Confirmatory Factor Analysis

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1 Preliminaries

In this section, the RStudio workspace and console panes are cleared of old output, variables, and other miscellaneous debris. Packages are loaded and any required data files are retrieved.

```
options(replace.assign = TRUE, width = 65, digits = 4, scipen = 4, fig.width = 4,
    fig.height = 4)

# Clear the workspace and console.
rm(list = ls(all = TRUE))
cat("\f")

# Turn off showing of significance asterisks.
options(show.signif.stars = F)
# Set the contrast option; important for ANOVAs.
options(contrasts = c("contr.sum", "contr.poly"))
how_long <- Sys.time()
set.seed(123)
library(knitr)</pre>
```

```
library(psych)
library(car)
## Loading required package: carData
## Attaching package: 'car'
## The following object is masked from 'package:psych':
##
      logit
library(multcomp)
## Loading required package: mutnorm
## Loading required package: survival
## Loading required package: TH.data
## Loading required package: MASS
##
## Attaching package: 'TH.data'
## The following object is masked from 'package:MASS':
##
##
      geyser
```

```
library(ggplot2)
##
## Attaching package: 'ggplot2'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:psych':
##
##
      %+%, alpha
library(MASS)
library(parallel)
library(ellipse)
##
## Attaching package: 'ellipse'
## The following object is masked from 'package:car':
##
##
      ellipse
## The following object is masked from 'package:graphics':
##
##
      pairs
library(FactoMineR)
## Warning: package 'FactoMineR' was built under R version 3.5.1
library(PerformanceAnalytics)
## Warning: package 'PerformanceAnalytics' was built under R version 3.5.1
## Loading required package: xts
## Loading required package: zoo
##
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
      as.Date, as.Date.numeric
##
## Attaching package: 'PerformanceAnalytics'
## The following object is masked from 'package:graphics':
##
##
      legend
library(plotpc)
## Loading required package: grid
library(sciplot)
library(GPArotation)
library(GGally)
library(MVN)
## sROC 0.1-2 loaded
library(qqplotr)
library(scatterplot3d)
library(rgl)
## Warning: package 'rgl' was built under R version 3.5.1
library(cowplot)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'cowplot'
## The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
##
     ggsave
library(lavaan)
## This is lavaan 0.6-1
## lavaan is BETA software! Please report any bugs.
## Attaching package: 'lavaan'
## The following object is masked from 'package:psych':
##
##
     cor2cov
library(semPlot)
library(semTools)
## This is semTools 0.4-14
## All users of R (or SEM) are invited to submit functions or ideas for functions.
** *********************************
##
## Attaching package: 'semTools'
## The following object is masked from 'package:PerformanceAnalytics':
##
##
     kurtosis
## The following object is masked from 'package:psych':
##
##
     skew
library(MVN)
```

1.1 Data Files

We will use the full mental abilities data set for the example analyses.

```
# Get the drug use data from the working directory.
setwd("C:\\Courses\\Psychology 516\\PowerPoint\\2018")
Mental <- read.table("mental.csv", sep = ",", header = TRUE)</pre>
Mental <- as.data.frame(Mental)</pre>
Mental <- na.omit(Mental)</pre>
names(Mental) <- c("Grammar", "Paragraph_Comprehension", "Vocabulary",</pre>
    "Sentence_Completion", "Geometry", "Algebra", "Numerical_Puzzles",
    "Series_Completion", "Practical_Problem_Solving", "Symbol_Manipulation",
    "Analytical_Ability", "Formal_Logic")
describe(Mental)
                            vars n mean sd median trimmed
                              1 500 -0.01 0.98 -0.02 -0.01
## Grammar
## Paragraph_Comprehension
                              2 500 0.00 1.06 0.04 0.01
## Vocabulary
                               3 500 -0.01 1.00 0.02 0.01
                         4 500 -0.09 1.09 -0.09 -0.09
## Sentence_Completion
```

```
## Geometry
                              5 500 0.01 0.98 -0.03 0.00
## Algebra
                              6 500 -0.03 0.96 0.00
                                                       -0.02
## Numerical_Puzzles
                              7 500 -0.02 0.99 -0.06
                                                       -0.02
## Series_Completion
                            8 500 -0.01 0.96 -0.03
                                                      0.00
## Practical_Problem_Solving 9 500 -0.02 0.94 -0.04
                                                      -0.03
## Symbol_Manipulation
                            10 500 0.00 0.97 -0.06
                                                      -0.01
                            11 500 0.00 0.98 0.01
## Analytical_Ability
                                                        0.01
## Formal_Logic
                            12 500 -0.06 1.02 -0.09
                                                       -0.07
##
                                  min max range skew kurtosis
## Grammar
                           0.99 -3.00 2.24 5.24 -0.06
                                                         -0.21
## Paragraph_Comprehension 1.09 -3.02 2.95 5.98 -0.09
                                                         -0.19
                         0.98 -3.49 2.76 6.25 -0.25
## Vocabulary
                                                         -0.05
## Sentence_Completion 1.12 -3.09 3.01 6.10 0.02 ## Geometry 0.94 -2.52 2.78 5.30 0.11
                                                       -0.24
                                                         -0.17
## Algebra
                          0.87 -2.91 2.89 5.80 -0.07
                                                         0.17
                        0.93 -2.80 2.88 5.69 0.01
## Numerical_Puzzles
                                                         0.05
## Series_Completion
                         0.96 -3.04 2.29 5.33 -0.11
                                                         -0.21
## Practical_Problem_Solving 0.96 -2.64 3.03 5.67 0.13
                                                         -0.02
## Symbol_Manipulation 0.94 -3.07 2.74 5.81 0.09
                                                         0.12
## Analytical_Ability 1.02 -3.75 2.64 6.39 -0.15
                                                        0.00
## Formal_Logic
                           0.93 -3.20 3.73 6.93 0.06
                                                          0.44
##
                            se
## Grammar
                           0.04
## Paragraph_Comprehension 0.05
## Vocabulary
                           0.04
## Sentence_Completion
                           0.05
## Geometry
                           0.04
## Algebra
                           0.04
## Numerical_Puzzles
                           0.04
## Series_Completion
                           0.04
## Practical_Problem_Solving 0.04
## Symbol_Manipulation
                      0.04
## Analytical_Ability
                           0.04
## Formal_Logic
                           0.05
```

2 Screen the Data

First we will do a quick screen of the data to make sure there are no severe multivariate outliers.

