

# Structural Equation Modelling & Causal Inference

## Set-3: Repeated and Longitudinal Data

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# Notes on repeated/longitudinal data

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- Wide data: fewer rows, more columns: different variables for different time points
- Long data: fewer columns, more rows: same variable for all time points
- Multilevel Modeling: long data
- Longitudinal SEM: mostly wide data
- One may want to account that observations (or residuals) are correlated over time ...
- ... even more correlated the more proximate in time they are
- Note: comparisons across time not possible if only correlation matrices available

# Multi-trait multi-method (MTMM)

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Measurements  $x_{ij}$  crossed by *traits* (Ts) and by *methods* (Ms)

vars	M1	M2	M3	M4	...
T1	$x_{11}$	$x_{12}$	$x_{13}$	$x_{14}$	...
T2	$x_{21}$	$x_{22}$	$x_{23}$	$x_{24}$	...
...	...	...	...	...	...

## Examples

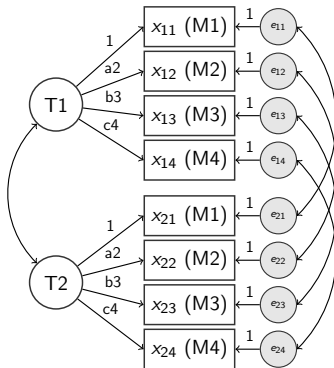
- classical: two traits (e.g., extraversion, political participation) each measured by 4 methods (e.g., interview, questionnaire, expert judgement, peer judgement)
- 4 sexrole items (methods) measured at 2 time points (2 traits within individual)
- 4 sexrole items (methods) for husbands and wives (2 traits within household)

# Two approaches to MTMM

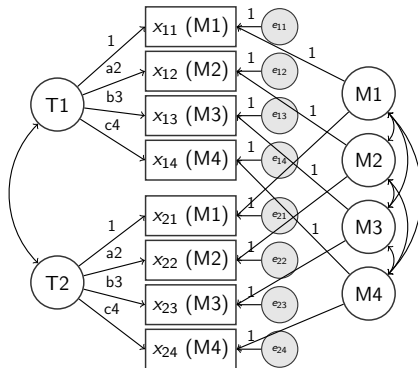
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- **Common methods:** introduce latent variables for methods Ms, uncorrelated with latent variables for traits Ts
  - item is measurement of a T and of a M
  - theoretically appealing
  - identification may be complicated
  - often inadmissible solutions
- **Correlated uniqueness:** correlate errors associated with common measurements

# Correlated uniqueness vs common method



correlated uniqueness



common method

# Multi-trait multi-method (MTMM) in R

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## common methods

```
1 cm <- 'T1 =~ x11 + x12 + x13 + x14 # trait 1
2      T2 =~ x21 + x22 + x23 + x24 # trait 2
3      T3 =~ x31 + x32 + x33 + x34 # trait 3
4      M1 =~ x11 + x21 + x31 # method 1
5      M2 =~ x12 + x22 + x32 # method 2
6      M3 =~ x13 + x23 + x33 # method 3
7      M4 =~ x14 + x24 + x34 # method 4
8      T1+T2+T3 ~~ p*M1+p*M2+p*M3+p*M4 # Ts,Ms uncorrelated
9      p == 0'
```

## correlated uniqueness

```
1 cu <- 'T1 =~ x11 + x12 + x13 + x14 # trait 1
2      T2 =~ x21 + x22 + x23 + x24 # trait 2
3      T3 =~ x31 + x32 + x33 + x34 # trait 3
4      x11+x11+x21 ~~ x21+x31+x31 # Corr.s
5      x12+x12+x22 ~~ x22+x32+x32
6      x13+x13+x23 ~~ x23+x33+x33'
```

# Measurement invariance for matched samples

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- Previously: measurement invariance for independent samples (e.g., gender, ethnicity, country)
- Now: two (or more) dependent (paired) samples
- Examples of matched samples:
  - sexrole attitudes (or political participation) measured on husbands and wives (measurements nested in households)
  - sexrole attitudes (or political participation) measured on same people at two time-points (measurements nested in people)
- Failure to account for dependence similar to ignoring multilevel aspects of data



# Measurement invariance for paired samples in R

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For matched samples, we should impose/test these constraints:

- **Strong invariance**: Same loadings and same intercepts for latent variables
- If strong invariance does not hold, find **partial** invariance
- MTMM by correlated uniqueness
- Set the mean of the first latent variable mean to zero, free the mean(s) of other latent variable(s)

## Measurement invariance matched pairs

```
1 mi <- '  
2 hSR =~ hsr1 + l2*hsr2 + l3*hsr3 + l4*hsr4 # 4 items for h/w  
3 wSR =~ wsr1 + l2*wsr2 + l3*wsr3 + l4*wsr4 # loadings equal  
4 hsr1 + wsr1 ~ I1*1      # intercepts equal  
5 hsr2 + wsr2 ~ I2*1  
6 hsr3 + wsr3 ~ I3*1  
7 hsr4 + wsr4 ~ I4*1  
8 wSR      ~ 1            # mean of SR for wife's set free  
9  
10 hsr1 ~~ wsr1           # correlated uniqueness  
11 hsr2 ~~ wsr2  
12 hsr3 ~~ wsr3  
13 hsr4 ~~ wsr4'
```

# Testing for measurement invariance for paired samples 10/47

LRtesting for measurement invariance (MI) for paired samples:

- fit the constrained model C: impose MI (see previous slide)  
output:  $\chi^2=193.190$   $df=21$
- fit the unconstrained model U: do not impose MI (see below)  
output:  $\chi^2=106.371$   $df=15$
- compute LR test for C vs U:  
manual:  $LR=193.190-106.371=86.9$ ,  $df=21-15=6$ ,  $p=.001$   
non-manual: `anova(f, g)`

```
_____ no invariance _____  
1 mv <- '  
2 hSR =~ hsr1 + hsr2 + hsr3 + hsr4 # loadings free  
3 wSR =~ wsr1 + wsr2 + wsr3 + wsr4 # to vary on h/w  
4 hsr1 + wsr1 + hsr2 + wsr2 ~ 1 # intercepts free  
5 hsr3 + wsr3 + hsr4 + wsr4 ~ 1  
6 wSR ~ 0*1 # mean of SR at 0 for identification (default)  
7  
8 hsr1 ~~ wsr1 # still correlated uniqueness  
9 hsr2 ~~ wsr2  
10 hsr3 ~~ wsr3  
11 hsr4 ~~ wsr4'  
12 summary(g <- sem(mv, data=drole, missing = "ML"))
```

# Partial measurement invariance for paired samples

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- Strong invariance rejected, what should we do?
- Partial invariance: relax equality constraints on (some) intercepts, and (maybe) some loadings
- I made the following modifications
  - relax equality intercept  $\text{hsr1}/\text{wsr1}$
  - relax equality intercept  $\text{hsr2}/\text{wsr2}$
  - free covariance  $\text{cov}(\text{e.hsr3}, \text{e.hsr4})$  and  $\text{cov}(\text{e.wsr3}, \text{e.wsr4})$
- The resulting model has reasonable fit (next slide)
- We may interpret/compare the latent variables in final model

1	$E(\text{HSR})$	$= 0.000$	$E(\text{WSR})$	$= -0.276$
2	$\text{VAR}(\text{HSR})$	$= 0.734$	$\text{VAR}(\text{WSR})$	$= 0.674$
3	$\text{CORR}(\text{HSR}, \text{WSR})$	$= 0.586$		

# Partial strong measurement invariance in matched samples

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```

1  mp <- ' hSR =~ hsr1 + 12*hsr2 + 13*hsr3 + 14*hsr4 #equal
2      wSR =~ wsr1 + 12*wsr2 + 13*wsr3 + 14*wsr4 #loadings
3  hsr1 + wsr1 ~ 1 # relax intercepts
4  hsr2 + wsr2 ~ 1 # relax intercepts
5  hsr3 + wsr3 ~ I3*1
6  hsr4 + wsr4 ~ I4*1
7  wSR ~ 1
8  hsr3 ~~ hsr4 # add error cov
9  wsr3 ~~ wsr4 # add error cov
10 hsr1 ~~ wsr1 # still correlated uniqueness
11 hsr2 ~~ wsr2
12 hsr3 ~~ wsr3
13 hsr4 ~~ wsr4'
14 h <- sem(mp, data=drole, missing = "ML")
15 summary(h, fit.measures = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

```

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Selected and edited output

1	Minimum Function Test Stat (df) [p]	41.171 (17) [0.001]
2	Comparative Fit Index (CFI)	0.989
3	RMSEA (90% CI)	0.031 (0.019 0.043)
4	P-value RMSEA <= 0.05	0.997
5	SRMR	0.024
6	Covariances:	
7	Estimate	Std.Err
8	hSR ~~ wSR	0.412 0.040 10.429 0.000 0.586 0.586
9	Intercepts:	
10	wSR	-0.276 0.048 -5.801 0.000 -0.336 -0.336
11	hSR	0.000 0.000 0.000
12	Variances:	
13	hSR	0.734 0.061 12.001 0.000 1.000 1.000
14	wsr	0.674 0.054 12.460 0.000 1.000 1.000

# Explaining division-of-labour

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Stylized causal diagram

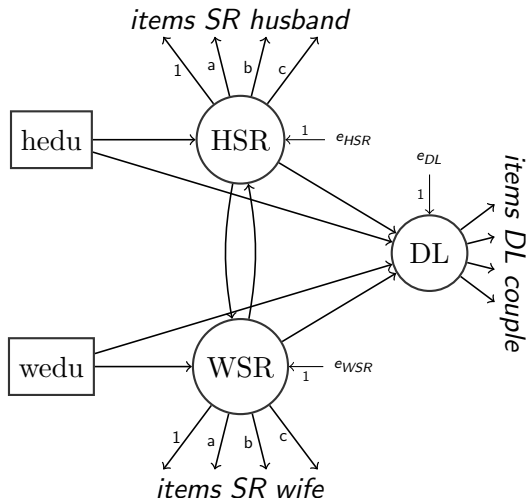
education of husband and wife (hedu, wedu) affect (latent) division of labour in household

(latent) sex role attitudes HSR WSR are (partial) mediators

interpersonal influence of attitudes

details about measurement (free cov's, MTMM) suppressed for ease of presentation

reasonable fit ...



# Explaining division-of-labour—R

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```
1 mdl<- '
2 # Measurement of sex roles with partial strong invariance
3 HSR =~ hsr1 + 12*hsr2 + 13*hsr3 + 14*hsr4
4 WSR =~ wsr1 + 12*wsr2 + 13*wsr3 + 14*wsr4
5 hsr1 + wsr1 ~ 1
6 hsr2 + wsr2 ~ 1
7 hsr3 + wsr3 ~ I3*1
8 hsr4 + wsr4 ~ I4*1
9 WSR ~ 1
10 hsr3 ~~ hsr4
11 wsr3 ~~ wsr4
12
13 hsr1 ~~ wsr1      # still correlated uniqueness
14 hsr2 ~~ wsr2
15 hsr3 ~~ wsr3
16 hsr4 ~~ wsr4
17
18 #measurement of DL
19 DL =~ dl1 + dl2 + dl3 + dl4
20 dl2 ~~ dl4
21
22 #structural part (non-recursive)
23 DL ~ HSR + WSR + hedu + wedu
24 HSR ~ WSR + hedu
25 WSR ~ HSR + wedu
26 WSR ~~ HSR'
27
28 i <- sem mdl, data=dlab, missing = "ML")
29 summary(i, fit.measures = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)
```

