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## Intervention evaluation using gllamm

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- GLLAMM is a modelling framework most fully elaborated in the book
  - Skrondal, A. and Rabe-Hesketh, S. (2004). Generalized Latent Variable Modeling: Multilevel, Longitudinal and Structural Equation Models. Chapman & Hall/CRC Press. Boca Raton, FL.
- gllamm is a software implementation that is capable of fitting very many of the models with the GLLAMM framework.
  - Rabe-Hesketh, S., Pickles, A. and Taylor, C. (2000). sg129: Generalized linear latent and mixed models. *Stata Technical Bulletin* **53**, 47-57.
  - Rabe-Hesketh, S., Skrondal, A. and Pickles, A. (2002). Reliable estimation of generalized linear mixed models using adaptive quadrature. *The Stata Journal* 2, 1-21.
- gllamm now consists of a model fitting program, and post-estimation and simulation programs gllapred and gllasim.
- gllamm and gllamm manual, datasets and other information are available from www.qllamm.org

#### What do GLLAMM and gllamm let you do?

GLLAMM helps you to understand and gllamm allows you to analyse the effects of covariates and the structure of covariance (multivariate normal and discrete mixture) among sets of measures that may be of different kinds (continuous, count, nominal, ordered, ranked, censored)

#### This includes for any response type:

- variance components (including frailty models)
- random coefficient and growth curve models
- factor analysis
- structural equation models
- latent class models
- selection models
- non-ignorable non-response
- multilevel versions of the above

This generality is gained at some expense.

**Speed:** for any 'standard' analysis a specialist program will run more quickly.

Speed is improving as the result of the efforts of StataCorp, the gllamm team (Sophia Rabe-Hesketh, Andrew Pickles and Anders Skrondal) and as computers improve.

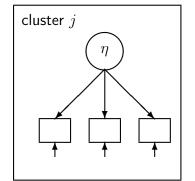
**Model set-up:** some more complex models can require careful prior data manipulation. The writing of wrapper programs that do this for you for particular model types is in progress.

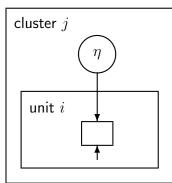
### Generalized linear mixed models

#### We can add random effects into any GLM

- ullet Clustered or 'two-level' data: level-1 units i nested in level-2 clusters j
  - Repeated measurements on patients
  - Twins in families
- Unobserved between-cluster covariates (or unobserved heterogeneity)  $\implies$  Dependence between units ij and i'j in the same cluster j
- Include a cluster-specific random intercept  $\eta_i$  in the linear predictor

$$\nu_{ij} = \mathbf{x}'_{ij}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \eta_j$$





#### Note:

rames indicate 'level'

encloses latent variables

🖙 📙 surrounds observed var.

 $\square$   $\rightarrow$  represents a regression

## Random coefficient models in GLLAMM

• One covariate multiplies each latent variable,

$$\eta_m^{(l)} z_{m1}^{(l)} \quad (\lambda_{m1}^{(l)} = 1)$$

• e.g. Latent growth curve model for individuals j (level 2) observed at times  $t_{ij}$ ,  $i=1,\cdots,n_j$  (level 1)

Linear predictor: 
$$\nu_{ij} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 t_{ij} + \eta_{1j}^{(2)} + \eta_{2j}^{(2)} t_{ij}$$

 $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ : mean intercept and slope

 $\eta_{1j}^{(2)}$ ,  $\eta_{2j}^{(2)}$ : random deviations of unit-specific intercepts and slopes from their means

## Generalized random coeff. model in GLLAMM<sup>8</sup>

$$u = \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta} + \sum_{l=2}^{L} \sum_{m=1}^{M_l} \eta_m^{(l)} \mathbf{z}_m^{(l)'} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_m^{(l)}$$

For identification,  $\lambda_{m1}^{(l)} = 1$ 

- Fixed part:  $\mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$  as usual
- Random part:
  - $-\eta_m^{(l)}$  is mth latent variable at level l,  $m=1,\cdots,M_l$ ,  $l=2,\cdots,L$  Can be a factor or a random coefficient
  - $-\mathbf{z}_m^{(l)}$  are variables and  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}_m^{(l)}$  are parameters
  - Unless regressions for the latent variables are specified, latent variables at different levels are independent whereas latent variables at the same level may be dependent

## gllamm syntax for estimating GLMMs

```
gllamm [varlist] [if exp] [in range], i(varlist) [ \underline{nr}f(numlist)

\underline{eqs}(eqnames) \underline{offset}(varname) \underline{family}(family) \underline{link}(link) \underline{eform}

\underline{nip}(numlist) \underline{adapt} \underline{from}(matrix) \cdots ]
```

i(varlist) L-1 variables identifying the hierarchical, nested clusters, from level 2 to L, e.g., i(pupil class school).

nrf(numlist) L-1 numbers specifying the numbers of latent variables  $M_l$  at each level.

eqs(eqnames)  $M = \sum M_l$  equations for the  $\mathbf{z}_m^{(l)'} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_m^{(l)}$  multiplying each latent variable. Constants must be explicitly included in the equation definition.

family (family), link (link) and eform as for glm.

offset(varname) variable in fixed part with regression coefficient set to 1.

nip(numlist) numbers of quadrature points for each latent variable (total M), a single number meaning that all values are the same.

adapt adaptive quadrature will be used.

from(matrix) passes starting values to gllamm – use skip if matrix contains extra parameters and copy if column and equation names not right.

