# Supplementary Materials for Modeling Intensive Polytomous Time Series Eye-Tracking Data: A Dynamic Tree-Based Item Response Model

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# AR(1) Effects in the Dynamic IRTree Model

The AR(1) parameters in Equation 1 can be presented as

$$\lambda_{jir} = \lambda_r + \lambda_{1jr} + \lambda_{2ir}. (1)$$

The  $\lambda_{ji1}$  is the model-based conditional log odds ratio between  $y_{tlji1}^*$  and  $y_{(t-1)lji1}^*$  at Node 1:

$$\lambda_{ji1} = \frac{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 1 | y_{(t-1)lji1}^* = 1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 1 | y_{(t-1)lji1}^* = -1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 0 | y_{(t-1)lji1}^* = 1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 0 | y_{(t-1)lji1}^* = -1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}.$$
(2)

The  $\lambda_{ji2}$  is the model-based conditional log odds ratio between  $y_{tlji2}^*$  and  $y_{(t-1)lji2}^*$  at Node 2:

$$\lambda_{ji2} = \frac{P(y_{tlji2}^* = 1 | y_{(t-1)lji2}^* = 1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji2}, \lambda_{1j2}, \theta_{j2}, \lambda_{2i2}, \beta_{i2})}{P(y_{tlji2}^* = 1 | y_{(t-1)lji2}^* = -1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji2}, \lambda_{1j2}, \theta_{j2}, \lambda_{2i2}, \beta_{i2})}{P(y_{tlji2}^* = 0 | y_{(t-1)lji2}^* = 1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji2}, \lambda_{1j2}, \theta_{j2}, \lambda_{2i2}, \beta_{i2})}{P(y_{tlji2}^* = 0 | y_{(t-1)lji2}^* = -1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji2}, \lambda_{1j2}, \theta_{j2}, \lambda_{2i2}, \beta_{i2})}.$$
(3)

In  $\lambda_{jir}$  (r = 1, 2), own-lag (TC  $\rightarrow$  T&C; T  $\rightarrow$  T) and cross-lag (T&C  $\rightarrow$  O; T  $\rightarrow$  C) effects were considered, presented in the following diagram. Paths from time point t - 1 to time point t indicate the comparison structure in the log odds ratio.

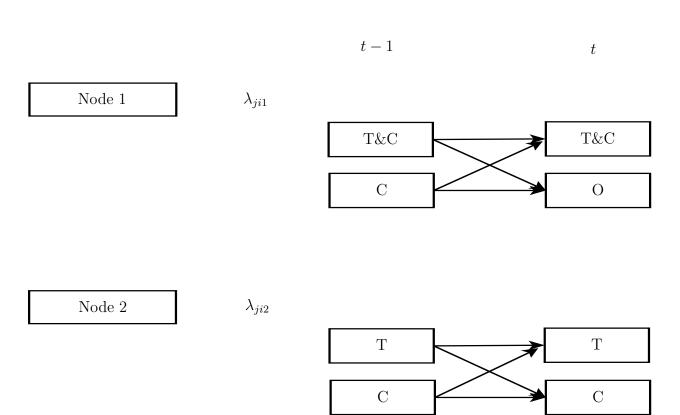


Figure A.1-1 Graphical representation for  $\lambda_{jir}$ .

Note. T, C, and O indicates "Target", "Competitor", and "Unrelated Objects" respectively.

The AR(1) parameters in Equation 2 can be presented as

$$\lambda_{Tjir} = \lambda_{Tr} + \lambda_{T1jr} + \lambda_{T2ir} \tag{4}$$

and

$$\lambda_{Cjir} = \lambda_{Cr} + \lambda_{C1jr} + \lambda_{C2ir}. (5)$$

The  $\lambda_{Tji1}$  is the model-based conditional log odds ratio between  $y_{tlji1}^*$  and  $x_{T(t-1)lji}$  at Node

1:

$$\lambda_{Tji1} = \frac{\frac{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 1 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = 1, x_{C(t-1)lji} = 0, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}{\frac{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 1 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = -1, x_{C(t-1)lji} = 0, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 0 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = 1, x_{C(t-1)lji} = 0, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}}{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 0 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = -1, x_{C(t-1)lji} = 0, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}}$$
(6)

The  $\lambda_{Cji1}$  is the model-based conditional log odds ratio between  $y_{tlji1}^*$  and  $x_{C(t-1)lji}$  at Node 1:

$$\lambda_{Tji1} = \frac{\frac{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 1 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = 0, x_{C(t-1)lji} = 1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}{\frac{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 1 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = 0, x_{C(t-1)lji} = -1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 0 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = 0, x_{C(t-1)lji} = 1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}}{P(y_{tlji1}^* = 0 | x_{T(t-1)lji} = 0, x_{C(t-1)lji} = -1, time_{tlji}, \mathbf{X}, \delta_{lji1}, \lambda_{1j1}, \theta_{j1}, \lambda_{2i1}, \beta_{i1})}}$$
(7)

