Example 3: General Linear Models with Multiple Fixed Effects of a Single Conceptual Predictor (complete syntax, data, and output available for STATA, R, and SAS electronically)

The data for this example were selected from the 2012 General Social Survey dataset (and were also used for examples 1 and 2). The current example will use general linear models to predict a single quantitative outcome (annual income) in which multiple fixed effects are needed to describe a predictor's relationship to the outcome: for categorical predictors with more than two categories (3-category working class), for quantitative predictors with nonlinear effects (quadratic years of age or piecewise years of education), or for testing the assumption of a single linear slope for ordinal predictors (5-category happiness).

STATA Syntax for Importing and Preparing Data for Analysis:

```
// Paste in the folder address where "GSS_Example.xlsx" is saved between " "
cd "\\Client\C:\Dropbox\24_PSQF6243\PSQF6243_Example3"

// IMPORT GSS_Example.xlsx data from working directory using exact file name
// To change all variable names to lowercase, remove "case(preserve")
clear // Clear before means close any open data
import excel "GSS_Example.xlsx", case(preserve) firstrow clear
// Clear after means re-import if it already exists (if need to start over)

// Label variables and apply value formats for variables used below
// label variable name "name: Descriptive Variable Label"
label variable workclass "workclass: 1=Lower, 2=Middle, 3=Upper"
label variable age "age: Years of Age"
label variable educ "educ: Years of Education"
label variable happy "happy: 5-Category Happy Rating"
label variable income "income: Annual Income in 1000s"
```

R Syntax for Importing and Preparing Data for Analysis

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(after loading packages readxl, psych, supernova, multcomp, ppcor, and TeachingDemos):
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```
# Set working directory (to import and export files to)
# Paste in the folder address where "GSS_Example.xlsx" is saved in quotes
setwd("C:/Dropbox/24_PSQF6243/PSQF6243_Example3")

# Import GSS_Example.xlsx data from working directory -- path = file name
Example3 = read_excel(path="GSS_Example.xlsx", sheet="GSS_Example")
# Convert to data frame to use for analysis
Example3 = as.data.frame(Example3)
# Label variables used below (add descriptive titles) using comments instead
```

Syntax and Output for Data Description:

display "STATA Descriptive Statistics for Quantitative and Ordinal Variables" summarize income age educ happy

Variable	0bs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
income	734	17.30287	13.79163	.245	68.6
age	734	42.06267	13.37838	18	75
educ	734	13.81199	2.909282	2	20
happy	734	3.555858	.8950446	1	5

print("R Descriptive Statistics for Quantitative or Ordinal Variables")
describe(x=Example3[, c("income", "age", "educ", "happy")])

```
        vars
        n
        mean
        sd median
        min
        max
        range
        skew kurtosis
        se

        income
        1
        734
        17.303
        13.792
        13.475
        0.245
        68.6
        68.355
        1.156
        1.075
        0.509

        age
        2
        734
        42.063
        13.378
        41.000
        18.000
        75.0
        57.000
        0.293
        -0.769
        0.494

        educ
        3
        734
        13.812
        2.909
        14.000
        2.000
        20.0
        18.000
        -0.230
        0.777
        0.107

        happy
        4
        734
        3.556
        0.895
        4.000
        1.000
        5.0
        4.000
        -0.641
        0.713
        0.033
```

display "SAS Descriptive Statistics for Categorical Variables" tabulate workclass

Cum.	Percent	Freq.	workclass
59.40 97.28 100.00	59.40 37.87 2.72	436 278 20	1 2 3
	100.00	, 734	Total

We will need 2 slopes to represent the differences across these 3 categories.

tabulate happy

happy	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
1 2 3 4 5	26 39 256 327	3.54 5.31 34.88 44.55 11.72	3.54 8.86 43.73 88.28 100.00
Total	734	100.00	

We will need 4 slopes to represent the differences across these 5 categories.

print("R Descriptive Statistics for Categorical Variables")
prop.table(table(x=Example3\$workclass,useNA="ifany"))

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1 2 3
0.594005 0.378747 0.027248
```

prop.table(table(x=Example3\$happy,useNA="ifany"))

Syntax to Create Indicator-Dummy-Coded Predictors—2 needed for 3 categories of workclass:

Categorical variables with 3+ categories cannot be included directly as predictors in the model, or else a single linear slope will be estimated to differentiate the total C categories—this doesn't make any sense, especially for nominal predictor variables. Instead, we need to create C-1 new predictors to distinguish the predicted outcome for each of the C categories. The coding scheme we are using is "indicator-dummy-coding" where each category has a 1 for only a single predictor (that "activates" the predictor for that category).

```
// STATA code to create 2 new indicator-dummy-coded binary predictors
gen LvM=. // Make two new empty variables
gen LvU=.
replace LvM=0 if workclass==1 // Replace each for lower
replace LvU=0 if workclass==1
replace LvM=1 if workclass==2 // Replace each for middle
replace LvU=0 if workclass==2
replace LvU=0 if workclass==3 // Replace each for upper
replace LvU=1 if workclass==3 // Replace each for upper
replace LvU=1 if workclass==3
label variable LvM "LvM: Lower=0 v Middle=1 Class"
3. Upper(n
label variable LvU "LvU: Lower=0 v Upper=1 Class"
```

Group (<i>N</i> = 734)	LvM	LvU
1. Lower $(n = 436)$	0	0
2. Middle ($n = 278$)	1	0
3. Upper $(n = 20)$	0	1

```
# R code to create indicator-dummy-coded binary predictors
Example3$LvM=NA; Example3$LvU=NA # Make 2 new empty variables
Example3$LvM[which(Example3$workclass==1)]=0 # Replace each for lower
Example3$LvU[which(Example3$workclass==1)]=0
Example3$LvM[which(Example3$workclass==2)]=1 # Replace each for middle
Example3$LvU[which(Example3$workclass==2)]=0
Example3$LvU[which(Example3$workclass==3)]=0 # Replace each for upper
Example3$LvU[which(Example3$workclass==3)]=1 # LvM: Lower=0 vs Middle=1 Class
# LvU: Lower=0 vs Upper=1 Class
```

Syntax and Output for 3-Category Working Class Predicting Income:

Model including workclass via two indicator-dummy-coded predictors:

$$Income_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(LvM_i) + \beta_2(LvU_i) + e_i$$

Interpret β_0 = Intercept:

Interpret β_1 = Lower vs Middle slope:

Interpret β_2 = Lower vs Upper slope:

display "STATA GLM Predicting Income from 2 New Binary Variables for workclass" regress income c.LvM c.LvU, level(95)

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	734
+				F(2, 731)	=	42.14
Model	14414.0265	2	7207.01325	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Residual	125009.205	731	171.011225	R-squared	=	0.1034
+				Adj R-squared	=	0.1009
Total	139423.232	733	190.209048	Root MSE	=	13.077