## Syntax examples: linear predictor

• Two-level growth curve model (occasions in subjects)

Linear predictor: 
$$\nu_{ij} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 t_{ij} + \eta_{1j}^{(2)} + \eta_{2j}^{(2)} t_{ij}$$

```
gen cons=1
eq int: cons
eq slope: time
gllamm y time, i(subject) nrf(2) eqs(int slope) ...
```

• Three-level growth curve model (occasions in subjects in centres)

Linear predictor: 
$$\nu_{ijk} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 t_{ijk} + \eta_{1jk}^{(2)} + \eta_{2jk}^{(2)} t_{ijk} + \eta_{1k}^{(3)} + \eta_{2k}^{(3)} t_{ijk}$$

```
gllamm y time, i(subject centre) nrf(2 2) /*
 */ eqs(int slope int slope) ...
```

## gllapred syntax for prediction

```
gllapred varname [ if exp] [ in range] [, \underline{xb} \underline{u} linpred \underline{mu} marginal \underline{us}(varname) outcome(#) \underline{ab}ove(#) \cdots]
```

xb fixed part of linear predictor returned in varname.

u posterior means and standard deviations of latent variables returned in *varname*m1, *varname*m2, etc.

ustd same as u but divided by approximate sampling standard deviation.

lingred linear predictor (with posterior means of latent variables) returned in varname.

mu mean response  $\mathrm{E}[g^{-1}(\nu)]$  returned in varname. By default expectation w.r.t. posterior distribution.

marginal marginal or population average mean (expectation w.r.t. prior distribution).

us(varname) expectation conditional on latent variables being equal to the values in varname1, varname2, etc.

outcome(#) with mlogit link, probability that the response equals #. above(#) with ordinal links, probability that response exceeds #.

## gllasim syntax for simulation

gllasim 
$$varname$$
 [if  $exp$ ] [in  $range$ ] [,  $\underline{\underline{u}}$   $\underline{\underline{us}}(varname)$   $\underline{\underline{fr}}om(matrix)$   $\cdots$ ]

By default, responses are simulated for the model just estimated and returned in varname.

u latent variables are simulated and returned in varnamep1, varnamep2, etc.

us(varname) response variables are simulated for latent variables equal to varname1, varname2, etc.

from(matrix) causes responses/latent variables to be simulated from the model just estimated in gllamm but with parameter values in matrix.

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# Growth and trajectory models: treatment of depression

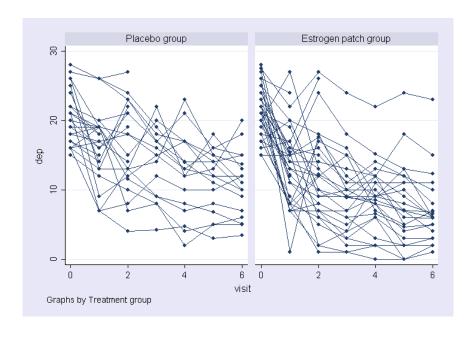
#### The data look like

use depress7.dta, clear

list, clean

	subj	visit	group	o dep
1.	1	0	Placebo group	18
2.	1	1	Placebo group	17
3.	1	2	Placebo group	18
4.	1	3	Placebo group	15
5.	1	4	Placebo group	17
6.	1	5	Placebo group	14
7.	1	6	Placebo group	15
8.	2	0	Placebo group	27
9.	2	1	Placebo group	26
10.	2	2	Placebo group	23
			_	
349.	59	0	Estrogen patch group	17
350.	59	1	Estrogen patch group	15
351.	60	0	Estrogen patch group	22
352.	60	1	Estrogen patch group	7
353.	60	2	Estrogen patch group	12
354.	60	3	Estrogen patch group	15
355.	61	0	Estrogen patch group	26
356.	61	1	Estrogen patch group	24

sort group subj visit
twoway (connected dep visit, connect(ascending)), by(group)



## Depression example: growth curve model

Response at time t of individual i,  $y_{it}$ , is given by:

$$y_{it} = \underbrace{\alpha + \beta t}_{\text{fixed part}} + \underbrace{\eta_{it}}_{\text{random}} + \underbrace{e_{it}}_{\text{occasion}}$$

where

$$\eta_{it} = u_{1i} + u_{2i}t$$

and  $(u_{1i}, u_{2i}) \sim$  bivariate normal.

In the standard growth curve model the random effects for slope and intercept are allowed to be correlated.

#### Bivariate random effects model

```
gen con=1
eq int: con
eq slope: visit
xi: gllamm dep i.group*visit, i(subj) nrf(2) eqs(int slope) adapt
...
    number of level 1 units = 356
    number of level 2 units = 61
    Condition Number = 28.96942
    gllamm model
    log likelihood = -1041.133
```

dep	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
_Igroup_1	-1.653089	1.035749	-1.60	0.110	-3.683121	.3769425
visit _IgroXvisi~1	-1.526425 5464383	.2091052	-7.30 -2.05	0.000	-1.936264 -1.067948	-1.116587 0249289
_cons	19.2888	.7769387	24.83	0.000	17.76603	20.81157

Compare random intercept model with random coefficient model by using Likelihood Ratio Test

#### Model 1: random intercept model

```
xi: gllamm dep i.group*visit, i(subj) adapt
... log likelihood = -1045.7117
estimates store model1  /* store estimates in model1 */
```

#### Model 2: Random coefficient model

```
xi: gllamm dep i.group*visit, i(subj) nrf(2) eqs(int slope) adapt
... log likelihood = -1041.133
```

#### Likelihood ratio test:

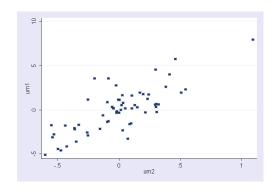
#### Note:

Likelihood ratio test not valid since null hypothesis on boundary of parameter space

Snijders and Bosker (1999) and others suggest dividing p-value by 2

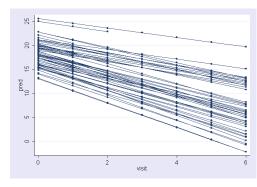
• Obtaining estimates of the random effects for individual deviations for intercepts and slopes

```
gllapred u, u
twoway (scatter um1 um2)
```



Obtaining estimates of individual predicted values (trajectories)

```
gllapred pred, mu
sort subj visit
twoway (connected pred visit, msymbol(smcircle) /*
    */ connect(ascending))
```



## bmatrix option in gllamm

bmatrix(matrix) specifies a matrix B of regression coefficients for the dependence of the latent variables on other latent variables. The matrix must be upper diagonal and have number of rows and columns equal to the total number of random effects.

