# MLM Final Project Part 1

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# Team Members and division of work:

# Question 0.

Load classroom.csv and create MATH1ST (fit all models using REML)

```
classroom <- foreign::read.dta("/Users/mbp/Documents/NYU/APSTA 2042 - Multi-level Models (Nested)/Datas
classroom <- classroom %>% mutate(math1st = mathkind + mathgain)
```

# Question 1.

Estimate UMM model with random intercepts for both schools and classrooms.

```
lm_umm <- lmer(math1st ~ 1 + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom)</pre>
summary(lm_umm)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math1st ~ 1 + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
     Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 11944.6
##
## Scaled residuals:
              1Q Median
                               3Q
## -5.1872 -0.6174 -0.0204 0.5821 3.8339
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                    Name
                                Variance Std.Dev.
## classid:schoolid (Intercept)
                                 85.47
                                          9.245
## schoolid
                   (Intercept) 280.69 16.754
## Residual
                                1146.79 33.864
## Number of obs: 1190, groups: classid:schoolid, 312; schoolid, 107
##
## Fixed effects:
##
              Estimate Std. Error
                                       df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 522.540
                            2.037 104.403
                                            256.6 <2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

# a. Report the ICC for schools and classrooms:

### Response:

Based on the summary output of the UMM model, the ICC for schools and classrooms are:

$$ICC_{school} = \frac{280.69}{85.47 + 280.69 + 1146.79} = 0.185525$$
 
$$ICC_{classroom} = \frac{85.47}{85.47 + 280.69 + 1146.79} = 0.05649228$$

#### b. Write out the model:

Model 1 Equation:

$$MATH1ST_{ijk} = b_0 + \zeta_k + \eta_{jk} + \epsilon_{ijk}$$
 with  $\zeta_k \sim N(0, \sigma_{\zeta}^2)$ ,  $\eta_{jk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\eta}^2)$ , and  $\epsilon_{ijk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2)$ , independent of each other and  $k = \text{schools}$ ,  $j = \text{classrooms}$  and  $i = \text{students}$ 

# Question 2.

# Add all school-level predictors:

Model 2 Equation:

```
MATH1ST_{ijk} = b_0 + b_1 HOUSEPOV_k + \zeta_k + \eta_{jk} + \epsilon_{ijk} with \zeta_k \sim N(0, \sigma_{\zeta}^2), \eta_{jk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\eta}^2), and \epsilon_{ijk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2), independent of each other and k = \text{schools}, j = \text{classrooms} and i = \text{students}
```

```
lm2 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom)
summary(lm2)</pre>
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math1st ~ housepov + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 11927.4
##
## Scaled residuals:
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -5.1142 -0.6011 -0.0350 0.5600 3.8154
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                 Variance Std.Dev.
                     Name
## classid:schoolid (Intercept)
                                   82.36
                                           9.075
## schoolid
                     (Intercept)
                                 250.93 15.841
## Residual
                                 1146.96 33.867
## Number of obs: 1190, groups: classid:schoolid, 312; schoolid, 107
##
## Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error
                                       df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 531.294
                           3.341 102.807 159.023
                                                     <2e-16 ***
                           14.236 111.060 -3.216
## housepov
               -45.783
                                                     0.0017 **
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
            (Intr)
## housepov -0.810
```

#### a. Report if the additional predictors are justified:

```
anova(lm_umm, lm2, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm_umm: math1st ~ 1 + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm2: math1st ~ housepov + (1 | schoolid/classid)
                    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
              AIC
## lm_umm 4 11953 11973 -5972.3
                                   11945
## lm2
          5 11937 11963 -5963.7
                                   11927 17.186
                                                         3.39e-05 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Response:
```

The addition of the school-level predictor is justified according to the ANOVA between the unconditional means model, and the model with the school-level predictor HOUSEPOV. The chi-square test results in a p-value of approximately 0.

#### b. Report the change to school variance:

#### Response:

Change in  $\sigma_{\zeta}^2 = 250.93 - 280.69 = -29.76$ 

# Question 3: Add all class-level predictors

Model 3 Equation:

## Residual

```
MATH1ST_{ijk} = b_0 + b_1 HOUSEPOV_k + b_2 YEARSTEA_{jk} + b_3 MATHKNOW_{jk} + b_4 MATHPREP_{jk} + \zeta_k + \eta_{jk} + \epsilon_{ijk}
           with \zeta_k \sim N(0, \sigma_{\zeta}^2), \eta_{jk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\eta}^2), and \epsilon_{ijk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2), independent of each other
                            and k = \text{schools}, j = \text{classrooms and } i = \text{students}
lm3 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom
summary(lm3)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
       Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10821
##
## Scaled residuals:
        Min
##
                   1Q Median
                                      3Q
                                               Max
## -3.5552 -0.6118 -0.0311 0.5863 3.8315
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                         Name
                                        Variance Std.Dev.
## classid:schoolid (Intercept)
                                          94.36
                                                   9.714
## schoolid
                         (Intercept)
                                        223.31 14.943
```

1136.43 33.711

## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105

```
##
## Fixed effects:
##
              Estimate Std. Error
                                      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 532.29852 5.20495 228.85767 102.268 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
             -41.62116 14.08834 109.83230 -2.954 0.00383 **
               ## yearstea
                                                0.67432
## mathknow
                                                0.07883 .
               2.55143 1.44530 231.06560
                                          1.765
## mathprep
              -0.75440
                        1.42809 203.20755 -0.528 0.59790
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
          (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw
## housepov -0.568
## yearstea -0.264
                 0.077
## mathknow -0.052 0.082 0.030
## mathprep -0.666 0.032 -0.175 0.004
```

linearHypothesis(lm3, c("mathknow", "mathprep", "yearstea"))

# a. Report if adding the predictors is justified:

```
## Linear hypothesis test
##
## Hypothesis:
## mathknow = 0
## mathprep = 0
## yearstea = 0
##
## Model 1: restricted model
## Model 2: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
## Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
```

## Response:

## 2 3 3.4804

## 1

Based on the Wald test above, adding the classroom-level predictors as a block is not needed, at the 0.05 level of significance. The p-value is 0.3233.

# b. Report changes in class-level variance and individual variance:

# Response:

• Change in  $\sigma_{\eta}^2=94.36-82.36=12.00$ • Change in  $\sigma_{\epsilon}^2=1136.43-1146.96=-10.53$ 

0.3233

c. Give a potential reason to explain why individual variance but not class variance is reduced:

## Response:

Adding the classroom-level predictors shows a potential misspecification of the model. The classroom level predictors can make it difficult to estimate the individual level variance (i.e overstated) due to individual outliers in classrooms that have a very small amount of students.

# Question 4.

Add all student-level predictors except mathgain and mathkind:

```
lm4 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
             sex + minority + ses + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom)
summary(lm4)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
##
      ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
     Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
## Scaled residuals:
##
              1Q Median
      Min
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -3.8581 -0.6134 -0.0321 0.5971 3.6598
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                Variance Std.Dev.
                    Name
## classid:schoolid (Intercept)
                                  93.89
                                          9.689
                    (Intercept) 169.45 13.017
## schoolid
## Residual
                                1064.96 32.634
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
## Fixed effects:
##
                Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 539.63041 5.31209 275.39010 101.585 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
               -17.64850 13.21755 113.87814 -1.335
                                                         0.184
                          0.14141 226.80861
## yearstea
                 0.01129
                                                0.080
                                                         0.936
                                               0.970
## mathknow
                1.35004 1.39168 234.49768
                                                         0.333
## mathprep
                -0.27705 1.37583 205.27111 -0.201
                                                         0.841
                -1.21419
                            2.09483 1022.42110 -0.580
                                                         0.562
## sex
                            3.02605 704.47787 -5.349 1.20e-07 ***
## minority
               -16.18676
## ses
                10.05076
                          1.54485 1066.56211
                                               6.506 1.18e-10 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259 0.071
## mathknow -0.083 0.058 0.029
## mathprep -0.631 0.038 -0.172 0.004
           -0.190 -0.007 0.016 0.007 -0.006
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.115  0.001 -0.011
           -0.121 0.082 -0.028 -0.007 0.053 0.020 0.162
## ses
a. Report if the block of predictors is justified:
```

linearHypothesis(lm4, c("sex", "minority", "ses"))

```
## Linear hypothesis test
##
## Hypothesis:
## sex = 0
## minority = 0
## ses = 0
##
## Model 1: restricted model
## Model 2: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
##
      ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
##
    Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
## 1
## 2 3 85.055 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The addition of the student-level predictors as a block is justified (at the 0.05 significance level) according to the Wald test comparing the previous model containing school & classroom-level predictors, to the current model including school, classroom, and student-level predictors. The chi-square test results in a p-value of approximately 0.

#### b. Report change in all variance components

#### Response:

- Change in  $\sigma_\zeta^2=169.45-223.31=-53.86$  Change in  $\sigma_\eta^2=93.89-94.36=-0.47$  Change in  $\sigma_\epsilon^2=1064.96-1136.43=-71.47$

#### c. Give a potential reason as to why the school variance drops from the last model:

#### Response:

The student-level predictors explain some variance at the school level. SES & Minority Status, and SEX composition of children vary between different schools and may impact math scores. For example, some schools located in poorer areas with a different demographic of students will have much different individual math scores than those in more affluent areas.

#### d. Write this model out:

### Model 4 Equation:

$$MATH1ST_{ijk} = b_0 + b_1HOUSEPOV_k + b_2YEARSTEA_{jk} + b_3MATHKNOW_{jk} + b_4MATHPREP_{jk} + b_5SEX_{ijk} + b_6MINORITY_{ijk} + b_7SES_{ijk} + \zeta_k + \eta_{jk} + \epsilon_{ijk}$$
 with  $\zeta_k \sim N(0, \sigma_{\zeta}^2)$ ,  $\eta_{jk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\eta}^2)$ , and  $\epsilon_{ijk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2)$ , independent of each other and  $k = \text{schools}$ ,  $j = \text{classrooms}$  and  $i = \text{students}$ 

# Question 5.

- a. Try to add a random slope for each teacher level predictor (varying at the school level; one by one separately not all together)
- b. Report the models and their fit.

## mathprep -0.632 0.037 -0.172 0.003

```
lm5 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
             sex + minority + ses + (0 + yearstea | schoolid) + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl =
## control$checkConv, : Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00805439
## (tol = 0.002, component 1)
summary(lm5)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
##
      ses + (0 + yearstea | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
     Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
              1Q Median
                               30
                                      Max
## -3.8482 -0.6147 -0.0322 0.5979 3.6603
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                Variance Std.Dev.
                    Name
## classid.schoolid (Intercept) 9.247e+01 9.6159
## schoolid
                    (Intercept) 1.684e+02 12.9758
## schoolid.1
                    yearstea
                                1.008e-02 0.1004
## Residual
                                1.065e+03 32.6361
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 539.59885 5.30780 266.47952 101.662 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
               -17.72082 13.21686 113.58577 -1.341
                                                          0.183
## yearstea
                 0.01128 0.14192 122.87733
                                                0.079
                                                          0.937
## mathknow
                 1.33106
                          1.39155 234.33195
                                                0.957
                                                          0.340
                          1.37588 204.90504 -0.193
## mathprep
                -0.26584
                                                          0.847
                            2.09480 1022.21558 -0.578
## sex
                -1.21060
                                                          0.563
## minority
               -16.16715
                            3.02635 702.61831 -5.342 1.24e-07 ***
## ses
                10.04528
                            1.54492 1066.09816
                                                6.502 1.21e-10 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                     minrty
## housepov -0.450
## yearstea -0.258 0.070
## mathknow -0.082 0.057 0.028
```

```
-0.191 -0.007 0.015 0.006 -0.006
## minority -0.320 -0.179 0.023 0.115 0.001 -0.010
            -0.121 0.082 -0.027 -0.007 0.053 0.020 0.162
## convergence code: 0
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00805439 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
anova(lm4,lm5, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm5: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
## lm5:
            ses + (0 + yearstea | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
            AIC
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
##
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm5 12 10754 10813 -5364.8
                                 10730 0.007
                                                         0.9336
                                                   1
Response:
The addition of random slope on the yearstea variable is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance),
according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.
lm6 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (0 + mathknow | schoolid) + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
summary(lm6)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (0 + mathknow | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
## Scaled residuals:
               1Q Median
       Min
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -3.8580 -0.6134 -0.0321 0.5971 3.6598
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                     Name
                                 Variance Std.Dev.
## classid.schoolid (Intercept) 9.389e+01 9.689914
## schoolid
                     (Intercept) 1.694e+02 13.016328
## schoolid.1
                     mathknow
                                 1.700e-06 0.001304
## Residual
                                 1.065e+03 32.633705
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
                 Estimate Std. Error
##
                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 539.63047
                            5.31204 275.40357 101.586
                                                         < 2e-16 ***
                -17.64821
                            13.21718 113.88792 -1.335
## housepov
                                                            0.184
## yearstea
                  0.01129
                             0.14141 226.81110
                                                   0.080
                                                            0.936
## mathknow
                             1.39168 234.50059
                                                  0.970
                  1.34993
                                                            0.333
```

```
## mathprep
                 -0.27708
                           1.37583 205.27196 -0.201
                 -1.21417
                             2.09483 1022.42010 -0.580
                                                           0.562
## sex
## minority
                -16.18681
                             3.02603 704.47306 -5.349 1.20e-07 ***
                 10.05075
                             1.54485 1066.56262 6.506 1.18e-10 ***
## ses
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                      minrty
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259 0.071
## mathknow -0.083 0.058 0.029
## mathprep -0.631 0.038 -0.172 0.004
           -0.190 -0.007 0.016 0.007 -0.006
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.115  0.001 -0.011
           -0.121 0.082 -0.028 -0.007 0.053 0.020 0.162
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
anova(lm4, lm6, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm6: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (0 + mathknow | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
           AIC BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
      Df
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm6 12 10754 10813 -5364.8
                                 10730
Response:
The addition of random slope on the mathknow variable is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance),
according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.
lm7 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (0 + mathprep | schoolid) + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
summary(lm7)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (0 + mathprep | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                                30
                                       Max
## -3.8581 -0.6134 -0.0321 0.5971 3.6598
## Random effects:
```

```
Groups
                                 Variance Std.Dev.
                     Name
##
   classid.schoolid (Intercept) 9.388e+01 9.689e+00
##
                     (Intercept) 1.694e+02 1.302e+01
## schoolid.1
                     mathprep
                                 2.171e-07 4.659e-04
   Residual
                                 1.065e+03 3.263e+01
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:
                                classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
## Fixed effects:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                             df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
               539.63039
                             5.31207
                                      275.39222 101.586
                                                        < 2e-16 ***
                -17.64851
## housepov
                            13.21749 113.87941
                                                 -1.335
                                                           0.184
## yearstea
                             0.14141 226.80838
                                                  0.080
                                                           0.936
                 0.01129
## mathknow
                  1.35003
                             1.39167 234.49786
                                                  0.970
                                                           0.333
## mathprep
                 -0.27705
                             1.37582 205.27063
                                                 -0.201
                                                           0.841
                             2.09483 1022.42070
                                                 -0.580
                                                           0.562
## sex
                 -1.21419
## minority
                -16.18676
                             3.02605 704.47629
                                                 -5.349 1.20e-07 ***
                                                  6.506 1.18e-10 ***
## ses
                 10.05076
                             1.54485 1066.56201
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259
                   0.071
## mathknow -0.083 0.058 0.029
## mathprep -0.631 0.038 -0.172 0.004
            -0.190 -0.007
                          0.016 0.007 -0.006
## minority -0.320 -0.178 0.024 0.115 0.001 -0.011
            -0.121 0.082 -0.028 -0.007 0.053 0.020
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
anova(lm4, lm7, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm7: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (0 + mathprep | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
                 BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
            AIC
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm7 12 10754 10813 -5364.8
                                 10730
                                           Λ
                                                  1
                                                             1
Response:
```

