

Moderation and Mediation with Process

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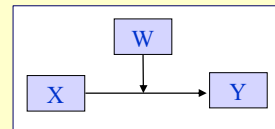
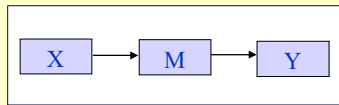
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Multiple Regression Analysis

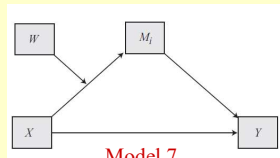
- 1. Introduction:**
 - 1.1. Simple linear correlation**
 - 1.2. Simple linear regression**
- 2. The Multiple Linear Regression Model**
- 3. Goodness of fit**
- 4. Interpretation of results**
- 5. Assumptions of the model**
- 6. Hierarchical Regression**
- 7. Mediation and Moderation in Multiple Regression**
 - 7.1. Moderation with Multiple Regression**
 - 7.2. Mediation with Multiple Regression**

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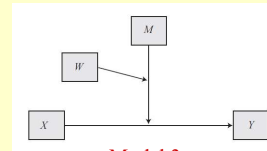
7. Mediation & Moderation in Multiple Regression



How to run those and other more complex regression models with **Process**?

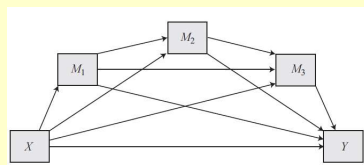


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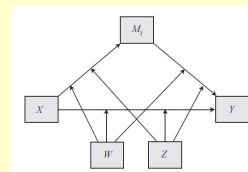


Model 3

Model Templates for PROCESS for SPSS and SAS
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Model 76

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Multiple Regression Analysis with **PROCESS**

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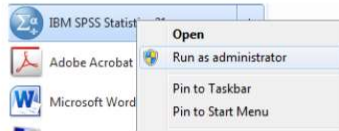
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5th Follow the instructions in “autoexecution of PROCESS.pdf”

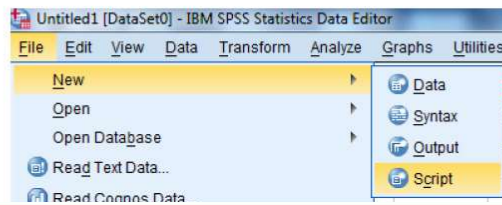
Automatic Execution of the PROCESS Macro Definition File (Windows only)

The instructions below will set SPSS for Windows up to automatically execute process.sps every time that SPSS is opened. This will eliminate the need for you to execute PROCESS yourself each time you want to use the PROCESS command during an SPSS session.

(1) Open SPSS as an administrator (right click the SPSS icon and select “Run as administrator”)



(2) In SPSS, open a new SPSS script (File→New→Script)

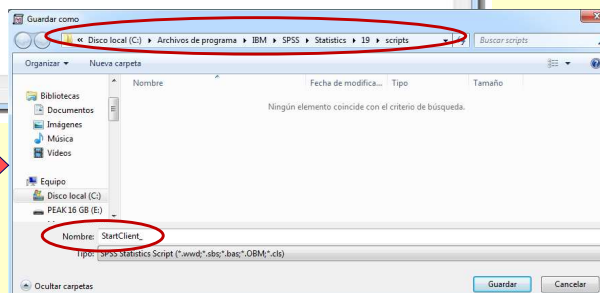
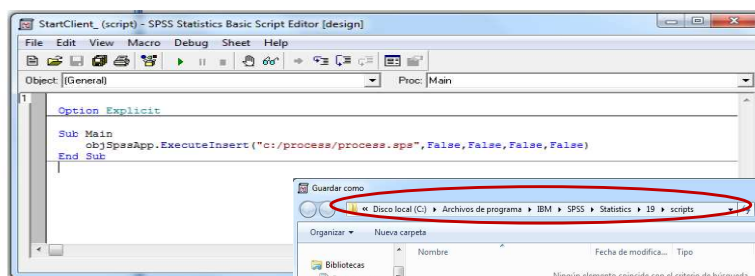


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(3) Delete anything in the script window that opens and then type the following:

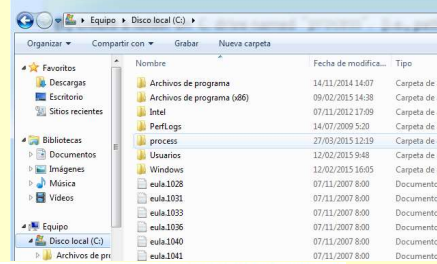
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Option Explicit  
  
Sub Main  
  objSPSSApp.ExecuteInsert("c:/process/process.sps", False, False, False, False)  
End Sub
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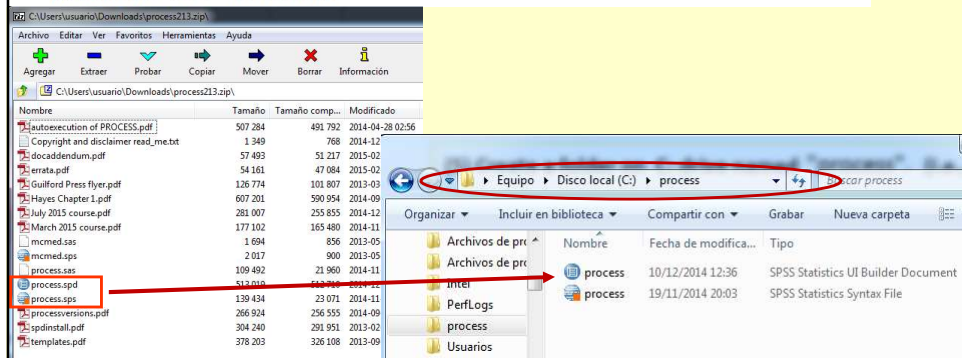
(4) Save this script file with file name StartClient_ in the SPSS scripts folder. The underscore following “StartClient” is important. This may be hard to locate, but you’ll find it somewhere on your hard disk where SPSS is located. It will be buried in many layers of folders and subfolders. On my machine, it was located at C:\ Archivos de programa / IBM / SPSS / Statistics / 19 / scripts

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(5) Create a folder on C: drive named "process". (i.e., path C:\process\)

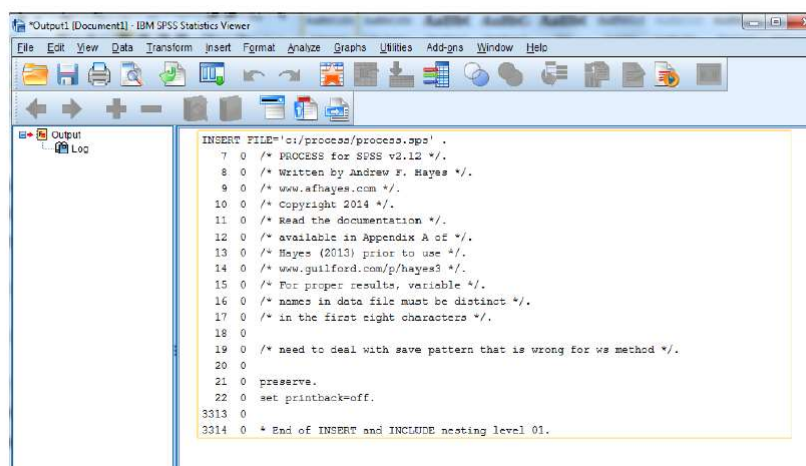


(6) Place into this PROCESS folder the following files that appeared in the zip folder downloaded: "process.sps" and "process.spd"



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(7) Close SPSS and then restart SPSS. If all steps were followed without error, SPSS will automatically run PROCESS.sps, so you can now execute a PROCESS command without first executing the PROCESS macro yourself. If you were successful, you will probably see an output window that looks something like this when SPSS opens:



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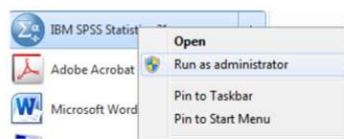
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6th Follow the instructions in “dialoginstall.pdf” (SPSS version 23 and earlier)

Installing Custom Dialogs

Macros (the .sps files) are command based and can be tedious for people not used to working with syntax. Scripts (the .sbs files) are easier to use but must be run each time you want to call up the dialog box. And neither macros nor scripts live permanently in SPSS. They disappear once you close SPSS. Custom Dialog files are permanently installed in SPSS, integrating the procedure into SPSS menus. Either double click on the .spd file to install, or use the procedure below. **Installation requires administrative access to your machine.** You may have to open SPSS as an administrator as well. If your computer is owned by someone else (such as a university or your place of work), you probably don't have administrative access and will have to contact a local technical support person.

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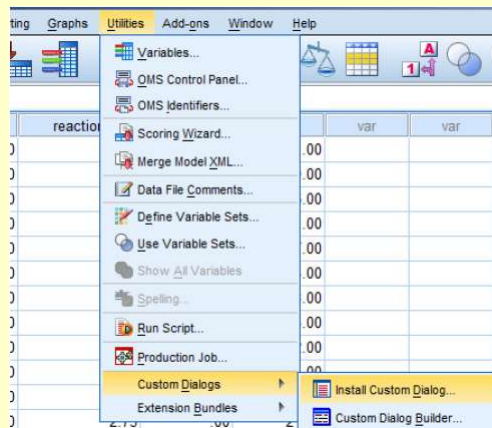
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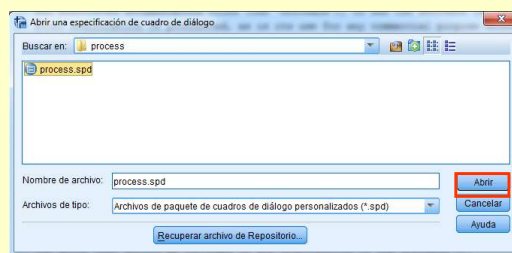
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(2) In SPSS, install Custom Dialog

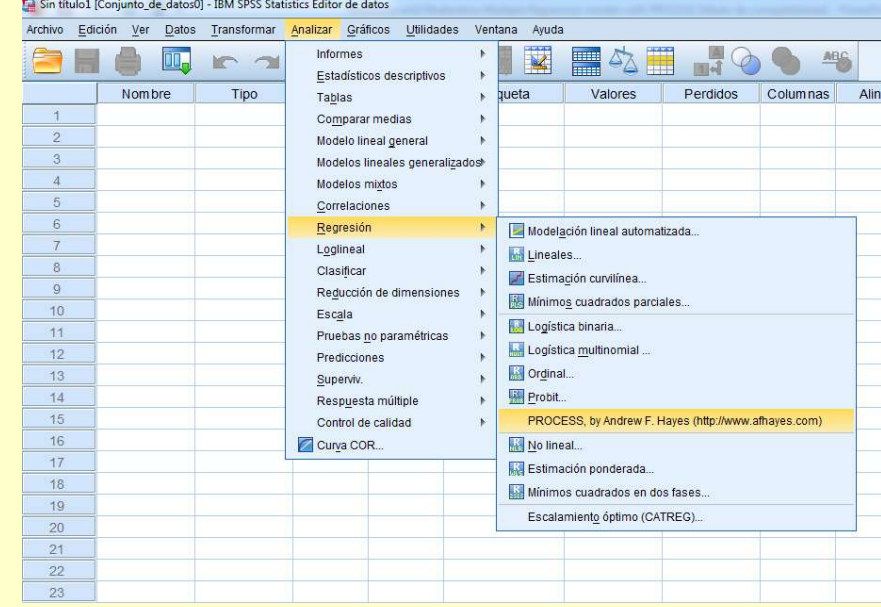
SPSS version 24 (it is in EXTENSIONS: utilities)



(3) In SPSS, open the "process.spd" file



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Now, if you find the PROCESS option in the Regression menu, then you succeeded in installing the macro!!