## Depression example by using bmatrix

An alternative setup is to let one of the random effects be regressed upon the other:

$$\eta_1 = 0\eta_1 + \beta\eta_2 + \zeta_1$$
  
$$\eta_2 = 0\eta_1 + 0\eta_2 + \zeta_2$$

where  $\zeta_1$  and  $\zeta_2$  are uncorrelated.

```
constraint 1 [sub1_2_1]_cons=0
matrix b=(0,1 \ 0,0)
xi: gllamm dep i.group*visit, i(subj) nrf(2) nip(8) eqs(int slope) /*
     */ bmatrix(b) nocorrel adapt
```

### Depression example by using bmatrix

#### Output

log likelihood = -1041.133021837493

	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
_Igroup_1	-1.653089	1.035749	-1.60	0.110	-3.68312	.3769416
visit	-1.526425	.2091052	-7.30	0.000	-1.936264	-1.116587
_IgroXvisi~1	5464382	.2660812	-2.05	0.040	-1.067948	0249287
_cons	19.2888	.7769384	24.83	0.000	17.76603	20.81157

Variance at level 1

14.472499 (1.2985371)

Variances and covariances of random effects

\*\*\*level 2 (subj) var(1): 8.392612 (4.101821)

cov(2,1): 0 (0) cor(2,1): 0 var(2): .26262034 (.16961689)

B-matrix:

D(4.0), 4.4752204 (0.6476706)

B(1,2): 1.4753391 (2.6476786)

This gives the same likelihood, fixed effects estimates. The variance of the slope is 0.2626 as before, but the variance of the intercept is now given by  $Var(\zeta_1) + b^2Var(\zeta_2) = 8.3926 + 1.4753^2 * 0.2626 = 8.964$  (the same value as before).

## Latent trajectory models

Response at time t of individual i,  $y_{it}$ , is given by a growth model:

$$y_{it} = \underbrace{\alpha + \beta t}_{\text{fixed part}} + \underbrace{\eta_{it}}_{\text{random}} + \underbrace{e_{it}}_{\text{occasion}}$$

The  $\eta_{it}$ 's are represented by discrete trajectory classes c with probability  $\pi_c$ :

$$(\eta_{it} \mid c) = e_{1c} + e_{2c}t,$$

#### where

- ullet  $e_{1c}$  is the trajectory origin or intercept for class c
- ullet  $e_{2c}$  is the trajectory slope for class c
- ullet Prevalence of trajectory class c is  $\pi_c$

$$\bullet \ \sum_{k=1}^C \pi_k e_{1k} = 0 \ \text{and} \ \sum_{k=1}^C \pi_k e_{2k} = 0$$

### Latent trajectory models

We will hereafter consider three models:

Model 1: unconditional trajectory classes and unconditional class probabilities

Model 2: unconditional trajectory classes and conditional class probabilities

We allow probability  $\pi_{ic}$  that subject i belongs to latent class c to depend on covariates  $x_i$  through a multinomial logit model. For example, if we consider just one covariate  $x_i$ :

$$\pi_{ic} = \frac{\exp(\gamma_{0c} + \gamma_{1c}x_i)}{\sum_{k=1}^{C} \exp(\gamma_{0k} + \gamma_{1k}x_i)},$$

where the  $\gamma_{0k}$ 's and the  $\gamma_{1k}$ 's are parameters.

Model 3: conditional trajectory classes and unconditional class probabilities:

$$y_{it} = \alpha + \beta x_i + \beta x_i t + \eta_{it} + e_{it}$$

Covariate effects included in fixed part of the model

Classes now represent groups having accounted for covariate differences

Latent trajectory model (1): unconditional trajectory classes and unconditional class probabilities

```
gen cons=1
eq int: cons
eq slope: visit
gllamm dep visit, i(subj) nrf(2) eq(int slope) ip(f) trace nip(2)
```

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dep	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
visit _cons		.1363647			-2.165761 17.41058	-1.631221 19.36347

```
Variance at level 1

19.139691 (1.4643147)

Probabilities and locations of random effects

***level 2 (subj)

loc1: -1.9586, 2.933
var(1): 5.7444392

loc2: -.31928, .47814

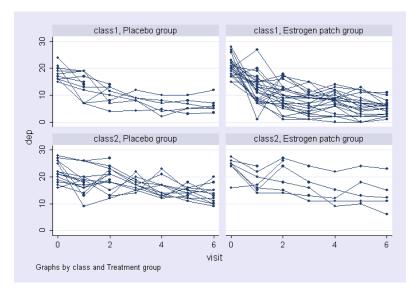
cov(2,1): .9364582
var(2): .15266137
prob: 0.5996, 0.4004

log odds parameters
class 1
```

\_cons: .40381744 (.31445191)

Now assign women to classes and look at what distinguishes one class from another.

```
preserve
gllapred prob, p
gen class=cond(prob1>prob2,1,2)
label define classl 1 "class1" 2 "class2"
label values class classl
sort class subj visit
twoway (connected dep visit, msymbol(smcircle) connect(ascending)), by(class group)
```



Test for association of class assignment with treatment:

tab class group if visit == 0, chi2

class	Treatme Placebo g	nt group Estrogen	Total
class1 class2	11 16	27 7	38 23
Total	27	34	61

Pearson chi2(1) = 9.5815 Pr = 0.002

restore

Note: we reject the null hypothesis that class and group are independent.

Let's model treatment differences in latent class probabilities directly.

