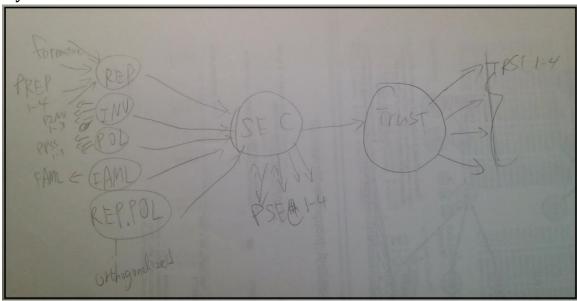
## **HW15**

**Question 1)** Create a PLS path model using SmartPLS, with the following characteristics:

a). Create a PLS path model using SmartPLS, with the following characteristics:

- i. Measurement of constructs by items
  - 1. Trust in website (TRUST): reflective construct with items TRST1-4
  - 2. Perceived security of website (SEC): reflective construct with items PSEC1-4
  - 3. Reputation of website (REP): formative construct with items PREP1-4
  - 4. Investment in website (INV): reflective construct with PINV1-3
  - 5. Perception of policy (POL): reflective construct with items PPSS1-3
  - 6. Familiarity with website (FAML): single-item construct measured by FAML1
- ii. Interaction between REP and POL (use orthogonalized product terms)
- iii. Structural paths between constructs (shown as causal models -- note direction of arrows):
  - 1.  $SEC \leftarrow REP + INV + POL + FAML + REP.POL$
  - 2. TRUST  $\leftarrow$  SEC

## My scratch of the SEM.



## library(seminr)

##

## Attaching package: 'seminr'

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:base':
##
##
       structure
sec = read.csv("security data.csv")
# Measurement Model
sec mm <- measure(
  form("REP", multi_items("PREP",1:4)),
  reflect("INV", multi_items("PINV",1:3)),
  reflect("POL", multi_items("PPSS",1:3)),
  reflect("FAML","FAML1"),
  reflect("TRUST", multi_items("TRST", 1:4)),
  reflect("SEC", multi items("PSEC",1:4))
)
#interaction term
sec_intxn <- interact(</pre>
  interaction_ortho("REP","POL")
)
#Structural Model
sec_sm <- structure(</pre>
  paths(from = c("REP","INV","POL","FAML","REP.POL"), to = "SEC"),
  paths(from = "SEC", to = "TRUST")
)
#run PLS
sec_pls <- estimate_model(data = sec,</pre>
                           measurement model = sec mm,
                           structural_model = sec_sm,
                           interactions = sec_intxn)
## Generating the plsm model
```

- b). Show us the following results in table of figure formats:
- i. Loadings of reflective factors / Weights of formative factorssec\_pls\$outer\_loadings

	REP	INV	POL	FAML	REP.POL	SEC	TRUST
PREP1		0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000		0.0000000
PREP2	0.8723808	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP3		0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP4	0.7500201	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PINV1	0.0000000	0.9034426	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PINV2	0.0000000	0.9248641	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PINV3	0.0000000	0.8546257	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PPSS1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.8678161	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PPSS2	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.8931576	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
PPSS3	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.9110954	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
FAML1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
TRST1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.8997565
TRST2	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.9092024
TRST3	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.9045716
TRST4	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.8381919
PSEC1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.8106163	0.0000000
PSEC2	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.8652285	0.0000000
PSEC3	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.8680697	0.0000000
PSEC4	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.0000000	0.8094425	0.0000000
PREP1.PPSS1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.5836738	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP1.PPSS2	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.5125196	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP1.PPSS3	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.5088870	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP2.PPSS1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.5134612	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP2.PPSS2	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.4244352	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP2.PPSS3	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.3398300	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP3.PPSS1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.2395725	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP3.PPSS2	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.5576592	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP3.PPSS3	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.4690182	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP4.PPSS1	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.9011031	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP4.PPSS2	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0	0.8363827	0.0000000	0.0000000
PREP4.PPSS3	0.0000000	0.000000	0.0000000	0	0.8599362	0.0000000	0.0000000

## sec pls\$outer weights INV POL FAML REP.POL SEC TRUST PREP1 -0.2434963 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.4418170 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP2 0.5144356 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 PRFP3 0.3759155 0.0000000 0.0000000 $0.00000000 \ 0.0000000 \ 0.0000000$ PREP4 PINV1 0.0000000 0.3633141 0.0000000 0 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.3949797 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 PINV2 PINV3 0.0000000 0.3585944 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 PPSS1 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.3604446 0 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.3947092 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 PPSS2 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.3673192 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 PPSS3 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 FAML1 $0.0000000 \ 0.0000000 \ 0.0000000$ 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.2820685 TRST1 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.2803331 TRST2 TRST3 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.2856284 0.00000000 0.0000000 0.2779270 TRST4 $0.0000000 \ 0.0000000 \ 0.0000000$ PSEC1 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.2708136 0.0000000 PSEC2 $0.0000000 \ 0.0000000 \ 0.0000000$ 0.00000000 0.3163641 0.0000000 $0.0000000 \ 0.0000000 \ 0.0000000$ PSEC3 0.00000000 0.3064275 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.00000000 0.2974225 0.0000000 PSEC4 PREP1.PPSS1 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 0.23907580 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP1.PPSS2 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 0.03097791 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP1.PPSS3 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 0.02135493 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP2.PPSS1 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.04728616 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP2.PPSS2 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 -0.10299005 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP2.PPSS3 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 -0.22637248 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP3.PPSS1 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 -0.33874387 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP3.PPSS2 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 0.09519373 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP3.PPSS3 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 0.10857661 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP4.PPSS1 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0 0.44220480 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.38056606 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP4.PPSS2 0 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 PREP4.PPSS3 0.27087812 0.0000000 0.0000000

ii. Regression coefficients of paths between factors

```
print_paths(sec_pls)

## SEC TRUST

## R^2 0.44 0.37

## REP 0.30 .

## INV 0.17 .

## POL 0.32 .

## FAML 0.01 .

## REP.POL -0.11 .

## SEC . 0.61
```

iii. Bootstrapped path coefficients: t-values, p-values (are any paths not significant at p=5%?)

```
print_paths(boot_pls)
            SEC PLS Est. SEC Boot Mean SEC Boot SE t value Pr(>|t|)
   REP
                    0.30
                                  0.31
                                               0.05
                                                       5.70
                                                                0.00
   INV
                    0.17
                                  0.17
                                               0.05
                                                       3.31
                                                                0.00
   POL
                    0.32
                                   0.32
                                               0.05
                                                       6.01
                                                                0.00
                    0.01
                                   0.01
                                               0.05
   FAML
                                                       0.16
                                                                0.87
   REP.POL
                   -0.11
                                  -0.06
                                               1.43
                                                       -0.04
                                                                0.97
                                               0.00
                                                       0.00
   SEC
                    0.00
                                  0.00
                                                                0.00
            TRUST PLS Est. TRUST Boot Mean TRUST Boot SE t value Pr(>|t|)
                                                             0.00
                                                                          0
   REP
                      0.00
                                       0.00
                                                     0.00
   INV
                      0.00
                                       0.00
                                                     0.00
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                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.00
   POL
                                                                          0
   FAML
                      0.00
                                       0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.00
                      0.00
                                       0.00
   REP.POL
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.00
   SEC
                      0.61
                                       0.61
                                                     0.04
                                                            16.67
                                                                          0
```

From the above table, we can find out that **FAML** and **REP.POL** are insignificant paths.