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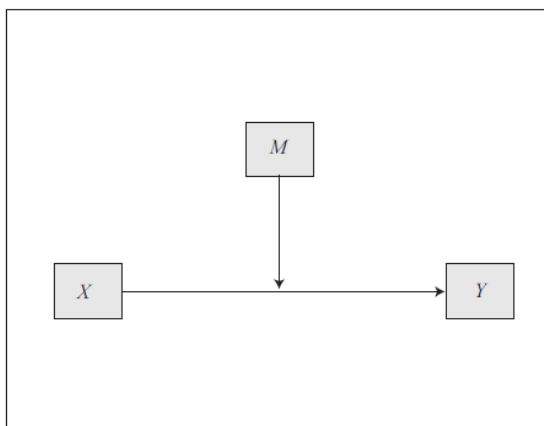
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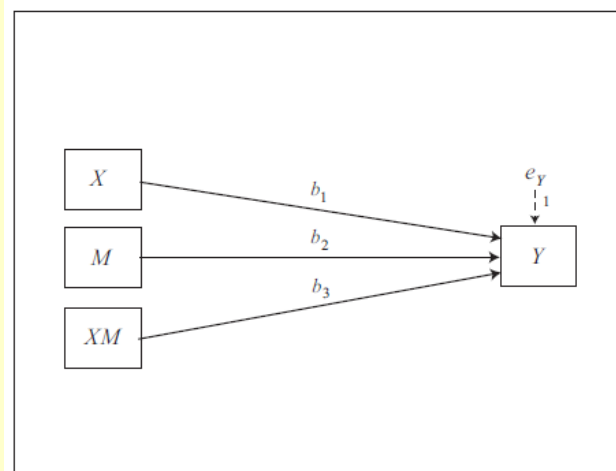
Moderation in Multiple Regression with PROCESS

Model 1

Conceptual Diagram

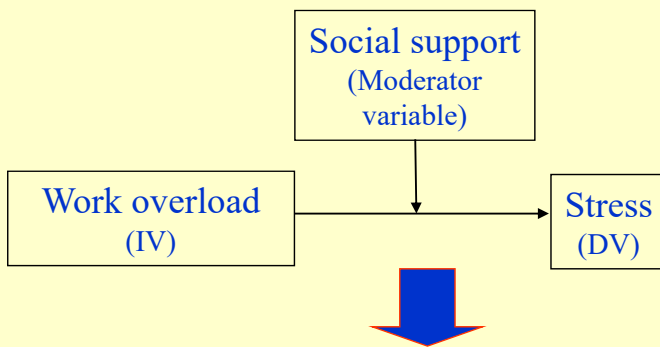


Statistical Diagram



Conditional effect of X on $Y = b_1 + b_3M$

7.1. Moderation with Multiple Regression



Model to test for a moderation effect: Equation

$$Y' = a + b_1X_1 + b_2X_2 + b_3X_1X_2$$

Moderation & collinearity!!

$$\text{Stress} = a + b_1 \text{ Overload} + b_2 \text{ support} + b_3 \text{ overload*support}$$

If the interaction (product) term is significant → There is a moderation effect: the effect of overload on stress depends on the level of social support

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Moderation with Multiple Regression

1st step: Mean-centering of the moderator and the predictor variables (when variables are continuous).

Even though it is not necessary, it has been recommended to generate more meaningful and substantively interpretable coefficients (eg. Hayes, 2013).

2nd step: Creating product terms.

Process will do all that for us!!

3rd step: Structuring the equation.

4th step: Specifying routine options.

5th step: Interpreting results.

6th step: Visualizing and probing the interaction (if statistically significant).

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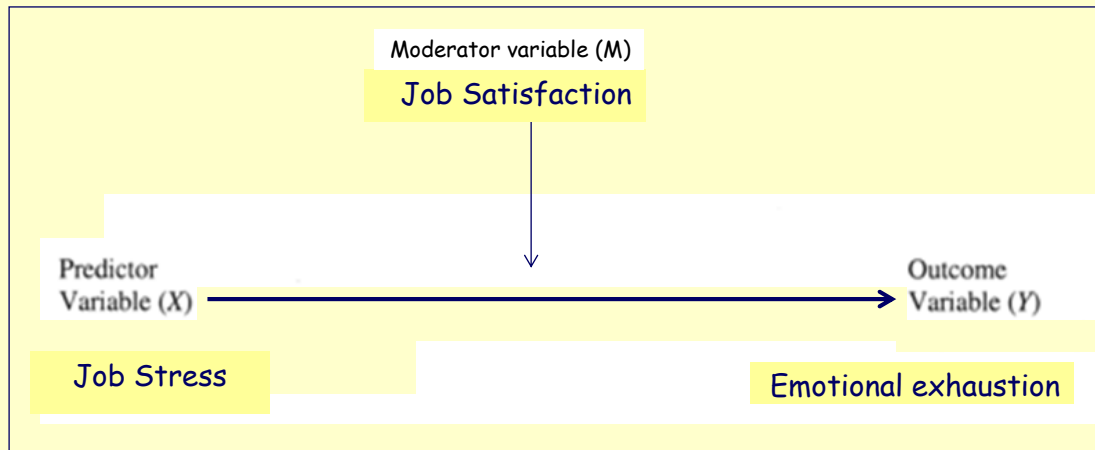
Moderation with Multiple Regression

Hierarchical regression as a way of testing moderator effects

DATA FILE: Moderated_Regression_2

Research question:

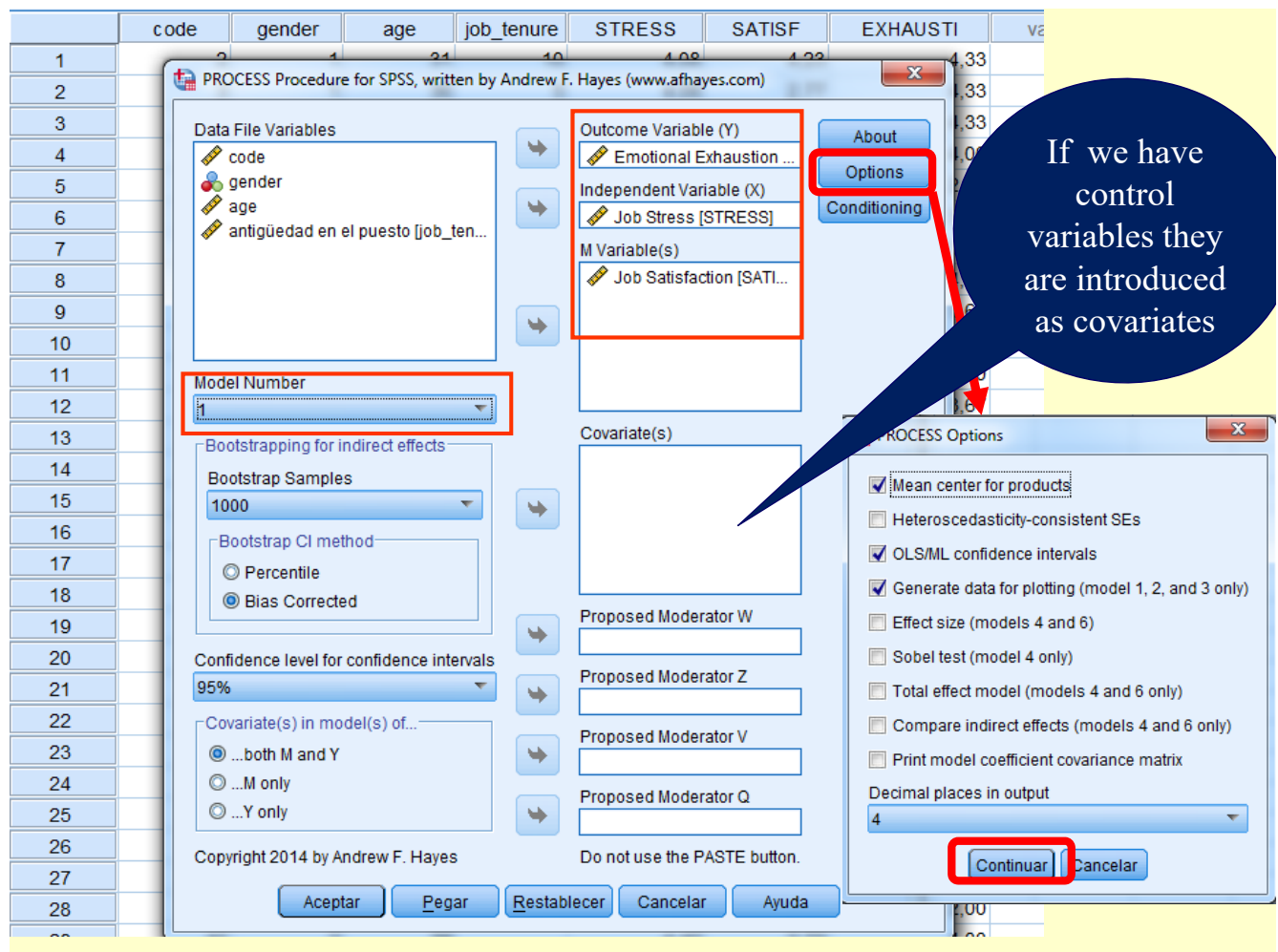
- Does **Job Satisfaction** moderate the relationship between **Job Stress** and **Emotional exhaustion**?



