

# Example 8a Models using Slides Example: L1 students nested in L2 schools

1. Empty means, random intercept predicting language  
(~Model 1b in Lecture 2 slides 10–11)
2. Add L2 observed school predictors; add latent-centered student verbal at L1 and latent school mean verbal at L2  
(~Model 2a in Lecture 3 slides 16–18)
3. Add random slope of L1 within verbal across L2 schools  
(~Model 2b in Lecture 4 slides 8–9)
4. Add moderation of L1 within and L2 between verbal slopes by mixed grade (~Model 4e in Lecture 4 slides 29–32)
5. Add moderation of L1 within and L2 between verbal slopes by L2 verbal intercept (L2 quadratic interaction)  
(~Model 5b in Lecture 4 slides 34, 36–37)
6. New: add a random scale factor (to become location–scale model)

# Empty Means, Random Intercept Model: (1b) Syntax by Univariate MLM Program

## SAS:

```
PROC MIXED DATA=work.Example COVTEST NOCLPRINT IC METHOD=REML;  
  CLASS schoolID;  
  MODEL langpost = / SOLUTION DDFM=Satterthwaite;  
  RANDOM INTERCEPT / VCORR TYPE=UN SUBJECT=schoolID; * VCORR gives ICC;  
RUN;
```

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R lmer from lme4 package—using lmerTest package to get Satterthwaite denominator DF, and using performance package to get ICC from lmer:

```
name = lmer(data=Example, REML=TRUE, formula=langpost~1+(1+|schoolID))  
summary(name, ddf="Satterthwaite")  
icc(name); ranova(name) # ICC and LRT for random intercept
```

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## STATA:

```
mixed langpost , || schoolID: , ///  
    reml dfmethod(satterthwaite) dftable(pvalue) nolog  
estat icc // Get ICC
```

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## SPSS:

```
MIXED langpost BY schoolID  
  /METHOD = REML  
  /CRITERIA = DFMETHOD(SATTERTHWAITE)  
  /PRINT = SOLUTION TESTCOV  
  /FIXED =  
  /RANDOM = INTERCEPT | COVTYPE(UN) SUBJECT(schoolID).
```

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# Model 1b: Level-1 Students in Level-2 Schools

Example from [Snijders & Bosker \(2012\)](#): Predict language outcomes ( $M = 41.46$ ,  $VAR = 77.69$ ) for 3,566 students ( $p$ ) from 191 schools ( $c$ )

**Level-1:**  $Lang_{pc} = \beta_{0c} + e_{pc}$

**Level-2:**  $\beta_{0c} = \gamma_{00} + U_{0c}$

$$ICC = \frac{\tau_{U_0}^2}{\tau_{U_0}^2 + \sigma_e^2} = \frac{17.809}{17.809 + 62.230} = .223$$

22.3% of total language variance is due to school mean differences (WC  $r = .22$ )

Results from SAS MIXED:

Without random intercept  $U_{0c}$ :

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.4635	0.1476	3565	280.91	<.0001

Covariance Parameter Estimates					
Cov Parm	Estimate	Standard Error	Value	Pr >  Z	Z
Residual	77.6905	1.8402	42	<.0001	

With random intercept  $U_{0c}$ :

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.0791	0.3371	175	121.87	<.0001

Covariance Parameter Estimates						
Cov Parm	Subject	Estimate	Standard Error	Value	Pr >  Z	Z
UN(1,1)	schoolID	17.8085	2.3063	7.72	<.0001	
Residual		62.2296	1.5179	41	<.0001	

# Model 2

- Add L2 observed school predictors; add latent-centered student verbal at L1 and latent school mean verbal at L2  
(~*Model 2a in Lecture 3 slides 16–18*)

