

R Notebook

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Load libraries

```
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 3.6.3
## Warning: package 'tibble' was built under R version 3.6.3
## Warning: package 'tidyr' was built under R version 3.6.3
## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 3.6.3
## Warning: package 'forcats' was built under R version 3.6.3
```

```
library(psych)
library(mediation)
```

```
## Warning: package 'mediation' was built under R version 3.6.3
## Warning: package 'sandwich' was built under R version 3.6.3
```

```
library(ppcor)
```

Read in data

```
med <- read_csv("mediate2.csv")
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   X1 = col_double(),
##   X2 = col_double(),
##   X3 = col_double(),
##   X4 = col_double(),
##   X5 = col_double(),
##   Y1 = col_double()
## )
```

Class Demo

Baron & Kenny Plausibility: Examine Correlations between variables

Analysis 1: Test the hypothesis that X4 mediates the relationship between X1 and Y1

```
cor(med)
```

```
##           X1           X2           X3           X4           X5           Y1
## X1 1.00000000 0.03946291 0.03657073 0.04344269 0.1020180 0.3465506
## X2 0.03946291 1.00000000 0.08889150 0.06447405 -0.1310097 -0.3227619
## X3 0.03657073 0.08889150 1.00000000 0.34246913 0.7331822 0.5053060
## X4 0.04344269 0.06447405 0.34246913 1.00000000 0.4068431 0.4104644
## X5 0.10201803 -0.13100973 0.73318217 0.40684310 1.00000000 0.6405100
## Y1 0.34655064 -0.32276194 0.50530603 0.41046440 0.6405100 1.00000000
```

$r_{xy} = 0.3465$ (c path) $r_{xm} = 0.043$ (a path) $r_{my} = 0.4105$ (b path)

We do not have justification to test this mediation hypothesis because the a path has a negligible effect.

Analysis 2: Test the hypothesis that X4 mediates the relationship between X3 and Y1

$r_{xy} = 0.5053$ $r_{xm} = 0.3425$ $r_{my} = 0.4105$

We do have justification to test this mediation hypothesis because all paths have a moderate effect

```
spcor.test(x = med$X3, y = med$Y1, z = med$X4)
```

```
##      estimate      p.value statistic    n gp Method
## 1 0.3999824 2.030191e-24 10.66313 600 1 pearson
```

$r_{y(x.m)} = 0.3999$. This is 0.11 smaller than r_{xy} (0.5053), indicating that partial mediation is plausible. In other words, there is a portion of the relation between x and y that involves m.

Regression method

```
m1 <- lm(Y1 ~ X3, data = med)
m2 <- lm(Y1 ~ X3 + X4, data = med)
```

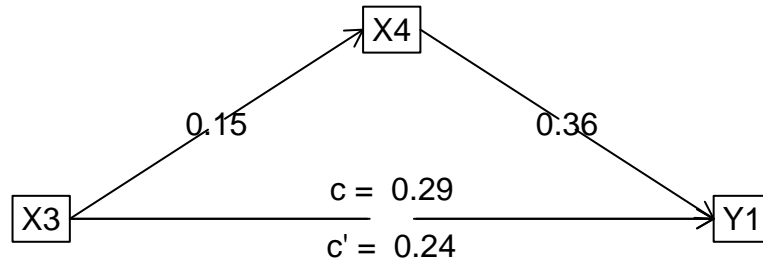
```
anova(m1,m2)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: Y1 ~ X3
## Model 2: Y1 ~ X3 + X4
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq    F    Pr(>F)
## 1     598 373.91
## 2     597 341.85  1    32.062 55.993 2.617e-13 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

mediate in psych

```
fitmed <- psych::mediate(Y1 ~ X3 + (X4), data = med)
```

Mediation



```
summary(fitmed)
```

```
## Call: psych::mediate(y = Y1 ~ X3 + (X4), data = med)
##
## Direct effect estimates (traditional regression)      (c')
##           Y1    se      t  df      Prob
## Intercept 1.52 0.16   9.47 597 6.57e-20
## X3         0.24 0.02  11.50 597 9.08e-28
## X4         0.36 0.05   7.48 597 2.62e-13
##
## R = 0.56 R2 = 0.32   F = 139.95 on 2 and 597 DF   p-value:  1.44e-50
##
## Total effect estimates (c)
##           Y1    se      t  df      Prob
## X3 0.29 0.02  14.33 599 2.88e-40
##
## 'a' effect estimates
##           X4    se      t  df      Prob
## Intercept 2.15 0.10  20.89 598 3.34e-73
## X3        0.15 0.02   8.91 598 5.94e-18
##
## 'b' effect estimates
##           Y1    se      t  df      Prob
## X4 0.36 0.05   7.49 598 2.5e-13
##
## 'ab' effect estimates (through mediators)
```