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The screenshot shows the IBM SPSS Statistics Editor window. The title bar reads 'Moderated_Regression_2.sav [Conjunto_de_datos1] - IBM SPSS Statistics Editor de datos'. The menu bar includes 'Archivo', 'Edición', 'Ver', 'Datos', 'Transformar', 'Análizar', 'Gráficos', 'Utilidades', 'Ventana', and 'Ayuda'. The 'Análizar' menu is open, displaying a list of analysis options. The 'Regresión' (Regression) option is highlighted, and its submenu is also open, showing various regression models. The background data table has columns 'code', 'gender', and 'a'.

	code	gender	a
1	2	1	
2	3	1	
3	5	2	
4	6	2	
5	7	1	
6	9	2	
7	10	2	
8	12	2	
9	13	2	
10	14	2	
11	16	2	
12	17	2	
13	18	1	
14	21	2	
15	22	2	
16	24	2	50
17	25	2	38
18	26	2	45
19	28	2	34
20	29	2	37
21	30	1	59
22	32	1	32
23	33	1	31



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PROCESS

Model = 1
Y = EXHAUSTI
X = STRESS
M = SATISF

Sample size
600

Outcome: EXHAUSTI

Model	R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2	p
1	,495 ^a	,245	,678	66,421	3,000	596,000	,000

Model	coeff	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	3,001	,038	79,202	,000	2,926	3,075
SATISF	,011	,069	,162	,871	-,125	,147
STRESS	,596	,051	11,682	,000	,496	,697
int_1	-,134	,065	-2,061	,040	-,262	-,006

Interactions:

int_1 STRESS X SATISF

R-square increase due to interaction(s):

	R2-chnng	F	df1	df2	p
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Model Summary^c

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	Change Statistics					Durbin-Watson
					R Square Change	F Change	df1	df2	Sig. F Change	
1	,495 ^a	,245	,243	,82582	,245	96,981	2	597	,000	
2	,501 ^b	,251	,247	,82358	,005	4,246	1	596	,040	1,832

a. Variables predictoras: (Constante), satisfaction_meancentered, stress_meancentered

b. Variables predictoras: (Constante), satisfaction_meancentered, stress_meancentered, Product_meancentered

c. Variable dependiente: emotional_exhaustion

Traditional SPSS analysis

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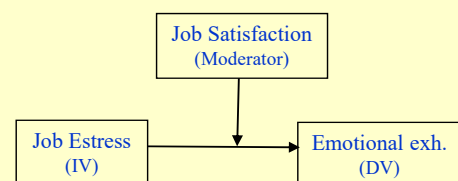
The moderation effect is confirmed

Coefficientes^a

Modelo		Coeficientes no estandarizados		Coeficientes tipificados	t	Sig.
		B	Error típ.	Beta		
1	(Constante)	3,037	,034		90,073	,000
	stress_meancentered	,580	,051	,493	11,470	,000
	satisfaction_meancentered	-,007	,069	-,004	-,096	,924
2	(Constante)	3,001	,038		79,203	,000
	stress_meancentered	,596	,051	,507	11,682	,000
	satisfaction_meancentered	,011	,069	,007	,162	,871
	Product_meancentered	-,134	,065	-,074	-2,061	,040

a. Variable dependiente: emotional_exhaustion

Traditional SPSS analysis



How to interpret the significant interaction effect?



PROCESS

Conditional effect of X on Y at values of the moderator(s):

SATISF	Effect	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
-,593	,676	,069	9,832	,000	,541	,811
,000	,596	,051	11,682	,000	,496	,697
,593	,517	,059	8,781	,000	,401	,632

Values for quantitative moderators are the mean and plus/minus one SD from mean.
Values for dichotomous moderators are the two values of the moderator.

Data for visualizing conditional effect of X on Y

Paste text below into a SPSS syntax window and execute to produce plot.

```
DATA LIST FREE/STRESS SATISF EXHAUSTI.
BEGIN DATA.
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```
-,807 -,593 2,449
,000 -,593 2,994
,807 -,593 3,540
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Low Satisfaction

```
-,807 ,000 2,519
,000 ,000 3,001
,807 ,000 3,482
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-,807 ,593 2,590
,000 ,593 3,007
,807 ,593 3,424
```

High Satisfaction

