

# Mixed Models for Clustered Ordinal Outcomes

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## Why analyze as ordinal?

- Efficiency: Armstrong & Sloan (1989, Amer Jrn of Epid) and Strömberg (1996, Amer Jrn of Epid) report efficiency losses between 49% to 87% when dichotomizing an ordinal outcome with five categories.
- Bias: continuous model can yield correlated residuals and regressors when used for ordinal outcomes; continuous model does not take into account the ceiling and floor effects of the ordinal outcome. Results in biased estimates of regression coefficients and is most critical when the ordinal variables is highly skewed (see Bauer & Sterba, 2011, Psych Methods)
- Logic: continuous model can yield predicted values outside of the range of the ordinal variable.

## Proportional Odds Model - McCullagh (1980)

$$\log \left[ \frac{P(Y \leq c)}{1 - P(Y \leq c)} \right] = \gamma_c - \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$c = 1, \dots, C - 1$  for the  $C$  categories of the ordinal outcome

$\mathbf{x}$  = vector of explanatory variables (plus the intercept)

$\gamma_c$  = thresholds; reflect cumulative odds when  $\mathbf{x} = 0$  (for identification:  $\gamma_1 = 0$  or  $\beta_0 = 0$ )

- positive association between  $x$  and  $Y$  is reflected by  $\beta > 0$
- the effect of  $x$  is assumed to be the same for each cumulative odds ratio
- odds that the response is greater than or equal to  $c$  (for fixed  $c$ ) is multiplied by  $e^\beta$  for every unit change in  $x$ :

$$\left[ \frac{1 - P(Y \leq c)}{P(Y \leq c)} \right] = e^{-\gamma_c} \times (e^\beta)^x$$

**Ordinal Model for Dichotomous Response:** same as it ever was!

$$\log \left[ \frac{P(Y = 0)}{1 - P(Y = 0)} \right] = 0 - \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$\frac{P(Y = 0)}{1 - P(Y = 0)} = \exp(0 - \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta})$$

$$\frac{1 - P(Y = 0)}{P(Y = 0)} = [\exp(0 - \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta})]^{-1}$$

$$\frac{1 - P(Y = 0)}{P(Y = 0)} = \exp(\mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta})$$

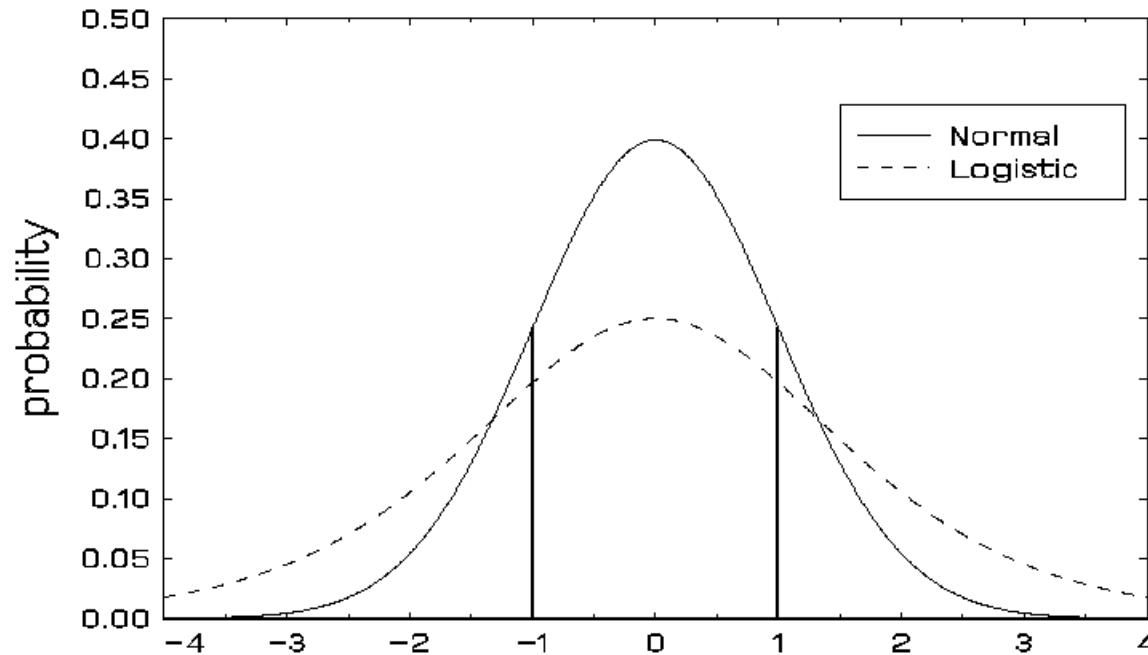
$$\log \left[ \frac{P(Y = 1)}{1 - P(Y = 1)} \right] = \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

# Ordinal Response and Threshold Concept

Continuous  $y_i$  - unobservable latent variable - related to ordinal response  $Y_i$  via “threshold concept”

- threshold values  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_{C-1}$  ( $\gamma_0 = -\infty$  and  $\gamma_C = \infty$ )
- $C$  = number of ordered categories

Response occurs in category  $c$ ,  $Y_i = c$  if  $\gamma_{c-1} < y_i < \gamma_c$



# The Threshold Concept in Practice


“How was your day?”

(what is your level of satisfaction today?)

- Satisfaction may be continuous, but we sometimes emit an ordinal response:

 **Great Day!**

 **a day ...**

 **\*?!\*\*!? day**

## Model for Latent Continuous Responses

Consider the model with  $p$  covariates for the latent response strength  $y_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ):

$$y_i = \mathbf{x}'_i \boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_i$$

- probit:  $\varepsilon_i \sim$  standard normal (mean=0, variance=1)
- logistic:  $\varepsilon_i \sim$  standard logistic (mean=0, variance= $\pi^2/3$ )

$\Rightarrow$   $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  estimates from logistic regression are larger (in abs. value) than from probit regression by approximately  $\sqrt{\pi^2/3} = 1.8$

Underlying latent variable

- useful way of thinking of the problem
- not an essential assumption of the model


# Mixed-effects ordinal logistic regression model


(Hedeker & Gibbons, 1994, 1996)

- $i = 1, \dots, N$  level-2 units (clusters or subjects)
- $j = 1, \dots, n_i$  level-1 units (subjects or repeated observations)
- $c = 1, 2, \dots, C$  response categories
- $Y_{ij}$  = ordinal response of level-2 unit  $i$  and level-1 unit  $j$

How was your day? (asked repeatedly each day for a week)

 **Great Day!**

 **a day ...**

 **\*?!\*\*!? day**



# Random-intercept Ordinal Logistic Regression Model

$$\lambda_{ijc} = \log \left[ \frac{P_{ijc}}{(1 - P_{ijc})} \right] = \gamma_c - (\mathbf{x}'_{ij}\boldsymbol{\beta} + v_{0i})$$

- $P_{ijc} = \Pr (Y_{ij} \leq c \mid \mathbf{v}; \gamma_c, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\lambda_{ijc})}$
- $p_{ijc} = \Pr (Y_{ij} = c \mid \mathbf{v}; \gamma_c, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v) = P_{ijc} - P_{ijc-1}$
- $C - 1$  strictly increasing model thresholds  $\gamma_c$
- $\mathbf{x}_{ij} = p \times 1$  covariate vector
- $\boldsymbol{\beta} = p \times 1$  fixed regression parameters
- $v_{0i} =$  cluster effects distributed  $\sim N(0, \sigma_v^2)$

## Model for Latent Continuous Responses

Model with  $p$  covariates for the latent response strength  $y_{ij}$ :

$$y_{ij} = \mathbf{x}'_{ij}\boldsymbol{\beta} + v_{0i} + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

where  $v_{0i} \sim N(0, \sigma_v^2)$ , and assuming

- $\varepsilon_{ij} \sim$  standard normal (mean 0 and  $\sigma^2 = 1$ ) leads to mixed-effects ordinal probit regression
- $\varepsilon_{ij} \sim$  standard logistic (mean 0 and  $\sigma^2 = \pi^2/3$ ) leads to mixed-effects ordinal logistic regression

Underlying latent variable

- not an essential assumption of the model
- useful for obtaining intra-class correlation ( $r$ )

$$r = \frac{\sigma_v^2}{\sigma_v^2 + \sigma^2}$$

and for design effect ( $d$ )

$$d = \frac{\sigma_v^2 + \sigma^2}{\sigma^2} = 1/(1 - r)$$

ratio of actual variance to the variance that would be obtained by simple random sampling (holding sample size constant)

## Scaling of regression coefficients

*Fixed-effects model*

$\beta$  estimates from logistic regression are larger (in abs. value) than from probit regression by approximately

$$\sqrt{\frac{\pi^2/3}{1}} = 1.8$$

because

- $V(y) = \sigma^2 = \pi^2/3$  for logistic
- $V(y) = \sigma^2 = 1$  for probit

### *Mixed-effects model*

$\beta$  estimates from mixed-effects (random intercepts) model are larger (in abs. value) than from fixed-effects model by approximately

$$\sqrt{d} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_v^2 + \sigma^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

because

- $V(y) = \sigma_v^2 + \sigma^2$  in mixed-effects (random intercepts) model
- $V(y) = \sigma^2$  in fixed-effects model
  
- difference depends on size of random-effects variance  $\sigma_v^2$
- more complex for models with multiple random effects

**Numerical Quadrature:** integration over random effect distribution

- method to numerically perform an integration

$$\int v f(\mathbf{y}_i | v)g(v)dv \approx \sum_{q=1}^Q f(\mathbf{y}_i | B_q)A(B_q)$$

where  $B_q$  ( $q = 1, \dots, Q$ ) are the quadrature nodes or points  
 $A(B_q)$  ( $q = 1, \dots, Q$ ) are the weights (sum = 1)

- More points, more accurate the approximation, but more time
- For standard normal distribution, Gauss-Hermite quadrature
- Yields a likelihood value that can be used for LR tests
- Full-likelihood approach found in STATA, SUPERMIX, MIXOR, SAS PROC NLMIXED & GLIMMIX

## Other methods for integration of $\theta$

Methods based on first- or second-order Taylor series expansions

- Marginal quasi-likelihood (MQL) involves expansion around the fixed part of the model
- Penalized or predictive quasi-likelihood (PQL) also includes the random part in its expansion
- fast, but doesn't yield a likelihood for LR tests
- can yield downwardly biased estimates in certain situations (if  $N$  and/or  $n$  is small, or ICC is high), especially for MQL
- Not available in Supermix, but other software programs use these (e.g., SPSS, some SAS PROCs, MLwiN)

## Laplace approximation - Raudenbush et. al., (2000)

- a combination of a fully multivariate Taylor series expansion and Laplace approximation
- fast and computationally accurate, though some bias for variance parameters
- yields a likelihood for LR tests
- available in Stata, also in HLM (though not for all models)

## Other methods

- Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) Bayesian approach (in BUGS)
- Maximum Simulated Likelihood (in some STATA programs) in econometric, transportation, political science literatures



## Effects of a School-based Intervention

The Television School and Family Smoking Prevention and Cessation Project (Flay, *et al.*, 1988); a subsample:

- *sample* - 1600 7th-graders - 135 classes - 28 schools
  - 1 to 13 classes per school, 2 to 28 students per class
- *outcome* - knowledge of the effects of tobacco use
- *timing* - students tested at pre and post-intervention
- *design* - schools exposed to
  - a social-resistance classroom curriculum (CC)
  - a media (television) intervention (TV)
  - CC combined with TV
  - a no-treatment control group

Main question of interest:

- Influence of the intervention on the tobacco health knowledge scores (THKS) ?

Challenges in the analysis:

- outcome variable (THKS) is number correct of 7 items
- controlling for intra-school and intra-class variability
- potential explanatory variables are at different levels

Tobacco and Health Knowledge Scale  
 Post-Intervention Scores - Frequencies (percentages)

<i>subgroup</i>		<i>THKS score</i>				
CC	TV	0-1	2	3	4-7	<i>total</i>
no	no	117 (27.8)	129 (30.6)	89 (21.1)	86 (20.4)	421
no	yes	110 (26.4)	105 (25.2)	91 (21.9)	110 (26.4)	416
yes	no	62 (16.3)	78 (20.5)	106 (27.9)	134 (35.3)	380
yes	yes	66 (17.2)	86 (22.5)	114 (29.8)	117 (30.5)	383
<i>total</i>		355 (22.2)	398 (24.9)	400 (25.0)	447 (27.9)	1600