# Adding L2 Between and L1 Within Predictors: (2a) Syntax by Univariate MLM Program

SAS:

```
PROC MIXED DATA=work.Example COVTEST NOCLPRINT IC METHOD=REML;  
  CLASS schoolID;  
  MODEL langpost = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb / SOLUTION DDFM=Satterthwaite;  
  RANDOM INTERCEPT / TYPE=UN SUBJECT=schoolID;  
  ESTIMATE "L2 Contextual Effect of Verbal" CMverb10 1 WCverb -1;  
RUN;
```

R lmer from lme4 package—using lmerTest package to get Satterthwaite denominator DF and contest1D:

```
name = lmer(data=Example, REML=TRUE,  
           formula=langpost~1+hw2+mixgrd+CMverb10+WCverb+(1|schoolID))  
summary(name, ddf="Satterthwaite")  
contest1D(name, ddf="Satterthwaite", L=c(0,0,0,1,-1)) # L2 Contextual effect of verbal
```

STATA:

```
mixed langpost c.hw2 c.mixgrd c.CMverb10 c.WCverb, || schoolID:, ///  
  reml dfmethod(satterthwaite) dftable(pvalue) nolog  
lincom c.CMverb10*1 + c.WCverb*-1, small // L2 Contextual effect of verbal
```

SPSS:

```
MIXED langpost BY schoolID WITH hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb  
  /METHOD = REML  
  /CRITERIA = DFMETHOD(SATTERTHWAITE)  
  /PRINT = SOLUTION TESTCOV  
  /FIXED = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb  
  /RANDOM = INTERCEPT | COVTYPE(UN) SUBJECT(schoolID)  
  /TEST = "L2 Contextual effect of verbal" CMverb10 1 WCverb -1.
```

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# Model 2a: Cluster-MC Level-1 Predictor

Example from [Snijders & Bosker \(2012\)](#) ch. 9: Predicting language outcomes for 3,566 students ( $p$ ) from 191 schools ( $c$ ) → **adding student verbal ability**

**Level-1:**  $Lang_{pc} = \beta_{0c} + \beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c) + e_{pc}$

**Level-2:**  $\beta_{0c} = \gamma_{00} + \gamma_{01}(HW_c - 2) + \gamma_{02}(MixGrd_c) + \gamma_{03}(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) + U_{0c}$

$\beta_{1c} = \gamma_{10}$

## Results from SAS MIXED:

L1 WCverb =  $Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c$

L2 CMverb10 =  $\overline{Verbal}_c - 10$

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.5794	0.3624	172	114.73	<.0001
hw2	-0.05255	0.4585	179	-0.11	0.9089
mixgrd	-1.1209	0.5157	197	-2.17	0.0309
<b>CMverb10</b>	<b>3.6599</b>	<b>0.2709</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>13.51</b>	<b>&lt;.0001</b>
<b>WCverb</b>	<b>2.4227</b>	<b>0.05718</b>	<b>3373</b>	<b>42.37</b>	<b>&lt;.0001</b>

Btw, L2 Contextual = 1.237, SE = 0.277,  $p < .0001$

Covariance Parameter Estimates					
Cov Parm	Subject	Estimate	Standard Error	Y	Pr >  Z
UN(1,1)	schoolID	8.3939	1.1326	7.41	<.0001
Residual		40.5508	0.9875	41.1	<.0001

From empty model to compare:

Covariance Parameter Estimates					
Cov Parm	Subject	Estimate	Standard Error	Y	Pr >  Z
UN(1,1)	schoolID	17.8085	2.3063	7.72	<.0001
Residual		62.2296	1.5179	41.1	<.0001

# Model 2a: Cluster-MC Level-1 Predictor

## Model for the Means (relevant new parameters only):

- $\gamma_{00} = 41.58$  = fixed **intercept**: expected language for students in a school with homework=2 (~mean), mixgrd=0 (=not mixed), and school mean verbal = 10; for a student whose verbal = 10
- $\gamma_{03} = 3.66^*$  = fixed **BC slope of school verbal**: difference in **school mean** language per unit higher mean verbal ability *than other schools*
- $\gamma_{10} = 2.42^*$  = fixed **WC slope of student verbal**: difference in **student** language per unit higher verbal ability *than their school mean*