```
END DATA.
```

```
GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT=STRESS WITH EXHAUSTI BY SATISF.
```

Estadísticos descriptivos

	Media	Desviación típica	N
emotional_exhaustion	3,0367	,94896	600
job_stress	3,0056	,80701	600
job_satisfaction	3,0527	,59258	600

Excel values used with Traditional SPSS analysis

		Low Satisfaction	High Satisfaction
1st Column IV values			
mean minus 1,5 sd	-1,21	2,177	2,382
mean minus 1 sd	-0,81	2,449	2,591
mean minus 0,5 sd	-0,40	2,722	2,799
Mean IV	0,00	2,994	3,008
mean plus 0,5 sd	0,40	3,267	3,216
mean plus 1 sd	0,81	3,540	3,424
mean plus 1,5 sd	1,21	3,812	3,633

*Moderated_Regression_2.sav [Conjunto_de_datos1] - IBM SPSS Statistics Editor de datos

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Abrir base de datos
Leer datos de texto...
Cerrar
Guardar
Guardar como...
Guardar todos los datos
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Caché de los datos...
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Cambiar servidor...
Repositorio
Presentación preliminar
Imprimir...
Datos usados recientemente
Archivos usados recientemente
Salir

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Remember that...
job_stress 3,0056
job_satisfaction 3,0527

*Sintaxis1 - IBM SPSS Statistics Editor de sintaxis

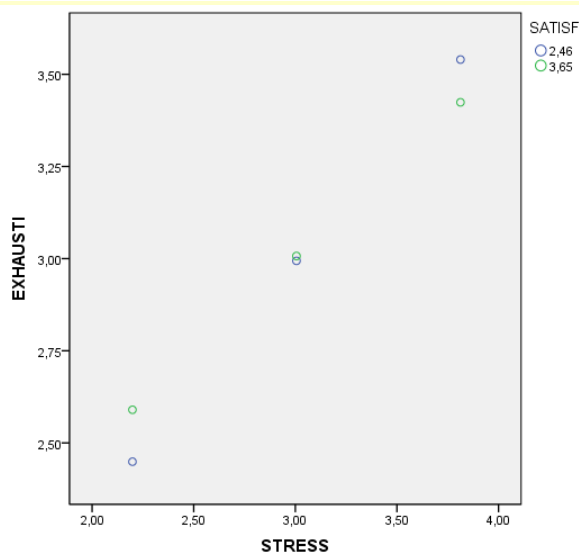
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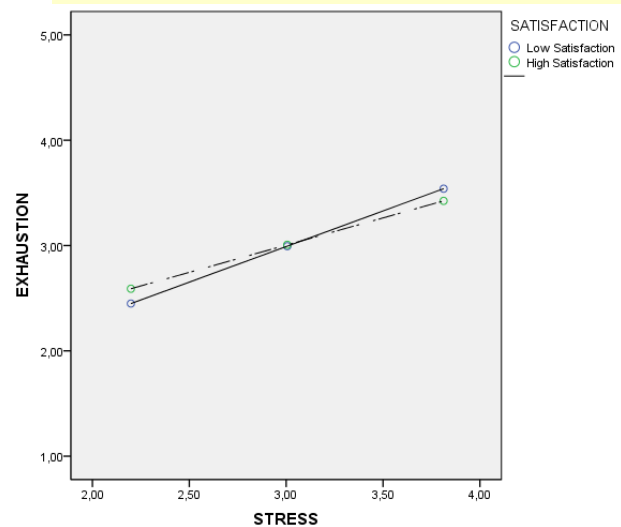
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11 END DATA.
12 compute SATISF=SATISF+3,0527.
13 compute STRESS=STRESS+3,0056.
14 GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT=STRESS WITH EXHAUSTI BY SATISF.

To get a more simple plot, I have just left the values for Low and High Satisfaction

And added two compute statements to obtain a plot that shows X and M in their original, uncentered metric.



Double click to edit the plot:
Elementos → Linea de interpolacion
And some other SPSS's graphics editing features.

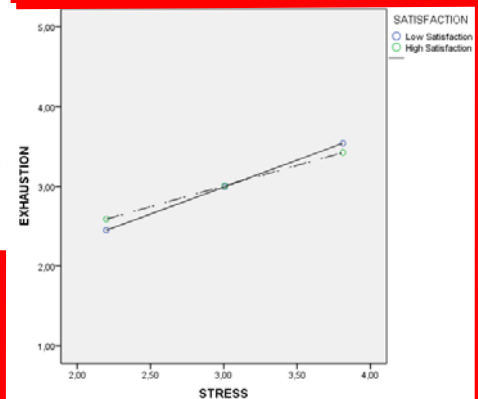


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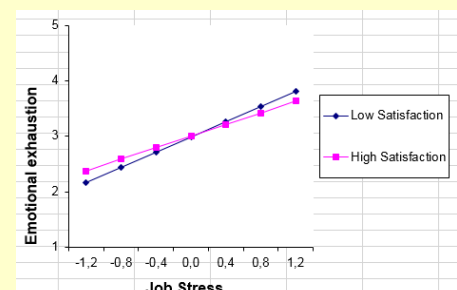
We could conclude that Job Satisfaction moderates the relationship between Job Stress and Emotional Exhaustion ($b = -.134, p < .05$).

The slope linking job stress to emotional exhaustion is more steep among those lower in satisfaction.

Results also suggest that the conditional effect is statistically significant for low, medium and high values of the moderator.

Excel values obtained for Traditional SPSS analysis

				stand error	t
Zlow	-0,593	simple slope low	0,675	0,07476473	9,03374837
Zhigh	0,593	simple slope high	0,517	0,05674015	9,10456373
Mean Moderator		simple slope average	0,596		



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The screenshot shows the SPSS Data Editor window with the 'Transform' menu open. The 'Compute Variable...' option is selected. A green text box is overlaid on the data, providing instructions for the first step of the analysis.

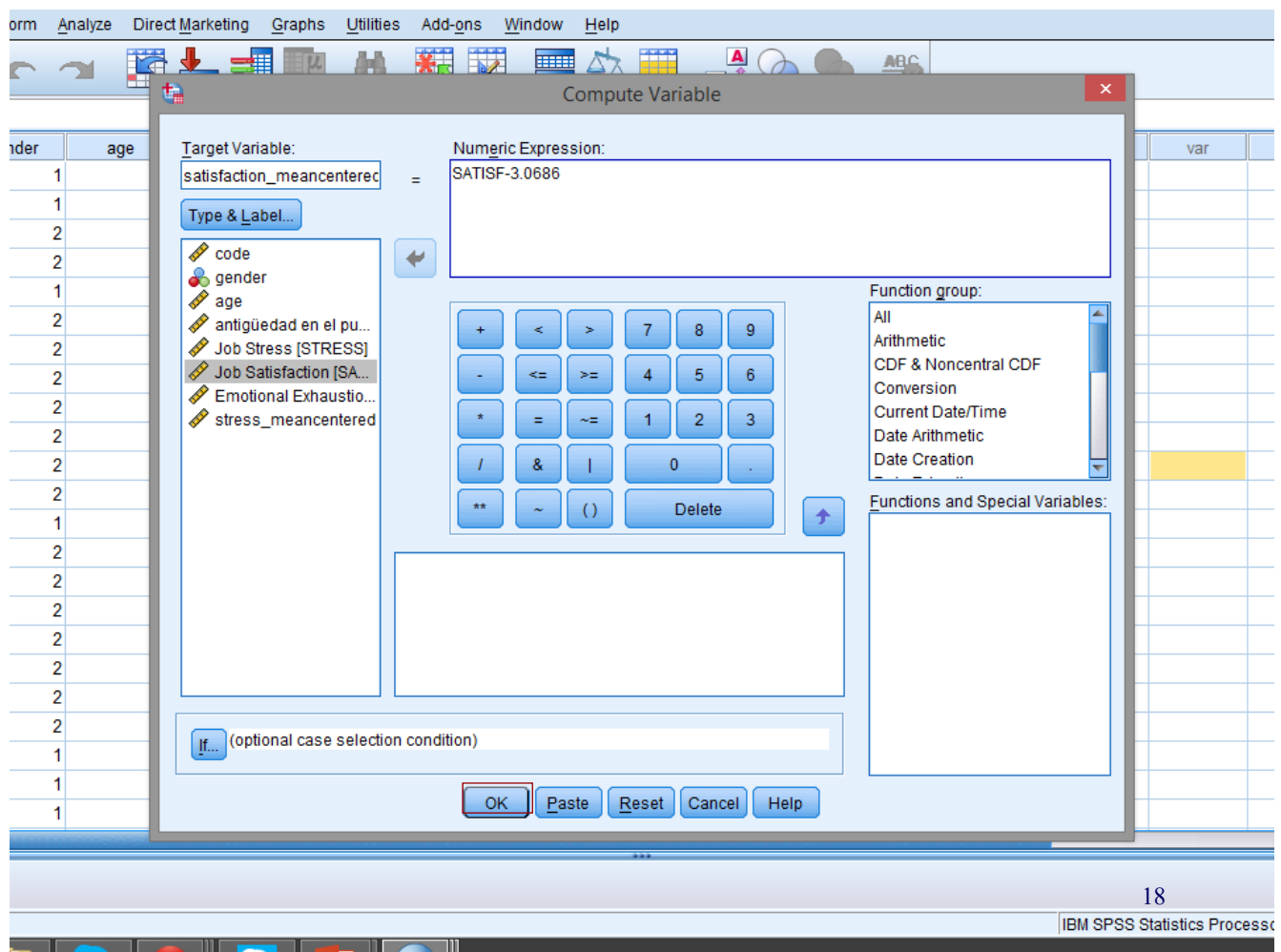
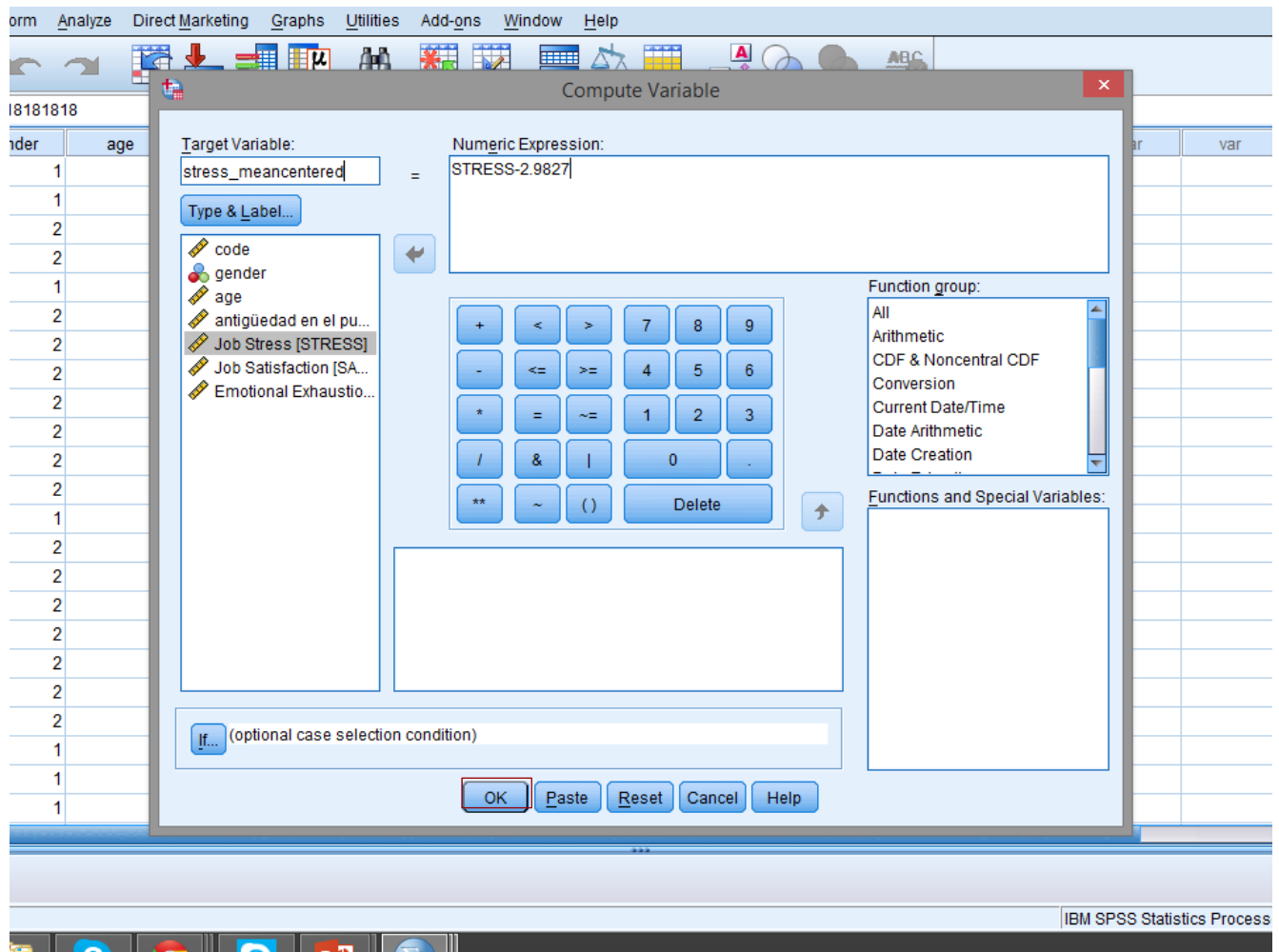
1st step:

Typically we begin by **mean centering** or standardizing the **moderator** and the **predictor** variables (as a way for preventing multicollineality and making interpretation easier)

We need to compute the means before computing the new variable

Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
STRESS Job Stress	690	1,00	4,83	2,9827	,80972
SATISF Job Satisfaction	625	1,18	4,77	3,0686	,60301
EXHAUSTI Emotional Exhaustion	715	1,00	5,00	3,0154	,94409
Valid N (listwise)	600				



IBM SPSS Statistics Process

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IBM SPSS Statistics Process

Compute Variable

Target Variable: product_meancentered

Numeric Expression: stress_meancentered*satisfaction_meancentered

Type & Label...

code
gender
age
antigüedad en el pu...
Job Stress [STRESS]
Job Satisfaction [SAT...
Emotional Exhaustio...
stress_meancentered
satisfaction_meance...

Function group:
All
Arithmetic
CDF & Noncentral CDF

2nd step:
Creating product terms.
Product terms need to be created that represent the interaction between the predictor and moderator.

OK Paste Reset Cancel Help

stress_meancentered	satisfaction_meancentered	product_meancentered	var	var	var	var	var	var
1,10	1,16	1,28						
1,10	-,30	-,33						
1,10	.	.						
,85	-,48	-,41						
,02	,30	,01						
,43	,07	,03						