The  $\lambda_{Tji2}$  is the model-based conditional log odds ratio between  $y_{tlji1}^*$  and  $x_{T(t-1)lji}$  at Node

2:

$$\lambda_{Tji1} = \frac{\frac{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=1|x_{T(t-1)lji}=1,x_{C(t-1)lji}=0,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=1|x_{T(t-1)lji}=-1,x_{C(t-1)lji}=0,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=0|x_{T(t-1)lji}=1,x_{C(t-1)lji}=0,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=0|x_{T(t-1)lji}=-1,x_{C(t-1)lji}=0,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}.$$
(8)

The  $\lambda_{Cji2}$  is the model-based conditional log odds ratio between  $y_{tlji1}^*$  and  $x_{C(t-1)lji}$  at Node 2:

$$\lambda_{Tji1} = \frac{\frac{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=1|x_{T(t-1)lji}=0,x_{C(t-1)lji}=1,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}{\frac{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=1|x_{T(t-1)lji}=0,x_{C(t-1)lji}=-1,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=0|x_{T(t-1)lji}=0,x_{C(t-1)lji}=1,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}}{P(y_{tlji2}^{*}=0|x_{T(t-1)lji}=0,x_{C(t-1)lji}=-1,time_{tlji},\mathbf{X},\delta_{lji2},\lambda_{1j2},\theta_{j2},\lambda_{2i2},\beta_{i2})}}$$
(9)

In  $\lambda_{Tjir}$  and  $\lambda_{Cjir}$  (r = 1, 2), own-lag  $(T \to T; C \to C; O \to O)$  and cross-lag (e.g.,  $T \to O; O \to T\&C$ ) effects were considered, presented in the following diagram. Paths from time point t - 1 to time point t indicate the comparison structure in the log odds ratio.

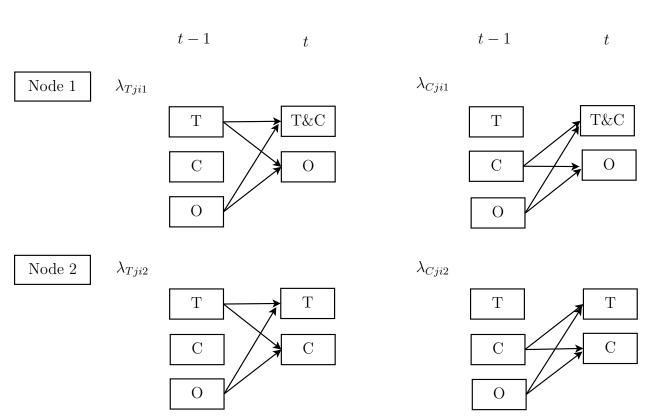


Figure A.1-2 Graphical representation for  $\lambda_{Tjir}$  and  $\lambda_{Cjir}$ .

Note. T, C, and O indicates "Target", "Competitor", and "Unrelated Objects" respectively.

# Trend and Autocorrelations in an Empirical Study

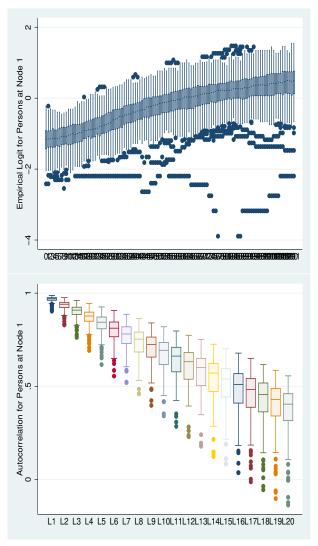


Figure A.2 Trend over time (indicated on x-axis) (top) and autocorrelations of empirical logit at Node 1 as a function of lag (indicated on x-axis) (bottom)

# Linear and Polynomial Trends in an Empirical Study

Fitted lines over time are presented below for the linear function and Kernel-weighted local polynomial smoothing function:

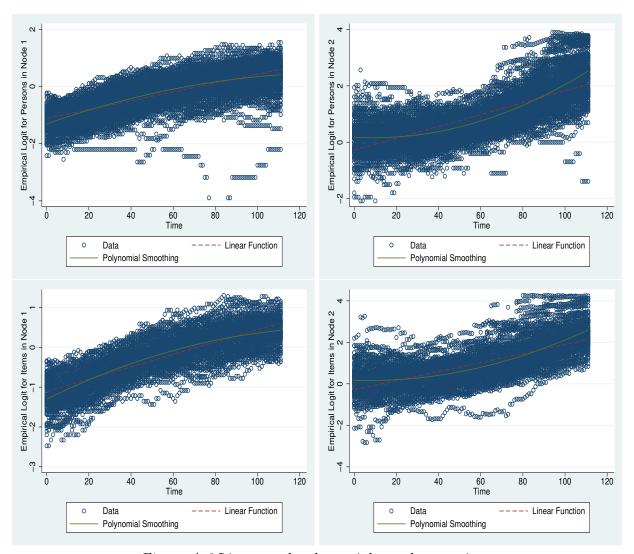


Figure A.3 Linear and polynomial trends over time.

Fitted lines over time were similar between the linear function and Kernel-weighted local polynomial smoothing function and small deviations from the linear trend were observed.

# Trend by Trials in an Empirical Study

To explore whether the trend pattern is similar across 288 trials graphically, we plot the logit-transformed proportion measures for each trial l at each time point t ( $ln\frac{P_{tlr}}{1-P_{tlr}}$ ;  $P_{tlr} = (\sum_{j=1}^{J} \sum_{i=1}^{I} y_{tljir}^*)/JI$ ) against time at each node. As shown in Figures A.3, the linear trend pattern is similar across the 288 trials in each node.

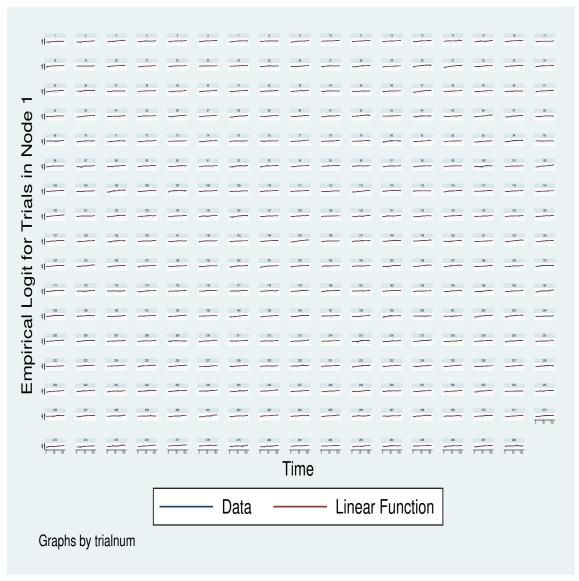


Figure A.4-1 Linear trend by trials and data (empirical logit) over time at Node 1.

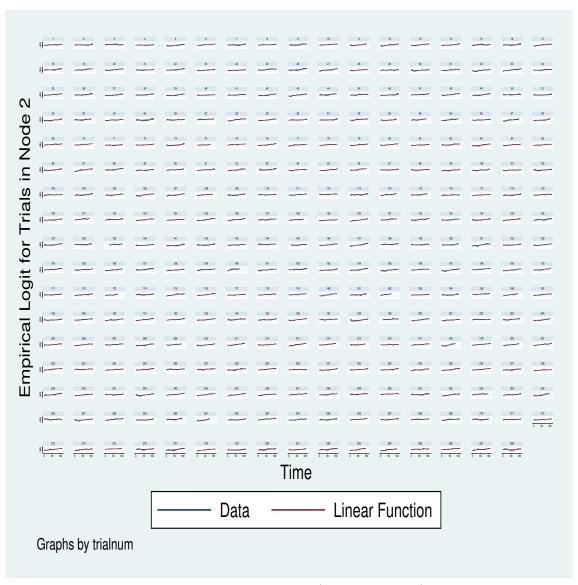


Figure A.4-2 Linear trend by trials and data (empirical logit) over time at Node 2.

# Models Considered in Model Selection Regarding Random Effects in an Empirical Study (Shown in Table 3)

Models with  $y_{(t-1)lji}^*$ 

 $\bullet$  Model B\*

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + y_{(t-1)lji}^{*'} \lambda_r + time_{tlji}^{'} \zeta_r + \delta_{lji2} + \theta_{jr} + \beta_{ir}, \tag{10}$$

where  $\delta_{lji2}$  is a random trial effect at Node 2.