The addition of random slope on the *mathprep* variable is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

#### c. Why is it a bad idea to include a random slope on the housepov effect?

#### Response:

It is not a good idea to add a random slope on the housepov effect because housepov is a school-level predictor and cannot vary at the classroom or individual level. Every individual would have the same *housepov* level within a school.

d. Retry the above models, allowing the slopes to be correlated with the random intercepts (still one by one):

```
lm8 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
             sex + minority + ses + (yearstea | schoolid) + (1|classid), data = classroom)
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl =
## control$checkConv, : Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00243816
## (tol = 0.002, component 1)
summary(lm8)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
      ses + (yearstea | schoolid) + (1 | classid)
##
##
     Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10723.7
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
              1Q Median
                               30
                                     Max
## -3.7461 -0.6037 -0.0290 0.6040 3.8450
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name
                        Variance Std.Dev. Corr
   classid (Intercept)
                          37.8859 6.1551
## schoolid (Intercept) 366.3984 19.1415
##
                           0.5529 0.7436 -0.78
            vearstea
                        1066.4280 32.6562
## Residual
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                Estimate Std. Error
                                           df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 538.95146 5.48868 222.62549 98.193 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
               -17.13944 13.46118 119.60690 -1.273
                                                         0.205
## yearstea
                 0.02204 0.15769 75.75984
                                               0.140
                                                         0.889
## mathknow
                         1.34382 209.71933
                                               0.779
                 1.04631
                                                         0.437
## mathprep
                0.05091 1.34550 190.81895 0.038
                                                         0.970
## sex
                -1.33570 2.08772 1024.46783 -0.640
                                                         0.522
## minority
               -16.44570
                            2.99661 669.51329 -5.488 5.77e-08 ***
## ses
                10.15039
                          1.53872 1062.66308 6.597 6.62e-11 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
## housepov -0.455
## yearstea -0.370 0.084
## mathknow -0.085 0.049 0.012
## mathprep -0.606 0.050 -0.139 0.014
           -0.184 -0.004 0.009 0.008 -0.004
## minority -0.305 -0.169  0.032  0.122 -0.007 -0.012
         -0.119 0.079 -0.019 -0.001 0.049 0.022 0.168
## ses
```

```
## convergence code: 0
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00243816 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
anova(lm4, lm8, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm8: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (yearstea | schoolid) + (1 | classid)
## lm8:
            AIC BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
       Df
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm8 13 10750 10814 -5361.8
                                 10724 5.8254
                                                         0.05433 .
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Response:
The addition of random slope on the yearstea variable, allowing the slope to be correlated with the intercept,
is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with
and without the random slope addition.
lm9 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (mathknow| schoolid) + (1|classid), data = classroom)
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
summary(lm9)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (mathknow | schoolid) + (1 | classid)
##
      Data: classroom
##
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
## Scaled residuals:
                1Q Median
       Min
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -3.8581 -0.6131 -0.0324 0.5969 3.6603
##
## Random effects:
                         Variance Std.Dev. Corr
##
  Groups
            Name
  classid (Intercept) 9.394e+01 9.69226
  schoolid (Intercept) 1.693e+02 13.01083
##
##
             mathknow
                         8.723e-04 0.02954 1.00
                         1.065e+03 32.63407
## Residual
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 539.64050
                             5.31201 275.40233 101.589
                                                         < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
                -17.64106
                           13.21207 103.99027
                                                 -1.335
                                                            0.185
## yearstea
                  0.01114
                             0.14141 226.85589
                                                   0.079
                                                            0.937
## mathknow
                             1.39202 214.63830
                                                  0.973
```

0.332

1.35447

```
## mathprep
                 -0.27758
                             1.37600 201.27989 -0.202
                                                            0.840
                             2.09486 1021.79755 -0.579
                                                            0.563
## sex
                 -1.21325
## minority
                -16.19384
                             3.02606 703.80040 -5.351 1.18e-07 ***
                                                   6.504 1.20e-10 ***
                 10.04787
                             1.54488 1062.12392
## ses
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
            (Intr) houspy yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                       minrty
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259
                   0.071
## mathknow -0.082 0.057 0.029
## mathprep -0.631 0.038 -0.173 0.004
            -0.190 -0.007 0.016 0.007 -0.006
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.115  0.001 -0.011
## ses
            -0.121 0.082 -0.028 -0.007 0.053 0.020 0.162
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
anova(lm4, lm9, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm9: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (mathknow | schoolid) + (1 | classid)
##
            AIC
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
       Df
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm9 13 10756 10820 -5364.8
                                 10730 3e-04
                                                         0.9998
Response:
The addition of random slope on the mathknow variable, allowing the slope to be correlated with the intercept,
is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with
and without the random slope addition.
lm10 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (mathprep| schoolid) + (1| classid), data = classroom)
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
summary(lm10)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (mathprep | schoolid) + (1 | classid)
##
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10724.7
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
```

