

Measurement checks — HPT (Czech data)

Reliability, dimensionality, presentism-contextualization contrast, and ICCs

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1 What this document does

This report checks whether our **Historical Perspective-Taking (HPT)** instrument behaves well **before** we run any hypothesis tests.

We do four things:

1. **Reliability:** Are the HPT subscales internally consistent? We report **Cronbach’s alpha** (α) and **McDonald’s omega** (ω) for the three HPT modes: **POP**, **ROA**, **CONT** (three items each; response scale 1-4).
2. **Dimensionality (CFA/EFA):** Does the **factor structure** match prior research (roughly, **POP+CONT together** versus **ROA** as a separate factor; or three distinct but correlated factors)?
3. **Presentism-contextualization contrast:** Do **POP** (presentist) and **CONT** (contextualization) show the expected contrast in the Czech data (differences in means / correlations)?
4. **Class-level clustering (ICCs):** Are scores clustered by **class** (so that multilevel models are justified later)?

Input: We assume a file `normalised_data.RData` providing an object `normalised_data` with variables `POP1-3`, `ROA1-3`, `CONT1-3`, and `class_label`.

Output: A human-readable PDF with tables/figures and short interpretations.

2 Setup and data loading

We load common R packages, then load the preprocessed dataset your pipeline already created.

```
options(width = 120)

# Data handling & plots
library(tidyverse)

# Psychometrics
library(psych)      # alpha, omega, polychoric, EFA helpers
```

```

library(lavaan)      # CFA
library(semTools)    # model comparisons & extras

# Multilevel ICCs
library(lme4)
library(performance)

# Tables
library(knitr)

# Make kableExtra use longtable/booktabs and avoid loading tabu
options(kableExtra.latex.load_packages = FALSE)
library(kableExtra)

# Load the dataset created in 00_data-preparation
load("normalised_responses.RData")
stopifnot(exists("normalised_responses"))
dat <- normalised_responses

print_tbl <- function(df, caption, digits = 3, escape = TRUE) {
  kbl(df, booktabs = TRUE, longtable = TRUE, caption = caption, digits = digits, escape = escape) |>
    kable_styling(full_width = FALSE, latex_options = c("hold_position"))
}

```

We verify that **HPT items** and **class labels** exist. If something is missing, we stop with a clear message.

```

## -- check-columns -----
hpt_cols <- c(paste0("POP", 1:3), paste0("ROA", 1:3), paste0("CONT", 1:3))
need    <- c(hpt_cols, "class_label")
miss    <- setdiff(need, names(dat))
if (length(miss)) stop("Missing variables: ", paste(miss, collapse = ", "))

# Keep rows complete on HPT items for psychometric checks
hpt_items <- dat %>% select(all_of(hpt_cols)) %>% drop_na()
n_complete <- nrow(hpt_items)
cat("Rows with complete HPT data:", n_complete, "\n")

```

```
## Rows with complete HPT data: 174
```

We create an **analysis dataframe** keeping only rows with complete HPT data and a non-missing **class_label**.

```
# Keep only rows that are COMPLETE on all HPT items AND have a class_label
keep <- complete.cases(dat[, hpt_cols]) & !is.na(dat$class_label)

analysis_df <- dat[keep, c(hpt_cols, "class_label")] %>%
  as_tibble()

nrow_all <- nrow(dat)
nrow_keep <- nrow(analysis_df)
cat("Rows in full data: ", nrow_all, "\n",
    "Rows kept (complete HPT + class_label): ", nrow_keep, "\n", sep = "")
```

```
## Rows in full data: 184
## Rows kept (complete HPT + class_label): 174
```

3 Step 1 — Descriptives and scale construction

Why: Simple summaries catch obvious data problems and help readers develop intuition.

- We compute subscale **means** for POP, ROA, CONT (each ranges 1-4).
- We also compute a grand **HPT_total** (mean of the three subscales).
- Then we print summaries and a quick correlation overview.

```
hpt_items <- analysis_df %>% select(all_of(hpt_cols)) # 9 HPT items

hpt_scores <- hpt_items %>%
  mutate(
    POP = rowMeans(select(., starts_with("POP")), na.rm = TRUE),
    ROA = rowMeans(select(., starts_with("ROA")), na.rm = TRUE),
    CONT = rowMeans(select(., starts_with("CONT")), na.rm = TRUE),
    HPT_total = rowMeans(across(c(POP, ROA, CONT)), na.rm = TRUE)
  )

summary(select(hpt_scores, POP, ROA, CONT, HPT_total))
```

##	POP	ROA	CONT	HPT_total
## Min.	:1.000	Min. :1.000	Min. :1.000	Min. :1.000
## 1st Qu.	:1.333	1st Qu.:2.333	1st Qu.:2.333	1st Qu.:2.333
## Median	:2.000	Median :3.000	Median :2.667	Median :2.556
## Mean	:2.010	Mean :2.807	Mean :2.701	Mean :2.506

```
## 3rd Qu.:2.667 3rd Qu.:3.333 3rd Qu.:3.333 3rd Qu.:2.778
## Max. :3.667 Max. :4.000 Max. :4.000 Max. :3.333
```

```
cor(select(hpt_scores, POP, ROA, CONT), use = "pairwise.complete.obs")
```

```
##          POP          ROA          CONT
## POP  1.0000000 -0.1445562 -0.3543149
## ROA -0.1445562  1.0000000  0.3828624
## CONT -0.3543149  0.3828624  1.0000000
```

4 Step 2 — Reliability: α and ω for POP-ROA-CONT

Why: Reliability indicates whether items that are supposed to measure the same thing **hang together**. We report:

- α (**alpha**) on raw item data (common baseline), and
- α and ω from **polychoric** correlations (better for ordinal 1-4 items).

