

Supplementary Materials for Yuan, Zhang, and Deng

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1 Using WebSEM for Data Analysis

The fit indices for mean structures with growth curve models developed in this article are currently available in WebSEM, which is free online software that allows researchers to conduct SEM analysis through path diagrams (Zhang & Yuan, 2012-2017).¹ In this section, we illustrate how to obtain the fit indices in WebSEM through the linear model with equal error variances in Example 4 used in the paper. A video with instructions on how to conduct the data analysis is also available on YouTube (<https://youtu.be/1ydG3IXBISM>).

To use WebSEM, one needs to provide a data file and draw a path diagram. The data file should be a free format text file with the extension name txt. The data file can be generated using any text editor or the default editor within WebSEM. Both raw data and summary data can be used. For missing data and non-normal data analysis, raw data are required. If raw data are used, the first line of the data file should be variable names and the rest are data entries. If summary data are used, the first row includes the variable names. The second row provides the value of the sample size that is repeated for each column of data. The third row includes information on the sample means. The rest is the full sample covariance matrix. For example, the summary data in the data file for Example 4 from Preacher et al. (2008) are given below. Clearly, there are six variables named close1, close2, close3, close4, close5 and gender, respectively, and the sample size is 851. Note that the value 851 repeats itself 6 times.

close1	close2	close3	close4	close5	gender
851	851	851	851	851	851
37.9542	37.2785	37.0463	36.5696	36.1363	0.4900
6.3944	3.2716	4.1435	3.7058	4.1286	-0.0940
3.2716	7.5282	6.0804	5.1597	5.7608	-0.0390
4.1435	6.0804	10.7290	6.5672	7.2365	-0.1521
3.7058	5.1597	6.5672	10.2920	7.6463	-0.1104
4.1286	5.7608	7.2365	7.6463	12.9085	-0.1469
-0.0940	-0.0390	-0.1521	-0.1104	-0.1469	0.2502

WebSEM provides an intuitive and interactive interface to draw path diagram for a model for data analysis. Information on how to use the interface can be found in Zhang and Yuan (2012-2017). The path diagram for the linear growth curve model drawn by WebSEM is given in Figure 2. The video on YouTube showed how to draw a path diagram interactively. Because the use of summary data instead of raw data, we put “data=cov” in the control field of WebSEM. Furthermore, to request the fit indices for the mean structure, type “mean.fit” in the control field; otherwise, only fit indices for the combined mean and covariance structure will be produced.

The output of WebSEM by running the analysis is shown below. Test Statistics and Fit Indices for both mean and covariance, covariance only, and mean only are given at the beginning of the output. For example, for evaluating both mean and covariance together, the chi-square statistic is 81.653 with 17 degrees of freedom. The corresponding p-value is essentially 0. The CFI is 0.971, NFI is 0.964, NNFI is 0.961 and RMSEA is 0.067. For mean only, the chi-square statistics is 5.073 (p-value = 0.167) and RMSEA is 0.028.

¹Zhang, Z. & Yuan, K.-H. (2012-2017). WebSEM: Structural equation modeling online [Manual available at <http://psychstat.org/websem>]. Retrievable from <https://websem.psychstat.org>.

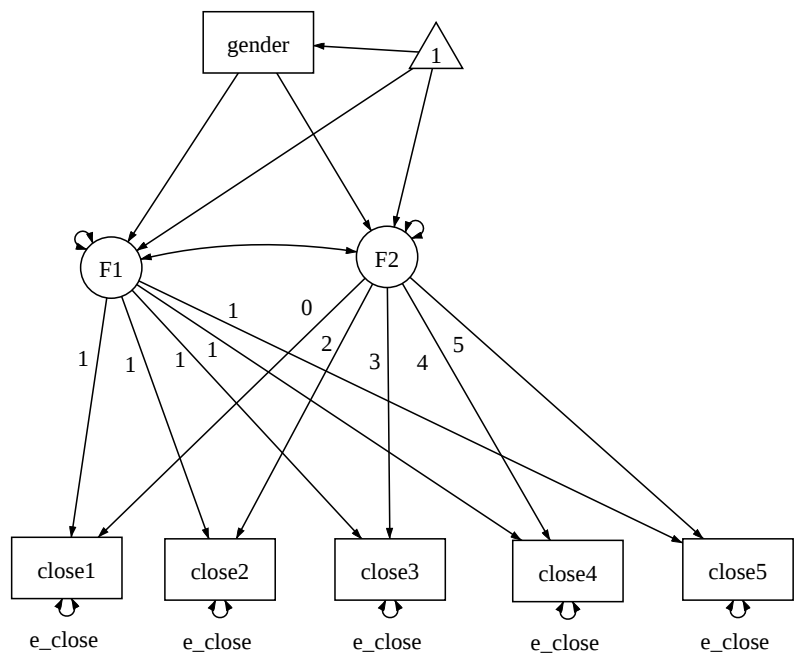


Figure 1: Path diagram for the linear growth curve model with equal error variances. The path diagram was drawn by WebSEM.