Mean Square Error/Residual, the residual variance, is 171.01 after including 2 fixed slopes for *workclass* as a predictor (which accounted for 10.34% of the variance in income, as given by the model $R^2 = .1034$.). The *F*-test tells us this R^2 is significantly > 0, written as: F(2, 731) = 42.14, MSE = 171.01, p < .001.

income	Coef.	Std. Err.	t t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]	
LvM	8.854267	1.003681	8.82	0.000	6.883826	10.82471	beta2
LvU	10.98471	2.99045	3.67	0.000	5.113816	16.8556	
_cons	13.65004	.6262808	21.80	0.000	12.42052	14.87956	

print("R GLM Predicting Income from 2 New Binary Variables for workclass")
ModelClass = lm(data=Example3, formula=income~1+LvM+LvU)
supernova(ModelClass) # supernova prints sums of squares and residual variance

In the table above, **PRE** for the model is \mathbb{R}^2 ; PRE for each slope is its squared partial correlation (stay tuned). However, you can safely ignore the slope-specific rows and refer only to the Model and Error rows.

```
summary(ModelClass) # summary prints fixed effects solution
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Coefficients:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

(Intercept) 13.650 0.626 21.80 < 2e-16 beta0

LvM 8.854 1.004 8.82 < 2e-16 beta1

LvU 10.985 2.990 3.67 0.00026 beta2
```

Residual standard error: 13.1 on 731 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.103, Adjusted R-squared: 0.101 F-statistic: 42.1 on 2 and 731 DF, p-value: <2e-16

LM prints this summary of the sums of squares table only (which is why I requested the table using supernova).

confint(ModelClass, level=.95) # confint for level% CI for fixed effects

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2.5 % 97.5 % (Intercept) 12.4205 14.880 LvM 6.8838 10.825 LvU 5.1138 16.856
```

Syntax and R Output to Compute Predicted Means per Category and Mean Differences:

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Predicted Income: \hat{y}_i = \beta_0(1) + \beta_1(LvM_i) + \beta_2(LvU_i)
Lower Mean: \hat{y}_L = \beta_0(1) + \beta_1(0) + \beta_2(0) = \beta_0 \leftarrow \text{fixed effect } \#1
Middle Mean: \hat{y}_M = \beta_0(1) + \beta_1(1) + \beta_2(0) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \leftarrow \text{linear combination}
Upper Mean: \hat{y}_{U} = \beta_{0}(1) + \beta_{1}(0) + \beta_{2}(1) = \beta_{0} + \beta_{2} \leftarrow \text{linear combination}
Difference for Lower vs Middle: (\beta_0 + \beta_1) - (\beta_0) = \beta_1 \leftarrow fixed effect #2
Difference for Lower vs. Upper: (\beta_0 + \beta_2) - (\beta_0) = \beta_2 \leftarrow fixed effect #3
Difference for Middle vs Upper: (\beta_0 + \beta_2) - (\beta_0 + \beta_1) = \beta_2 - \beta_1 \leftarrow linear combination
// STATA code to ask for predicted income per category and category differences
    lincom cons*1 + c.LvM*0 + c.LvU*0 // Pred Income: Lower (already in model)
    lincom cons*1 + c.LvM*1 + c.LvU*0 // Pred Income: Middle
    lincom _cons*1 + c.LvM*0 + c.LvU*1 // Pred Income: Upper
                         c.LvM*1 + c.LvU*0 // Lower vs Middle Diff (already in model)
    lincom
                         c.LvM*0 + c.LvU*1 // Lower vs Upper Diff (already in model)
    lincom
                         c.LvM*-1 + c.LvU*1 // Middle vs Upper Diff
print("R code to ask for predicted income per category and category differences")
print("In number lists below, values are multiplier for each fixed effect IN ORDER")
PredClass = glht(model=ModelClass, linfct=rbind(
  "Pred Income: Lower" = c(1, 0, 0),

"Pred Income: Middle" = c(1, 1, 0),
                                                    # already in model
  "Pred Income: Upper" = c(1, 0, 1),
  "Lower vs Middle Diff" = c(0, 1, 0),
                                                    # already in model
  "Lower vs Upper Diff" = c(0, 0, 1),
                                                    # already in model
   "Middle vs Upper Diff" = c(0,-1, 1))
print("Save glht linear combination results with unadjusted p-values and 95% CIs")
SavePredClass = summary(PredClass, test=adjusted("none")); SavePredClass
confint(PredClass, level=.95, calpha=univariate calpha())
Linear Hypotheses:
                                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
Pred Income: Lower == 0
                                13.650 0.626 21.80 < 2e-16 beta0
Pred Income: Middle == 0 22.504 0.784 28.69 < 2e-16 beta0 + beta1
Pred Income: Upper == 0 24.635 2.924 8.42 2.2e-16 beta0 + beta2
Lower vs Middle Diff == 0 8.854 1.004 8.82 < 2e-16 beta1
Lower vs Upper Diff == 0 10.985 2.990 3.67 0.00026 beta2
Middle vs Upper Diff == 0 2.130 3.027 0.70 0.48184 beta2 - beta1
(Adjusted p values reported -- none method)
Ouantile = 1.963
95% confidence level
Linear Hypotheses:
                                 Estimate lwr
Pred Income: Lower == 0 13.650 12.421 14.880
Pred Income: Middle == 0 22.504 20.965 24.044
Pred Income: Upper == 0 24.635 18.894 30.375
Lower vs Middle Diff == 0 8.854 6.884 10.825
Lower vs Upper Diff == 0 10.985 5.114 16.856
Lower vs Upper Diff == 0 10.985 5.114 16.856 Middle vs Upper Diff == 0 2.130 -3.813 8.074
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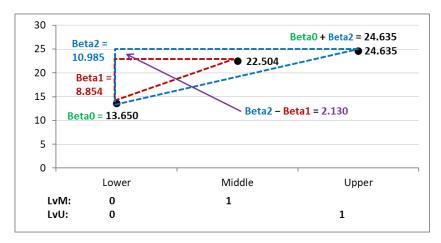
Syntax and R Output to Compute Cohen's d and Partial r Effect Sizes for Mean Differences:

$$d = \frac{2t}{\sqrt{DF_{den}}}$$
, partial $r = \frac{t}{\sqrt{t^2 + DF_{den}}}$