Interpretation tip for readers: $\omega_{\text{total}} \gtrsim .70$ is often seen as acceptable; ω_{hier} indicates strength of a general factor (useful if items might reflect a dominant common trait).

```
alpha_poly <- function(x) {
  pc <- psych::polychoric(x)$rho
  psych::alpha(pc, n.obs = nrow(x))
}
omega_poly <- function(x) {
  pc <- psych::polychoric(x)$rho
  psych::omega(pc, n.obs = nrow(x), nfactors = 1, plot = FALSE)
}

subsets <- list(
  POP = hpt_items %>% select(starts_with("POP")),
  ROA = hpt_items %>% select(starts_with("ROA")),
  CONT = hpt_items %>% select(starts_with("CONT"))
)

rel_table <- purrr::imap_dfr(subsets, function(df, nm){
  a_raw <- psych::alpha(df)
  a_poly <- alpha_poly(df)
  om <- omega_poly(df)
```

```
tibble(
  scale = nm,
  k_items = ncol(df),
  alpha_raw = unname(a_raw$total$raw_alpha),
  alpha_poly = unname(a_poly$total$raw_alpha),
  omega_total = unname(om$omega.tot),
  omega_hier = unname(om$omega.h)
)
})
```

```
## Loading required namespace: GPArotation
```

```
## Omega_h for 1 factor is not meaningful, just omega_t
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```

```
print_tbl(rel_table, digits = 3, caption = "Reliability of HPT subscales (alpha and omega).")
```

Table 1: Reliability of HPT subscales (alpha and omega).

scale	k_items	alpha_raw	alpha_poly	omega_total
POP	3	0.489	0.548	0.569
ROA	3	0.492	0.519	0.560
CONT	3	0.635	0.691	0.695

How to read this table: Higher values mean items within a subscale are consistent. If a subscale shows **low** α **and** ω , consider revisiting items or treating the subscale cautiously in later analyses.

5 Step 3 — Dimensionality (CFA/EFA)

Goal: Check whether our data reproduce the **structure** reported in prior HPT work (often: **POP+CONT** vs **ROA**, or a **three-factor** model with POP, CONT, ROA as correlated factors).

We fit three **confirmatory factor models** using **ordered** items (WLSMV):

- **M1 (two factors):** $F1$ loads on POP1–3 and CONT1–3; $F2$ loads on ROA1–3.
- **M2 (three factors):** *POP*, *CONT*, *ROA* as separate but correlated.
- **M3 (one factor):** Everything loads on a single general factor.

We then compare model fit and inspect loadings.

```
hpt_ord <- hpt_items # same data; we explicitly treat items as ordered

m1_2factor <- '
F1 =~ POP1 + POP2 + POP3 + CONT1 + CONT2 + CONT3
F2 =~ ROA1 + ROA2 + ROA3
F1 ~~ F2
'

m2_3factor <- '
POP  =~ POP1 + POP2 + POP3
CONT =~ CONT1 + CONT2 + CONT3
ROA  =~ ROA1 + ROA2 + ROA3
POP  ~~ CONT + ROA
CONT ~~ ROA
'

m3_1factor <- '
G =~ POP1 + POP2 + POP3 + ROA1 + ROA2 + ROA3 + CONT1 + CONT2 + CONT3
'

fit_2 <- cfa(m1_2factor, data = hpt_ord, ordered = hpt_cols, estimator = "WLSMV")
fit_3 <- cfa(m2_3factor, data = hpt_ord, ordered = hpt_cols, estimator = "WLSMV")
fit_1 <- cfa(m3_1factor, data = hpt_ord, ordered = hpt_cols, estimator = "WLSMV")

# Compare fits side-by-side
semTools::compareFit(fit_2, fit_3, fit_1)
```

```
## The following lavaan models were compared:
```

```
##      fit_3
```

```
##      fit_2
```

```
##      fit_1
```

```
## To view results, assign the compareFit() output to an object and use the summary() method; see the class?FitDiff help page.
```

Now we print key indices and standardized loadings for each model.

```
report_fit <- function(fit) {
  list(
    indices = fitMeasures(fit, c("cfi","tli","rmsea","rmsea.ci.lower","rmsea.ci.upper","srmr")),
    loadings = standardizedSolution(fit) %>% as_tibble() %>% filter(op == "=~")
  )
}
```

```

cfa_summary <- list(
  `2-factor (POP+CONT vs ROA)` = report_fit(fit_2),
  `3-factor (POP/CONT/ROA)` = report_fit(fit_3),
  `1-factor (general)` = report_fit(fit_1)
)

# Print nicely
purrr::iwalk(cfa_summary, function(x, nm){
  cat("\n###", nm, "\n")
  print(x$indices)
  print(kable(x$loadings, digits = 3))
})

```