# Explaining division-of-labour—R

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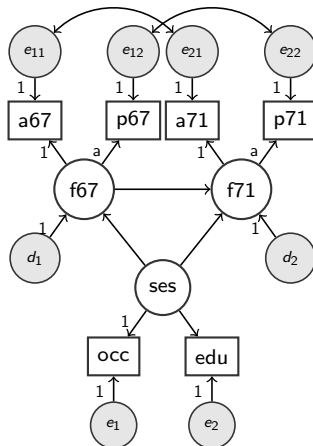
```

1      Number of observations                1523
2      Estimator                           ML
3      Minimum Function Test Statistic      169.216
4      Degrees of freedom                   66
5      P-value (Chi-square)                 0.000
6      Comparative Fit Index (CFI)          0.977
7      RMSEA                               0.032
8      90 Percent Confidence Interval        0.026 0.038
9      P-value RMSEA <= 0.05                1.000
10     SRMR                                0.030
11     Regressions:
12           Estimate  Std.Err  z-value  P(>|z|)  Std.lv  Std.all
13     DL ~
14       HSR          -0.247    0.054   -4.601    0.000   -0.243   -0.243
15       WSR          -0.255    0.055   -4.643    0.000   -0.241   -0.241
16       hedu         -0.030    0.013   -2.255    0.024   -0.034   -0.078
17       wedu          0.082    0.015    5.344    0.000    0.094    0.203
18     HSR ~
19       WSR           0.987    0.002  409.451    0.000    0.946    0.946
20       hedu         -0.025    0.012   -2.100    0.036   -0.029   -0.067
21     WSR ~
22       HSR           0.516    0.200    2.579    0.010    0.538    0.538
23       wedu         -0.063    0.027   -2.310    0.021   -0.075   -0.163

```

# Dynamic panel models—Wheaton on anomie and powerlessness as indicators of psychological disorder

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# Wheaton in R

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```
----- wheaton input -----
1 mw <- '
2 F67 =~ anomie67 + p*pwless67      # same loadings
3 F71 =~ anomie71 + p*pwless71
4 anomie67 +      anomie71 ~ ma*1  # same intercepts
5 anomie67 ~~ anomie67
6 anomie71 ~~ anomie71
7
8 pwless67 +      pwless71 ~ mp*1  # same intercepts
9 pwless67 ~~ pwless67
10 pwless71 ~~ pwless71
11
12 F71 ~ 1                          # mean of latent var free in 71
13
14 anomie67 ~~ anomie71             # MTMM--correlated uniqueness
15 pwless67 ~~ pwless71            # MTMM--correlated uniqueness
16
17 SES =~ occstat + educ            # reflexive measurement
18 F71 ~ F67 + SES                  # structural part
19 F67 ~ SES'
20
21 fit.w <- sem(mw, sample.cov = w, sample.mean = m,
22               sample.nobs = 932)
23 summary(fit.w, fit.measures = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)
```

## Wheaton in R

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```

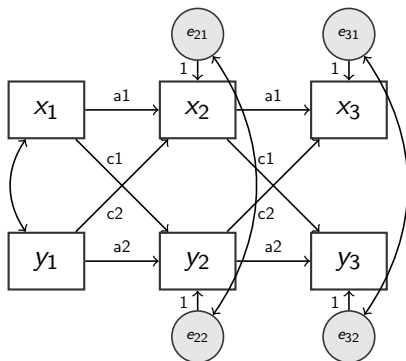
      ----- Wheaton selected/edited output -----
1  Minimum Function Test Statistic           12.931
2  Degrees of freedom                        6
3  P-value (Chi-square)                     0.044
4  Comparative Fit Index (CFI)              0.996
5  RMSEA                                    0.035
6  90 Percent Confidence Interval           0.005  0.062
7  P-value RMSEA <= 0.05                   0.797
8  SRMR                                    0.013
9  Latent Variables:
10      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|) Std.lv Std.all
11  F67 =~
12      anomie67  1.000
13      pwless67(p) 0.947  0.053  17.838  0.000  2.564  0.843
14  F71 =~
15      anomie71  1.000
16      pwless71(p) 0.947  0.053  17.838  0.000  2.666  0.842
17  SES =~
18      occstat  1.000
19      educ  1.915  0.555  3.447  0.001  2.607  0.841
20  Regressions:
21  F71 ~
22      F67      0.597  0.065  9.217  0.000  0.574  0.574
23      SES     -0.413  0.139 -2.979  0.003 -0.200 -0.200
24  F67 ~
25      SES     -1.125  0.228 -4.939  0.000 -0.566 -0.566
26  Covariances:
27  .anomie67 ~~
28      .anomie71  1.637  0.322  5.076  0.000  1.637  0.354
29  .pwless67 ~~
30      .pwless71  0.289  0.267  1.082  0.279  0.289  0.103

