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The stata codes for the workshop on "Growth Curve Modeling in Stata
Feb, 12, 2018
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cd "F:\workshop\HLM and SEM approaches to Growth Curve Modeling"

log using "groth curve in stata.log", replace

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* Read in the data
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use http://www.stata-press.com/data/r14/childweight.dta, clear

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* Describe the data
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list in 1/16, sepby(id)

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* A Linear relation between age and weight, assuming no gender differences
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graph twoway (scatter weight age) (lfit weight age),           xtitle(Age in years) ytitle(Weight in kg)
graph save regress1, replace

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* Respective linear relations between weight and age for boys and girls
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graph twoway (scatter weight age) (lfit weight age), by(girl) xtitle(Age in years) ytitle(Weight in kg)
graph save regress1_gender, replace

graph twoway (line weight age, connect(ascending)), by(girl) xtitle(Age in years) ytitle(Weight in kg)
graph save regress1_trajectory, replace

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* Respective Linear growth curve for boys and girls
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reg weight age if girl ==0
reg weight age if girl ==1

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* Respective curvilinear growth curves for girls and boys, respectively
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reg weight c.age##c.age if girl ==0
reg weight c.age##c.age if girl ==1

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* Growth Curve Modeling
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* Model_0 : Traditional regression
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* Model_0: Regression commands
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reg weight age
predict p_weight

graph twoway (line p_weight age, connect(ascending))
graph save model_0_0, replace

graph twoway (line p_weight age if girl ==0, connect(ascending))
graph save model_0_1, replace

graph twoway (line p_weight age if girl ==0, connect(ascending))
graph save model_0_2, replace
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* HLM commands
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mixed weight c.age, nolog
est store model_0

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* Model 1 : Linear Growth curve model with randomm intercept
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mixed weight age || id:, nolog
graph save model_1, replace
est store model_1

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* Model 2: Linear Growth curve model with random slope
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mixed weight age || id: c.age, covariance(unstructured) nolog
graph save model_2, replace
est store model_2

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* Model 3 : Curvilinear Growth model with random intercept
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mixed weight age c.age#c.age || id: c.age, covariance(unstructured) nolog
graph save model_3, replace
est store model_3

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* Compare Models 1 through 3
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lrtest model_0 model_1
lrtest model_1 model_2
lrtest model_2 model_3

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* Model 4: Same linear and curvilinear time effects for boys and girls
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mixed weight age c.age#c.age i.girl || id: c.age, covariance(unstructured) nolog

margins i.girl, at(age=(0(1)3)) vsquish
marginsplot, name(model_4, replace) x(age)

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* Model 5: Different linear and curvilinear time effects for boys and girls
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mixed weight i.girl##c.age##c.age || id: c.age, covariance(unstructured) nolog
est store model_5

margins i.girl, at(age=(0(1)3)) vsquish
marginsplot, name(model_5, replace) x(age)

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* close the log file
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log close
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