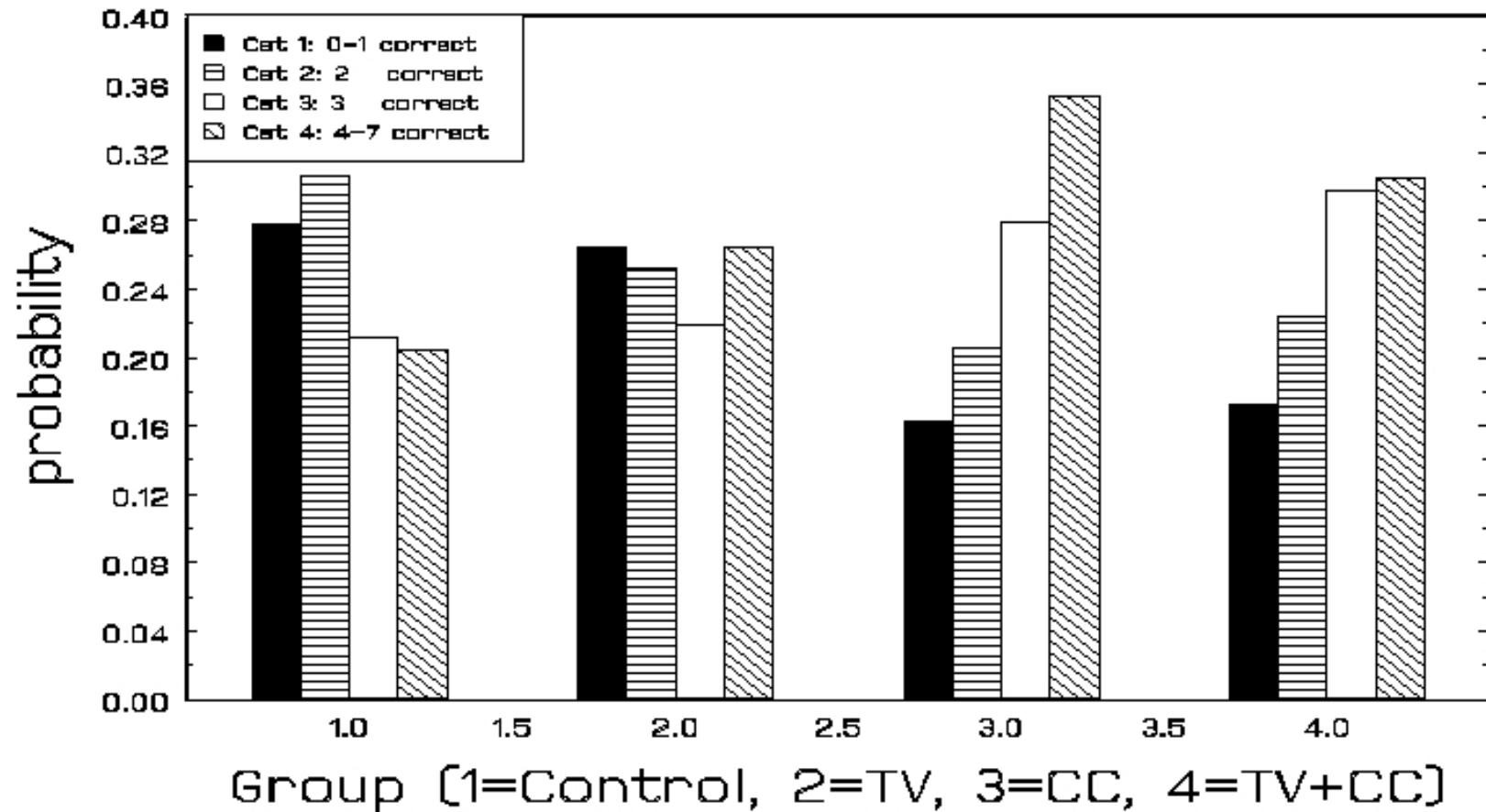
## THKS Post-Intervention Scores - Proportions, Odds, Logits

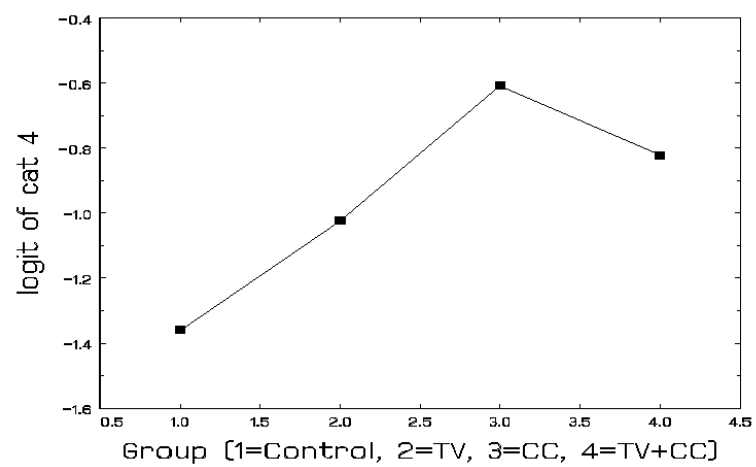
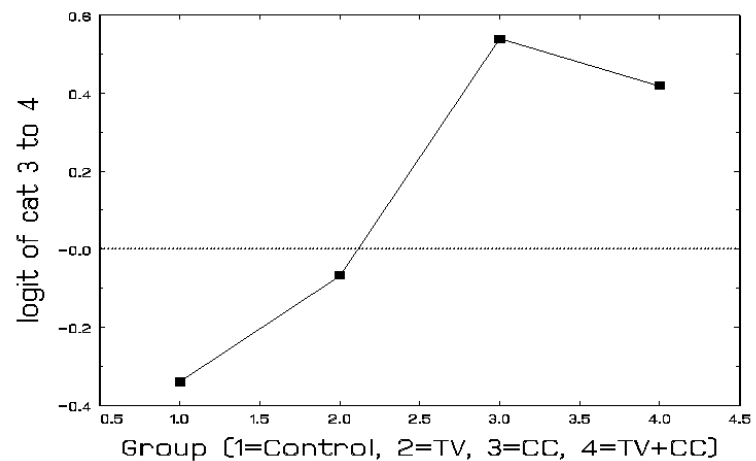
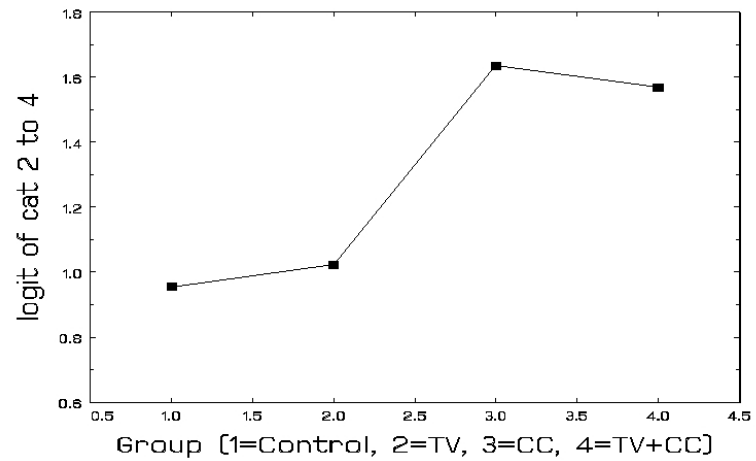
<i>subgroup</i>		<i>proportions</i>				<i>cumulative prop</i>		
CC	TV	1	2	3	4	2-4	3-4	4
no	no	.278	.306	.211	.204	.722	.416	.204
no	yes	.264	.252	.219	.264	.736	.483	.264
yes	no	.163	.205	.279	.353	.837	.632	.353
yes	yes	.172	.225	.298	.305	.826	.603	.305

<i>subgroup</i>		<i>odds</i>			<i>logits</i>		
CC	TV	2-4 vs 1	3-4 vs 1-2	4 vs 1-3	2-4 vs 1	3-4 vs 1-2	4 vs 1-3
no	no	2.598	.711	.257	.955	-.341	-1.360
no	yes	2.782	.935	.359	1.023	-.067	-1.023
yes	no	5.129	1.714	.545	1.635	.539	-.607
yes	yes	4.803	1.520	.440	1.569	.419	-.821

# Observed Proportions by Group

## Post THKS scores by Group





## Within-Clusters / Between-Clusters components

Within-clusters model - level 1 ( $j = 1, \dots, n_i$  subjects)

$$\text{logit}_{ijc} = b_{0ic}$$

Between-clusters model - level 2 ( $i = 1, \dots, N$  clusters)

$$b_{0ic} = \gamma_c - [\beta_1 CC_i + \beta_2 TV_i + \beta_3 (CC_i \times TV_i) + v_{0i}]$$

$$v_{0i} \sim \mathcal{NID}(0, \sigma_v^2)$$

$\gamma_c$  =  $(C - 1)$  THKS logits for CC=no TV=no subgroup

$\beta_1$  = logit diff. between CC=yes vs CC=no (for TV=no)

$$b_{0ic} = \gamma_c - [(\beta_1 + \beta_3 TV_i) CC_i + \beta_2 TV_i + v_{0i}]$$

$\beta_2$  = logit diff. between TV=yes vs TV=no (for CC=no)

$$b_{0ic} = \gamma_c - [(\beta_2 + \beta_3 CC_i) TV_i + \beta_1 CC_i + v_{0i}]$$

$\beta_3$  = difference in logit attributable to interaction

$v_{0i}$  = random cluster deviation

note: interpretation depends on coding of variables, and  $\beta$ s are adjusted for the cluster effects (cluster-specific effects)



### 3-level model

Within-classrooms (and schools) model - level 1

( $k = 1, \dots, n_{ij}$  students)

$$\text{logit}_{ijkc} = b_{0ijc}$$

Between-classrooms (within-schools) model - level 2

( $j = 1, \dots, n_i$  classrooms)

$$b_{0ijc} = b_{0ic} + v_{0ij}$$

Between-schools model - level 3 ( $i = 1, \dots, N$  schools)

$$b_{0ic} = \gamma_c - [\beta_1 CC_i + \beta_2 TV_i + \beta_3 (CC_i \times TV_i) + v_{0i}]$$

$$v_{0ij} \sim \mathcal{NID}(0, \sigma_{v(2)}^2) \quad \text{and} \quad v_{0i} \sim \mathcal{NID}(0, \sigma_{v(3)}^2)$$

$\gamma_c$  = (C-1) THKS logits for CC=no TV=no subgroup

$\beta_1$  = logit diff. between CC=yes vs CC=no (for TV=no)

$\beta_2$  = logit diff. between TV=yes vs TV=no (for CC=no)

$\beta_3$  = difference in logit attributable to interaction

$v_{0ij}$  = random classroom deviation

$v_{0i}$  = random school deviation

THKS Post-Int (ordinal) Scores - LR Estimates (std errs)

	<i>Fixed</i>		<i>Multilevel</i>	
			<i>2-level</i>	<i>3-level</i>
cut 1	-.889 *** (.093)		-.919 *** (.132)	-.925 *** (.180)
cut 2	.275 *** (.090)		.309 ** (.130)	.302 * (.178)
cut 3	1.366 *** (.096)		1.459 *** (.136)	1.452 *** (.182)
CC	.777 *** (.128)		.764 *** (.186)	.823 *** (.254)
TV	.224 * (.125)		.151 (.183)	.236 (.249)
CC× TV	-.372 ** (.180)		-.269 (.263)	-.431 (.356)
class var			.260 (.074)	.161 (.067)
school var				.106 (.061)
-2 log L	4377.98		4345.36	4339.31

\*\*\* $p < .01$  \*\* $p < .05$  \* $p < .10$  (Wald-tests not done for vars)

## Calculation of ICC - 2 level model

$$r = \frac{\sigma_v^2}{\sigma_v^2 + \sigma^2}$$

*Random classrooms model*

$$r = \frac{.260}{.260 + \pi^2/3} = .073$$

⇒ 7.3% of the unexplained variation is at the classroom level

## Calculation of ICC - 3 level model

*Level-3 (likeness of students in the same school)*

$$r = \frac{\sigma_{v(3)}^2}{\sigma_{v(3)}^2 + \sigma_{v(2)}^2 + \sigma^2} = \frac{.106}{.106 + .161 + \pi^2/3} = .030$$

*Level-2 (likeness of students in same classroom & school)*

$$r = \frac{\sigma_{v(3)}^2 + \sigma_{v(2)}^2}{\sigma_{v(3)}^2 + \sigma_{v(2)}^2 + \sigma^2} = \frac{.106 + .161}{.106 + .161 + \pi^2/3} = .075$$

*Level-2 (likeness of classes in the same school)*

$$r = \frac{\sigma_{v(3)}^2}{\sigma_{v(3)}^2 + \sigma_{v(2)}^2} = \frac{.106}{.106 + .161} = .397$$

- $r < .5$  : the school level contributes slightly less to variability than the class level
- average classroom post THKS scores are moderately similar within schools

