

Package ‘longMI’

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For a thorough exposition of testing measurement invariance,
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 Comparison

Comparison Measurement Invariance Models

Description

Comparison Measurement Invariance Models

Usage

```
Comparison(configural = NULL, weak = NULL, strong = NULL, strict = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>configural</code> | Fitted configural invariance model. |
| <code>weak</code> | Fitted weak invariance model. |
| <code>strong</code> | Fitted strong invariance model. |
| <code>strict</code> | Fitted strict invariance model. |
| <code>...</code> | Additional arguments to pass to lavaan::lavTestLRT() . |

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See Also

Other Longitudinal Measurement Invariance Functions: [Configural\(\)](#), [Invariance\(\)](#), [Strict\(\)](#), [Strong\(\)](#), [Weak\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("osbornesudick1972", package = "longMI")
configural_fit <- Configural(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
  factor_loadings = list(
    c(1, 2, 3, 4)
  )
)
weak_fit <- Weak(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
  factor_loadings = list(
    c(1, 2, 3, 4)
  )
)
strong_fit <- Strong(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
```

```

    factor_loadings = list(
      c(1, 2, 3, 4)
    )
  )
  strict_fit <- Strict(
    data = osbornesudick1972,
    time_points = c(1, 6),
    factor_loadings = list(
      c(1, 2, 3, 4)
    )
  )
  mi <- Comparison(
    configural = configural_fit,
    weak = weak_fit,
    strong = strong_fit,
    strict = strict_fit
  )
  names(mi)

```

Configural

Configural Invariance Model

Description

Configural Invariance Model

Usage

```

Configural(
  data,
  time_points,
  factor_loadings,
  covariances = FALSE,
  model_add = NULL,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| data | Dataframe. The function assumes that the data is in the wide format and the variables are named as follows: <code>paste0("y", time_point, "_", item_number)</code> . For example, for the item 1 from the first time point, the variable name should be <code>y1_1</code> . |
| time_points | Numeric vector of discrete time points. |
| factor_loadings | List with length equal to the number of factors. Each element of the list is the item number of items for the specific factor. |

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| covariances | Logical. If covariance = TRUE, model the covariances of the measurement error. |
| model_add | Additional specification added to the lavaan model syntax. |
| ... | Additional arguments to pass to lavaan::cfa() . |

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See Also

Other Longitudinal Measurement Invariance Functions: [Comparison\(\)](#), [Invariance\(\)](#), [Strict\(\)](#), [Strong\(\)](#), [Weak\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("osbornesudick1972", package = "longMI")
configural_fit <- Configural(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
  factor_loadings = list(
    c(1, 2, 3, 4)
  )
)
library(lavaan)
summary(configural_fit)
```

Invariance

Test Longitudinal Measurement Invariance

Description

Test Longitudinal Measurement Invariance

Usage

```
Invariance(
  data,
  time_points,
  factor_loadings,
  covariances = FALSE,
  model_add = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| data | Dataframe. The function assumes that the data is in the wide format and the variables are named as follows: <code>paste0("y", time_point, "_", item_number)</code> . For example, for the item 1 from the first time point, the variable name should be <code>y1_1</code> . |
| time_points | Numeric vector of discrete time points. |
| factor_loadings | List with length equal to the number of factors. Each element of the list is the item number of items for the specific factor. |
| covariances | Logical. If <code>covariance = TRUE</code> , model the covariances of the measurement error. |
| model_add | Additional specification added to the lavaan model syntax. |
| ... | Additional arguments to pass to <code>lavaan::cfa()</code> . |

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Examples