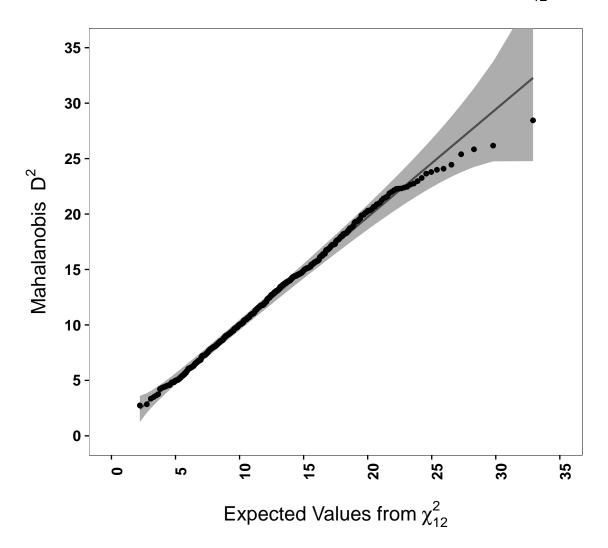
2.1 Mahalanobis Distance

```
CV <- cov(Mental)
D2 <- mahalanobis(Mental, center = colMeans(Mental), cov = CV)
D2 <- as.data.frame(D2)
describe(D2)

## vars n mean sd median trimmed mad min max range skew
## X1     1 500 11.98 4.75     11.4     11.65 4.66 2.74 28.45 25.7 0.61
## kurtosis se
## X1     0.05 0.21</pre>
```

```
ggplot(D2, aes(sample = D2)) + stat_qq_band(distribution = "chisq",
    dparams = list(df = 12)) + stat_qq_line(distribution = "chisq",
    dparams = list(df = 12)) + stat_gg(distribution = "gchisq", dparams = list(df = 12)) +
    scale_y_continuous(breaks = seq(0, 35, 5)) + scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(0,
    35, 5)) + coord_cartesian(xlim = c(0, 35), ylim = c(0, 35)) +
    xlab(expression("Expected Values from" * ~chi[12]^2)) + ylab(expression("Mahalanobis " *
    ~D^2)) + theme(text = element_text(size = 14, family = "sans",
    color = "black", face = "bold"), axis.text.y = element_text(colour = "black",
    size = 12, face = "bold"), axis.text.x = element_text(colour = "black",
    size = 12, face = "bold", angle = 90), axis.title.x = element_text(margin = margin(15,
    0, 0, 0), size = 16), axis.title.y = element_text(margin = margin(0,
    15, 0, 0), size = 16), axis.line.x = element_blank(), axis.line.y = element_blank(),
   plot.title = element_text(size = 16, face = "bold", margin = margin(0,
       0, 20, 0), hjust = 0.5), panel.background = element_rect(fill = "white",
       linetype = 1, color = "black"), panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
   panel.grid.minor = element_blank(), plot.background = element_rect(fill = "white"),
   plot.margin = unit(c(1, 1, 1, 1), "cm"), legend.position = "bottom",
    legend.title = element_blank()) + ggtitle(expression("Q-Q Plot of Mahalanobis" *
    ~D^2 * " vs. Quantiles of" * ~chi[12]^2))
```

Q–Q Plot of Mahalanobis D^2 vs. Quantiles of χ^2_{12}



The squared Mahalanobis distances suggest the data are well behaved. We can also test for multivariate normality.

```
mvn(Mental, mvnTest = "mardia")
## $multivariateNormality
##
                Test
                              Statistic
                                                  p value Result
## 1 Mardia Skewness 367.600071004817 0.437353917013108
                                                              YES
## 2 Mardia Kurtosis -0.866369530731211 0.386287547416061
                                                              YES
## 3
                 MVN
                                   <NA>
                                                      <NA>
                                                              YES
## $univariateNormality
                                    Variable Statistic
                                                          p value
## 1 Shapiro-Wilk
                            Grammar
                                                 0.9955
                                                           0.1597
## 2 Shapiro-Wilk Paragraph_Comprehension
                                                0.9980
```

```
## 3 Shapiro-Wilk
                          Vocabulary
                                               0.9951
                                                         0.1166
## 4 Shapiro-Wilk
                      Sentence_Completion
                                                0.9972
                                                          0.5408
## 5 Shapiro-Wilk
                                                          0.2666
                           Geometry
                                                0.9961
## 6 Shapiro-Wilk
                           Algebra
                                                0.9964
                                                         0.3168
## 7
     Shapiro-Wilk
                      Numerical_Puzzles
                                                0.9966
                                                         0.3863
                                                         0.2195
## 8
     Shapiro-Wilk
                      Series_Completion
                                               0.9959
## 9
      Shapiro-Wilk Practical_Problem_Solving
                                                0.9974
                                                          0.6374
## 10 Shapiro-Wilk
                      Symbol_Manipulation
                                               0.9962
                                                         0.2767
## 11 Shapiro-Wilk
                      Analytical_Ability
                                                0.9971
                                                          0.5221
## 12 Shapiro-Wilk
                         Formal_Logic
                                                          0.2500
                                                0.9961
      Normality
## 1
        YES
## 2
        YES
## 3
        YES
## 4
        YES
## 5
        YES
## 6
        YES
## 7
        YES
## 8
        YES
## 9
        YES
## 10
        YES
## 11
         YES
## 12
         YES
##
## $Descriptives
##
                                      Mean Std.Dev
                                                      Median
## Grammar
                             500 -0.007632 0.9765 -0.019820 -3.003
## Paragraph_Comprehension
                             500 -0.003750 1.0633 0.035079 -3.024
## Vocabulary
                            500 -0.014783 0.9989 0.023294 -3.492
## Sentence_Completion
                            500 -0.087844 1.0863 -0.087127 -3.092
## Geometry
                            500 0.010634 0.9789 -0.028235 -2.522
## Algebra
                            500 -0.015062 0.9890 -0.062496 -2.804
## Numerical_Puzzles
## Series_Completion
                            500 -0.006348  0.9638 -0.029178 -3.038
## Practical_Problem_Solving 500 -0.016828 0.9361 -0.040021 -2.636
## Symbol_Manipulation
                            500 0.000833 0.9718 -0.056943 -3.073
## Analytical_Ability
                             500 -0.004649 0.9834 0.009074 -3.751
                            500 -0.062950 1.0165 -0.092532 -3.197
## Formal_Logic
##
                              Max
                                      25th
                                           75th
## Grammar
                            2.235 -0.6782 0.6886 -0.05736
## Paragraph_Comprehension
                            2.952 -0.7485 0.7003 -0.09118
                             2.763 -0.6567 0.6660 -0.24969
## Vocabulary
## Sentence_Completion
                             3.005 -0.8542 0.6525 0.01663
                            2.779 -0.6281 0.6738 0.10710
## Geometry
## Algebra
                             2.893 -0.6320 0.5580 -0.07334
## Numerical_Puzzles
                            2.881 -0.5965 0.6013 0.01468
## Series_Completion
                            2.288 -0.6444 0.6381 -0.11470
## Practical_Problem_Solving 3.033 -0.6044 0.6685 0.12662
## Symbol_Manipulation
                            2.740 -0.6110 0.6397 0.08702
## Analytical_Ability
                            2.636 -0.6867 0.6939 -0.15307
                            3.729 -0.6654 0.5589 0.05588
## Formal_Logic
                             Kurtosis
##
## Grammar
                             -0.210884
## Paragraph_Comprehension -0.185360
```

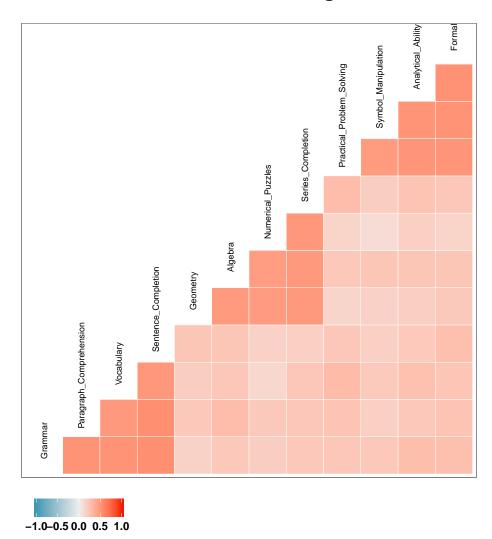
```
## Vocabulary
                             -0.047192
## Sentence_Completion
                             -0.238030
## Geometry
                             -0.174019
## Algebra
                             0.171153
## Numerical_Puzzles
                             0.046084
## Series_Completion
                            -0.214526
## Practical_Problem_Solving -0.019846
## Symbol_Manipulation
                              0.120057
## Analytical_Ability
                              0.001184
## Formal_Logic
                              0.441237
```

The data are multivariate normal, which is of course not surprising given that they were generated from a multivariate normal distribution.