**Model fit of proportions: 3-level model**

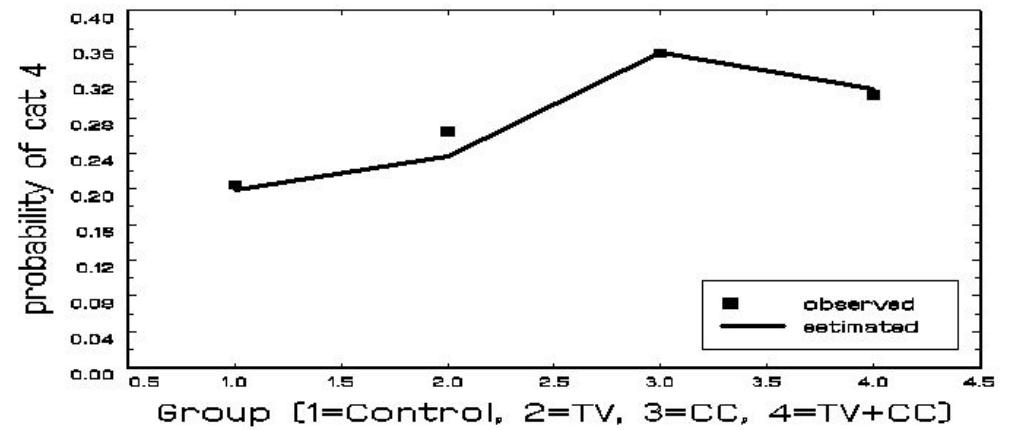
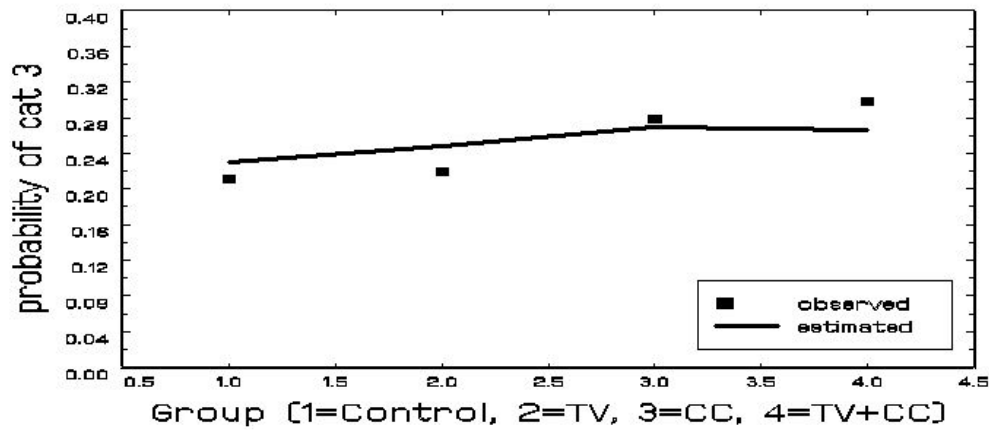
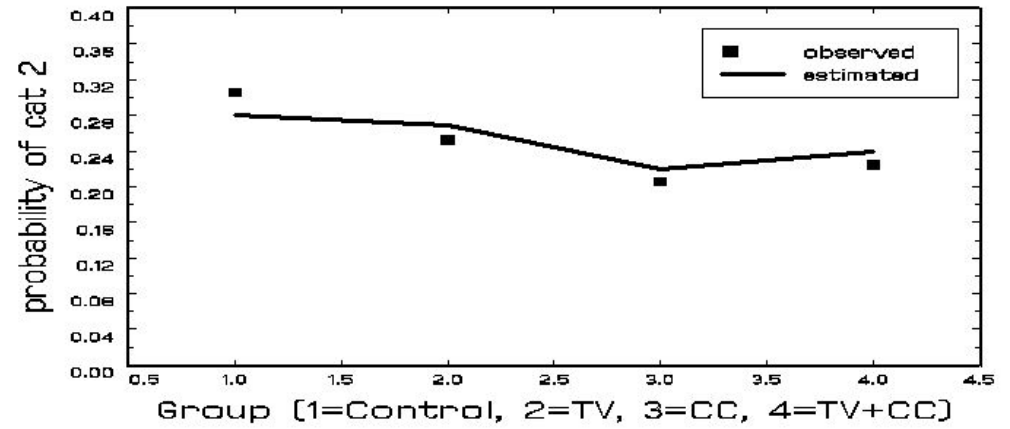
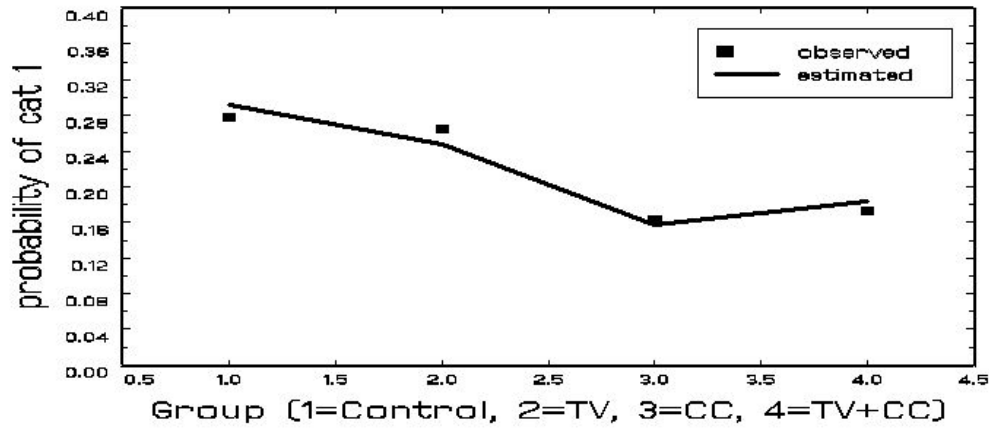
CC	TV	logistic $\Psi(z) = \frac{1}{1+\exp(-z)}$	estimate	observed
<i>Probability of Category 1 response</i>				
0	0	$\Psi(-.925/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.291	.278
0	1	$\Psi((- .925 + .236)/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.247	.264
1	0	$\Psi((- .925 + .823)/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.157	.163
1	1	$\Psi((- .925 - (.236 + .823 - .431))/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.183	.172
<i>Probability of Category 1 or 2 response</i>				
0	0	$\Psi(.302/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.572	.584
0	1	$\Psi((.302 + .236)/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.516	.517
1	0	$\Psi((.302 + .823)/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.377	.368
1	1	$\Psi((.302 - (.236 + .823 - .431))/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.422	.397
<i>Probability of Category 1, 2, or 3 response</i>				
0	0	$\Psi(1.453/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.802	.796
0	1	$\Psi((1.453 - .236)/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.763	.736
1	0	$\Psi((1.453 - .823)/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.647	.647
1	1	$\Psi((1.453 - (.236 + .823 - .431))/\sqrt{\hat{d}})$	.689	.695

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$d = \text{design effect} = (\sigma_{v(3)}^2 + \sigma_{v(2)}^2 + \sigma^2)/\sigma^2 \quad \hat{d} = (.106 + .161 + \pi^2/3)/(\pi^2/3)$

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# Model Fit of Observed Proportions: 3-level model



# Proportional and Non-proportional Odds

## *Proportional Odds model*

$$\log \left[ \frac{P(Y_{ij} \leq c)}{1 - P(Y_{ij} \leq c)} \right] = \gamma_c - [\mathbf{x}'_{ij}\boldsymbol{\beta} + v_{0i}]$$

with  $v_{0i} \sim N(0, \sigma_v^2)$

- relationship between the explanatory variables and the cumulative logits does not depend on  $c$
- effects of  $\mathbf{x}$  variables DO NOT vary across the  $C - 1$  cumulative logits



Hedeker & Mermelstein (1998, *Mult Behav Res*) extension:

$$\log \left[ \frac{P(Y_{ij} \leq c)}{1 - P(Y_{ij} \leq c)} \right] = \gamma_{c(0)} - [\mathbf{u}'_{ij}\boldsymbol{\gamma}_c + \mathbf{x}'_{ij}\boldsymbol{\beta} + v_{0i}]$$

$\mathbf{u}_{ij} = h \times 1$  vector for the set of  $h$  covariates for which proportional odds is not assumed

- effects of  $\mathbf{u}$  variables DO vary across the  $C - 1$  cumulative logits
- more flexible model for ordinal response relations
- can't estimate this model in most software programs, but is available in Supermix

**Proportional Odds Assumption:** covariate effects are the same across all cumulative logits

group	<i>Response</i>			total
	Absent	Mild	Severe	
control	27	46	27	100
cumulative odds	$\frac{27}{73} = .37$	$\frac{73}{27} = 2.7$		
<i>logit</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>1</i>		
treatment	38	44	18	100
cumulative odds	$\frac{38}{62} = .61$	$\frac{82}{18} = 4.6$		
<i>logit</i>	<i>-.5</i>	<i>1.5</i>		

$\Rightarrow$  *group difference = .5 for both cumulative logits*

**Non-Proportional Odds:** covariate effects vary across the cumulative logits

group	<i>Response</i>			total
	Absent	Mild	Severe	
control	27	46	27	100
cumulative odds	$\frac{27}{73} = .37$	$\frac{73}{27} = 2.7$		
<i>logit</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>1</i>		
treatment	28	60	12	100
cumulative odds	$\frac{28}{72} = .39$	$\frac{88}{12} = 7.3$		
<i>logit</i>	<i>-.95</i>	<i>2</i>		

$\Rightarrow$  *UNEQUAL* group difference across cumulative logits

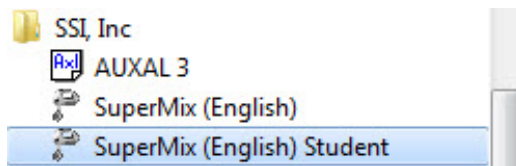
TVSFP Study: Post-Intervention THKS ( $N = 1600$ )

Ordinal LR Estimates (se) - *3-level model*

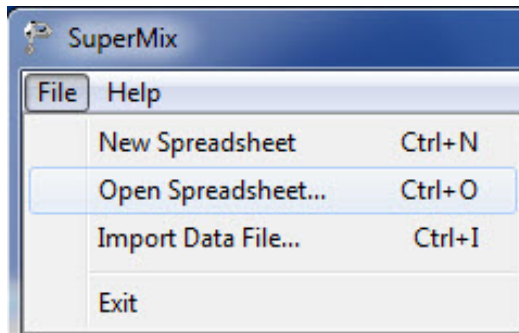
	Proportional	Non-Proportional		
	Odds Model	Odds Model		
		2-4 vs 1	3,4 vs 1,2	4 vs 1-3
CC	.823 (.254)	.727 (.281)	.928 (.262)	.780 (.272)
TV	.236 (.249)	.109 (.266)	.281 (.256)	.310 (.271)
CC by TV	-.431 (.356)	-.205 (.396)	-.444 (.368)	-.584 (.381)
$-2 \log L$	4339.31	4332.42		

- Proportional Odds accepted ( $\chi_6^2 = 4339.31 - 4332.42 = 6.89$ )

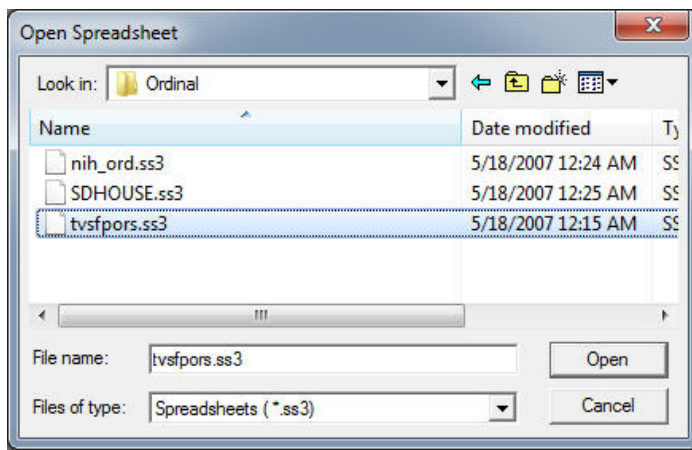
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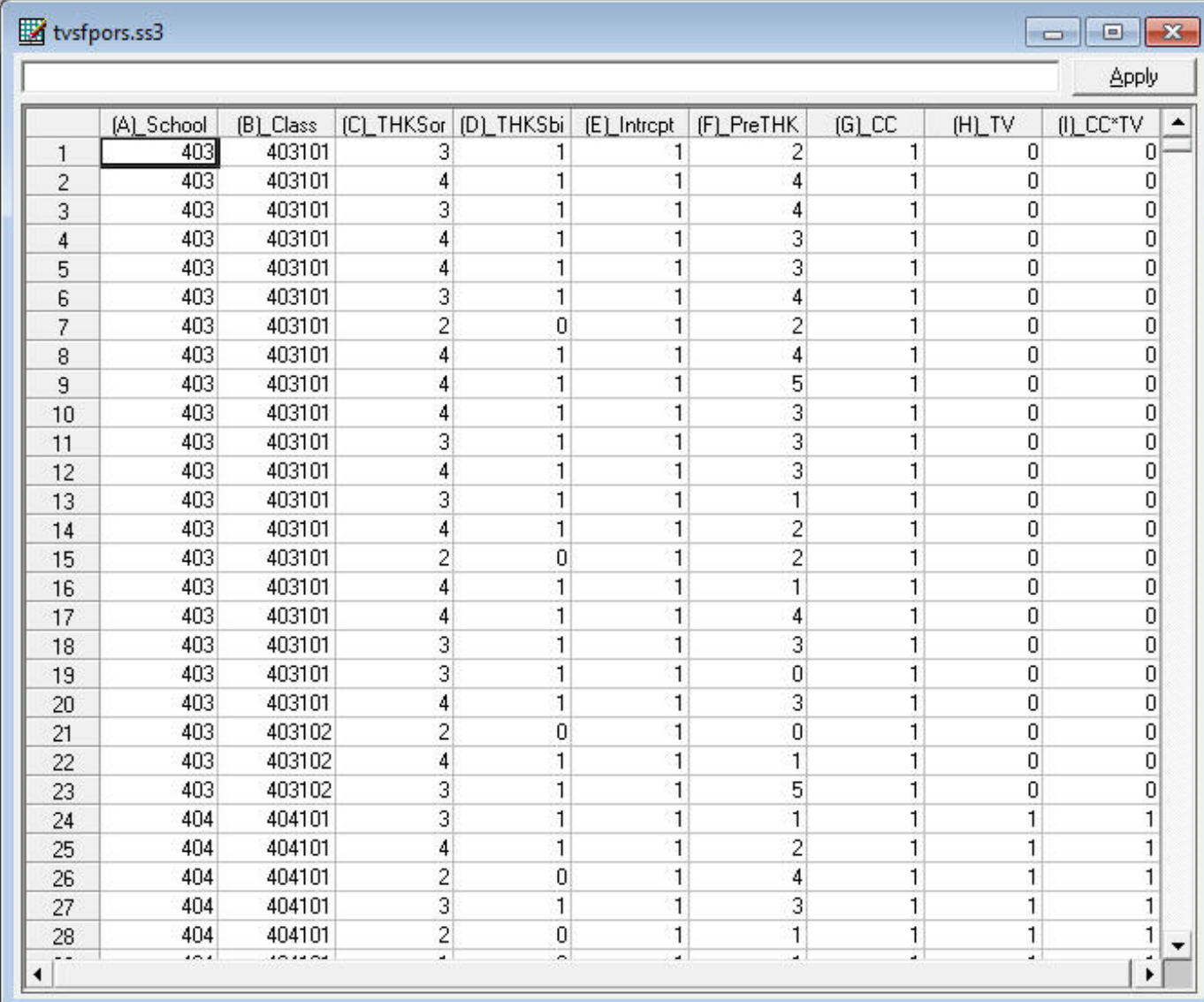
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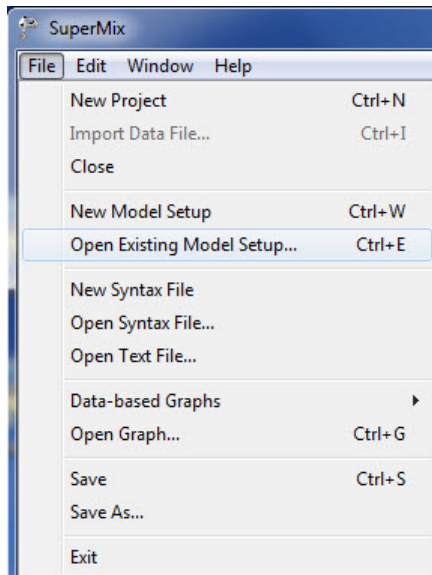