```

##
## ### 2-factor (POP+CONT vs ROA)
##           cfi           tli           rmsea rmsea.ci.lower rmsea.ci.upper           srmr
##           0.974           0.963           0.046           0.000           0.081           0.071
##
##
## |lhs|op|rhs| |est.std| |se| |z| pvalue| ci.lower| ci.upper|
## |:-:|:-:|:-:| |:-:|:-:| |:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|
## |F1| |=~| POP1 | | 0.555| 0.079| | 7.010| 0.000| | 0.400| 0.710|
## |F1| |=~| POP2 | | 0.251| 0.081| | 3.107| 0.002| | 0.093| 0.409|
## |F1| |=~| POP3 | | 0.399| 0.071| | 5.601| 0.000| | 0.259| 0.538|
## |F1| |=~| CONT1 | | -0.705| 0.064| | -10.934| 0.000| | -0.831| -0.578|
## |F1| |=~| CONT2 | | -0.623| 0.069| | -8.997| 0.000| | -0.758| -0.487|
## |F1| |=~| CONT3 | | -0.577| 0.070| | -8.240| 0.000| | -0.715| -0.440|
## |F2| |=~| ROA1 | | 0.653| 0.097| | 6.768| 0.000| | 0.464| 0.843|
## |F2| |=~| ROA2 | | 0.286| 0.095| | 3.004| 0.003| | 0.099| 0.472|
## |F2| |=~| ROA3 | | 0.612| 0.091| | 6.695| 0.000| | 0.433| 0.792|
##
## ### 3-factor (POP/CONT/ROA)
##           cfi           tli           rmsea rmsea.ci.lower rmsea.ci.upper           srmr
##           1.000           1.009           0.000           0.000           0.055           0.057
##
##
## |lhs|op|rhs| |est.std| |se| |z| pvalue| ci.lower| ci.upper|
## |:-:|:-:|:-:| |:-:|:-:| |:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|:-:|
## |POP| |=~| POP1 | | 0.756| 0.105| | 7.206| 0.000| | 0.550| 0.961|
## |POP| |=~| POP2 | | 0.333| 0.088| | 3.781| 0.000| | 0.160| 0.505|
## |POP| |=~| POP3 | | 0.511| 0.077| | 6.682| 0.000| | 0.361| 0.661|
## |CONT| |=~| CONT1 | | 0.730| 0.066| | 11.122| 0.000| | 0.601| 0.858|

```



```
## |CONT |=~ |CONT2 | 0.635| 0.070| 9.037| 0.000| 0.497| 0.772|
## |CONT |=~ |CONT3 | 0.597| 0.071| 8.420| 0.000| 0.458| 0.736|
## |ROA |=~ |ROA1 | 0.654| 0.094| 6.921| 0.000| 0.469| 0.839|
## |ROA |=~ |ROA2 | 0.293| 0.095| 3.097| 0.002| 0.108| 0.479|
## |ROA |=~ |ROA3 | 0.609| 0.090| 6.789| 0.000| 0.433| 0.784|
##
## ### 1-factor (general)
##          cfi          tli          rmsea rmsea.ci.lower rmsea.ci.upper          srmr
##          0.947          0.930          0.064          0.030          0.095          0.080
##
##
## |lhs |op |rhs | | est.std|      se|          z| pvalue| ci.lower| ci.upper|
## |:---|:--|:----|:-----|:-----|:-----|:-----|:-----|:-----|
## |G   |=~ |POP1 | | 0.543| 0.079| 6.868| 0.000| 0.388| 0.698|
## |G   |=~ |POP2 | | 0.236| 0.080| 2.944| 0.003| 0.079| 0.393|
## |G   |=~ |POP3 | | 0.386| 0.071| 5.398| 0.000| 0.246| 0.526|
## |G   |=~ |ROA1 | |-0.489| 0.080| -6.090| 0.000| -0.647| -0.332|
## |G   |=~ |ROA2 | |-0.211| 0.084| -2.529| 0.011| -0.375| -0.048|
## |G   |=~ |ROA3 | |-0.469| 0.073| -6.440| 0.000| -0.611| -0.326|
## |G   |=~ |CONT1 | |-0.689| 0.062| -11.190| 0.000| -0.809| -0.568|
## |G   |=~ |CONT2 | |-0.613| 0.068| -9.074| 0.000| -0.746| -0.481|
## |G   |=~ |CONT3 | |-0.564| 0.068| -8.340| 0.000| -0.697| -0.432|
```

How to interpret: Prefer models with **CFI/TLI** $\gtrsim .95$, **RMSEA** $\lesssim .06$ -.08, **SRMR** $\lesssim .08$ (rules of thumb). If the 2- or 3-factor model clearly outperforms 1-factor and loadings align with expectations (POP & CONT together; ROA separate—or all three distinct), the data support the theorized structure.

5.0.1 Optional: Data-driven EFA (polychoric)

Why: As a sensitivity check, we can inspect **exploratory** factor analysis using polychoric correlations.

```
pc <- psych::polychoric(hpt_ord)$rho
efa2 <- psych::fa(pc, nfactors = 2, fm = "pa", rotate = "oblimin")
efa3 <- psych::fa(pc, nfactors = 3, fm = "pa", rotate = "oblimin")

cat("\nEFA (2 factors):\n")
```

```
##
## EFA (2 factors):
```

```
print(efa2$loadings, cutoff = 0.25)
```

```
##
## Loadings:
##      PA1    PA2
## POP1 -0.434  0.275
## POP2      0.549
## POP3      0.476
## ROA1  0.579
## ROA2  0.385  0.371
## ROA3  0.537
## CONT1 0.659
## CONT2 0.551
## CONT3 0.508
##
##      PA1    PA2
## SS loadings  1.995 0.827
## Proportion Var 0.222 0.092
## Cumulative Var 0.222 0.313
```

```
cat("\nEFA (3 factors):\n")
```

```
##
## EFA (3 factors):
```

```
print(efa3$loadings, cutoff = 0.25)
```

```
##
## Loadings:
##      PA1    PA2    PA3
## POP1      0.523
## POP2      0.440  0.272
## POP3      0.649
## ROA1      0.479
## ROA2      0.508
## ROA3      0.430
## CONT1 0.659
## CONT2 0.469
## CONT3 0.724
##
```

```
##           PA1   PA2   PA3
## SS loadings  1.239 0.957 0.825
## Proportion Var 0.138 0.106 0.092
## Cumulative Var 0.138 0.244 0.336
```

6 Step 4 — Presentism-contextualization contrast (POP vs CONT)

Idea: Prior work suggests **presentist** choices (POP) and **contextualized** reasoning (CONT) should **pull in opposite directions**. Here we check whether the **Czech data** replicate that **contrast**: (a) compare means; (b) inspect the POP-CONT correlation.

