## Introduction to Analysis of Twin Data Using R and OpenMx- Part 1

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Copy 3 files to your server folder: IntroToRAndOpenMxMay2o22.R SimWtDataInd.csv SimWtDataPair.csv

## Session Objectives

By the end of the session, you will be able to

• Recognize the major steps involved in an OpenMx model

 Translate implementation of a linear regression between a statistical equation, structural equation model, and an OpenMx model

## What is OpenMx?

- Free, Open-source software package for use in R
- Estimation of advanced multivariate statistical models, particularly structural equation modelling
- Runs on Windows, Mac OSX, and Linux/GNU
- Two main approaches to writing OpenMx models

   Path or Matrix Specification

## How Does OpenMx Work?

OpenMx uses functions to build objects

• Arguments to the function have an order

• Order can be changed by naming arguments

### **Data Preparation Considerations**

- The algebra style used in OpenMx expects 1 line per case/family
- (Almost) limitless number of families and variables
- Data needs to be read into R before it can be analyzed
   (the commands to read the data can be nested within the R script)
- Default missing code is NA

Matrix Algebra Basics and Its Application in OpenMx Matrix: A rectangular array of elements arranged in rows and columns  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\phantom{aaaa}} ROWS$  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Order or dimension of a matrix is defined by the number of ROWS then COLUMNS in the matrix.

Matrix A is a  $3 \times 2$  matrix.

Each element in the matrix is referred to by its placement in a row and column, where  $a_{ij}$  is the element in Matrix A in the  $i_{th}$  row and  $j_{th}$  column.

In Matrix A, the number 4 is element a(1,2)

## OpenMx Matrices

mxMatrix( type="Zero", nrow=2, ncol=3, name="a" ) 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	
1       1       1       1         mxMatrix(type="Unit", nrow=2, ncol=3, name="a")       1       1       1	
1 0 0 0 1 0 mxMatrix( type="Ident", nrow=3, ncol=3, name="a") 0 0 1	
mxMatrix( type="Diag", nrow=3, ncol=3, free=TRUE, name="a" )	$\begin{array}{cccc} ? & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & ? & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & ? \end{array}$
mxMatrix( type="Sdiag", nrow=3, ncol=3, free=TRUE, name="a" )	$\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ ? & 0 & 0 \\ ? & ? & 0 \end{array}$
mxMatrix( type="Stand", nrow=3, ncol=3, free=TRUE, name="a" )	1 ? ? ? ? 1 ? ? ? 1 ? ? 1 ?
mxMatrix( type="Symm", nrow=3, ncol=3, free=TRUE, name="a" )	???? ???? ????
mxMatrix( type="Lower", nrow=3, ncol=3, free=TRUE, name="a" )	? 0 0 ? ? 0 ? ? ?
mxMatrix( type="Full", nrow=2, ncol=4, free=TRUE, name="a" )	????? ?????

### Matrix Operations

Matrix Addition and Subtraction:

• Matrices must be the same size



If the matrices are of different orders, it is impossible to add them



= Undefined

#### **Dot Product**

# Also known as the element-wise product **OpenMx symbol \***



#### **Matrix Multiplication (Star product)**

Number of columns of the first matrix must equal the number of rows of the second matrix.

Product will have as many rows as the first matrix and as many columns as the second matrix.

#### **OpenMx symbol** %\*%



#### **Kroneker Product**

#### **OpenMx symbol %x%**

$$A \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} \\ a_{11}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}a_{12} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{12} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

### Quadratic Product

- The quadratic product is extremely useful in statistical analysis (particularly in Structural Equation Modeling)
- OpenMx symbol %&%

$$A\%\&\%B = ABA^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

## The Challenge

- You have been handed a dataset and you have been asked to consider the degree to which Study Site influences Weight in Twin 1 members of your sample
  - Correlation
  - Regression
  - Structural Equation Modeling (via OpenMx)

## Linear Regression in R Using Im()

• Open this file:

/home/elizabeth/2022/IntroToOpenMx/IntroToOpenMxMay2022.R WeightFit\_T1 <- Im(WT\_T1 ~ Site\_T1, data=Twins2) summary(WeightFit\_T1) coefficients(WeightFit\_T1)

- Intercept = 51.713723
- Beta1 = 0.294491
- Variance = residual standard error^2

= 1.0052<sup>2</sup> = 1.010427

### **Traditional Linear Regression**

Weight<sub>i</sub> =  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 * \text{Sitei} + \varepsilon_i$ 

 $y_{1} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}x_{1} + \varepsilon_{1}$   $y_{2} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}x_{2} + \varepsilon_{2}$   $y_{3} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}x_{3} + \varepsilon_{3}$   $\vdots$   $y_{i} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}x_{i} + \varepsilon_{i}$ 



- 4 matrices
  - Weight-Observed variable
  - SITE- Observed variable
  - Beta
  - Epsilon
- 3 estimated parameters
  - $\beta_{o}$ : Intercept
  - $\beta_1$ : Regression of Weight on SITE
  - $\sigma^{2}_{weight}$ : Error variance

$$Y = \beta X + \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta 0 \ \beta 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ 1 & \vdots \\ 1 & x_i \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_i \end{bmatrix}$$

