



# MEMORE: Mediation and Moderation in Repeated Measures Designs

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Workshop: 3:30pm – 6:15pm

Please go to <https://github.com/akmontoya/SPSP2017.git>, download the folder and open SPSS.



## Workshop Procedures

Assuming some familiarity with:

- Regression
- Mediation/Moderation
- SPSS

Download files at

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What we will learn:

- Mediation in Between Subjects Designs (~20 min)
- Mediation in Two-Instance Within-Participant Designs (~60 min)
- Short Break / Q&A (5-7 min)
- Moderation in Between Subjects Designs (~15 min)
- Moderation in Two-Instance Within-Participant Designs (~50 min)
- Q&A (~10 min)
- After Party

How we will learn:

- Combination of theory and practice
- Follow along with the analysis as we go
  - Use syntax!
  - **Ask questions** about concepts or anything that is confusing
- Make friends, if you have troubles as you go through you can work together.



## Mediation

- Between Subjects Mediation
  - Path analytic approach
  - Interpretation
  - Estimation
  - Inference
- Repeated Measures Data
- Two-Condition Within Subjects Mediation
  - Judd Kenny and McClelland (2001)
  - Path analytic approach
  - Estimation of Indirect Effects
  - MEMORE
  - Reporting (Writing and Figures)
  - Common Questions
- Other Types of Repeated Measures Mediation
  - Multilevel (1 – 1 – 1 , 1 – 2 – 2 etc)
  - Longitudinal
  - Multilevel SEM



## Running Example: Group Work in Computer Science (BS)

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### Between-Subjects Version (CASC\_BS.sav) :

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### Measured Variables:

- Interest in the class ( $\alpha$  = .89)
  - How interested are you in taking the class you read about?
  - How much would you want to take the class you read about?
  - How likely would you be to choose the class you read about?
  - How interested are you in majoring in computer science?
  - 1 Not at All – 7 Very much
- CSC<sub>comm</sub>: Perceptions that computer science is communal ( $\alpha$  = .90)
  - Computer science would assist me in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Helping others, serving the community, working with others, connecting with others, caring for others.
  - 1 Strongly Disagree – 7 Strongly Agree



### University of Washington Computer Science & Engineering 142: Introduction to Programming I Course Syllabus

#### Instructor

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MWF 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, Classroom TBA

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- <http://www.cs.washington.edu/142/>

#### Textbook

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#### Grading

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5% participation  
 10% weekly homework assignments  
 25% midterm 1  
 25% midterm 2  
 35% final exam

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#### Academic Integrity and Collaboration

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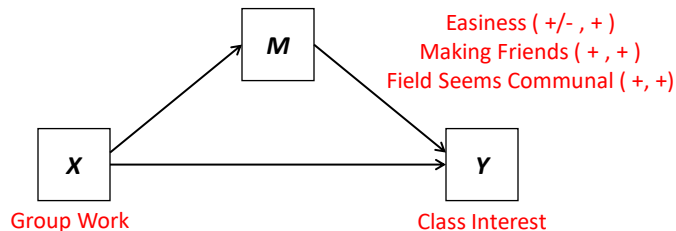
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## Mediation



A simple mediation model connects an **assumed** causal variable (X) to an **assumed** outcome variable (Y), through some mechanism (M).

M is frequently referred to as a *mediator* or *intermediary variable*.

Many different kind of variables may act as mediators. Emotional variables, situational, individual level variables, cognitive variables, environmental variables, etc.

Mediation can be found throughout the psychology literature and is particularly common in social psychology

A quick example: Name some possible mediators!

## Mediation: Path Analysis

Consider  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $c'$  to be measures of the effect of the variables in the mediation model.

These could be measured using regression coefficients from OLS or path estimates in a structural equation model using maximum likelihood estimation.

Indirect effect of  $X$  on  $Y$  (through  $M$ ) =  $a \times b$

Direct effect of  $X$  on  $Y$  (not through  $M$ ) =  $c'$

Indirect effect = total effect - direct effect

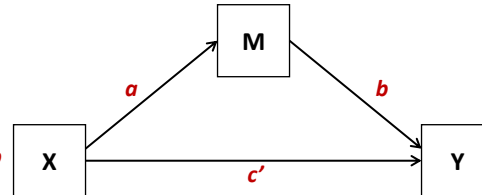
$$a \times b = c - c'$$

Total effect = direct effect + indirect effect

$$c = c' + a \times b$$



$$Y_i = i_{Y^*} + cX_i + e_{Y_i^*}$$



$$M_i = i_M + aX_i + e_{M_i}$$

$$Y_i = i_Y + c'X_i + bM_i + e_{Y_i}$$

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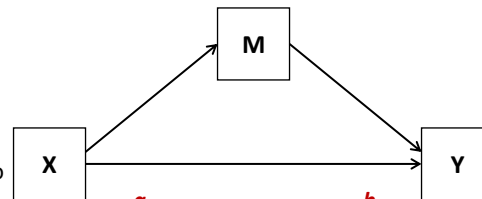
## Interpreting the Coefficients

**Total Effect ( $c$ ):** The effect of our presumed cause ( $X$ ) on our outcome ( $Y$ ), without controlling for any other variables.



**$a$ -path:** The effect of our presumed cause ( $X$ ) on our mediator ( $M$ ).

**$b$ -path:** The effect of our mediator ( $M$ ) on the outcome ( $Y$ ) while controlling for  $X$ . (i.e. predicted difference in  $Y$  for two people with the same score on  $X$  but who differ on  $M$  by one unit).



**Direct effect ( $c'$ ):** The effect of our presumed cause ( $X$ ) on  $Y$  while controlling for  $M$ . (i.e. predicted difference in  $Y$  for two people who differ by one unit on  $X$  but with the same score on  $M$ )

**Indirect Effect ( $ab$ ):** Product of effect of  $X$  on  $M$ , and effect of  $M$  on  $Y$  controlling for  $X$ . The effect of  $X$  on  $Y$  through  $M$ .

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## Estimation with CompSci\_BS Data

**Research Question:** Can group work in computer science classes increase women's interest by increasing their perception that computer science is communal?

The *c*-path can be estimated in a sample using the regression equation below.

$$Y_i = i_{Y^*} + cX_i + e_{Y_i^*}$$

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regression /dep = interest /method = enter cond.
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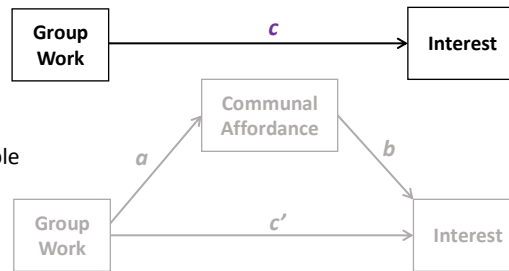
Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	2.701	.193		14.002	.000
	Cond	.462	.285	.156	1.621	.108

a. Dependent Variable: Interest

Overall women were .462 units more interested in the class with group work.

*c* = .462



## Estimation with CompSci\_BS Data

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The *a*-path can be estimated in a sample using the regression equation below.

$$M_i = i_M + aX_i + e_{M_i}$$

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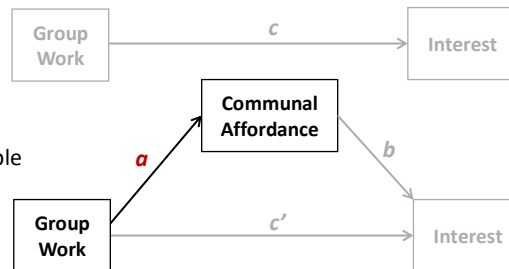
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Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	3.421	.159		21.472	.000
	Cond	.488	.237	.198	2.060	.042

a. Dependent Variable: CSComm

Women saw computer science as .488 units more communal after reading a syllabus with group work.

*a* = .488





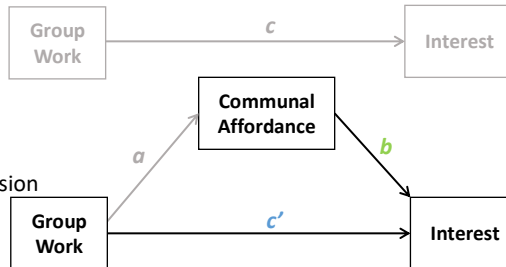
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The  $b$ -path and direct effect can be estimated in a sample using the regression equation below.

$$Y_i = i_Y + c'X_i + bM_i + e_{Y_i}$$

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$c' = 0.218$

**Coefficients<sup>a</sup>**

Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	.964	.413		2.336	.021
	Cond	.218	.268	.073	.812	.419
	CSComm	.508	.109	.421	4.663	.000

a. Dependent Variable: Interest

Controlling for communal affordance, women in the group work condition were .218 units more interested in the class with group work.

$b = .508$

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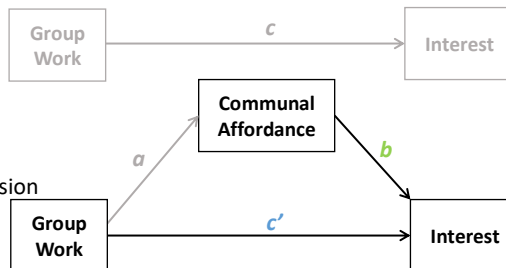
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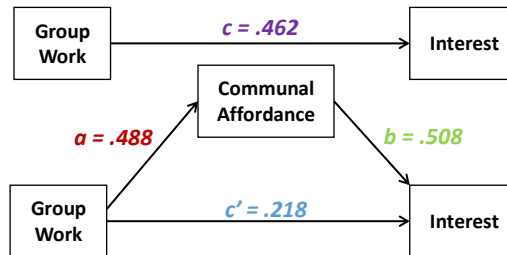
For two people in the same condition, a one unit difference in communal goals results in a 0.51 unit difference in interest, on average.

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## Interpreting the Coefficients

**Research Question:** Can group work in computer science classes increase women's interest by increasing their perception that computer science is communal?

On average, women were .46 units more marginally interested in the class with group work ( $p = .108$ ). Similarly, computer science was perceived as .49 units more communal after reading a syllabus with group work ( $p = .042$ ). Controlling for condition, a one unit increase in communal affordance resulted in a .508 unit increase in interest ( $p < .001$ ). Controlling for communal affordance, group work did not predict additional interest ( $c' = .22$ ,  $p = .42$ ).



But what about the indirect effect?

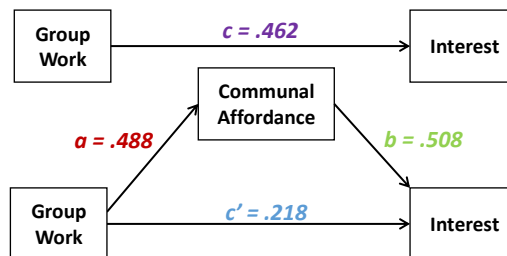


## Interpreting Indirect, Direct, and Total Effects

### Indirect Effect

$$a \times b = .488 \times .508 = .249$$

Group work increased interest by .249 units indirectly through communal affordance. Where group work increased perceptions of communal affordance by .488 units, and a one unit increase in communal affordance resulted in a .508 unit increase in interest.



### Direct Effect

$$c' = .218$$

Group work increased interest by .218 units directly (not through communal affordance).

### Total Effect

$$c = .462$$

Group work increased interest by .462 units in total.

*Inference for the direct and total effects can be drawn from the regression results because these are based on a single regression parameter.*





## Inference about the Indirect Effect

- How to make proper inference about the indirect effect may be the most active area of research in mediation analysis
- Some methods you may have heard of
  - Causal Steps / Baron and Kenny Method / Baron and Kenny Steps
  - Test of Joint Significance
  - Sobel Test / Multivariate Delta Method
  - Monte Carlo Confidence Intervals
  - Distribution of the Product Method
  - Bootstrap Confidence Intervals
    - Percentile Bootstrap
    - Bias-Corrected Bootstrap
    - Bias Corrected and Accelerated Bootstrap
- Why is this so hard?
  - The product of two normal distributions is not necessarily normal. The shape of the distribution of the indirect effect depends on the true indirect effect.
  - There are many instances where the indirect effect could be zero (either  $a$  or  $b$  could be zero, or both could be zero).