Test Statistics and Fit Indices

Fit for both mean and covariance

Chi-square statistic	81.653		
Degrees of freedom	17		
p-value	0		
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)		2272.4	
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)		23	
CFI	0.971		
NFI	0.964		
NNFI	0.961		
RMSEA	0.067		

Fit for covariance only

Chi-square statistic	76.586		
Degrees of freedom	14		
p-value	0		
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)		1971.2	
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)		19	
CFI	0.968		
NFI	0.961		
NNFI	0.956		
RMSEA	0.072		

Fit for mean only

Chi-square statistic	5.073		
Degrees of freedom	3		
p-value	0.167		
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)		287.88	
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)		4	
CFI	0.993		
NFI	0.982		
NNFI	0.99		
RMSEA	0.028		

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
Latent variables:				
F1 =~				
close1	1.000			
close3	1.000			
close4	1.000			
close5	1.000			
close6	1.000			
F2 =~				
close1	0.000			
close3	2.000			
close4	3.000			
close5	4.000			
close6	5.000			

Regressions:

F1 ~				
gender	-0.289	0.163	-1.770	0.077
F2 ~				
gender	-0.052	0.043	-1.216	0.224

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Covariances:
  F1  ~~
      F2          0.249    0.056    4.420    0.000

Intercepts:
      F2          -0.333    0.030   -11.169    0.000
      F1          38.141    0.114   334.196    0.000
      close1      0.000
      close3      0.000
      close4      0.000
      close5      0.000
      close6      0.000

Variances:
      close1 (e_y)  3.696    0.103   35.728    0.000
      close3 (e_y)  3.696    0.103   35.728    0.000
      close4 (e_y)  3.696    0.103   35.728    0.000
      close5 (e_y)  3.696    0.103   35.728    0.000
      close6 (e_y)  3.696    0.103   35.728    0.000
      F1          2.956    0.284   10.399    0.000
      F2          0.136    0.020    6.804    0.000

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We now include the input and output of the examples used in our paper.

1.1 Example 1

The summary data used in this example are given below. The model in Figure 2 is used.

y1	y2	y3	y4	y5	y6
200	200	200	200	200	200
1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5
2.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5
2.0	4.0	4.5	6.0	7.5	9.0
2.0	4.5	8.0	10.0	12.0	14.5
2.5	6.0	10.0	14.0	16.5	20.0
3.0	7.5	12.0	16.5	22.0	26.0
3.5	9.0	14.5	20.0	26.0	32.0

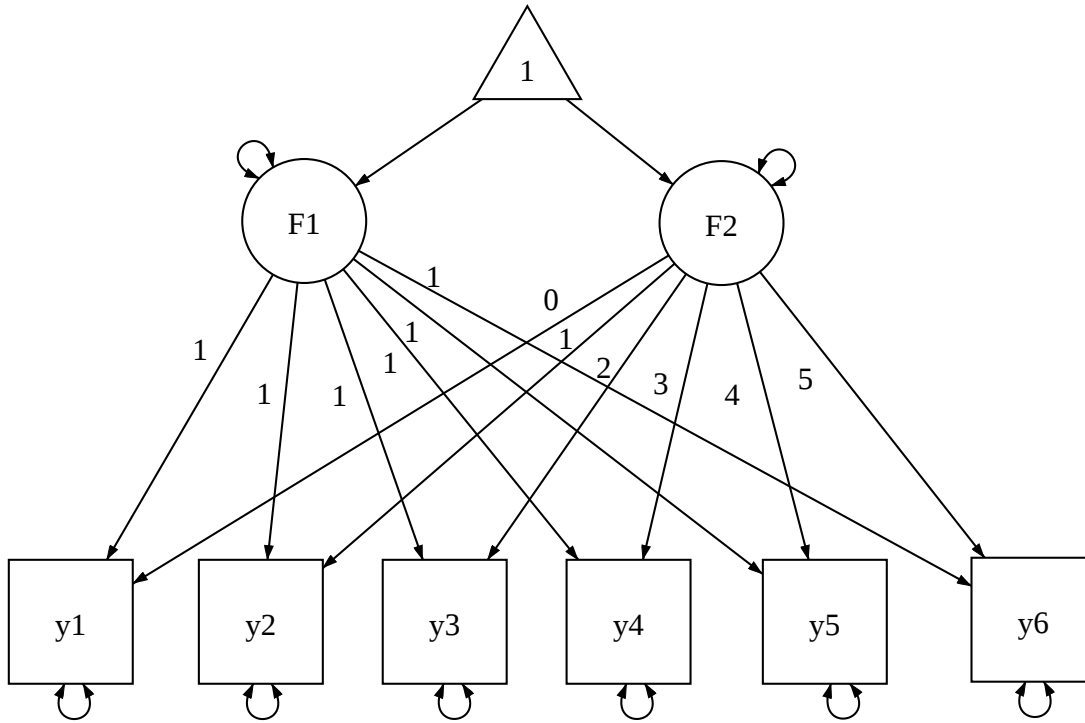


Figure 2: Path diagrams for models used in Examples 1-4

The output of WebSEM by running the analysis is shown below.