• Model B\*-Person

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_r + time_{tlji}^{'} \zeta_r + \delta_{lji2} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_{1jr} + \theta_{jr} + \beta_{ir}$$
(11)

• Model B\*-Item

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_r + time_{tlji}' \zeta_r + \delta_{lji2} + \theta_{jr} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_{2ir} + \beta_{ir}$$
(12)

• Model B\*-Person&Item

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_r + time_{tlji}' \zeta_r + \delta_{lji2} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_{1jr} + \theta_{jr} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_{2ir} + \beta_{ir}$$
 (13)

Models with  $x_{T(t-1)lji}$  and  $x_{T(t-1)lji}$ 

• Model B\*

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + x'_{T(t-1)lji}\lambda_{Tr} + x'_{C(t-1)lji}\lambda_{Cr} + time'_{tlji}\zeta_{r} + \delta_{lji2} + \theta_{jr} + \beta_{ir},$$
 (14)

where  $\delta_{lji2}$  is a random trial effect at Node 2.

• Model B\*-Person

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + x'_{T(t-1)lji}\lambda_{Tr} + x'_{C(t-1)lji}\lambda_{Cr} + time'_{tlji}\zeta_r + \delta_{lji2} + y^{*'}_{(t-1)ljir}\lambda_{1jr} + \theta_{jr} + \beta_{ir}$$
 (15)

• Model B\*-Item

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + x_{T(t-1)lji}' \lambda_{Tr} + x_{C(t-1)lji}' \lambda_{Cr} + time_{tlji}' \zeta_r + \delta_{lji2} + y_{(t-1)ljir}^{*'} \lambda_{1jr} + \theta_{jr} + \beta_{ir}$$
 (16)

• Model B\*-Person&Item

$$\eta_{tljir} = \gamma_{1r} + x'_{T(t-1)lji} \lambda_{Tr} + x'_{C(t-1)lji} \lambda_{Cr} + time'_{tlji} \zeta_r + \delta_{lji2} + y^{*'}_{(t-1)ljir} \lambda_{1jr} + \theta_{jr} + y^{*'}_{(t-1)ljir} \lambda_{2ir} + \beta_{ir}$$

$$(17)$$

#### R Code for the Dynamic IRTree Model

In this section, we describe how to estimate the dynamic IRTree model using the glmer function in lme4 version 1.1.15 R package. The following is the R code for Model 2 in the paper for which we interpreted parameter estimates (see results in Table 4 of the paper):