```
// STATA code to compute effect sizes from stored results per lincom
lincom c.LvM*1 + c.LvU*0 // Low vs Mid Diff
   display "PartialD= " (2*(r(estimate)/r(se)))/sqrt(r(df))
   display "PartialR= " (r(estimate)/r(se))/sqrt((r(estimate)/r(se))^2+r(df))
lincom c.LvM*0 + c.LvU*1 // Low vs Upp Diff
   display "PartialD= " (2*(r(estimate)/r(se)))/sqrt(r(df))
   display "PartialR= " (r(estimate)/r(se))/sqrt((r(estimate)/r(se))^2+r(df))
lincom c.LvM*-1 + c.LvU*1 // Mid vs Upp Diff
   display "PartialD= " (2*(r(estimate)/r(se)))/sqrt(r(df))
   display "PartialR= " (r(estimate)/r(se))/sqrt((r(estimate)/r(se))^2+r(df))
# R code to compute effect sizes from stored model and GLHT results
PredClassPartialD=(2*SavePredClass$test$tstat)/sqrt(ModelClass$df.residual)
PredClassPartialR=SavePredClass$test$tstat/
             sgrt(SavePredClass$test$tstat^2+ModelClass$df.residual)
# Concatenate effect sizes to results table for mean differences
data.frame(Estimate=SavePredClass$test$coefficients,
           SE=SavePredClass$test$sigma,
           pvalue=SavePredClass$test$pvalues,
           PartialD=PredlassPartialD, PartialR=PredClassPartialR)
```

Estimate SE pvalue PartialD PartialR Pred Income: Lower 13.6500 0.62628 0.0000e+00 1.612264 0.627602 Pred Income: Middle 22.5043 0.78431 0.0000e+00 2.122497 0.727797 Pred Income: Upper 24.6348 2.92413 2.2204e-16 0.623192 0.297489 Lower vs Middle Diff 8.8543 1.00368 0.0000e+00 0.652572 0.310191 Lower vs Upper Diff 10.9847 2.99045 2.5695e-04 0.271721 0.134624 Middle vs Upper Diff 2.1304 3.02749 4.8184e-01 0.052054 0.026018

Btw, effect sizes for predicted outcomes are not meaningful (but the first 3 rows were already included in the dataset of saved estimates).



In your results sections, make sure to state what software and function you used (and which version), along with any extra functions (i.e., in separate R packages).

Example Results Section for Income Mean Differences by Working Class:

We used a general linear model (i.e., analysis of variance) to examine the extent to which annual income in thousands of dollars (M = 17.30, SD = 13.79) could be predicted from three categories of self-reported working class membership (lower = 59.40%, middle = 37.87%, and upper = 2.72%). We created two contrasts to distinguish the three classes, in which lower-class respondents served as the reference group to be compared separately to middle-class and upper-class respondents. Cohen's d standardized means differences were then computed from the t test-statistics to index effect size per slope. We found that class membership significantly predicted annual income, F(2, 731) = 42.14, MSE = 171.01, p < .001, $R^2 = .10$. Relative to lower-class respondents, annual income was significantly higher for both middle-class respondents (difference = 8.85, SE = 1.00, d = 0.65) and upper-class respondents (difference = 10.98, SE = 2.99, d = 0.27). However, upper-class respondents did not differ significantly from middle-class respondents (difference = 2.13, SE = 3.03, d = 0.05).

Syntax to Center Age at 18 years (minimum of sample):

```
// STATA code to create 1 new age variable centered at 18 (minimum in sample)
gen age18=age-18
label variable age18 "age18: Age (0=18 years)"

# R code to make new age variable centered at 18 (minimum in sample)
Example3$age18=Example3$age-18 # age18: Age (0=18 years)
```

Syntax and STATA Output for Linear Age (Centered at 18 Years) Predicting Income:

```
Income_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(Age_i - 18) + e_i
```

Interpret β_0 = Intercept:

Interpret β_1 = Linear age slope:

The syntax shown next will also request the predicted income for example ages 30, 50, and 70.

display "STATA GLM Predicting Income from Linear Centered Age (0=18)"
regress income c.age18, level(95)

:	Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	734
					F(1, 732)	=	30.52
	Model	5580.74243	1	5580.74243	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Re	sidual	133842.489	732	182.844931	R-squared	=	0.0400
	+-				Adj R-squared	=	0.0387
	Total	139423.232	733	190.209048	Root MSE	=	13.522

Mean Square Error/Residual, the residual variance, is 182.84 after including a fixed linear slope of age (which accounted for 4.00% of the variance in income, as given by the model $R^2 = .0400$). The *F*-test tells us this R^2 is significantly > 0, written as: F(1, 732) = 30.52, MSE = 182.84, p < .001.

Interval]	[95% Conf.	P> t	t	Std. Err.	Coef.	income
 	.132957 10.32248		5.52 12.01		.2062483 12.33999	'

If you square the t test-statistic for the age18 slope, $t^2 = F = 30.52$. So given only one fixed slope in a model, the F-test of the model is equivalent to the t-test of that slope (which is why we ignored F in Example 2).

```
// Ask for predicted income for example ages
lincom _cons*1 + c.age18*12 // Pred Income: Age 30 (age18=12)

income | Coef. Std. Err. t P>|t| [95% Conf. Interval]

(1) | 14.81497 .6722375 22.04 0.000 13.49523 16.13471

lincom _cons*1 + c.age18*32 // Pred Income: Age 50 (age18=32)

income | Coef. Std. Err. t P>|t| [95% Conf. Interval]

(1) | 18.93994 .5804419 32.63 0.000 17.80041 20.07947

lincom _cons*1 + c.age18*52 // Pred Income: Age 70 (age18=52)

income | Coef. Std. Err. t P>|t| [95% Conf. Interval]

(1) | 23.0649 1.156239 19.95 0.000 20.79496 25.33484
```

```
print("R GLM Predicting Income from Linear Centered Age")
ModelLinAge = lm(data=Example3, formula=income~1+age18)
supernova(ModelLinAge)  # supernova prints sums of squares and residual variance
summary(ModelLinAge)  # summary prints fixed effects solution
confint(ModelLinAge, level=.95)  # confint to print level% CI for fixed effects

print("R Ask for predicted income for example ages")
print("In number lists below, values are multiplier for each fixed effect IN ORDER")
PredLinAge = glht(model=ModelLinAge, linfct=rbind(
    "Pred Income: Age 30 (age18=12)" = c(1,12),
    "Pred Income: Age 50 (age18=32)" = c(1,32),
    "Pred Income: Age 70 (age18=52)" = c(1,52)))
print("Print glht linear combination results with unadjusted p-values and 95% CIs")
summary(PredLinAge, test=adjusted("none"))
confint(PredLinAge, level=.95, calpha=univariate_calpha())
```

Syntax and R Output Adding **Quadratic** Age (Centered at 18 Years) Predicting Income:

```
Income_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (Age_i - 18) + \beta_2 (Age_i - 18)^2 + e_i
```

Interpret β_0 = Intercept:

Interpret β_1 = Linear age slope:

Interpret β_2 = Quadratic age slope:

Interpret R^2 two different ways:

The R^2 went from .040 to .114, an increase of .074. Do we know if the R^2 increased significantly relative to the linear age model?

Mean Square Error/Residual, the residual variance, is now 169.00 from the two effects of age (which accounted for 11.39% of the variance in income, as given by the model $R^2 = .1139$). The *F*-test says this R^2 is significantly > 0, written as: F(2, 731) = 47.00, MSE = 169.00, p < .001.