## Model for the Variance:

- $U_{0c}$  = level-2 random intercept = deviation of the original from predicted school mean language for school  $c$  (with variance  $\tau_{U_0}^2 = 8.39$ ), where "original" is from the empty means, random intercept model
  - Pseudo- $R_{U_0}^2 = \frac{17.809 - 8.394}{17.809} = .529 \rightarrow 52.9\%$  explained (of original 22.3% L2 BC)
- $e_{pc}$  = level-1 residual = deviation of the observed outcome for student  $p$  from their outcome predicted by  $\beta_{0c}$  and  $\beta_{1c}$  (with variance  $\sigma_e^2 = 40.55$ )
  - Pseudo- $R_e^2 = \frac{62.230 - 40.551}{62.230} = .348 \rightarrow 34.8\%$  explained (of original 77.7% L1 WC)

# Model 3

- Add random slope of L1 within verbal across L2 schools (*~Model 2b in Lecture 4 slides 8–9*)

# Example Random L1 Cluster-MC Within Slope: (2b) Syntax by Univariate MLM Program

SAS:

```
PROC MIXED DATA=work.Example COVTEST NOCLPRINT IC METHOD=REML;  
  CLASS schoolID; * GCORR = random effect correlations;  
  MODEL langpost = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb / GCORR SOLUTION DDFM=Satterthwaite;  
  RANDOM INTERCEPT WCverb / TYPE=UN SUBJECT=schoolID;  
  ESTIMATE "L2 Contextual Effect of Verbal" CMverb10 1 WCverb -1;  
RUN;
```

R lmer from lme4 package—using lmerTest package to get Satterthwaite denominator DF and contest1D:

```
name = lmer(data=Example, REML=TRUE,  
  formula=langpost~1+hw2+mixgrd+CMverb10+WCverb+(1+WCverb|schoolID))  
summary(name, ddf="Satterthwaite") # Shows random effect correlations already  
contest1D(name, ddf="Satterthwaite", L=c(0,0,0,1,-1)) # L2 Contextual effect of verbal
```

STATA:

```
mixed langpost c.hw2 c.mixgrd c.CMverb10 c.WCverb, || schoolID: WCverb, ///  
  covariance(un) reml dfmethod(satterthwaite) dftable(pvalue) nolog  
estat recovariance, relevel(schoolID) correlation // Random effect correlations  
lincom c.CMverb10*1 + c.WCverb*-1, small // L2 Contextual effect of verbal
```

SPSS:

```
MIXED langpost BY schoolID WITH hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb  
  /METHOD = REML  
  /CRITERIA = DFMETHOD(SATTERTHWAITE)  
  /PRINT = SOLUTION TESTCOV  
  /FIXED = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb  
  /RANDOM = INTERCEPT WCverb | COVTYPE(UN) SUBJECT(schoolID)  
  /TEST = "L2 Contextual effect of verbal" CMverb10 1 WCverb -1.
```

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# Model 2b: Cluster-MC Random Slope

**Level-1:**  $Lang_{pc} = \beta_{0c} + \beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c) + e_{pc}$

**Level-2:**  $\beta_{0c} = \gamma_{00} + \gamma_{01}(HW_c - 2) + \gamma_{02}(MixGrd_c) + \gamma_{03}(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) + U_{0c}$

$\beta_{1c} = \gamma_{10} + U_{1c}$

Adding L2 random slope variance of  $U_{1c}$  (as  $\tau_{U_1}^2$ ) and L2 random intercept-slope covariance (as  $\tau_{U_{01}}$ )

## Results from SAS MIXED:

L1 WCverb =  $Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c$

L2 CMverb10 =  $\overline{Verbal}_c - 10$

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.5281	0.3576	177	116.14	<.0001
hw2	-0.09509	0.4464	178	-0.21	0.8316
mixgrd	-0.9337	0.5052	201	-1.85	0.0660
CMverb10	3.6212	0.2647	209	13.68	<.0001
WCverb	2.4486	0.06831	151	35.85	<.0001