```
##      Y1 boot    sd lower upper
## X3 0.05 0.05 0.01  0.04  0.07
```

Mediate in mediation package

```
fitM <- lm(X4 ~ X3, data = med)
fitY <- lm(Y1 ~ X3 + X4, data = med)

fitmed <- mediation::mediate(fitM, fitY, treat = "X3", mediator = "X4")
summary(fitmed)
```

```
##
## Causal Mediation Analysis
##
## Quasi-Bayesian Confidence Intervals
##
##           Estimate 95% CI Lower 95% CI Upper p-value
## ACME           0.0535      0.0358      0.07 <2e-16 ***
## ADE            0.2418      0.2007      0.28 <2e-16 ***
## Total Effect    0.2954      0.2545      0.34 <2e-16 ***
## Prop. Mediated   0.1810      0.1231      0.25 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Sample Size Used: 600
##
##
## Simulations: 1000
```

```
cor(med)
```

	X1	X2	X3	X4	X5	Y1
X1	1.00000000	0.03946291	0.03657073	0.04344269	0.1020180	0.3465506
X2	0.03946291	1.00000000	0.08889150	0.06447405	-0.1310097	-0.3227619
X3	0.03657073	0.08889150	1.00000000	0.34246913	0.7331822	0.5053060
X4	0.04344269	0.06447405	0.34246913	1.00000000	0.4068431	0.4104644
X5	0.10201803	-0.13100973	0.73318217	0.40684310	1.00000000	0.6405100
Y1	0.34655064	-0.32276194	0.50530603	0.41046440	0.6405100	1.00000000

Analysis 3: Test the hypothesis that X4 mediates the relationship between X5 and Y1

$r_{xy} = 0.6405$ $r_{xm} = 0.4068$ $r_{my} = 0.4105$

We do have justification to test this mediation hypothesis because all paths have a moderate effect

```
spcor.test(x = med$X5, y = med$Y1, z = med$X4)
```

```
##      estimate      p.value statistic    n gp Method
## 1 0.5192757 1.150621e-42  14.84632 600  1 pearson
```

$r_{y(x.m)} = 0.5192$. This is 0.12 smaller than r_{xy} (0.6405), indicating that partial mediation is plausible. In other words, there is a portion of the relation between x and y that involves m.

Regression method

```
m1 <- lm(Y1 ~ X5, data = med)
m2 <- lm(Y1 ~ X5 + X4, data = med)

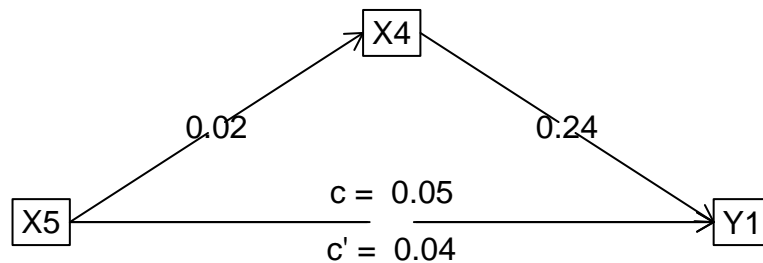
anova(m1, m2)

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: Y1 ~ X5
## Model 2: Y1 ~ X5 + X4
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq    F    Pr(>F)
## 1     598 296.12
## 2     597 282.61  1    13.517 28.553 1.299e-07 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

mediate in psych

```
fitmed <- psych::mediate(Y1 ~ X5 + (X4), data = med)
```

Mediation



```
summary(fitmed)
```

```
## Call: psych::mediate(y = Y1 ~ X5 + (X4), data = med)
##
## Direct effect estimates (traditional regression) (c')
##           Y1    se    t    df    Prob
```

```
## Intercept 0.37 0.18 2.14 597 3.28e-02
## X5 0.04 0.00 16.88 597 1.46e-52
## X4 0.24 0.05 5.34 597 1.30e-07
##
## R = 0.66 R2 = 0.44 F = 231.86 on 2 and 597 DF p-value: 3.07e-75
##
## Total effect estimates (c)
## Y1 se t df Prob
## X5 0.05 0 20.41 599 1.05e-70
##
## 'a' effect estimates
## X4 se t df Prob
## Intercept 1.47 0.15 10.02 598 5.86e-22
## X5 0.02 0.00 10.89 598 2.53e-25
##
## 'b' effect estimates
## Y1 se t df Prob
## X4 0.24 0.05 5.35 598 1.27e-07
##
## 'ab' effect estimates (through mediators)
## Y1 boot sd lower upper
## X5 0.01 0.01 0 0 0.01
```