```
data("osbornesudick1972", package = "longMI")
mi <- Invariance(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
  factor_loadings = list(
    c(1, 2, 3, 4)
  )
)
names(mi)
```

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| osbornesudick1972 | <i>Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children Data from Osborne and Sudick (1972)</i> |
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Description

Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children Data from Osborne and Sudick (1972)

Usage

osbornesudick1972

Format

The data set has the following variables:

- id** ID
- y1_1** Time 1 Information
- y1_2** Time 1 Comprehension
- y1_3** Time 1 Similarities
- y1_4** Time 1 Vocabulary
- y6_1** Time 6 Information
- y6_2** Time 6 Comprehension
- y6_3** Time 6 Similarities
- y6_4** Time 6 Vocabulary

References

Osborne, R. T., & Suddick, D. E. (1972). A longitudinal investigation of the intellectual differentiation hypothesis. *The Journal of Genetic Psychology: Research and Theory on Human Development*, 121(1), 83–89. doi:10.1080/00221325.1972.10533131.

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| Strict | <i>Strict Invariance Model</i> |
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Description

Strict Invariance Model

Usage

```
Strict(  
  data,  
  time_points,  
  factor_loadings,  
  covariances = FALSE,  
  model_add = NULL,  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

- data** Dataframe. The function assumes that the data is in the wide format and the variables are named as follows: `paste0("y", time_point, "_", item_number)`. For example, for the item 1 from the first time point, the variable name should be `y1_1`.
- time_points** Numeric vector of discrete time points.

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|------------------------------|--|
| <code>factor_loadings</code> | List with length equal to the number of factors. Each element of the list is the item number of items for the specific factor. |
| <code>covariances</code> | Logical. If <code>covariance = TRUE</code> , model the covariances of the measurement error. |
| <code>model_add</code> | Additional specification added to the lavaan model syntax. |
| <code>...</code> | Additional arguments to pass to lavaan::cfa() . |

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See Also

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Examples

```
data("osbornesudick1972", package = "longMI")
strict_fit <- Strict(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
  factor_loadings = list(
    c(1, 2, 3, 4)
  )
)
library(lavaan)
summary(strict_fit)
```

Strong

Strong Invariance Model

Description

Strong Invariance Model

Usage

```
Strong(
  data,
  time_points,
  factor_loadings,
  covariances = FALSE,
  model_add = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| data | Dataframe. The function assumes that the data is in the wide format and the variables are named as follows: <code>paste0("y", time_point, "_", item_number)</code> . For example, for the item 1 from the first time point, the variable name should be <code>y1_1</code> . |
| time_points | Numeric vector of discrete time points. |
| factor_loadings | List with length equal to the number of factors. Each element of the list is the item number of items for the specific factor. |
| covariances | Logical. If <code>covariance = TRUE</code> , model the covariances of the measurement error. |
| model_add | Additional specification added to the lavaan model syntax. |
| ... | Additional arguments to pass to <code>lavaan::cfa()</code> . |

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Examples

```
data("osbornesudick1972", package = "longMI")
strong_fit <- Strong(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
  factor_loadings = list(
    c(1, 2, 3, 4)
  )
)
library(lavaan)
summary(strong_fit)
```

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| Weak | <i>Weak Invariance Model</i> |
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Description

Weak Invariance Model

Usage

```
Weak(
  data,
  time_points,
  factor_loadings,
  covariances = FALSE,
  model_add = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>data</code> | Dataframe. The function assumes that the data is in the wide format and the variables are named as follows: <code>paste0("y", time_point, "_", item_number)</code> . For example, for the item 1 from the first time point, the variable name should be <code>y1_1</code> . |
| <code>time_points</code> | Numeric vector of discrete time points. |
| <code>factor_loadings</code> | List with length equal to the number of factors. Each element of the list is the item number of items for the specific factor. |
| <code>covariances</code> | Logical. If <code>covariance = TRUE</code> , model the covariances of the measurement error. |
| <code>model_add</code> | Additional specification added to the lavaan model syntax. |
| <code>...</code> | Additional arguments to pass to <code>lavaan::cfa()</code> . |

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See Also

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Examples

```
data("osbornesudick1972", package = "longMI")
weak_fit <- Weak(
  data = osbornesudick1972,
  time_points = c(1, 6),
  factor_loadings = list(
    c(1, 2, 3, 4)
  )
)
library(lavaan)
summary(weak_fit)
```

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