```
summary(ModelQuadAge) # summary prints fixed effects solution
```

```
Coefficients:
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```
| Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) | (Intercept) | 2.6766 | 1.5835 | 1.69 | 0.091 | beta0 | age18 | 1.2231 | 0.1351 | 9.05 | <2e-16 | beta1 | I (age18^2) | -0.0195 | 0.0025 | -7.81 | 2e-14 | beta2 |
```

```
Residual standard error: 13 on 731 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.114,
                                  Adjusted R-squared:
F-statistic: 47 on 2 and 731 DF, p-value: <2e-16
confint (ModelQuadAge, level=.95) # confint to print level% CI for fixed effects
                 2.5 %
                          97.5 %
(Intercept) -0.432210 5.785405
             0.957901 1.488260
age18
I(age18^2) -0.024449 -0.014625
The syntax shown next will also request not only the predicted outcome for example ages
30, 50, and 70, but also the predicted instantaneous linear slopes at those ages too:
\widehat{Income_i} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (Age_i - 18) + \beta_2 (Age_i - 18)^2
Linear Age Slope = \beta_1 + 2\beta_2 (Age_i - 18)
// STATA Ask for predicted income for example ages
   lincom cons*1 + c.age18*12 + c.age18#c.age18*144 // Pred Income: Age 30 (age18=12)
   lincom _cons*1 + c.age18*32 + c.age18#c.age18*1024 // Pred Income: Age 50 (age18=32)
   lincom cons*1 + c.age18*52 + c.age18#c.age18*2704 // Pred Income: Age 70 (age18=52)
// STATA Linear age slope changes by 2*quadratic coefficient, so multiply age*2
   lincom c.age18*1 + c.age18#c.age18*24 // Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 30 (age18=12)
lincom c.age18*1 + c.age18#c.age18*64 // Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 50 (age18=32)
lincom c.age18*1 + c.age18#c.age18*104 // Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 70 (age18=52)
print("R Ask for predicted income and predicted linear age slopes for example ages")
print("In number lists below, values are multiplier for each fixed effect IN ORDER")
PredQuadAge = glht(model=ModelQuadAge, linfct=rbind(
  "Pred Income: Age 30 (age18=12)" = c(1,12,144),
  "Pred Income: Age 50 (age18=32)" = c(1,32,1024),
  "Pred Income: Age 70 (age18=52)" = c(1,52,2704),
  "Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 30 (age18=12)" = c(0,1, 24),
  "Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 50 (age18=32)" = c(0,1, 64),
  "Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 70 (age18=52)" = c(0,1,104)))
print("Print glht linear combination results with unadjusted p-values and 95% CIs")
summary(PredQuadAge, test=adjusted("none"))
confint(PredQuadAge, level=.95, calpha=univariate calpha())
Linear Hypotheses:
                                                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
Pred Income: Age 30 (age18=12) == 0
                                                 14.5402 0.6472 22.46 < 2e-16
Pred Income: Age 50 (age18=32) == 0
                                                              0.6681 32.64 < 2e-16
                                                  21.8091
Pred Income: Age 70 (age18=52) == 0
                                                 13.4482
                                                             1.6590 8.11 2.2e-15
                                                             0.0788 9.57 < 2e-16
Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 30 (age18=12) == 0 0.7542
Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 50 (age18=32) == 0 -0.0273 0.0467 -0.58
                                                                                  0.56
Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 70 (age18=52) == 0 -0.8088 0.1349 -6.00 3.1e-09
(Adjusted p values reported -- none method)
Ouantile = 1.963
95% confidence level
Linear Hypotheses:
                                                Estimate lwr
Pred Income: Age 30 (age18=12) == 0
                                                 14.5402 13.2695 15.8109
                                                21.8091 20.4974 23.1208
Pred Income: Age 50 (age18=32) == 0
Pred Income: Age 70 (age18=52) == 0
                                               13.4482 10.1912 16.7052
Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 30 (age18=12) == 0 0.7542
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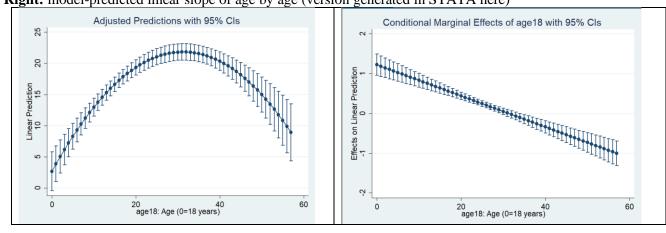
Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 50 (age18=32) == 0 - 0.0273 - 0.1190 0.0644Pred Linear Age Slope: Age 70 (age18=52) == 0 -0.8088 -1.0735 -0.5440

0.5995 0.9089

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// STATA Get predicted values using margins more efficiently and plotting them
// quietly means don't print that output, predictor=(from(by)to)
   quietly margins, at(c.age18=(0(1)57)) // Real ages 18 to 75 (min and max)
   marginsplot, xdimension(age18) name(predicted_age, replace)
   graph export "STATA Predicted Income by Age Plot.png", replace

// STATA Get instantaneous linear age slopes to show effect of quadratic age slope
   dydx in margins provides linear age slopes at each value of age
   quietly margins, at(c.age18=(0(1)57)) dydx(c.age18)
   marginsplot, xdimension(age18) name(predicted_linear, replace)
   graph export "STATA Predicted Linear Slopes by Age Plot.png", replace
```

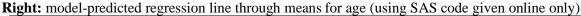
Left: model-predicted regression line with 95% CI (version generated in STATA here) **Right:** model-predicted linear slope of age by age (version generated in STATA here)

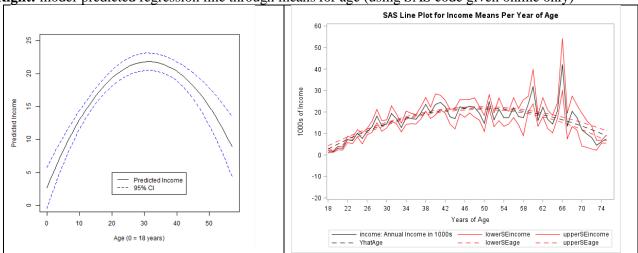