-,48	,30	-,14						
1,60	-,16	-,26						
,27	,39	,10						
-,32	,39	-,12						
1,27	-,43	-,55						
,18	-,25	-,05						
,85	-1,02	-,87						
-,90	,93	-,84						
,27	,30	,08						
-1,57	,84	-1,32						
-,23	.	.						
-1,15	-,39	,44						
-,15	,48	-,07						
,10	,66	,07						
,77	,11	,09						
,60	,70	,42						
,85	,43	,37						

IBM SPSS Statistics Process

Linear Regression

Dependent: Emotional Exhaustion [EXHAUSTI]

Block 1 of 1

Independent(s): stress_meancentered, satisfaction_meancentered

Method: Enter

Selection Variable:

Case Labels:

Statistics... Plots... Save... Options... Bootstrap...

3rd step:
Hierarchical regression.

→ First enter the mean centered predictor and moderator, then the product terms must be entered into the regression equation.

Remember CONTROL VS., if any, go in a previous step

*Moderated_Regression_2.sav [DataSet2] - IBM SPSS Statistics Data Editor

Linear Regression

Dependent: Emotional Exhaustion [EXHAUSTI]

Block 2 of 2

Independent(s): product_meancentered

Method: Enter

Selection Variable:

Case Labels:

Statistics... Plots... Save... Options... Bootstrap...

3rd step:
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→ First enter the mean-centered predictor and moderator, then the product terms must be entered into the regression equation.

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IBM SPSS Statistics Process

4th step:
Specifying routine options.

Statistics...

Linear Regression: Statistics

Regression Coefficients

- ☒ Estimates
- ☐ Confidence intervals
- Level(%): 95
- ☐ Covariance matrix
- ☒ Model fit
- ☒ R squared change
- ☐ Descriptives
- ☒ Part and partial correlations
- ☒ Collinearity diagnostics

Residuals

- ☒ Durbin-Watson
- ☒ Casewise diagnostics
- ☒ Outliers outside: 3 standard deviations
- ☐ All cases

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4th step:
Specifying routine options.

Plots...

Linear Regression: Plots

DEPENDENT

- *ZPRED
- *ZRESID
- *DRESID
- *ADJPRED
- *SRESID
- *SDRESID

Scatter 1 of 1

Y: *ZRESID

X: *ZPRED

Standardized Residual Plots

- ☒ Histogram
- ☒ Normal probability plot
- ☐ Produce all partial plots

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5th step: Interpreting results.

And... Checking the assumptions

Model Summary^c

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	Change Statistics					Durbin-Watson
					R Square Change	F Change	df1	df2	Sig. F Change	
1	,495 ^a	,245	,243	,82582	,245	96,981	2	597	,000	1,832
2	,501 ^b	,251	,247	,82358	,005	4,246	1	596	,040	

a. Predictors: (Constant), satisfaction_meancentered, stress_meancentered

b. Predictors: (Constant), satisfaction_meancentered, stress_meancentered, product_meancentered

c. Dependent Variable: EXHAUSTI Emotional Exhaustion

ANOVA^a

Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	132,277	2	66,138	96,981	,000 ^b
	Residual	407,139	597	,682		
	Total	539,416	599			
2	Regression	135,157	3	45,052	66,421	,000 ^c
	Residual	404,259	596	,678		
	Total	539,416	599			

a. Dependent Variable: EXHAUSTI Emotional Exhaustion

b. Predictors: (Constant), satisfaction_meancentered, stress_meancentered

c. Predictors: (Constant), satisfaction_meancentered, stress_meancentered, product_meancentered

Independence of residuals (between 1,5 and 2,5)

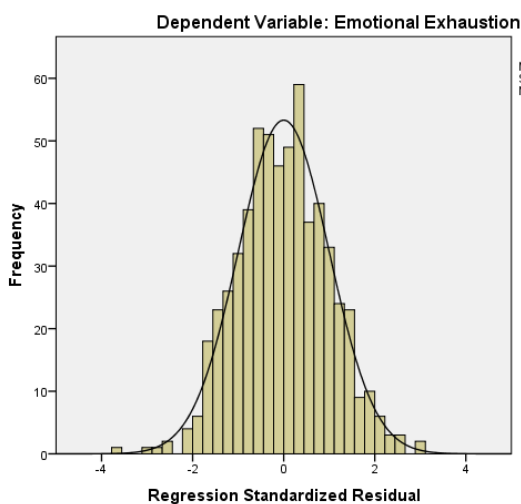
Coefficients^a

Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.	Correlations			Collinearity Statistics	
		B	Std. Error	Beta			Zero-order	Partial	Part	Tolerance	VIF
1	(Constant)	3,023	,034		89,632	,000					
	stress_meancentered	,580	,051	,493	11,470	,000	,495	,425	,408	,685	1,461
	satisfaction_meancentered	,667	,069	-,004	-,096	,924	-,281	-,004	-,003	,685	1,461
2	(Constant)	2,905	,034		78,793	,000					
	stress_meancentered	,580	,051	,493	11,470	,000	,495	,431	,408	,671	1,490
	satisfaction_meancentered	,667	,069	-,004	-,096	,924	-,281	-,004	-,003	,670	1,492
3	(Constant)	2,905	,034		78,793	,000					
	stress_meancentered	,580	,051	,493	11,470	,000	,495	,431	,408	,671	1,490
	satisfaction_meancentered	,667	,069	-,004	-,096	,924	-,281	-,004	-,003	,670	1,492
	product_meancentered	,065	,065	,001	,206	,837	-,281	-,007	-,073	,974	1,027

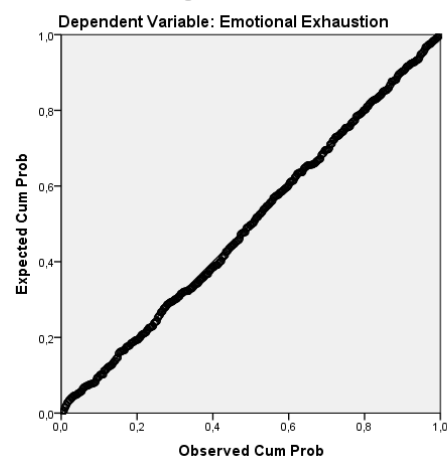
Checking for normality of residuals (in this case OK)

Checking for lack of multicollinearity (in this case no problem)

Histogram



Normal P-P Plot of Regression Standardized Residual



