- 1. Run the first example in umxRAM (like last week)
- 2. Get a umxSummary(m1, showEstimates = "raw")
  - Does it fit well?
- 3. Get a summary() of the model
  - What fit statistics can you see?
  - o chi-square measure of fit
  - AIC: Akaike Information Criterion (fit penalised by degrees of freedom)
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  - CFI: Comparative fit Index
  - o TLI: Tucker-Lewis index
  - Root mean square error of approximation RMSEA
- 4. Is fit good, according to AIC, TLI? What are common criteria for good fit?
  - RMSEA ≤ .05
  - o TLI ≥ .95
- 5. Can you tell from the AIC if fit is good?
  - No, it is a comparative measure: need to compare to the AIC of another model.
- 6. Look up the formula for AIC in ?summary.MxModel
  - Explain this to a lab-mate.
- 7. Look up the formula for AIC in ?summary.MxModel
  - \* Explain this to a lab-mate.
- 8. Look up the formula for RMSEA on the internet (Kenny, elsewhere)
  - What are the key parameters?
  - χ2, df, and N (sample size)
  - What makes RMSEA get smaller?
    - plug in some values and see.
  - What makes the denominator get bigger?
- 9. get the mxRefModels for your model m1
  - o ref = mxRefModels(m1, run = T)
  - What does mxRefModels return?
  - o A list of 2 models: Saturated and Independence
  - What are these 2 reference models?
  - There are more parameters (6) used in the saturated model, and fewer (3) in the independence model
  - Why?
- 10. Run the example given in ?mxRefModels
  - o run summary(m1) without providing the reference models
  - run summary(), providing the refModels= parameter
  - What changed? What fit statistics are available now, that were not before?
- 11. Draw an independence model for three variables.
- 12. Make it into saturated model for three variables.
- 13. open http://davidakenny.net/cm/fit.htm
  - Try and figure out why the new statistics became available when the independence and

saturated models became available

- 14. Take turns explaining to a lab-mate what optimization does
- 15. Build a new model "m2".
  - $\circ$  Make it like the one in step 5, but leave out the path from wt  $\rightarrow$  mpg
  - o umxPath("disp", to = "mpg")
- 16. umxCompare m1 and m2
  - umxCompare(m1, m2)
  - Which is preferred by AIC?
  - o m1 the AIC is lower

## Refs

- 1. David Kenny page
  - http://davidakenny.net/cm/fit.htm
- 2. umx home page
  - http://tbates.github.io
- 3. OpenMx home page
  - http://openmx.ssri.psu.edu