```
# Rebuild subscale scores locally to avoid scope/version issues
hpt_scores_local <- hpt_items %>%
  mutate(
    POP = rowMeans(select(., starts_with("POP")), na.rm = TRUE),
    ROA = rowMeans(select(., starts_with("ROA")), na.rm = TRUE),
    CONT = rowMeans(select(., starts_with("CONT")), na.rm = TRUE),
    HPT_total = rowMeans(across(c(POP, ROA, CONT)), na.rm = TRUE)
  )

# Sanity check: make sure the columns exist
stopifnot(all(c("POP", "ROA", "CONT", "HPT_total") %in% names(hpt_scores_local)))

contrast_tbl <- hpt_scores_local %>%
  summarise(
    mean_POP = mean(POP, na.rm = TRUE), sd_POP = sd(POP, na.rm = TRUE),
    mean_CONT = mean(CONT, na.rm = TRUE), sd_CONT = sd(CONT, na.rm = TRUE),
    r_POP_CONT = cor(POP, CONT, use = "pairwise.complete.obs")
  )

print_tbl(contrast_tbl, digits = 3, caption = "POP vs CONT: means, SDs, and correlation.")
```

Table 2: POP vs CONT: means, SDs, and correlation.

mean_POP	sd_POP	mean_CONT	sd_CONT	r_POP_CONT
2.01	0.658	2.701	0.731	-0.354

```
# Simple paired comparison (descriptive; not a preregistered test)
t_test <- t.test(hpt_scores_local$POP, hpt_scores_local$CONT, paired = TRUE)
t_test
```

```
##
## Paired t-test
##
## data: hpt_scores_local$POP and hpt_scores_local$CONT
## t = -7.9735, df = 173, p-value = 2.011e-13
## alternative hypothesis: true mean difference is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.8627627 -0.5203790
## sample estimates:
## mean difference
## -0.6915709
```

Reading the results:

- If $\text{mean_CONT} > \text{mean_POP}$ and/or $r_{\text{POP,CONT}} < 0$, that supports the expected contrast.
- If they move **together** (positive correlation and similar means), interpretation of the HPT construct may require caution.

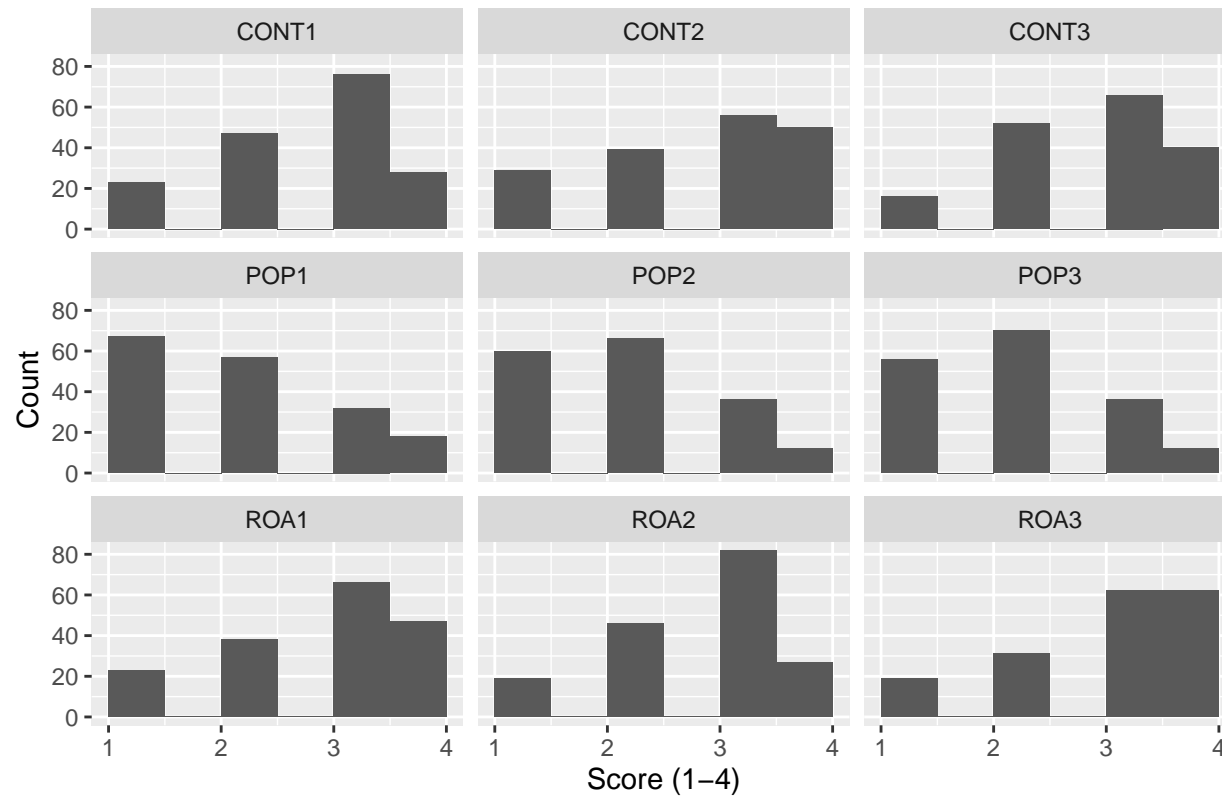
7 Step 5 — Distribution checks

Why: Skewed or piled-up scores can cause model or inference issues. We look at item-level and scale-level histograms.