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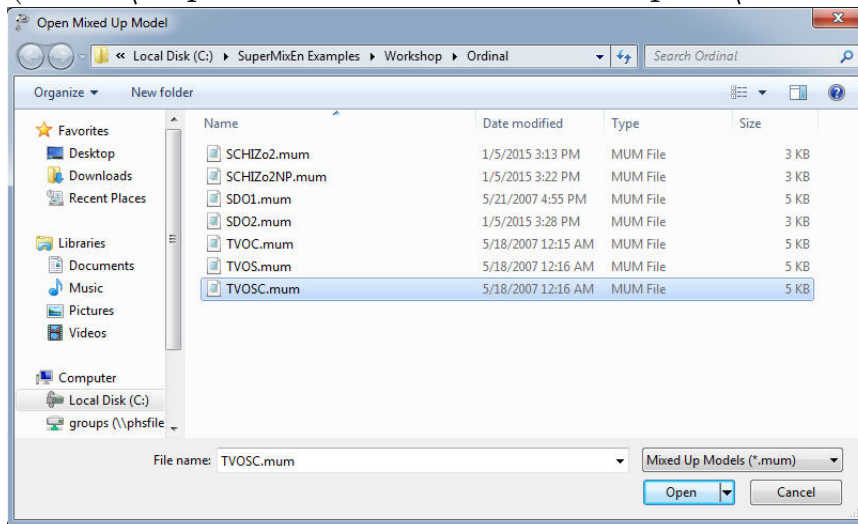


	(A)_School	(B)_Class	(C)_THKSor	(D)_THKSbi	(E)_Intrcpt	(F)_PreTHK	(G)_CC	(H)_TV	(I)_CC*TV
1	403	403101	3	1	1	2	1	0	0
2	403	403101	4	1	1	4	1	0	0
3	403	403101	3	1	1	4	1	0	0
4	403	403101	4	1	1	3	1	0	0
5	403	403101	4	1	1	3	1	0	0
6	403	403101	3	1	1	4	1	0	0
7	403	403101	2	0	1	2	1	0	0
8	403	403101	4	1	1	4	1	0	0
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14	403	403101	4	1	1	2	1	0	0
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16	403	403101	4	1	1	1	1	0	0
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18	403	403101	3	1	1	3	1	0	0
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22	403	403102	4	1	1	1	1	0	0
23	403	403102	3	1	1	5	1	0	0
24	404	404101	3	1	1	1	1	1	1
25	404	404101	4	1	1	2	1	1	1
26	404	404101	2	0	1	4	1	1	1
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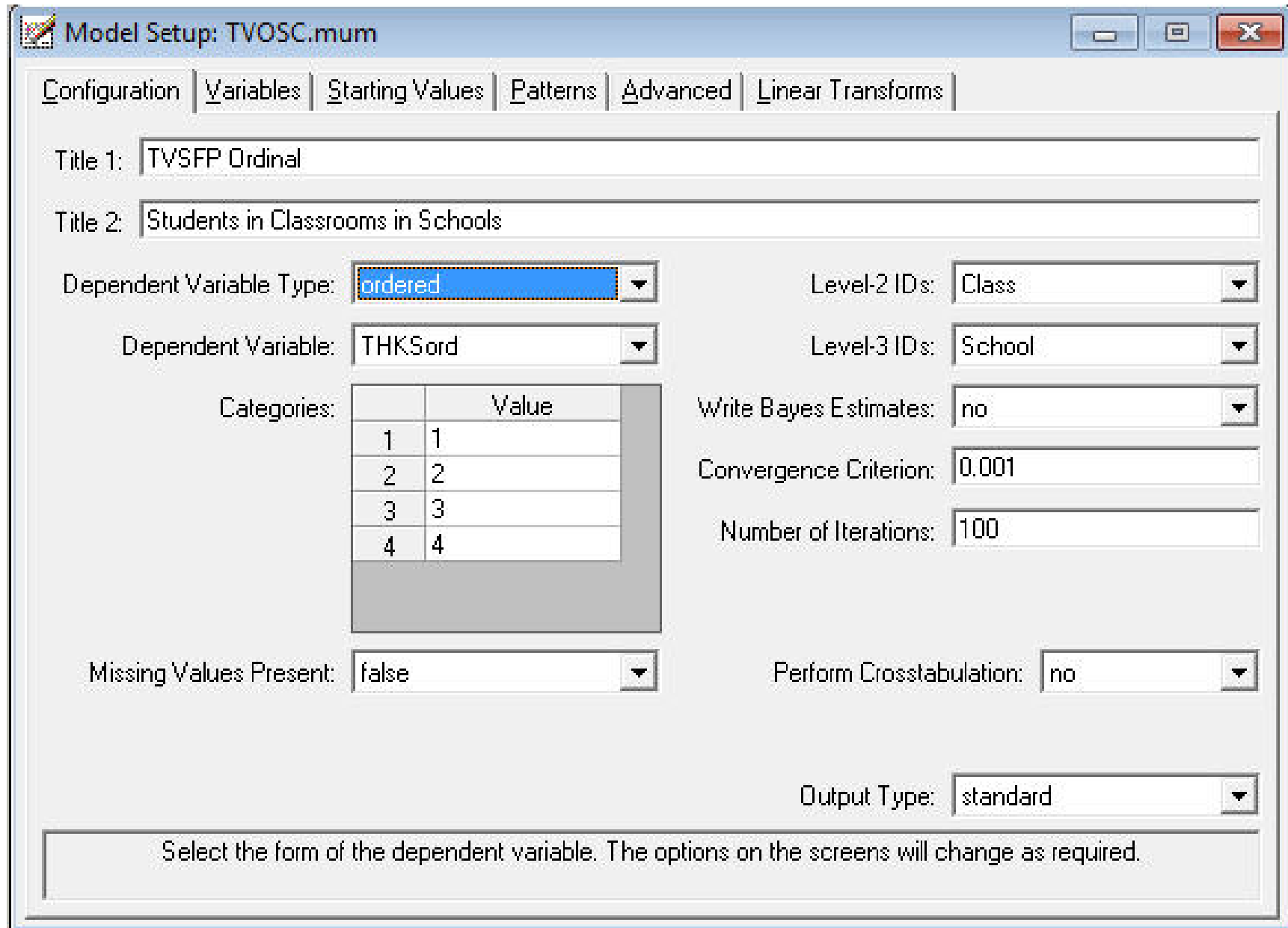
Under “File” click on “Open Existing Model Setup”



Open C:\SuperMixEn Examples\Workshop\Ordinal\tvosc.mum  
(or C:\SuperMixEn Student Examples\Workshop\Ordinal\tvosc.mum)



Note “Dependent Variable Type” is “ordered”



Model Setup: TVOSC.mum

Configuration | Variables | Starting Values | Patterns | Advanced | Linear Transforms

Title 1: TVSFP Ordinal

Title 2: Students in Classrooms in Schools

Dependent Variable Type: ordered

Dependent Variable: THKSord

Categories:

	Value
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4

Level-2 IDs: Class

Level-3 IDs: School

Write Bayes Estimates: no

Convergence Criterion: 0.001

Number of Iterations: 100

Missing Values Present: false

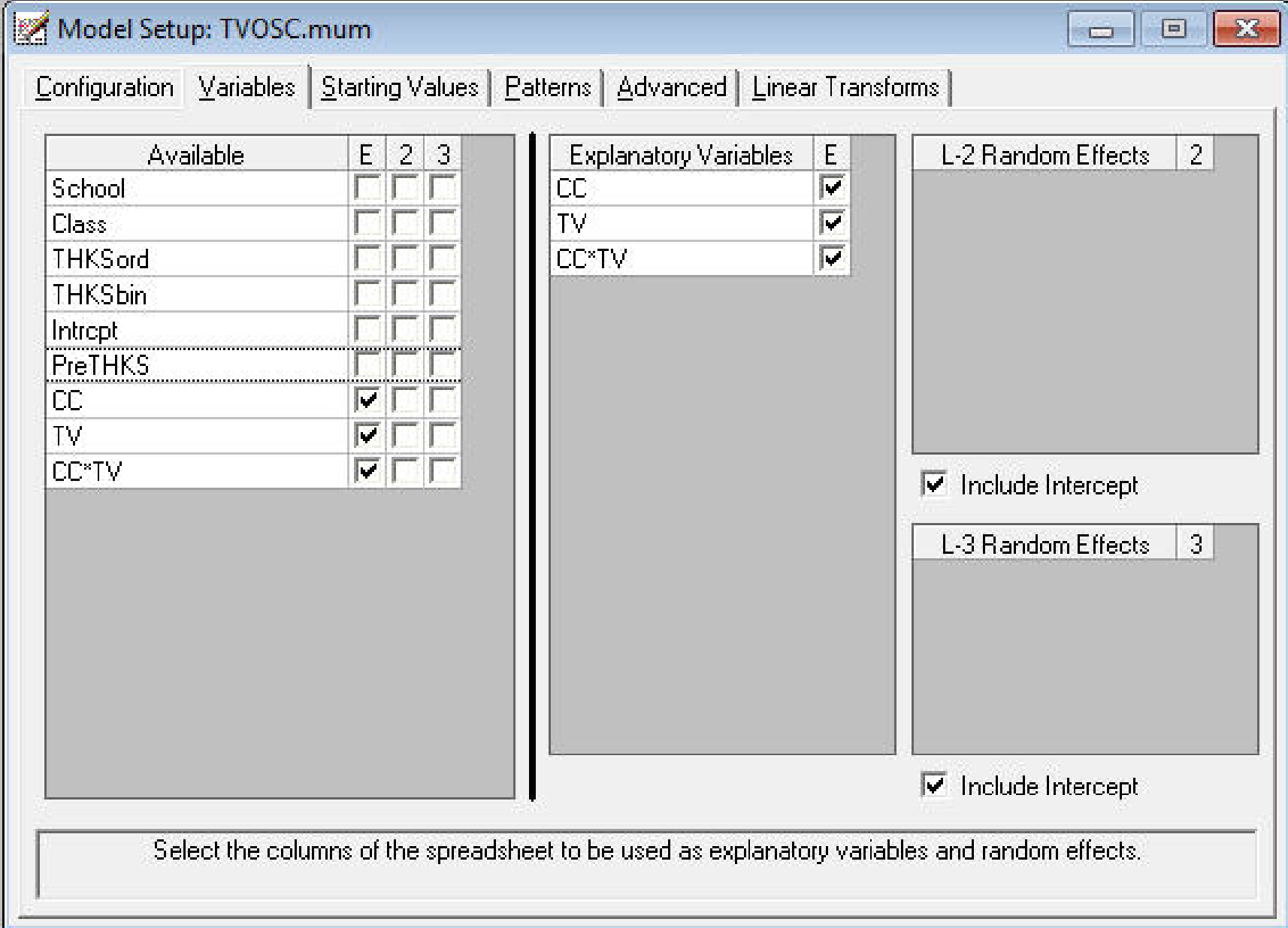
Perform Crosstabulation: no

Output Type: standard

Select the form of the dependent variable. The options on the screens will change as required.



For the moment, unselect **PreTHKS** as an explanatory variable



Model Setup: TVOSC.mum

Configuration | Variables | Starting Values | Patterns | Advanced | Linear Transforms

Available	E	2	3
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Class	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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THKSbin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intcpt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PreTHKS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CC*TV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Explanatory Variables	E
CC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CC*TV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

L-2 Random Effects 2

Include Intercept

L-3 Random Effects 3

Include Intercept

Select the columns of the spreadsheet to be used as explanatory variables and random effects.