Importance of plotting the effects to understand interactions

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Leader charisma and affective team climate: The moderating role of the leader's influence and interaction

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In this study, we evaluate the role of leader charisma in fostering positive affective team climate and preventing negative affective climate. The analysis of a longitudinal database of 137 bank branches by means of hierarchical moderated regression shows that leader charisma has a stronger effect on team optimism than on team tension. In addition, the leader's influence and the frequency of leader-team interaction moderate the relationship between charisma and affective climate. However, whereas the leader's influence enhances the relationship between leader charisma and positive affective climate, the frequency of interaction has counterproductive effects.

Table 1 Moderated hierarchical regressions for team optimism						
Step		B	SE.	p	Tolerance	Change in R ²
1	Team tenure	.001	.001	.611	.96	.031 (p>.05)
	Team size	-.054	.026	.042	.96	
2	Team Optimism Time 1	.687	.066	<.001	.98	.442 (p<.001)
3	Leaders' charisma	.121	.054	.027	.68	.020 (p= .027)
4	Leaders' influence	.168	.094	.075	.73	.024 (p= .047)
	Leaders' interaction	-.249	.108	.023	.36	
5	Charisma*influence	.281	.104	.008	.63	.032 (p= .014)
	Charisma*interaction	-.177	.071	.014	.48	

Table 2 Moderated hierarchical regressions for team tension						
Step		B	SE.	p	Tolerance	Change in R ²
1	Team tenure	.001	.001	.966	.96	.036 (p>.05)
	Team size	.058	.027	.033	.96	
2	Team Tension Time 1	.624	.065	<.001	.95	.402 (p<.001)
3	Leaders' charisma	-.033	.050	.508	.89	.002 (p>.05)
4	Leaders' influence	-.119	.101	.244	.73	.014 (p>.05)
	Leaders' interaction	.202	.117	.087	.35	
5	Charisma*influence	-.250	.113	.029	.63	.027 (p= .043)
	Charisma*interaction	.175	.078	.027	.47	

Importance of plotting the effects to understand interactions

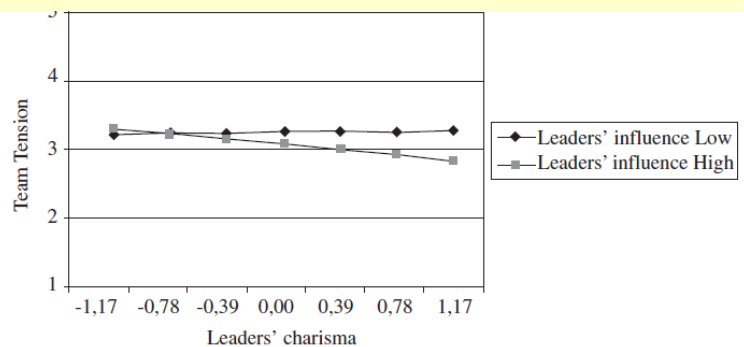
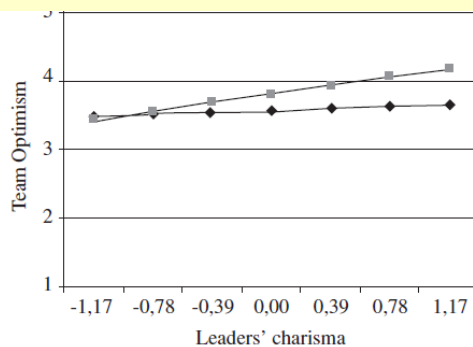


Figure 1. Interaction effects between leaders' charisma and leaders' influence

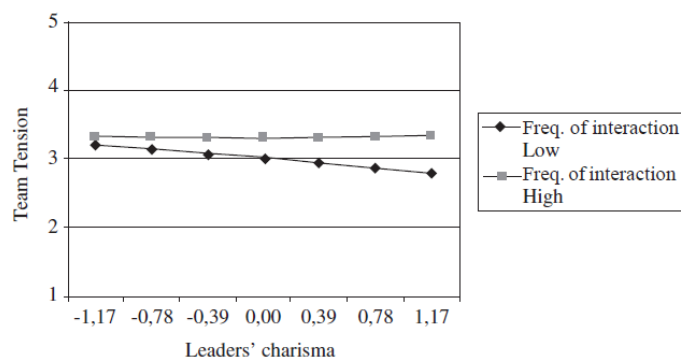
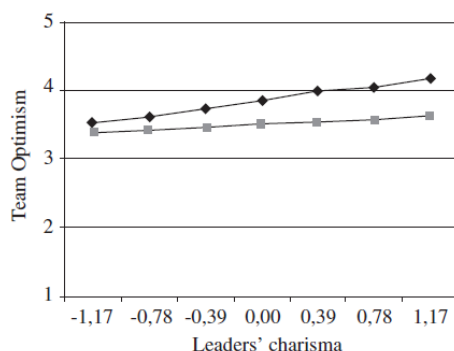


Figure 2. Interaction effects between leaders' charisma and frequency of leaders' interaction with the team

Multiple Regression Analysis with PROCESS

1. How to install Process in SPSS for Windows

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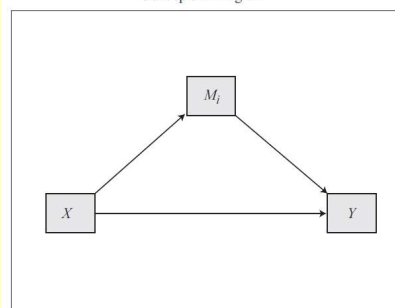
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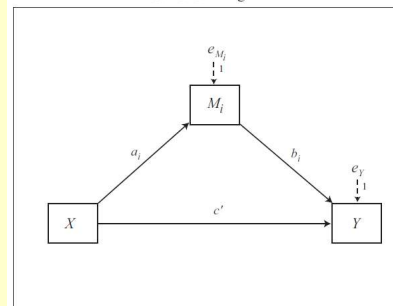
Mediation in Multiple Regression with PROCESS

Model 4

Conceptual Diagram



Statistical Diagram



Indirect effect of X on Y through $M_i = a_j b_i$
Direct effect of X on $Y = c'$

Model Templates for PROCESS for SPSS and SAS
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Same model in Process v3 (2017)

$$M = a_m + \boxed{b_{mx}} X + e_m$$

Path a

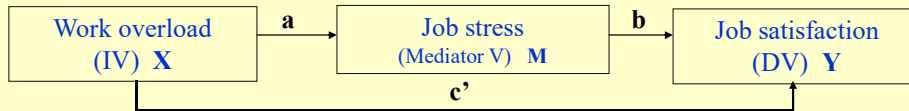
$$Y = a_y + b_{yx.m} X + \boxed{b_{ym.x}} M + e_y$$

Path b

Is ab significant?

Mediation with Multiple Regression

Example



1st step: Regression equation (estimate a)

2nd step: Regression equation (estimate b and c')

3rd step: Determine if the product (ab) is statistically significant

4th step: Determine if the mediation is total or partial.

Process will do
all that
for us!!

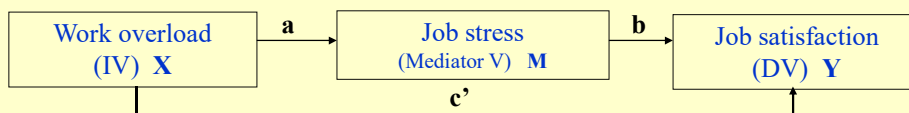
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Mediation with Multiple Regression

DATA FILE: Mediated_Regression

Research question:

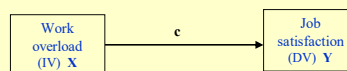
- Does **Job Stress** mediate the relationship between **Work overload** and **Job Satisfaction**?



c = Total effect of X on Y

c' = Direct effect of X on Y (after controlling for the effect of M)

$a*b$ = Indirect effect of X on Y

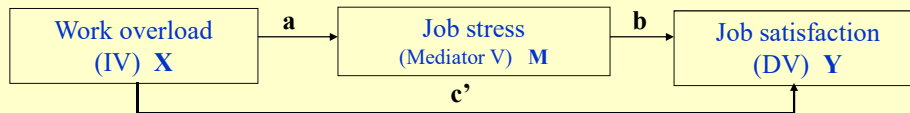


$$c = c' + a*b$$

$a=0.5$; $b=0.3$
 $X \uparrow$ one unit,...
 $Y \uparrow 0.15$, vía M

Mediation with Multiple Regression

DATA FILE: Mediated_Regression



How can we check if there is mediation?

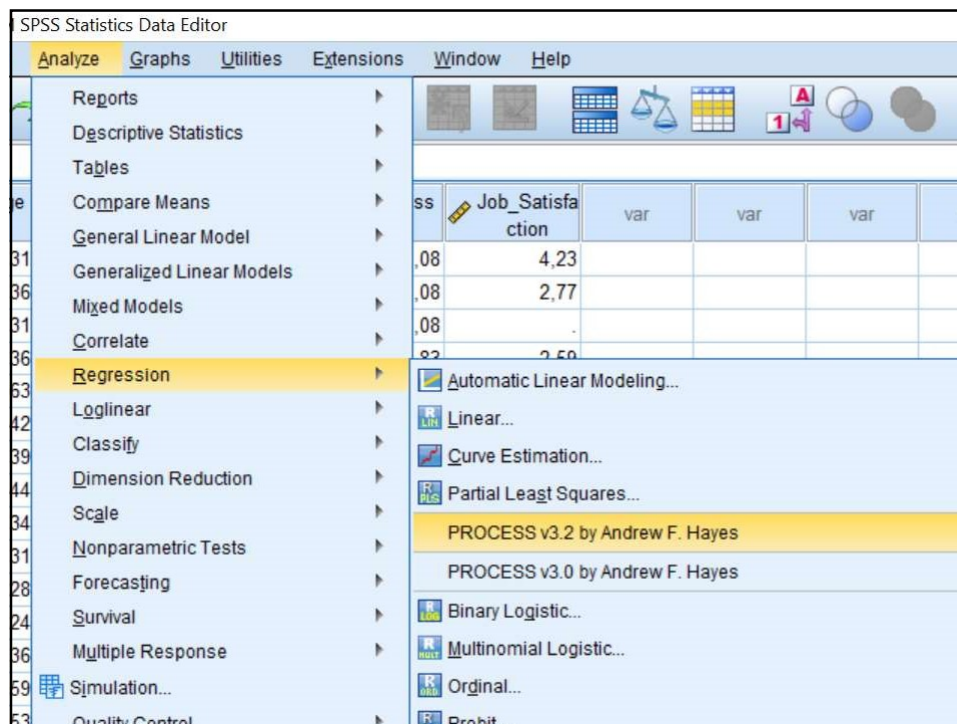
- Baron & Kenny (1986)
- Joint significance test for a and b
- Sobel test (Sobel, 1982)
- The product of coefficients distribution method (MacKinnon, et al. 1998)
- **Bootstrapping**
- Monte Carlo (Rmediation)