3 Correlations

A heat map for the correlation matrix easily identifies the pattern of correlations in the simulated data.

Intercorrelations Among Items



4 Confirmatory Factor Analysis

In the following sections, we will examine several confirmatory factor analysis models that range in their complexity, some of which are nested and so can be compared statistically for goodness of fit.

4.1 Model 1

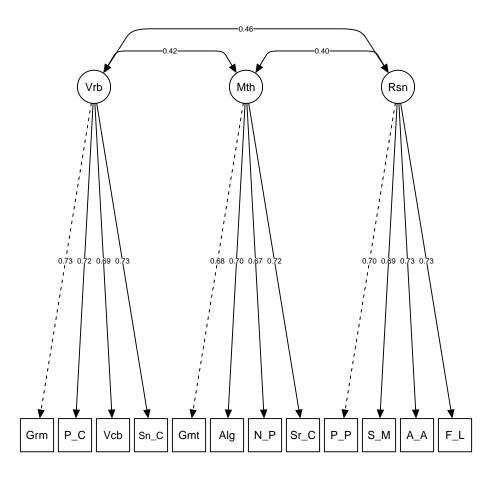
```
mental.model.1 <- "
# Latent variable definitions.
# Scale of the latent variables is set by the first listed manifest variable.
Verbal = Grammar+Paragraph_Comprehension+Vocabulary+Sentence_Completion</pre>
```

```
Math =~ Geometry+Algebra+Numerical_Puzzles+Series_Completion
Reasoning = Practical_Problem_Solving+Symbol_Manipulation+Analytical_Ability+Formal_Logic
# Latent variable covariances.
Verbal ~~ Math
Verbal ~~ Reasoning
Math ~~ Reasoning
CFA_Fit_1 <- cfa(mental.model.1, data = Mental, missing = "ML", estimator = "MLR",</pre>
   likelihood = "wishart", representation = "LISREL")
summary(CFA_Fit_1, standardized = TRUE, rsq = TRUE, fit.measures = TRUE)
```

```
0.000 NA
     90 Percent Confidence Interval
##
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
##
     SRMR
                                                      0.026
                                                                  0.026
##
## Parameter Estimates:
##
##
     Information
                                                  Observed
##
     Observed information based on
                                                    Hessian
     Standard Errors
                                        Robust.huber.white
##
## Latent Variables:
                      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
##
                                                              Std.lv
     Verbal =~
##
##
       Grammar
                         1.000
                                                               0.716
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                         1.065
                                   0.080
                                           13.256
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.762
##
       Vocabulary
                          0.960
                                   0.070
                                           13.772
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.687
##
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                         1.108
                                   0.079
                                           13.940
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.793
     Math =~
##
       Geometry
                         1.000
                                                               0.669
##
                                                               0.670
##
       Algebra
                          1.002
                                   0.082
                                           12.225
                                                      0.000
       Numericl_Pzzls
##
                         0.994
                                   0.080
                                           12.357
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.664
##
       Series_Compltn
                         1.031
                                   0.079
                                           13.081
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.689
##
    Reasoning =~
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
##
                         1.000
                                                               0.650
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                         1.030
                                   0.081
                                                               0.670
                                           12.652
                                                     0.000
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                         1.097
                                   0.085
                                           12.899
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.713
##
       Formal_Logic
                         1.143
                                   0.090
                                           12.647
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.744
##
     Std.all
##
##
       0.734
       0.718
##
##
       0.689
       0.731
##
##
       0.684
##
##
       0.698
##
       0.672
##
       0.716
##
##
       0.695
       0.690
##
##
       0.726
##
       0.732
##
## Covariances:
                      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
##
                                                              Std.lv
     Verbal ~~
##
                                   0.029
                                                               0.417
##
       Math
                         0.199
                                            6.782
                                                     0.000
##
       Reasoning
                         0.215
                                   0.029
                                            7.442
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.461
     Math ~~
##
       Reasoning
##
                         0.176
                                   0.026
                                            6.759
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.405
## Std.all
```

```
##
##
       0.417
##
       0.461
##
##
       0.405
##
##
   Intercepts:
##
                        Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                                 Std.lv
##
       .Grammar
                          -0.008
                                     0.044
                                             -0.175
                                                         0.861
                                                                 -0.008
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          -0.004
                                     0.048
                                             -0.079
                                                         0.937
                                                                 -0.004
##
##
      .Vocabulary
                          -0.015
                                     0.045
                                             -0.331
                                                         0.741
                                                                 -0.015
##
                          -0.088
                                     0.049
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                                             -1.808
                                                         0.071
                                                                 -0.088
##
      .Geometry
                          0.011
                                     0.044
                                               0.243
                                                         0.808
                                                                  0.011
##
      .Algebra
                          -0.029
                                     0.043
                                             -0.666
                                                         0.505
                                                                 -0.029
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                          -0.015
                                     0.044
                                              -0.341
                                                         0.733
                                                                 -0.015
##
                                     0.043
      .Series_Compltn
                          -0.006
                                             -0.147
                                                         0.883
                                                                 -0.006
                          -0.017
                                     0.042
                                             -0.402
                                                         0.688
                                                                 -0.017
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                           0.001
                                     0.043
                                               0.019
                                                         0.985
                                                                  0.001
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                          -0.005
                                     0.044
                                             -0.106
                                                         0.916
                                                                 -0.005
                          -0.063
                                                         0.166
                                                                 -0.063
##
      .Formal_Logic
                                     0.045
                                             -1.385
       Verbal
##
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
##
       Math
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
       Reasoning
                                                                  0.000
##
                           0.000
##
     Std.all
##
      -0.008
##
      -0.004
      -0.015
##
##
      -0.081
##
       0.011
##
      -0.030
##
      -0.015
##
      -0.007
      -0.018
##
##
       0.001
##
      -0.005
##
      -0.062
##
       0.000
       0.000
##
       0.000
##
##
##
  Variances:
##
                                  Std.Err
                                                      P(>|z|)
                                                                 Std.lv
                        Estimate
                                            z-value
##
      .Grammar
                           0.439
                                     0.036
                                             12.355
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.439
                                     0.044
                                                                  0.547
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                           0.547
                                             12.390
                                                         0.000
##
      .Vocabulary
                           0.524
                                     0.041
                                              12.747
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.524
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                                     0.044
                           0.548
                                             12.378
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.548
##
      .Geometry
                           0.509
                                     0.046
                                             11.188
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.509
##
      .Algebra
                           0.474
                                     0.041
                                              11.462
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.474
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                           0.535
                                     0.045
                                              11.762
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.535
##
      .Series_Compltn
                           0.452
                                     0.040
                                             11.349
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.452
                           0.452
                                     0.039
                                                                  0.452
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                                              11.562
                                                         0.000
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                           0.494
                                     0.042
                                              11.846
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.494
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                           0.456
                                     0.042
                                              10.850
                                                         0.000
                                                                  0.456
      .Formal_Logic
                           0.478
                                     0.041
                                              11.787
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.478
```

```
0.060
                                                               1.000
##
       Verbal
                          0.513
                                            8.520
                                                     0.000
##
       Math
                          0.447
                                   0.056
                                            7.997
                                                      0.000
                                                               1.000
##
       Reasoning
                          0.423
                                   0.049
                                            8.639
                                                      0.000
                                                               1.000
##
     Std.all
       0.461
##
##
       0.485
##
       0.526
##
       0.466
##
       0.533
##
       0.513
##
       0.548
##
       0.488
##
       0.516
##
       0.524
##
       0.473
##
       0.464
##
       1.000
##
       1.000
##
       1.000
##
## R-Square:
##
                      Estimate
##
                         0.539
       Grammar
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          0.515
##
       Vocabulary
                          0.474
##
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                         0.534
##
       Geometry
                         0.467
       Algebra
                         0.487
##
##
                         0.452
       Numericl_Pzzls
##
       Series_Compltn
                         0.512
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                         0.484
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                         0.476
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                          0.527
       Formal_Logic
                         0.536
semPaths(CFA_Fit_1, title = FALSE, "std", edge.label.cex = 0.5, curvePivot = TRUE,
    layout = "tree2", style = "lisrel", residuals = FALSE, sizeLat = 5,
    sizeMan = 5, intercepts = FALSE, what = "path", edge.color = "black")
```