Latent trajectory model (2): unconditional trajectory classes and conditional class probabilities

```
eq clprob: group
```

gllamm dep visit, i(subj) nrf(2) eq(int slope) peqs(clprob) ip(f) trace nip(2)

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dep	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
visit _cons	-1.639986 19.66	.176207 .6530511			-1.985345 18.38004	-1.294626 20.93996

Probabilities and locations of random effects

```
***level 2 (subj)
```

```
loc1: -3.1888, 1.6681
var(1): 5.3192671
loc2: -.54866, .28701
cov(2,1): .91522481
var(2): .15747215
prob: 0.3435, 0.6565
```

log odds parameters
class 1

group: 2.1258399 (.70207624) \_cons: -.64795694 (.46781989) Latent trajectory model (3): conditional trajectory classes and unconditional class probabilities

```
gen gpvisit=group*visit
gllamm dep visit gpvisit, i(subj) nrf(2) eq(int slope) ip(f) trace nip(2)
```

dep	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
visit gpvisit _cons	7501039	.1655199 .1692819 .4986261	-4.43	0.000 0.000 0.000	-1.748927 -1.08189 17.38612	-1.100101 4183175 19.3407

```
Variance at level 1
```

```
18.927176 (1.4531254)
```

Probabilities and locations of random effects

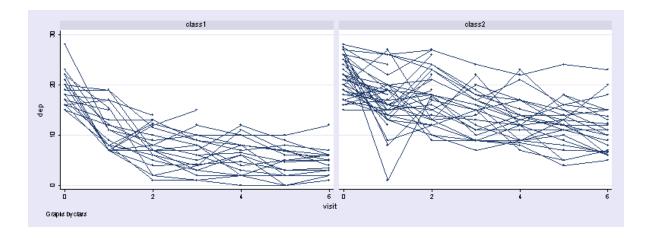
```
***level 2 (subj)
```

```
loc1: -3.0379, 1.9312
var(1): 5.8667044
loc2: -.31252, .19867
cov(2,1): .60354323
var(2): .06209013
prob: 0.3886, 0.6114
log odds parameters
class 1
```

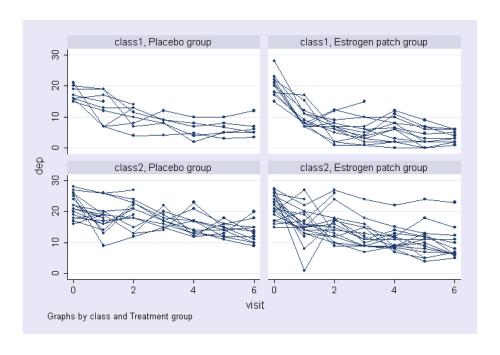
\_cons: -.45301726 (.32825506)

#### Posterior probabilities:

```
gllapred prob, p
gen class=cond(prob1>prob2,1,2)
label define classl 1 "class1" 2 "class2"
label values class classl
sort class subj visit
twoway (connected dep visit, msymbol(smcircle) connect(ascending)), /*
    */ by(class) ysize(8) xsize(20)
```



twoway (connected dep visit, msymbol(smcircle) connect(ascending)), /\*
 \*/ by(class group)



Test for association of class assignment with treatment:

tab class group if visit == 0, chi2

class	Treatmen Placebo g	Total	
class1 class2	9 18	14 20	23 38
Total	27	34	61

Pearson chi2(1) = 0.3941 Pr = 0.530

Note: As expected, we accept the null hypothesis of independence since the treatment effect has already been accounted for in the fixed part and the latent classes relate to variation around the fixed part.

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## Instrumental variables and CACE estimation

## Trials that go wrong

- In many trials treatment assignment does not fully determine treatment exposure. Non-compliance results in other factors also influencing exposure.
- It cannot be assumed that those other factors are not selective. In other words some aspects of exposure may be associated with confounders.
- Nonetheless can exploit random assignment as an instrumental variable, to identify part of the variation in exposure that is uncorrelated with confounders.

## The ODIN trial

- Psychological treatment for depression in primary care.
- Eight centres throughout Europe.
- Participants (N=427) allocated to receive psychological treatment or treatment as usual.
- Only about half of those patients allocated to treatment actually take up the offer.
- Loss to follow-up is associated with non-compliance.

## The ODIN trial

#### Compliance rates vary across Centres – from 40 to 74%

	Treatment	Group	Control
	С	NC	
1 Eire	6 (40%)	9	23
2 Spain	12 (63%)	7	11
3 Finland	17 (74%)	6	24
4 Finland	20 (71%)	8	22
5 Norway	22 (52%)	20	25
6 Norway	17 (47%)	19	25
7 UK	19 (40%)	28	37
8 UK	15 (58%)	11	24
TOTAL (427):	128 (54%)	108	191

Compliance or non-compliance cannot be observed in the control group

# ODIN (6-month outcome data)

Follow-up rates depend on Compliance and on Centre

Centre	No. Observations (%)					
	С	NC	Control			
1	6 (100%)	2 (22%)	12 (52%)			
2	12 (100%)	3 (43%)	7 (64%)			
3	17 (100%)	2 (33%)	17 (71%)			
4	18 (90%)	6 (75%)	20 (91%)			
5	20 (91%)	11 (55%)	17 (68%)			
6	17 (100%)	15 (79%)	18 (72%)			
7	15 (79%)	16 (57%)	31 (84%)			
8	13 (87%)	4 (36%)	18 (75%)			
TOTAL:	118 (92%)	59 (55%)	140 (73%)			

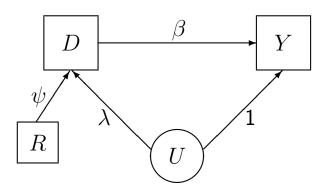
# ODIN data (ignoring Centre effects)

	No. at baseline	No. (%) at 6 months	BDI mean
Treatment Group			
Non-Compliers	108	59 (55%)	13.22
Compliers	128	118 (92%)	13.32
Controls	191	140 (73%)	15.16
TOTAL	427	317	

## IV modelling with gllamm

### **Endogenous** treatment as a factor model:

D causes Y, with unmeasured confounder U and instrumental variable R



U is a random effect/latent variable with factor loading  $\lambda$ .