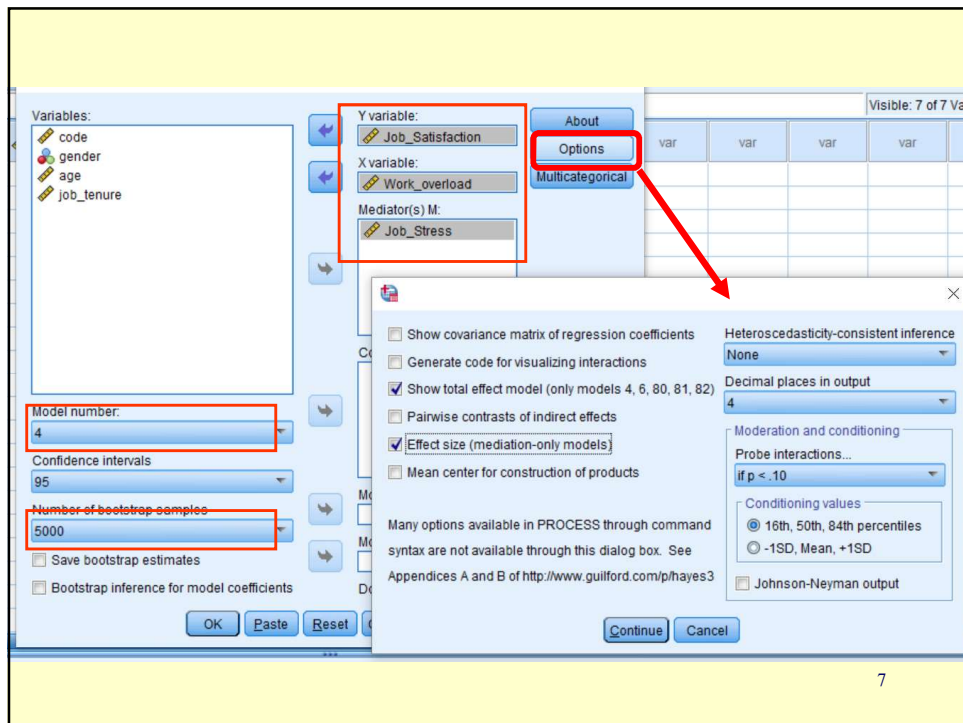
Problems!

Better options: Explicitly focus on indirect effect ab, without assuming a normal distribution of the product

Best balance between power and type I error (see MacKinnon et al., 2002)
It is implemented by default in Process

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Model = 4
Y = Satisfac
X = Workover
M = Stress
Sample size
602

PROCESS

Outcome: Stress

Model Summary						
	R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2
	,494	,244	,494	193,443	1,000	600,000

Model						
	coeff	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	1,725	,096	17,926	,000	1,536	1,914
Workover	,421	,030	13,908	,000	,361	,480

Outcome: Satisfac

Model Summary						
	R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2
	,562	,316	,241	138,513	2,000	599,000

Model						
	coeff	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	4,295	,083	51,592	,000	4,131	4,458
Stress	-,412	,028	-14,448	,000	-,468	-,356
Workover	-,001	,024	-,052	,958	-,049	,046

***** TOTAL EFFECT MODEL *****

Outcome: Satisfac

Model Summary						
	R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2
	,279	,078	,324	50,728	1,000	600,000

Model						
	coeff	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	3,584	,078	45,988	,000	3,431	3,737
Workover	-,174	,024	-7,122	,000	-,223	-,126

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graph LR
    X[Work overload X] -- a --> M[Job stress M]
    M -- b --> Y[Job satisfaction Y]
    X -- c' --> Y

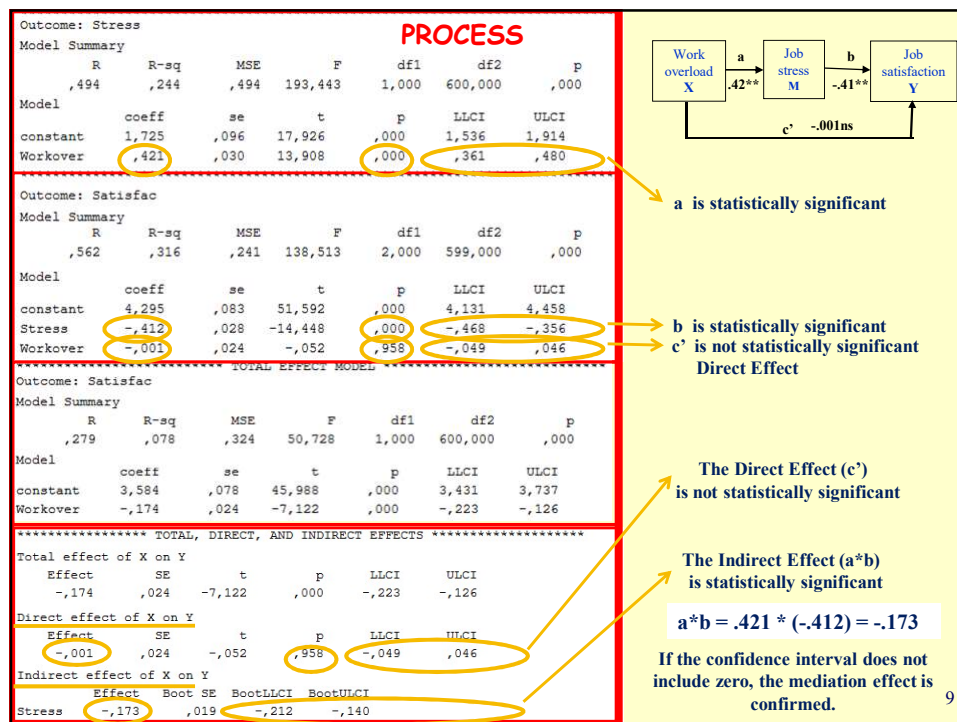
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a is statistically significant

b is statistically significant

c' is not statistically significant
Direct Effect

c is statistically significant
Total Effect



About effect sizes in mediation...

Preacher y Kelly (2011) Effect Size Measures for Mediation Models: Quantitative Strategies for Communicating Indirect Effects. Psychological Methods, 16, 93-115

Process:

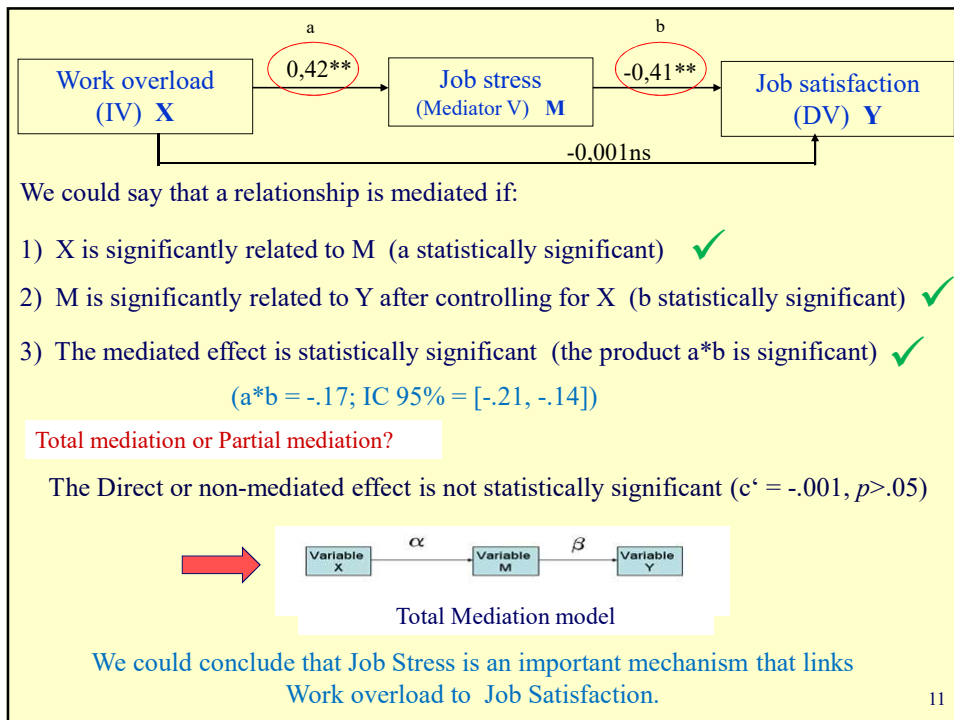
Partially standardized indirect effect(s) of X on Y:				
Effect	BootSE	BootLLCI	BootULCI	
Job_Stre	-,2923	,0271	-,3464	-,2407
Completely standardized indirect effect(s) of X on Y:				
Effect	BootSE	BootLLCI	BootULCI	
Job_Stre	-,2772	,0262	-,3307	-,2270

The closer to 1, the stronger

Another way: Ratio between indirect effect and total effect
Pm= ab/c

Only if ab and c have the same sign

$$Pm = .173 / .174 = .99 \rightarrow 99\% \text{ of the effect is indirect}$$



Assumptions?

- Again standard regression:
 DV: Job stress; IV: Work overload
 DV: Job Satisfaction; IVs: Work overload
 Job stress

Assumptions

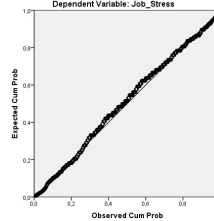
Model Summary^b

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	Durbin-Watson
1	,490 ^a	,240	,239	,70489	1,752

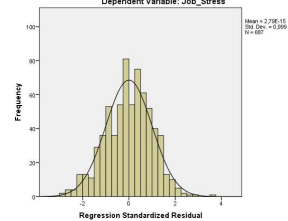
a. Predictors: (Constant), Work_overload

b. Dependent Variable: Job_Stress

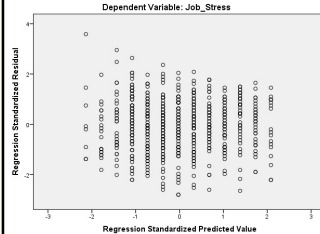
Normal P-P Plot of Regression Standardized Residual



Histogram



Scatterplot



Need to check for collinearity?

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Model Summary^b

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	Durbin-Watson
1	,562 ^a	,316	,314	,49065	1,751

a. Predictors: (Constant), Job_Stress, Work_overload

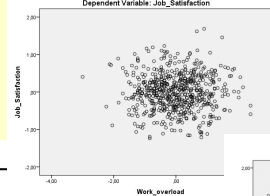
b. Dependent Variable: Job_Satisfaction

Coefficients^a

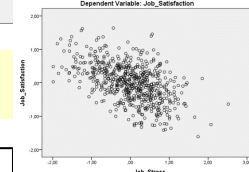
Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.	Collinearity Statistics	
		B	Std. Error	Beta			Tolerance	VIF
1	(Constant)	4,295	,083		51,592	,000		
	Work_overload	-,001	,024	-,002	-,052	,958	,756	1,322
	Job_Stress	-,412	,028	-,561	-14,448	,000	,756	1,322

a. Dependent Variable: Job_Satisfaction

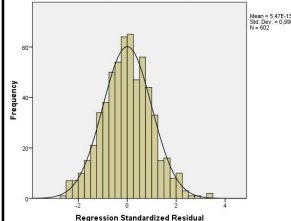
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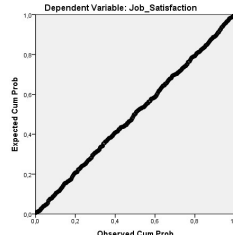
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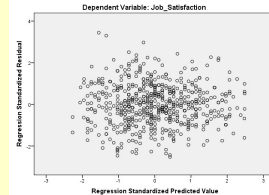
Histogram



Normal P-P Plot of Regression Standardized Residual

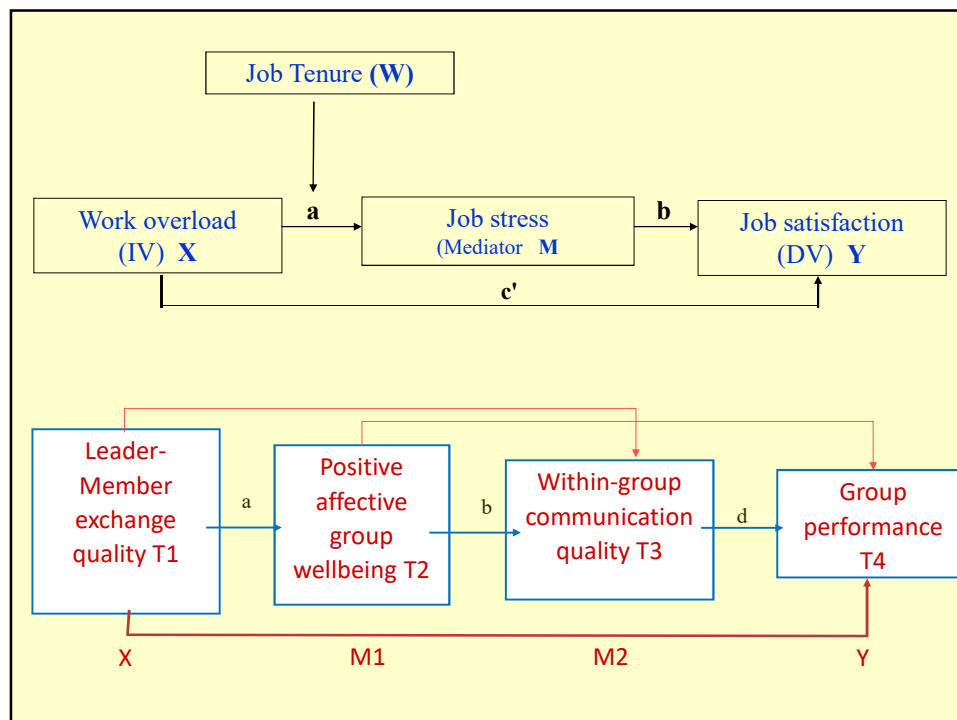


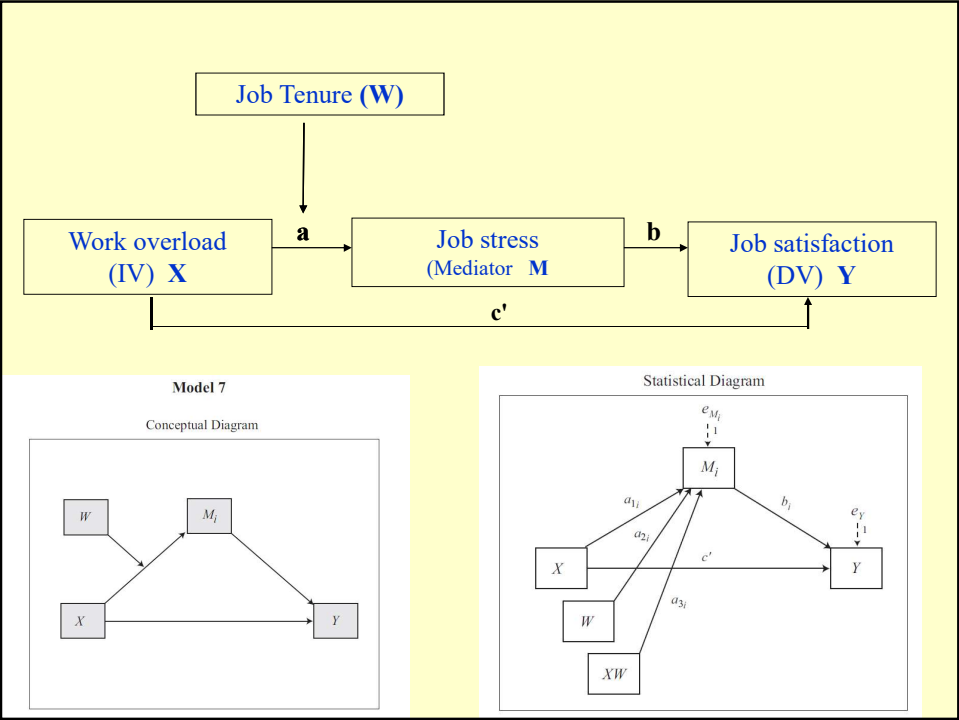
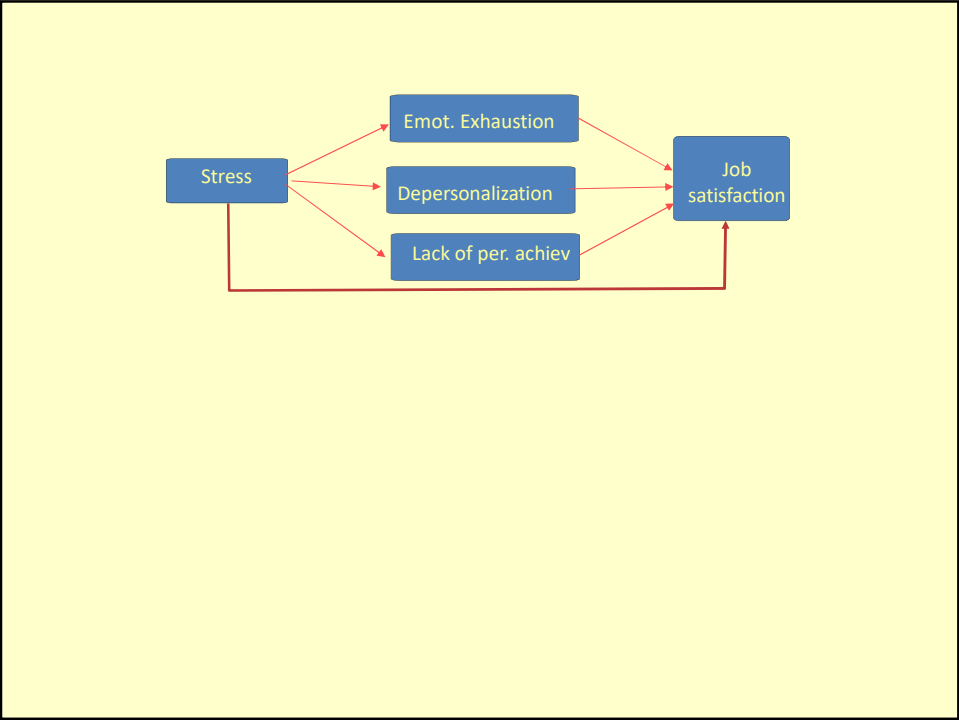
Scatterplot

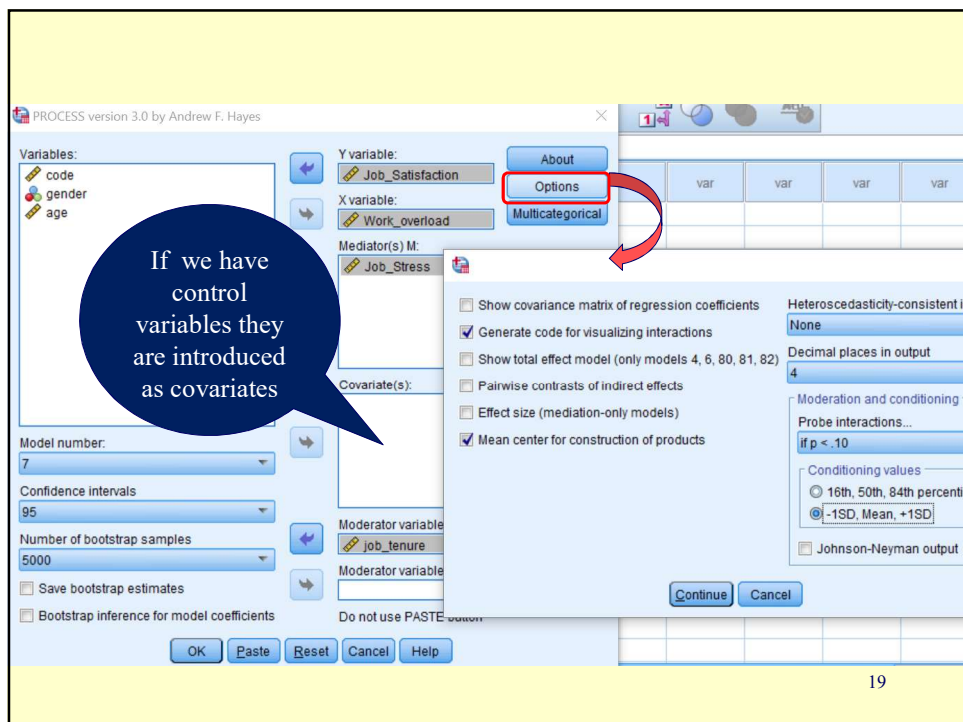


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Y = Job_Sati
X = Work_ove
M = Job_Stre
W = job_tenu

Sample size
566

*****
Outcome: Job_Stre

Model Summary