## -3.8542 -0.6035 -0.0221 0.5914 3.6474

##

```
## Random effects:
                        Variance Std.Dev. Corr
##
   Groups
            Name
   classid (Intercept)
                          78.51
                                  8.861
   schoolid (Intercept) 553.08 23.518
##
##
            mathprep
                          15.90
                                  3.988
                                          -1.00
                        1064.22 32.622
##
  Residual
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
               538.60813
                            5.60867
                                     159.83298
                                                96.031
                                                        < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
                -14.01016
                           12.88734 116.05475
                                                -1.087
                                                          0.279
## yearstea
                -0.02589
                            0.13949 223.51391
                                                -0.186
                                                          0.853
## mathknow
                                                 0.947
                                                          0.345
                 1.29878
                            1.37202 229.68879
                            1.34860 138.95721
                                                 0.030
                                                          0.976
## mathprep
                 0.04084
## sex
                -1.16757
                            2.08695 1023.15772
                                                -0.559
                                                          0.576
                                                -5.497 5.52e-08 ***
               -16.46466
                            2.99525 663.70954
## minority
## ses
                10.14156
                            1.53960 1060.93643
                                                 6.587 7.04e-11 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
##
                                                     minrty
## housepov -0.461
## yearstea -0.260
                   0.089
## mathknow -0.071 0.027 0.049
## mathprep -0.692 0.107 -0.155
                                 0.012
            -0.183 0.003 0.023 0.002 -0.008
## minority -0.275 -0.187  0.025  0.107 -0.035 -0.013
            -0.121 0.095 -0.033 -0.001 0.061 0.024 0.161
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
anova(lm4, lm10, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm10: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (mathprep | schoolid) + (1 | classid)
## lm10:
            AIC
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm10 13 10751 10816 -5362.3
                                 10725 4.8144
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Response:
```

The addition of random slope on the *mathprep* variable, allowing the slope to be correlated with the intercept, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

e. Report anything unusual about the variance components (changes that are in a direction you didn't expect) and any potential explanation for why those changes occured (hint: what did you add to the model?).

Response:

# Question 6.

a. Try to add a random slope for each student level predictor (varying at the classroom level; one by one - not all together)

```
lm11 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (0 + sex | classid) + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom)
summary(lm11)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
##
       ses + (0 + sex | classid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
  -3.8581 -0.6134 -0.0321 0.5971 3.6598
##
##
## Random effects:
  Groups
##
                     Name
                                 Variance Std.Dev.
##
   classid
                     sex
                                 3.310e-05 0.005754
## classid:schoolid (Intercept) 9.387e+01 9.688824
## schoolid
                     (Intercept) 1.695e+02 13.017987
## Residual
                                 1.065e+03 32.633681
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:
## classid, 285; classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                             df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
               539.63033
                           5.31211 275.37965 101.585
                                                        < 2e-16 ***
                           13.21784 113.87028
                                                -1.335
## housepov
                -17.64878
                                                           0.184
## yearstea
                 0.01129
                             0.14141 226.80606
                                                  0.080
                                                           0.936
## mathknow
                  1.35013
                             1.39167 234.49478
                                                  0.970
                                                           0.333
                 -0.27702
                             1.37582 205.26984
                                                 -0.201
                                                           0.841
## mathprep
                 -1.21421
                             2.09483 1022.41564
                                                 -0.580
                                                           0.562
## sex
## minority
                             3.02607 704.48078 -5.349 1.20e-07 ***
                -16.18672
## ses
                 10.05076
                             1.54485 1066.56152
                                                  6.506 1.18e-10 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                      minrty
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259 0.071
```

## mathknow -0.083 0.058 0.029

```
## mathprep -0.631 0.038 -0.172 0.004
            -0.190 -0.007 0.016 0.007 -0.006
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.115  0.001 -0.011
            -0.121 0.082 -0.028 -0.007 0.053 0.020 0.162
anova(lm4, lm11, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm11: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
             ses + (0 + sex | classid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## 1m11:
                   BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                  10730
## lm11 12 10754 10813 -5364.8
                                  10730
Response:
The addition of random slope on the sex variable, varying by classrooms, is not significant (at the 0.05 level
of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope
addition.
lm12 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (0 + minority | classid) + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom)
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
summary(lm12)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (0 + minority | classid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
## Scaled residuals:
                1Q Median
       Min
                                3Q
                                        Max
## -3.8580 -0.6134 -0.0321 0.5971 3.6598
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                     Name
                                 Variance Std.Dev.
                                            0.00
## classid
                     minority
                                    0.00
## classid:schoolid (Intercept)
                                   93.89
                                            9.69
## schoolid
                     (Intercept)
                                  169.45
                                           13.02
## Residual
                                  1064.95 32.63
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:
## classid, 285; classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
## Fixed effects:
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                      275.38908 101.585 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
                539.63042
                             5.31210
## housepov
                -17.64848
                           13.21758 113.87764
                                                 -1.335
                                                            0.184
```

0.080

0.936

0.14141 226.80896

## yearstea

0.01129

```
## mathknow
                 1.35004
                            1.39168 234.49773
                                                0.970
                                                          0.333
## mathprep
                            1.37583 205.27155 -0.201
                                                          0.841
                -0.27705
                -1.21419
                            2.09483 1022.42137
## sex
                                               -0.580
                                                          0.562
               -16.18678
                            3.02605 704.47894
                                                -5.349 1.20e-07 ***
## minority
## ses
                10.05075
                            1.54484 1066.56222
                                                6.506 1.18e-10 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
##
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259
                   0.071
## mathknow -0.083 0.058 0.029
## mathprep -0.631 0.038 -0.172 0.004
           -0.190 -0.007 0.016 0.007 -0.006
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.115  0.001 -0.011
           -0.121 0.082 -0.028 -0.007 0.053 0.020 0.162
## ses
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
anova(lm4, lm12, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm12: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (0 + minority | classid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm12:
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm12 12 10754 10813 -5364.8
                                 10730
                                                        0.9999
```