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Test Statistics and Fit Indices
Fit for both mean and covariance
  Chi-square statistic    82.686
  Degrees of freedom     16
  p-value                 0
  Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 2010.2
  Degrees of freedom (baseline model)   20
  CFI                     0.966
  NFI                     0.959
  NNFI                    0.958
  RMSEA                   0.144

Fit for covariance only
  Chi-square statistic    82.686
  Degrees of freedom     12
  p-value                 0
  Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1923.8
  Degrees of freedom (baseline model)   15
  CFI                     0.963
  NFI                     0.957
  NNFI                    0.954
  RMSEA                   0.172

Fit for mean only
  Chi-square statistic    0
  Degrees of freedom     4
  p-value                 1
  Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 46.273

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Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	5
CFI	1
NFI	1
NNFI	1.121
RMSEA	0

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
Latent variables:				
F1 =~				
y1	1.000			
y2	1.000			
y3	1.000			
y4	1.000			
y5	1.000			
F2 =~				
y1	0.000			
y2	1.000			
y3	2.000			
y4	3.000			
y5	4.000			
F1 =~				
y6	1.000			
F2 =~				
y6	5.000			
Covariances:				
F1 ~~				
F2 (r_F1)	0.378	0.100	3.779	0.000
Intercepts:				
F2	0.500	0.073	6.819	0.000
F1	1.000	0.094	10.667	0.000
y1	0.000			
y2	0.000			
y3	0.000			
y4	0.000			
y5	0.000			
y6	0.000			
Variances:				
y1	0.532	0.103	5.186	0.000
y2	0.642	0.085	7.590	0.000
y3	1.040	0.119	8.740	0.000
y4	1.087	0.125	8.715	0.000
y5	0.595	0.090	6.627	0.000
F1	1.444	0.181	7.970	0.000
F2	1.044	0.108	9.710	0.000
y6	0.483	0.127	3.807	0.000

1.2 Example 2

The summary data used in this example are given below. The same model in Figure 2 is used.

y1	y2	y3	y4	y5	y6
200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0
1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5
2.0	2.2	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5
2.2	4.0	4.5	6.0	7.5	9.0
2.0	4.5	8.0	10.2	12.0	14.5
2.5	6.0	10.2	14.0	16.5	20.0
3.0	7.5	12.0	16.5	22.0	26.2
3.5	9.0	14.5	20.0	26.2	32.0

The output of the analysis is given below.

Test Statistics and Fit Indices

Fit for both mean and covariance

Chi-square statistic	188.53	
Degrees of freedom	16	
p-value	0	
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)	2255.5	
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	20	
CFI	0.923	
NFI	0.916	
NNFI	0.904	
RMSEA	0.232	

Fit for covariance only

Chi-square statistic	188.53	
Degrees of freedom	12	
p-value	0	
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)	2168.6	
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	15	
CFI	0.918	
NFI	0.913	
NNFI	0.898	
RMSEA	0.271	

Fit for mean only

Chi-square statistic	0	
Degrees of freedom	4	
p-value	1	
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)	46.193	
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	5	
CFI	1	
NFI	1	
NNFI	1.122	
RMSEA	0	

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
Latent variables:				
F1 =~				
y1	1.000			
y2	1.000			
y3	1.000			
y4	1.000			
y5	1.000			
F2 =~				
y1	0.000			
y2	1.000			

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      y3          2.000
      y4          3.000
      y5          4.000
F1 = ~
      y6          1.000
F2 = ~
      y6          5.000

Covariances:
F1 ~ ~
      F2      (r_F1)    0.326    0.103    3.160    0.002

Intercepts:
      F2          0.500    0.074    6.797    0.000
      F1          1.000    0.097    10.321   0.000
      y1          0.000
      y2          0.000
      y3          0.000
      y4          0.000
      y5          0.000
      y6          0.000

Variances:
      y1          0.288    0.073    3.957    0.000
      y2          0.438    0.058    7.525    0.000
      y3          1.188    0.130    9.115    0.000
      y4          1.226    0.134    9.180    0.000
      y5          0.405    0.064    6.311    0.000
      F1          1.687    0.192    8.793    0.000
      F2          1.065    0.108    9.838    0.000
      y6          0.255    0.093    2.751    0.006

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1.3 Example 3

The summary data for Example 3 are given below.

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y1   y2   y3   y4   y5   y6
200.0 200.0 200.0 200.0 200.0 200.0
1.2   1.5   2.0   2.5   3.0   3.2
2.0   1.5   2.0   2.5   3.0   3.5
1.5   4.0   4.5   6.0   7.5   9.0
2.0   4.5   8.0   9.5  12.0  14.5
2.5   6.0   9.5  14.0  16.5  20.0
3.0   7.5  12.0  16.5  22.0  25.5
3.5   9.0  14.5  20.0  25.5  32.0

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The linear growth curve model in Figure 2 is first fitted to the data and the output is given below.

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Test Statistics and Fit Indices
Fit for both mean and covariance
      Chi-square statistic    33.093
      Degrees of freedom      16
      p-value                  7e-03
      Chi-square statistic (baseline model)  1791.9
      Degrees of freedom (baseline model)    20

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CFI 0.99
 NFI 0.982
 NNFI 0.988
 RMSEA 0.073

Fit for covariance only

Chi-square statistic 13.121
 Degrees of freedom 12
 p-value 0.36
 Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1650.6
 Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 15
 CFI 0.999
 NFI 0.992
 NNFI 0.999
 RMSEA 0.022

Fit for mean only

Chi-square statistic 20.073
 Degrees of freedom 4
 p-value 0
 Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 99.134
 Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 5
 CFI 0.829
 NFI 0.798
 NNFI 0.787
 RMSEA 0.142

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
Latent variables:				
F1 =~				
y1	1.000			
y2	1.000			
y3	1.000			
y4	1.000			
y5	1.000			
F2 =~				
y1	0.000			
y2	1.000			
y3	2.000			
y4	3.000			
y5	4.000			
F1 =~				
y6	1.000			
F2 =~				
y6	5.000			

Covariances:

F1 ~~				
F2	0.499	0.094	5.327	0.000

Intercepts:

F2	0.429	0.073	5.902	0.000
F1	1.162	0.087	13.304	0.000
y1	0.000			
y2	0.000			
y3	0.000			

y4	0.000
y5	0.000
y6	0.000

Variiances:

y1	0.999	0.146	6.819	0.000
y2	1.007	0.122	8.223	0.000
y3	0.994	0.116	8.599	0.000
y4	0.995	0.122	8.127	0.000
y5	1.018	0.151	6.761	0.000
F1	0.991	0.158	6.266	0.000
F2	0.994	0.105	9.440	0.000
y6	1.024	0.204	5.015	0.000

The nonlinear growth curve model in Figure 3 below is then fitted to the data and the output is given below.

