

# Confirmatory Factor Analysis

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#Initialization
rm(list=ls(all=TRUE))
library(lavaan)

## This is lavaan 0.6-4

## lavaan is BETA software! Please report any bugs.

library(knitr)

#Load input data
setwd("/Users/jcmoody/Dropbox (MIT)/07_Latent_attitude_and_AV_perference/")
data <- read.csv("data/individual_new.csv", header=TRUE, sep = ",", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
data[data == -1] <- NA #-1 indicates missing data

#Note: indicators labeled with "PERC" are "Enjoyment"

#Function to wrap text in "knitted" R markdown document
hook_output = knit_hooks$get('output')
knit_hooks$set(output = function(x, options) {
  # this hook is used only when the linewidth option is not NULL
  if (!is.null(n <- options$linewidth)) {
    x = knitr:::split_lines(x)
    # any lines wider than n should be wrapped
    if (any(nchar(x) > n)) x = strwrap(x, width = n)
    x = paste(x, collapse = '\n')
  }
  hook_output(x, options)
})
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## CONFIRMATORY FACTOR ANALYSIS

Treating 7-Point scale as continuous (using Maximum Likelihood estimation)

### WALK

Model 0: Baseline model with all 5 indicators, no correlated errors

```
walk.model0 <- 'Walk =~ WSAFE + WCOMF + WRELY + WEASY + WPERC'
fit.walk.model0 <- cfa(walk.model0, data=data, missing='fiml')

#Model fit has TLI and RMSEA outside of recommended bounds:
# chi-square(N = 2003, df = 5) = 208.247,
# CFI = 0.939, TLI = 0.879,
# RMSEA = 0.142, SRMR = 0.042
#Factor loadings: lowest standardized loadings is 0.5; all others > 0.6
summary(fit.walk.model0, fit.measures=TRUE, standardized=TRUE)

## lavaan 0.6-4 ended normally after 27 iterations
##
## Optimization method NLMINB
## Number of free parameters 15
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##
## Number of observations 2003
## Number of missing patterns 1
##
## Estimator ML
## Model Fit Test Statistic 208.247
## Degrees of freedom 5
## P-value (Chi-square) 0.000
##
## Model test baseline model:
##
## Minimum Function Test Statistic 3368.343
## Degrees of freedom 10
## P-value 0.000
##
## User model versus baseline model:
##
## Comparative Fit Index (CFI) 0.939
## Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI) 0.879
##
## Loglikelihood and Information Criteria:
##
## Loglikelihood user model (H0) -16567.666
## Loglikelihood unrestricted model (H1) -16463.543
##
## Number of free parameters 15
## Akaike (AIC) 33165.332
## Bayesian (BIC) 33249.368
## Sample-size adjusted Bayesian (BIC) 33201.712
##
## Root Mean Square Error of Approximation:
##
## RMSEA 0.142
## 90 Percent Confidence Interval 0.126 0.159
## P-value RMSEA <= 0.05 0.000
##
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
## SRMR 0.042
##
## Parameter Estimates:
##
## Information Observed
## Observed information based on Hessian
## Standard Errors Standard
##
## Latent Variables:
## Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|) Std.lv Std.all
## Walk =~
## WSAFE 1.000 0.630 0.510
## WCOMF 1.784 0.095 18.870 0.000 1.124 0.631
## WRELY 1.389 0.067 20.736 0.000 0.875 0.677
## WEASY 2.001 0.096 20.787 0.000 1.260 0.736
## WPERC 1.971 0.094 20.876 0.000 1.241 0.845

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##
## Intercepts:
## Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|) Std.lv Std.all
## .WSAFE 5.770 0.028 209.133 0.000 5.770 4.673
## .WCOMF 4.104 0.040 103.092 0.000 4.104 2.303
## .WRELY 5.936 0.029 205.679 0.000 5.936 4.596
## .WEASY 5.615 0.038 146.853 0.000 5.615 3.281
## .WPERC 5.455 0.033 166.298 0.000 5.455 3.716
## Walk 0.000 0.000 0.000
##
## Variances:
## Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|) Std.lv Std.all
## .WSAFE 1.128 0.039 29.139 0.000 1.128 0.740
## .WCOMF 1.912 0.069 27.644 0.000 1.912 0.602
## .WRELY 0.904 0.035 25.694 0.000 0.904 0.542
## .WEASY 1.341 0.055 24.329 0.000 1.341 0.458
## .WPERC 0.615 0.038 16.100 0.000 0.615 0.285
## Walk 0.397 0.036 11.089 0.000 1.000 1.000
#Modification indices: suggest that model fit could be greatly improved if
# the error terms of the following indicators are correlated:
# WSAFE ~~ WRELY are correlated (157.7); WCOMF ~~ WPERC (96.7)
mi.walk.model0 <- modindices(fit.walk.model0)
mi.walk.model0
```