```
long_items <- hpt_items %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = everything(), names_to = "item", values_to = "score")

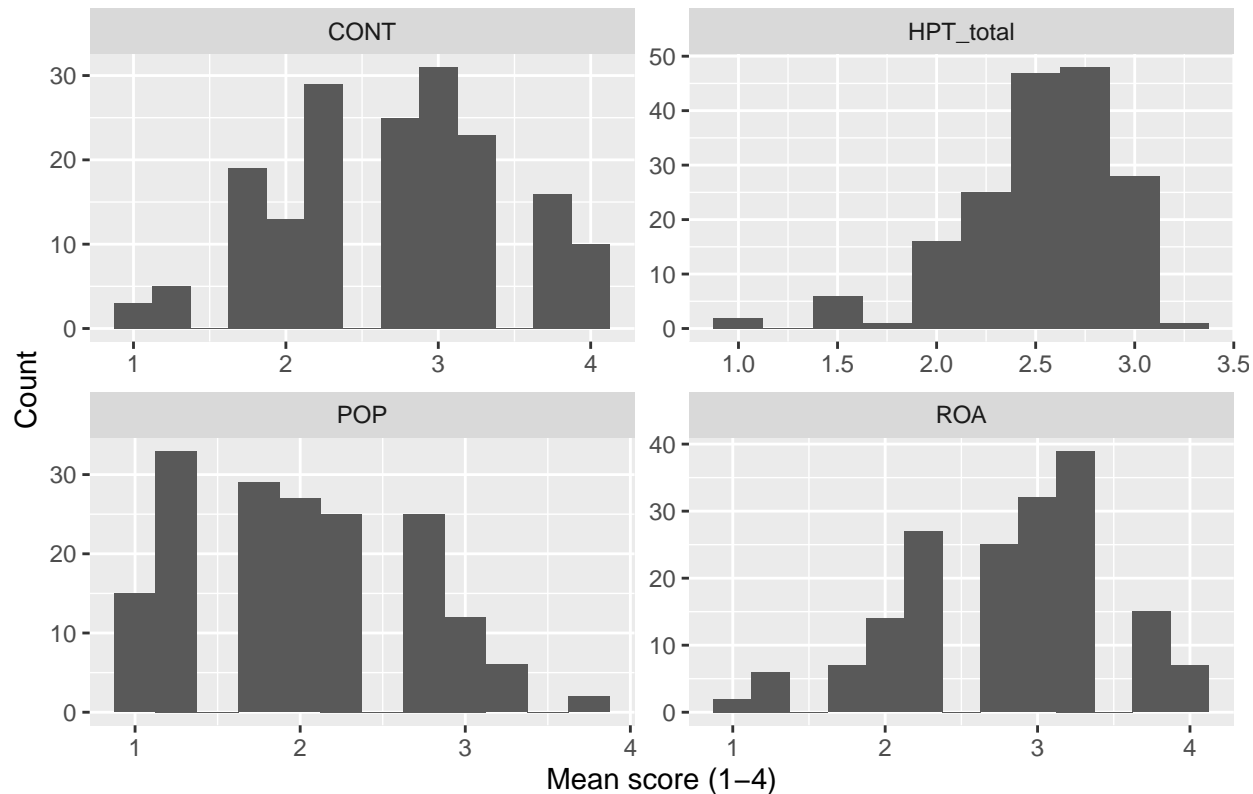
# Item distributions
ggplot(long_items, aes(score)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.5, boundary = 0, closed = "left") +
  facet_wrap(~ item, ncol = 3) +
  labs(title = "HPT item score distributions", x = "Score (1-4)", y = "Count")
```

HPT item score distributions



```
# Scale distributions
ggplot(hpt_scores %>% pivot_longer(c(POP, ROA, CONT, HPT_total), names_to = "scale", values_to = "score"),
  aes(x = score)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.25) +
  facet_wrap(~ scale, scales = "free") +
  labs(title = "Subscale/total score distributions", x = "Mean score (1-4)", y = "Count")
```

Subscale/total score distributions



8 Step 6 — Class-level ICCs (is a multilevel model warranted?)

Why: Students are nested in **classes**; scores may be more similar within a class. The **Intraclass Correlation Coefficient (ICC)** estimates the fraction of variance at the class level. If $ICC \gtrsim .05$, multilevel modeling is usually advisable.

We fit **null (random-intercept)** models for **HPT_total**, **POP**, **ROA**, **CONT** and extract ICCs.

```
# analysis_df and hpt_scores already exist and are aligned
icc_data <- analysis_df %>%
  transmute(class_label) %>%
  bind_cols(hpt_scores %>% select(POP, ROA, CONT, HPT_total))

mk_icc <- function(dv){
```

```

f <- reformulate("1 + (1|class_label)", response = dv)
fit <- lmer(f, data = icc_data, REML = TRUE)

# Extract variance components
vc <- as.data.frame(VarCorr(fit))
var_class <- vc$vcov[vc$grp == "class_label"][1]
var_resid <- vc$vcov[vc$grp == "Residual"][1]

icc <- var_class / (var_class + var_resid)

tibble(
  DV = dv,
  ICC = icc,
  var_class = var_class,
  var_resid = var_resid,
  singular = isSingular(fit)
)
}

icc_tbl <- purrr::map_dfr(c("HPT_total", "POP", "ROA", "CONT"), mk_icc)

print_tbl(icc_tbl, digits = 3, caption = "Null-model ICCs by outcome (computed from variance components).")

```

Table 3: Null-model ICCs by outcome (computed from variance components).

DV	ICC	var_class	var_resid	singular
HPT_total	0.001	0.000	0.147	FALSE
POP	0.024	0.011	0.424	FALSE
ROA	0.008	0.004	0.444	FALSE
CONT	0.046	0.024	0.509	FALSE

Interpretation:

- **Higher ICC** \Rightarrow more clustering by class.
- Non-trivial ICCs motivate **multilevel** models for confirmatory analyses.

9 Step 7 — Knowledge mini-test (KN1–KN6)

Why: The KN items are dichotomous (0/1). We report:

- KR-20 (equivalent to alpha for dichotomous items)
- Item difficulty (p = proportion correct)
- Point-biserial discrimination (w.r.t. total score)

```
kn_cols <- paste0("KN", 1:6)
has_kn <- all(kn_cols %in% names(dat))

if (!has_kn) {
  cat("\n**Knowledge section skipped:** KN1-KN6 not found in data.\n")
} else {
  kn_items <- dat[keep, kn_cols] # align to analysis_df rows via 'keep'
  # Basic sanity: coerce to numeric 0/1
  kn_items <- kn_items %>% mutate(across(everything(), ~ as.numeric(.)))