4.2 Model 2

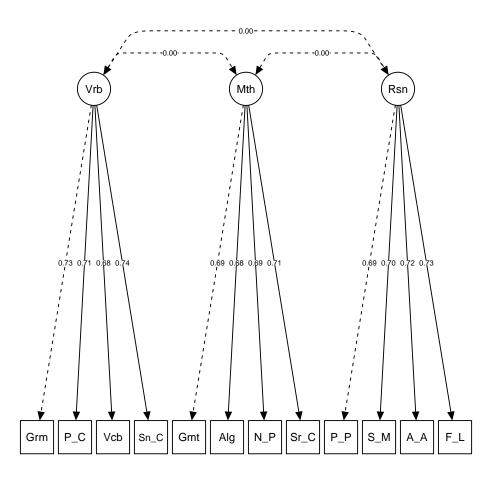
```
mental.model.2 <- "
# Latent variable definitions.
# Scale of the latent variables is set by the first listed manifest variable.
Verbal = Grammar+Paragraph_Comprehension+Vocabulary+Sentence_Completion
Math = Geometry+Algebra+Numerical_Puzzles+Series_Completion
Reasoning = Practical_Problem_Solving+Symbol_Manipulation+Analytical_Ability+Formal_Logic
# Latent variable covariances are set to 0.
Verbal ~ 0*Math
Verbal ~ 0*Reasoning
Math ~ 0*Reasoning</pre>
```

```
CFA_Fit_2 <- cfa(mental.model.2, data = Mental, missing = "ML", estimator = "MLR",
    likelihood = "wishart", representation = "LISREL")
summary(CFA_Fit_2, standardized = TRUE, rsq = TRUE, fit.measures = TRUE)
## lavaan (0.6-1) converged normally after 22 iterations
##
##
     Number of observations
                                                     500
##
    Number of missing patterns
                                                       1
##
##
    Estimator
                                                      MT.
                                                              Robust
     Model Fit Test Statistic
                                                 214.022
                                                             216.879
##
    Degrees of freedom
                                                      54
                                                                  54
##
   P-value (Chi-square)
                                                   0.000
                                                               0.000
     Scaling correction factor
                                                               0.987
##
##
      for the Yuan-Bentler correction (Mplus variant)
##
## Model test baseline model:
##
##
    Minimum Function Test Statistic
                                               1962.116
                                                            1980.927
##
    Degrees of freedom
                                                     66
    P-value
                                                   0.000
                                                               0.000
##
##
## User model versus baseline model:
                                                   0.916
                                                               0.915
##
     Comparative Fit Index (CFI)
    Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI)
                                                   0.897
                                                               0.896
##
##
##
   Robust Comparative Fit Index (CFI)
                                                                  NA
    Robust Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI)
##
                                                                  NA
##
## Loglikelihood and Information Criteria:
##
##
     Loglikelihood user model (HO)
                                               -7589.790 -7589.790
##
    Loglikelihood unrestricted model (H1)
                                              -7482.565
                                                           -7482.565
##
##
    Number of free parameters
                                                      36
     Akaike (AIC)
##
                                               15251.580
                                                           15251.580
##
    Bayesian (BIC)
                                               15403.306
                                                           15403.306
     Sample-size adjusted Bayesian (BIC)
                                               15289.040 15289.040
##
## Root Mean Square Error of Approximation:
##
##
    RMSEA
                                                   0.077
                                                               0.078
    90 Percent Confidence Interval
                                            0.066 0.088
##
                                                               0.067 0.089
    P-value RMSEA <= 0.05
                                                   0.000
                                                               0.000
##
##
##
    Robust RMSEA
                                                                  NA
    90 Percent Confidence Interval
##
                                                                  NA
                                                                         NA
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
##
     SRMR
                                                   0.158
                                                               0.158
##
## Parameter Estimates:
```

```
##
##
     Information
                                                    Observed
##
     Observed information based on
                                                     Hessian
     Standard Errors
                                         Robust.huber.white
##
##
## Latent Variables:
                       Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
##
                                                               Std.lv
     Verbal =~
##
                          1.000
                                                                 0.716
##
       Grammar
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          1.060
                                    0.080
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.759
                                            13.247
##
       Vocabulary
                          0.953
                                    0.070
                                            13.573
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.682
##
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                          1.118
                                    0.082
                                            13.680
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.801
##
     Math =~
##
       Geometry
                          1.000
                                                                 0.674
##
       Algebra
                          0.976
                                    0.080
                                            12.177
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.657
       Numericl_Pzzls
##
                          1.008
                                    0.082
                                            12.316
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.679
##
       Series_Compltn
                          1.015
                                    0.077
                                            13.223
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.684
##
     Reasoning =~
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                          1.000
                                                                 0.645
                                                                 0.681
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                          1.055
                                    0.084
                                            12.629
                                                       0.000
                                            12.436
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                          1.102
                                    0.089
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.711
##
                                            12.319
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.740
       Formal_Logic
                          1.147
                                    0.093
##
     Std.all
##
##
       0.734
       0.715
##
##
       0.684
##
       0.738
##
##
       0.689
##
       0.684
##
       0.687
       0.710
##
##
##
       0.690
       0.701
##
       0.724
##
##
       0.729
##
## Covariances:
##
                       Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                               Std.lv
##
     Verbal ~~
                          0.000
                                                                 0.000
##
       Math
##
       Reasoning
                          0.000
                                                                 0.000
     Math ~~
##
##
       Reasoning
                          0.000
                                                                 0.000
##
     Std.all
##
       0.000
##
       0.000
##
##
##
       0.000
##
## Intercepts:
```

```
##
                        Estimate
                                   Std.Err
                                             z-value P(>|z|)
                                                                  Std.lv
##
       .Grammar
                          -0.008
                                     0.044
                                              -0.175
                                                         0.861
                                                                  -0.008
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          -0.004
                                     0.048