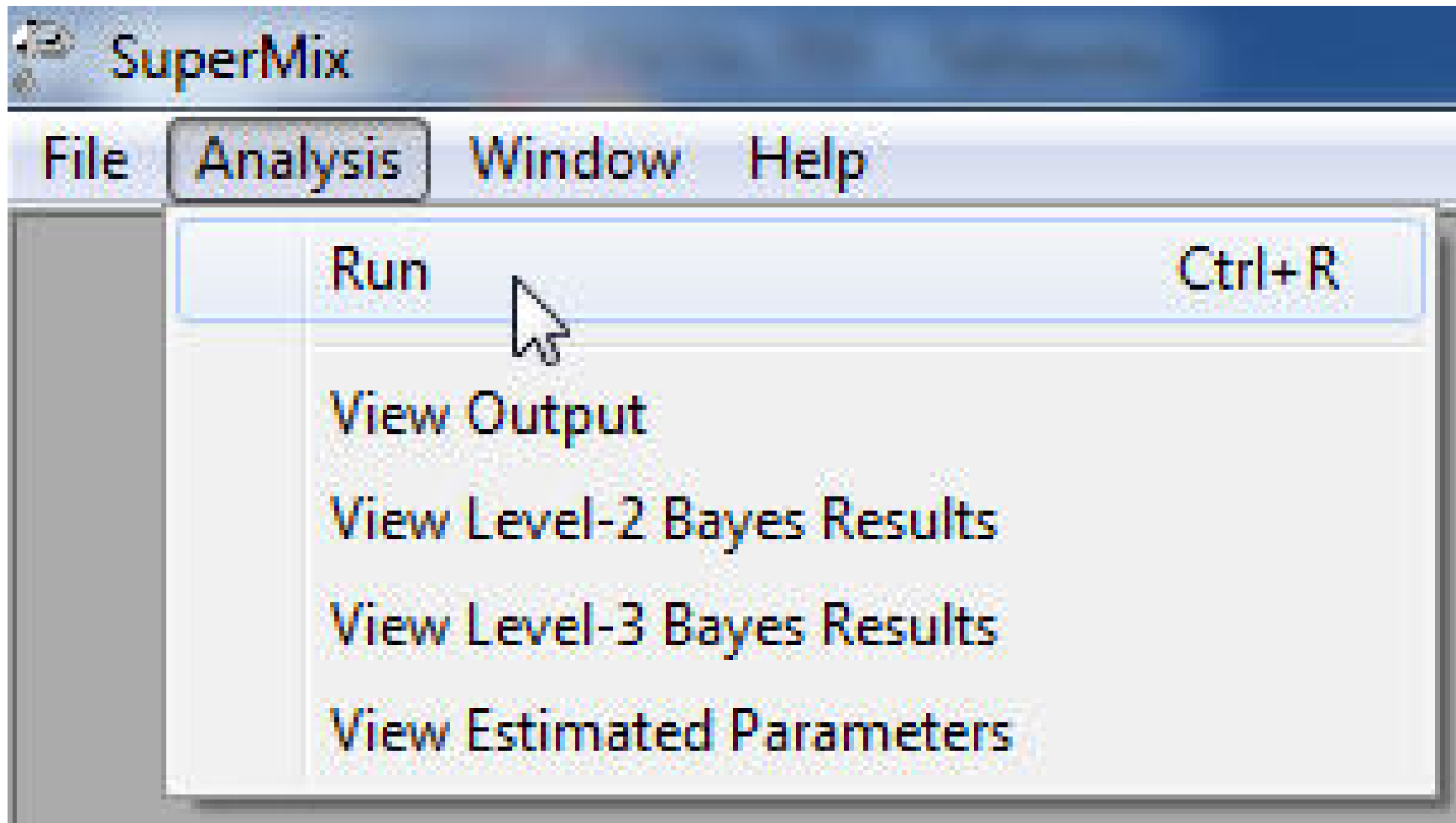
Note “Optimization Method” is “adaptive quadrature”

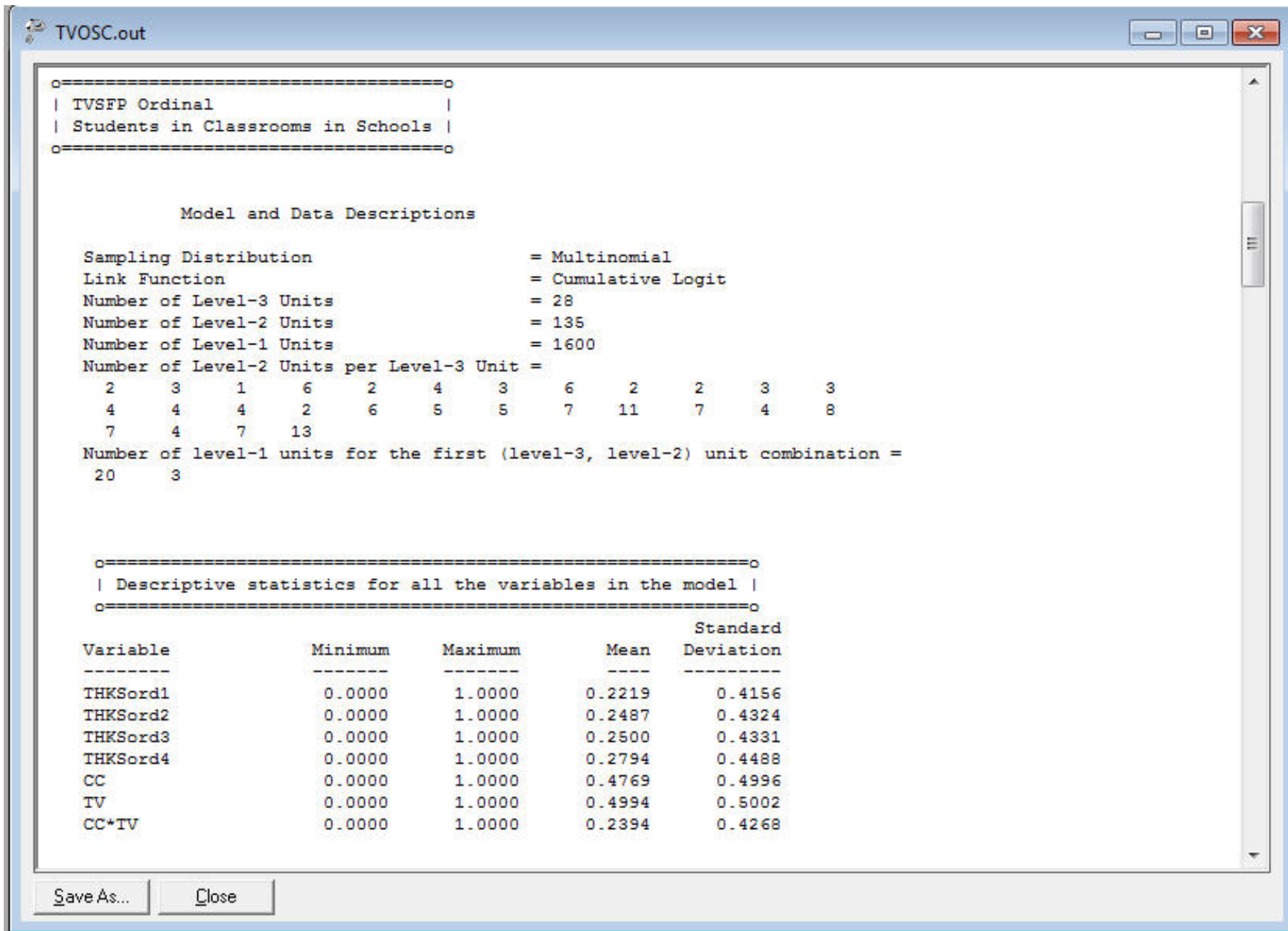
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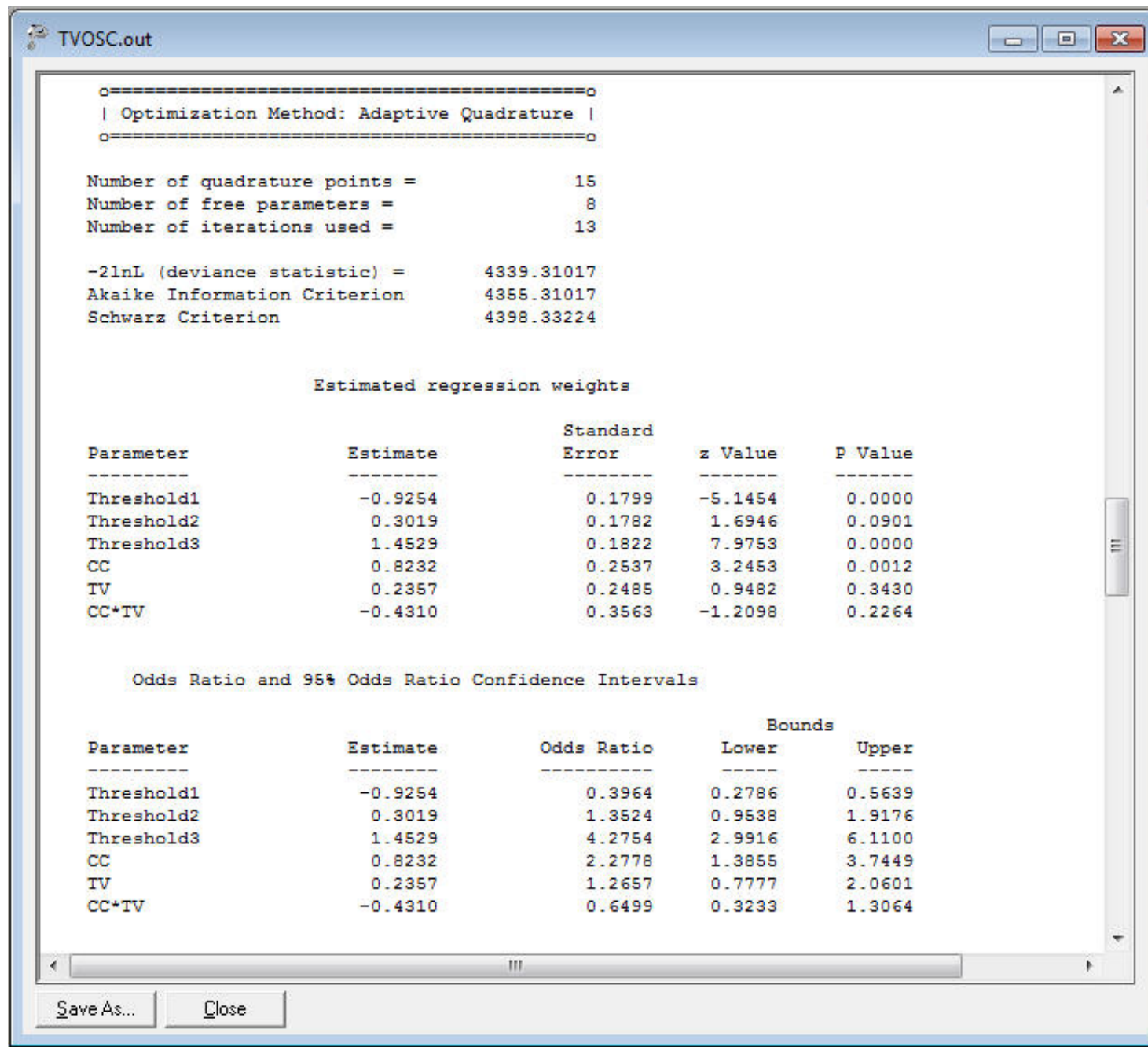
- General Settings:**
  - Unit Weighting: equal
  - Optimization Method: adaptive quadrature
  - Number of Quadrature Points: 15
- Explanatory Variable Interactions:**
  - Include Interactions: no
- Ordered Dependent Variable Settings:**
  - Function Model: logistic
  - Level-2 Random Thresholds: no
  - Level-3 Random Thresholds: no
  - Right-Censoring: none
  - Model Terms: subtract

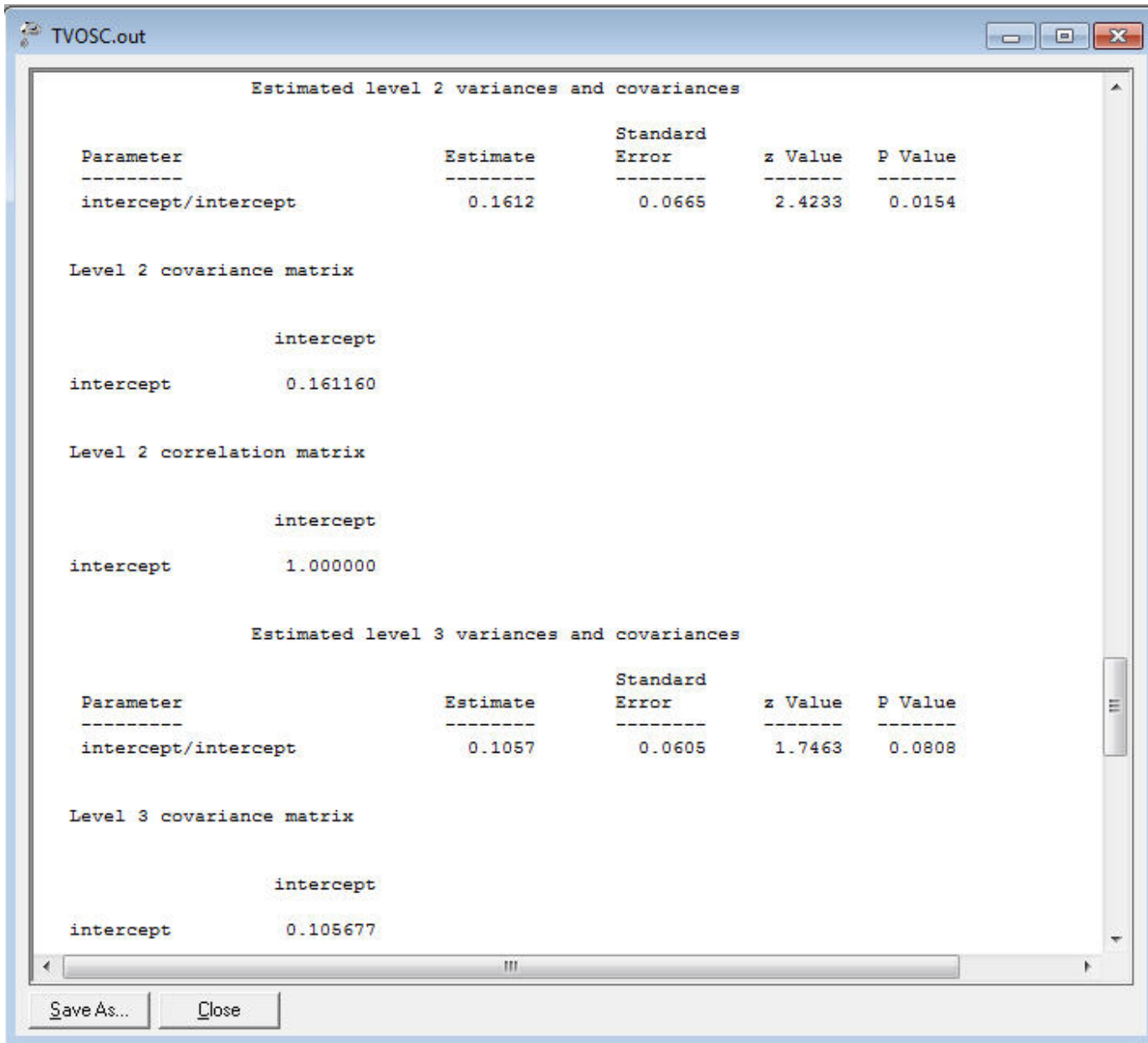
Use the arrow keys or click on the desired tab to select the category of interest for the model.