## The ODIN study

#### The data:

R is the randomization indicator (rgroup: 0,1).

*D* is the number of sessions of psychotherapy attended (sessions: from 0 to 8).

Y is the BDI score at 6 months (bdi6).

U (the unmeasured confounder) is a random effect; it's a latent variable with loading  $\lambda$ .

Remember that there are missing outcome data (assumed to be ignorable)

#### Model:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \text{bdi6} &=& \alpha+\beta \text{ sessions} + U + \varepsilon \\ \text{sessions} &=& \gamma+\psi \text{ rgroup} + \lambda U + \delta \end{array}$$

where  $corr(\delta, \varepsilon) = 0$ .

Using the two-stage ATR method (Nagelekerke et al.) produces  $\hat{\beta} = -0.496$  (s.e. 0.312).

# Preparing the ODIN data

#### summarize

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
rgroup	427	.5526932	.4977989	0	1
sessions	427	2.058548	2.890626	0	8
bdi6	317	14.11356	10.13733	0	46
id	427	214	123.4085	1	427

### list id rgroup sessions bdi6 in 1/10, clean

	id	rgroup	sessions	bdi6
1.	1	1	3	
2.	2	1	5	0
3.	3	1	6	
4.	4	0	0	
5.	5	0	0	
6.	6	1	0	
7.	7	1	2	40
8.	8	0	0	18
9.	9	0	0	5
10.	10	1	6	7

# Preparing the ODIN data (continued)

```
gen resp1=bdi6
gen resp2=sessions
```

reshape long resp, i(id) j(type)

(note: j = 1 2)

Data	wide	->	long
Number of obs.	427	->	854
Number of variables	6	->	6
<pre>j variable (2 values) xij variables:</pre>		->	type
-	resp1 resp2	->	resp

#### tab type, gen(d)

type	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
1	427	50.00	50.00
2	427	50.00	100.00
Total	854	100.00	

## Preparing the ODIN data (continued)

list id rgroup type d1 d2 resp in 1/20, clean

	id	rgroup	type	d1	d2	resp
1.	1	1	1	1	0	
2.	1	1	2	0	1	3
3.	2	1	1	1	0	0
4.	2	1	2	0	1	5
5.	3	1	1	1	0	
6.	3	1	2	0	1	6
7.	4	0	1	1	0	
8.	4	0	2	0	1	0
9.	5	0	1	1	0	
10.	5	0	2	0	1	0
11.	6	1	1	1	0	
12.	6	1	2	0	1	0
13.	7	1	1	1	0	40
14.	7	1	2	0	1	2
15.	8	0	1	1	0	18
16.	8	0	2	0	1	0
17.	9	0	1	1	0	5
18.	9	0	2	0	1	0
19.	10	1	1	1	0	7
20.	10	1	2	0	1	6

## Preparing the ODIN data (continued)

```
gen d1_sessions=d1*sessions
gen d2_rgroup=d2*rgroup
eq fac: d1 d2
gllamm resp d1_sessions d1 d2 d2_rgroup, nocons i(id) /*
     */ family(gauss gauss) link(identity identity) fv(type) /*
     */ lv(type) eq(fac) adapt nip(15) trace
```

## The gllamm command

```
eq fac: d1 d2
gllamm resp d1_sessions d1 d2 d2_rgroup, nocons i(id) family(gauss gauss) /*
    */ link(identity identity) fv(type) lv(type) eq(fac) adapt nip(15) trace
```

#### **Explanation:**

nocons

The fixed effects are d1, d1\_sessions, d2, and d2\_rgroup. The random effect (U) is fac loading from d1 and d2 (the binary indicators for Y and D, respectively).

suppresses the intercent term

nocons	(represented, instead, by the effects for d1 and d2)
i(id)	identifies the participants (level 2 units)
family(gauss gau	probability distributions for the two outcomes
link(identity id	entity) link functions for the two outcomes
fv(type)	variable whose values indicate which family applies to which observation
lv(type)	variable whose values indicate which link function applies to which observation
eq(fac)	equation for the latent variable
adapt nip(15)	specification for adaptive quadrature

# The gllamm output (final part only)

...
number of level 1 units = 744
number of level 2 units = 427
gllamm model
log likelihood = -2127.6743

resp	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
d1_sessions	4958635	.3112457	-1.59	0.111	-1.105894	.1141668
d1	15.15714	.8550292	17.73	0.000	13.48132	16.83297
d2	2.44e-09	.1602771	0.00	1.000	3141374	.3141374
d2_rgroup	3.724576	.2155904	17.28	0.000	3.302027	4.147126

#### Variance at level 1

4.853494 (.34316457)

Variances and covariances of random effects

```
***level 2 (id)
var(1): 97.779296 (8.3379229)
loadings for random effect 1
d1: 1 (fixed)
d2: .02329433 (.02173818)
```

# gllamm with binary endogenous treatment effects

```
eq fac: d1 d2
gllamm resp d1_treat d1 d2 d2_rgroup, nocons i(id) family(gauss binom) /*
    */ link(identity probit) fv(type) lv(type) eq(fac) adapt nip(15) trace
```

### Differences from the previous run:

- Replace d1\_sessions with corresponding d1\_treat
- family(gauss binom)
- link (identity probit)