                                              -0.079
                                                         0.937
                                                                  -0.004
                          -0.015
                                     0.045
                                              -0.331
                                                                  -0.015
##
      .Vocabulary
                                                         0.741
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                          -0.088
                                     0.049
                                              -1.808
                                                         0.071
                                                                  -0.088
##
##
      .Geometry
                           0.011
                                     0.044
                                               0.243
                                                         0.808
                                                                   0.011
##
      .Algebra
                          -0.029
                                     0.043
                                              -0.666
                                                         0.505
                                                                  -0.029
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                          -0.015
                                     0.044
                                              -0.341
                                                         0.733
                                                                  -0.015
##
      .Series_Compltn
                          -0.006
                                     0.043
                                              -0.147
                                                         0.883
                                                                  -0.006
##
                          -0.017
                                     0.042
                                              -0.402
                                                         0.688
                                                                  -0.017
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                           0.001
                                     0.043
                                               0.019
                                                         0.985
                                                                   0.001
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                          -0.005
                                     0.044
                                              -0.106
                                                         0.916
                                                                  -0.005
##
      .Formal_Logic
                          -0.063
                                     0.045
                                              -1.385
                                                         0.166
                                                                  -0.063
##
       Verbal
                                                                   0.000
                           0.000
##
       Math
                           0.000
                                                                   0.000
                                                                   0.000
##
       Reasoning
                           0.000
##
     Std.all
##
      -0.008
      -0.004
##
##
      -0.015
      -0.081
##
##
       0.011
##
      -0.030
##
      -0.015
##
      -0.007
      -0.018
##
##
       0.001
##
      -0.005
##
      -0.062
##
       0.000
##
       0.000
       0.000
##
##
## Variances:
##
                        Estimate
                                  Std.Err
                                             z-value P(>|z|)
                                                                  Std.lv
                                                                   0.439
##
      .Grammar
                           0.439
                                     0.036
                                              12.051
                                                         0.000
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                           0.552
                                     0.046
                                              11.987
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.552
##
      .Vocabulary
                           0.530
                                     0.042
                                              12.621
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.530
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                           0.536
                                     0.046
                                              11.740
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.536
##
                           0.503
                                     0.045
                                              11.059
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.503
      . Geometry
##
                                     0.042
                                              11.698
                                                         0.000
      .Algebra
                           0.491
                                                                   0.491
##
                                     0.046
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                           0.515
                                              11.318
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.515
##
      .Series_Compltn
                           0.459
                                     0.040
                                              11.403
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.459
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                           0.458
                                     0.039
                                              11.639
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.458
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                           0.479
                                     0.041
                                              11.659
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.479
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                           0.459
                                     0.044
                                              10.539
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.459
##
      .Formal_Logic
                           0.484
                                     0.043
                                              11.355
                                                         0.000
                                                                   0.484
##
       Verbal
                           0.513
                                     0.061
                                               8.444
                                                         0.000
                                                                   1.000
##
       Math
                           0.454
                                     0.056
                                               8.122
                                                         0.000
                                                                   1.000
##
       Reasoning
                           0.417
                                     0.050
                                               8.357
                                                         0.000
                                                                   1.000
##
     Std.all
##
       0.461
       0.489
##
```

```
##
      0.533
##
      0.455
##
      0.525
##
      0.532
##
      0.528
##
      0.496
##
      0.524
##
      0.508
      0.476
##
##
      0.469
##
      1.000
##
      1.000
##
       1.000
##
## R-Square:
##
                      Estimate
##
       Grammar
                        0.539
##
      Prgrph_Cmprhns
                        0.511
##
      Vocabulary
                        0.467
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
##
                        0.545
##
       Geometry
                        0.475
##
                         0.468
       Algebra
##
      Numericl_Pzzls
                        0.472
##
      Series_Compltn
                        0.504
##
      Prctcl_Prblm_S
                        0.476
##
      Symbol_Manpltn
                        0.492
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                        0.524
##
      Formal_Logic
                         0.531
semPaths(CFA_Fit_2, title = FALSE, "std", edge.label.cex = 0.5, curvePivot = TRUE,
    layout = "tree2", style = "lisrel", residuals = FALSE, sizeLat = 5,
    sizeMan = 5, intercepts = FALSE, what = "path", edge.color = "black")
```