Btw, L2 Contextual = 1.173, SE = 0.273,  $p < .0001$

Covariance Parameter Estimates					
Cov Parm	Subject	Estimate	Standard Error	Z Value	Pr >  Z
UN(1,1)	schoolID	8.4655	1.1352	7.46	<.0001
UN(2,1)	schoolID	-0.6943	0.2386	-2.91	0.0037
UN(2,2)	schoolID	0.2239	0.08630	2.59	0.0107
Residual		39.7586	0.9910	40.12	<.0001

Estimated G Correlation Matrix				
Row	Effect	schoolID	Col1	Col2
1	Intercept	1	1.0000	-0.5043
2	WCverb	1	-0.5043	1.0000

**Likelihood ratio test** of random slope variance (and intercept-slope covariance):  
 $-2\Delta LL(\sim 2) = 19.29, p < .0001$

# Model 4

- Add moderation of L1 within and L2 between verbal slopes by mixed grade (*~Model 4e in Lecture 4 slides 29–32*)

# Model 4e: All Cluster-MC Version

$$\text{L1: } \text{Lang}_{pc} = \beta_{0c} + \beta_{1c}(\text{Verbal}_{pc} - \overline{\text{Verbal}}_c) + e_{pc}$$

$$\text{L2: } \beta_{0c} = \gamma_{00} + \gamma_{02}(\text{MixGrd}_c) + \gamma_{03}(\overline{\text{Verbal}}_c - 10) \\ + \gamma_{04}(\text{MixGrd}_c)(\overline{\text{Verbal}}_c - 10) + U_{0c}$$

$$\beta_{1c} = \gamma_{10} + \gamma_{12}(\text{MixGrd}_c) + U_{1c}$$

## Interpreting Fixed Effects:

- $\gamma_{10}$  = **simple L1 within slope**: difference in student language per unit higher verbal than school mean, *specifically for schools without mixed grades*
- $\gamma_{03}$  = **simple L2 between slope**: difference in school language per unit higher school mean verbal than other schools (NOT controlling for student verbal), *now specifically for schools without mixed grades*
- $\gamma_{03} - \gamma_{10}$  = **simple L2 contextual slope**: extra difference in school language per unit higher school mean verbal than other schools (controlling for student verbal), *now specifically for schools without mixed grades*
- $\gamma_{12}$  = **guaranteed-to-be-unsmushed cross-level interaction**: how the **L1 within** verbal slope differs in schools with mixed grades
- $\gamma_{04}$  = **level-2 interaction**: how the **L2 between** verbal slope differs in schools with mixed grades
- $\gamma_{04} - \gamma_{12}$  = **implied level-2 interaction**: how the **L2 contextual** verbal slope differs in schools with mixed grades (or how moderation differs: BC – WC)

# Cluster-MC with Unsmushed Cross-Level

## Int: (4e) Syntax by Univariate MLM Program

SAS:

```
PROC MIXED DATA=work.Example COVTEST NOCLPRINT IC METHOD=REML;  
  CLASS schoolID;          * In SAS, * creates interactions;  
  MODEL langpost = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb mixgrd*WCverb mixgrd*CMverb10  
    / GCORR SOLUTION DDFM=Satterthwaite;  
  RANDOM INTERCEPT WCverb / TYPE=UN SUBJECT=schoolID;  
RUN;
```

Oops! Predictor hw2  
should not be included.