```
# R Generating predicted values using predict more efficiently and plotting them
PredAge = data.frame(age18=seq(from=0, to=57, by=1)) # Real ages 18 to 75 (min and max)
PredAge = predict(object=ModelQuadAge, newdata=PredAge, se.fit=TRUE, interval="confidence")
PredAge = as.data.frame(PredAge) # Need to put x variable back in next
PredAge = cbind(PredAge, data.frame(age18=seq(from=0, to=57, by=1)))

png(file "R Predicted Income by Quadratic Age Plot.png") # open file
plot(y=PredAge$fit.fit, x=PredAge$age18, ylim=c(0,25), xlim=c(0,57),
    lty=1, type="l", ylab="Predicted Income", xlab="Age (0 = 18 years)")
lines(y=PredAge$fit.upr, x=PredAge$age18, lty=2, col="blue1") # Upper CI
lines(y=PredAge$fit.lwr, x=PredAge$age18, lty=2, col="blue1") # Lower CI
legend(x=20, y=5, legend=c("Predicted Income", "95% CI"), lty=1:2); dev.off() # close file
```

Left: model-predicted regression line through scatterplot (version generated in R here)





We forgo requesting standardized slopes for this model given the ambiguity of how to interpret them for models with interactions... R^2 is a sufficiently useful effect size to describe the overall effect (trend) of age here.

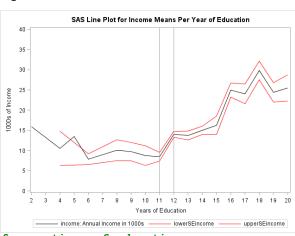
Example Results Section for the Linear and Quadratic Age Slopes:

We used a general linear model (i.e., linear regression) to examine the extent to which annual income in thousands of dollars (M = 17.30, SD = 13.79) could be predicted from years of age (M = 42.06, SD = 13.38, range = 18 to 75). We first examined the means of income by age to identify plausible types of nonlinear associations. Given the apparent curvilinear trend (in which age appeared positively associated with income until middle age, after which it appeared negatively associated instead), we fit a model including fixed linear and quadratic slopes for age (in which age was centered such that 0 = 18 years, the minimum age in the sample). The quadratic age model captured a significant amount of variance in annual income, F(2, 731) = 47.00, MSE = 169.00, p < .001, $R^2 = .114$. The quadratic age model was also a significant improvement over a linear age model, as indicated by the significant fixed slope for the quadratic effect of age. The model fixed effects can be interpreted as follows. The fixed intercept indicated that at age 18, annual income was predicted to be 2.676 thousand dollars (SE = 1.584) and was expected to be significantly greater by 1.223 thousand dollars per year of age (i.e., the instantaneous linear slope for age at age 18; SE = 0.135, p < .001). The linear age slope at age 18 was predicted to become significantly more negative per year of age by twice the quadratic coefficient of -0.020 (SE = 0.002, p < .001). As given by the quantity (-1*linear slope) / (2*quadratic slope) + 18, the age of maximum predicted personal income was 48.575 (i.e., the age at which the linear age slope is predicted to be 0). For example, the linear effect of age as evaluated at age 30 was significantly positive (Est = 0.754, SE = 0.079), the linear effect of age as evaluated at age 50 was nonsignificantly negative (Est = -0.027, SE = 0.047), and the linear effect of age as evaluated at age 70 was significantly negative (Est = -0.809, SE = 0.135).

Syntax to Create 3 Predictors for Piecewise Linear Slopes for Education:

The idea is to represent the 3 different sections of education using 3 different predictors, that way the slope for each section is captured separately.

Years Educ (x)	lessHS: Slope if x <12		gradHS: HS Grad? (0=no, 1=yes)		SI	verHi lope < >12	if	
9		-2		0			0	
10		-1		0			0	
11 (int)		0		0			0	
12		0		1			0	
13		0		1			1	
14		0		1			2	
15		0		1			3	
16		0		1			4	
17		0		1			5	
18		0		1			6	



```
// STATA code to create 3 new predictor variables for sections of education
gen lessHS=. // Make 3 new empty variables
gen gradHS=.
gen overHS=.
// Replace each for educ less than 12
replace lessHS=educ-11 if educ < 12
replace gradHS=0
                       if educ <</pre>
replace overHS=0
                       if educ < 12
// Replace each for educ greater or equal to 12
replace lessHS=0
                       if educ >= 12
replace gradHS=1
                       if educ >= 12
replace overHS=educ-12 if educ >= 12
// Label variables
label variable lessHS "lessHS: Slope for Years Ed Less Than High School"
label variable gradHS "gradHS: Acute Bump for Graduating High School"
label variable overHS "overHS: Slope for Years Ed After High School"
```

```
# R code to make to make 3 new variables for sections of education
# Make 3 new empty variables
Example3$lessHS=NA; Example3$gradHS=NA; Example3$overHS=NA
# Replace each for educ less than 12
Example3$lessHS[which(Example3$educ<12)]=Example3$educ[which(Example3$educ<12)]-11
Example3$gradHS[which(Example3$educ<12)]=0</pre>
Example3$overHS[which(Example3$educ<12)]=0</pre>
# Replace each for educ greater or equal to 12
Example3$lessHS[which(Example3$educ>=12)]=0
Example3$gradHS[which(Example3$educ>=12)]=1
Example3$overHS[which(Example3$educ>=12)]=Example3$educ[which(Example3$educ>=12)]-12
Syntax and STATA Output for Piecewise Linear Slopes of Education Predicting Income:
Income_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(LessHS_i) + \beta_2(GradHS_i) + \beta_3(OverHS_i) + e_i
Interpret \beta_0 = Intercept:
Interpret \beta_1 = LessHS slope:
Interpret \beta_2 = GradHS slope:
Interpret \beta_3 = OverHS slope:
display "STATA GLM Predicting Income from 3 Piecewise Linear Slopes for Education"
regress income c.lessHS c.gradHS c.overHS, level(95)
| MS | Number of obs | 734 | 734 | 730 | 734 | 735 | 736 | 737 | 736 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 737 | 7
                                                             df
                                                                                            Number of obs =
                                                                                                                                            734
            Total | 139423.232 733 190.209048 Root MSE
                                                                                                                           = 12.634
Mean Square Error/Residual, the residual variance, is 159.61 given the piecewise education slopes
(which accounted for 16.43% of the variance in income, as given by the model R^2 = .1643).
The F-test says this \mathbb{R}^2 is significantly > 0, written as: F(3,730) = 47.84, MSE = 159.61, p < .001.
          income | Coef. Std. Err. t P>|t| [95% Conf. Interval]
______

      lessHS | -.2687845
      .5988015
      -0.45
      0.654
      -1.444363
      .906794
      betal

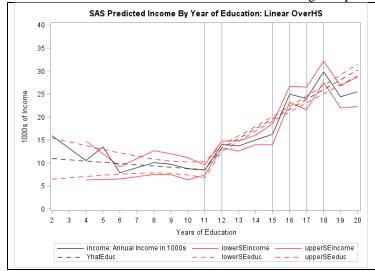
      gradHS | 4.684746
      1.875684
      2.50
      0.013
      1.002368
      8.367124
      beta2

      overHS | 2.124529
      .2137244
      9.94
      0.000
      1.704941
      2.544117
      beta3