4.3 Model 3

```
## lavaan (0.6-1) converged normally after 26 iterations
##
##
     Number of observations
                                                         500
##
     Number of missing patterns
                                                          1
##
                                                          ML
##
     Estimator
                                                                  Robust
##
     Model Fit Test Statistic
                                                    770.567
                                                                 848.990
##
    Degrees of freedom
                                                                       54
                                                          54
    P-value (Chi-square)
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.000
##
                                                                   0.908
##
     Scaling correction factor
##
     for the Yuan-Bentler correction (Mplus variant)
##
## Model test baseline model:
##
     Minimum Function Test Statistic
##
                                                   1962.116
                                                                1980.927
     Degrees of freedom
                                                      66
##
                                                                       66
##
     P-value
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.000
##
## User model versus baseline model:
                                                      0.622
##
     Comparative Fit Index (CFI)
                                                                   0.585
##
     Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI)
                                                      0.538
                                                                   0.493
##
##
     Robust Comparative Fit Index (CFI)
                                                                       NA
     Robust Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI)
##
                                                                       NA
##
## Loglikelihood and Information Criteria:
##

      Loglikelihood user model (H0)
      -7868.620
      -7868.620

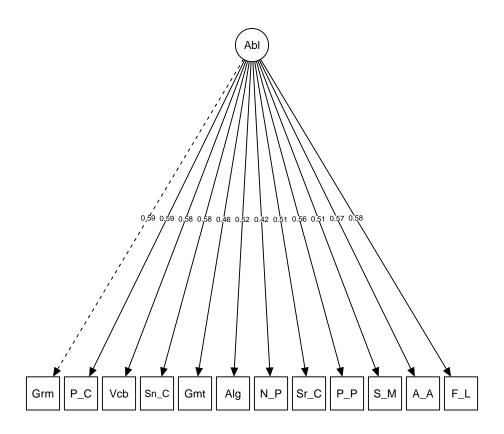
      Loglikelihood unrestricted model (H1)
      -7482.565
      -7482.565

##
##
##
   Number of free parameters
##
                                                          36
                                                                       36
##
     Akaike (AIC)
                                                 15809.241
                                                               15809.241
##
     Bayesian (BIC)
                                                  15960.967
                                                               15960.967
     Sample-size adjusted Bayesian (BIC)
                                                 15846.700 15846.700
##
## Root Mean Square Error of Approximation:
##
##
     RMSEA
                                                       0.163
                                                                   0.172
     90 Percent Confidence Interval 0.153 0.173
                                                                   0.161 0.183
##
     P-value RMSEA <= 0.05
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.000
##
    Robust RMSEA
                                                                       NA
##
##
     90 Percent Confidence Interval
                                                                       NA
                                                                              NA
##
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
                                                      0.112
##
     SRMR
                                                                   0.112
## Parameter Estimates:
##
##
    Information
                                                   Observed
   Observed information based on
##
                                                    Hessian
```

```
##
     Standard Errors
                                         Robust.huber.white
##
## Latent Variables:
                                 Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                               Std.lv
##
                       Estimate
##
     Ability =~
                          1.000
                                                                 0.578
##
       Grammar
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          1.084
                                    0.092
                                            11.844
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.627
       Vocabulary
##
                          0.999
                                    0.078
                                            12.853
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.578
##
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                          1.082
                                    0.089
                                            12.141
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.626
##
                                             5.630
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.447
       Geometry
                          0.773
                                    0.137
##
       Algebra
                          0.861
                                    0.150
                                             5.743
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.498
##
       Numericl_Pzzls
                          0.720
                                    0.131
                                             5.501
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.417
##
       Series_Compltn
                          0.845
                                    0.139
                                             6.067
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.489
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                          0.907
                                    0.156
                                             5.803
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.524
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                          0.857
                                    0.167
                                             5.121
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.495
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                                             5.607
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.559
                          0.967
                                    0.172
##
       Formal_Logic
                                             5.694
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.585
                          1.012
                                    0.178
##
     Std.all
##
       0.593
##
##
       0.590
##
       0.579
       0.577
##
##
       0.457
##
       0.518
##
       0.422
##
       0.508
##
       0.561
##
       0.510
##
       0.569
##
       0.577
## Intercepts:
##
                       Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                               Std.lv
##
                         -0.008
                                   0.044
                                            -0.175
                                                               -0.008
      .Grammar
                                                       0.861
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                         -0.004
                                    0.048
                                            -0.079
                                                       0.937
                                                               -0.004
                         -0.015
                                            -0.331
                                                               -0.015
##
                                    0.045
                                                       0.741
      .Vocabulary
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                         -0.088
                                    0.049
                                            -1.808
                                                       0.071
                                                               -0.088
##
                                    0.044
      .Geometry
                          0.011
                                             0.243
                                                       0.808
                                                                0.011
##
      .Algebra
                         -0.029
                                    0.043
                                            -0.666
                                                       0.505
                                                               -0.029
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                         -0.015
                                    0.044
                                            -0.341
                                                       0.733
                                                               -0.015
##
      .Series_Compltn
                         -0.006
                                    0.043
                                            -0.147
                                                       0.883
                                                               -0.006
                                    0.042
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                         -0.017
                                            -0.402
                                                       0.688
                                                               -0.017
##
                         0.001
                                    0.043
                                             0.019
                                                       0.985
                                                                0.001
      .Symbol_Manpltn
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                         -0.005
                                    0.044
                                            -0.106
                                                       0.916
                                                                -0.005
##
      .Formal_Logic
                         -0.063
                                    0.045
                                            -1.385
                                                       0.166
                                                               -0.063
                                                                 0.000
##
       Ability
                          0.000
##
     Std.all
##
      -0.008
      -0.004
##
##
      -0.015
      -0.081
##
##
       0.011
      -0.030
##
```

```
##
      -0.015
      -0.007
##
##
      -0.018
##
       0.001
##
      -0.005
##
      -0.062
##
       0.000
##
## Variances:
##
                       Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                                Std.lv
##
      .Grammar
                          0.617
                                    0.054
                                            11.492
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.617
##
                          0.735
                                            11.303
                                                       0.000
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                                    0.065
                                                                 0.735
##
      .Vocabulary
                          0.662
                                    0.056
                                             11.857
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.662
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                          0.786
                                    0.070
                                             11.263
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.786
##
                          0.757
                                    0.060
                                             12.660
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.757
      .Geometry
##
      .Algebra
                          0.675
                                    0.053
                                             12.733
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.675
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.803
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                          0.803
                                    0.058
                                             13.861
##
      .Series_Compltn
                          0.688
                                    0.049
                                             13.934
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.688
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                          0.600
                                    0.058
                                            10.269
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.600
                                    0.062
                                                       0.000
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                          0.697
                                            11.331
                                                                 0.697
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                          0.653
                                    0.061
                                             10.625
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.653
##
                          0.688
                                    0.067
                                                       0.000
                                                                 0.688
      .Formal_Logic
                                             10.351
##
       Ability
                          0.334
                                    0.069
                                              4.864
                                                       0.000
                                                                 1.000
##
     Std.all
##
       0.649
##
       0.651
##
       0.664
##
       0.667
##
       0.791
##
       0.731
##
       0.822
##
       0.742
       0.686
##
##
       0.740
##
       0.676
##
       0.668
##
       1.000
##
## R-Square:
##
                       Estimate
##
       Grammar
                          0.351
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          0.349
##
       Vocabulary
                          0.336
##
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                          0.333
##
       Geometry
                          0.209
##
       Algebra
                          0.269
##
       Numericl_Pzzls
                          0.178
       Series_Compltn
##
                          0.258
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                          0.314
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                          0.260
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                          0.324
##
       Formal_Logic
                          0.332
semPaths(CFA_Fit_3, title = FALSE, "std", edge.label.cex = 0.5, curvePivot = TRUE,
```

```
layout = "tree2", style = "lisrel", residuals = FALSE, sizeLat = 5,
sizeMan = 5, intercepts = FALSE, what = "path", edge.color = "black")
```