  # Total score, difficulty (p), discrimination (point-biserial)
  kn_total <- rowSums(kn_items, na.rm = TRUE)

  item_stats <- tibble(
    item = kn_cols,
    difficulty_p = sapply(kn_items, function(x) mean(x, na.rm = TRUE)),
    discr_pb = sapply(kn_items, function(x) cor(x, kn_total - x, use = "pairwise.complete.obs"))
  )

  # KR-20 (alpha on dichotomous items)
  kn_alpha <- psych::alpha(kn_items)

  print_tbl(item_stats, digits = 3, caption = "KN items: difficulty (p) and point-biserial discrimination.")

  print_tbl(tibble(
    k_items = ncol(kn_items),
    total_mean = mean(kn_total, na.rm = TRUE),
    total_sd = sd(kn_total, na.rm = TRUE),
    alpha_KR20 = unname(kn_alpha$total$raw_alpha)
  ), digits = 3, caption = "KN total: summary and KR-20 (alpha for dichotomous items).")
}
```

Table 4: KN total: summary and KR-20 (alpha for dichotomous items).

k_items	total_mean	total_sd	alpha_KR20
6	3.293	1.616	0.547

10 Step 8 — Ideology batteries (FR-LF mini, KSA-3) and Social Desirability (SDR-5)

Why:

- We need reliable predictors and controls before hypothesis tests.
- We report α/ω (polychoric), optional CFA fits, and descriptive summaries.

```
# Helper: reliability table for Likert batteries (polychoric + omega total)
alpha_poly_likert <- function(x) {
  pc <- psych::polychoric(x)$rho
  psych::alpha(pc, n.obs = nrow(x))
}
omega_total_poly_likert <- function(x) {
  pc <- psych::polychoric(x)$rho
  if (!all(eigen(pc, symmetric = TRUE)$values > 1e-6)) pc <- psych::cor.smooth(pc)
  suppressWarnings(psych::omega(pc, n.obs = nrow(x), nfactors = 1, plot = FALSE)$omega.tot)
}
```

10.1 FR-LF mini (RD1-RD3, NS1-NS3)

```
fr_cols <- c(paste0("RD", 1:3), paste0("NS", 1:3))
has_fr <- all(fr_cols %in% names(dat))

if (!has_fr) {
  cat("\n**FR-LF mini section skipped:** RD1-3 and/or NS1-3 not found.\n")
} else {
  fr_df <- dat[keep, fr_cols] %>% as_tibble()
  RD <- fr_df %>% select(starts_with("RD"))
  NS <- fr_df %>% select(starts_with("NS"))

  fr_rel <- bind_rows(
    {
      a <- psych::alpha(RD); ap <- alpha_poly_likert(RD); wt <- omega_total_poly_likert(RD)
      tibble(scale = "FR-LF: RD", k_items = ncol(RD),
              alpha_raw = a$total$raw_alpha, alpha_poly = ap$total$raw_alpha, omega_total = wt)
    },
    {
      a <- psych::alpha(NS); ap <- alpha_poly_likert(NS); wt <- omega_total_poly_likert(NS)
      tibble(scale = "FR-LF: NS", k_items = ncol(NS),
              alpha_raw = a$total$raw_alpha, alpha_poly = ap$total$raw_alpha, omega_total = wt)
    }
  )
}
```

```

    },
    {
      a <- psych::alpha(fr_df); ap <- alpha_poly_likert(fr_df); wt <- omega_total_poly_likert(fr_df)
      tibble(scale = "FR-LF: total (RD+NS)", k_items = ncol(fr_df),
        alpha_raw = a$total$raw_alpha, alpha_poly = ap$total$raw_alpha, omega_total = wt)
    }
  )

print_tbl(fr_rel, digits = 3, caption = "FR-LF mini reliability (alpha, polychoric alpha, omega total).")

# Optional CFA: 2 correlated factors (RD, NS), ordered WLSMV
fr_model <- '
RD =~ RD1 + RD2 + RD3
NS =~ NS1 + NS2 + NS3
RD ~~ NS
'
fr_fit <- try(lavaan::cfa(fr_model, data = fr_df, ordered = colnames(fr_df), estimator = "WLSMV"), silent = TRUE)
if (!inherits(fr_fit, "try-error")) {
  print(fitMeasures(fr_fit, c("cfi", "tli", "rmsea", "srmr")))
} else {
  cat("\nFR-LF CFA skipped (model failed to converge).\n")
}
}

```

```

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```

```

##   cfi   tli rmsea  srmr
## 0.995 0.990 0.034 0.050

```

10.2 KSA-3 (A1-A3, U1-U3, K1-K3)

```

ksa_cols <- c(paste0("A",1:3), paste0("U",1:3), paste0("K",1:3))
has_ksa <- all(ksa_cols %in% names(dat))

if (!has_ksa) {
  cat("\n**KSA-3 section skipped:** A1-A3, U1-U3, and/or K1-K3 not found.\n")
} else {

