 (N-k)(m-1) \varepsilon$$

and solve for  $g^2$  to calculate the SPSS effect size from the G\*Power effect size

$$g^2 = f^2 * m / (m-1) * N / (N-k) * 1 / (1-\rho)$$

Analogously, solve for  $f^2$  to calculate the G\*Power effect size from the one used in SPSS

$$f^2 = g^2 * (N-k) / N * (m-1) / m * (1-\rho)$$

(The terms including  $N$ ,  $k$ , and  $m$  are due to the fact that G\*Power treats the effect size as a population parameter, whereas SPSS regards it as an estimator of this value. The term including  $\rho$  shows that  $g^2$  (i.e. the value used in SPSS) already includes the (mean) correlation between the repetitions, whereas  $f^2$  does not. )

Thus, **if you have a SPSS partial eta square**  $u^2$  and want to transform it to G\*Power's partial eta square  $v^2$ , you first calc  $g^2 = u^2 / (1-u^2)$ , then convert to  $f^2$  with the above formula for  $f^2$ , then convert  $f^2$  to  $v^2$  with  $v^2 = f^2 / (1+f^2)$ . Note: It makes no difference which value of  $\rho$  you assume in the conversion as long as you insert that value in the corresponding field in the main window of G\*Power.