4.4 Model 3 Alternative

```
mental.model.3b <- "

# Latent variable definitions.

# Scale of the latent variables is not set by the first listed manifest variable.

Verbal =~ NA*Grammar+Paragraph_Comprehension+Vocabulary+Sentence_Completion

Math =~ NA*Geometry+Algebra+Numerical_Puzzles+Series_Completion

Reasoning =~ NA*Practical_Problem_Solving+Symbol_Manipulation+Analytical_Ability+Formal_Logic

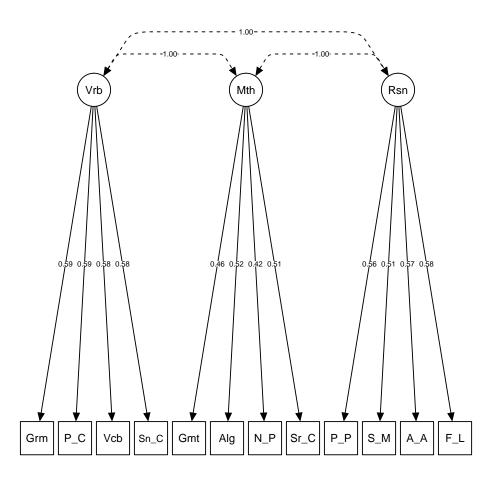
# Latent variable covariances are set equal and to 1. Along with the standardization,</pre>
```

```
# this forces all three latent variables to be perfectly correlated, equivalent to
# a single latent variable, as in the previous model.
Verbal ~~ 1*Math
Verbal ~~ 1*Reasoning
Math ~~ 1*Reasoning
# Scale of the latent variables is set to 1 (standardized).
Verbal ~~ 1*Verbal
Math ~~ 1*Math
Reasoning ~~ 1*Reasoning
CFA_Fit_3b <- cfa(mental.model.3b, data = Mental, missing = "ML",</pre>
   estimator = "MLR", likelihood = "wishart", representation = "LISREL")
summary(CFA_Fit_3b, standardized = TRUE, rsq = TRUE, fit.measures = TRUE)
```

```
##
    P-value RMSEA <= 0.05
                                                     0.000 0.000
##
##
    Robust RMSEA
                                                                    NA
     90 Percent Confidence Interval
                                                                    NA
                                                                           NA
##
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
                                                    0.112
##
    SRMR
                                                                 0.112
##
## Parameter Estimates:
##
    Information
                                                  Observed
##
    Observed information based on
                                                  Hessian
##
    Standard Errors
                                       Robust.huber.white
## Latent Variables:
##
                      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                             Std.lv
##
    Verbal =~
##
       Grammar
                         0.578
                                  0.059
                                           9.727
                                                    0.000
                                                             0.578
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                         0.627
                                  0.063
                                           9.913
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.627
##
       Vocabulary
                         0.578
                                  0.057
                                          10.168
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.578
##
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                                           9.345
                                                    0.000
                         0.626
                                  0.067
                                                              0.626
    Math =~
##
##
       Geometry
                         0.447
                                  0.058
                                           7.701
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.447
##
       Algebra
                         0.498
                                  0.058
                                           8.600
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.498
       Numericl_Pzzls
                                           7.468
                                                    0.000
##
                         0.417
                                  0.056
                                                              0.417
##
       Series_Compltn
                         0.489
                                  0.052
                                           9.397
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.489
##
    Reasoning =~
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                         0.524
                                  0.054
                                           9.688
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.524
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                         0.495
                                  0.066
                                           7.488
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.495
       Analytcl_Ablty
                                  0.062
                                           9.058
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.559
##
                         0.559
##
       Formal_Logic
                         0.585
                                  0.065
                                           8.957
                                                    0.000
                                                              0.585
##
    Std.all
##
       0.593
##
       0.590
##
       0.579
##
##
       0.577
##
##
       0.457
##
       0.518
##
       0.422
       0.508
##
##
##
       0.561
##
       0.510
##
       0.569
##
       0.577
## Covariances:
##
                      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
     Verbal ~~
##
##
       Math
                         1.000
                                                              1.000
                                                              1.000
                       1.000
## Reasoning
```

```
Math ~~
##
                           1.000
                                                                  1.000
##
       Reasoning
##
     Std.all
##
##
       1.000
##
       1.000
##
##
       1.000
##
##
  Intercepts:
##
                       Estimate Std.Err
                                            z-value P(>|z|)
                                                                 Std.lv
                                             -0.175
##
                          -0.008
                                    0.044
                                                                 -0.008
      .Grammar
                                                        0.861
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          -0.004
                                    0.048
                                             -0.079
                                                        0.937
                                                                 -0.004
                                             -0.331
##
                          -0.015
                                    0.045
                                                        0.741
                                                                 -0.015
      .Vocabulary
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                          -0.088
                                    0.049
                                             -1.808
                                                        0.071
                                                                 -0.088
##
                          0.011
                                    0.044
                                              0.243
                                                        0.808
                                                                 0.011
      .Geometry
                          -0.029
                                    0.043
                                             -0.666
                                                        0.505
                                                                 -0.029
##
      .Algebra
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                          -0.015
                                    0.044
                                             -0.341
                                                        0.733
                                                                 -0.015
##
      .Series_Compltn
                          -0.006
                                    0.043
                                             -0.147
                                                        0.883
                                                                 -0.006
##
                          -0.017
                                    0.042
                                             -0.402
                                                        0.688
                                                                 -0.017
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                                                                 0.001
                                    0.043
                                                        0.985
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                          0.001
                                              0.019
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                          -0.005
                                     0.044
                                             -0.106
                                                        0.916
                                                                 -0.005
##
      .Formal_Logic
                          -0.063
                                     0.045
                                             -1.385
                                                        0.166
                                                                 -0.063
##
       Verbal
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
##
       Math
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
##
       Reasoning
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
##
     Std.all
##
      -0.008
##
      -0.004
##
      -0.015
##
      -0.081
##
       0.011
##
      -0.030
##
      -0.015
      -0.007
##
##
      -0.018
##
       0.001
##
      -0.005
##
      -0.062
##
       0.000
##
       0.000
##
       0.000
##
##
  Variances:
##
                       Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                                 Std.lv
##
       Verbal
                           1.000
                                                                  1.000
##
       Math
                           1.000
                                                                  1.000
                           1.000
##
       Reasoning
                                                                  1.000
##
      .Grammar
                           0.617
                                     0.054
                                             11.492
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.617
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                           0.735
                                    0.065
                                             11.303
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.735
##
                                                        0.000
      .Vocabulary
                           0.662
                                    0.056
                                             11.857
                                                                  0.662
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                           0.786
                                     0.070
                                             11.263
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.786
##
      .Geometry
                           0.757
                                     0.060
                                             12,660
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.757
##
      .Algebra
                           0.675
                                    0.053
                                             12.733
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.675
```

```
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                         0.803
                                   0.058 13.861
                                                     0.000
                                                              0.803
##
      .Series_Compltn
                         0.688
                                   0.049
                                           13.934
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.688
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                         0.600
                                   0.058
                                           10.269
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.600
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                         0.697
                                   0.062
                                           11.331
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.697
##
                         0.653
                                   0.061
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.653
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                                           10.625
##
      .Formal_Logic
                         0.688
                                   0.067
                                           10.351
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.688
##
     Std.all
##
       1.000
##
       1.000
##
       1.000
##
       0.649
##
       0.651
##
       0.664
##
       0.667
##
       0.791
##
       0.731
##
       0.822
##
       0.742
##
       0.686
       0.740
##
##
       0.676
       0.668
##
##
## R-Square:
##
                      Estimate
##
       Grammar
                         0.351
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                         0.349
                         0.336
##
       Vocabulary
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
##
                         0.333
##
       Geometry
                         0.209
##
       Algebra
                         0.269
##
       Numericl_Pzzls
                         0.178
       Series_Compltn
                         0.258
##
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                         0.314
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                         0.260
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                         0.324
       Formal_Logic
##
                         0.332
semPaths(CFA_Fit_3b, title = FALSE, "std", edge.label.cex = 0.5, curvePivot = TRUE,
    layout = "tree2", style = "lisrel", residuals = FALSE, sizeLat = 5,
    sizeMan = 5, intercepts = FALSE, what = "path", edge.color = "black")
```