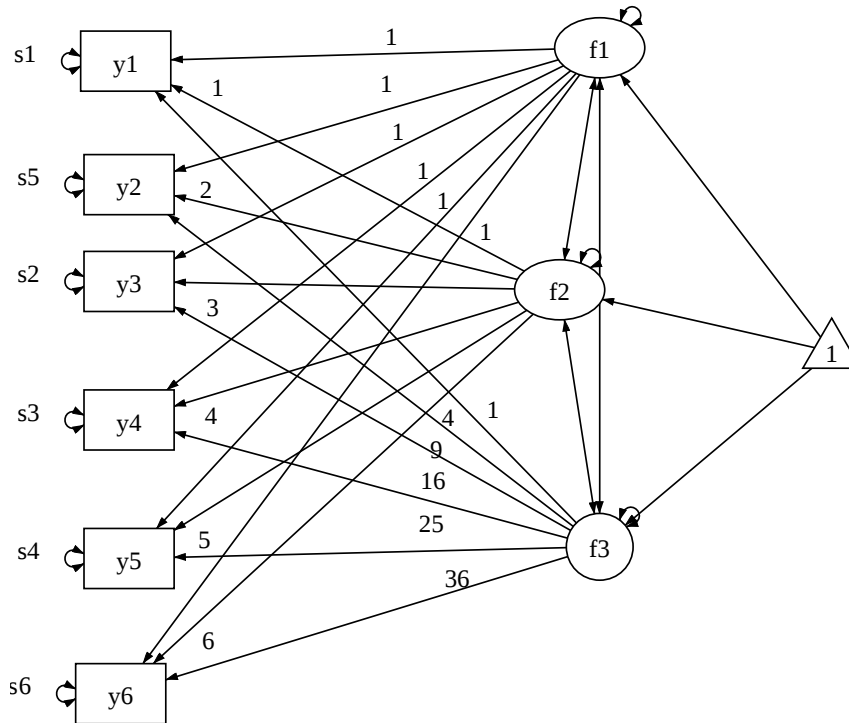


Figure 3: Quadratic growth curve model with unequal variances and a covariate

Test Statistics and Fit Indices
Fit for both mean and covariance
Chi-square statistic 4.849
Degrees of freedom 12
p-value 0.963

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Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1791.9
Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 20
CFI 1
NFI 0.997
NNFI 1.007
RMSEA 0
Fit for covariance only
Chi-square statistic 0.814
Degrees of freedom 9
p-value 1
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1650.6
Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 15
CFI 1
NFI 1
NNFI 1.008
RMSEA 0
Fit for mean only
Chi-square statistic 4.056
Degrees of freedom 3
p-value 0.256
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 91.106
Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 5
CFI 0.988
NFI 0.955
NNFI 0.98
RMSEA 0.042
Parameter Estimates
Estimate Std.err Z-value P(>|z|)
Latent variables:
F1 =~
y1 1.000
y2 1.000
y3 1.000
y4 1.000
y5 1.000
F2 =~
y1 0.000
y2 1.000
y3 2.079 0.178 11.705 0.000
y4 3.159 0.276 11.435 0.000
y5 4.239 0.380 11.168 0.000
F1 =~
y6 1.000
F2 =~
y6 5.193 0.472 10.993 0.000
Covariances:
F1 ~~
F2 0.490 0.092 5.313 0.000
Intercepts:
F2 0.410 0.080 5.143 0.000
F1 1.165 0.090 12.987 0.000
y1 0.000

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y2          0.000
y3          0.000
y4          0.000
y5          0.000
y6          0.000

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Variiances:

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y1          1.003    0.147    6.827    0.000
y2          1.002    0.122    8.180    0.000
y3          0.994    0.116    8.600    0.000
y4          0.990    0.122    8.085    0.000
y5          0.989    0.152    6.490    0.000
F1          1.005    0.165    6.081    0.000
F2          0.899    0.200    4.493    0.000
y6          1.064    0.208    5.115    0.000

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1.4 Example 4

The summary data for Example 4 are given below.

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close1  close2  close3  close4  close5  gender
851     851     851     851     851     851
37.9542 37.2785 37.0463 36.5696 36.1363 0.4900
6.3944  3.2716  4.1435  3.7058  4.1286  -0.0940
3.2716  7.5282  6.0804  5.1597  5.7608  -0.0390
4.1435  6.0804  10.7290 6.5672  7.2365  -0.1521
3.7058  5.1597  6.5672  10.2920 7.6463  -0.1104
4.1286  5.7608  7.2365  7.6463  12.9085 -0.1469
-0.0940 -0.0390 -0.1521 -0.1104 -0.1469 0.2502

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4.1. The linear growth curve model with homogeneous variance in Figure 4 is first fitted to the data and the output is given below.