## Causal Steps Method

### Method

1. Test if there is a significant total effect ( $c \neq 0$ ).
2. Test if there is a significant effect of  $X$  on  $M$  ( $a \neq 0$ ).
3. Test if there is a significant effect of  $M$  on  $Y$  controlling for  $X$  ( $b \neq 0$ ).
4. If all three steps are confirmed, test for partial vs. complete mediation.
  1. If  $X$  still has an effect on  $Y$  controlling for  $M$  ( $c' \neq 0$ ), this is partial mediation
  2. If  $X$  does not have a significant effect on  $Y$  controlling for  $M$ , complete mediation

### Appeal

- Easy to do, just need regression
- Intuitive

### What's wrong with it?

- No estimate of the indirect effect
- No quantification of uncertainty about conclusion
  - $p$ -value
  - Confidence Interval
- Requirement that the total effect is significant before looking for indirect effect
- Multiple testing problem
- Issues with *complete* and *partial* mediation



## Joint Significance

### Method

1. Test if there is a significant effect of  $X$  on  $M$  ( $a \neq 0$ ).
2. Test if there is a significant effect of  $M$  on  $Y$  controlling for  $X$  ( $b \neq 0$ ).

### Appeal

- Easy to do, just need regression
- Intuitive
- Solves issues of requirement of significant total effect to claim an indirect effect.
- Good method balance Type I Error and Power

### What's wrong with it?

- No estimate of the indirect effect
- No quantification of uncertainty about conclusion
  - $p$ -value
  - Confidence Interval
- Multiple testing problem



## Bootstrap Confidence Intervals (Percentile)

Empirically estimate sampling distribution of the indirect effect. From this distribution compute confidence intervals which can be used for estimation and hypothesis testing.

### Method

1. Randomly sample  $n$  cases from your dataset with replacement.
2. Estimate the indirect effect using resampled dataset, call this  $ab^{(1)}$
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 a total of  $K$  times where  $K$  is many (10,000 recommended), each time calculated  $ab^{(k)}$ .
4. The sampling distribution of the  $ab^{(ij)}$ 's can be used as an estimate of the sampling distribution of the indirect effect.
5. For a 95% confidence interval the lower and upper bounds will be the 2.5<sup>th</sup> and 97.5<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the  $K$  estimates of the indirect effect.

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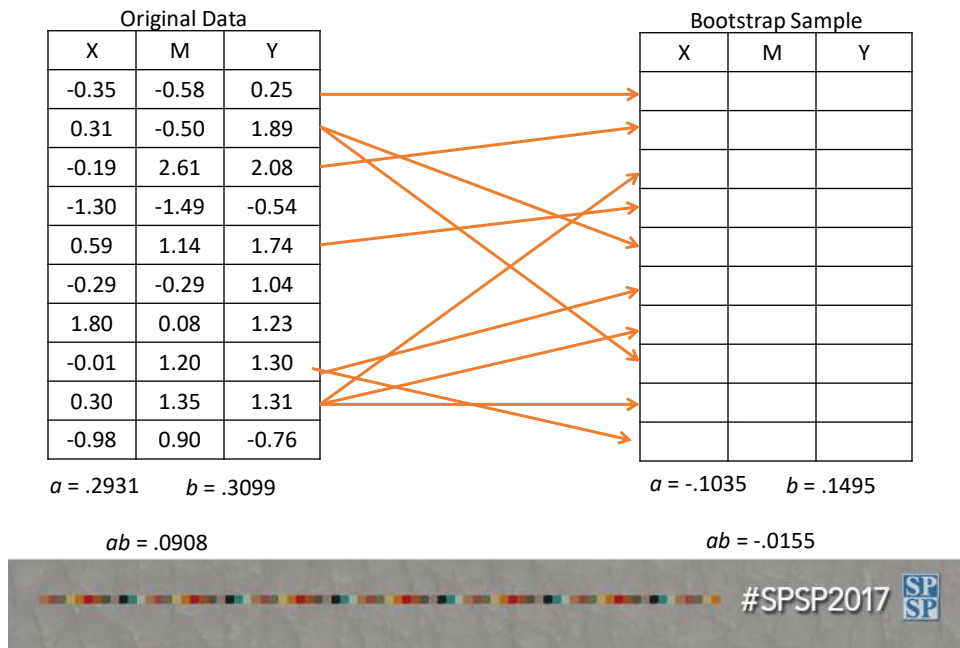
- No assumptions about the sampling distribution of the indirect effect
- Provides point estimate of indirect effect
- Can calculate confidence intervals
- Good method balance Type I Error and Power

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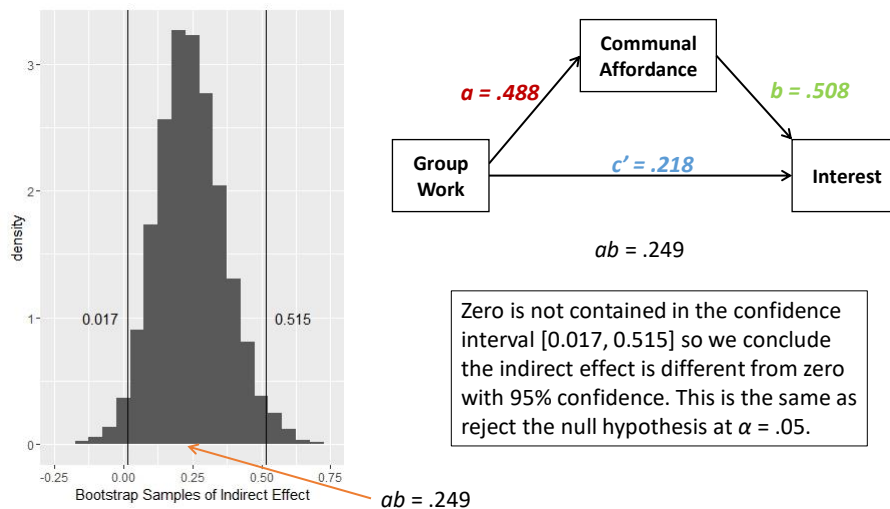
- Most software does not have this functionality built in
- Requires original data



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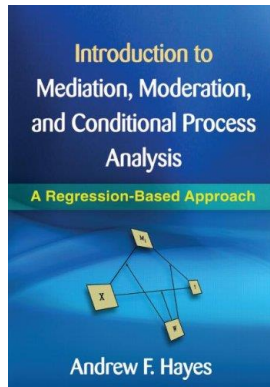


## Bootstrap Confidence Intervals (CompSci Data)



## PROCESS

PROCESS is a macro available for SPSS and SAS written by Andrew F. Hayes, documented in *Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis*, and available for free online at [processmacro.org](http://processmacro.org)



Published in May 2013 and available through The Guilford Press, Amazon.com, and elsewhere.

- PROCESS integrates a variety of macros previously developed by Hayes: SOBEL, INDIRECT, MODMED, MODPROBE, MED3C. If you are using any of these now, switch to PROCESS.
- Current version is 2.16
- PROCESS can assess a variety of models. Find the model you are interested in in the templates file, then use that model number.
- Appendix A of IMMCPA provides complete documentation of options in PROCESS and how to use them.
- Version 3 will allow for specifying your own models (not from templates)

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## Repeated Measures Data

There are many different kinds of “repeated measures data.” What type of data you have will determine what kind of mediation analysis is appropriate.

Types of *Repeated Measurements*:

- Each person *over time*
- *Nested/Multilevel* data (individuals within schools, cohorts, etc)
- *Dyadic* data (twins, couples, labmates, roommates)
- Each person in a *variety of circumstances*
- and many more...

What is measured repeatedly?

- Specifically in mediation, it's important to think about how/when/how many times the variables in your mediation model are measured
- *Multilevel* has a nice system referring to levels (1-1-1 mediation, 1-2-1, mediation etc.
- Is your causal variable measured repeatedly?
- Is your causal variable what differentiates your repeated measurements?

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## Repeated Measures Data

MEMORE is for two-instance repeated measures mediation analysis, where the causal variable of interest is the factor which differs by repeated measures.

*X*: varies between repeated measurements

*M*: measured in each of the two instances

*Y*: measured in each of the two instances

Examples:

- Participants read two scenarios. Interested in how scenario influences *Y* through *M*. Measure *M* and *Y* in each scenario.
- Pre-post test: Therapist measures certain symptoms and various outcomes before administering some intervention, and after administering the intervention.
- Researcher interested in if male partners in heterosexual relationships believe fights are less severe because they are less perceptive of small “squabbles”. Measure both male and female partners in relationships, self report number of small “squabbles” and severity of last fight.

Non-Examples:

- Does calorie consumption impact body image through weight gain over time?
- Any instance where repeated-measure factor is a “nuisance” (e.g. studying schools, but not interested in comparing schools directly).



## Running Example: Group Work in Computer Science (WS)

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### Within-Subjects Version (CompSci\_WS.sav) :

Female participants (N = 51) read two syllabi for a different computer science classes. One of the syllabi reported the class would have group projects throughout, and the other syllabi stated that individual project would be scheduled throughout.

- Syllabi also differed in professor’s name (but not gender), and the primary programming language used in the class.

### Measured Variables:

- Interest in each the class (same as BS version)
  - Two measures: `int_i` `int_g`
- Perceptions that the class has a communal environment.
  - Two measures: `comm_i` `comm_g`
  - Taking this class would assist me in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Helping others, serving the community, working with others, connecting with others, caring for others.
- How difficult would you rate the class you read about?
  - Two measures: `diff_i` `diff_g`



## Judd, Kenny, and McClelland (2001)

Judd, C. M., Kenny, D. A., & McClelland, G. H. (2001). Estimating and testing mediation and moderation in within-subject designs. *Psychological Methods*, 6, 115-134.



One of the few treatments of mediation analysis in this common research design.

A "causal steps", Baron and Kenny type logic to determining whether  $M$  is functioning as a mediator of  $X$ 's effect on  $Y$  when both  $M$  and  $Y$  are measured twice in difference circumstances but on the same people.

1. On average, does  $Y$  differ by condition?
2. On average, does  $M$  differ by condition?
3. Does difference in  $M$  predict a difference in  $Y$ ?
4. Does the difference in  $M$  account for all the difference in  $Y$ ?



## Computer Science Within-Subjects Data Example

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**Research Question:** Can group work in computer science classes increase women's interest by increasing their perception that computer science is communal?

Data is in *wide form*: repeated measurements of the same variables are saved as separate variables (one row per participant). *Long form* is when there is a variable coding instance of repeated measurements (multiple rows per participant, one for each instance).

CompSci_WS.sav			
int_1	int_G	comm_1	comm_G
1.50	4.00	1.00	6.80
2.75	3.25	2.00	5.40
5.75	2.50	3.20	3.60
3.50	5.75	1.60	5.20
2.25	2.00	4.40	4.60
1.50	1.75	3.00	5.00
2.50	4.25	4.20	4.40
6.00	1.75	4.80	2.40
3.00	2.00	2.60	5.80
4.00	5.25	1.60	5.00
5.00	5.00	4.60	6.20
2.00	1.75	3.80	4.20
1.00	1.75	2.60	3.20
1.25	4.50	1.00	6.00
5.75	4.50	2.60	6.00
3.25	4.75	3.00	6.20
2.75	2.25	4.80	4.60
5.50	2.00	4.00	7.00
1.75	5.25	1.60	5.60
4.00	5.50	1.80	5.40
2.25	4.00	2.20	4.80
4.00	6.50	2.00	6.80
5.00	4.50	3.20	6.00





## Analysis using Judd et al. (2001)

1. On average, does  $Y$  differ by condition?

Setup a model of the outcome in each condition:

$$Y_{1i} = c_1 + \epsilon_{Y*1i}$$

$$Y_{2i} = c_2 + \epsilon_{Y*2i}$$

Is  $c_1$  different from  $c_2$ ?