R lmer from lme4 package—using lmerTest package to get Satterthwaite denominator DF and contest1D:

```
name = lmer(data=Example, REML=TRUE,  
  formula=langpost~1+hw2+mixgrd+CMverb10+WCverb+ mixgrd:WCverb  
    +mixgrd:CMverb10+(1+WCverb|schoolID))  
summary(name, ddf="Satterthwaite") # In R, : creates interactions
```

STATA:

```
mixed langpost e.hw2 c.mixgrd c.CMverb10 c.WCverb c.mixgrd#c.WCverb ///  
  c.mixgrd#c.CMverb10, || schoolID: WCverb, /// In STATA, # creates interactions  
  covariance(un) reml dfmethod(satterthwaite) dftable(pvalue) nolog  
estat recovariance, relevel(schoolID) correlation // random effect correlations
```

SPSS: \* In SPSS, \* creates interactions.

```
MIXED langpost BY schoolID WITH hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb  
  /METHOD = REML  
  /CRITERIA = DFMETHOD(SATTERTHWAITE)  
  /PRINT = SOLUTION TESTCOV  
  /FIXED = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb mixgrd*WCverb mixgrd*CMverb10  
  /RANDOM = INTERCEPT WCverb | COVTYPE(UN) SUBJECT(schoolID).
```

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# Hybrid vs. Cluster-MC: Different L2 Slopes!

Hybrid:  $\beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - 10)$   
 → Direct **L2 Context** Effects

CMC:  $\beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal_c})$   
 → Direct **L2 Between** Effects

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.6217	0.3592	176	115.86	<.0001
<del>hw2</del>	<del>-0.06631</del>	<del>0.4457</del>	<del>178</del>	<del>-0.15</del>	<del>0.8819</del>
mixgrd	-1.1165	0.5161	197	-2.16	0.0317
CMverb10	0.8255	0.4053	182	2.04	0.0431
verb10	2.3613	0.07856	124	30.06	<.0001
mixgrd*verb10	0.3362	0.1567	239	2.15	0.0329
mixgrd*CMverb10	0.4136	0.5536	235	0.75	0.4557

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.6217	0.3592	176	115.86	<.0001
<del>hw2</del>	<del>0.06631</del>	<del>0.4457</del>	<del>178</del>	<del>0.15</del>	<del>0.8819</del>
mixgrd	-1.1165	0.5161	197	-2.16	0.0317
CMverb10	3.1868	0.3992	172	7.98	<.0001
WCverb	2.3613	0.07856	124	30.06	<.0001
mixgrd*WCverb	0.3362	0.1567	239	2.15	0.0329
mixgrd*CMverb10	0.7498	0.5308	199	1.41	0.1593

Label	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Simple L2 between	3.1868	0.3992	172	7.98	<.0001
L2 between*mixgrd	0.7498	0.5308	199	1.41	0.1593

Label	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Simple L2 context	0.8255	0.4053	182	2.04	0.0431
L2 context*mixgrd	0.4136	0.5536	235	0.75	0.4557

**L1 within** verbal slope is signif more positive (stronger) by **0.3362** in mixed-grade schools  
**L2 between** verbal slope is n.s. more positive (stronger) by **0.7498** in mixed-grade schools  
**L2 contextual** verbal slope is n.s. more positive (stronger) by **0.4136** in mixed-grade schools

# Same Model for the Variance Either Way

$$\text{L1: } Lang_{pc} = \beta_{0c} + \beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - 10) + \beta_{2c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c) + e_{pc}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L2: } \beta_{0c} &= \gamma_{00} + \gamma_{02}(MixGrd_c) + \gamma_{03}(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) \\ &\quad + \gamma_{04}(MixGrd_c)(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) + U_{0c} \\ \beta_{1c} &= \gamma_{10} + \gamma_{12}(MixGrd_c); \beta_{2c} = U_{2c} \end{aligned}$$