      R      R-sq      MSE      F      df1      df2      p
    ,502    ,252    ,489    63,147    3,000    562,000    ,000

Model
      coeff      se      t      p      LLCI      ULCI
constant    3,003    ,029   102,096    ,000    2,945    3,060
Work_ove     ,423    ,031   13,552    ,000    ,362    ,484
job_tenu    -,008    ,004   -2,087    ,037   -,016    ,000
int_1        ,009    ,004    2,153    ,032    ,001    ,017

Product terms key:
int 1    Work ove    X    job tenu

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Product terms key:
Int_1      :      Work_ove x      job_tenu

Test(s) of highest order unconditional interaction(s):
      R2-chng      F      df1      df2      p
X*W      ,0062      4,6369      1,0000      562,0000      ,0317
-----
      Focal predict: Work_ove (X)
      Mod var: job_tenu (W)

Conditional effects of the focal predictor at values of the moderator(s):

      job_tenu      Effect      se      t      p      LLCI      ULCI
      -7,0548      ,3586      ,0424      8,4545      ,0000      ,2753      ,4419
      ,0000      ,4229      ,0312      13,5518      ,0000      ,3616      ,4841
      7,5153      ,4913      ,0453      10,8468      ,0000      ,4023      ,5802

Data for visualizing the conditional effect of the focal predictor:
Paste text below into a SPSS syntax window and execute to produce plot.

DATA LIST FREE/
      Work_ove      job_tenu      Job_Stre      .
BEGIN DATA.
      -,9439      -7,0548      2,7218
      ,0000      -7,0548      3,0603
      ,9439      -7,0548      3,3988
      -,9439      ,0000      2,6035
      ,0000      ,0000      3,0026
      ,9439      ,0000      3,4017
      -,9439      7,5153      2,4774
      ,0000      7,5153      2,9411
      ,9439      7,5153      3,4048
END DATA.
GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT=
      Work_ove WITH      Job_Stre BY      job_tenu .

*****
OUTCOME VARIABLE:
      Job_Sati

Model Summary
      R      R-sq      MSE      F      df1      df2      p
      ,5506      ,3032      ,2466      122,4797      2,0000      563,0000      ,0000

Model

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DATA LIST FREE/
      Work_ove      job_tenu      Job_Stre      .
BEGIN DATA.
      -,9439      -7,0548      2,7218
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      -,9439      ,0000      2,6035
      ,0000      ,0000      3,0026
      ,9439      ,0000      3,4017
      -,9439      7,5153      2,4774
      ,0000      7,5153      2,9411
      ,9439      7,5153      3,4048
END DATA.
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*****
OUTCOME VARIABLE:
      Job_Sati

Model Summary
      R      R-sq      MSE      F      df1      df2      p
      ,5506      ,3032      ,2466      122,4797      2,0000      563,0000      ,0000

Model

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OUTCOME VARIABLE:						
Job_Sati						
Model Summary						
	R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2
	,5506	,3032	,2466	122,4797	2,0000	563,0000
p						
,0000						
Model						
	coeff	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
constant	4,2809	,0917	46,6933	,0000	4,1008	4,4609
Work_ove	,0007	,0254	,0288	,9771	-,0491	,0506
Job_Stre	-,4059	,0297	-13,6622	,0000	-,4643	-,3475
***** DIRECT AND INDIRECT EFFECTS OF X ON Y *****						
Direct effect of X on Y						
	Effect	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
	,0007	,0254	,0288	,9771	-,0491	,0506
Conditional indirect effects of X on Y:						
INDIRECT EFFECT:						
Work_ove -> Job_Stre -> Job_Sati						

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***** DIRECT AND INDIRECT EFFECTS OF X ON Y *****
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Direct effect of X on Y

Effect	se	t	p	LLCI	ULCI
,0007	,0254	,0288	,9771	-,0491	,0506

Conditional indirect effects of X on Y:

INDIRECT EFFECT:

Work_ove -> Job_Stre -> Job_Sati

job_tenu	Effect	BootSE	BootLLCI	BootULCI
-7,0548	-,1456	,0219	-,1909	-,1042
,0000	-,1716	,0192	-,2111	-,1357
7,5153	-,1994	,0242	-,2489	-,1545

Index of moderated mediation:

	Index	BootSE	BootLLCI	BootULCI
job_tenu	-,0037	,0018	-,0072	-,0003

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***** ANALYSIS NOTES AND ERRORS *****
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Level of confidence for all confidence intervals in output:

95,0000

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