Based on these models, setup a new model where you can directly estimate and conduct inference on what you are interested in (in this case  $c_2 - c_1$ ):



$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = (c_2 - c_1) + (\epsilon_{Y*2i} - \epsilon_{Y*1i}) = c + \epsilon_{Y*i}$$

Use intercept only regression analysis, or a paired sample t-test, or a one sample t-test on the differences to conduct inference on  $c_2 - c_1$

With the data: On average, is class interest higher in the group work condition?

```
T-TEST PAIRS=int_G WITH int_I (PAIRED).
```

Paired Samples Test								
	Paired Differences					t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)
	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference				
				Lower	Upper			
Pair 1 int_G - int_I	.37255	1.99585	.27948	-.18879	.93389	1.333	50	.189



## Analysis using Judd et al. (2001)

2. On average, does  $M$  differ by condition?

Setup a model of the mediator in each condition:

$$M_{1i} = a_1 + \epsilon_{M1i}$$

$$M_{2i} = a_2 + \epsilon_{M2i}$$

Is  $a_1$  different from  $a_2$ ?

Based on these models, setup a new model where you can directly estimate and conduct inference on what you are interested in (in this case  $a_2 - a_1$ ):


$$M_{2i} - M_{1i} = (a_2 - a_1) + (\epsilon_{M2i} - \epsilon_{M1i}) = a + \epsilon_{Mi}$$

Use intercept only regression analysis, or a paired sample t-test, or a one sample t-test on the differences to conduct inference on  $a_2 - a_1$

With the data: On average, is communal goal affordance higher in the group work condition?

```
T-TEST PAIRS=comm_G WITH comm_I (PAIRED).
```

Paired Samples Test									
		Paired Differences					t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)
		Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference				
					Lower	Upper			
Pair 1	comm_G - comm_I	2.29412	1.77870	.24907	1.79385	2.79438	9.211	50	.000



## Analysis using Judd et al. (2001)

3. Does difference in  $M$  predict a difference in  $Y$ ? / Does  $M$  predict  $Y$  controlling for condition?

Setup a model of the outcome in each condition:

$$Y_{1i} = g_{10} + g_{11}M_{1i} + \epsilon_{Y1i}$$

$$Y_{2i} = g_{20} + g_{21}M_{2i} + \epsilon_{Y2i}$$

Note that there are **two estimates** of the effect of  $M$  on  $Y$ . Let's average them to estimate an average effect of  $M$  on  $Y$ . Setup a new model where you can directly estimate and conduct inference on what you are interested in (in this case  $\frac{1}{2}(g_{21} + g_{11})$ ):

$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = (g_{20} - g_{10}) + g_{21}M_{2i} - g_{11}M_{1i} + (\epsilon_{Y2i} - \epsilon_{Y1i})$$

Optional  
board work

$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = (g_{20} - g_{10}) + \underbrace{\frac{g_{21} + g_{11}}{2}}_b (M_{2i} - M_{1i}) + \underbrace{\frac{(g_{21} - g_{11})}{2}}_d (M_{2i} + M_{1i}) + (\epsilon_{Y2i} - \epsilon_{Y1i})$$



## Analysis using Judd et al. (2001)

3. Does  $M$  predict  $Y$  controlling for condition?

With the data: Does communal goal affordance predict interest in the class?

```
compute int_diff = int_G - int_I.
compute comm_diff = comm_G - comm_I.
compute comm_sum = comm_G + comm_I.
EXECUTE.
regression dep = int_diff /method = enter comm_diff comm_sum.
```

Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model	Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
	B	Std. Error	Beta		
1					
	(Constant)	1.310	1.877	.698	.489
	comm_diff	.590	.135	.526	4.385
	comm_sum	-.275	.216	-.153	-1.272

a. Dependent Variable: int\_diff



## Analysis using Judd et al. (2001)

4. Does the difference in communal goal affordance account for all the difference in interest?

$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = (g_{20} - g_{10}) + \frac{g_{21} + g_{11}}{2}(M_{2i} - M_{1i}) + \frac{g_{21} - g_{11}}{2}(M_{2i} + M_{1i}) + (\epsilon_{Y2i} - \epsilon_{Y1i})$$

$b$  $d$

Next we center the sum term, so the intercept has the interpretation of the predicted difference in  $Y$  for someone with no difference in  $M$ 's but is average on  $M$ 's.

$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = c' + b(M_{2i} - M_{1i}) + d(M_{2i} + M_{1i} - (\overline{M_2} + \overline{M_1})) + (\epsilon_{Y2i} - \epsilon_{Y1i})$$

$$\text{where } c' = (g_{20} - g_{10} + d(\overline{M_2} + \overline{M_1}))$$

Intercept is predicted *outcome* when all regressors are zero. This means predicted difference in  $Y$  when there is no difference in  $M$  and a person is average on the sum of  $M$ .



## Analysis using Judd et al. (2001)

4. Does the difference in communal goal affordance account for all the difference in interest?

With the data: Is there a significance difference in interest predicted when there is no difference in communal goals?

```
compute comm_sumc = comm_G+comm_I- 8.325490.
EXECUTE.
regression dep = int_diff /method = enter comm_diff comm_sumc.
```

Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	-.981	.388		-2.527	.015
	comm_diff	.590	.135	.526	4.385	.000
	comm_sum	-.275	.216	-.153	-1.272	.210

a. Dependent Variable: int\_diff



## Analysis using Judd et al. (2001)

1. On average, is interest higher in the group work condition?
2. On average, is communal goal affordance higher in the group work condition?
3. Does difference in communal affordance predict a difference in interest?
4. Does the difference in communal goal affordance account for all the difference in interest?

**According to Judd, Kenny, and McClelland we do not have a mediated effect!**

Because there is no evidence that interest is higher in the group work condition, the Judd et al. (2001) method would conclude there is not mediation.



## Judd et al. Criticisms and Misuses

All criticisms of the causal steps approach apply to this approach:

- There is no explicit quantification of the indirect effect
  - Inference about an indirect effect should be the result of a test on a *quantification* of the indirect effect
- Requiring that there must be a total effect is too restrictive
  - The direct and indirect effect could be of opposite sign
  - There is greater power to detect the indirect effect than direct effect (Judd, Kenny, 2014, *Psych Science*)

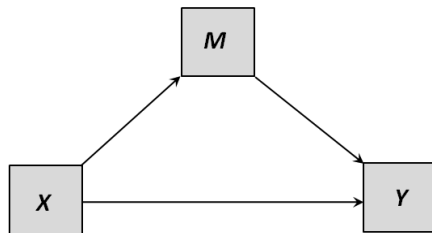
This method has been used by a variety of researchers:

- Approximately 300 citing papers, with around 140 using this method
- Many researchers do not report or estimate the partial regression coefficient for the sum of the mediators
- Because the estimate of the indirect effect is not made explicit, researchers often misinterpret the coefficients
  - $b_1$  path is often interpreted as indirect effect
- Extensions to more complicated models have been poorly implemented



## Can we think about it like a path analysis?

**Analytic Goal:** Can group work in computer science classes increase women's interest by increasing their perception that computer science is communal?



Where is X in the data?

$Y_1$	$Y_2$	$M_1$	$M_2$
int_I	int_G	comm_I	comm_G
1.50	4.00	1.00	6.80
2.75	3.25	2.00	5.40
5.75	2.50	3.20	3.60
3.50	5.75	1.60	5.20
2.25	2.00	4.40	4.60
1.50	4.50	3.00	5.00
2.50	4.20	4.20	4.40
6.00	4.80	2.40	2.40
3.00	5.60	5.80	5.80
4.00	5.60	5.00	5.00
5.00	6.20	6.20	6.20
2.00	4.20	4.20	4.20
1.00	3.20	3.20	3.20
1.25	4.50	1.00	6.00
5.75	4.50	2.60	6.00
3.25	4.75	3.00	6.20
2.75	2.25	4.80	4.60
5.50	2.00	4.00	7.00
1.75	5.25	1.60	5.60
4.00	5.50	1.80	5.40
2.25	4.00	2.20	4.80
4.00	6.50	2.00	6.80
5.00	4.50	3.20	6.00
5.00	3.75	4.00	4.80
4.75	5.25	1.20	6.60

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## Advantages of a path analytic approach

Provides an estimate of the indirect, total, and direct effects

- Allows us to conduct inferential tests directly on an estimate of the indirect effect

Connects researchers understanding of between-subjects mediation to within-subjects mediation

- Reduce misinterpretation of regression coefficients

Using a path analytic framework will help extend the simple mediation model to more complicated questions

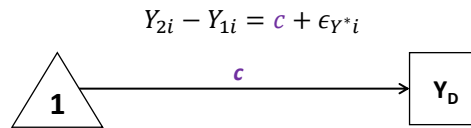
- Multiple mediators
- Moderated mediation
- Integration of between and within-subjects designs

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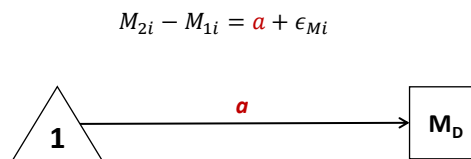


## Path-Analytic Approach

**Total Effect (c):** The effect of our presumed cause (X) on our outcome (Y), without controlling for any other variables. (i.e. mean difference in outcome between the two conditions).



**a-path:** The effect of our presumed cause (X) on our mediator (M). (i.e. mean difference in mediator between the two conditions).

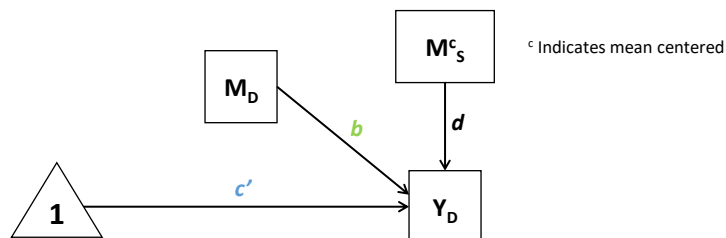


## Path-Analytic Approach

**b-path:** The effect of our mediator (M) on the outcome (Y) while controlling for X. (i.e. predicted difference in Y for two people with the same score on X but who differ on M by one unit).

**Direct effect (c'):** The effect of our presumed cause (X) on Y while controlling for M. (i.e. predicted difference in Y for two people who differ by one unit on X but with the same score on M)

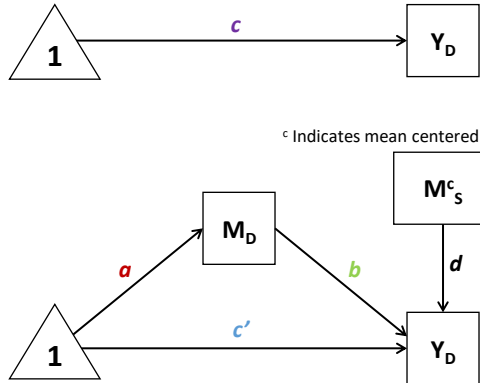
$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = c' + b(M_{2i} - M_{1i}) + d(M_{2i} + M_{1i} - (\overline{M_2} + \overline{M_1})) + \epsilon_{Yi}$$





## Path-Analytic Approach

**Indirect Effect (ab):** Product of effect of  $X$  on  $M$ , and effect of  $M$  on  $Y$  controlling for  $X$ . The effect of  $X$  on  $Y$  through  $M$ .

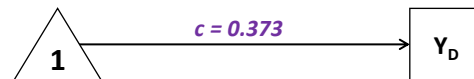


## Within Subjects: Path Estimates

Total Effect  $c$ : (Regress  $Y_D$  on a constant)

$$\widehat{Y}_D = c$$

$$\widehat{Y}_D = .373$$



$a$  path: (Regress  $M_D$  on a constant)

$$\widehat{M}_D = a$$

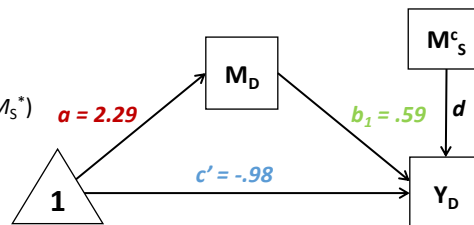
$$\widehat{M}_D = 2.29$$

Indicates mean centered

$b$  path and  $c'$  path: (Regress  $Y_D$  on  $M_D$  and  $M_S^c$ )

$$\widehat{Y}_D = c' + b_1 M_D + d M_S^c + e_3$$

$$\widehat{Y}_D = -.98 + .59 M_D - .28 M_S^c$$



A one unit increase in the difference in communal goal affordance is expected to result in a .59 unit increase in the difference in interest.