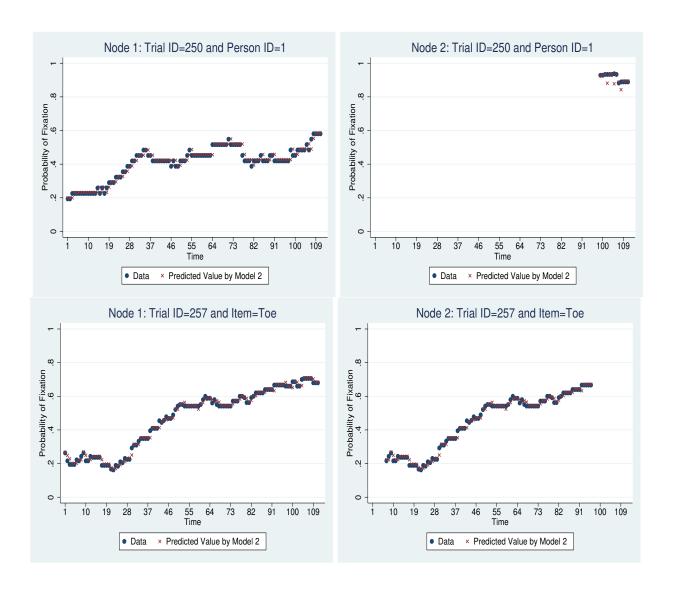
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1. data <- read.table("C:\\data.txt",header=T,fill=T)</pre>
2. data <- na.omit(data)</pre>
data$item <- as.factor(data$item)</li>
   data$subject <- as.factor(data$subject)</pre>
   data$trialnum <- as.factor(data$trialnum)</pre>
   data$node <- as.factor(data$node)</pre>
   data$node2 <- as.factor(data$node2)</pre>
   data$ctime1 <- as.numeric(data$ctime1)</pre>
   data$clag1 <- as.numeric(data$clag1)</pre>
   data$privileged1 <- as.numeric(data$privileged1)</pre>
   data$contrast <- as.numeric(data$contrast)</pre>
4. Model1 <- glmer(y
5. -1 + node + cylag1:node + privileged1:node + contrast:node + ctime1:node +
6. (-1+node2|trialnum) + (-1+cylag1:node+node|subject) + (-1+node|item),
7. family = binomial,
8. data = data)
9. summary(Model1)
```

Each line is explained in more detail below:

- Line 1. A file, data.txt, is read in table format and a data frame is created from it.
- Line 2. Missing values coded in NA in the data are deleted in the data. As we described in the paper, the lagged response at the first time point (t = 0),  $y_{0lji}^*$ , was treated as a missing variable and its subsequent response variable  $y_{1lji}^*$  was not modelled. Note that there are no missing values in the other variables including the outcome variable  $y_{tlji}^*$  in our illustrative data.
- Line 3. The experimental factors (item, subject, and trialnum) and nodes in the tree model (node and node2) are coded as factors, and the covariates (the lagged response cylag1 and trend ctime1) and two experimental condition contrasts privileged1 and contrast) are coded as numeric.

- Line 4. The binary variable called  $y(y_{tlji}^*)$  is specified in the glmer function and the model name is assigned as Model 2.
- Line 5. The fixed effects of the model are specified: node is for the intercept  $\gamma$ , cylag1 is for the fixed lagged effect  $\lambda$ , ctime1 is for the fixed trend effect  $\zeta$ , and privileged1 and contrast are for the two experimental condition effects  $\gamma$ .
- Line 6. The random effects of the model are specified: (-1+node2|trialnum) is for the trial random effect at Node 2  $\delta_{lji2}$ , (-1+cylag1:node+node|subject) are for person random effects  $[\theta_{j1}, \theta_{j2}, \lambda_{1j1}, \lambda_{1j2}]'$ , and (-1+node|item) are for item random effects  $[\beta_{i1}, \beta'_{i2}]$ .
- Line 7. The linking component for binomial data is specified as family = binomial.

  Because the logistic link is the default, the specification ''logit'' argument of family = binomial() is omitted.
- Line 8. The data set called data is specified.
- Line 9. The results of Model2 are provided.



# Model-Data Fit for Model 2 in an Empirical Study

Figure A.5 Model prediction from Model 2 over 111 time-point data, for a person (top) and an item (bottom) at Node 1 (lexico-semantic processing) and at Node 2 (ambiguity resolution).

# Model Comparisons regrading Different Change Processes in an Empirical Study

For comparison purposes, Model 2 (also reported in Table 4 of the manuscript), Model 2 without a trend effect, and Model 2 without AR(1) effects were fit to the empirical data. Results are presented in Table A.1. Statistical inference for the experimental condition effects did not differ between Model 2 and Model 2 without the trend effect, although Model 2 (AIC=180262; BIC=180554) fits better than Model 2 without the trend effect (AIC=182397; BIC=182664). However, statistical inference differs between Model 2 and Model 2 without the AR effects and Model 2 (AIC=180262; BIC=180554) fits much better than Model 2 without the AR effects (AIC=1711679; BIC=1711861). Compared to the results of Model 2, Model 2 without AR effects exhibited larger effects of trend and experimental condition, and a significant effect of the second condition contrast (Privileged covariate).