The addition of random slope on the *minority* variable, varying by classrooms, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

```
lm13 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (0 + ses | classid) + (1 | schoolid/classid), data = classroom)
summary(lm13)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
##
       ses + (0 + ses | classid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10727.9
##
## Scaled residuals:
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
## -3.7163 -0.6032 -0.0331 0.5855 3.6840
##
## Random effects:
```

```
Groups
                                 Variance Std.Dev.
                     Name
   classid
                                   49.60
                                            7.043
##
                     ses
                                            9.333
## classid:schoolid (Intercept)
                                   87.11
## schoolid
                     (Intercept)
                                  171.02
                                           13.077
## Residual
                                 1043.44
                                          32.302
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:
## classid, 285; classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                539.71226
                             5.30641
                                      274.46506 101.710
                                                          < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
                -17.50879
                            13.21775
                                                 -1.325
                                                            0.188
                                      113.44881
## yearstea
                  0.01103
                             0.14117
                                      226.97682
                                                   0.078
                                                            0.938
                                                   0.987
## mathknow
                  1.36796
                             1.38563 229.40643
                                                            0.325
                 -0.27938
                                      204.89333
                                                  -0.204
                                                            0.839
## mathprep
                             1.37171
## sex
                 -1.37733
                             2.09334 1022.81814
                                                  -0.658
                                                            0.511
                                                  -5.387 9.78e-08 ***
                -16.29362
                             3.02464 703.33746
## minority
## ses
                 10.14363
                             1.64248
                                     176.39731
                                                   6.176 4.41e-09 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
##
                                                       minrty
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259
                    0.070
## mathknow -0.082 0.058 0.029
## mathprep -0.631 0.040 -0.172
                                  0.005
                                  0.006 -0.005
## sex
            -0.190 -0.007 0.014
## minority -0.321 -0.180 0.025
                                 0.111 0.002 -0.011
## ses
            -0.108   0.081   -0.026   0.002   0.050   0.020   0.145
anova(lm4, lm13, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm13: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
## lm13:
             ses + (0 + ses | classid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
        Df
             AIC
                   BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                  10730
## lm13 12 10752 10812 -5364.0
                                  10728 1.5969
                                                           0.2063
```

The addition of random slope on the ses variable, varying by classrooms, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

# b. Why is it a bad idea to include a classroom-level variable with random slopes at the classroom level?

#### Response:

c. Retry the above, allowing the slopes to be correlated with the random intercepts. Report findings.

```
lm14 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
             sex + minority + ses + (sex | classid) + (1|schoolid), data = classroom)
summary(lm14)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
      ses + (sex | classid) + (1 | schoolid)
##
##
     Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -3.7562 -0.6134 -0.0307 0.5916 3.7116
##
## Random effects:
                        Variance Std.Dev. Corr
## Groups
            Name
## classid (Intercept) 130.2 11.411
                                  5.612
            sex
                          31.5
                                          -0.67
## schoolid (Intercept) 169.9
                                 13.035
## Residual
                        1056.3
                                 32.502
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid, 285; schoolid, 105
## Fixed effects:
##
                Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 5.400e+02 5.332e+00 2.723e+02 101.279 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
              -1.829e+01 1.323e+01 1.145e+02 -1.382
                                                          0.170
               3.053e-03 1.416e-01 2.270e+02
## yearstea
                                                0.022
                                                          0.983
## mathknow
                                                0.939
              1.306e+00 1.391e+00 2.315e+02
                                                          0.349
## mathprep
              -3.460e-01 1.374e+00 2.014e+02 -0.252
                                                          0.801
              -1.197e+00 2.123e+00 2.158e+02 -0.564
                                                          0.573
## sex
              -1.619e+01 3.028e+00 7.042e+02 -5.347 1.21e-07 ***
## minority
               1.010e+01 1.544e+00 1.065e+03 6.539 9.61e-11 ***
## ses
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                     minrty
## housepov -0.452
## yearstea -0.258 0.072
## mathknow -0.085 0.060 0.029
## mathprep -0.628  0.040 -0.174  0.005
           -0.203 -0.005 0.015 0.003 -0.008
## sex
## minority -0.321 -0.178  0.024  0.116  0.003 -0.009
           -0.123   0.083   -0.027   -0.005   0.054   0.020   0.164
anova(lm4, lm14, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
```

## Models:

```
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
## lm4: ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm14: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
## lm14: ses + (sex | classid) + (1 | schoolid)
## Df AIC BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8 10730
## lm14 13 10755 10820 -5364.5 10729 0.5003 2 0.7787
```

## yearstea -0.265 0.080

The addition of random slope on the *sex* variable, varying by classrooms and allowing for correlation between the slope and coefficient, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

```
lm15 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (minority | classid) + (1|schoolid), data = classroom)
summary(lm15)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (minority | classid) + (1 | schoolid)
##
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10726.3
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
               10 Median
                                30
                                       Max
## -3.9036 -0.6221 -0.0295 0.6033 3.4574
##
## Random effects:
   Groups
                         Variance Std.Dev. Corr
                          225.4
##
   classid
            (Intercept)
                                  15.01
                          171.3
                                  13.09
                                           -0.82
##
             minority
##
  schoolid (Intercept)
                         157.4
                                  12.55
                         1045.3
                                  32.33
## Residual
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                             df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 539.73593
                            5.38021 270.70839 100.319 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
                -17.34685
                           12.91273 103.34823
                                                 -1.343
                                                           0.182
## yearstea
                                                 -0.115
                                                           0.909
                 -0.01636
                             0.14285 234.25604
## mathknow
                  1.45697
                             1.39354 234.05425
                                                 1.046
                                                           0.297
## mathprep
                 -0.13522
                             1.37018 203.97781
                                                 -0.099
                                                           0.921
                             2.08966 1015.73459
                                                -0.483
                                                           0.629
## sex
                 -1.01014
## minority
                -16.48615
                             3.21756 183.24221
                                                 -5.124 7.55e-07 ***
                  9.89350
                             1.54595 1062.82952
                                                 6.400 2.33e-10 ***
## ses
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
            (Intr) houspy yearst mthknw mthprp sex
## housepov -0.435
```

```
## mathknow -0.079 0.061 0.038
## mathprep -0.618  0.037 -0.171 -0.006
          -0.188 -0.009 0.015 0.009 -0.005
## minority -0.368 -0.171 0.025 0.108 -0.004 -0.009
           anova(lm4, lm15, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm15: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (minority | classid) + (1 | schoolid)
                 BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
##
            AIC
       Df
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                               10730
## lm15 13 10752 10817 -5363.2
                               10726 3.1967
                                                2
                                                      0.2022
Response:
```