      _cons | 8.534867
      1.729351
      4.94
      0.000
      5.139773
      11.92996
      beta0

______
// STATA Example of how to test differences between slopes
      lincom c.lessHS*-1 + c.gradHS*1 // Diff in ed slope: 2-11 vs 11-12
______
         income | Coef. Std. Err. t P>|t| [95% Conf. Interval]
______
                (1) | 4.953531 2.282227 2.17 0.030 .4730194 9.434042
     lincom c.gradHS*-1 + c.overHS*1 // Diff in ed slope: 11-12 vs 12-20
           income | Coef. Std. Err. t P>|t| [95% Conf. Interval]
```

Comparisons of Slopes Above: The GradHS slope = 4.68 is significantly more positive than the LessHS slope = -0.27 by **4.95** per year (indicating that they should not be constrained to be the same). The OverHS slope = 2.12 is nonsignificantly less positive than the GradHS slope = 4.68 by -2.56 per year, indicating that they *could* be constrained to be the same. However, the OverHS slope—implying a linear effect of each additional year of education past 12 years—does not appear to fit the means well, as shown in the overlaid plot below. So efforts to refine the model should focus on solving this problem first!



Left: model-predicted regression line through means for education (see SAS code online)

As shown by the misfit of the data to the model (dashed line), it looks like the effect of education after 12 years should have additional piecewise slopes (i.e., 12–15, 15–17, 17–18, 18–20)... if you are feeling brave, give it a try and let me know what happens!

```
print("R GLM Predicting Income from 3 Piecewise Linear Slopes for Education ")
ModelEd3 = lm(data=Example3, formula=income~1+lessHS+gradHS+overHS)
supernova(ModelEd3) # supernova prints sums of squares and residual variance
SaveModelEd3 = summary(ModelEd3) # saving summary that prints fixed effects solution
SaveModelEd3; confint(ModelEd3, level=.95) # confint for level% CI for fixed effects
print("R Example of how to test differences between slopes")
print("In number lists below, values are multiplier for each fixed effect IN ORDER")
PredEd3 = glht(model=ModelEd3, linfct=rbind(
   "Diff in ed slope: 2-11 vs 11-12" = c(0,-1, 1, 0),
   "Diff in ed slope: 11-12 vs 12-20" = c(0, 0,-1, 1)))
print("Print glht linear combination results with unadjusted p-values and 95% CIs")
SavePredEd3 = summary(PredEd3, test=adjusted("none"))
Print(SavePredEd3); confint(PredEd3, level=.95, calpha=univariate calpha())
```

Syntax and R Output to Compute Partial Effect Sizes for Piecewise Slopes and Differences:

```
// STATA code to compute partial correlations from fixed slopes
display "STATA Partial Correlations of Income with Education Slopes"
pcorr income lessHS gradHS overHS
```

STATA poorr above only works for directly estimated fixed slopes, whereas the code below creating effect sizes out of stored results can be used for linear combinations as well (as shown).

```
Estimate Std..Error t.value Pr...t.. PartialR
(Intercept) 8.53487 1.72935 4.93530 9.9215e-07 0.179691
lessHS
          gradHS
          4.68475 1.87568 2.49762 1.2722e-02 0.092049
           2.12453 0.21372 9.94051 6.3642e-22 0.345287
overHS
# R code to compute effect sizes from stored glht results
PredEd3PartialR=SavePredEd3$test$tstat/sgrt(SavePredEd3$test$tstat^2+ModelEd3$df.residual)
# Concatenate effect sizes to results table for mean differences
data.frame(Estimate=SavePredEd3$test$coefficients, SE=SavePredEd3$test$sigma,
         pvalue=SavePredEd3$test$pvalues, PartialR=PredEd3PartialR)
                                         SE
                             Estimate
                                             pvalue PartialR
Diff in ed slope: 2-11 vs 11-12 4.9535 2.2822 0.030292 0.080075
Diff in ed slope: 11-12 vs 12-20 -2.5602 1.9467 0.188878 -0.048618
```

R pcor.test (from R package ppcor) below only works for directly estimated fixed slopes, whereas the code above creating effect sizes out of stored results can be used for linear combinations as well.

Example Results Section for 3 Piecewise Linear Slopes for the Effect of Education:

We used a general linear model (i.e., linear regression) to examine the extent to which annual income in thousands of dollars (M = 17.30, SD = 13.79) could be predicted from years of education (M = 13.81, SD =2.91). We first examined the means of income by each level of education to identify plausible types of nonlinear associations. The effect of education predicting annual income appeared to differ across regions of education, suggesting a piecewise trend with the distinct region slopes to be captured by linear splines. Specifically, we fit one linear slope for the effect of education from 2 to 11 years, a second linear slope of education from 11 to 12 years, and a third linear slope of education from 12 to 20 years. Partial correlations were then computed from the t test-statistics to index effect size per slope. The model including these three education slopes captured a significant amount of variance in annual income, F(3, 730) = 47.84, MSE = 159.61, p < .001, $R^2 = .164$. The model fixed slopes can be interpreted as follows. Annual income was expected to be nonsignificantly lower by 0.27 thousand dollars per year of education from 2 to 11 years (SE = 0.60, p = .654, r = -.017), resulting in predicted annual income of 8.53 thousand dollars (SE = 1.73) at 11 years of education (i.e., as given by the fixed intercept). Annual income was then expected to be significantly higher by 4.68 thousand dollars (SE = 1.88, p =.013, r = .092) for those achieving a high school degree (i.e., a significant difference between 11 and 12 years of education). Annual income was expected to be significantly higher by 2.12 thousand dollars (SE = 0.21, p <.001, r = .345) per year of additional education past 12 years. However, examining a plot of the observed versus predicted means for annual income at each year of education suggested a linear slope was not sufficient in capturing the observed differences in income from 12 to 20 years of education. We recommend considering in future research the use of additional piecewise slopes corresponding to distinct levels of higher education (e.g., bachelors, masters, or doctoral college degrees).

Syntax to Center 5-Category Ordinal Happiness at 1 (minimum):

```
// STATA code to create 1 new happy variable centered at lowest value
  gen happy1=happy-1
  label variable happy1 "happy1: Happy Category (0=1)"