```

# Cross-lagged panel models

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The causal feedback loop  $x \iff y$  assumes influence is stabilized (equilibrium). With panel-data, we may explain each var from the var at the previous wave. (Potential problem: var changes between the waves. . . ). Preferably at least 3 waves



wave 1

wave 2

wave 3

Cross-lagged design with time constant effects

# Latent curve models (LCM)

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- Panel data  $Y_{it}$  for subject  $i$  at time points  $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
- Research questions
  - income over the life course
  - development of cognitive ability, identity, attitudes ... over time
  - increase in price over time
  - ...
- Such data can be modelled in various ways
- **Multilevel Modelling** is one approach
- **Latent Curve Modelling** is an alternative

# Multilevel modelling vs. LCM

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- **Multilevel modelling:**

$$Y_{ti} = \pi_{0i} + \pi_{1i}T_{ti} + \varepsilon_{ti}$$

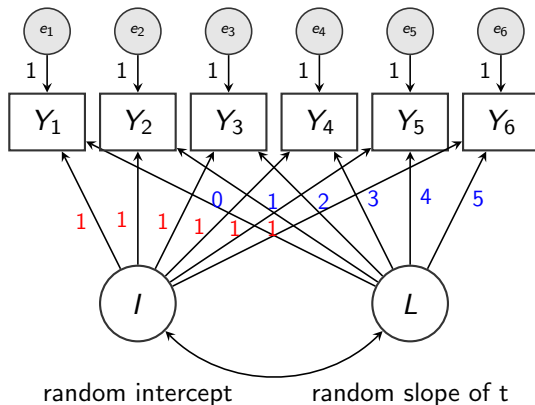
$$\pi_{0i} = \beta_{00} + \beta_{01}Z_i + u_{0i}$$

$$\pi_{1i} = \beta_{10} + \beta_{11}Z_i + u_{1i}$$

- coefficients at the lowest (measurement/occasion) level:  $\pi$
- person level (second-level) coefficients:  $\beta$
- $Y_{ti}$ : dependent variable for  $i$  measured at time  $t$
- $T_{ti}$ : time variable, that indicates the time point (0,1,2...)
- $Z_i$ : time invariant (second-level/person-level) covariates
- $\pi_{\bullet} \sim \text{MVN}(m, v)$
- **LCM:** specify two **correlated** factors measured by Y's:
  - intercept I
  - linear slope L
  - loadings of all items  $Y_t$  on I are 1
  - loadings of items  $Y_t$  on L are 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, ...
  - intercepts of all items are 0, means of I,L free
  - regress I,L on Z

# LCM—a path diagram

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# Multilevel modelling vs. LCM

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- LCM requires data in **wide** format—in multilevel **long**
- LCM allows latent DVs and (time constant or time varying) latent IVs
- Multilevel allows only observed variables
- LCM allows flexible specification of level 1 error distribution: heteroskedasticity, autocorrelation, ...
- Multilevel typically assumes homoskedasticity, no-autocorrelation, though relaxing some of these are possible

# Example

- Example taken from Hox (2010)
- 200 students
- GPA: Grade Point Average for six successive semesters
- job: time-varying (semester-level) covariate: hours of work per week
- gender
- High-school GPA



# Wide versus long data: Multilevel (lmer) wants long data

## LCM (sem) wants wide data

	student	sex	highgpa	GPA1	GPA2	GPA3	GPA4	GPA5	GPA6	JOB1	JOB2	JOB3	JOB4	JOB5	JOB6
1	1	2	2.8	2.3	2.1	3.0	3.0	3.3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2	2	1	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.6	2.6	3.0	2.8	2	3	2	2	2	2
3	3	2	2.5	2.4	2.9	3.0	2.8	3.3	3.4	2	2	2	3	2	2
4	4	1	3.8	2.5	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.9	2.7	3	2	2	2	2	2
5	5	1	3.1	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.9	3.1	2	2	2	2	2	2
6	6	2	2.9	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.7	2.8	2	3	3	2	3	3
7	7	1	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.8	2.6	3.0	3.0	3	2	3	2	2	2
8	8	2	3.9	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.4	2	2	2	2	2	2
9	9	1	2.0	2.8	2.7	2.7	3.1	3.1	3.5	2	2	3	2	2	2
10	10	1	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.7	3.0	3.0	2	2	2	3	2	2
11	11	2	3.9	2.6	2.9	3.2	3.6	3.6	3.8	2	3	2	2	2	2
12	12	2	2.9	2.6	3.0	2.3	2.9	3.1	3.3	3	2	2	2	2	2

```

dlong <- reshape(data=dwide, varying = list(4:9, 10:15), timevar="time", times
v.names = c("gpa", "job"), direction="long", idvar="sid")