```

```

ksa_df <- dat[keep, ksa_cols] %>% as_tibble()
A <- ksa_df %>% select(starts_with("A"))
U <- ksa_df %>% select(starts_with("U"))
K <- ksa_df %>% select(starts_with("K"))

ksa_rel <- bind_rows(
  {
    a <- psych::alpha(A); ap <- alpha_poly_likert(A); wt <- omega_total_poly_likert(A)
    tibble(scale = "KSA-3: Aggression (A)", k_items = 3,
           alpha_raw = a$total$raw_alpha, alpha_poly = ap$total$raw_alpha, omega_total = wt)
  },
  {
    a <- psych::alpha(U); ap <- alpha_poly_likert(U); wt <- omega_total_poly_likert(U)
    tibble(scale = "KSA-3: Submission (U)", k_items = 3,
           alpha_raw = a$total$raw_alpha, alpha_poly = ap$total$raw_alpha, omega_total = wt)
  },
  {
    a <- psych::alpha(K); ap <- alpha_poly_likert(K); wt <- omega_total_poly_likert(K)
    tibble(scale = "KSA-3: Conventionalism (K)", k_items = 3,
           alpha_raw = a$total$raw_alpha, alpha_poly = ap$total$raw_alpha, omega_total = wt)
  },
  {
    a <- psych::alpha(ksa_df); ap <- alpha_poly_likert(ksa_df); wt <- omega_total_poly_likert(ksa_df)
    tibble(scale = "KSA-3: total", k_items = 9,
           alpha_raw = a$total$raw_alpha, alpha_poly = ap$total$raw_alpha, omega_total = wt)
  }
)

print_tbl(ksa_rel, digits = 3, caption = "KSA-3 reliability (alpha, polychoric alpha, omega total).")

# Optional CFA: 3 correlated factors (A, U, K)
ksa_model <- '
A =~ A1 + A2 + A3
U =~ U1 + U2 + U3
K =~ K1 + K2 + K3
A ~~ U + K
U ~~ K
'

ksa_fit <- try(lavaan::cfa(ksa_model, data = ksa_df, ordered = colnames(ksa_df), estimator = "WLSMV"), silent = TRUE)
if (!inherits(ksa_fit, "try-error")) {
  print(fitMeasures(ksa_fit, c("cfi", "tli", "rmsea", "srmr")))
} else {

```

```

    cat("\nKSA-3 CFA skipped (model failed to converge).\n")
  }
}

```

```

## Omega_h for 1 factor is not meaningful, just omega_t
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```

```

## cfi tli rmsea srmr
## 0.982 0.973 0.058 0.066

```

10.3 SDR-5 (SDR1-SDR5)

```

sdr_cols <- paste0("SDR", 1:5)
has_sdr <- all(sdr_cols %in% names(dat))

if (!has_sdr) {
  cat("\n**SDR-5 section skipped:** SDR1-SDR5 not found.\n")
} else {
  sdr_df <- dat[keep, sdr_cols] %>% as_tibble()
  # NOTE: Your data reportedly already has SDR2-SDR4 reversed. If unsure, you can
  # check symmetry and optionally reverse here before reliability.
  a_sdr <- psych::alpha(sdr_df)
  ap_sdr <- alpha_poly_likert(sdr_df)
  wt_sdr <- omega_total_poly_likert(sdr_df)

  print_tbl(tibble(
    scale = "SDR-5",
    k_items = 5,
    alpha_raw = a_sdr$total$raw_alpha,
    alpha_poly = ap_sdr$total$raw_alpha,
    omega_total = wt_sdr
  ), digits = 3, caption = "SDR-5 reliability (alpha, polychoric alpha, omega total).")

  # Optional CFA: 1 factor
  sdr_model <- 'SDR =~ SDR1 + SDR2 + SDR3 + SDR4 + SDR5'
  sdr_fit <- try(lavaan::cfa(sdr_model, data = sdr_df, ordered = colnames(sdr_df), estimator = "WLSMV"), silent = TRUE)
  if (!inherits(sdr_fit, "try-error")) {

```

```

    print(fitMeasures(sdr_fit, c("cfi","tli","rmsea","srmr")))
  } else {
    cat("\nSDR-5 CFA skipped (model failed to converge).\n")
  }
}

```

Some items (SDR1 SDR5) were negatively correlated with the first principal component and
probably should be reversed.

To do this, run the function again with the 'check.keys=TRUE' option

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```

##   cfi   tli rmsea  srmr
## 0.771 0.543 0.202 0.110

```

11 Step 9 — Cross-construct correlations (HPT, KN, FR-LF, KSA-3, SDR-5)

Why: Useful overview to see how constructs relate before multilevel models.

```

# Build scale scores that exist in your data (gracefully skipping any missing block)
scales_list <- list(
  HPT_total = hpt_scores$HPT_total,
  HPT_POP   = hpt_scores$POP,
  HPT_ROA   = hpt_scores$ROA,
  HPT_CONT  = hpt_scores$CONT
)

if (has_kn) {
  scales_list$KN_total <- rowSums(dat[keep, kn_cols], na.rm = TRUE)
}

if (has_fr) {
  fr_df <- dat[keep, fr_cols]
  scales_list$FR_RD <- rowMeans(fr_df[, paste0("RD",1:3)], na.rm = TRUE)
  scales_list$FR_NS <- rowMeans(fr_df[, paste0("NS",1:3)], na.rm = TRUE)
}

```

```

scales_list$FR_total <- rowMeans(fr_df, na.rm = TRUE)
}

if (has_ksa) {
  ksa_df <- dat[keep, ksa_cols]
  scales_list$KSA_A <- rowMeans(ksa_df[, paste0("A",1:3)], na.rm = TRUE)
  scales_list$KSA_U <- rowMeans(ksa_df[, paste0("U",1:3)], na.rm = TRUE)
  scales_list$KSA_K <- rowMeans(ksa_df[, paste0("K",1:3)], na.rm = TRUE)
  scales_list$KSA_total <- rowMeans(ksa_df, na.rm = TRUE)
}

if (has_sdr) {
  sdr_df <- dat[keep, sdr_cols]
  scales_list$SDR_total <- rowMeans(sdr_df, na.rm = TRUE)
}

scales_df <- as_tibble(scales_list)

# Pairwise complete correlations
cors <- cor(scales_df, use = "pairwise.complete.obs")

print_tbl(round(cors, 3), caption = "Cross-construct correlations (pairwise complete).")

