Longitudinal Structural Equation Modeling by Todd D. Little Chapter 8 Reading Questions

- 1. Under which conditions are multi-group models typically useful?
 - A. When the number of groups is relatively small.
 - B. When the parameters that characterize a group are treated as fixed effects.
 - C. When parameters can be compared across the groups.
 - D. All of the above.
 - E. None of the above.
- 2. Which of these variables would not be suitable as a grouping variable?
 - A. Cohort
 - B. Age
 - C. School
 - D. Condition
- 3. In longitudinal multiple group models, invariance is ...
 - A. Established across group only.
 - B. Established across time only.
 - C. Established across both group and across time.
 - D. Not able to be established.
- 4. When evaluating potential Level 2 confounds, what method is recommended when the number of Level 2 units is 10?
 - A. Multiple-group modeling.
 - B. Multi-level modeling.
 - C. Either multiple-group or multi-level modeling.
 - D. Neither multiple-group or multi-level modeling.
- 5. When evaluating potential Level 2 confounds, what method is recommended when the number of Level 2 units is 50?
 - A. Multiple-group modeling.
 - B. Multi-level modeling.
 - C. Either multiple-group or multi-level modeling.
 - D. Neither multiple-group or multi-level modeling.
- 6. Which of these is **NOT** an aspect of the longitudinal null model?
 - A. Measured variables do not co-vary with any other within-time variable.
 - B. Measured variables co-vary with themselves over time.
 - C. The mean and variance of measured variables do not differ across group.
 - D. The mean and variance of measured variables do not differ across time.
- 7. What is the suggested **first step** in longitudinal multiple-group modeling?
 - A. Fit longitudinal CFA across full sample.
 - B. Fit Configural CFA across all groups and time points.
 - C. Fit Configural CFA across groups first, then time points.
 - D. Estimate missing data and evaluate descriptive statistics.

8. Which model should serve as the baseline model for comparisons when evaluating restrictions placed on a longitudinal panel model?

A. The strong-invariant model.

- B. The last fitted version of the panel model.
- C. The initial CFA.
- D. None of the above.
- 9. Which of these describes the data used for P-technique analysis?
 - A. Many people measured over many time points.
 - B. Many people measured once.
 - C. Very few people measured over many time points.
 - D. Very few people measured once.
- 10. What is considered a grouping variable in P-technique analysis?
 - A. Occasions
 - B. Item Scores
 - C. Participants
 - D. None of the above.