Test Statistics and Fit Indices

Fit for both mean and covariance

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Chi-square statistic    81.647
Degrees of freedom      17
p-value                 0
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 9448.2
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)   20
CFI                     0.993
NFI                     0.991
NNFI                    0.992
RMSEA                   0.067

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Fit for covariance only

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Chi-square statistic    76.586
Degrees of freedom      13
p-value                 0
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1971.2
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)   15
CFI                     0.967
NFI                     0.961
NNFI                    0.962
RMSEA                   0.076

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Fit for mean only

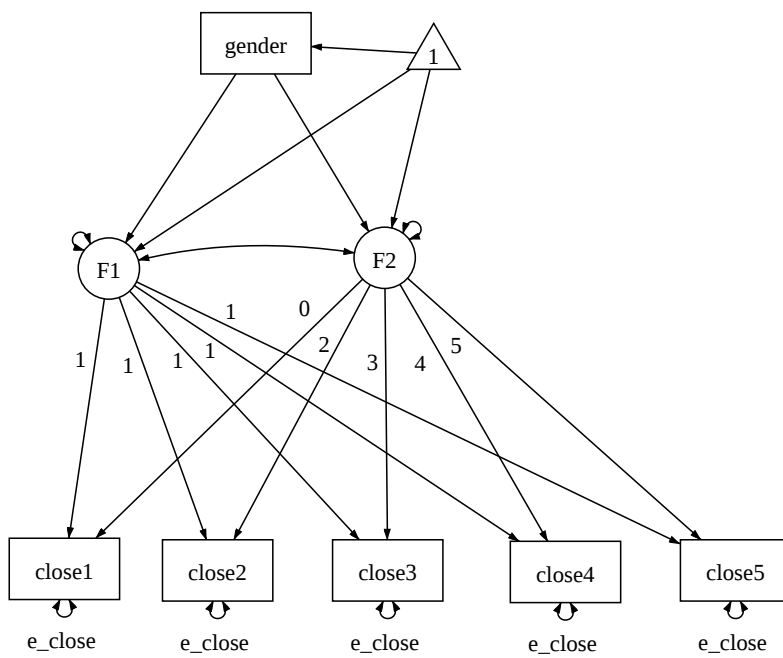


Figure 4: Linear growth curve model with equal variances and a covariate

Chi-square statistic 821.71
 Degrees of freedom 4
 p-value 0
 Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 209969
 Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 5
 CFI 0.996
 NFI 0.996
 NNFI 0.995
 RMSEA 0.49

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
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Latent variables:

F1 =~				
close1	1.000			
close2	1.000			
close3	1.000			
close4	1.000			
close5	1.000			
F2 =~				
close1	0.000			
close2	2.000			
close3	3.000			
close4	4.000			
close5	5.000			

Regressions:

F1 ~				
gendr (b__F1)	-0.289	0.163	-1.769	0.077
F2 ~				
gendr (b__F2)	-0.052	0.043	-1.215	0.224

Covariances:

F1 ~~				
F2 (r_F1)	0.250	0.057	4.417	0.000

Intercepts:

F1 (a_F1)	38.141	0.114	333.899	0.000
F2 (a_F2)	-0.333	0.030	-11.159	0.000
gender	0.490	0.017	28.560	0.000
close1	0.000			
close2	0.000			
close3	0.000			
close4	0.000			
close5	0.000			

Variances:

F1 (e_F1)	2.960	0.285	10.393	0.000
F2 (e_F2)	0.136	0.020	6.800	0.000
close1 (e_cl)	3.700	0.104	35.707	0.000
close2 (e_cl)	3.700	0.104	35.707	0.000
close3 (e_cl)	3.700	0.104	35.707	0.000
close4 (e_cl)	3.700	0.104	35.707	0.000
close5 (e_cl)	3.700	0.104	35.707	0.000
gender	0.250	0.012	20.616	0.000

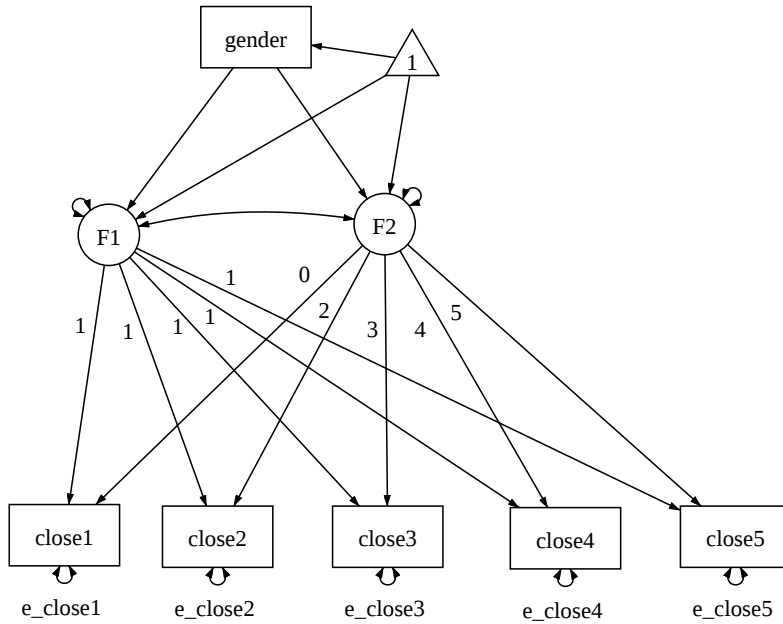


Figure 5: Linear growth curve model with unequal variances and a covariate

4.2. Linear model with unequal variances.

Test Statistics and Fit Indices
Fit for both mean and covariance
Chi-square statistic 58.457
Degrees of freedom 13
p-value 0
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 9448.2
Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 20
CFI 0.995
NFI 0.994
NNFI 0.993
RMSEA 0.064
Fit for covariance only
Chi-square statistic 53.862
Degrees of freedom 9
p-value 0
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1971.2
Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 15
CFI 0.977
NFI 0.973
NNFI 0.962
RMSEA 0.077
Fit for mean only
Chi-square statistic 821.25