The addition of random slope on the *minority* variable, varying by classrooms and allowing for correlation between slope and intercept, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

```
lm16 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (ses | classid) + (1 | schoolid), data = classroom)
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
## Warning: Model failed to converge with 1 negative eigenvalue: -3.5e+02
summary(lm16)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (ses | classid) + (1 | schoolid)
##
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10733.8
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -3.7815 -0.6172 -0.0348 0.6046 3.8587
##
## Random effects:
   Groups
            Name
                         Variance Std.Dev. Corr
                            0.00
                                 0.00
##
   classid (Intercept)
                                   8.16
##
             ses
                           66.59
                                            NaN
## schoolid (Intercept) 198.66 14.09
                         1091.72 33.04
## Residual
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                             df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 539.20226 5.04059 366.90683 106.972 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
                -18.33722
                          13.12647 110.81072 -1.397
```

```
## yearstea
                 0.03344
                            0.12846 827.45890
                                                 0.260
                                                          0.795
## mathknow
                                                 1.177
                                                          0.240
                 1.48810
                            1.26459 754.59810
## mathprep
                -0.16719
                            1.23860 867.95835
                                               -0.135
                                                          0.893
                -1.44037
                            2.10650 1035.47989
                                                -0.684
                                                          0.494
## sex
## minority
               -15.99717
                            3.03333 689.35564
                                                -5.274 1.79e-07 ***
                                                 6.157 4.52e-09 ***
## ses
                10.32651
                            1.67733 184.92891
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                     minrty
## housepov -0.464
## yearstea -0.249
                   0.068
## mathknow -0.085 0.060 0.035
## mathprep -0.600 0.040 -0.177 0.003
           -0.198 -0.007 0.015 0.001 -0.011
## minority -0.340 -0.182 0.023 0.103 0.004 -0.009
           -0.107 0.079 -0.032 0.000 0.051 0.027 0.138
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
anova(lm4, lm16, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm16: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
## lm16:
            ses + (ses | classid) + (1 | schoolid)
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
       Df
            AIC
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm16 13 10760 10825 -5366.9
                                 10734
                                                             1
```

The addition of random slope on the ses variable, varying by classrooms and allowing for correlation between the slope and intercept, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

# Question 7.

a. Try to add a random slope for each student level predictor varying at the school level:

```
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
              1Q Median
                               30
                                      Max
## -3.8578 -0.6110 -0.0259 0.5922 3.5556
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                Variance Std.Dev.
                    Name
  classid.schoolid (Intercept)
                                  96.08
                                          9.802
## schoolid
                     (Intercept)
                                 161.63 12.713
## schoolid.1
                    sex
                                  35.85
                                          5.987
## Residual
                                 1054.36 32.471
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
                Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 539.43513
                            5.30741 272.54817 101.638 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
                -16.77631
                           13.22883 112.39531
                                               -1.268
                                                          0.207
## yearstea
                            0.14163 226.44545
                 0.01448
                                                 0.102
                                                          0.919
## mathknow
                 1.40068
                            1.39464 234.45910
                                                 1.004
                                                          0.316
                                                          0.844
                            1.38011 205.78600
## mathprep
                -0.27193
                                                -0.197
## sex
                -1.33538
                            2.18749 138.10017
                                                -0.610
                                                          0.543
## minority
               -16.16537
                            3.02862 704.25875
                                                -5.338 1.27e-07 ***
## ses
                 9.98475
                            1.54243 1058.28030
                                                6.473 1.46e-10 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                     minrty
## housepov -0.449
## yearstea -0.259
                  0.070
## mathknow -0.081 0.055 0.028
## mathprep -0.633 0.036 -0.172 0.004
           -0.179 -0.010 0.013 0.007 -0.004
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.114  0.001 -0.015
           -0.120 0.081 -0.029 -0.007 0.052 0.020 0.161
anova(lm4, lm17, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm17: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (0 + sex | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm17:
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm17 12 10753 10813 -5364.4
                                 10729 0.6137
                                                         0.4334
```

The addition of random slope on the sex variable, varying by schools, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

```
lm18 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (0 + minority | schoolid) + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom
```

```
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
summary(lm18)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (0 + minority | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -3.8581 -0.6134 -0.0321 0.5971 3.6598
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                Variance Std.Dev.
                    Name
## classid.schoolid (Intercept) 9.388e+01 9.689369
## schoolid
                    (Intercept) 1.694e+02 13.017176
## schoolid.1
                                1.777e-06 0.001333
                    minority
## Residual
                                1.065e+03 32.633690
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
## Fixed effects:
                Estimate Std. Error
                                           df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 539.63040 5.31208 275.39129 101.586 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
              -17.64850 13.21752 113.87885 -1.335
                                                        0 184
                          0.14141 226.80855
## yearstea
                0.01129
                                                0.080
                                                         0.936
                                              0.970
## mathknow
                         1.39168 234.49782
                                                         0.333
                1.35003
## mathprep
                -0.27705 1.37582 205.27091 -0.201
                                                         0.841
                            2.09483 1022.42090 -0.580
                                                         0.562
## sex
                -1.21419
## minority
               -16.18676
                            3.02605 704.47638 -5.349 1.20e-07 ***
## ses
                10.05076
                          1.54485 1066.56207 6.506 1.18e-10 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                    minrty
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.259 0.071
## mathknow -0.083 0.058 0.029
## mathprep -0.631 0.038 -0.172 0.004
          -0.190 -0.007 0.016 0.007 -0.006
## sex
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.115  0.001 -0.011
           -0.121 0.082 -0.028 -0.007 0.053 0.020 0.162
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
anova(lm4, lm18, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
```

```
## lm4: ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm18: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
## lm18: ses + (0 + minority | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## Df AIC BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8 10730
## lm18 12 10754 10813 -5364.8 10730 0 1 1
```

The addition of random slope on the *minority* variable, varying by schools, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition

```
addition.
lm19 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (1|schoolid/classid), data = classroom)
summary(lm19)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
      Data: classroom
##
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10724.8
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -3.6138 -0.6185 -0.0289 0.5798 3.7130
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                 Variance Std.Dev.
                     Name
## classid.schoolid (Intercept)
                                   88.56
                                           9.411
                                  168.00 12.961
## schoolid
                     (Intercept)
## schoolid.1
                                   72.50
                                           8.515
                     ses
## Residual
                                 1035.11 32.173
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                             df t value Pr(>|t|)
                           5.27926 270.52802 102.124
## (Intercept)
               539.13752
                                                        < 2e-16 ***
                                                -1.283
## housepov
                -16.94575
                           13.21161 112.81447
                                                           0.202
## yearstea
                 0.03079
                             0.14052 223.94252
                                                  0.219
                                                           0.827
## mathknow
                                                  0.979
                                                           0.328
                  1.35586
                             1.38461 232.19737
## mathprep
                 -0.19799
                             1.35995 198.59551
                                                -0.146
                                                           0.884
## sex
                 -1.40187
                             2.08169 1011.29089
                                                 -0.673
                                                           0.501
                                                -5.468 6.32e-08 ***
## minority
                -16.52526
                             3.02191 700.07600
## ses
                  9.78982
                             1.82216
                                      79.01650
                                                  5.373 7.61e-07 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
##
                                                      minrty
## housepov -0.451
## yearstea -0.260 0.070
```

## mathknow -0.079 0.056 0.028

```
## mathprep -0.628  0.041 -0.172  0.002
           -0.190 -0.007 0.018 0.006 -0.007
## sex
## minority -0.323 -0.180 0.024 0.110 0.001 -0.010
           -0.091 0.076 -0.019 0.006 0.042 0.017 0.124
anova(lm4, lm19, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm19: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
## 1m19:
            ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
       Df
            AIC
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm19 12 10749 10809 -5362.4
                                 10725 4.6972
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The addition of random slope on the *ses* variable, varying by schools, is significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

#### b. Retry the above, allowing the slopes to be correlated with the random intercepts.