Mediate in mediation package

```
fitM <- lm(X4 ~ X5, data = med)
fitY <- lm(Y1 ~ X5 + X4, data = med)

fitmed <- mediation::mediate(fitM, fitY, treat = "X5", mediator = "X4")
summary(fitmed)
```

```
##
## Causal Mediation Analysis
##
## Quasi-Bayesian Confidence Intervals
##
## Estimate 95% CI Lower 95% CI Upper p-value
## ACME 0.00549 0.00339 0.01 <2e-16 ***
## ADE 0.04278 0.03819 0.05 <2e-16 ***
## Total Effect 0.04827 0.04387 0.05 <2e-16 ***
## Prop. Mediated 0.11358 0.07070 0.16 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Sample Size Used: 600
##
##
## Simulations: 1000
```

Class Activity

Read data

```
slp <- read_csv("slpdata.csv")

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   cond = col_double(),
##   prior = col_double(),
##   age = col_double(),
##   anxiety = col_double(),
##   hygiene = col_double(),
##   support = col_double(),
##   sleep = col_double(),
##   lifesat = col_double(),
##   sex = col_double(),
##   id = col_double()
## )
```

Baron & Kenny Plausibility: Examine Correlations between variables

```
cor(slp)
```

	cond	prior	age	anxiety	hygiene
cond	1.000000000	0.068444409	0.004446171	0.05154855	0.61637991
prior	0.068444409	1.000000000	-0.016566360	0.01506977	0.04664105
age	0.004446171	-0.016566360	1.000000000	0.03946291	0.03657073
anxiety	0.051548555	0.015069770	0.039462908	1.000000000	0.08889150
hygiene	0.616379910	0.046641049	0.036570734	0.08889150	1.000000000
support	0.569239448	0.045848239	0.043442690	0.06447405	0.34246913
sleep	0.509063445	0.052377594	0.102018032	-0.13100973	0.73318217
lifesat	0.455975162	0.004333669	0.346550635	-0.32276194	0.50530603
sex	-0.045624959	0.025259767	-0.059929571	0.10363554	0.37554788
id	0.443050154	0.045343149	-0.053016709	0.11956136	0.63578231

	support	sleep	lifesat	sex	id
cond	0.56923945	0.50906344	0.455975162	-0.04562496	0.44305015
prior	0.04584824	0.05237759	0.004333669	0.02525977	0.04534315
age	0.04344269	0.10201803	0.346550635	-0.05992957	-0.05301671
anxiety	0.06447405	-0.13100973	-0.322761945	0.10363554	0.11956136
hygiene	0.34246913	0.73318217	0.505306031	0.37554788	0.63578231
support	1.00000000	0.40684310	0.410464400	0.07211491	0.36036724
sleep	0.40684310	1.00000000	0.640509980	0.42814386	0.62822002
lifesat	0.41046440	0.64050998	1.000000000	0.04842789	0.25696941
sex	0.07211491	0.42814386	0.048427889	1.00000000	0.85240465
id	0.36036724	0.62822002	0.256969408	0.85240465	1.00000000

Analysis 1: Test the hypothesis that sleep efficiency mediates the relationship between sleep hygiene and life satisfaction.

$r_{xy} = 0.5053$ $r_{xm} = 0.7332$ $r_{my} = 0.6405$

We do have justification to test this mediation hypothesis because all paths have a moderate to large effect

```
spcor.test(x = slp$hygiene, y = slp$lifesat, z = slp$sleep)
```

```
##      estimate  p.value statistic    n gp Method
## 1 0.0464816 0.2560191  1.136941 600  1 pearson
```

$r_{y(x.m)} = 0.0464$. This is 0.12 smaller than r_{xy} (0.5053), indicating that partial mediation is plausible. In other words, there is a portion of the relation between x and y that involves m .

Regression method

```
m1 <- lm(lifesat ~ hygiene, data = slp)
m2 <- lm(lifesat ~ hygiene + sleep, data = slp)
```

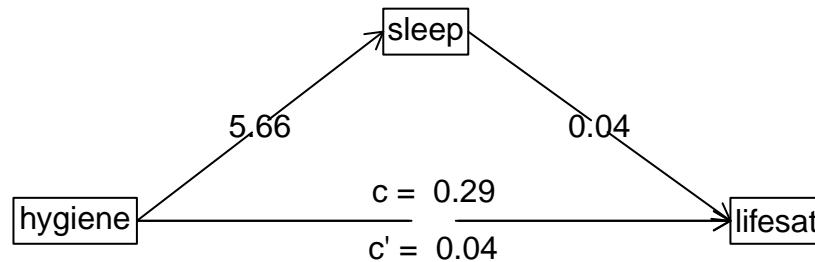
```
anova(m1,m2)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: lifesat ~ hygiene
## Model 2: lifesat ~ hygiene + sleep
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq    F    Pr(>F)
## 1      598 373.91
## 2      597 294.74  1    79.171 160.36 < 2.2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

mediate in psych