People with no difference in communal goal affordance perceptions are expected to be .98 units more interested in the individual class than the group work class.

Note:  $M_S$  must be mean centered for  $c'$  to have intended interpretation



## Data Example: Partitioning effect of X on Y

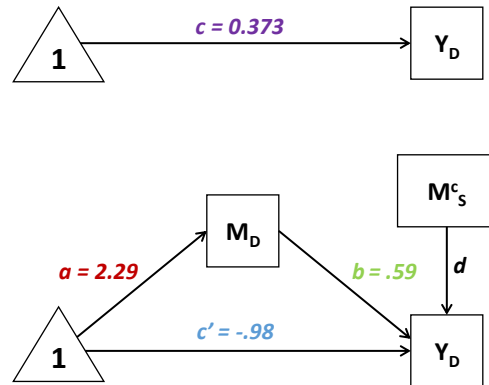
The effect of  $X$  on  $Y$  partitions into two components: direct and indirect, in the usual way.

$$c = c' + a \times b$$

$$.373 = -.98 + 2.29 \times .59$$

$$.373 = -.98 + 1.35$$

We can conduct inferential tests on the estimate of the indirect effect as in any other mediation analysis.

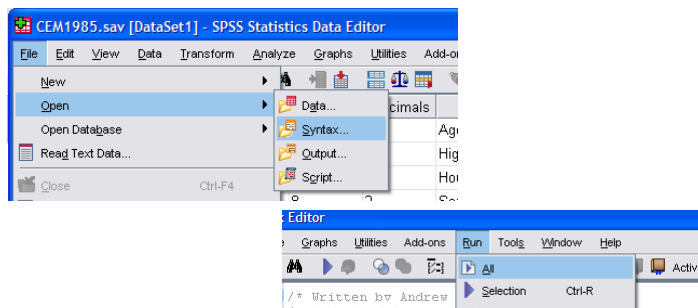


MEMORE has three methods of inference for the indirect effect available: bootstrapping, Monte Carlo confidence intervals, Sobel Tests



## Teaching your package MEMORE

MEMORE is a command which must be taught and re-taught to your statistical package (SPSS) every time you open the package. To teach your program the MEMORE command, open the memore.sps file and run the script exactly as is.



SPSS now knows a new command called MEMORE



## Writing MEMORE Syntax

MEMORE has 2 required arguments: **Y** and **M**

```
MEMORE m= comm_G comm_I /y = int_G int_I /normal=1/samples=10000
/conf = 90.
```

**M** is your list of mediators (order matters)

**Y** is your list of outcomes (order should be matched to the order in the M list)

Some other arguments:

**model** specifies the model you are interested. The default is 1, mediation.

Moderation models are 2 and 3.

**normal = 1** asks for Sobel test

**samples** corresponds to the number of bootstrap/MC samples you would like

**conf** specifies level of confidence you want (default is 95)

**mc = 1** asks for Monte Carlo confidence intervals

**bc = 1** asks for bias corrected bootstrap confidence intervals



## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

```
MEMORE m= comm_G comm_I /y = int_G int_I.
```

\*\*\*\*\* MEMORE Procedure for SPSS Version 2.Beta \*\*\*\*\*

Written by Amanda Montoya

Documentation available at [akmontoya.com](http://akmontoya.com)

\*\*\*\*\*

Model:

1

Variables:

Y = int\_G int\_I

M = comm\_G comm\_I

Computed Variables:

```
Ydiff =      int_G      -      int_I
Mdiff =      comm_G      -      comm_I
Mavg = (      comm_G      +      comm_I      )      /2      Centered
```

Sample Size:

51

\*\*\*\*\*

First part of output repeats  
what you told MEMORE to do.  
Always double check that this is  
correct!



## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

MEMORE m= comm\_G comm\_I /y = int\_G int\_I.

Outcome: Ydiff = int\_G - int\_I Outcome variable

Model	Effect	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
'X'	.3725	.2795	1.3330	.1886	-.1888	.9339

Degrees of freedom for all regression coefficient estimates: 50  $c = .37$

Outcome: Mdiff = comm\_G - comm\_I

Model	Effect	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
'X'	2.2941	.2491	9.2108	.0000	1.7938	2.7944

Degrees of freedom for all regression coefficient estimates: 50  $a = 2.29$

First few sections are regression models involved in the mediation analysis. This is the model of Y from X, therefore this is the model which produces the estimate of c



## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

MEMORE m= comm\_G comm\_I /y = int\_G int\_I.

Outcome: Ydiff = int\_G - int\_I

### Model Summary

R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2	p
.5639	.3180	2.8299	11.1909	2.0000	48.0000	.0001

### Model

	coeff	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
'X'	-.9814	.3884	-2.5269	.0149	-1.7623	-.2005
Mdiff	.5902	.1346	4.3845	.0001	.3195	.8608
Mavg	-.5505	.4328	-1.2718	.2096	-1.4208	.3198

Degrees of freedom for all regression coefficient estimates: 48

This is the model predicting  $Y_D$  from a constant,  $M_D$ , and  $M_{avg}^c$  therefore this model gives us an estimate of b and  $c'$

$c' = -.98$   
 $b = .590$



## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

```
MEMORE m= comm_G comm_I /y = int_G int_I.
```

\*\*\*\*\* TOTAL, DIRECT, AND INDIRECT EFFECTS \*\*\*\*\*

Total effect of X on Y

Effect	SE	t	df	p	LLCI	ULCI
.3725	.2795	1.3330	50.0000	.1886	-.1888	.9339

Direct effect of X on Y

Effect	SE	t	df	p	LLCI	ULCI
-.9814	.3884	-2.5269	48.0000	.0149	-1.7623	-.2005

Indirect Effect of X on Y through M

	Effect	BootSE	BootLLCI	BootULCI
Ind1	1.3540	.3260	.6827	1.9653

Indirect Key

Ind1 X -> Mldiff -> Ydiff

Important effects for mediation and inference about these effects

Based on a 95% bootstrap confidence interval we have evidence of mediation!



## Writing up a Repeated Measures Mediation Analysis

Tips:

- Walk the reader through the steps of the mediation in a way that is intuitive.
  - Include interpretations of the results: b.e.g. "The total effect was significant,  $p < .05$ "
- Use equations and numbers *where helpful*.
- Avoid using computational variable names (e.g. RESPAPPR)
- Avoid causal language if it is not supported by your research design.
- Pick one inferential method and report it
- Read the write ups of other's mediation analyses

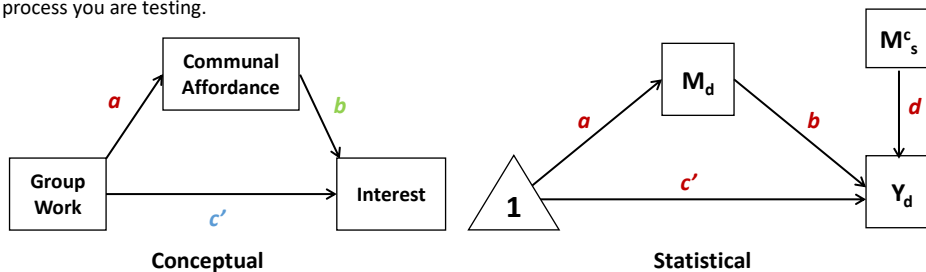
### Is the effect of group work on class interest mediated by communal goal affordance of the class?

Overall there was no evidence of a total effect of group work on interest in computer science classes, we estimate that individuals were .37 units higher on interest in group work than individual work classes ( $p = .19$ ). The class with group work was rated 2.29 units higher on communal goal affordance than the class with individual work ( $p < .001$ ). A one unit increase in perception of communal goal affordance increased interest in the class by .59 units ( $p = .0001$ ), and the relationship between communal goal affordance and interest in a class did not depend on condition ( $p = .21$ ). The effect of group work on interest through communal goal fulfillment was different from zero ( $ab = 1.35$ , 95% Bootstrap CI [.68, 1.96]). This means that we expect women to be 1.35 units more interested in a computer science class with group work compared to one without group work, through the effect of group work on communal goal affordance, and the subsequent effect of communal goal affordance on interest. There was a significant direct effect between group work and interest ( $c' = -.98$ ,  $p = .01$ ). This indicates that there may be some other process, separate from communal goal affordance, which is actually deterring women from computer science classes with group work.



## Visualizations

I suggest using both a conceptual and statistical visualization in order to help the reader understand the process you are testing.



Tips:

- Providing a conceptual diagram helps the readers understand the process you are interested in.
- Providing a statistical diagram helps readers understand how you estimated the model, and that you did it correctly.
- Provide path estimates on statistical diagram or in a table.
- Don't forget to report the path estimates and statistics for the  $d$  path. It's important!



## Common Questions

- Can this method be used for more than two conditions?  
YES! Judd, Kenny, and McClelland (2001) describe a system for setting up contrasts among conditions, and testing the indirect effects of those contrasts.  
I recommend reading Hayes & Preacher (2014) on mediation analysis with a multicategorical IV if you want to try this out. I am happy to give instructions on how to trick MEMORE into doing this. There will be functionality (soonish) for MEMORE to do this.

**ALTERNATIVES:** Some of the other repeated-measures mediation options are more appropriate if you have more than two conditions (especially longitudinal), so take a look at those when thinking about these options.

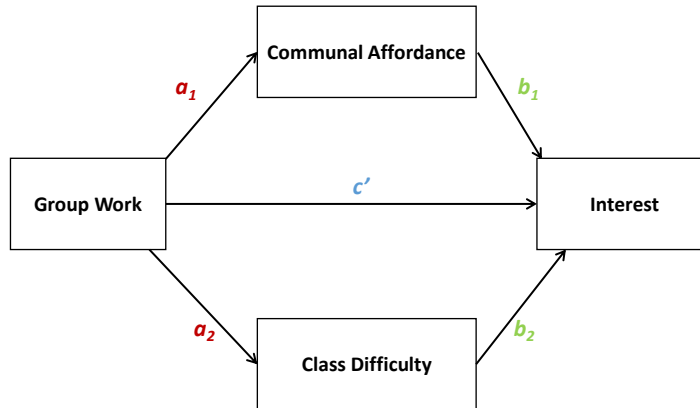
- Can I use multiple mediators?  
YES! MEMORE is already set up to do parallel mediation with up to 10 sets of mediators and serial mediation with up to two sets of mediators (See Montoya & Hayes, in press for instructions).
- Can we do conditional process models?  
Not yet, but we're working on it.
- How do I control for covariates?  
All of MEMORE's mediation analyses are within-person models, so you do not need to control for any between subjects variables such as age, gender, big-5.  
Sometimes there are covariates which change within a person across conditions that you want to account for, this can be done by treating this additional variable as another set of mediators.





## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

Do people just like group work classes because they are easier?



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Do people just like group work classes because they are easier?

MEMORE m = comm\_I comm\_G diff\_I diff\_G /y = int\_I int\_G.

Notice that we are now **controlling** for difficulty of the class when estimating the effect of communal goal affordance on interest!

Outcome: Ydiff = int\_I - int\_G

Model Summary

R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2	p
.6307	.3978	2.6073	7.5978	4.0000	46.0000	.0001

Model

	coeff	SE	t	df	p	LLCI	ULCI
'X'	.9172	.3815	2.4042	46.0000	.0203	.1493	1.6851
M1diff	.4847	.1448	3.3460	46.0000	.0016	.1931	.7762
M2diff	-.4123	.1878	-2.1952	46.0000	.0332	-.7904	-.0342
M1avg	.5160	.4157	1.2411	46.0000	.2209	-.3209	1.3528
M2avg	-.3781	.2879	-1.3133	46.0000	.1956	-.9577	.2014

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\*\*\*\*\* TOTAL, DIRECT, AND INDIRECT EFFECTS \*\*\*\*\*

Total effect of X on Y

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Direct effect of X on Y

Effect	SE	t	df	p	LLCI	ULCI
.9172	.3815	2.4042	46.0000	.0203	.1493	1.6851

Indirect Effect of X on Y through M

	Effect	BootSE	BootLLCI	BootULCI
Ind1	-1.1119	.3812	-1.8531	-.3522
Ind2	-.1779	.1160	-.4465	.0000
Total	-1.2897	.3507	-1.9566	-.5612

Controlling for difficulty,  
there is still a significant  
indirect effect through  
communal affordance!