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 ${\it Table A.1 \ Estimates \ (Standard \ Errors) \ of \ the \ Dynamic \ IRTree \ Model \ for \ an \ Empirical \ Study}$ 

	Mo	del 2	Model 2 w	ithout trend	Model 2 without $AR(1)$		
	Node 1	Node 2	Node 1	Node 2	Node 1	Node 2	
Fixed Effects							
Intercept $[\gamma_1]$	<b>0.095</b> (0.021)	1.313(0.052)	<b>0.100</b> (0.020)	1.150(0.038)	<b>-0.259</b> (0.041)	1.211(0.071)	
$AR(1)ylag[\lambda]$	<b>4.181</b> (0.013)	<b>5.173</b> (0.031)	<b>4.210</b> (0.013)	<b>5.070</b> (0.028)	-		
$\text{Trend}[\zeta]$	<b>0.006</b> (0.000)	<b>0.031</b> (0.001)	=	· -	<b>0.016</b> (0.000)	<b>0.021</b> (0.000)	
$Privileged[\gamma_2]$	0.005(0.021)	0.071(0.046)	0.005(0.021)	0.073(0.046)	<b>0.018</b> (0.005)	<b>0.188</b> (0.009)	
$Contrast[\gamma_3]$	<b>0.050</b> (0.013)	<b>-0.386</b> (0.034)	<b>0.048</b> (0.013)	<b>-0.314</b> (0.033)	<b>0.132</b> (0.003)	<b>-0.607</b> (0.007)	

Model 1				Mod	Model 2				el 3	
	$^{\mathrm{SD}}$	Corr			SD	Corr			SD	Corr
Random Effects										
$Trial(\Sigma_1)$										
Node $1(\delta_{lji1})$	_				_				_	
Node $2(\delta_{lji2})$	0.094	_			0.000	_			0.436	
Person $(\Sigma_2)$										
Node 1:Intercept[ $\theta_{i1}$ ])	0.172				0.167				0.356	
Node 2:Intercept $[\theta_{i2}]$ )	0.267	0.705			0.167	0.945			0.368	0.358
Node 1:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1i1}$ ]	0.115	-0.360	-0.180		0.112	-0.279	-0.045		_	
Node 2:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1j2}$ ]	0.227	-0.141	-0.246	0.927	0.204	0.033	0.265	0.950	_	
Item $(\Sigma_3)$										
Node 1:Intercept[ $\beta_{i1}$ ])	0.127				0.120				0.280	
Node 2:Intercept $[\beta_{i2}]$ )	0.383	0.410			0.256	0.439			0.578	0.305
AIC	180287				182397				1711679	
BIC	180579				182664				1711861	

Note. - indicates that an effect is not modelled; Values in bold indicates significance at the 5% level for fixed effects.

# Model Comparisons regarding Linear and Quadratic Trend Effects in an Empirical Study

We added a quadratic effect to Model 2 (called Model 2-Quadratic) to investigate unmodelled trend effects with the linear trend effect only. As presented in Table A.2, results of Model 2 and Model 2-Quadratic are similar and the fixed quadratic trend estimate is near 0.

Table A.2 Estimates (Standard Errors) of the Dynamic IRTree Model for an Empirical Study with a Quadratic Trend Effect

	Mo	del 2	Model 2-Quadratic			
	Node 1	Node 2	Node 1	Node 2		
Fixed Effects			,			
Intercept $[\gamma_1]$	<b>0.095</b> (0.021)	1.313(0.052)	<b>0.190</b> (0.023)	1.135(0.055)		
$AR(1)ylag[\lambda]$	4.181(0.013)	<b>5.173</b> (0.031)	<b>4.181</b> (0.013)	<b>5.151</b> (0.031)		
$LinearTrend[\zeta_1]$	<b>0.006</b> (0.000)	<b>0.031</b> (0.001)	0.006(0.000)	<b>0.030</b> (0.001)		
QuadraticTrend[ $\zeta_2$ ]	` -	` _	<b>-0.00009</b> (0.00001)	0.00023(0.00002)		
Privileged[ $\gamma_2$ ]	0.005(0.021)	0.071(0.046)	0.005(0.021)	0.064(0.047)		
$Contrast[\gamma_3]$	<b>0.050</b> (0.013)	<b>-0.386</b> (0.034)	0.050(0.013)	<b>-0.386</b> (0.034)		

	Model 2				Model 2-Quadratic			
	SD	Corr			SD	Corr		
Random Effects								
$Trial(\Sigma_1)$								
Node $1(\delta_{lii1})$	_				-			
Node $2(\delta_{lji2})$	0.094				0.126			
$Person(\Sigma_2)$								
Node 1:Intercept[ $\theta_{i1}$ ])	0.172				0.172			
Node 2:Intercept $[\theta_{i2}]$ )	0.267	0.71			0.275	0.67		
Node 1:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1i1}$ ]	0.115	-0.36	-0.18		0.115	-0.37	-0.15	
Node 2:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1i2}$ ]	0.227	-0.14	-0.25	0.93	0.233	-0.14	-0.26	0.91
Item $(\Sigma_3)$								
Node 1:Intercept[ $\beta_{i1}$ ])	0.127				0.127			
Node 2:Intercept $\beta_{i2}$	0.383	0.41			0.389	0.38		

Note. - indicates that an effect is not modelled; Values in bold indicates significance at the 5% level for fixed effects.

# Results of the Simulation Study

 ${\it Table A.3 Results of the Dynamic IRTree Model for the Simulation Study: Question (c)}\\$ 