```

	row.names	student	sex	highgpa	time	gpa	job	sid
1	1.0	1	2	2.8	0	2.3	2	1
2	1.1	1	2	2.8	1	2.1	2	1
3	1.2	1	2	2.8	2	3.0	2	1
4	1.3	1	2	2.8	3	3.0	2	1
5	1.4	1	2	2.8	4	3.0	2	1
6	1.5	1	2	2.8	5	3.3	2	1
7	2.0	2	1	2.5	0	2.2	2	2
8	2.1	2	1	2.5	1	2.5	3	2
9	2.2	2	1	2.5	2	2.6	2	2
10	2.3	2	1	2.5	3	2.6	2	2
11	2.4	2	1	2.5	4	3.0	2	2
12	2.5	2	1	2.5	5	3.3	2	2

# Multilevel model with cross-level interactions

```
m5 <- lmer(gpa ~ time+female + job + highgpa + (1+time|sid), data=dlong, REML = FALSE)
m8 <- lmer(gpa ~ time*female + job + highgpa + (1+time|sid), data=dlong, REML = FALSE)
```

```
screenreg(list(m5,m8), digits = 6)
```

```
=====
```

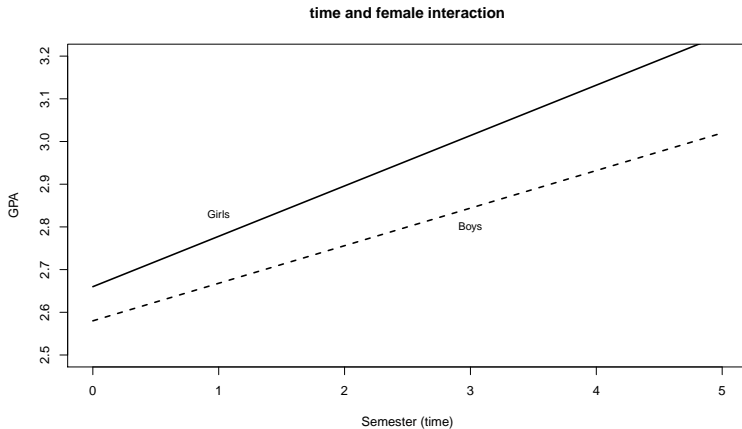
	Model 1	Model 2
(Intercept)	2.557656 *** (0.092100)	2.581084 *** (0.092388)
time	0.103373 *** (0.005586)	0.087829 *** (0.007951)
job	-0.131119 *** (0.017264)	-0.132150 *** (0.017229)
highgpa	0.088541 *** (0.026280)	0.088504 *** (0.026271)
femaleTRUE	0.115670 *** (0.031300)	0.075506 * (0.034652)
time:femaleTRUE		0.029564 ** (0.010958)
AIC	188.117446	182.971012
Log Likelihood	-85.058723	-81.485506
Var: sid (Intercept)	0.038234	0.037811
Var: sid time	0.003837	0.003614
Cov: sid (Intercept) time	-0.002491	-0.002197
Var: Residual	0.041542	0.041555

```
=====
```

```
(0.003837 - 0.003614)/0.003837
```

```
[1] 0.05811832 # prop. explained variance in slope of time by gender
```

# Time and female interaction



# LCM—basic setup in R

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```
1 m <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
2       L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 2*GPA3 + 3*GPA4 + 4*GPA5 + 5*GPA6
3       # intercepts fixed at zero:
4       GPA1 + GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6 ~ 0*1
5       L ~ NA*1 #means of L and I free
6       I ~ NA*1
7       I ~~ L    #cov between L,I free
8       # GPA1 ~~ a*GPA1 #note: no homoskedasticity assumed
9       # GPA2 ~~ a*GPA2 #to impose h.dicity add these
10      # ...          # MLM assumes h.dicity
11      '
12 f <- sem(m, data=dwide)
```

## Equivalent compact syntax

```
1 c <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
2       L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 2*GPA3 + 3*GPA4 + 4*GPA5 + 5*GPA6'
3 fc <- growth(mc, data=dwide)
```

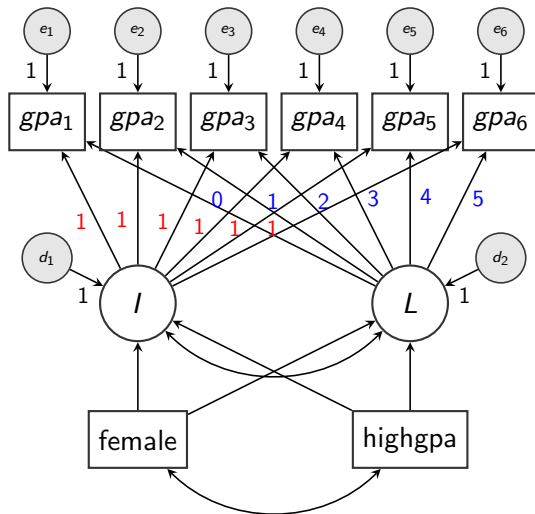
# LCM output in R

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```
1  Minimum Function Test Statistic          43.945
2  Degrees of freedom                      16
3  P-value (Chi-square)                    0.000
4  Latent Variables:
5      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
6  I =-
7      GPA1      1.000
8      GPA2      1.000
9      ...      ...
10 L =-
11      GPA1      0.000
12      GPA2      1.000
13      ...      ...
14 Covariances:
15      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
16  I --
17      L          0.002    0.002    1.629    0.103
18 Intercepts:
19      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
20      .GPA1      0.000
21      .GPA2      0.000
22      ...      ...
23      I          2.598    0.018   141.956    0.000
24      L          0.106    0.005    20.338    0.000
25
26 Variances:
27      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
28      .GPA1      0.080    0.010    8.136    0.000
29      .GPA2      0.071    0.008    8.799    0.000
30      .GPA3      0.054    0.006    9.039    0.000
31      .GPA4      0.029    0.003    8.523    0.000
32      .GPA5      0.015    0.002    5.986    0.000
33      .GPA6      0.016    0.003    4.617    0.000
34      I          0.035    0.007    4.947    0.000
35      L          0.003    0.001    5.645    0.000
```