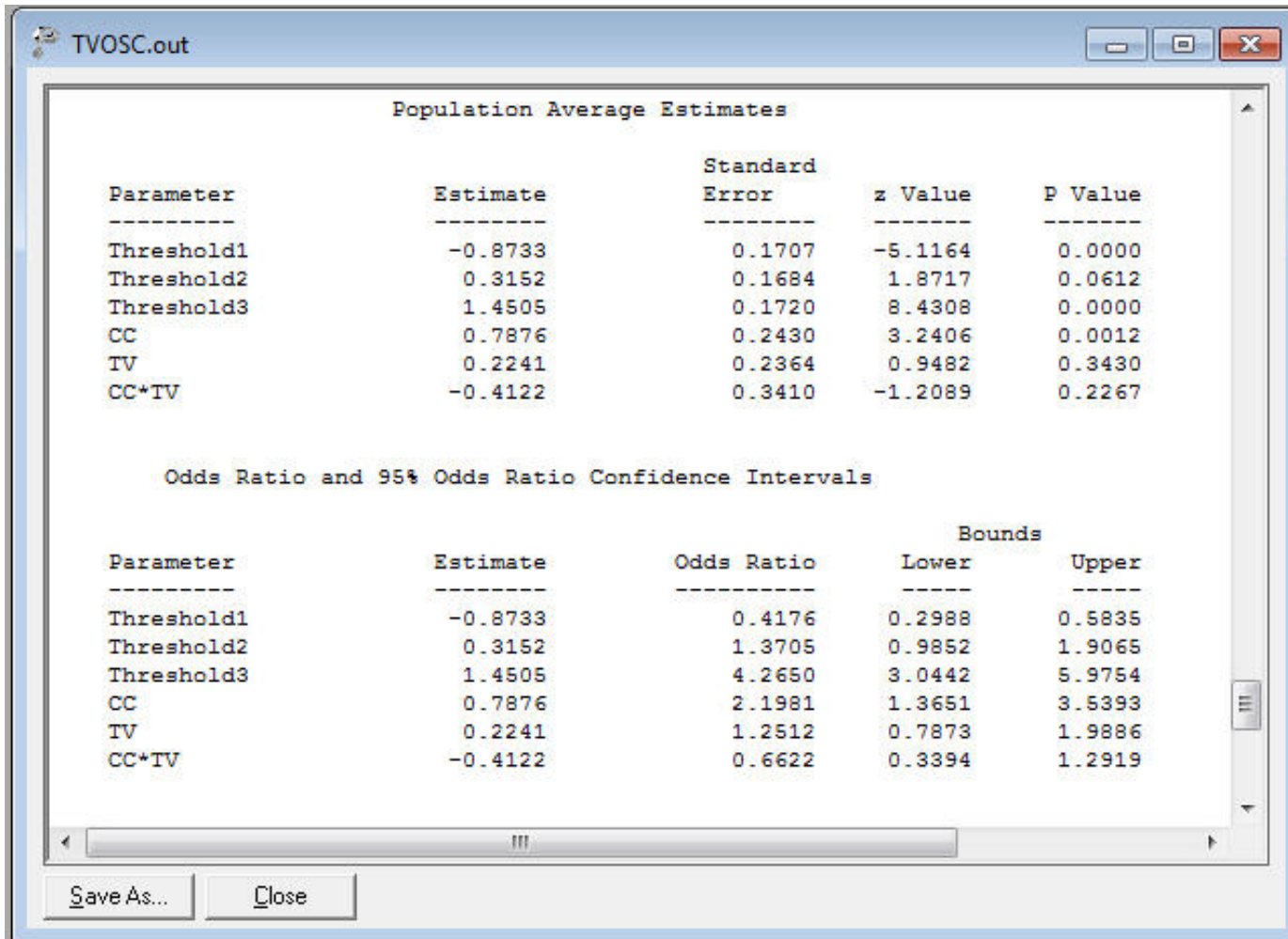
Under “Analysis” click on “Run”







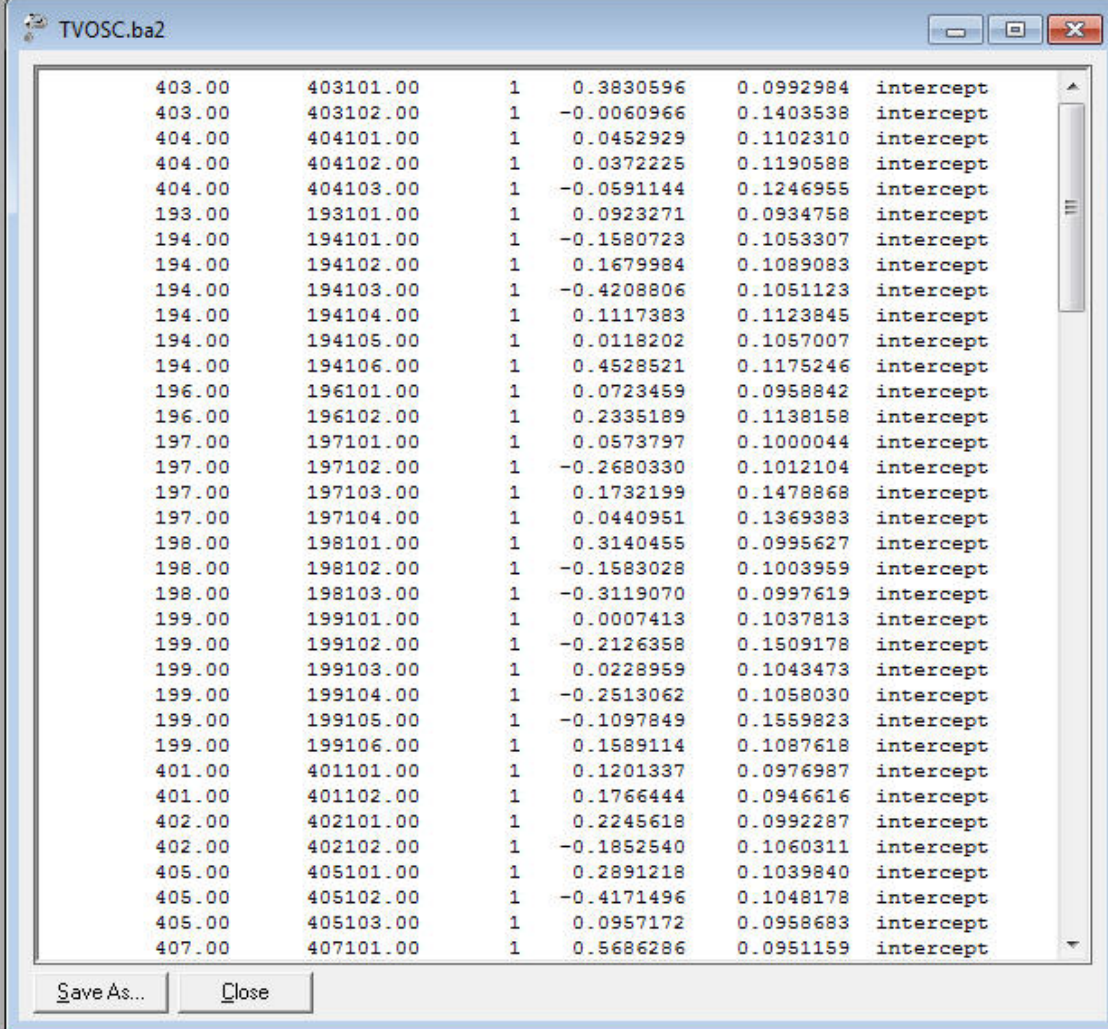






# Empirical Bayes Estimates of Random Effects

Select “Analysis” > “View Level-2 Bayes Results”



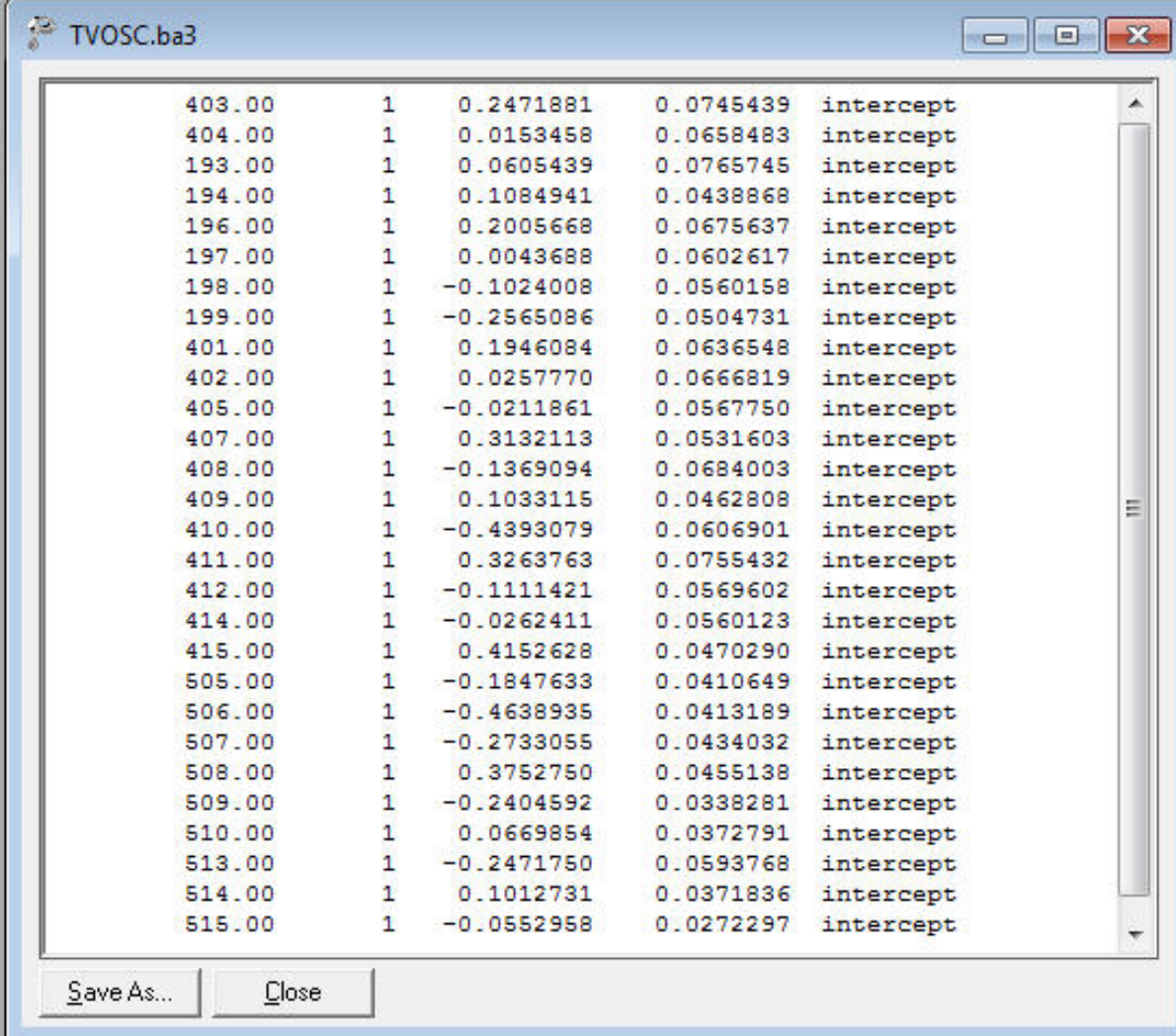
School ID	Class ID	Random Effect Number	Estimate	Variance	Name
403.00	403101.00	1	0.3830596	0.0992984	intercept
403.00	403102.00	1	-0.0060966	0.1403538	intercept
404.00	404101.00	1	0.0452929	0.1102310	intercept
404.00	404102.00	1	0.0372225	0.1190588	intercept
404.00	404103.00	1	-0.0591144	0.1246955	intercept
193.00	193101.00	1	0.0923271	0.0934758	intercept
194.00	194101.00	1	-0.1580723	0.1053307	intercept
194.00	194102.00	1	0.1679984	0.1089083	intercept
194.00	194103.00	1	-0.4208806	0.1051123	intercept
194.00	194104.00	1	0.1117383	0.1123845	intercept
194.00	194105.00	1	0.0118202	0.1057007	intercept
194.00	194106.00	1	0.4528521	0.1175246	intercept
196.00	196101.00	1	0.0723459	0.0958842	intercept
196.00	196102.00	1	0.2335189	0.1138158	intercept
197.00	197101.00	1	0.0573797	0.1000044	intercept
197.00	197102.00	1	-0.2680330	0.1012104	intercept
197.00	197103.00	1	0.1732199	0.1478868	intercept
197.00	197104.00	1	0.0440951	0.1369383	intercept
198.00	198101.00	1	0.3140455	0.0995627	intercept
198.00	198102.00	1	-0.1583028	0.1003959	intercept
198.00	198103.00	1	-0.3119070	0.0997619	intercept
199.00	199101.00	1	0.0007413	0.1037813	intercept
199.00	199102.00	1	-0.2126358	0.1509178	intercept
199.00	199103.00	1	0.0228959	0.1043473	intercept
199.00	199104.00	1	-0.2513062	0.1058030	intercept
199.00	199105.00	1	-0.1097849	0.1559823	intercept
199.00	199106.00	1	0.1589114	0.1087618	intercept
401.00	401101.00	1	0.1201337	0.0976987	intercept
401.00	401102.00	1	0.1766444	0.0946616	intercept
402.00	402101.00	1	0.2245618	0.0992287	intercept
402.00	402102.00	1	-0.1852540	0.1060311	intercept
405.00	405101.00	1	0.2891218	0.1039840	intercept
405.00	405102.00	1	-0.4171496	0.1048178	intercept
405.00	405103.00	1	0.0957172	0.0958683	intercept
407.00	407101.00	1	0.5686286	0.0951159	intercept