Indirect Key

Ind1	X	->	M1diff	->	Ydiff
Ind2	X	->	M2diff	->	Ydiff

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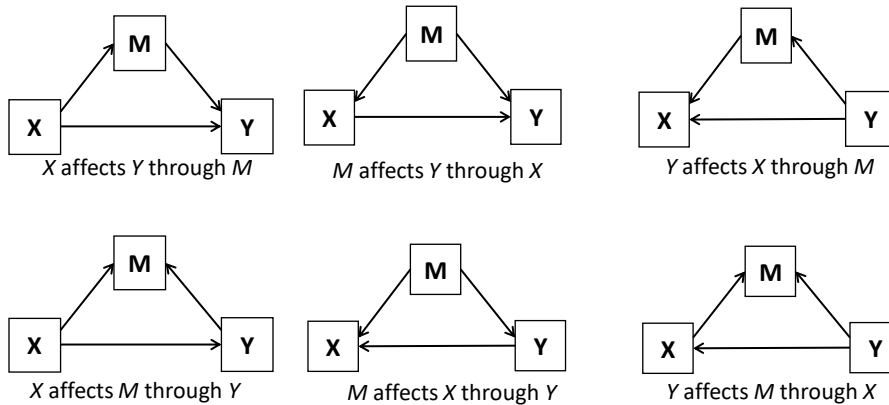
## Other Types of Repeated Measures Mediation

- Multilevel Models
  - Bauer, Preacher, Gil (2006) *Psychological Methods*  
Covers Mediation and Moderated Mediation for 1-1-1 multilevel mediation
  - Kenny, Korchmaros, Bolger (2003) *Psychological Methods*  
Covers mediation for 1-1-1 multilevel models
  - COMING SOON:** Nick Rockwood's MLMediation Macro (see afhayes.com for updates)
- Latent Growth Curve Models (Longitudinal Processes M-Y measured over time)
  - Choeng, MacKinnon, Khoo (2003) *Structural Equation Modeling*
- Structural Equation Modeling (Can be used for a variety of data types)
  - Cole & Maxwell (2003) *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*  
X, M, and Y all measured over time
  - Newsom (2009) *Structural Equation Modeling*  
Dyadic data using LGMs
  - Selig & Little (2012) *Handbook of Developmental Research Methods*  
Autoregressive models and cross-lagged panel models for longitudinal data X, M, and Y all measured over time.
- Selig & Preacher (2009) *Research in Human Development*
  - Longitudinal Models X, M, and Y measured across time. Cross-lagged panel models, latent growth models, latent difference score models
- Multilevel SEM
  - Preacher, Zyphyr, Zhang, 2010
  - Preacher, Zhang, Zyphur, 2011

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## A Brief Caution on Causality

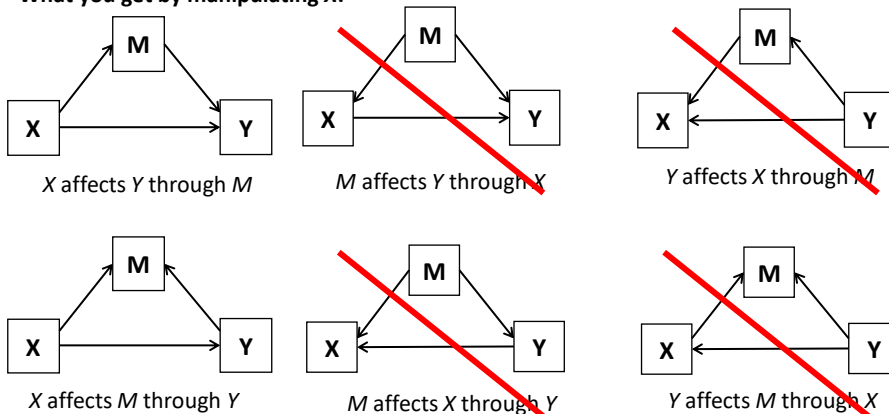
There are a number of alternative causal processes that may be occurring when a *statistical indirect effect* is present:



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## A Brief Caution on Causality

What you get by manipulating X.



Even when X is manipulated, we can not provide evidence for the causal order between M and Y. This can only be supported using other experiments or previous research. A *statistically significant indirect effect* does not lend credence to one model over another.

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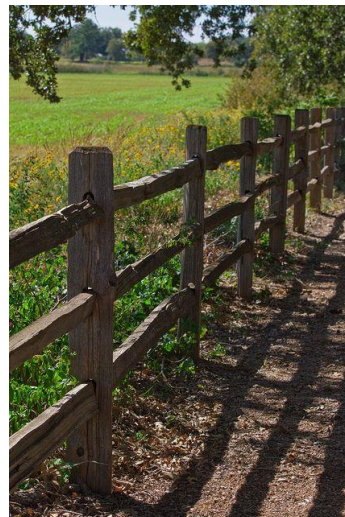
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## Moderation

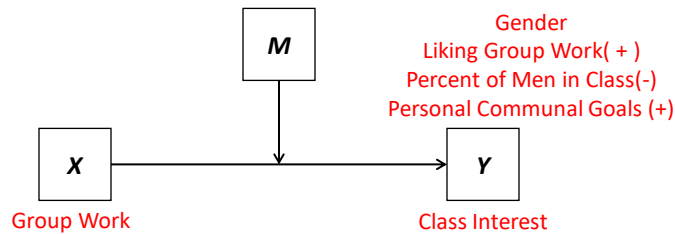
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## Moderation



The relationship between the focal predictor ( $X$ ) and an outcome ( $Y$ ) is said to be moderated when the size or direction depends on  $M$ . Moderation helps us understand boundary conditions of effect: for whom on when is the effect large or small, present or absent, positive or negative.

$X$  and  $M$  are frequently described as “interacting” in their prediction of  $Y$ .

Many different kind of variables may act as moderators. Emotional variables, situational, individual level variables, cognitive variables, environmental variables, etc.

A quick example: Name some possible moderators!

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## Running Example: Group Work in Computer Science (BS)

Montoya, A. K. (2013) Increasing Interest in Computer Science through Group Work: A Goal Congruity Approach (Undergraduate Honors Thesis).

### Between-Subjects Version (CASC\_BS.sav) :

Female participants ( $N = 107$ ) read *one of two* syllabi for a computer science class. One of the syllabi reported the class would have group projects throughout ( $cond = 1$ ), and the other syllabi stated that there would be individual projects ( $cond = 0$ ) throughout the class.

### Measured Variables:

- Interest in the class ( $\alpha = .89$ )
- CSComm: Perceptions that computer science is communal ( $\alpha = .90$ )
- Grppref: Preference for group work ( $\alpha = .60$ )
  - If given the choice, I would prefer to **work as part of a group** rather than work alone.
  - I find that working **as a member of a group** increases my ability to perform effectively.
  - I generally prefer to work as an **individual**.(R)
  - I would prefer a class with **group work** compared to one where we work individually.
  - 1 Strongly Disagree – 7 Strongly Agree

**Research Question:** Does the effect of group work on women's interest in computer science classes depend on how much they prefer group work?

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## Modeling Non-Contingent Relationships

A multiple regression model without interaction terms, fixes the relationship between the predictors and the outcomes to be the same regardless of the level of other predictors.

$$Y_i = b_0 + b_1X_i + b_2M_i$$

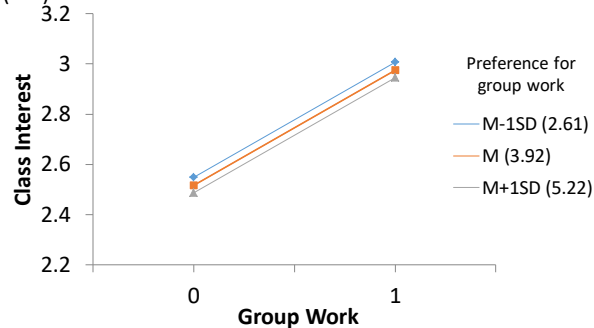
Example:

Y: Interest in Class (1-7)

X: Group Work (0 No Group Work; 1 Group Work)

M: Preference for group work (1-7)

$\hat{Y}$	X	M
2.55	0	2.61
2.52	0	3.92
2.49	0	5.22
3.01	1	2.61
2.98	1	3.92
2.94	1	5.22



## Modeling Contingent Relationships

What if instead we felt that the relationship between Group work and Interest depends on preference for group work? Thus the relationship between group work and interest is a *function* of preference for group work

$$Y_i = b_0 + f(M_i)X_i + b_2M_i$$

One popular model for  $f(M_i)$  is a linear model:

$$f(M_i) = b_1 + b_3M_i = \theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(M_i)$$

This way we can rewrite the model:

$$Y_i = b_0 + \theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(M_i)X_i + b_2M_i$$

$$Y_i = b_0 + (b_1 + b_3M_i)X_i + b_2M_i$$

$$Y_i = b_0 + b_1X_i + b_2M_i + b_3M_iX_i$$

This is a regression model which can be estimated, where the significance of  $b_3$  reflects whether the relationship between  $X$  and  $Y$  is linearly dependent on  $M$ .



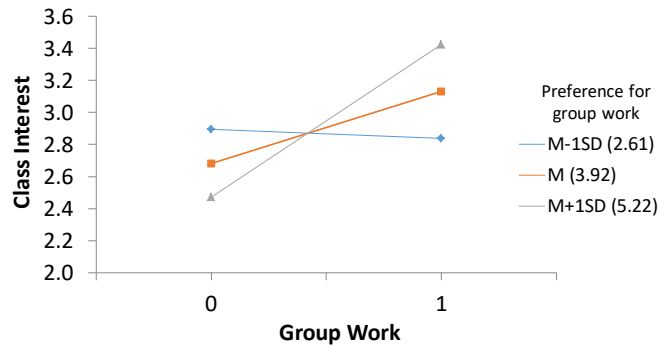


## Modeling Contingent Relationships

What if instead we felt that the relationship between group work and interest depends on preference for group work?

$$Y_i = b_0 + (b_1 + b_3M_i)X_i + b_2M_i$$

Y	X	M
2.9	0	2.61
2.7	0	3.92
2.5	0	5.22
2.8	1	2.61
3.1	1	3.92
3.4	1	5.22



## Symmetry in Moderation

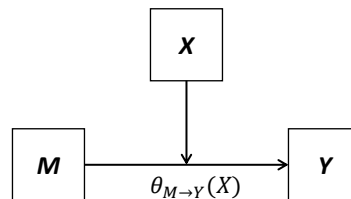
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We saw that this model can be expressed such that it is clear that  $X$ 's effect on  $Y$  depends on  $M$

$$Y_i = b_0 + (b_1 + b_3M_i)X_i + b_2M_i$$

But it can also be equivalently expressed that  $M$ 's effect on  $Y$  depends on  $X$

$$Y_i = b_0 + (b_2 + b_3X_i)M_i + b_1X_i$$



Here  $X$  moderates the effect of  $M$  on  $Y$ .  $X$  is the moderator, with the conditional effect of  $M$  on  $Y$  given  $X$  expressed as  $\theta_{M \rightarrow Y}(X)$ . Which variable to think of as the moderator is not a mathematical concern, but rather a substantive research concern. These two models are mathematically equivalent.