Degrees of freedom	4		
p-value	0		
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)		211780	
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)		5	
CFI	0.996		
NFI	0.996		
NNFI	0.995		
RMSEA	0.49		

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
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Latent variables:

F1 =~				
close1	1.000			
close2	1.000			
close3	1.000			
close4	1.000			
close5	1.000			
F2 =~				
close1	0.000			
close2	2.000			
close3	3.000			
close4	4.000			
close5	5.000			

Regressions:

F1 ~				
gendr (b__F1)	-0.274	0.162	-1.686	0.092
F2 ~				
gendr (b__F2)	-0.052	0.042	-1.224	0.221

Covariances:

F1 ~~				
F2 (r_F1)	0.242	0.068	3.572	0.000

Intercepts:

F1 (a_F1)	38.128	0.114	335.436	0.000
F2 (a_F2)	-0.330	0.030	-11.102	0.000
gender	0.490	0.017	28.560	0.000
close1	0.000			
close2	0.000			
close3	0.000			
close4	0.000			
close5	0.000			

Variances:

F1 (e_F1)	3.055	0.314	9.742	0.000
F2 (e_F2)	0.127	0.023	5.544	0.000
close1 (e_c1)	3.527	0.289	12.219	0.000
close2 (e_c2)	2.989	0.182	16.470	0.000
close3 (e_c3)	4.004	0.235	17.056	0.000
close4 (e_c4)	3.665	0.237	15.471	0.000
close5 (e_c5)	4.509	0.318	14.194	0.000
gender	0.250	0.012	20.616	0.000

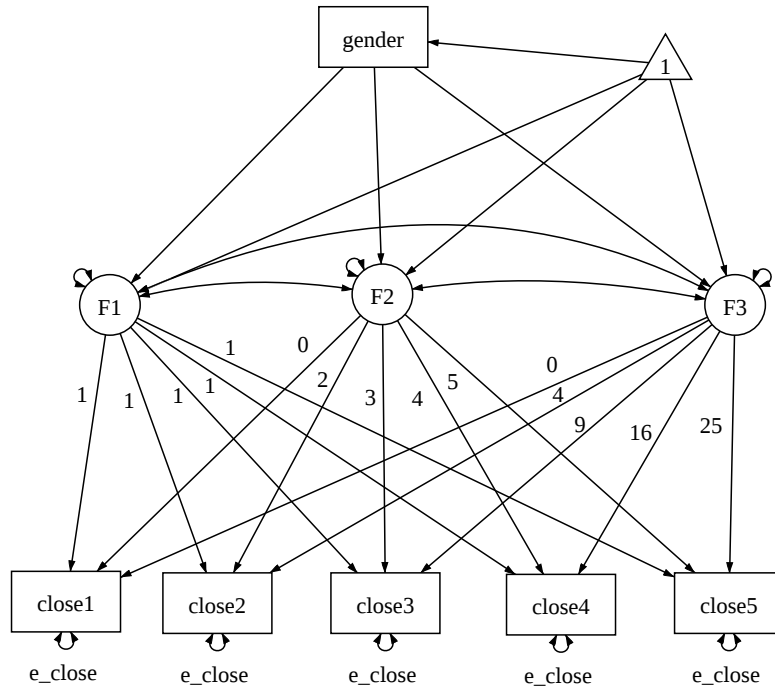


Figure 6: Quadratic growth curve model with equal variances and a covariate

4.3 The nonlinear growth curve model with equal variance in Figure 6 is then fitted to the data and the output is given below.

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Test Statistics and Fit Indices
Fit for both mean and covariance
  Chi-square statistic    53.631
  Degrees of freedom     12
  p-value                0
  Chi-square statistic (baseline model)  9448.2
  Degrees of freedom (baseline model)    20
  CFI                    0.996
  NFI                    0.994
  NNFI                   0.993
  RMSEA                  0.064
Fit for covariance only
  Chi-square statistic    51.52
  Degrees of freedom     9
  p-value                0
  Chi-square statistic (baseline model)  1971.2
  Degrees of freedom (baseline model)    15
  CFI                    0.978
  NFI                    0.974
  NNFI                   0.964
  RMSEA                  0.075
Fit for mean only

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Chi-square statistic	818.76		
Degrees of freedom	3		
p-value	0		
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)	211202		
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	5		
CFI	0.996		
NFI	0.996		
NNFI	0.994		
RMSEA	0.565		

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
Latent variables:				
F1 =~				
close1	1.000			
close2	1.000			
close3	1.000			
close4	1.000			
close5	1.000			
F2 =~				
close1	0.000			
close2	2.000			
close3	3.000			
close4	4.000			
close5	5.000			
F3 =~				
close1	0.000			
close2	4.000			
close3	9.000			
close4	16.000			
close5	25.000			

