

TITLE:

SVLM N=1000 Large DIF (Testing parameter values);

DATA:

FILE IS condition_125_repl.dat;

VARIABLE:

NAMES id age agec study study_c gender gender_c eta
 bin_1-bin_12 y1 y2;

USEVARIABLES ARE AGEC STUDY GENDER bin_1-bin_12 agec2 agestudy;

CATEGORICAL ARE bin_1-bin_12;

CONSTRAINT= study agec gender; } predictors of factor variance or factor loading
must be listed here

DEFINE:

agec2 = agec*agec;

agestudy = agec*study;

ANALYSIS: ESTIMATOR=ml;

ALGORITHM=integration;

MODEL:

Trait BY bin_1* bin_2-bin_12;

[Trait@0];

Trait ON agec agec2 study agestudy; covariate effects on factor mean

Trait (v);

Trait BY bin_1 (L1);

Trait BY bin_2 (L2);

Trait BY bin_3 (L3);

Trait BY bin_4 (L4);

bin_1 ON gender study;

bin_2 ON agec study;

bin_3 ON agec gender;

bin_4 ON gender study;

} covariate effects exist for these factor loadings (see below)

MODEL CONSTRAINT: ↴ list & parameters in variance + loading equations, * start value

NEW (v1 v2 v3 L10*1 L20*1 L30*1 L40*1 L11*0 L12*0 L21*0 L22*0
L31*0 L32*0 L41*0 L42*0);

v = 1*EXP(v1*agec + v2*study + v3*gender); covariate effects on factor variance

L1 = L10 + L11*gender + L12*study;

L2 = L20 + L21*agec + L22*study;

L3 = L30 + L31*agec + L32*gender;

L4 = L40 + L41*gender + L42*study;

} covariate effects for loadings labeled
L1, L2, L3, L4 (see above)

[Trait @ \emptyset]

$v = \frac{1}{1} * \text{EXP}()$

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} These statements are used to scale the latent factor to have a mean of 0 and variance of 1 when all covariates are \emptyset

(Useful to center / code covariates so that \emptyset point is meaningful & within range of data)