## Interpreting Coefficients

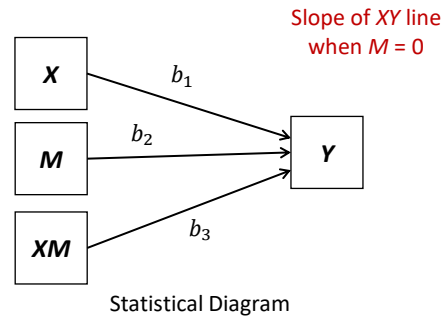
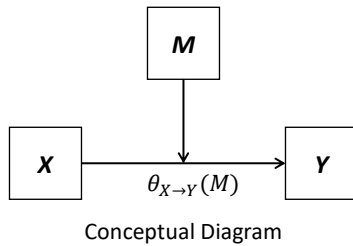
$$Y_i = b_0 + (b_1 + b_3 M_i) X_i + b_2 M_i$$

$b_0$  : Predicted  $Y$  when  $X$  and  $M$  are both zero

$$E(Y_i | X_i = 0, M_i = 0) = b_0 + (b_1 + b_3 0) 0 + b_2 0 = b_0 + (b_1) 0 + 0 = b_0$$

$b_1$  : Increase in  $Y$  with a one unit increase in  $X$  when  $M$  is zero

$$E(Y_i | M_i = 0) = b_0 + (b_1 + b_3 0) X_i + b_2 0 = b_0 + (b_1) X_i + 0 = b_0 + \underbrace{b_1}_{\text{Slope of } XY \text{ line when } M = 0} X_i$$



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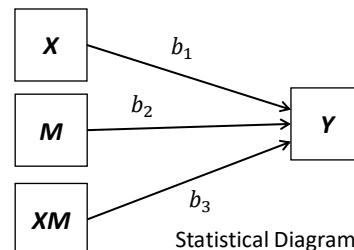
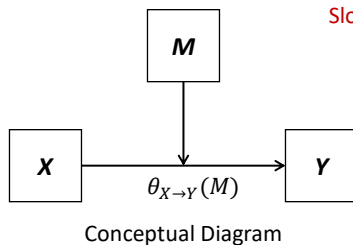
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$b_2$  : Increase in  $Y$  with a one unit increase in  $M$  when  $X$  is zero

$$E(Y_i | X_i = 0) = b_0 + (b_1 + b_3 M_i) 0 + b_2 M_i = b_0 + 0 + b_2 M_i = b_0 + \underbrace{b_2}_{\text{Slope of } MY \text{ line when } X = 0} M_i$$

$b_3$  : Increase in the relationship between  $X$  and  $Y$  with a one unit increase in  $M$

$$f(M_i) = b_1 + \underbrace{b_3}_{\text{Slope of effect of } X \text{ on } Y} M_i = \theta_{X \rightarrow Y | M}$$

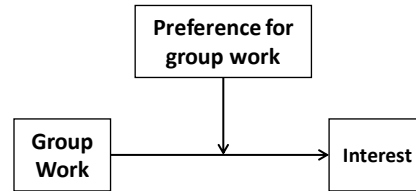


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## Estimation with CompSci\_BS Data

Consider the question **Does the effect of group work on interest depend on someone's preference for group work?**

$$Y_i = b_0 + b_1X_i + b_2M_i + b_3M_iX_i$$



```
compute condxgrppref = cond * grppref.
regression /dep = interest /method = enter cond grppref condxgrppref.
```

Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	3.321	.612		5.428	.000
	Cond	-.1068	.913	-.359	-1.170	.245
	grppref	-.163	.153	-.144	-1.068	.288
	condxgrppref	.388	.220	.581	1.762	.081

a. Dependent Variable: Interest

Interpretations?



## Probing an Interaction: The "Pick-a-Point" Approach

$$Y_i = b_0 + b_1X_i + b_2M_i + b_3M_iX_i$$

Select a value of the moderator ( $M$ ) at which you'd like to have an estimate of the focal predictor variable's ( $X$ ) effect on  $Y$ . Then derive its standard error. The ratio of the effect to its standard error is distributed as  $t(df_{\text{residual}})$  under the null hypothesis that the effect of the focal predictor is zero at that moderator value.

We already know that

$$\theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(M) = (b_1 + b_3M_i)$$

The estimated standard error of  $\theta$  is

$$s_{\theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(M)} = \sqrt{(s_{b_1}^2 + 2Ms_{b_1b_3} + M^2s_{b_3}^2)}$$

Squared standard error of  $b_1$

Covariance of  $b_1$  and  $b_3$

Squared standard error of  $b_3$



## Probing an Interaction: The “Pick-a-Point” Approach

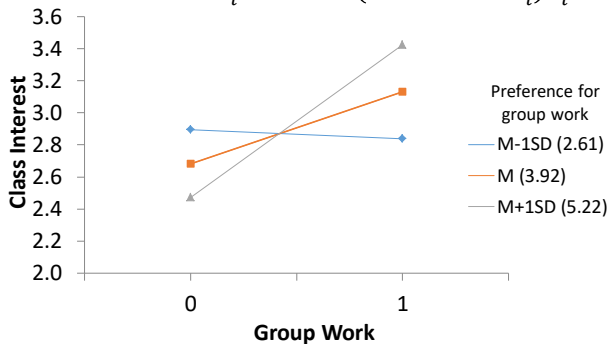
You must choose the points along the moderator to “probe” the effect of  $X$  on  $Y$ . There are some conventions for choosing to do so:

If  $M$  is dichotomous, choose the two coded values of  $M$

If  $M$  is continuous, choose the Mean  $\pm 1$  SD

Let’s look at an example with our computer science data:

$$Y_i = 3.32 + (-1.07 + .39M_i)X_i - .16M_i$$



M	$\theta_{X \rightarrow Y M}$	$s_{\theta_{X \rightarrow Y M}}$	p
2.61	-0.06	0.41	0.89
3.92	0.45	0.29	0.12
5.22	0.96	0.40	0.02

Participants were more interested in the group work class than the individual work class when they had relatively high preference for group work.



## The Johnson-Neyman Technique

The Johnson-Neyman technique seeks to find the value or values of the moderator ( $M$ ) within the data, if they exist, such that the  $p$ -value for the conditional effect of the focal predictor at that value or those values of  $M$  is exactly equal to some chosen level of significance  $\alpha$ . Thus, no need to select values of  $M$  in advance.

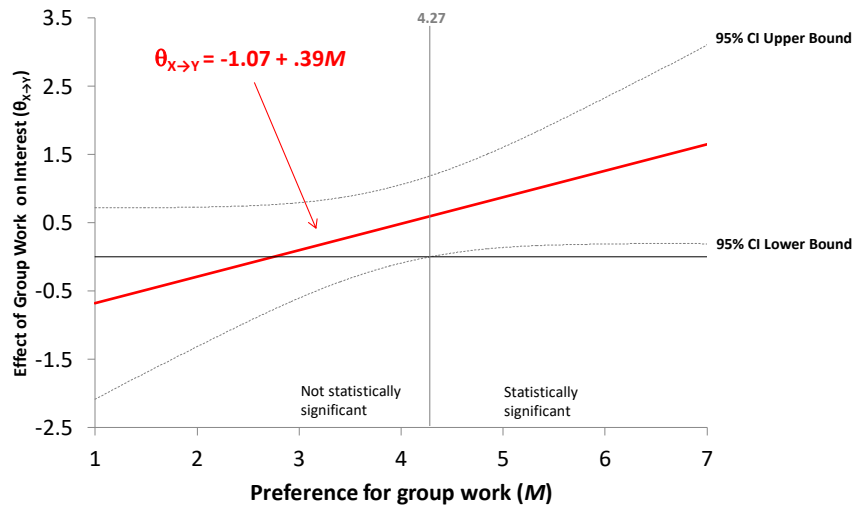
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$$t_{crit} = \frac{b_1 + b_3 M}{\sqrt{s_{b_1}^2 + 2M s_{b_1 b_3} + M^2 s_{b_3}^2}}$$

Isolating  $M$  yields to the solution in the form of a quadratic equation which always has two roots, though not always two that are interpretable.



## A Plot of the "Region of Significance"



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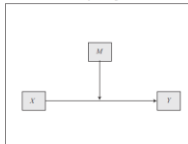
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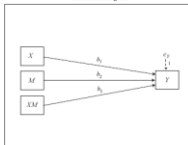
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Model 1

Conceptual Diagram



Statistical Diagram



Conditional effect of  $X$  on  $Y = a_1 + a_2M$

```
PROCESS vars = cond interest grppref /x = cond
/m = grppref /y = interest / model = 1
/jn = 1 /plot = 1.
```

- List all variables involved in the model in `vars` argument.
- Assign variables roles ( $X$ ,  $Y$ ,  $M$ ), and covariates don't get a role.
- 2-way interaction is `Model 1`
- `JN` option calls the Johnson-Neyman technique
- `PLOT` option calls a table of values for making a plot.

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## Running Example: Group Work in Computer Science (WS)

Montoya, A. K. (2013) Increasing Interest in Computer Science through Group Work: A Goal Congruity Approach (Undergraduate Honors Thesis).

### Within-Subjects Version (CompSci\_WS.sav) :

Female participants (N = 51) read two syllabi for a different computer science classes. One of the syllabi reported the class would have group projects throughout, and the other syllabi stated that individual project would be scheduled throughout.

- Syllabi also differed in professor's name (but not gender), and the primary programming language used in the class.

### Measured Variables:

- Interest in each the class `int_i int_g`
- `Perscom` Personal Communal Goals ( $\alpha = .87$ )
  - Same as between subjects version
- Order
  - 1 = Group First; 2 = Individual First



## Judd, McClelland, and Smith (1996)

Judd, C. M., McClelland, G. H., and Smith, E. R. (1996). Testing Treatment by Covariate Interactions When Treatment Varies Within Subjects. *Psychological Methods*, 1(4), 366-378.



A regression approach to considering a “cross level” interactions.

Approach is very simple:

1. Data should be a two-condition within-subjects design with a person level covariate.
2. Setup two regression equations, one for each condition
3. Take the difference between those two regression equations
4. Regression weight for person level covariate in Step 3 tests moderation.



## Computer Science Within-Subjects Data Example

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1. Data should be a two-condition within-subjects design with a person level covariate.

**Research Question:** Does the degree to which preference for group work predicts interest in computer science depend on whether or not the class has group work?

Or

Does effect of group work on interest in computer science classes depend on an individual's preference for group work?

CompSci\_WS.sav

Subject	int_I	int_G	grp_PREF
300	1.50	4.00	6.67
301	2.75	3.25	6.33
325	5.75	2.50	2.67
342	3.50	5.75	6.00
349	2.25	2.00	4.00
350	1.50	1.75	3.67
305	2.50	4.25	4.00
348	6.00	1.75	2.33
318	3.00	2.00	4.67
320	4.00	5.25	4.00
332	5.00	5.00	3.67
338	2.00	1.75	3.00
310	1.00	1.75	3.00
304	1.25	4.50	5.67
306	5.75	4.50	4.00
308	3.25	4.75	4.00
315	2.75	2.25	4.33
322	5.50	2.00	2.33
343	1.75	5.25	6.00
314	4.00	5.50	3.00
319	2.25	4.00	5.00



## Analysis using Judd et al. (1996)

2. Setup two regression equations, one for each condition

Setup a model of the outcome in each condition:

$$Y_{1i} = b_{10} + b_{11}M_i + \epsilon_{1i}$$

$$Y_{2i} = b_{20} + b_{21}M_i + \epsilon_{2i}$$

Is  $b_{11}$  different from  $b_{21}$ ?

3. Based on these models, setup a new model where you can directly estimate and conduct inference on what you are interested in (in this case  $b_{11} - b_{21}$ ):

$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = (b_{10} - b_{20}) + (b_{11} - b_{21})M_i + (\epsilon_{1i} - \epsilon_{2i}) = b_0 + b_1M_i + \epsilon_i$$

Use simple regression to conduct inference on  $b_1 = b_{11} - b_{21}$

With the data: Does the relationship between preference for group work and interest depend on group work condition?

```
regression /dep = int_diff /method = enter grp_PREF.
```

What sign do you expect  $b_1$  to be? **Remember:**  $\text{int\_diff} = \text{int\_G} - \text{int\_I}$ .



## Analysis using Judd et al. (1996)

4. Regression weight for person level covariate in Step 3 tests moderation.

$$Y_{1i} = b_{10} + b_{11}M_i + \epsilon_{1i}$$

$$Y_{2i} = b_{20} + b_{21}M_i + \epsilon_{2i}$$

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Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

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1	(Constant)	-3.550	.648		-5.474	.000
	grppref	.994	.156	.674	6.388	.000

a. Dependent Variable: int\_diff

What does it mean that  $b_1$  is positive?

$$b_1 = b_{11} - b_{21} = .994$$

$$b_{11} > b_{21}$$

Practically, this means that the relationship between preference for group work and interest is significantly stronger (more positive) in the group work condition.