# Binary endogenous treatment model: gllamm output

number of level 1 units = 744 number of level 2 units = 427

log likelihood = -1344.6925

resp	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
d1_treat	-4.259795	2.458733	-1.73	0.083	-9.078823	.5592327
d1	15.36503	.9200239	16.70	0.000	13.56182	17.16824
d2	-16.97098	419.7303	-0.04	0.968	-839.6273	805.6854
d2_rgroup	17.13592	419.732	0.04	0.967	-805.5237	839.7955

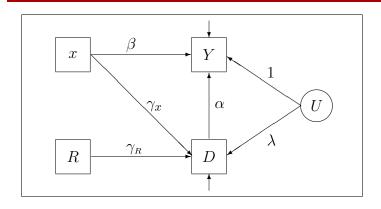
Variance at level 1

89.246447 (133.98532)

Variances and covariances of random effects

\*\*\*level 2 (id)
var(1): 15.143656 (134.2019)
loadings for random effect 1
d1: 1 (fixed)
d2: .31621095 (4.8864784)

## Generalised IV factor model



with a model for Y from the GLM family

$$E(Y_j \mid D_j, x_j, U_j) = g_Y^{-1}(\alpha D_j + \beta x_j + U_j)$$

and similarly for D

$$E(D_j \mid R_j, x_j, U_j) = g_D^{-1}(\gamma_R R_j + \gamma_x x_j + \lambda U_j)$$

where  $g_{\scriptscriptstyle V}^{-1}$  and  $g_{\scriptscriptstyle D}^{-1}$  are inverse link functions.

## Estimation for non-identity link functions

For  $g_Y$  and  $g_D$  identity links we have a standard instrumental variable model for the treatment effect  $\alpha$ . While incorrect choice of  $g_D$  does not lead to inconsistent estimates of the treatment effect  $\alpha$ , this is not the case for incorrect choice of  $g_Y$ ; see e.g. Ten Have *et al.* (2003).

Estimation of models with non-identity links is more complicated. The Stata routine gllamm allows an estimation of these models for any appropriate choice of the link function by the explicit integration over the distribution of U using Gaussian, adaptive or non-parametric methods.

## Physician advice and drinking example

Kenkel and Terza (2001) analysed 2467 currently drinking males with hypertension.

#### **Data description**

- Data from the 1990 National Health Interview Survey.
- Count of alcohol units in last 2 weeks.
- Three dummy explanatory variables:

```
race (0 = non-black, 1 = black) educ (high education; 0 if \leq 12 years, 1 if > 12 years) advice (told by physician to drink less; 0 = no, 1 = yes)
```

• There is no randomization to receive advice – instead three IV's are selected on theoretical grounds, i.e.

```
hlthins (covered by health insurance; 0 = no, 1 = yes) regmed (registered source of medical care; 0 = no, 1 = yes) heart (heart condition; 0 = no, 1 = yes)
```

## Physician advice and drinking example

		Overdisp.		Endog.
	Poisson	Poisson	Probit	Treatment
Parameter	Est (SE)	Est (SE)	Est (SE)	Est (SE)
Fixed part				
Drinking model				
lpha [advice]	0.47 (0.01)	<b>0.59</b> (0.08)		-2.42 (0.23)
$eta_0$ [cons]	2.65 (0.01)	1.43 (0.06)		2.32 (0.09)
$eta_1$ [hieduc]	-0.18 (0.01)	0.02 (0.07)		-0.29 (0.10)
$eta_2$ [black]	-0.31 (0.02)	-0.29 (0.11)		0.20 (0.11)
Advice model				
$\gamma_0$ [cons]			-0.48 (0.08)	-1.13 (0.16)
$\gamma_1$ [hieduc]			-0.25 (0.06)	-0.40 (0.10)
$\gamma_2$ [black]			0.30 (0.08)	0.60 (0.15)
$\gamma_3$ [hlthins]			-0.27 (0.07)	-0.33 (0.10)
$\gamma_4$ [regmed]			0.18 (0.07)	0.39 (0.10)
$\gamma_5$ [heart]			0.17 (0.08)	0.51 (0.11)
Random part				
Variance				
$\psi$		2.90 (0.11)		2.50 (0.69)
Loading				
$\lambda$				1.43 (0.15)
Log likelihood	-32939.15	-8857.85	-1419.90	-10254.02

## CACE: Complier Average Causal Effect

## Two Types of Patient

1. Complier - Accepts allocation

Can be identified (C) in the Treatment Group, but hidden or latent in the Controls

2. Non-Complier – Would never receive therapy, whatever the allocation

Can be identified (NC) in the Treatment Group, but hidden or latent in the Controls

### **Assumption 1: Randomization**

Randomization ensures that, on average, the proportions of Compliers and Non-Compliers are the same in the two arms of the trial.

Therefore these proportions can be estimated from the observed proportions in the Treatment Group.

### **Assumption 2: Exclusion Restriction**

For Non-Compliers, the outcome is the same in the two arms of the trial.

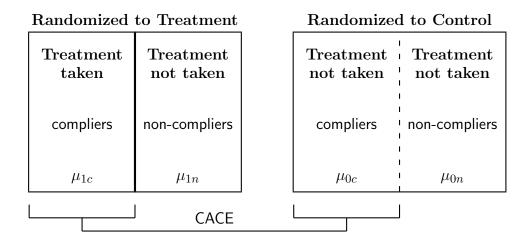
That is, the offer of treatment, in itself, does not influence outcome.

## **Assumption 3: Ignorable Missing Data Mechanism**

Data Missing At Random (MAR) - i.e. Ignorable

Given observed Compliance Status (Complier, Non-Complier or Control), outcome is independent of whether it is actually observed or not.