Regressions:

F1 ~				
gendr (b__F1)	-0.341	0.171	-2.001	0.045
F2 ~				
gendr (b__F2)	0.036	0.120	0.296	0.767
F3 ~				
gendr	-0.018	0.023	-0.760	0.447

Covariances:

F1 ~~				
F2 (r_F1)	0.305	0.175	1.745	0.081
F2 ~~				
F3	-0.101	0.032	-3.140	0.002
F1 ~~				
F3	-0.014	0.032	-0.452	0.652

Intercepts:

F1 (a_F1)	38.110	0.119	318.989	0.000
F2 (a_F2)	-0.281	0.084	-3.343	0.001
gender	0.490	0.017	28.560	0.000
F3	-0.011	0.016	-0.643	0.520
close1	0.000			
close2	0.000			

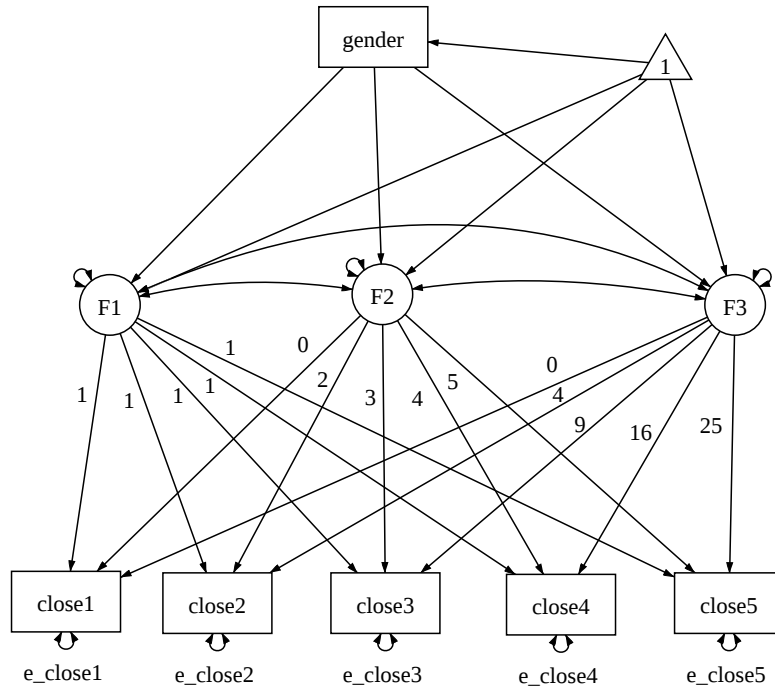


Figure 7: Quadratic growth curve model with unequal variances and a covariate

close3		0.000			
close4		0.000			
close5		0.000			
Variances:					
F1	(e_F1)	2.880	0.321	8.970	0.000
F2	(e_F2)	0.587	0.171	3.426	0.001
close1	(e_cl)	3.412	0.117	29.155	0.000
close2	(e_cl)	3.412	0.117	29.155	0.000
close3	(e_cl)	3.412	0.117	29.155	0.000
close4	(e_cl)	3.412	0.117	29.155	0.000
close5	(e_cl)	3.412	0.117	29.155	0.000
F3		0.023	0.006	3.578	0.000
gender		0.250	0.012	20.616	0.000

4.4 Nonlinear model with unequal variances

Test Statistics and Fit Indices

Fit for both mean and covariance

Chi-square statistic	26.958
Degrees of freedom	8
p-value	1e-03
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)	9448.2
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	20
CFI	0.998

NFI	0.997
NNFI	0.995
RMSEA	0.053

Fit for covariance only

Chi-square statistic	24.669
Degrees of freedom	5
p-value	0
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)	1971.2
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	15
CFI	0.99
NFI	0.987
NNFI	0.97
RMSEA	0.068

Fit for mean only

Chi-square statistic	818.94
Degrees of freedom	3
p-value	0
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)	213725
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)	5
CFI	0.996
NFI	0.996
NNFI	0.994
RMSEA	0.565

Parameter Estimates

	Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
Latent variables:				
F1 =~				
close1	1.000			
close2	1.000			
close3	1.000			
close4	1.000			
close5	1.000			
F2 =~				
close1	0.000			
close2	2.000			
close3	3.000			
close4	4.000			
close5	5.000			
F3 =~				
close1	0.000			
close2	4.000			
close3	9.000			
close4	16.000			
close5	25.000			

Regressions:

F1 ~				
gender	-0.319	0.170	-1.871	0.061
F2 ~				
gender	0.053	0.120	0.443	0.658
F3 ~				
gender	-0.023	0.023	-0.972	0.331

Covariances:

F1	~~				
F2	(r_F1)	1.162	0.472	2.463	0.014
F2	~~				
F3		-0.052	0.049	-1.066	0.287
F1	~~				
F3		-0.135	0.069	-1.946	0.052
Intercepts:					
F1		38.092	0.119	319.590	0.000
F2		-0.295	0.084	-3.521	0.000
gender		0.490	0.017	28.560	0.000
F3		-0.007	0.016	-0.405	0.686
close1		0.000			
close2		0.000			
close3		0.000			
close4		0.000			
close5		0.000			
Variances:					
F1	(e_F1)	1.546	0.764	2.023	0.043
F2	(e_F2)	0.154	0.315	0.490	0.624
close1	(e_c1)	4.839	0.773	6.259	0.000
close2	(e_c2)	2.394	0.197	12.157	0.000
close3	(e_c3)	3.723	0.232	16.023	0.000
close4	(e_c4)	3.924	0.247	15.870	0.000
close5	(e_c5)	3.243	0.451	7.195	0.000
F3		0.019	0.009	2.242	0.025
gender		0.250	0.012	20.616	0.000

1.5 Missing data and non-normal data

For the analysis of missing data and non-normal data, the raw data are needed. The data used in this example are given below.