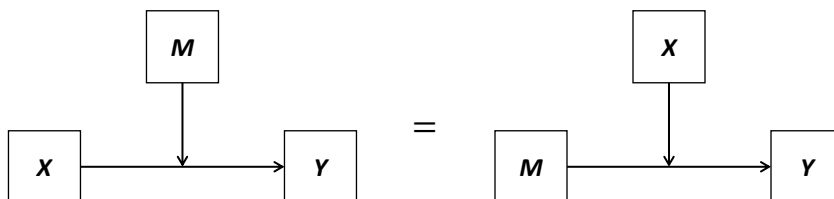
## Symmetry in Within-Subjects Moderation

Does the effect of condition depend on  $M$ ?

$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = (b_{10} - b_{20}) + (b_{11} - b_{21})M_i + (\epsilon_{1i} - \epsilon_{2i}) = b_0 + b_1M_i + \epsilon_i$$

$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i}$  is a quantification of the effect of condition, which means that if  $M$  predicts  $Y_{2i} - Y_{1i}$  then the effect of condition depends on  $M$ .

$b_1$  is a test of exactly that!





## Conditional Effects in Within-Subjects Moderation

$$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i} = (b_{10} - b_{20}) + (b_{11} - b_{21})M_i + (\epsilon_{1i} - \epsilon_{2i}) = b_0 + b_1M_i + \epsilon_i$$

**Given a value of  $M$  what is the effect of condition on the outcome?**

$Y_{2i} - Y_{1i}$  is a quantification of the effect of condition, which means that the conditional effect of condition  $\theta_{c \rightarrow Y}(M) = b_0 + b_1M$

**Given a specific condition what is the effect of  $M$  on the outcome?**

$$Y_{1i} = b_{10} + b_{11}M_i + \epsilon_{1i}$$

$$Y_{2i} = b_{20} + b_{21}M_i + \epsilon_{2i}$$

$$\theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(c) = b_{c1}$$

Conditional effects will become important when it comes to probing



## Probing an Effect of Condition on Outcome: The "Pick-a-Point" Approach

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Select a value of the moderator ( $M$ ) at which you'd like to have an estimate of the condition's effect on  $Y$ . Then derive its standard error. The ratio of the effect to its standard error is distributed as  $t(df_{residual})$  under the null hypothesis that the effect of condition is zero at that moderator value.

The estimated standard error of  $\theta_{c \rightarrow Y}(M)$  is

$$s_{\theta_{c \rightarrow Y}(M)} = \sqrt{(s_{b_0}^2 + 2Ms_{b_0b_1} + M^2s_{b_1}^2)}$$

Squared standard error of  $b_0$

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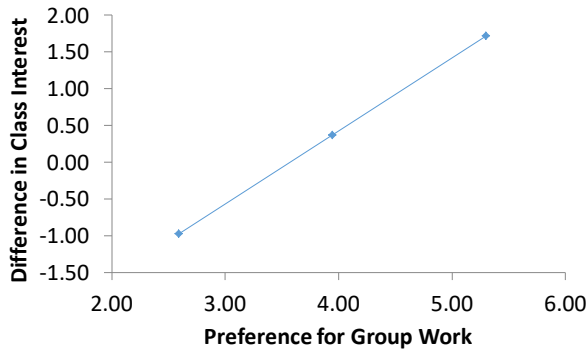


## Probing an Effect of Condition on Outcome: The “Pick-a-Point” Approach

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Let’s look at an example with our computer science data:

$$Y_{Di} = -3.55 + .99M_i$$



$M$	$\theta_{C \rightarrow Y M}$	$s_{\theta_{C \rightarrow Y M}}$	$p$
2.59	-0.97	0.30	0.00
3.95	0.37	0.21	0.08
5.30	1.72	0.30	0.00

Participants relatively low in preference for group work are more interested in the individual work class, and those high in preference for group work are more interested in the class with group work.



## The Johnson-Neyman Technique

The Johnson-Neyman technique seeks to find the value or values of the moderator ( $M$ ) within the data, if they exist, such that the  $p$ -value for the conditional effect of condition at that value or those values of  $M$  is exactly equal to some chosen level of significance  $\alpha$ . Thus, no need to select values of  $M$  in advance.

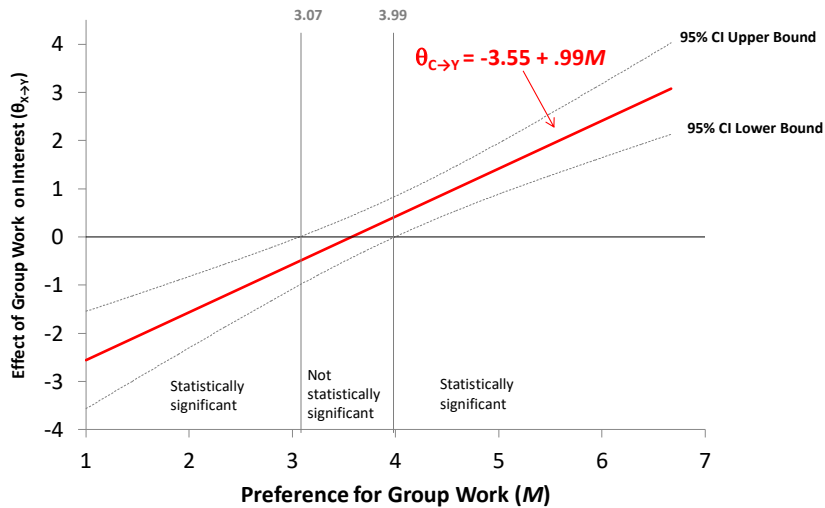
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## A Plot of the “Region of Significance”



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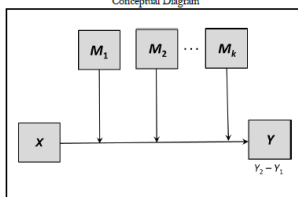
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We can use MEMORE to estimate and probe this model.

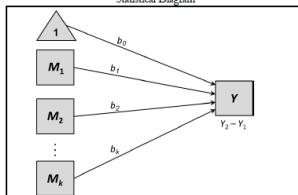
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Model 2 Additive Moderation  
Conceptual Diagram



Statistical Diagram



```
MEMORE m = grppref /y = int_G int_I /model = 3
/jn = 1 /plot = 1.
```

- List moderator(s) in the  $m$  list
- List outcomes in the  $y$  list
- Can use `model 2` or `model 3` when you have 1 moderator there is no difference.
- JN option calls the Johnson-Neyman technique
- PLOT option calls a table of values for making a nice plot.

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## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

```
MEMORE m = grppref /y = int_G int_I /model = 3 /jn = 1 /plot = 1.
```

\*\*\*\*\* MEMORE Procedure for SPSS Version 2.Beta \*\*\*\*\*

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Documentation available at [akmontoya.com](http://akmontoya.com)

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Model:

3

Variables:

Y = int\_G int\_I

M = grppref

Computed Variables:

Ydiff = int\_G - int\_I

Sample Size:

51

First part of output repeats  
what you told MEMORE to do.  
Always double check that this is  
correct!

I double checked to make sure the order of subtraction  
was the same as when we did this by hand.



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```

Probing effect of condition on outcome at different values of the  
moderator

\*\*\*\*\*

Conditional Effect of 'X' on Y at values of moderator(s)

grppref	Effect	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
2.5938	-.9728	.2964	-3.2823	.0019	-1.5684	-.3772
3.9478	.3725	.2085	1.7865	.0802	-.0465	.7916
5.3019	1.7179	.2964	5.7963	.0000	1.1223	2.3135

Degrees of freedom for all conditional effects:

49

Values for quantitative moderators are the mean and plus/minus one SD from the mean.

This is the default. You can change this to the 10<sup>th</sup>,  
25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup>, and 90<sup>th</sup> quantiles by adding  
quantile =1 to the command line



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```

\*\*\*\*\* JOHNSON-NEYMAN PROCEDURE \*\*\*\*\*

Moderator value(s) defining Johnson-Neyman significance region(s) and percent of observed data above value:

Value	% Abv
3.0685	72.5490
3.9949	54.9020

Conditional Effect of 'X' on Y at values of moderator

grppref	Effect	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
1.0000	-2.3564	.5037	-5.0752	.0000	-3.5687	-1.3442
1.2984	-2.2599	.4619	-4.8931	.0000	-3.1880	-1.3318
1.5968	-1.9634	.4210	-4.6641	.0000	-2.8094	-1.1174
1.8953	-1.6669	.3813	-4.3712	.0001	-2.4332	-.9006
2.1937	-1.3704	.3434	-3.9905	.0002	-2.0605	-.6803
2.4921	-1.0739	.3078	-3.4886	.0010	-1.6925	-.4553
2.7905	-.7774	.2755	-2.8218	.0069	-1.3310	-.2238
3.0685	-.5012	.2494	-2.0096	.0500	-1.0023	.0000
3.0889	-.4808	.2477	-1.9416	.0579	-.9785	.0168
3.3874	-.1843	.2260	-.8156	.4187	-.6385	.2699
3.6858	.1122	.2125	.5279	.5999	-.3148	.5392
3.9842	.4087	.2086	1.9591	.0558	-.0105	.8279
3.9949	.4193	.2087	2.0096	.0500	.0000	.8387
4.2826	.7052	.2149	3.2809	.0019	.2733	1.1371
4.5811	1.0017	.2306	4.3435	.0001	.5382	1.4652
4.8795	1.2982	.2539	5.1124	.0000	.7879	1.8085
5.1779	1.5947	.2830	5.6350	.0000	1.0260	2.1634
5.4763	1.8912	.3162	5.9804	.0000	1.2557	2.5267
5.7747	2.1877	.3525	6.2070	.0000	1.4794	2.8961
6.0732	2.4843	.3909	6.3560	.0000	1.6988	3.2697
6.3716	2.7808	.4308	6.4546	.0000	1.9150	3.6465
6.6700	3.0773	.4720	6.5200	.0000	2.1288	4.0258

This will only print when we include jn=1 in the command line. JN technique does not work for multiple moderators.

Degrees of freedom for all conditional effects:  
49

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## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

```
MEMORE m = grppref /y = int_G int_I /model = 3 /jn = 1 /plot = 1.
```

Conditional Effect of Moderator(s) on Y in each Condition

Condition 1 Outcome:  
int\_G

Model Summary

R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2	p
.4488	.2014	1.7964	12.3612	1.0000	49.0000	.0010

Model

	coeff	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	1.7874	.5836	3.0624	.0036	.6145	2.9603
grppref	.4922	.1400	3.5158	.0010	.2109	.7735

Degrees of freedom for all conditional effects:  
49

Preference for group work positively predicts interest in class with group work

Condition 2 Outcome:  
int\_I

Model Summary

R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2	p
.4710	.2218	1.6502	13.9671	1.0000	49.0000	.0005

Model

	coeff	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	5.3374	.5594	9.5415	.0000	4.2132	6.4615
grppref	-.5014	.1342	-3.7373	.0005	-.7710	-.2318

Degrees of freedom for all conditional effects:  
49

and negatively predicts interest in class with individual work.

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## Using MEMORE for CASC WS data

```
MEMORE m = grppref /y = int_G int_I /model = 3 /jn = 1 /plot = 1.
```

\*\*\*\*\*  
Data for visualizing conditional effect of X on Y.  
Paste text below into a SPSS syntax window and execute to produce plot.

```
DATA LIST FREE/grppref YdiffHAT int_GHAT int_IHAT.
```

```
BEGIN DATA.
```

```
2.5938    -.9728    3.0640    4.0368
3.9478     .3725    3.7304    3.3578
5.3019     1.7179    4.3968    2.6789
```

```
END DATA.
```

```
GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT = grppref WITH YdiffHAT.
GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT = grppref WITH int_GHAT.
GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT = grppref WITH int_IHAT.
```

Code for plotting. You'll get three plots each with the moderator on the X axis and a different outcome on the Y axis.

