ERRATUM TO: USING THE CRITERION-PREDICTOR FACTOR MODEL TO COMPUTE
THE PROBABILITY OF DETECTING PREDICTION BIAS WITH ORDINARY LEAST
SQUARES REGRESSION

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The Errata includes a corrected figure on the effect of group differences in common factor means and latent slopes on Type I error rates for ordinary least squares tests of intercept differences.

1. Correction to Figure 2

Culpepper (2012) examined the performance of ordinary least squares (OLS) as a method for assessing the presence of prediction bias (Millsap, 1997, 1998, 2007; Olivera-Aguilar & Millsap, 2013). A seminar student at the University of Minnesota kindly pointed out an error in Figure 2 of Culpepper (2012). The error was clerical and the equations in the paper remain unchanged and correct. The purpose of this note is to correct Figure 2 in Culpepper related to the effect of group differences in common factor means (i.e., $\Delta\kappa$) and latent slopes (i.e., $\Delta\Gamma$) on Type I error rates of OLS tests of group intercept differences.

Recall from Culpepper (2012) that Z and Y represented the observed predictor and criterion, respectively, the number of applicants was indicated by n , the proportion in the focal group by p , and $P(Z > z^*)$ was the percent of applicants selected in a top-down fashion. Furthermore, the latent measurement model parameters included $\Delta\phi$ as the difference in group common factor variances, $\Delta\xi$ as the difference in latent prediction error variance, θ_z and θ_y were the unique factor variances for the predictor and criterion, and the latent measurement intercept and loading was denoted by τ_z and λ_z for the predictor and τ_y and λ_y criterion. Figure 1 presents the corrected analytic (and Monte Carlo) Type I errors of tests for intercept differences across values of $\Delta\kappa$ and $\Delta\Gamma$ under the assumption of strict invariance with an $n = 5,000$, $p = .8$, $P(Z > z^*) = .5$, $\Delta\phi = 0$, $\Delta\xi = 0$, $\tau_z = \tau_y = .1$, $\lambda_z = \lambda_y = .8$, and $\theta_z = \theta_y = .2$. The dots around each of the Type I error curves in Figure 1 are the Monte Carlo estimates using 5,000 replications.

Figure 1 demonstrates the results pertaining to Millsap (1997, 1998, 2007) and Equation (30) of Culpepper (2012). Figure 1 shows that Type I error rates for intercept tests are larger than the real rejection level of .05 as $\Delta\kappa$ increases. For example, the probability of rejecting a true null hypothesis is approximately 50 % when $\Delta\kappa = 1$. In this case, larger latent subgroup slope

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FIGURE 1.

Impact of $\Delta\kappa$ and latent slope differences (β_3^2) on Type I error rates for tests of intercept differences. *Note.* The dots around each curve are Monte Carlo estimates using 5,000 replications.

differences (i.e., β_3^2) slightly reduces intercept Type I error rates. In short, Figure 1 demonstrates that OLS is an inadequate method for testing the presence of subgroup intercept differences whenever groups differ in common factor means.

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