- Y = n x 1 column vector
- X = n x 2 matrix
- $\beta$  = 2 x 1 column vector
- $\varepsilon = n \times 1$  column vector
- $\beta X$  is calculated using matrix multiplication
- $\beta X + \varepsilon$  is calculated using matrix addition

### Linear Regression in OpenMx

- Download data and code from /home/elizabeth/2022/IntroToOpenMxMay2022.R
- Intercept = 51.71372117
- Beta1 = 0.29449237
- Variance = 1.01047002

#### Regression Across All Twin 1 Participants

depVar <- 'Weight\_T1'</pre>

# Variance/Covariance matrix

 $\begin{array}{c}
1\\
\mu \text{ Site} \\
\hline \\
Site_T_1 \\
\hline \\
\sigma^2_{\text{Site}}
\end{array}$   $\begin{array}{c}
1\\
\beta_1 \\
\hline \\
VarT_1 \\
\hline \\
VarT_1
\end{array}$ 

eVar <- mxMatrix(type="Full", nrow=1, ncol=1, free=TRUE, values=10, labels='varT1', name="residualVar")

# Regression betas

b0 <- mxMatrix(type="Full", nrow=1, ncol=1, free=TRUE, values=30, labels="beta0T1", name="Intercept")

b1 <- mxMatrix(type="Full", nrow=1, ncol=1, free=TRUE, values=0, labels="beta1T1", name="bSite")

#### # Independent variable

x <- mxMatrix(type="Full", nrow=1, ncol=1, free=FALSE, labels="data.Site T1", name="Site" ) 1x1 matrix name "residualVar"

varTı

1x1 matrix name "Intercept" betaoT1

> 1x1 matrix name "bSite" beta1T1

1x1 matrix name "Site" data.Site\_T1

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# Building the model ()
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expMean <- mxAlgebra(intercept + bSite%x%Site, name="regress")</pre>

# Specify the data

regData <- mxData( observed=Twins2a\_1, type="raw" )</pre>

inclusions <- list(eVar, b0, b1, bSite, expMean)</pre>

# Run the model & summarize output

funML<- mxFitFunctionML()</th>regModel<- mxModel( "Regression101", inclusions, regData, exp, funML )</td>regFit<- mxRun( regModel, intervals=FALSE )</td>regSum<- summary( regFit )</td>



Make matrices Variance, bo, b1, x

**Do Matrix Algebra w Matrices** *expMean* 

**Call Data for Use in the Model** regData

Build Model from Matrices/Algebras exp via mxExpectationNormal

Build/Compile Overall Model from Matrices/Algebras and identify fit function regModel / funML

Run Overall Model regFit

Get Summary Information from Overall Model regSum

Generate Parameter Estimates from Overall Model Resid, Beta<sub>o</sub>, Beta<sub>1</sub>

### The Challenge- Part 2

- You have been handed a dataset and you have been asked to consider the degree to which SITE influences both members of a twin pairs on the outcome (Weight).
  - Do the means differ in both twins for Weight or are they the same?
  - Does the influence of SITE on Weight differ in both twins or are they the same?

#### Summary of Regression201

#### free parameters:

name	matrix	row		Estimate	Std.Error
1 varA	residualVar	WT_T1	WT_T1	1.01048364	0.0071452444
2 covAB	residualVar	WT_T1	$WT_T_2$	0.40612385	0.0054232990
3 varB	residualVar	$WT_T_2$	$WT_T_2$	1.00106729	0.0070786532
4 betaoA	Intercept	1 1		51.70100780	0.0135685778
5 betaoB	Intercept	12		51.69860085	0.0135598998
6 beta1	bSite	1 1		0.30296722	0.0084022273

### Regression with Two Members of a Twin Pair

eVar <- mxMatrix( type="Symm", nrow=2, ncol=2, free=TRUE, values=c(10,1,10), labels=c('varT1,'covT12', 'varT2'), name="residualVar")



 $cov = 2 \times 2 matrix$ 

bo <- mxMatrix(type="Full", nrow=1, ncol=2, free=T, values=22, labels=c("betaoT1","betaoT2"), name="Intercept" ) T1T2betaoT1betaoT2

x <- mxMatrix(type="Full", nrow=1, ncol=2, free=F, labels=c("data.Site\_T1", "data.Site\_T2"), name="Site")



## Summary

- First attempt at running a regression model using OpenMx and tested our results against a typical way of conducting regression in one member of a twin pair. Similar results!
- Extended this approach to both members of a twin pair
- Several steps in developing an OpenMx model
  - Advantage: Allows for considerable user flexibility to address all kinds of issues and models
  - Disadvantage: Learning the OpenMx language can initially be overwhelming. A complete understanding of OpenMx is not at all expected at this stage and many questions are likely to arise. PLEASE share your questions.

## Thank You!

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