- 1) Predicted Differences between Y's
- 2) Predicted Y from first condition
- 3) Predicted Y from second condition



## Writing up a Moderation Analysis

Tips:

- Interpret the sign and the magnitude of the interaction coefficient with respect to X's effect on Y (or M's effect on Y; or both).
- Provide probing results with interpretations
- Read the write ups of other's moderation analyses
- Provide a graphical representation of the effect of interest (like the ones we've done)

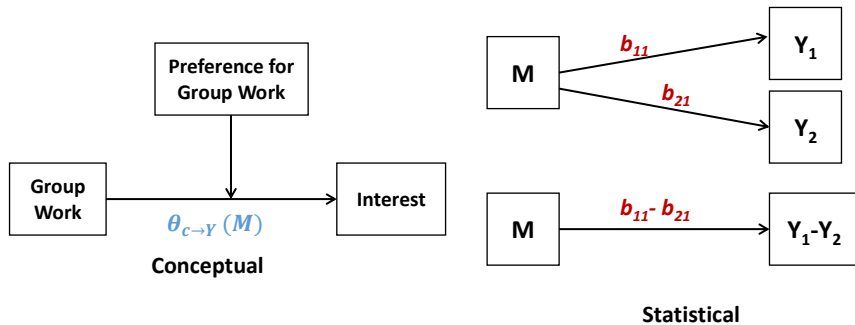
### Does the effect of group work on interest in a computer science class depend on preference for group work?

Overall, the impact of including group work in a computer science class on interest in the class depends on an individual's general preference for group work ( $b_1 = .49, p = .001$ ). As preference for group work increases relative interest in the class with group work compared to the class with individual work increases as well. (i.e. the group work class is more preferred as general preference for group work increases). Indeed we found that those who were relatively low in preference for group work preferred the individual work class over the class with group work ( $\theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(M=2.59) = -.97, p = .002$ ). Whereas, those who were relatively moderate in preference for group work did not show a strong preference for one class over another, though they marginally preferred the class with group work ( $\theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(M=3.97) = .37, p = .08$ ). Finally, those who showed a strong general preference for group work, unsurprisingly preferred the class with group work over the class with individual work ( $\theta_{X \rightarrow Y}(M=5.30) = 1.72, p < .001$ ). The Johnson-Neyman procedure those whose preference for group work was less than 3.07 preferred the individual work class, and those whose preference for group work was greater than 3.99 preferred the group work class. Preference for group work was positively related to interest in the class with group work ( $b = .49, p = .001$ ), and negatively related to interest in the class with individual work ( $b = -0.50, p = .001$ ).



## Visualizations

I recommend trying a number of different types of visualizations to decide what works best for your case.



Tips:

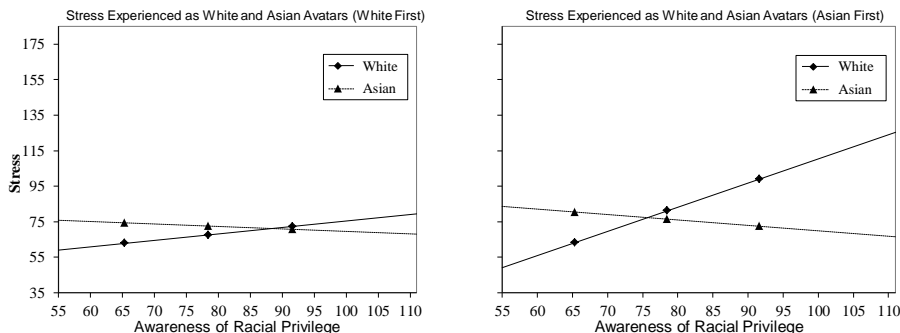
- Try the different scales of the Y axis (difference vs. raw Y score with two lines for each condition)
- I do not like bar graphs with the effect of the moderator in each condition
- Provide path estimates on statistical diagram or in a table.



## Visualizations: A Case Study

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White participants operated avatars of three different races (White, Black, and Asian) and wore heart monitors to measure their stress while operating each avatar. We found that individual's awareness of racial privilege moderated the effect of avatar race on stress, and that this effect depended on the order of operating the avatars.

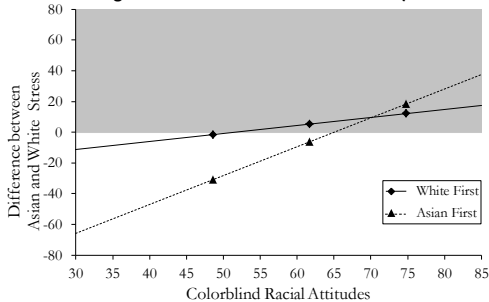


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Figure 3. Predicted difference in Stress (Asian Stress – White Stress), split by order.



Note. Scores above zero on the Y-axis represent greater predicted stress while piloting the Asian avatar than while piloting the White avatar. Points marked by shapes indicate predicted stress differences at the mean plus/minus one standard deviation on CBA.



## Common Questions

- Can this method be used for more than two conditions?  
YES! The same method for coming up with contrasts in Judd, Kenny, and McClelland (2001) describe a system for setting up contrasts among conditions can be used for moderation.  
I recommend reading [Hayes & Montoya \(in press\)](#) on moderation analysis with a multicategorical IV if you want to try this out. I am happy to give instructions on how to get MEMORE to doing this.  
**ALTERNATIVES:** Some of the other repeated-measures mediation options are more appropriate if you have more than two conditions (especially longitudinal), so take a look at those when thinking about these options.
- Can I use multiple moderators?  
YES! MEMORE models 2 and 3 accept up to 5 moderators. (See Documentation for instructions).
- How do I control for covariates?  
All of MEMORE's mediation analyses are within-person models, so you do not need to control for any between subjects variables such as age, gender, big-5. But you can include them as additional moderators (likely using model 2).





## Multiple Moderator Models

### Model 2 vs. Model 3

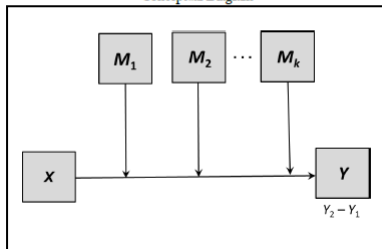
When you have multiple moderators you are interested, consider whether you think those moderators will themselves interact or not.

If you believe the moderators will interact **with each other** → Model 3

If you believe the moderators will **only interact with condition** → Model 2

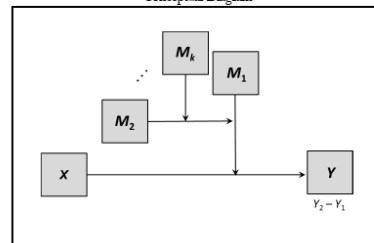
Model Templates for MEMORE V2 Beta  
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Model 2 Additive Moderation  
Conceptual Diagram



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Model 3 Multiplicative Moderation  
Conceptual Diagram



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## Multiple Moderator Models

```
MEMORE m = grpmpref order/y = int_G int_I /model = 2.
```

```
Model:
2

Variables:
y = int_G int_I
M1 = grpmpref
M2 = Order

Computed Variables:
Ydiff = int_G - int_I

Sample Size:
51

*****
Outcome: Ydiff = int_G - int_I

Model Summary
R      R-sq      MSE      F      df1      df2      P
.7113  .5059      2.0502    24.5734    2.0000    48.0000    .0000

Model
      coeff      SE      t      p      LLCI      ULCI
constant -4.8074    .8394   -5.7269   .0000   -6.4952   -3.1196
grpmpref  .9562     .1505    6.3542   .0000    .6536    1.2588
Order     .9071     .4055    2.2372   .0300    .0918    1.7223

Degrees of freedom for all regression coefficient estimates:
48
```

Think of it like 3 two-way interactions:  
Condition x Group Preference  
Condition x Order

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## Multiple Moderator Models

```
MEMORE m = grppref order/y = int_G int_I /model = 3.
```

```
Model:
3
```

```
Variables:
Y = int_G int_I
M1 = grppref
M2 = Order
```

```
Computed Variables:
```

```
Ydiff = int_G - int_I
Int1 = grppref * Order
```

```
Sample Size:
51
```

```
*****
Outcome: Ydiff = int_G - int_I
```

```
Model Summary
```

	R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2	p
	.7125	.5077	2.0862	16.1569	3.0000	47.0000	.0000

```
Model
```

	coeff	SE	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	-5.5239	1.9247	-2.8700	.0061	-9.3960	-1.6518
grppref	1.1401	.4690	2.4312	.0189	.1967	2.0836
Order	1.4057	1.2704	1.1065	.2742	-1.1501	3.9615
Int1	-.1263	.3048	-.4145	.6804	-.7395	.4868

```
Degrees of freedom for all regression coefficient estimates:
47
```

Think of it like three-way interaction,  
and three two-way interactions:  
Condition x Group Preference  
Condition x Order  
Group Preference x Order  
Condition x Group Preference x Order



## Other Types of Repeated Measures Mediation

- Multilevel Models (Cross level interactions in particular)
  - Aguinis, Gottfredson, Culpepper (2013) *Journal of Management*  
Very approachable article on estimating cross-level interactions
  - Bauer & Curran (2010) *Multivariate Behavioral Research*  
Estimating and probing interactions in multilevel models
  - Many many others!
- Latent Growth Curve Models
  - Preacher, Curran, Bauer (2006) *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*  
Also has MLM and regression
- Structural Equation Modeling (Can be used for a variety of data types)
  - Klein & Muthen (2007) *Multivariate Behavioral Research*  
Methods for including latent interactions
- Multilevel SEM
  - Preacher, Zhang, Zyphur (2016) *Psychological Methods*  
Very technical read, but deals with a lot of the issues of bias in MLM
  - Ryu (2015) *Structural Equation Modeling*  
Impact of centering in MSEM



## Moderation

- Between Subjects Moderation
  - Regression Equations
  - Interpretations and Conditional Effects
  - Inference
  - Probing
  - Symmetry
- Two-Condition Within Subjects Moderation
  - Judd Kenny and McClelland (2001, 1996)
  - Interpretations
  - Probing
  - MEMORE
  - Reporting (Writing and Figures)
  - Common Questions
- Other Types of Repeated Measures Moderation
  - Multilevel
  - LGM
  - SEM and Multilevel SEM

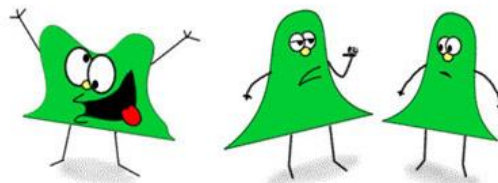


## Thank you!

I am available for questions after the workshop and via email at [montoya.29@osu.edu](mailto:montoya.29@osu.edu)

Things to look forward to:

**Hayes, A. F.,** Montoya, A. K., Preacher, K. J., & Page-Gould, E. (under contract). *Statistical mediation analysis: Within-participant designs*. New York: The Guilford Press.



"KEEP YOUR EYE ON THAT GUY, TOM. HE'S NOT, YOU KNOW...NORMAL!"



## Other Kinds of Bootstrap Confidence Intervals

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All bootstrap confidence intervals use the same basic sampling technique, just use different methods for choosing the end points of the confidence intervals

### Bias-Corrected Confidence Interval

- Percentile bootstrapping assumes that your sample estimate ( $ab$ ) is unbiased in estimating the population indirect effect
- Bias-corrected reduces this assumption to assuming that the bias of  $ab$  is a constant (i.e. as  $N$  goes to infinity  $ab$  will go to the population indirect effect plus some constant)
- Bias-corrected confidence intervals estimate the bias of  $ab$  then adjust edges of confidence interval to be “bias-corrected” (i.e. centered not around your original estimate of  $ab$ ), but around the point based on the bias estimation.

### Bias-Corrected and Accelerated

- Same principles as BC regarding bias correction
- Acceleration allows for the assumption that the standard error of the indirect effect depends on the population value of the indirect effect
- Acceleration parameter, which is used to adjust the ends of the confidence interval is estimated using leave-one-out estimates of skew of the estimates of the indirect effect.