# LCM with time constant predictors—a path diagram

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# LCM—with time-constant predictors

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Explaining differences in curves: regress latent variables I and L on subject level predictors male and highgpa, with correlated residuals of the 2 regressions.

```
1 L + I ~ female + highgpa
```

```
1 m2 <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
2       L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 2*GPA3 + 3*GPA4 + 4*GPA5 + 5*GPA6
3       #intercepts zero:
4       GPA1 + GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6 ~ 0*1
5       L ~ NA*1 # means of L and I free
6       I ~ NA*1
7       I ~~ L #cov between e(L),e(I) free
8       L + I ~ female + highgpa # regressions
9   '
10 f2 <- sem(m2, data=dwide)
```

# LCM—with time-varying predictors

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GPA likely affected by time spent on paid work, measured by time-varying predictors (`job1-job6`).

- Add lines `gpa1 ~ a*job1, ...`
- The `*a` spec ensures regressions with equal coefficients — the effect of working hours is time-constant.

```
1 m3 <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
2       L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 2*GPA3 + 3*GPA4 + 4*GPA5 + 5*GPA6
3       GPA1 + GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6 ~ 0*1
4       L + I ~ NA*1 # intercepts of L and I free
5       I ~~ L       # cov between e(L),e(I) free
6       L + I ~ female + highgpa # regressions
7       GPA1 ~ a*JOB1           # time-varying predictors
8       GPA2 ~ a*JOB2
9       GPA3 ~ a*JOB3
10      GPA4 ~ a*JOB4
11      GPA5 ~ a*JOB5
12      GPA6 ~ a*JOB6'
```



# Selected output

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```

1  Estimator                      ML
2  Minimum Function Test Statistic 201.731
3  Degrees of freedom             59
4  P-value (Chi-square)           0.000
5  Latent Variables:
6      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
7  I =
8      GPA1      1.000
9      ...
10 L =
11 GPA1      0.000
12 GPA2      1.000
13 ...
14 Regressions:
15 L ~
16 female      0.026 0.010 2.669 0.008
17 highgpa     -0.003 0.008 -0.365 0.715
18 I ~
19 female      0.087 0.034 2.521 0.012
20 highgpa     0.095 0.029 3.280 0.001
21 GPA1 ~
22 JOB1 (a)    -0.103 0.015 -7.073 0.000
23 GPA2 ~
24 JOB2 (a)    -0.103 0.015 -7.073 0.000
25 GPA3 ~
26 JOB3 (a)    -0.103 0.015 -7.073 0.000
27 ...
28 Intercepts:
29 .GPA1      0.000
30 ...
31 .L         0.099 0.026 3.805 0.000
32 .I         2.492 0.097 25.640 0.000
33 Variances:
34 .GPA1      0.075 0.009 8.121 0.000
35 .GPA2      0.069 0.008 8.855 0.000
36 .GPA3      0.052 0.006 9.061 0.000
37 .GPA4      0.030 0.003 8.645 0.000
38 .GPA5      0.015 0.002 6.211 0.000
39 .GPA6      0.014 0.003 4.425 0.000
40 .I         0.028 0.006 4.472 0.000
41 .L         0.003 0.001 5.275 0.000

```

# LCM—with autocorrelated errors

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Correlation between errors at *near* time points:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{COV}(e_{it}, e_{is}) &= \sigma_1^2 && \text{if } |s - t| = 1 \\ \text{COV}(e_{it}, e_{is}) &= \sigma_2^2 < \sigma_1^2 && \text{if } |s - t| = 2 \\ \text{COV}(e_{it}, e_{is}) &= 0 && \text{if } |s - t| > 2 \end{aligned}$$

```

1 m4 <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
2       L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 2*GPA3 + 3*GPA4 + 4*GPA5 + 5*GPA6
3       GPA1 + GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6 ~ 0*1
4       L + I ~ NA*1
5       I ~~ L
6 # Autocorrelations with 1-lag
7 GPA1 ~~ a*GPA2
8 GPA2 ~~ a*GPA3
9 GPA3 ~~ a*GPA4
10 GPA4 ~~ a*GPA5
11 GPA5 ~~ a*GPA6
12 # Autocorrelations with 2-lags
13 GPA1 ~~ b*GPA3
14 GPA2 ~~ b*GPA4
15 GPA3 ~~ b*GPA5
16 GPA4 ~~ b*GPA6'
```

# LCM—quadratic time effect

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$$\text{Model: } y_{it} = \beta_{i0} + \beta_{i1}t + \beta_{i2}t^2 + e_{it} \quad e_{it} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