```
lm20 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
              sex + minority + ses + (sex | schoolid) + (1| schoolid:classid), data = classroom)
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl =
## control$checkConv, : Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00526732
## (tol = 0.002, component 1)
summary(lm20)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
       ses + (sex | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:classid)
##
      Data: classroom
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10727.6
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
       Min
                10 Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -3.8050 -0.6094 -0.0223 0.5970 3.5528
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                 Variance Std.Dev. Corr
                     Name
## schoolid:classid (Intercept)
                                   97.29
                                           9.863
                                  206.02 14.353
## schoolid
                     (Intercept)
##
                                   83.73
                                           9.151
                                                    -0.43
                     sex
## Residual
                                 1041.89 32.278
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:
                                 schoolid:classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
```

```
## Fixed effects:
##
                Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 5.399e+02 5.363e+00 2.626e+02 100.675 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov
              -1.742e+01 1.325e+01 1.136e+02
                                               -1.314
                                                          0.191
## yearstea
               6.921e-03 1.418e-01 2.277e+02
                                                 0.049
                                                          0.961
## mathknow
               1.379e+00 1.396e+00 2.364e+02
                                                0.988
                                                          0.324
              -2.796e-01 1.378e+00 2.061e+02 -0.203
## mathprep
                                                          0.839
## sex
              -1.340e+00 2.300e+00 8.740e+01
                                               -0.583
                                                          0.562
## minority
              -1.642e+01 3.027e+00 7.076e+02 -5.425 7.97e-08 ***
## ses
               9.929e+00 1.540e+00 1.055e+03 6.448 1.72e-10 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
            (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
##
                                                     minrty
## housepov -0.449
## yearstea -0.258 0.072
## mathknow -0.082 0.060 0.027
## mathprep -0.627 0.038 -0.172 0.004
           -0.222 -0.003 0.014 0.006 -0.005
## minority -0.319 -0.178  0.024  0.114  0.004 -0.011
           -0.121 0.083 -0.028 -0.006 0.053 0.018 0.163
## convergence code: 0
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00526732 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
anova(lm4, lm20, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm20: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (sex | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:classid)
            AIC
                 BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm20 13 10754 10818 -5363.8
                                 10728 1.863
                                                         0.394
```

##

The addition of random slope on the sex variable, varying by schools and allowing for correlation between the slope and intercept, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

```
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               30
                                      Max
  -3.8952 -0.6358 -0.0345 0.6129
                                  3.6444
##
## Random effects:
  Groups
                                Variance Std.Dev. Corr
##
                    Name
   schoolid:classid (Intercept)
                                  86.7
                                          9.311
##
   schoolid
                    (Intercept)
                                 381.2
                                         19.524
##
                    minority
                                 343.2
                                         18.525
                                                  -0.83
##
  Residual
                                1039.4
                                         32.240
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:
                                schoolid:classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
                Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 539.49369
                            5.65513
                                               95.399
                                                      < 2e-16 ***
                                     173.09178
## housepov
               -16.06251
                           12.57477
                                      99.99134
                                                -1.277
                                                         0.204
## yearstea
                -0.00437
                                               -0.032
                                                         0.975
                            0.13765
                                     217.17884
## mathknow
                 1.63216
                            1.35929
                                    224.78144
                                                1.201
                                                         0.231
                                               -0.218
## mathprep
                -0.29178
                            1.33537 198.06922
                                                         0.827
## sex
                -0.86278
                            2.08382 1021.81437
                                                -0.414
                                                         0.679
                                               -4.203 9.17e-05 ***
## minority
               -16.37547
                            3.89604
                                      58.24604
## ses
                 9.43095
                            1.54335 1063.13485
                                                6.111 1.39e-09 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
                                                    minrty
## housepov -0.394
## yearstea -0.253
                  0.091
## mathknow -0.078 0.061 0.024
## mathprep -0.576 0.037 -0.167 -0.002
           -0.172 -0.013 0.014 0.010 -0.005
## minority -0.494 -0.157 0.027 0.099 -0.002 -0.014
           anova(lm4, lm21, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm21: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
            ses + (minority | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:classid)
## lm21:
                  BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
            AIC
## lm4 11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                 10730
## lm21 13 10744 10808 -5358.8
                                 10718 11.967
                                                       0.00252 **
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Response:
```

The addition of random slope on the *minority* variable, varying by schools and allowing for correlation between the slope and intercept, is significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

```
lm22 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep +</pre>
             sex + minority + ses + (ses | schoolid) + (1| schoolid:classid), data = classroom)
summary(lm22)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
## math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
      ses + (ses | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:classid)
     Data: classroom
##
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10724.4
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
##
               10 Median
                              3Q
                                     Max
## -3.5647 -0.6166 -0.0264 0.5888 3.7073
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                               Variance Std.Dev. Corr
                    Name
## schoolid:classid (Intercept)
                                 86.62
                                        9.307
                   (Intercept) 171.12 13.081
## schoolid
                    ses
                                 73.35
                                        8.565
                                                 0.19
## Residual
                                1035.89 32.185
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: schoolid:classid, 285; schoolid, 105
## Fixed effects:
##
                Estimate Std. Error
                                           df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 538.72268 5.27645 271.16175 102.099 < 2e-16 ***
               -15.89853 13.15319 111.73536 -1.209
## housepov
                                                         0.229
## yearstea
               0.03616 0.14002 220.43198
                                              0.258
                                                         0.796
## mathknow
                1.26005 1.38204 230.90961
                                               0.912
                                                         0.363
                -0.21707 1.35647 197.11400 -0.160
                                                         0.873
## mathprep
                -1.40428
## sex
                           2.08074 1011.40155 -0.675
                                                         0.500
## minority
               -16.26714
                           3.03575 668.89455 -5.359 1.16e-07 ***
## ses
                 9.72644
                         1.82981
                                    78.36254 5.316 9.74e-07 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr) houspv yearst mthknw mthprp sex
## housepov -0.449
## yearstea -0.259 0.073
## mathknow -0.077 0.057 0.028
## mathprep -0.627 0.039 -0.172 0.001
          -0.188 -0.009 0.017 0.005 -0.008
## minority -0.325 -0.183  0.021  0.108  0.002 -0.011
           -0.062 0.070 -0.021 0.007 0.045 0.018 0.117
anova(lm4, lm22, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
```

ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)

The addition of random slope on the ses variable, varying by schools and allowing for correlation between the slope and intercept, is not significant (at the 0.05 level of significance), according to the ANOVA LRT comparing the model with and without the random slope addition.

c. Report anything unusual about the variance components (changes that are unexpected)  $\,$ 

Response:

### Question 8.

a. Take the two predictors that had significant random slopes, in the forms in which they worked (indep. or correlated) and add both to the model, and test for need of one conditional on needing the other.