## Complier Average Causal Effect



• CACE is treatment effect for compliers

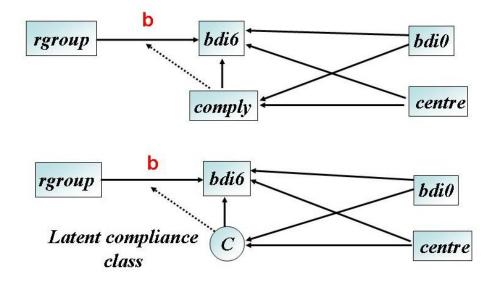
$$\delta_c = \mu_{1c} - \mu_{0c},$$

 $\mu_{1c}$  and  $\mu_{0c}$  mean outcomes of compliers in treatment and control groups

• Exclusion restriction: mean outcome same among non-compliers in both groups

$$\mu_{1n} = \mu_{0n}$$

# Path diagram for CACE latent class model



**b**: in class 1 (non-compliers) this path is fixed at 0 in class 2 (compliers) this path is free

## Outcome model

- $\bullet$   $r_i$  is dummy for being randomized to treatment versus control
- $\bullet$   $c_i$  is dummy for compliers versus non-compliers
- Model for outcome if compliance were known for everyone:

$$y_j = \beta_0 + \beta_1 c_j (1 - r_j) + \beta_2 c_j r_j + \epsilon_j,$$

- $-c_j$  observed only if  $r_j = 1$ , i.e. in third term
- $-c_j$  in second term never observed: discrete latent variable  $\eta_j = e_1, e_2$ , where  $e_1 = 1, e_2 = 0$ :

Depression model: 
$$y_j = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \eta_j (1 - r_j) + \beta_2 c_j r_j + \epsilon_j$$

- CACE:

$$\mu_{1n} = \mu_{0n} = \beta_0, \quad \mu_{0c} = \beta_0 + \beta_1, \quad \mu_{1c} = \beta_0 + \beta_2$$

$$\Longrightarrow \delta_c = \beta_2 - \beta_1$$

## Compliance model

 Probability of being complier same in treatment and control groups (due to randomisation)

$$\Pr(c_j = 1 \mid r_j = 1) = \Pr(c_j = 1 \mid r_j = 0) = \Pr(\eta_j = e_1) = \pi_1$$

Without covariates for compliance

Compliance model:  $logit[Pr(c_i = 1)] = \varrho = logit(\pi_1)$ 

## CACE in gllamm (continued)

**Response model:** 
$$\nu_{ij} = \beta_0 d_{i1} + \beta_1 \eta_j (1 - r_j) d_{i1} + \beta_2 c_j r_j d_{i1} + \varrho d_{i2}$$

### Structural model: $logit[\pi_1] = \varrho$ .

Interactions and equations:

• Constraints:

• gllamm command:

```
gllamm y d1 c_r_d1 d2, i(id) eqs(load) l(ident logit) /*  
*/ f(gauss binom) lv(var) fv(var) ip(fn) nip(2) /*  
*/ constr(1/3) frload(1) nocons /* \beta_1 is 'freed' by frload(1) */
```

## gllamm command line and part output

```
eq load: nr_d1
cons def 1 [z2 1 1]nr d1=1
cons def 2 [z2 1 2]nr d1=0
cons def 3 [p2_1]_{cons=[y]d2}
gllamm y d1 c_r_d1 d2, i(id) eqs(load) l(ident logit) f(gauss binom) /*
   */ lv(var) fv(var) ip(fn) nip(2) const(1/3) frload(1) nocons
  number of level 1 units = 553
  number of level 2 units = 376
  log likelihood = -1344.824804098342
                                                  [95% Conf. Interval]
                    Coef.
                          Std. Err.
                                           P>|z|
           d1
                 13.07684
                          1.282891
                                    10.19
                                           0.000
                                                   10.56242
                                                            15.59126
```

0.877

0.204

-2.848271

-.09046

3.338659

.4234588

0.16

1.27

crd1

d2

.2451937

.1664994

1.578327

.1311042

# ODIN CACE Estimate assuming MAR (no covariates)

```
Probabilities and locations of random effects
```

```
***level 2 (id)
loc1: 1, 0
var(1): .24827535
```

loadings for random effect 1
nr\_d1: 3.9636215 (2.8651214)

prob: 0.5415, 0.4585

lincom [y]c\_r\_d1-[id1\_11]nr\_d1

(1)  $[y]c_r_d1 - [id1_11]nr_d1 = 0$ 

у	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
(1)	-3.718428	2.151174	-1.73	0.084	-7.934651	.4977952

## gllamm MAR setup with covariates

```
eq p: c1 c2 c3 c4 c6 c7 c8 bdi0
eq load: nr_d1
cons def 1 [z2_1_1]nr_d1=1
cons def 2 [z2_1_2]nr_d1=0
cons def 3 [p2_1]_{cons=[y]d2}
cons def 4 [p2_1]c1=[y]c1_d2
cons def 5 [p2_1]c2=[y]c2_d2
cons def 6 [p2_1]c3=[y]c3_d2
cons def 7 [p2_1]c4=[y]c4_d2
cons def 8 [p2_1]c6=[y]c6_d2
cons def 9 [p2_1]c7=[y]c7_d2
cons def 10 [p2_1]c8=[y]c8_d2
cons def 11 [p2_1]bdi0=0
gllamm y d1 c_r_d1 d2 /*
  */ c1_d1 c2_d1 c3_d1 c4_d1 c6_d1 c7_d1 c8_d1 bdi0_d1/*
  */ c1_d2 c2_d2 c3_d2 c4_d2 c6_d2 c7_d2 c8_d2 bdi0_d2 ,/*
 */ i(id) eqs(load) peqs(p) l(ident logit) f(gauss binom) lv(var) /*
  */ fv(var) ip(fn) nip(2) const(1/11) frload(1) from(a) skip nocons
lincom [y]c_r_d1-[id1_1]nr_d1
```