Hybrid →

$$\beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - 10)$$

Cluster-MC →

$$\beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c)$$

## Interpreting the Model for the Variance:

- $U_{0c}$  = **level-2 random intercept** → deviation of original from predicted mean language for school  $c$  (where “original” is from an empty means, random intercept model), now **specifically where student verbal = their school mean** (with variance =  $\tau_{U_0}^2$ )
- $U_{2c}$  = **level-2 random slope** → deviation of original from predicted **L1 within** verbal slope for school  $c$  (where “original” is from a model without cross-level interactions for  $\beta_{1c}$ ), (with variance =  $\tau_{U_2}^2$  and  $U_{0c}$  covariance =  $\tau_{U_{02}}$ )
  - *If applied to constant-centered student verbal instead, it would reflect both school differences in the L1 within verbal slope AND intercept heteroscedasticity (bad)*
- $e_{pc}$  = **level-1 residual** = deviation of the observed outcome for student  $p$  from their outcome predicted by all fixed and random effects

# Model 5

- Add moderation of L1 within and L2 between verbal slopes by L2 verbal intercept (L2 quadratic interaction) (*~Model 5b in Lecture 4 slides 34, 36–37*)

# Model 5b: Intra-Variable Cross-Level Interactions

- To unsmush the cross-level interaction, we add the corresponding L2 interaction with the L2 moderator, just as we did before...

$$\mathbf{L1:} \quad Lang_{pc} = \beta_{0c} + \beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - 10) + \beta_{2c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c) + e_{pc}$$

$$\mathbf{L2:} \quad \beta_{0c} = \gamma_{00} + \gamma_{02}(MixGrd_c) + \gamma_{03}(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) \\ + \gamma_{04}(MixGrd_c)(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) \\ + \gamma_{05}(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10)(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) + U_{0c}$$

$$\beta_{1c} = \gamma_{10} + \gamma_{12}(MixGrd_c) + \gamma_{13}(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10); \beta_{2c} = U_{2c}$$

- ...the solution is a **quadratic slope** for L2 school mean verbal!
  - $\gamma_{13}$  = how the **L1 within** verbal slope differs by school mean verbal
  - $\gamma_{05}$  = how the **L2 contextual** verbal slope differs by school mean verbal
  - $\gamma_{13} + \gamma_{05}$  = how the **L2 between** verbal slope differs by school mean verbal

# Cluster-MC with Intra-Variable Interaction:

## (5b) Syntax by Univariate MLM Program

SAS:

```
PROC MIXED DATA=work.Example COVTEST NOCLPRINT IC METHOD=REML;
  CLASS schoolID;          * In SAS, * creates interactions;
  MODEL langpost = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb mixgrd*WCverb mixgrd*CMverb10
                CMverb10*WCverb CMverb10*CMverb10 / GCORR SOLUTION DDFM=Satterth;
  RANDOM INTERCEPT WCverb / TYPE=UN SUBJECT=schoolID;
RUN;
```

**Oops! Predictor hw2 should not be included.**

R lmer from lme4 package—using lmerTest package to get Satterthwaite denominator DF:

```
name = lmer(data=Example, REML=TRUE,
            formula=langpost~1+hw2+mixgrd+CMverb10+WCverb+I(CMverb10^2)
            +mixgrd:WCverb+mixgrd:CMverb10+CMverb10:WCverb+(1+WCverb|schoolID))
summary(name, ddf="Satterthwaite") # In R, : creates interactions, I(^2) creates quad
```

STATA:

```
mixed langpost e.hw2 c.mixgrd c.CMverb10 c.WCverb c.mixgrd#c.WCverb ///
      c.mixgrd#c.CMverb10 c.CMverb10#c.WCverb c.CMverb10#c.CMverb10, ///
|| schoolID: WCverb, covariance(un) reml dfmethod(satterthwaite) dftable(pvalue)
estat recovariance, relevel(schoolID) correlation // Random effect correlations
```

SPSS:

```
MIXED langpost BY schoolID WITH hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb
  /METHOD      = REML
  /CRITERIA    = DFMETHOD(SATTERTHWAITE)
  /PRINT       = SOLUTION TESTCOV
  /FIXED       = hw2 mixgrd CMverb10 WCverb mixgrd*WCverb mixgrd*CMverb10
                CMverb10*WCverb CMverb10*CMverb10
  /RANDOM       = INTERCEPT WCverb | COVTYPE(UN) SUBJECT(schoolID).
```

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# Hybrid vs. Cluster-MC: Different L2 Slopes!