School ID, Class ID, random effect number, estimate, variance, name



# Empirical Bayes Estimates of Random Effects

Select “Analysis” > “View Level-3 Bayes Results”

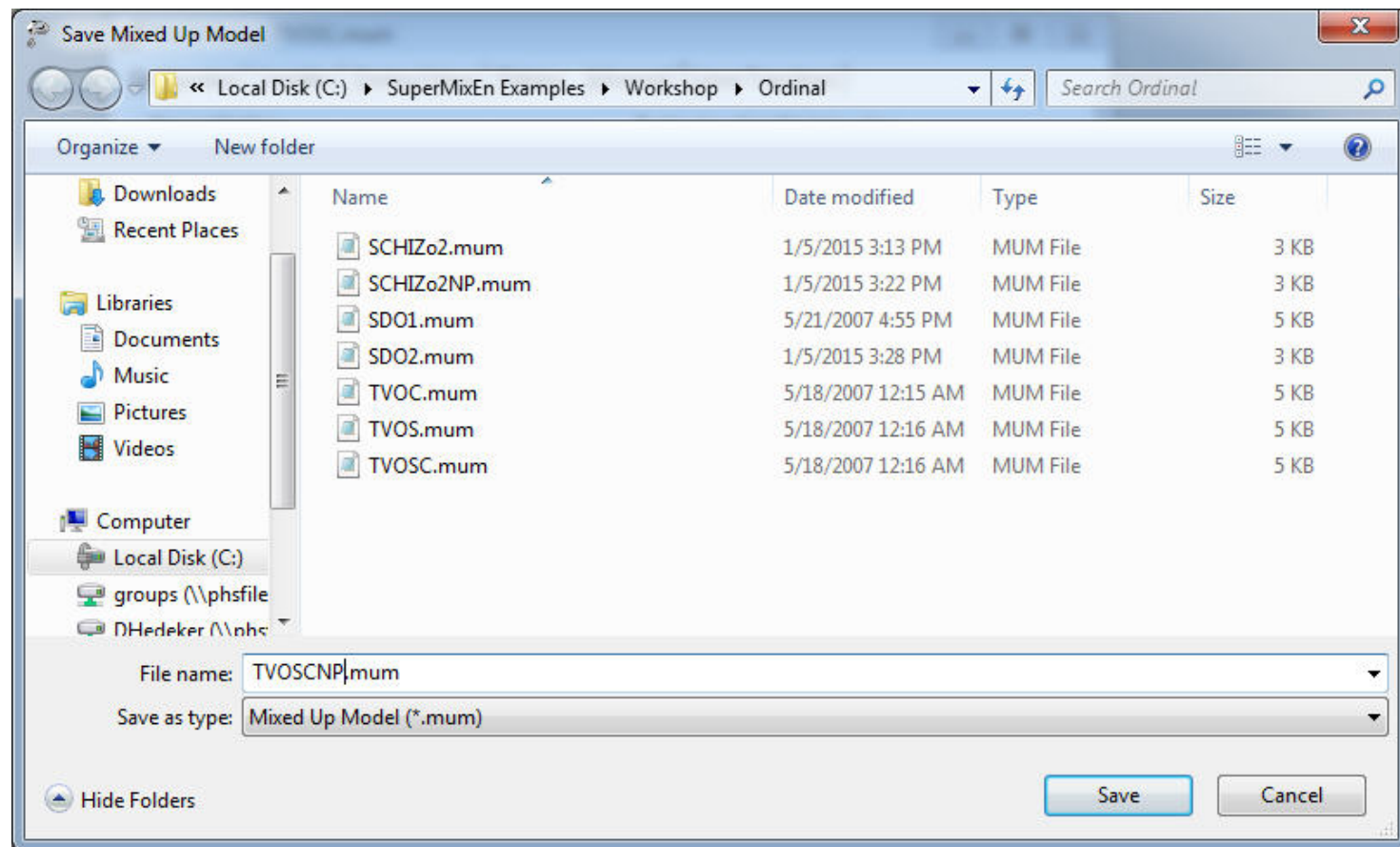


School ID	random effect number	estimate	variance	name
403.00	1	0.2471881	0.0745439	intercept
404.00	1	0.0153458	0.0658483	intercept
193.00	1	0.0605439	0.0765745	intercept
194.00	1	0.1084941	0.0438868	intercept
196.00	1	0.2005668	0.0675637	intercept
197.00	1	0.0043688	0.0602617	intercept
198.00	1	-0.1024008	0.0560158	intercept
199.00	1	-0.2565086	0.0504731	intercept
401.00	1	0.1946084	0.0636548	intercept
402.00	1	0.0257770	0.0666819	intercept
405.00	1	-0.0211861	0.0567750	intercept
407.00	1	0.3132113	0.0531603	intercept
408.00	1	-0.1369094	0.0684003	intercept
409.00	1	0.1033115	0.0462808	intercept
410.00	1	-0.4393079	0.0606901	intercept
411.00	1	0.3263763	0.0755432	intercept
412.00	1	-0.1111421	0.0569602	intercept
414.00	1	-0.0262411	0.0560123	intercept
415.00	1	0.4152628	0.0470290	intercept
505.00	1	-0.1847633	0.0410649	intercept
506.00	1	-0.4638935	0.0413189	intercept
507.00	1	-0.2733055	0.0434032	intercept
508.00	1	0.3752750	0.0455138	intercept
509.00	1	-0.2404592	0.0338281	intercept
510.00	1	0.0669854	0.0372791	intercept
513.00	1	-0.2471750	0.0593768	intercept
514.00	1	0.1012731	0.0371836	intercept
515.00	1	-0.0552958	0.0272297	intercept

School ID, random effect number, estimate, variance, name

To estimate the non-proportional odds model, we'll make some modifications to the mum file. First, let's save the mum file to a new name so that our previous results are not written over.

Under “File” > “Save as” type in “TVOSCNP.mum”



On the Configuration Card, modify the title

Model Setup: TVOSCNP.mum

Configuration | Variables | Starting Values | Patterns | Advanced | Linear Transforms

Title 1: TVSFP Ordinal - NON-PROPORTIONAL ODDS model

Title 2: Students in Classrooms in Schools

Dependent Variable Type: ordered

Level-2 IDs: Class

Dependent Variable: THKSord

Level-3 IDs: School

Categories:

	Value
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4

Write Bayes Estimates: no

Convergence Criterion: 0.001

Number of Iterations: 100

Missing Values Present: false

Perform Crosstabulation: no

Output Type: standard

Enter the main title to be displayed in the output.  
The maximum length is 60 characters.

On the Advanced Card, select “yes” for Explanatory Variable Interactions

The image shows a software window titled "Model Setup: TVOSC.mum" with several tabs: Configuration, Variables, Starting Values, Patterns, Advanced, and Linear Transforms. The "Advanced" tab is active. It contains three main sections: "General Settings", "Explanatory Variable Interactions", and "Ordered Dependent Variable Settings".

- General Settings:**
  - Unit Weighting: equal
  - Optimization Method: adaptive quadrature
  - Number of Quadrature Points: 15
- Explanatory Variable Interactions:**
  - Include Interactions: no (dropdown menu is open, showing "no" and "yes" options, with "yes" selected)
- Ordered Dependent Variable Settings:**
  - Function Model: logistic
  - Level-2 Random Thresholds: no
  - Level-3 Random Thresholds: no
  - Right-Censoring: none
  - Model Terms: subtract

At the bottom of the window, there is a text box containing the instruction: "Indicate if explanatory variable interactions should be included in the model."

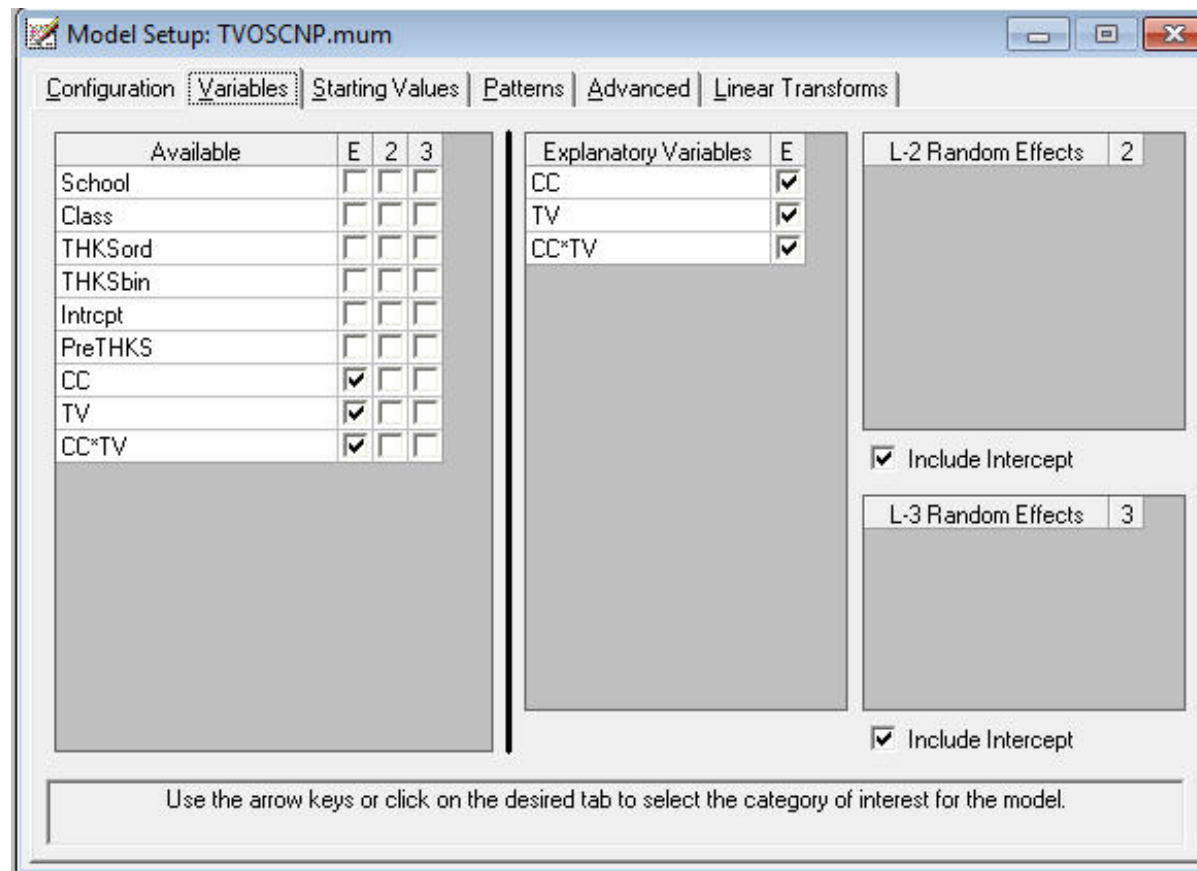
Type in “3” for the Number of Interactions (all explanatory variables will have non-proportional effects)

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Model Setup: TVOSCNP.mum" with several tabs: Configuration, Variables, Starting Values, Patterns, Advanced (selected), and Linear Transforms. The window is divided into several sections:

- General Settings:** Unit Weighting: equal (dropdown); Optimization Method: adaptive quadrature (dropdown); Number of Quadrature Points: 15 (text input).
- Explanatory Variable Interactions:** Include Interactions: yes (dropdown); Number of Interactions: 3 (text input).
- Ordered Dependent Variable Settings:** Function Model: logistic (dropdown); Level-2 Random Thresholds: no (dropdown); Level-3 Random Thresholds: no (dropdown); Right-Censoring: none (dropdown); Model Terms: subtract (dropdown).