# R code to make a single happy variable centered at lowest value
Example3$happy1=Example3$happy-1 # happy1: Happy Category (0=1)
```

Syntax and STATA Output for 5-Category Ordinal Happiness Predicting Income:

First Testing a <u>Linear</u> Effect of Happy (0=1): $Income_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(Happy_i - 1) + e_i$ Interpret $\beta_0 = Intercept$:

Interpret β_1 = Happy1 slope:

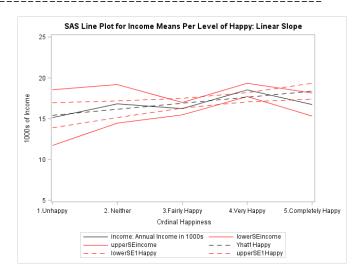
display "STATA GLM Predicting Income from Linear Happy Centered at 1" regress income c.happyc1, level(95)

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	734
+-				F(1, 732)	=	1.69
Model	320.398119	1	320.398119	Prob > F	=	0.1945
Residual	139102.834	732	190.031194	R-squared	=	0.0023
+-				Adj R-squared	=	0.0009
Total	139423.232	733	190.209048	Root MSE	=	13.785

Mean Square Error/Residual, the residual variance, is 190.03 after a linear slope of happy (which accounted for 0.23% of the variance in income, as given by the model $R^2 = .1945$). The *F*-test tells us this R^2 is **not** significantly > 0, written as: F(1, 732) = 1.69, MSE = 190.03, p = .195. The same result is given by the *t*-test of the linear slope below ($t^2 = F$ for model when testing only one fixed slope).

income	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]	
happy1 _cons		.5688736 1.540422	1.30 10.01	0.195 0.000	3781521 12.39078	1.855485 18.43912	

```
print("R GLM Predicting Income
from Linear Happy Centered at 1")
ModelHappy1 =
lm(data=Example3,
    formula=income~1+happy1)
supernova(ModelHappy1)
summary(ModelHappy1)
confint(ModelHappy1, level=.95)
```



Syntax to Create Sequential-Dummy-Coded Predictors—4 needed for 5 happy categories:

In addition to not really making sense (i.e., these values are ordinal, so they aren't really numbers), a single linear slope predicting the same difference between each pair of happiness categories doesn't seem to fit the pattern of means. So let's fit a model with piecewise linear slopes created through sequential-dummy-coding, in which the slopes capture each shift between adjacent categories.

```
// STATA code to make 4 new sequential-dummy-coded variables for happy
// Make 4 new empty variables
   gen h1v2=.
                                                                          h3v4:
                                                                                   h4v5:
                                                                h2v3:
                                                       h1v2:
   gen h2v3=.
                                              Happy
                                                     Dif from Dif from Dif from Dif from
   gen h3v4=.
                                              (x)
                                                      1 to 2
                                                               2 to 3
                                                                         3 to 4
   gen h4v5=.
// Replace each with 0 values
                                                         0
                                                                  0
                                              1 (int)
   replace h1v2=0 if happy < 2
                                                         1
                                                                  0
                                                                            0
                                                                                      0
                                              2
   replace h2v3=0 if happy < 3
   replace h3v4=0 if happy < 4
                                                                            0
                                                                  1
                                                                                      0
                                                         1
                                             3
   replace h4v5=0 if happy < 5
                                                                            1
// Replace each with 1 values
                                                         1
                                                                  1
                                                                                      0
                                             4
   replace h1v2=1 if happy >= 2
                                                                                      1
                                             5
   replace h2v3=1 if happy >= 3
   replace h3v4=1 if happy >= 4
   replace h4v5=1 if happy == 5
// Label variables
   label variable h1v2 "Slope from Happy 1 to 2"
   label variable h2v3 "Slope from Happy 2 to 3"
   label variable h3v4 "Slope from Happy 3 to 4"
   label variable h4v5 "Slope from Happy 4 to 5"
# R code to create 4 new sequential-dummy-coded predictors for happy
# Make 4 new empty variables
Example3$h1v2=NA; Example3$h2v3=NA; Example3$h3v4=NA; Example3$h4v5=NA;
# Replace each with 0 values
Example 3 \ln v^2  [which (Example 3 \ln v^2 )]=0
Example 3 h2v3 [which (Example 3 happy < 3)] = 0
Example 3 $h3v4 [which (Example 3 $happy < 4) ] = 0
Example 3 $h4v5 [which (Example 3 $happy < 5)] = 0
# Replace each with 1 values
Example3$h1v2[which(Example3$happy>=2)]=1
Example3$h2v3[which(Example3$happy>=3)]=1
Example 3$h3v4[which (Example 3$happy>=4)]=1
Example3$h4v5[which(Example3$happy>=5)]=1
```

Syntax and R Output for 4 Sequential Slopes for 5-Category Happiness Predicting Income:

```
Income_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(h1v2_i) + \beta_2(h2v3_i) + \beta_3(h3v4_i) + \beta_3(h4v5_i) + e_i
display "STATA GLM Predicting Income from 4 Sequential Slopes for Happy"
regress income c.h1v2 c.h2v3 c.h3v4 c.h4v5, level(95)
print("R GLM Predicting Income from 4 Sequential Slopes for Happy")
ModelHappy5 = lm(data=Example3, formula=income~1+h1v2+h2v3+h3v4+h4v5)
supernova(ModelHappy5) # supernova prints sums of squares and residual variance
                             SS df
                                      MS
                                             F PRE
946.335 4 236.584 1.245 .0068 .2902
Model (error reduced) |
                         44.300 1 44.300 0.233 .0003 .6293
 h1v2
                    11.641 1 11.641 0.061 .0001 .8045
 h2v3
                    759.119 1 759.119 3.996 .0055 .0460
 h3v4
                   h4v5
                       219.865 1 219.865 1.157 .0016 .2823
                   Error (from model) | 138476.897 729 189.955
---- ----- | ------ --- ---- ---- ----
Total (empty model) | 139423.232 733 190.209
```

Mean Square Error/Residual, the residual variance, is 189.95 after adding the 4 sequential happy slopes (which accounted for 0.68% of the variance in income, as given by the model $R^2 = .0068$). The *F*-test tells us this R^2 is **not** significantly > 0, written as: F(4,729) = 1.25, MSE = 189.95, p = .290.

SaveModelHappy5 = summary (ModelHappy5) # saving summary that prints fixed effects solution SaveModelHappy5; confint(ModelHappy5, level=.95) # confint for level% CI for fixed effects

```
Coefficients:
```

```
Estimate Std. Error t value
                                      Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 15.129 2.703 5.60 0.000000031
                                              beta0
h1v2
            1.685
                      3.489 0.48 0.629 beta1
           -0.586
2.299
-1.797
                                       0.805 beta2
h2v3
                     2.369 -0.25
                      1.150 2.00
1.670 -1.08
h3v4
                                       0.046 beta3
                                       0.282 beta4
h4v5
```

The fixed intercept gives the mean for happy=1, and each slope gives the difference to the next category.