```
# Model with only random intercepts: lm4
# Model with significant random slopes: lm_slopes
lm_slopes1 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +</pre>
    ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid), data = classroom)
lm_slopes2 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +</pre>
    ses + (minority | schoolid) + (1 | classid), data = classroom)
lm_slopes3 <- lmer(math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +</pre>
    ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (minority | schoolid) + (1 | classid), data = classroom)
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl =
## control$checkConv, : Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.00333216
## (tol = 0.002, component 1)
anova(lm_slopes3, lm_slopes2, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm slopes2: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
                   ses + (minority | schoolid) + (1 | classid)
## lm slopes2:
## lm_slopes3: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
                   ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (minority | schoolid) + (1 |
## lm_slopes3:
## lm_slopes3:
                   classid)
                         BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
                   AIC
## lm_slopes2 13 10744 10808 -5358.8
                                        10718
## lm_slopes3 14 10740 10810 -5356.2
                                        10712 5.12
                                                          1
                                                               0.02365 *
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
anova(lm_slopes3, lm_slopes1, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
```

```
## lm_slopes1: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
                  ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm slopes1:
## lm slopes3: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
                  ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (minority | schoolid) + (1 |
## lm_slopes3:
## lm slopes3:
                  classid)
##
                         BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
             Df
                  AIC
## lm slopes1 12 10749 10809 -5362.4
## lm_slopes3 14 10740 10810 -5356.2
                                        10712 12.39
                                                              0.00204 **
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The addition of the random slopes on the two predictors *ses* and *minority* are needed based on the LRT comparing the the need of one random slope, conditional on needing the other.

# b. Is the more complex model (with both random slopes in it) justified?

```
anova(lm4, lm slopes3, refit = F)
## Data: classroom
## Models:
## lm4: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
           ses + (1 | schoolid/classid)
## lm_slopes3: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathknow + mathprep + sex + minority +
                  ses + (0 + ses | schoolid) + (minority | schoolid) + (1 |
## lm slopes3:
## lm_slopes3:
                  classid)
                        BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
             Df
                  AIC
             11 10752 10806 -5364.8
                                       10730
## lm_slopes3 14 10740 10810 -5356.2
                                       10712 17.087
                                                         3 0.0006782 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Reponse:
```

The complex model with both random slopes is justified, with a p-value of 0.0006782.

# c. WRITE OUT THIS MODEL in your preferred notation

The model is:

```
\begin{split} MATH1ST_{ijk} &= b_0 + b_1 HOUSEPOV_k + b_2 YEARSTEA_{jk} + b_3 MATHKNOW_{jk} + \\ b_4 MATHPREP_{jk} + b_5 SEX_{ijk} + (b_6 + \zeta_{6k}) MINORITY_{ijk} + (b_7 + \zeta_{7k}) SES_{ijk} + \zeta_k + \eta_{jk} + \epsilon_{ijk} \end{split} with \zeta_k \sim N(0, \sigma_{\zeta}^2), \ \eta_{jk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\eta}^2), \ \zeta_{6k} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\zeta_6}^2), \ \zeta_{7k} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\zeta_7}^2) \ \text{and} \ \epsilon_{ijk} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2), \ \text{independent of each other} \\ \text{and} \ k = \text{schools}, \ j = \ \text{classrooms and} \ i = \ \text{students} \end{split}
```

# Question 9.

a. For UMM, write down: V\_S, V\_C, V\_E for the three variance components (simply the estimates)

```
V_S = 280.69
V_C = 85.47
V_E = 1146.79
```

```
V_C, V_S, V_E?
V_S = 169.45
V_C = 93.89
V_E = 1064.96
c. By what fraction did these each decrease with the new predictors in the model?
V_S: 39.63% decrease
V_C: 9.85% increase
V_E: 7.14% decrease
Question 10. Now consider the model with a random slope in ses.
a. What are: V_C, V_S(ses=0), V_E?
V_S(ses=0) = 168.00
V C = 88.56
V_E = 1035.11
b. What are: V S(ses=-0.50), V S(ses=+0.5)?
V_S(ses=0.5) = 168 + (0.5^2)*(72.50) = 186.125
V_S(ses=-0.5) = 168 + (-0.5^2)*(72.50) = 186.125
Question 11.
Now consider the model with a random slope in minority.
a. What are: V_C, V_S(minority=0), V_E?
V_S(minority=0) = 381.2
V_C = 86.71
V_E = 1039.4
b. What are: V_S(minority=0.25), V_S(minority=+0.50), V_S(minority=+0.75)?
V_S(minority=0.25) =
\# V_S(minority = 0.25)
# Calculate variance using the formula:
\# V_S(minority = 0.25) = Var(Zeta_0) + Minority^2*Var(Zeta_1) + 2*Minority*CoV(Zeta_0, Zeta_1)
var_minority.25 = 381.2 + (0.25^2)*(343.2) + 2*0.25*(18.525*19.524*-0.83)
print(var_minority.25)
```

b. For the most complicated (all fixed effects) random INTERCEPTS ONLY model, what are:

## [1] 252.5519

```
V_S(minority=0.5) =
# V_S(minority = 0.50)
# Calculate variance using the formula:
# V_S(minority = 0.50) = Var(Zeta_0) + Minority^2*Var(Zeta_1) + 2*Minority*CoV(Zeta_0, Zeta_1)
var_minority.50 = 381.2 + (0.50^2)*(343.2) + 2*0.50*(18.525*19.524*-0.83)
print(var_minority.50)
## [1] 166.8039
V_S(minority=0.75) =
# V_S(minority = 0.75)
# Calculate variance using the formula:
# V_S(minority = 0.75) = Var(Zeta_0) + Minority^2*Var(Zeta_1) + 2*Minority*CoV(Zeta_0, Zeta_1)
var_minority.75 = 381.2 + (0.75^2)*(343.2) + 2*0.75*(18.525*19.524*-0.83)
print(var_minority.75)
```

# Question 12.

Now consider the model with a random slope in ses & minority.

a. What are: V\_C, V\_S(minority=0,ses=0), V\_E? We need to list 'ses=0, minority=0' here, or we don't know how to use the slope variance

```
V_S(sex=0, minority=0) = 404.52

V_C = 80.62

V_E = 1009.73
```

b. In the last model, what is a "likely" (+/- 1 sd) range for  $\eta_{0jk}$ 

Response: [71.641, 89.599]

c. Can we make a similar statement about  $\zeta_{0k}$ ?

Response: No, because the variance for

d. If you had a large value for  $\eta_{0jk}$ , would you expect a large or small or "any" value for the two random slope terms,  $\zeta_{1k}$  and  $\zeta_{2k}$  for ses and minority?

Response: Any value because ther random slope terms are not related to classrooms.

e. If you had a large value for  $\zeta_{0k}$ , would you expect a large or small or "any" value for the two random slope terms,  $\zeta_{1k}$  and  $\zeta_{2k}$  for ses and minority (discuss each separately)?

Response: We would expect a large value for the SES random slope term, and a small value for the minori