		Model 3 (True)				Model 2 (Misspecified)				
	Bias	RMSE	SD	M(SE)	Bias	RMSE	SD	M(SE)		
Fixed Effects								· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Node 1:Intercept[ $\gamma_{11}$ ]	0.000	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.000	0.019	0.019	0.019		
Node 2:Intercept $[\gamma_{12}]$	0.006	0.046	0.046	0.045	0.004	0.045	0.045	0.045		
Node 1: $AR(1)$ ylag[ $\lambda_1$ ]	-				0.000	0.002	0.002	0.002		
Node $2:AR(1)$ ylag[ $\lambda_2$ ]	-				0.000	0.005	0.005	0.004		
Node 1:Trend $[\zeta_1]$	-				0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
Node 2:Trend $[\zeta_2]$	-				0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
Node 1:Privileged[ $\gamma_{21}$ ]	0.001	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.001	0.005	0.005	0.005		
Node 2:Privileged[ $\gamma_{22}$ ]	0.001	0.009	0.009	0.009	0.001	0.009	0.009	0.009		
Node 1:Contrast[ $\gamma_{31}$ ]	0.000	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.001	0.003	0.003	0.003		
Node 2:Contrast[ $\gamma_{32}$ ]	0.001	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.001	0.007	0.007	0.007		
Random Effects										
$Trial(\Sigma_1)$										
Node 2:Intercept[ $\delta_{lii2}$ ]	-0.085	0.085			-0.085	0.085				
$Person(\Sigma_2)$										
Node 1:Intercept $[\theta_{i1}]$ )	0.000	0.004			0.000	0.004				
Node 2:Intercept $[\theta_{i2}]$ )	-0.001	0.009			0.000	0.009				
Node 1:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1j1}$ ]	-				0.000	0.000				
Node 2:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1j2}$ ]	-				0.000	0.000				
Covariance(s)	0.000	0.005			0.000	0.001				
Item $(\Sigma_3)$										
Node 1:Intercept[ $\beta_{i1}$ ])	0.000	0.002			0.000	0.002				
Node 2:Intercept $[\beta_{i2}]$ )	0.000	0.018			-0.001	0.018				
Covariance	0.000	0.005			0.000	0.005				

Note. - indicates that an effect is not modelled; SD indicates the standard deviations of the estimates across 200 replications; SE indicates the mean standard error estimates across 200 replications, which are available for the fixed effects; average bias and RMSE across covariances of random person effects are reported.

Table A.4 Results of the Dynamic IRTree Model for the Simulation Study: Question (d)

		Model 4	(True)			Model 2 (N	disspecified)	
	Bias	RMSE	SD	M(SE)	Bias	RMSE	SD	M(SE)
Fixed Effects	•							
Node 1:Intercept[ $\gamma_{11}$ ]	-0.001	0.025	0.025	0.023	-0.106	0.108	0.022	0.021
Node 2:Intercept[ $\gamma_{12}$ ]	-0.003	0.055	0.056	0.054	0.182	0.191	0.058	0.051
Node 1: $AR(1)$ ylag[ $\lambda_1$ ]	-0.002	0.012	0.012	0.013	-0.016	0.020	0.012	0.012
Node $2:AR(1)$ ylag $[\lambda_2]$	-0.002	0.033	0.033	0.034	0.052	0.063	0.035	0.034
Node 1:LinearTrend[ $\zeta_{11}$ ]	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Node 2:LinearTrend $[\zeta_{12}]$	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.003	0.003	0.001	0.001
Node 1:QuadraticTrend[ $\zeta_{21}$ ]	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-			
Node 2:QuadraticTrend $[\zeta_{22}]$	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-			
Node 1:Privileged[ $\gamma_{21}$ ]	0.003	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.003	0.018	0.018	0.020
Node 2:Privileged[ $\gamma_{22}$ ]	0.008	0.033	0.032	0.035	0.006	0.034	0.034	0.034
Node 1:Contrast[ $\gamma_{31}$ ]	0.001	0.013	0.013	0.013	0.001	0.013	0.013	0.013
Node 2:Contrast[ $\gamma_{32}$ ]	0.002	0.022	0.022	0.022	0.003	0.026	0.022	0.022
Random Effects								
$Trial(\Sigma_1)$	-0.086	0.086			-0.087	0.087		
Node 2:Intercept[ $\delta_{lji2}$ ]								
$Person(\Sigma_2)$								
Node 1:Intercept $[\theta_{j1}]$ )	0.000	0.005			0.000	0.006		
Node 2:Intercept $[\theta_{j2}]$ )	0.001	0.021			-0.007	0.021		
Node 1:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1j1}$ ]	0.000	0.003			0.000	0.003		
Node 2:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1j2}$ ]	0.007	0.020			0.010	0.024		
Covariances	0.000	0.007			0.001	0.006		
$Item (\Sigma_3)$								