# ODIN CACE Estimate assuming MAR (no covariates)

	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
d1	.1421738	1.863593	0.08	0.939	-3.510401	3.794748
c_r_d1	1.633098	1.222449	1.34	0.182	7628577	4.029053
d2	2732483	.4660384	-0.59	0.558	-1.186667	.6401702
c1_d1	-4.908202	2.239007	-2.19	0.028	-9.296575	5198285
c2_d1	-4.246159	2.133657	-1.99	0.047	-8.42805	0642679
c3_d1	-2.941429	1.893257	-1.55	0.120	-6.652146	.7692869
c4_d1	-5.314535	1.759019	-3.02	0.003	-8.76215	-1.86692
c6_d1	4.058566	1.66644	2.44	0.015	.7924048	7.324728
c7_d1	4.606668	1.623953	2.84	0.005	1.423778	7.789558
c8_d1	1.544861	1.889072	0.82	0.413	-2.157652	5.247374
bdi0_d1	.5235755	.0601072	8.71	0.000	.4057676	.6413833
c1_d2	5903473	.5953044	-0.99	0.321	-1.757123	.5764279
c2_d2	.6116215	.5606669	1.09	0.275	4872655	1.710509
c3_d2	1.09433	.5549307	1.97	0.049	.006686	2.181974
c4_d2	.8314038	.5139704	1.62	0.106	1759596	1.838767
c6_d2	2037023	.444397	-0.46	0.647	-1.074704	.6672999
c7_d2	3702143	.4211024	-0.88	0.379	-1.19556	.4551312
c8_d2	.1340363	.4932205	0.27	0.786	8326582	1.100731
bdi0_d2	.0140192	.0160298	0.87	0.382	0173987	.0454371

## CACE Estimate (cont'd)

#### Probabilities and locations of random effects

```
***level 2 (id)
   loc1: 1, 0
 var(1): .24539092
   loadings for random effect 1
   nr_d1: 6.8980394 (2.0763784)
   prob: 0.4321, 0.5679
   log odds parameters
   class 1
   c1: -.59034731 (.59530442)
   c2: .61162153 (.56066694)
   c3: 1.0943302 (.55493073)
   c4: .83140379 (.51397035)
   c6: -.20370229 (.44439705)
   c7: -.37021427 (.42110239)
   c8: .13403632 (.49322054)
   bdi0: .01401919 (.01602984)
   _cons: -.27324832 (.46603843)
```

### $lincom [y]c_r_d1 - [id1_11]nr_d1$

(1) [y]c\_r\_d1 - [id1\_11]nr\_d1 = 0

у	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
(1)	-5.264942	1.646564	-3.20	0.001	-8.492148	-2.037736

## **Alternative Assumption 3: Latent Ignorability**

Given both Treatment Arm (Z=0 or 1) and Compliance Status (Complier, Non-Complier), outcome is independent of whether it is actually observed or missing.

The 'Latent' in 'Latent Ignorability' comes from the fact that we cannot observe compliance status completely.

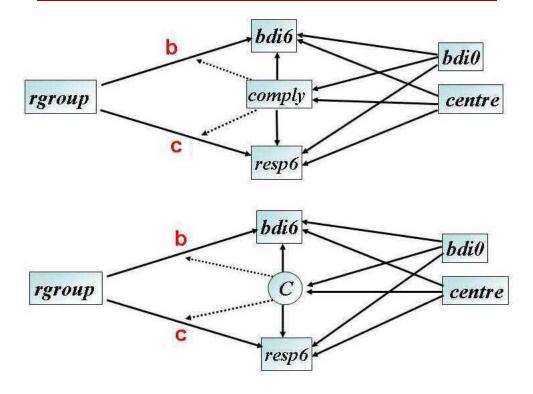
## **Alternative Assumption 2: Compound Exclusion Restriction**

For Non-Compliers, the drop-out rate is the same in the two arms of the trial. That is, the offer of treatment, in itself, does not influence loss to follow-up.

For Non-Compliers, the outcome is the same in the two arms of the trial.

That is, the offer of treatment, in itself, does not influence outcome.

## CACE model with latent ignorable



**b, c**: in class 1 (non-compliers) this path is fixed at 0 in class 2 (compliers) this path is free

# gllamm setup for CACE estimate assuming LI (no covariates)

```
*!Addition of factor loading from latent
eq load: nr_d1 nr_d3 *!compliance class to missingess indicator

cons def 1 [z2_1_1]nr_d1=1
cons def 2 [z2_1_2]nr_d1=0
cons def 3 [p2_1]_cons=[y]d2

gllamm y d1 c_r_d1 d2 d3 c_r_d3, i(id) eqs(load) l(iden logit logit) /*
    */f(gauss binom binom) lv(var) fv(var) ip(fn) nip(2) const(1/3) /*
    */ frload(1) nocons
```

# ODIN CACE Estimate assuming LI (no covariates)

number of level 1 units = 980
number of level 2 units = 427
log likelihood = -1565.20793100089

	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf	. Interval]
d1	13.16542	1.284933	10.25	0.000	10.647	15.68384
c_r_d1	.156616	1.58229	0.10	0.921	-2.944615	3.257847
d2	.1687961	.1307435	1.29	0.197	0874565	.4250486
d3	.1877536	.1934712	0.97	0.332	1914431	.5669502
c_r_d3	2.280347	.3819762	5.97	0.000	1.531687	3.029006

# ODIN CACE Estimate assuming LI (no covariates)

#### Probabilities and locations of random effects

```
***level 2 (id)
loc1: 1, 0
var(1): .24822767
```

loadings for random effect 1 nr\_d1: 3.0631954 (2.3352733)

nr\_d3: 1.902311 (.88119373)

prob: 0.5421, 0.4579

### $lincom [y]c_r_d1 - [id1_11]nr_d1$

$$(1)$$
 [y]c\_r\_d1 - [id1\_11]nr\_d1 = 0

у	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
(1)	-2.906579	1.72964	-1.68	0.093	-6.296611	.4834523

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