```
fitmed <- psych::mediate(lifesat ~ hygiene + (sleep), data = slp)
```


Mediation



```
summary(fitmed)
```

```
## Call: psych::mediate(y = lifesat ~ hygiene + (sleep), data = slp)
##
## Direct effect estimates (traditional regression)      (c')
##      lifesat   se    t  df   Prob
## Intercept    0.75 0.17  4.54 597 6.79e-06
## hygiene      0.04 0.03  1.67 597 9.47e-02
## sleep        0.04 0.00 12.66 597 1.01e-32
##
## R = 0.64 R2 = 0.41   F = 210.03 on 2 and 597 DF   p-value: 8.64e-70
##
## Total effect estimates (c)
##      lifesat   se    t  df   Prob
## hygiene    0.29 0.02 14.33 599 2.88e-40
##
## 'a' effect estimates
##      sleep   se    t  df   Prob
## Intercept 34.98 1.33 26.31 598 5.99e-102
## hygiene   5.66 0.21 26.37 598 3.16e-102
##
## 'b' effect estimates
##      lifesat se    t  df   Prob
## sleep    0.04 0 12.67 598 8.96e-33
##
## 'ab' effect estimates (through mediators)
```

```
##          lifesat boot    sd lower upper
## hygiene    0.25 0.25 0.02  0.21  0.29
```

Mediate in mediation package

```
fitM <- lm(sleep ~ hygiene, data = slp)
fitY <- lm(lifesat ~ hygiene + sleep, data = slp)

fitmed <- mediation::mediate(fitM, fitY, treat = "hygiene", mediator = "sleep")
summary(fitmed)
```

```
##
## Causal Mediation Analysis
##
## Quasi-Bayesian Confidence Intervals
##
##          Estimate 95% CI Lower 95% CI Upper p-value
## ACME          0.24948    0.20575    0.30 <2e-16 ***
## ADE           0.04465   -0.00812    0.10  0.098 .
## Total Effect   0.29413    0.25515    0.33 <2e-16 ***
## Prop. Mediated 0.84584    0.68894    1.03 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Sample Size Used: 600
##
##
## Simulations: 1000
```

Analysis 2: Test the hypothesis that sleep efficiency mediates the relationship between anxiety and life satisfaction.

Baron & Kenny Plausibility: Examine Correlations between variables

```
cor(slp)
```

	cond	prior	age	anxiety	hygiene
cond	1.000000000	0.068444409	0.004446171	0.05154855	0.61637991
prior	0.068444409	1.000000000	-0.016566360	0.01506977	0.04664105
age	0.004446171	-0.016566360	1.000000000	0.03946291	0.03657073
anxiety	0.05154855	0.01506977	0.039462908	1.00000000	0.08889150
hygiene	0.61637991	0.046641049	0.036570734	0.08889150	1.00000000
support	0.569239448	0.045848239	0.043442690	0.06447405	0.34246913
sleep	0.509063445	0.052377594	0.102018032	-0.13100973	0.73318217
lifesat	0.455975162	0.004333669	0.346550635	-0.32276194	0.50530603
sex	-0.045624959	0.025259767	-0.059929571	0.10363554	0.37554788
id	0.443050154	0.045343149	-0.053016709	0.11956136	0.63578231

	support	sleep	lifesat	sex	id
cond	0.56923945	0.50906344	0.455975162	-0.04562496	0.44305015
prior	0.04584824	0.05237759	0.004333669	0.02525977	0.04534315
age	0.04344269	0.10201803	0.346550635	-0.05992957	-0.05301671
anxiety	0.06447405	-0.13100973	-0.322761945	0.10363554	0.11956136
hygiene	0.34246913	0.73318217	0.505306031	0.37554788	0.63578231

```
## support 1.00000000 0.40684310 0.41046440 0.07211491 0.36036724
## sleep 0.40684310 1.00000000 0.64050998 0.42814386 0.62822002
## lifesat 0.41046440 0.64050998 1.00000000 0.04842789 0.25696941
## sex 0.07211491 0.42814386 0.04842789 1.00000000 0.85240465
## id 0.36036724 0.62822002 0.256969408 0.85240465 1.00000000
```

$r_{xy} = -0.3228$ $r_{xm} = -0.1310$ $r_{my} = 0.6405$

We do NOT have justification to test this mediation hypothesis because path a has a negligible correlation effect size (-.1310)

```
spcor.test(x = slp$anxiety, y = slp$lifesat, z = slp$sleep)
```

```
##      estimate      p.value statistic   n gp Method
## 1 -0.3110215 6.689264e-15 -7.995945 600 1 pearson
```

$r_{y(x.m)} = -0.3110$. This is 0.0118 only slightly larger (closer to zero) than r_{xy} (-0.3228), indicating that partial mediation is NOT plausible.