```

1 m6 <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
2       L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 2*GPA3 + 3*GPA4 + 4*GPA5 + 5*GPA6
3       Q =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 4*GPA3 + 9*GPA4 + 16*GPA5 + 25*GPA6
4       GPA1 + GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6 ~ 0*1
5       L + I + Q ~ NA*1
6       I ~~ L + Q
7       L ~~ Q'
8 f6 <- sem(m6, data=dwide)
```

## Alternative test of linearity

- free loadings on L of gpa3 ... gpa6,
- test  $b(\text{gpa3.L})=2$ ,  $b(\text{gpa4.L})=3$ ,  $b(\text{gpa5.L})=4$ ,  $b(\text{gpa6.L})=5$

## LCM—nonlinear time effect

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```

1  m <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
2      L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 2*GPA3 + 3*GPA4 + 4*GPA5 + 5*GPA6
3      GPA1 + GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6 ~ 0*1
4      L + I ~ NA*1
5      I ~~ L'
6  f <- sem(m, data=dwide)
7  x <- 'I =~ 1*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + 1*GPA3 + 1*GPA4 + 1*GPA5 + 1*GPA6
8      L =~ 0*GPA1 + 1*GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6
9      GPA1 + GPA2 + GPA3 + GPA4 + GPA5 + GPA6 ~ 0*1
10     L + I ~ NA*1
11     I ~~ L'
12 g <- sem(x, data=dwide)
13 anova(f, g)

```

```

1  Df    AIC    BIC  Chisq Chisq diff Df diff Pr(>Chisq)
2  g 12 123.91 173.38 39.084
3  f 16 120.77 157.05 43.945    4.8611    4    0.3019

```

## LCM—nonlinear time effect

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## Quadratic LCV continued

## Latent Variables:

	Estimate	Std.Err	z-value	P(> z )
I =~				
GPA1	1.000			
GPA2	1.000			
....	....			
L =~				
GPA1	0.000			
GPA2	1.000			
GPA3	1.884	0.294	6.419	0.000
GPA4	2.735	0.431	6.338	0.000
GPA5	3.411	0.551	6.194	0.000
GPA6	4.185	0.694	6.034	0.000
Intercepts:				
.GPA1	0.000			
...	...			
L	0.131	0.025	5.230	0.000
I	2.575	0.023	113.811	0.000

I =~

GPA1

1.000

GPA2

1.000

....

....

L =~

GPA1

0.000

GPA2

1.000

GPA3

1.884

0.294

6.419

0.000

GPA4

2.735

0.431

6.338

0.000

GPA5

3.411

0.551

6.194

0.000

GPA6

4.185

0.694

6.034

0.000

## Intercepts:

.GPA1

0.000

...

...

L

0.131

0.025

5.230

0.000

I

2.575

0.023

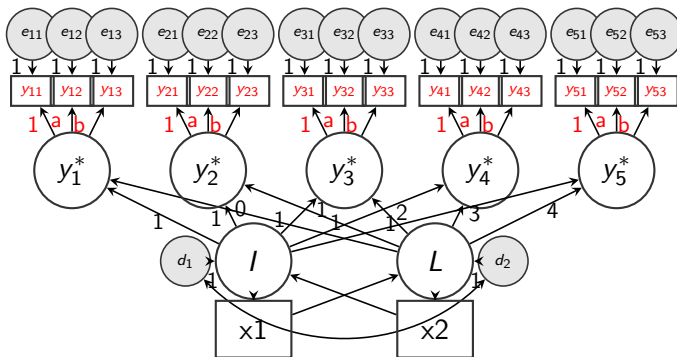
113.811

0.000

# LCM with multiple indicators

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- So far: growth analysis of observed variable
- Also possible: growth analysis of latent variable
- Need measurement invariance of latent variable over time
- MTMM correction can be added (though I rarely see it)



# LCM with multiple indicators—Example

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See Bollen & Curran 2006: Section 8.2

```

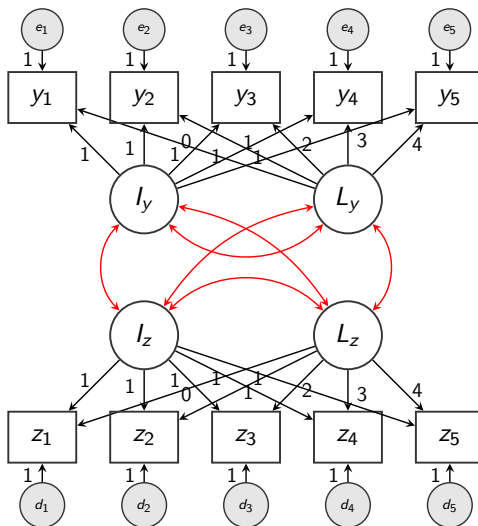
1  ly1 =~ l1*y11+l2*y12+l3*y13 # LY at time T=1
2  ly2 =~ l1*y21+l2*y22+l3*y23 # LY at time T=2
3  ly3 =~ l1*y31+l2*y32+l3*y33 # ...
4  ly4 =~ l1*y41+l2*y42+l3*y43 # same loadings at all T
5  ly5 =~ l1*y51+l2*y52+l3*y53
6
7  y11+y21+y31+y41+y51 ~ i1*1 ! same intercepts at all T
8  y12+y22+y32+y42+y52 ~ i2*1
9  y13+y23+y33+y43+y53 ~ i3*1
10
11
12  I =~ 1*ly1+1*ly2+1*ly3+1*ly4+1*ly5 # linear growth model
13  S =~ 0*ly1+1*ly2+2*ly3+3*ly4+4*ly5
14  ly1+ly2+ly3+ly4+ly5 ~ 0*1 # intercepts fixed at zero
15  S + I ~ NA*1 # means of I and S free
16  I ~~ S
17  I+L ~ x1+x2 # regress I L on exogenous vars