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The following model is fitted to the data. Note that in the weight field, 0.1 (0 can also be used not to down-weight any data) is input to specify how much data to down-weight. In the control part, we add "mean.fit" to request the fit for mean and covariance.

The output is given below.

Test Statistics and Fit Indices

Fit for both mean and covariance

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Chi-square statistic 13.836
Degrees of freedom 5
p-value 0.017
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1106.8
Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 9
CFI 0.994
NFI 0.987
NNFI 0.986
RMSEA 0.058

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Fit for covariance only

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Chi-square statistic 11.907
Degrees of freedom 3
p-value 8e-03
Chi-square statistic (baseline model) 1024.7
Degrees of freedom (baseline model) 6
CFI 0.992
NFI 0.988
NNFI 0.983
RMSEA 0.078

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Fit for mean only

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Chi-square statistic 1.934
Degrees of freedom 2

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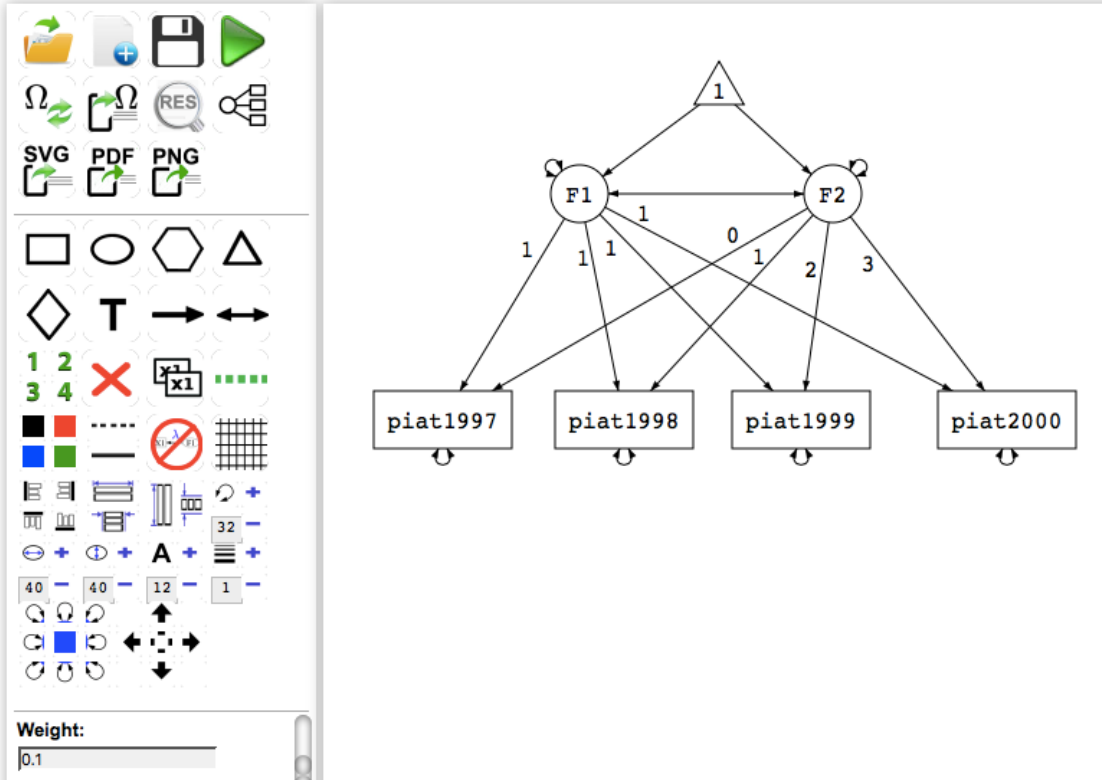


Figure 8: Path diagram for missing data and robust method

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p-value          0.38
Chi-square statistic (baseline model)  216.56
Degrees of freedom (baseline model)    3
CFI              1
NFI              0.991
NNFI             1
RMSEA            0

Parameter Estimates
              Estimate  Std.err  Z-value  P(>|z|)
Latent variables:
F1 =~
  piat1997      1.000
  piat1998      1.000
  piat1999      1.000
  piat2000      1.000
F2 =~
  piat1997      0.000
  piat1998      1.000
  piat1999      2.000
  piat2000      3.000

Covariances:
F1 ~~
  F2            -5.060    3.954    -1.279    0.201

Intercepts:

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F2	3.100	0.212	14.633	0.000
F1	61.010	0.716	85.264	0.000
piat1997	0.000			
piat1998	0.000			
piat1999	0.000			
piat2000	0.000			

Variances:

F1	170.729	15.570	10.965	0.000
F2	6.264	1.840	3.404	0.001
piat1997	61.772	8.769	7.044	0.000
piat1998	71.972	6.470	11.124	0.000
piat1999	67.611	6.306	10.721	0.000
piat2000	63.244	9.028	7.005	0.000