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## lhs op rhs mi epc sepc.lv sepc.all sepc.nox
## 18 WSAFE ~~ WCOMF 4.318 -0.077 -0.077 -0.052 -0.052
## 19 WSAFE ~~ WRELY 157.677 0.328 0.328 0.325 0.325
## 20 WSAFE ~~ WEASY 0.936 -0.033 -0.033 -0.027 -0.027
## 21 WSAFE ~~ WPERC 56.491 -0.219 -0.219 -0.263 -0.263
## 22 WCOMF ~~ WRELY 31.687 -0.205 -0.205 -0.156 -0.156
## 23 WCOMF ~~ WEASY 16.493 -0.196 -0.196 -0.122 -0.122
## 24 WCOMF ~~ WPERC 96.700 0.434 0.434 0.400 0.400
## 25 WRELY ~~ WEASY 4.953 0.079 0.079 0.072 0.072
## 26 WRELY ~~ WPERC 31.608 -0.189 -0.189 -0.254 -0.254
## 27 WEASY ~~ WPERC 5.136 0.110 0.110 0.121 0.121
```

Model 1: Baseline model + correlated error between WSAFE and WRELY

```
walk.model1 <- 'Walk =~ WSAFE + WCOMF + WRELY + WEASY + WPERC
               WSAFE ~~ WRELY'
fit.walk.model1 <- cfa(walk.model1, data=data, missing='fiml')

#All model fit indices now within recommended bounds:
# chi-square(N = 2003, df = 4) = 50.299,
# CFI = 0.986, TLI = 0.966,
# RMSEA = 0.076, SRMR = 0.020
#Factor loadings: standardized loading for WSAFE dropped to 0.454 (okay, not great)
summary(fit.walk.model1, fit.measures=TRUE, standardized=TRUE)
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## lavaan 0.6-4 ended normally after 31 iterations
##
## Optimization method NLMINB
## Number of free parameters 16
##
## Number of observations 2003
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## Number of missing patterns          1
##
## Estimator                          ML
## Model Fit Test Statistic            50.299
## Degrees of freedom                  4
## P-value (Chi-square)                0.000
##
## Model test baseline model:
##
## Minimum Function Test Statistic     3368.343
## Degrees of freedom                  10
## P-value                            0.000
##
## User model versus baseline model:
##
## Comparative Fit Index (CFI)         0.986
## Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI)           0.966
##
## Loglikelihood and Information Criteria:
##
## Loglikelihood user model (H0)       -16488.692
## Loglikelihood unrestricted model (H1) -16463.543
##
## Number of free parameters           16
## Akaike (AIC)                       33009.384
## Bayesian (BIC)                     33099.022
## Sample-size adjusted Bayesian (BIC) 33048.189
##
## Root Mean Square Error of Approximation:
##
## RMSEA                              0.076
## 90 Percent Confidence Interval      0.058 0.095
## P-value RMSEA <= 0.05              0.009
##
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
## SRMR                              0.020
##
## Parameter Estimates:
##
## Information                        Observed
## Observed information based on      Hessian
## Standard Errors                   Standard
##
## Latent Variables:
##      Estimate  Std.Err  z-value  P(>|z|)  Std.lv  Std.all
## Walk =~
##   WSAFE        1.000
##   WCOMF        2.031    0.116   17.502   0.000    1.138    0.639
##   WRELY        1.470    0.071   20.789   0.000    0.823    0.637
##   WEASY        2.219    0.119   18.720   0.000    1.243    0.726
##   WPERC        2.297    0.123   18.737   0.000    1.287    0.876
##
## Covariances:

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##           Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|) Std.lv Std.all
## .WSAFE ~~
## .WRELY           0.334   0.029  11.457   0.000   0.334   0.305
##
## Intercepts:
##           Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|) Std.lv Std.all
## .WSAFE           5.770   0.028  209.133   0.000   5.770   4.673
## .WCOMF           4.104   0.040  103.092   0.000   4.104   2.303
## .WRELY           5.936   0.029  205.679   0.000   5.936   4.596
## .WEASY           5.615   0.038  146.853   0.000   5.615   3.281
## .WPERC           5.455   0.033  166.298   0.000   5.455   3.716
## Walk             0.000           0.000   0.000
##
## Variances:
##           Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|) Std.lv Std.all
## .WSAFE           1.211   0.041  29.890   0.000   1.211   0.794
## .WCOMF           1.880   0.068  27.818   0.000   1.880   0.592
## .WRELY           0.991   0.037  27.007   0.000   0.991   0.594
## .WEASY           1.384   0.058  23.788   0.000   1.384   0.473
## .WPERC           0.499   0.040  12.346   0.000   0.499   0.232
## Walk             0.314   0.032   9.756   0.000   1.000   1.000
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#Modification indices: MI for WCOMF ~~ WPERC fell to 47.039, so probably not
# worth the loss in degrees of freedom to include another correlated error term
mi.walk.model1 <- modindices(fit.walk.model1)
mi.walk.model1
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##      lhs op   rhs      mi      epc sepc.lv sepc.all sepc.nox
## 19 WSAFE ~~ WCOMF 1.761 0.046 0.046 0.031 0.031
## 20 WSAFE ~~ WEASY 2.313 0.048 0.048 0.037 0.037
## 21 WSAFE ~~ WPERC 5.230 -0.066 -0.066 -0.084 -0.084
## 22 WCOMF ~~ WRELY 13.411 -0.126 -0.126 -0.092 -0.092
## 23 WCOMF ~~ WEASY 17.529 -0.215 -0.215 -0.133 -0.133
## 24 WCOMF ~~ WPERC 47.039 0.360 0.360 0.372 0.372
## 25 WRELY ~~ WEASY 25.938 0.168 0.168 0.144 0.144
## 26 WRELY ~~ WPERC 3.052 -0.056 -0.056 -0.079 -0.079
## 27 WEASY ~~ WPERC 8.623 -0.182 -0.182 -0.219 -0.219
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## PUBLIC TRANSIT

```
## Model 0: Baseline model with all 5 indicators, no correlated errors
pt.model0 <- 'PT =~ PTSAFE + PTCOMF + PTRELY + PTEASY + PTPERC'
fit.pt.model0 <- cfa(pt.model0, data=data, missing='fiml')
summary(fit.pt.model0, fit.measures=TRUE, standardized=TRUE)
#Model fit: chi-square(N = 2003, df = 5) = 94.823, CFI = 0.973, TLI = 0.946, RMSEA = 0.095, SRMR = 0.023
# Model fit is not terrible, but should inspect modification indices just in case (for slightly high RMSEA)
#Factor loadings: PTSAFE has standardized loading of 0.451, the rest are over 0.65
mi.pt.model0 <- modindices(fit.pt.model0)
mi.pt.model0
#Modification indices: Highest MIs are around 45 for PTSAFE ~~ PTEASY and PTSAFE ~~ PTPERC (probably not)
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## RIDEHAILING

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## Model 0: Baseline model with all 5 indicators, no correlated errors
rh.model0 <- 'RH =~ CARSAFE + CARCOMF + CARRELY + CAREASY + CARPERC'
fit.rh.model0 <- cfa(rh.model0, data=data, missing='fiml')
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summary(fit.rh.model0, fit.measures=TRUE, standardized=TRUE)
#Model fit: chi-square(N = 2003, df = 5) = 54.086, CFI = 0.988, TLI = 0.976, RMSEA = 0.070, SRMR = 0.01
# Good model fit
#Factor loadings: All indicators have standardized loadings of > 0.65. Great!