```

# Parallel Latent Curve Models

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See Bollen & Curran 2006: Chapter 7.4:





# Missing data types

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- Missing Completely at Random (MCAR) – **ignorable**
  - Missing data are distributed randomly
  - No variable in the dataset is correlated with an indicator of missingness
- Missing at Random (MAR) – **ignorable**
  - Missing data are not completely random
  - Indicator of missingness in Y is unrelated to Y but related to some X
- Missing Not at Random (MNAR) – **non-ignorable**
  - Missing data are not random
  - Indicator of missingness in Y is related to Y

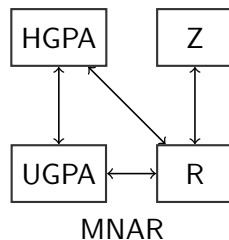
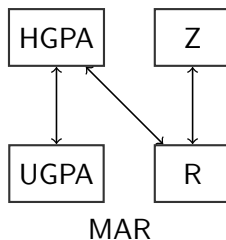
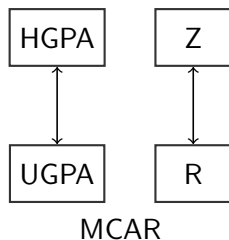
# Example: missing data types

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Highschool GPA	1st Year University GPA			
	Complete	MCAR	MAR	MNAR
2.01	1.31	1.31	NA	NA
2.20	2.55	2.55	NA	2.55
2.30	1.90	NA	NA	NA
2.41	2.89	NA	NA	2.89
2.42	2.15	2.15	NA	NA
2.42	2.87	2.87	NA	2.87
2.47	2.33	2.33	2.33	2.33
2.64	1.56	1.56	1.56	NA
2.64	2.19	NA	2.19	NA
2.69	3.21	NA	3.21	3.21
2.77	2.39	2.39	2.39	2.39
2.83	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40
2.85	2.53	2.53	2.53	2.53
2.87	2.23	2.23	2.23	2.23
3.02	2.86	NA	2.86	2.86
3.04	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05
3.10	2.21	2.21	2.21	NA
3.10	3.36	NA	3.36	3.36
3.15	3.19	3.19	3.19	3.19
3.30	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.37

# Missing data types: graphical representation

(HGPA: Highschool GPA, UGPA: 1st year Uni GPA, Z: some unmeasured variable, R: missing indicator)



# Traditional missing data methods

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- Listwise deletion (default in most packages including R)
  - Analyze only cases which have complete data
- Pairwise deletion
  - Analyze pairs of cases that have complete data
- Mean imputation
  - Impute the arithmetic mean of  $X$  for all missings in  $X$
- Regression imputation
  - Regress  $X$  on complete  $Z$ , predict missings
- Stochastic regression imputation
  - Regress  $X$  on complete  $Z$ , predict missings add some noise
- Hot-deck imputation
  - Impute missings using similar complete observations
- Last observation carried forward
  - Impute missings in wave  $t$  from the same respondent in wave  $t-1$
- ...

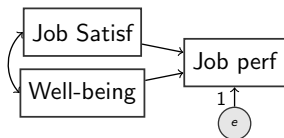
# Summary FIML

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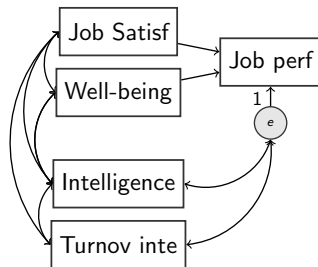
- Listwise deletion maximizes:  $\log L_{complete}$
- FIML maximizes:  $\log L = \log L_{complete} + \log L_{incomplete}$
- FIML approach can be generalized to any other modelling (regressions etc.)
- ... though more complex maximization techniques may be needed for more complex models (e.g., EM)
- Accuracy of FIML can be improved further by using auxiliary variables

# Example (data source: Enders (2010))

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Model (FIML)



Saturated correlates with auxiliary vars (FIML)

input

```

1 mm <- 'jobperf ~ jobsat + wbeing
2       jobperf ~1
3       jobsat ~~ wbeing'
4 mma <- 'jobperf ~ jobsat + wbeing
5        jobperf ~1
6        jobsat ~~ wbeing
7        iq + turnover ~~ jobperf + jobsat + wbeing
8        iq ~~ turnover'
9 summary(f1 <- sem(mm, data = emp))    #listwise deletion
10 summary(f2 <- sem(mm, data = emp, missing = "ML")) #FIML
11 summary(f3 <- sem(mma, data = emp, missing = "ML")) #FIML with AV

```

## edited output

```
1 # FIML wo Auxiliary =====
2 Regressions:
3           Estimate   Std.Err   z-value   P(>|z|)
4   jobperf ~
5       jobsat           0.027     0.060     0.444     0.657
6       wbeing           0.476     0.055     8.665     0.000
7 Covariances:
8   jobsat ~~
9       wbeing           0.467     0.098     4.781     0.000
10 # FIML wi Auxiliary =====
11 Regressions:
12           Estimate   Std.Err   z-value   P(>|z|)
13   jobperf ~
14       jobsat           0.035     0.058     0.607     0.544
15       wbeing           0.475     0.054     8.797     0.000
16 Covariances:
17   jobsat ~~
18       wbeing           0.442     0.096     4.613     0.000
19   .jobperf ~~
20       iq               3.010     0.439     6.862     0.000
21 # ... [rest deleted for brevity]
```