```
Residual standard error: 13.8 on 729 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.00679, Adjusted R-squared: 0.00134
F-statistic: 1.25 on 4 and 729 DF, p-value: 0.29
               2.5 % 97.5 %
(Intercept) 9.822253 20.4352
h1v2 -5.165498 8.5358
          -5.237563 4.0646
h2v3
          0.041241 4.5574
h3v4
h4v5
          -5.075962 1.4821
print("R Example of how to test differences between slopes")
print("In number lists below, values are multiplier for each fixed effect IN ORDER")
PredHappy5 = glht(model=ModelHappy5, linfct=rbind(
        "Diff in Slope 1-2 vs Slope 2-3" = c(0,-1, 1, 0, 0),
       "Diff in Slope 2-3 vs Slope 3-4" = c(0, 0, -1, 1, 0),
       "Diff in Slope 3-4 vs Slope 4-5" = c(0, 0, 0, -1, 1)))
print("Print glht linear combination results with unadjusted p-values and 95% CIs")
SavePredHappy5 = summary(PredHappy5, test=adjusted("none"))
print(SavePredHappy5); confint(PredHappy5, level=.95, calpha=univariate calpha())
Linear Hypotheses:
                                  Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
Diff in Slope 1-2 vs Slope 2-3 == 0 -2.27 5.25 -0.43 0.665
Diff in Slope 2-3 vs Slope 3-4 == 0
                                     2.89
                                               2.90 0.99
                                                               0.320
Diff in Slope 3-4 vs Slope 4-5 == 0 -4.10
                                               2.30 -1.78 0.075
(Adjusted p values reported -- none method)
```

Comparisons of Slopes Above: No pairwise differences between slopes are significant, which means we would not lose anything predictive informative by constraining the slopes to be equal in these data.

```
Quantile = 1.963
95% confidence level

Linear Hypotheses:

Estimate lwr upr

Diff in Slope 1-2 vs Slope 2-3 == 0 -2.272 -12.573 8.029

Diff in Slope 2-3 vs Slope 3-4 == 0 2.886 -2.811 8.582

Diff in Slope 3-4 vs Slope 4-5 == 0 -4.096 -8.605 0.413
```

Syntax and R Output to Compute Partial Effect Sizes from Requested Piecewise Slopes:

```
// STATA code to compute partial correlations for fixed slopes
display "STATA Partial Correlations of Income with Happy Slopes"
pcorr income h1v2 h2v3 h3v4 h4v5
```

```
// STATA code to compute effect sizes from stored results per lincom
lincom c.h1v2*-1 + c.h2v3*1 // Diff in Slope 1-2 vs Slope 2-3
   display "PartialR=" (r(estimate)/r(se))/sqrt((r(estimate)/r(se))^2+r(df))
lincom c.h2v3*-1 + c.h3v4*1 // Diff in Slope 2-3 vs Slope 3-4
  display "PartialR=" (r(estimate)/r(se))/sqrt((r(estimate)/r(se))^2+r(df))
lincom c.h3v4*-1 + c.h4v5*1 // Diff in Slope 3-4 vs Slope 4-5
   display "PartialR=" (r(estimate)/r(se))/sqrt((r(estimate)/r(se))^2+r(df))
# R code to compute effect sizes from stored model fixed effects
ModelHappy5PartialR=SaveModelHappy5$coefficients[,"t value"]/
              sqrt(SaveModelHappy5$coefficients[,"t value"]^2+ModelHappy5$df.residual)
# Concatenate effect sizes to results table for fixed effects
data.frame(SaveModelHappy5$coefficients, PartialR=ModelHappy5PartialR)
           Estimate Std..Error t.value
                                              Pr...t..
(Intercept) 15.12875 2.7030 5.59712 0.000000030865 0.2029852
            1.68516
                        3.4895 0.48292 0.629294831709 0.0178832
h2v3
           -0.58649
                        2.3691 -0.24756 0.804546633997 -0.0091684
                        1.1502 1.99908 0.045970569657 0.0738379
h3v4
            2.29930
h4v5
           -1.79692
                        1.6702 -1.07585 0.282349065906 -0.0398148
# R code to compute effect sizes from stored glht results
PredHappy5PartialR=SavePredHappy5$test$tstat/
             sqrt(SavePredHappy5$test$tstat^2+ModelHappy5$df.residual)
# Concatenate effect sizes to results table for mean differences
data.frame (Estimate=SavePredHappy5$test$coefficients, pvalue=SavePredHappy5$test$pvalues,
          PartialR=PredHappy5PartialR)
                                         pvalue PartialR
                              Estimate
Diff in Slope 1-2 vs Slope 2-3 -2.2716 0.665182 -0.016033
Diff in Slope 2-3 vs Slope 3-4 2.8858 0.320293 0.036810
Diff in Slope 3-4 vs Slope 4-5 -4.0962 0.074905 -0.065916
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Example Results Section for the Linear and Piecewise Sequential Slopes for Happy:

We used a general linear model (i.e., linear regression) to examine the extent to which annual income in thousands of dollars (M = 17.30, SD = 13.79) could be predicted from five-category ordinal happiness (unhappy = 3.54%, neither happy nor unhappy = 5.31%, fairly happy = 34.88%, very happy = 44.55%, completely happy = 11.72%). In first examining a linear effect of happiness (centered at unhappy = 0), the model fixed effects indicated that annual income was predicted to be 15.42 thousand dollars (SE = 1.54) for unhappy respondents (i.e., as given by the fixed intercept), and that annual income was predicted to be nonsignificantly greater by 0.74 thousand dollars (SE = 0.57, p = .195, $R^2 = .002$) per additional ordinal level of happiness.

However, given that a linear slope for happiness assumes interval differences with respect to predicted income, we tested this assumption by specifying a piecewise slopes model by which to estimate all sequential differences in predicted annual income by ordinal level of happiness. Partial correlations were then computed from the t test-statistics to index effect size per slope and slope difference. The revised model—predicting four sequential differences across the five levels of happiness—did not capture a significant amount of variance in annual income, F(4, 729) = 1.25, MSE = 189.95, p = .290, $R^2 = .007$. The model fixed effects indicated that annual income was 15.13 thousand dollars (SE = 2.70) for unhappy respondents (i.e., as given by the fixed intercept). Annual income was nonsignificantly higher by 1.69 thousand dollars (SE = 3.49, p = .629, r = .018) for neither than unhappy respondents, nonsignificantly lower by 0.59 thousand dollars (SE = 2.37, p = .804, r = -.009) for fairly happy than neither respondents, significantly higher by 2.30 thousand dollars (SE = 1.15, p = .046, r = .073) for very happy than fairly happy respondents, and nonsignificantly lower by 1.80 thousand dollars (SE = 1.67, p = .282, r = -.040) for completely happy than very happy respondents. None of the differences between these adjacent differences were significant (as given by linear combinations of the model fixed effects, requested separately). Thus, there is little evidence that annual income can be predicted by self-rated happiness, whether treated as interval (through a linear slope) or treated as ordinal (through piecewise slopes).