4.5 Model 4

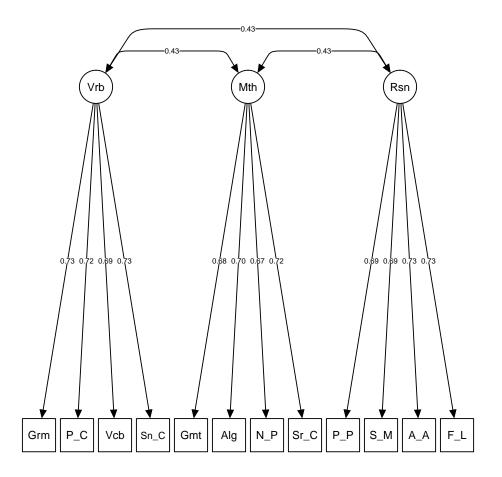
```
mental.model.4 <- "
# Latent variable definitions.
# Scale of the latent variables is not set by the first listed manifest variable.
# This allows each loading to be estimated and all set equal.
Verbal = NA*Grammar+Grammar+Paragraph_Comprehension+Vocabulary+Sentence_Completion
Math = NA*Geometry+Geometry+Algebra+Numerical_Puzzles+Series_Completion
Reasoning = NA*Practical_Problem_Solving+Practical_Problem_Solving+Symbol_Manipulation+Analytical_Abil:
# Latent variable covariances are set equal.
Verbal ~ a*Math
Verbal ~ a*Reasoning
Math ~ a*Reasoning</pre>
```

```
# Scale of the latent variables is set to 1 (standardized).
Verbal ~~ 1*Verbal
Math ~~ 1*Math
Reasoning ~~ 1*Reasoning
CFA_Fit_4 <- cfa(mental.model.4, data = Mental, missing = "ML", estimator = "MLR",</pre>
    likelihood = "wishart", representation = "LISREL")
summary(CFA_Fit_4, standardized = TRUE, rsq = TRUE, fit.measures = TRUE)
```

```
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
##
     SRMR
                                                      0.027
                                                                  0.027
##
## Parameter Estimates:
##
##
     Information
                                                  Observed
##
     Observed information based on
                                                    Hessian
##
     Standard Errors
                                        Robust.huber.white
##
## Latent Variables:
##
                      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                              Std.lv
##
    Verbal =~
##
       Grammar
                         0.715
                                   0.042
                                           17.024
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.715
##
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
                         0.762
                                   0.044
                                           17.345
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.762
                         0.685
                                   0.041
                                           16.598
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.685
##
       Vocabulary
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                         0.793
                                   0.046
                                           17.400
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.793
##
##
   Math =~
##
       Geometry
                         0.669
                                   0.042
                                           15.938
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.669
                                   0.045
       Algebra
                         0.672
                                           14.980
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.672
##
       Numericl_Pzzls
                         0.664
                                   0.044
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.664
##
                                           15.055
##
       Series_Compltn
                         0.691
                                   0.041
                                           16.748
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.691
##
    Reasoning =~
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                         0.650
                                   0.038
                                           17.251
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.650
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                         0.670
                                   0.045
                                           14.817
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.670
                                                               0.713
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                         0.713
                                   0.044
                                           16.335
                                                      0.000
##
       Formal_Logic
                                   0.046
                                           16.102
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.743
                         0.743
##
     Std.all
##
##
       0.733
##
       0.718
##
       0.688
##
       0.731
##
       0.684
##
       0.699
##
##
       0.672
##
       0.717
##
##
       0.695
##
       0.690
##
       0.726
##
       0.732
##
## Covariances:
##
                      Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                              Std.lv
     Verbal ~~
##
                         0.428
                                   0.034
                                           12.716
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.428
##
       Math
                  (a)
##
       Reasoning
                  (a)
                         0.428
                                   0.034
                                           12.716
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.428
    Math ~~
##
##
       Reasoning (a)
                         0.428
                                   0.034
                                                     0.000
                                                               0.428
                                           12.716
##
     Std.all
##
   0.428
```

```
##
       0.428
##
##
       0.428
##
## Intercepts:
##
                        Estimate Std.Err z-value
                                                     P(>|z|)
                                                                 Std.lv
##
       .Grammar
                          -0.008
                                     0.044
                                             -0.175
                                                        0.861
                                                                 -0.008
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                          -0.004
                                     0.048
                                             -0.079
                                                        0.937
                                                                 -0.004
##
      .Vocabulary
                          -0.015
                                     0.045
                                             -0.331
                                                        0.741
                                                                 -0.015
                          -0.088
                                     0.049
                                             -1.808
                                                        0.071
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                                                                 -0.088
##
      .Geometry
                           0.011
                                     0.044
                                              0.243
                                                        0.808
                                                                  0.011
##
                                     0.043
      .Algebra
                          -0.029
                                             -0.666
                                                        0.505
                                                                 -0.029
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                          -0.015
                                     0.044
                                             -0.341
                                                        0.733
                                                                 -0.015
##
                          -0.006
                                     0.043
                                             -0.147
                                                        0.883
                                                                 -0.006
      .Series_Compltn
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                          -0.017
                                     0.042
                                             -0.402
                                                        0.688
                                                                 -0.017
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                           0.001
                                     0.043
                                              0.019
                                                        0.985
                                                                  0.001
                                     0.044
                                             -0.106
                                                        0.916
                                                                 -0.005
##
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                          -0.005
##
      .Formal_Logic
                          -0.063
                                     0.045
                                             -1.385
                                                        0.166
                                                                 -0.063
##
       Verbal
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
       Math
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
##
##
       Reasoning
                           0.000
                                                                  0.000
##
     Std.all
      -0.008
##
##
      -0.004
##
      -0.015
##
      -0.081
##
       0.011
##
      -0.030
##
      -0.015
##
      -0.007
      -0.018
##
##
       0.001
      -0.005
##
##
      -0.062
##
       0.000
##
       0.000
##
       0.000
##
##
  Variances:
##
                        Estimate
                                  Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
                                                                 Std.lv
##
       Verbal
                           1.000
                                                                  1.000
##
                           1.000
                                                                  1.000
       Math
##
       Reasoning
                           1.000
                                                                  1.000
##
                                     0.036
      .Grammar
                           0.439
                                             12.336
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.439
##
      .Prgrph_Cmprhns
                           0.546
                                     0.044
                                              12.363
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.546
##
                                     0.041
                           0.524
                                              12.719
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.524
      .Vocabulary
##
      .Sentenc_Cmpltn
                           0.547
                                     0.044
                                             12.368
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.547
##
      .Geometry
                                     0.046
                                             11.183
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.511
                           0.511
##
      .Algebra
                           0.473
                                     0.041
                                              11.478
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.473
##
      .Numericl_Pzzls
                           0.537
                                     0.045
                                             11.864
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.537
                                     0.040
##
      .Series_Compltn
                           0.452
                                              11.390
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.452
##
      .Prctcl_Prblm_S
                           0.452
                                     0.039
                                              11.570
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.452
##
      .Symbol_Manpltn
                           0.493
                                     0.042
                                              11.822
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.493
                                     0.042
                                             10.825
                                                        0.000
                                                                  0.456
      .Analytcl_Ablty
                           0.456
```

```
.Formal_Logic 0.478 0.041 11.752 0.000 0.478
##
##
     Std.all
       1.000
##
##
       1.000
       1.000
##
##
       0.462
##
       0.485
##
       0.527
##
       0.465
       0.533
##
       0.511
##
       0.549
##
##
       0.486
##
       0.517
##
       0.523
##
       0.473
##
       0.464
##
## R-Square:
                      Estimate
##
##
       Grammar
                         0.538
##
                         0.515
       Prgrph_Cmprhns
##
       Vocabulary
                         0.473
##
       Sentenc_Cmpltn
                         0.535
##
       Geometry
                         0.467
##
       Algebra
                         0.489
       Numericl_Pzzls
##
                         0.451
       Series_Compltn
                         0.514
##
##
       Prctcl_Prblm_S
                         0.483
##
       Symbol_Manpltn
                         0.477
##
       Analytcl_Ablty
                         0.527
       Formal_Logic
##
                         0.536
semPaths(CFA_Fit_4, title = FALSE, "std", edge.label.cex = 0.5, curvePivot = TRUE,
    layout = "tree2", style = "lisrel", residuals = FALSE, sizeLat = 5,
    sizeMan = 5, intercepts = FALSE, what = "path", edge.color = "black")
```



5 Model Comparisons

Nested models can be compared. The difference between -2*log likelihood for each model is chi-square distributed, with degrees of freedom equal to the difference between the degrees of freedom for each model.

```
anova(CFA_Fit_1, CFA_Fit_2)

## Chi Square Difference Test

##

## Df AIC BIC Chisq Chisq diff Df diff Pr(>Chisq)

## CFA_Fit_1 51 15099 15263 55.5

## CFA_Fit_2 54 15252 15403 214.0 158 3 <2e-16</pre>
```

```
anova(CFA_Fit_1, CFA_Fit_3)

## Chi Square Difference Test

##

## Df AIC BIC Chisq Chisq diff Df diff Pr(>Chisq)

## CFA_Fit_1 51 15099 15263 55.5

## CFA_Fit_3 54 15809 15961 770.6 715 3 <2e-16

anova(CFA_Fit_1, CFA_Fit_4)

## Chi Square Difference Test

##

## Df AIC BIC Chisq Chisq diff Df diff Pr(>Chisq)

## CFA_Fit_1 51 15099 15263 55.5

## CFA_Fit_4 53 15096 15252 56.5 1.02 2 0.6
```