Hybrid:  $\beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - 10)$   
 → Direct **L2 Context** Effects

CMC:  $\beta_{1c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c)$   
 → Direct **L2 Between** Effects

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.8383	0.3628	178	115.32	<.0001
<del>hw2</del>	<del>-0.06701</del>	<del>0.4367</del>	<del>176</del>	<del>-0.15</del>	<del>0.8782</del>
mixgrd	-0.8419	0.5213	196	-1.61	0.1079
CMverb10	0.8592	0.4061	192	2.12	0.0357
verb10	2.3589	0.07905	123	29.84	<.0001
mixgrd*verb10	0.3394	0.1578	231	2.15	0.0325
mixgrd*CMverb10	-0.1281	0.5772	231	-0.22	0.8246
CMverb10*verb10	-0.04328	0.07779	179	-0.56	0.5787
CMverb10*CMverb10	-0.3817	0.1671	344	-2.28	0.0229

Solution for Fixed Effects					
Effect	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	41.8383	0.3628	178	115.32	<.0001
<del>hw2</del>	<del>-0.06701</del>	<del>0.4367</del>	<del>176</del>	<del>-0.15</del>	<del>0.8782</del>
mixgrd	-0.8419	0.5213	196	-1.61	0.1079
CMverb10	3.2181	0.4004	181	8.04	<.0001
WCverb	2.3589	0.07905	123	29.84	<.0001
mixgrd*WCverb	0.3394	0.1578	231	2.15	0.0325
mixgrd*CMverb10	0.2113	0.5549	198	0.38	0.7038
CMverb10*WCverb	-0.04328	0.07779	179	-0.56	0.5787
CMverb10*CMverb10	-0.4250	0.1486	233	-2.86	0.0046

Label	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Simple L2 between	3.2181	0.4004	181	8.04	<.0001
L2 between*mixgrd	0.2113	0.5549	198	0.38	0.7038
L2 between*CMverbal	-0.4250	0.1486	233	-2.86	0.0046

Label	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t
Simple L2 context	0.8592	0.4061	192	2.12	0.0357
L2 context*mixgrd	-0.1281	0.5772	231	-0.22	0.8246
L2 context*CMverbal	-0.3817	0.1671	344	-2.28	0.0229

**L1 within** verbal slope is n.s. less positive (weaker) by **0.0433** per unit school mean verbal  
**L2 between** verbal slope is n.s. less positive by **0.4250** per unit school mean verbal  
**L2 contextual** verbal slope is n.s. less positive by **0.3817** per unit school mean verbal

# Model 6: Add Random Scale Factor

- Continuing with this simplified “location” model:

$$\text{L1: } Lang_{pc} = \beta_{0c} + \beta_{2c}(Verbal_{pc} - \overline{Verbal}_c) + e_{pc}$$

$$\text{L2: } \beta_{0c} = \gamma_{00} + \gamma_{01}(HW_c - 2) + \gamma_{02}(MixGrd_c) \\ + \gamma_{03}(\overline{Verbal}_c - 10) + U_{0c}$$

$$\beta_{1c} = \gamma_{10} + \gamma_{12}(MixGrd_c) + U_{1c}$$

- Add a “scale-model” random intercept (in composite notation):

- **Step A:**  $\log(\sigma_{e_c}^2) = \tau_{00} + \omega_{0c}$

- $\tau_{00}$  → fixed intercept for average amount of L1 residual variance
- $\omega_{0c}$  → random scale factor → Does the amount of L1 residual variance vary randomly over clusters?

- **Step B:**  $\log(\sigma_{e_c}^2) = \tau_{00} + \tau_{01}(MixGrd_c) + \omega_{0c}$

- $\tau_{01}$  → Does the amount of L1 residual variance differ in mixed grades?