mi.rh.model0 <- modindices(fit.rh.model0)
mi.rh.model0 #super low MIs, so no need for correlated errors (supported by already good model fit)

### DRIVE
#Here is where we run into issues with missingness: individuals who do not have access to a car were not
# asked these questions; there is no way to estimate a factor score for them because they are missing
# all indicators systematically
#Only estimating for 953 of the 2003 individuals

## Model 0: Baseline model with all 5 indicators, no correlated errors
drive.model0 <- 'Drive =~ DRSafe + DRComf + DRRelY + DREasy + DRPERC'
fit.drive.model0 <- cfa(drive.model0, data=data, missing='fiml')
summary(fit.drive.model0, fit.measures=TRUE, standardized=TRUE)
#Model fit: chi-square(N = 953, df = 5) = 10.634, CFI = 0.997, TLI = 0.995, RMSEA = 0.034, SRMR = 0.011
# Ridiculously good model fit
#Factor loadings: All indicators have standardized loadings of > 0.60!
mi.drive.model0 <- modindices(fit.drive.model0)
mi.drive.model0 #super low MIs, so no need for correlated errors; can't improve model fit much over current

#Have lavaan calculate R^2 for the indicators in the final model specifications
inspect(fit.walk.model1, 'r2')
inspect(fit.pt.model0, 'r2')
inspect(fit.rh.model0, 'r2')
inspect(fit.drive.model0, 'r2')

### ESTIMATE AND APPEND FACTOR SCORES
# With continuous indicators, the possible options for method = are "regression" or "Bartlett"
data$WALK_LV <- lavPredict(fit.walk.model1, type = "lv", method = "regression")
data$PT_LV <- lavPredict(fit.pt.model0, type = "lv", method = "regression")
data$RH_LV <- lavPredict(fit.rh.model0, type = "lv", method = "regression")
data$DRIVE_LV <- lavPredict(fit.drive.model0, type = "lv", method = "regression")
write.csv(data, "data/individual_new_LV.csv")

### SIMULTANEOUS ESTIMATION?
full.model <- ' Walk =~ WSAFE + WCOMF + WRELY + WEASY + WPERC
              WSAFE ~~ WRELY
              PT =~ PTSafe + PTComf + PTRELY + PTEASY + PTPERC
              RH =~ CARSafe + CARComf + CARRELY + CAREASY + CARPERC
              Drive =~ DRSafe + DRComf + DRRELY + DREASY + DRPERC'

fit <- cfa(full.model, data=data, missing="fiml")
summary(fit, fit.measures=TRUE, standardized=TRUE)
#Model fit is poor: chi-square(2003, 163) = 3967.0, CFI = 0.785, TLI = 0.750, RMSEA = 0.108, SRMR = 0.07
#Currently the model is using FIML to fill in for more than half of the sample missing data on the drive
# personal car indicators -- this is extremely suspect!

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fit.listwisedelete <- cfa(full.model, data=data) #use default of listwise deletion
summary(fit.listwisedelete, fit.measures=TRUE, standardized=TRUE)
#Model fit is still poor: chi-square(953, 163) = 2381.3, CFI = 0.783, TLI = 0.747, RMSEA = 0.120, SRMR = 0.120
#I suspect there is correlation among the error terms for the same indicators across modes; we can check
mi.fit.listwisedelete <- modindices(fit.listwisedelete)
mi.fit.listwisedelete
#Modification indices:
# Thankfully, we see very few low cross-loadings: RH =~ PTSAFE (64.7), which means our factor structure is good
# However, we see a lot of correlated error terms: as expected WSAFE ~~ PTSAFE (192.7), WCOMF ~~ PTCOMF (192.7),
# WEASY ~~ PTEASY (131.9)

#But in general, the results above suggest that we should estimate/extract the factor scores for each
#individual from the separate CFAs rather than from the combined measurement model

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