```

Table 5: Cross-construct correlations (pairwise complete).

	HPT_total	HPT_POP	HPT_ROA	HPT_CONT	KN_total	FR_RD	FR_NS	FR_total	KSA_A	KSA_U	KSA_K	KSA_total
HPT_total	1.000	0.263	0.743	0.656	0.099	-0.019	0.017	-0.001	0.102	0.094	0.150	0.147
HPT_POP	0.263	1.000	-0.145	-0.354	-0.312	0.099	0.096	0.113	0.112	0.112	0.167	0.167
HPT_ROA	0.743	-0.145	1.000	0.383	0.260	-0.052	-0.052	-0.058	0.016	0.024	0.069	0.044
HPT_CONT	0.656	-0.354	0.383	1.000	0.200	-0.071	-0.012	-0.051	0.046	0.026	0.023	0.041
KN_total	0.099	-0.312	0.260	0.200	1.000	-0.093	-0.181	-0.166	0.007	0.019	0.035	0.032
FR_RD	-0.019	0.099	-0.052	-0.071	-0.093	1.000	0.422	0.843	0.409	0.429	0.345	0.501
FR_NS	0.017	0.096	-0.052	-0.012	-0.181	0.422	1.000	0.843	0.373	0.313	0.231	0.390
FR_total	-0.001	0.113	-0.058	-0.051	-0.166	0.843	0.843	1.000	0.461	0.422	0.342	0.518
KSA_A	0.102	0.112	0.016	0.046	0.007	0.409	0.373	0.461	1.000	0.363	0.450	0.802
KSA_U	0.094	0.112	0.024	0.026	0.019	0.429	0.313	0.422	0.363	1.000	0.403	0.735
KSA_K	0.150	0.167	0.069	0.023	0.035	0.345	0.231	0.342	0.450	0.403	1.000	0.791
KSA_total	0.147	0.167	0.044	0.041	0.032	0.501	0.390	0.518	0.802	0.735	0.791	1.000
SDR_total	0.071	0.045	0.020	0.053	0.011	-0.057	-0.228	-0.165	-0.157	-0.193	-0.034	-0.163

12 Reproducibility appendix

```
sessionInfo()
```

```
## R version 4.4.2 (2024-10-31)
## Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu
## Running under: Ubuntu 24.04.3 LTS
##
## Matrix products: default
## BLAS: /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/blas/libblas.so.3.12.0
## LAPACK: /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/lapack/liblapack.so.3.12.0
##
## locale:
##  [1] LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8      LC_NUMERIC=C              LC_TIME=cs_CZ.UTF-8      LC_COLLATE=en_US.UTF-8
##  [5] LC_MONETARY=cs_CZ.UTF-8  LC_MESSAGES=en_US.UTF-8  LC_PAPER=cs_CZ.UTF-8     LC_NAME=C
##  [9] LC_ADDRESS=C             LC_TELEPHONE=C           LC_MEASUREMENT=cs_CZ.UTF-8 LC_IDENTIFICATION=C
##
## time zone: Europe/Prague
## tzcode source: system (glibc)
##
## attached base packages:
## [1] stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets  methods   base
##
## other attached packages:
##  [1] kableExtra_1.4.0  knitr_1.50      performance_0.15.1 lme4_1.1-38     Matrix_1.7-1     semTools_0.5-7
##  [7] lavaan_0.6-20     psych_2.4.12    lubridate_1.9.4   forcats_1.0.0   stringr_1.5.1     dplyr_1.1.4
## [13] purrr_1.1.0       readr_2.1.5     tidyr_1.3.1       tibble_3.2.1    ggplot2_4.0.1     tidyverse_2.0.0
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
##  [1] gtable_0.3.6      xfun_0.54       insight_1.4.2    lattice_0.22-5   tzdb_0.5.0
##  [6] quadprog_1.5-8    vctrs_0.6.5     tools_4.4.2      Rdpack_2.6.4     generics_0.1.3
## [11] stats4_4.4.2      parallel_4.4.2  sandwich_3.1-1   pkgconfig_2.0.3  lavaan.mi_0.1-0
## [16] RColorBrewer_1.1-3 S7_0.2.1        lifecycle_1.0.4  GPArotation_2024.3-1 compiler_4.4.2
## [21] farver_2.1.2      textshaping_0.4.1 mnormt_2.1.1     codetools_0.2-20 htmltools_0.5.8.1
## [26] yaml_2.3.10       pillar_1.10.0   nloptr_2.2.1     MASS_7.3-61      reformulas_0.4.1
## [31] boot_1.3-31       multcomp_1.4-28 nlme_3.1-166     tidyselect_1.2.1 digest_0.6.37
## [36] mvtnorm_1.3-2     stringi_1.8.4   labeling_0.4.3   splines_4.4.2    fastmap_1.2.0
## [41] grid_4.4.2        cli_3.6.5       magrittr_2.0.3   survival_3.7-0   pbivnorm_0.6.0
## [46] TH.data_1.1-4     withr_3.0.2     scales_1.4.0     estimability_1.5.1 timechange_0.3.0
## [51] rmarkdown_2.29    emmeans_1.10.6  zoo_1.8-14       hms_1.1.3        coda_0.19-4.1
## [56] evaluate_1.0.5    rbibutils_2.3   viridisLite_0.4.2 rlang_1.1.6      Rcpp_1.0.13-1
```

## [61] xtable_1.8-4	glue_1.8.0	xml2_1.3.6	svglite_2.2.2	rstudioapi_0.17.1
## [66] minqa_1.2.8	R6_2.6.1	systemfonts_1.3.1		