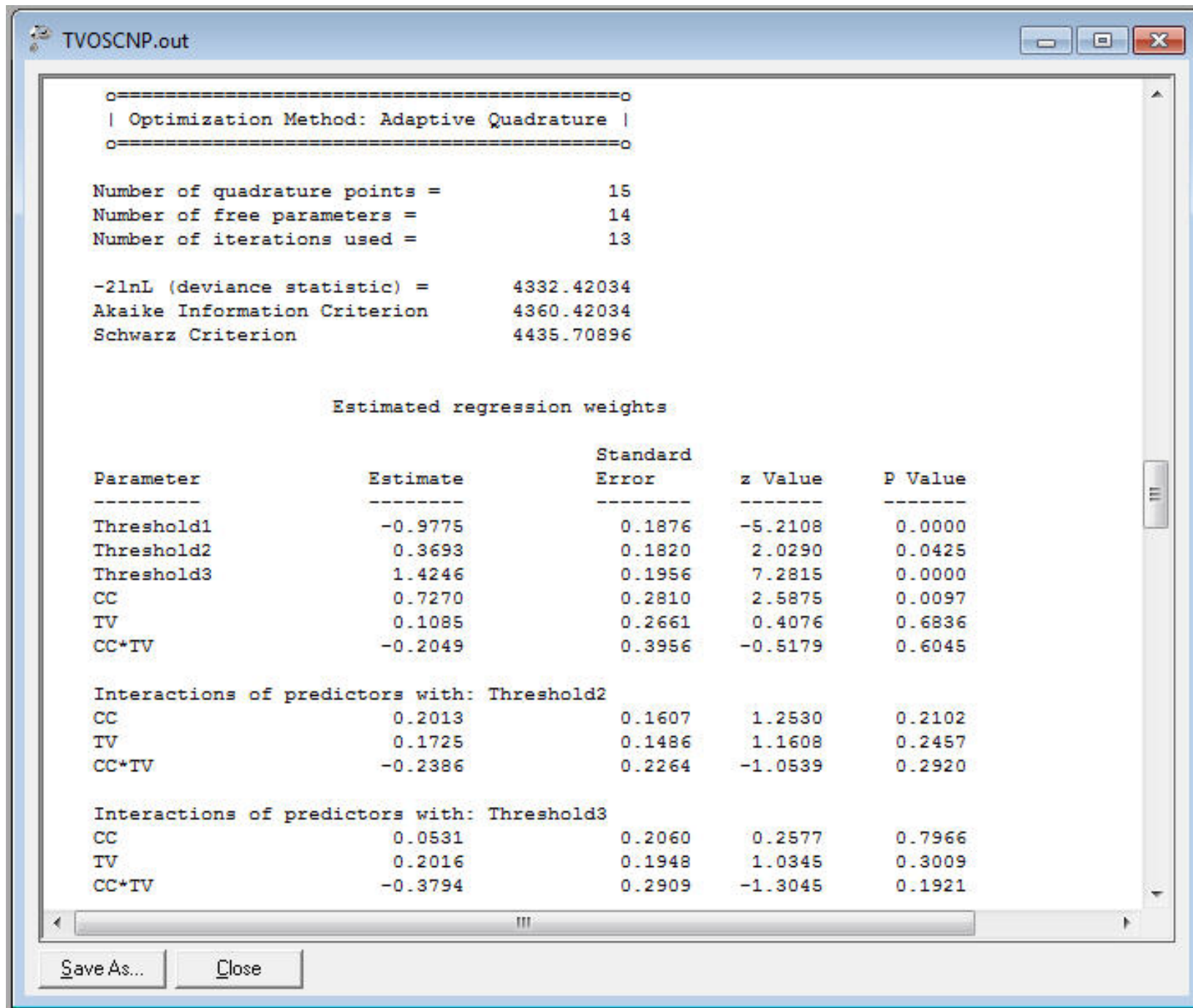
At the bottom of the window, a text box contains the following instruction: "Enter the number of explanatory variable effects to interact with the threshold parameters. The maximum allowable value is currently 3 based on the selections in 'Variables'."

If fewer than 3 is specified, then which explanatory variables have non-proportional effects depends on the order that the variables were selected on the Variables card



If 1 was specified for the number of interactions, then CC would have non-proportional effects (but TV and CC\*TV would have proportional effects). Can unselect and reselect variables if different ordering is desired.





- First set of estimates (under Estimated regression weights) are for the effects on the first cumulative logit

$$CC = 0.7270, TV = 0.1085, CC*TV = -0.2049$$

- Next estimates (under Interactions of predictors with: Threshold2) indicate how the effects are DIFFERENT on the second cumulative logit, relative to the first

$$CC = 0.2013, TV = 0.1725, CC*TV = -0.2386$$

- Next estimates under Interactions of predictors with: Threshold3) indicate how the effects are DIFFERENT on the third cumulative logit, relative to the first

$$CC = 0.0531, TV = 0.2016, CC*TV = -0.3794$$

⇒ note that none of these six interactions are significant; in agreement with overall LR test ( $\chi_6^2 = 4339.31 - 4332.42 = 6.89$ )

⇒ proportional odds assumption not rejected



## Effects on the cumulative logits

- First cumulative logit:

$$CC = 0.7270, TV = 0.1085, CC*TV = -0.2049$$

- Second cumulative logit:

$$CC = 0.7270 + 0.2013 = 0.9283$$

$$TV = 0.1085 + 0.1725 = 0.2810$$

$$CC*TV = -0.2049 + (-0.2386) = -0.4435$$

- Third cumulative logit:

$$CC = 0.7270 + 0.0531 = 0.7801$$

$$TV = 0.1085 + 0.2016 = 0.3101$$

$$CC*TV = -0.2049 + (-0.3794) = -0.5843$$

## Linear Transforms

Fixed part of model:

$$\lambda_c = \hat{\gamma}_{0c} - [\hat{\beta}_1 \mathbf{CC} + \hat{\beta}_2 \mathbf{TV} + \hat{\beta}_3 \mathbf{CC*TV} + \hat{\gamma}_{1c} \mathbf{CC} + \hat{\gamma}_{2c} \mathbf{TV} + \hat{\gamma}_{3c} \mathbf{CC*TV}]$$

cumulative logit

variable	1 vs 2,3,4	1,2 vs 3,4	1,2,3, vs 4
CC	$\hat{\beta}_1$	$\hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\gamma}_{12}$	$\hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\gamma}_{13}$
TV	$\hat{\beta}_2$	$\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\gamma}_{22}$	$\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\gamma}_{23}$
CC*TV	$\hat{\beta}_3$	$\hat{\beta}_3 + \hat{\gamma}_{32}$	$\hat{\beta}_3 + \hat{\gamma}_{33}$

$H_0 : \beta_1 + \gamma_{12} = 0$ ; **CC** effect is 0 on the 2nd cumulative logit

$$z = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\gamma}_{12}}{SE(\hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\gamma}_{12})}$$

**Linear Transforms:** for estimate, std error, p-value  $\beta_1 + \gamma_{12}$

Model Setup: TVOSCNP.mum

Configuration | Variables | Starting Values | Patterns | Advanced | **Linear Transforms**

Linear Transforms

- CC - 2nd cumulative logit

Add Transform

Copy Transform

Remove Transform

Explanatory Variables:

	Value
CC	1
TV	
CC*TV	

Level-2 Random Effect (Co)variances:

	Value
intercept variance	

Level-3 Random Effect (Co)variances:

	Value
intercept variance	

Thresholds:

	Value
1	
2	
3	

Threshold Interactions:

	Thresh 2	Thresh 3
CC	1	
TV		
CC*TV		

Enter Threshold Interactions for the transform CC - 2nd cumulative logit.

**Linear Transforms:** for estimate, std error, p-value  $\beta_3 + \gamma_{33}$

Model Setup: TVOSCNP.mum

Configuration | Variables | Starting Values | Patterns | Advanced | **Linear Transforms**

Linear Transforms

- CCTV - 2nd cumulative logit
- CC - 3rd cumulative logit
- TV - 3rd cumulative logit
- CCTV - 3rd cumulative logit**

Add Transform

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Remove Transform

Explanatory Variables:

	Value
CC	
TV	
CC*TV	1

Level-2 Random Effect (Co)variances:

	Value
intercept variance	

Level-3 Random Effect (Co)variances:

	Value
intercept variance	

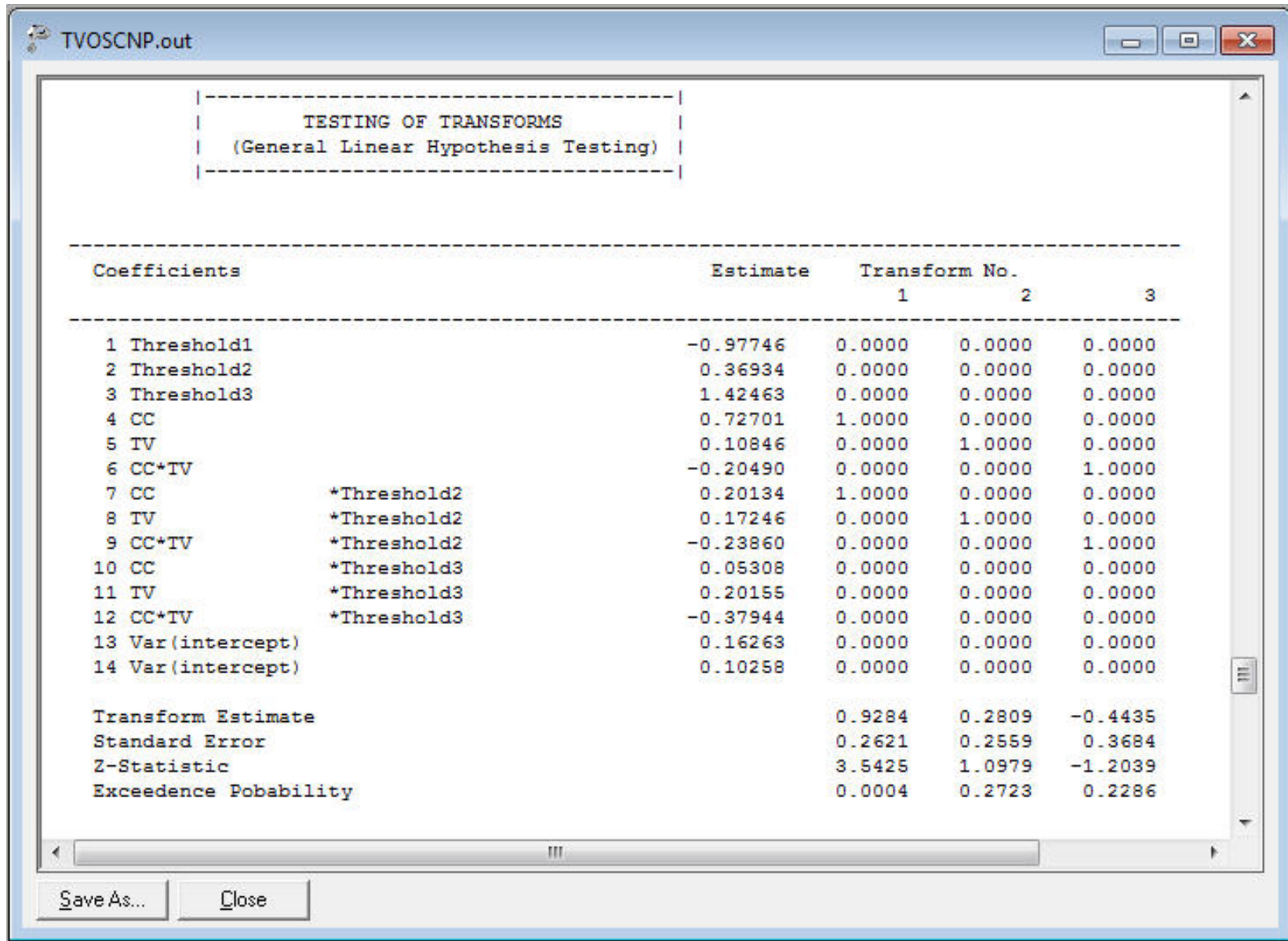
Thresholds:

	Value
1	
2	
3	

Threshold Interactions:

	Thresh 2	Thresh 3
CC		
TV		
CC*TV		1

Enter Threshold Interactions for the transform CCTV - 3rd cumulative logit.



TVOSCNP.out

LINEAR TRANSFORMS (continued)

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Coefficients	Estimate	Transform No.		
		4	5	6
1 Threshold1	-0.97746	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
2 Threshold2	0.36934	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
3 Threshold3	1.42463	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
4 CC	0.72701	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000
5 TV	0.10846	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000
6 CC*TV	-0.20490	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000
7 CC           *Threshold2	0.20134	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
8 TV           *Threshold2	0.17246	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
9 CC*TV       *Threshold2	-0.23860	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
10 CC          *Threshold3	0.05308	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000
11 TV          *Threshold3	0.20155	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000
12 CC*TV      *Threshold3	-0.37944	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000
13 Var(intercept)	0.16263	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
14 Var(intercept)	0.10258	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Transform Estimate		0.7801	0.3100	-0.5843
Standard Error		0.2719	0.2705	0.3813
Z-Statistic		2.8692	1.1460	-1.5323
Exceedence Pobability		0.0041	0.2518	0.1254

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**Summary:** models for clustered ordinal data as developed as models for continuous data

- Proportional odds models
  - covariate effects are equal across  $C - 1$  cumulative logits
- Non and partial proportional odds models
  - covariate effects are all unequal across  $C - 1$  cumulative logits (non proportional odds); or some covariate effects are unequal and some are equal across  $C - 1$  cumulative logits (partial proportional odds)
- Scaling models (Hedeker, Berbaum, & Mermelstein, 2006; Hedeker, Demirtas, & Mermelstein, 2009; not yet in Supermix)
  - Dispersion across the ordinal categories can depend on covariates; examination of extreme response styles
- Can be recast as ordinal probit mixed models by selecting probit link in Supermix