Node 1:Intercept[ $\beta_{i1}$ ])	0.000	0.003			0.000	0.003		
Node 2:Intercept[ $\beta_{i2}$ ])	-0.003	0.026			-0.006	0.024		
Covariance	0.001	0.007			0.000	0.006		

Note. - indicates that an effect is not modelled; SD indicates the standard deviations of the estimates across 200 replications; SE indicates the mean standard error estimates across 200 replications, which are available for the fixed effects; average bias and RMSE across covariances of random person effects are reported.

# Patterns of Trends, Autocorrelations, and Partial Autocorrelations

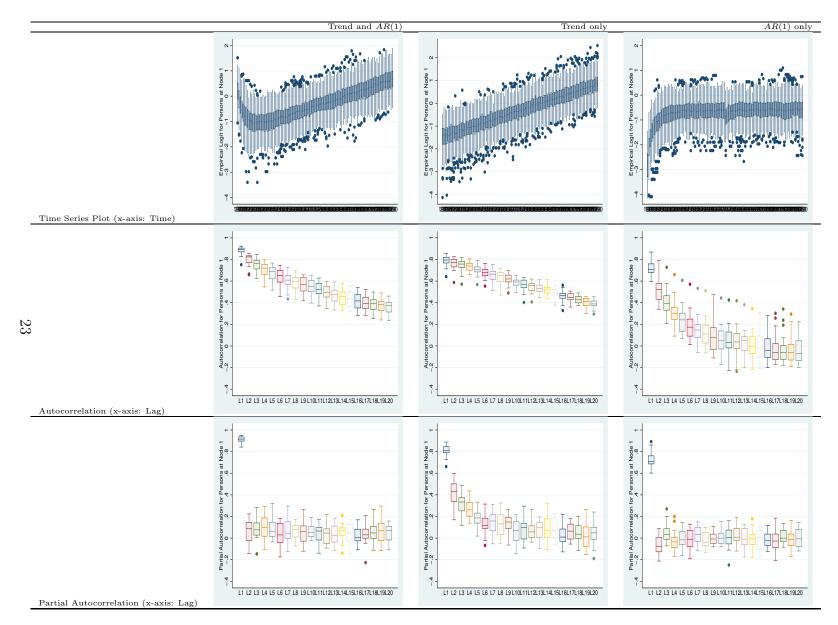
We provided the patterns of the trend, autocorrelation, and partial autocorrelation in the presence of trend and AR(1) (Model 2 in Table 4 of the manuscript), trend only (Model 2 without the AR(1) effects), and AR(1) only (Model 2 without the trend effect) using 50 simulated data sets under the dynamic IRTree model. Estimates reported in Table A.1 were considered true parameters. In order to explore change processes, logit-transformed proportion measures for each person j at a time point t ( $ln\frac{P_{tjr}}{1-P_{tjr}}$ ) and logit-transformed measures (called empirical logit) for each item i at a time point t ( $ln\frac{P_{tjr}}{1-P_{tjr}}$ ) were calculated based on binary response  $y^*_{tljir}$  for each node in the tree. The  $P_{tjr}$  and  $P_{tir}$  were calculated as follows:  $P_{tjr} = (\sum_{l}^{L} \sum_{i=1}^{I} y^*_{tljir})/LI$  and  $P_{tir} = (\sum_{l}^{L} \sum_{j=1}^{J} y^*_{tljir})/LJ$ . We found similar patterns in the trend, autocorrelation, and partial autocorrelation for persons, items, and nodes, across 50 replications. Thus, below, we present the patterns for persons at Node 1 from one replication data set. Individual differences in the trend, autocorrelation, and partial autocorrelation were presented using box plots on the figure. For example, in the figures on the top panel, there are 112 box plots (for 112 time points).

When there is trend in time series, the autocorrelations for small lags tend to be large and positive because observations nearby in time are also close by in size (Chatfield, 2004). Thus, they have positive values that slowly decrease as the lags increase. We observed the same pattern in our study. The *partial* autocorrelations can be used to investigate the order of AR. As shown in Figure A.5, there are distinct patterns in the trend, autocorrelation, and partial autocorrelation in the presence of trend and AR(1), trend only, and AR(1) only.

• When there are trend and AR(1) (as in our empirical study), the following is observed: (a) the linear pattern is observed in the time series plot (although there is some deviance from the linear function in the first few time points), (b) the autocorrelations for small lags are large and positive and they slowly decreased, and (c) the partial autocorrelations with the order of 1 are clearly larger than 0 and those with a larger lag are nearly 0.

- When there is trend only, the following patterns are evident: (a) the linear pattern is observed in the time series plot, (b) the autocorrelations are large and positive and slowly decreases, and (c) the partial autocorrelations are large and positive for small lags (unlike in the presence of AR).
- When there is AR only, the patterns are: (a) although there is some increasing pattern in first few time points, overall pattern is that there is no clear increasing or decreasing pattern over time, (b) the autocorrelation exponentially decreases to 0 as the lag increases (unlike in the presence of trend), and (c) the partial autocorrelations with the order of 1 are clearly larger than 0 and those with a larger lag are nearly 0 (unlike in the presence of trend).

Although these results are based on a limited condition similar to our empirical study, similar patterns in the autocorrelation and partial autocorrelations were found regarding the presence of trend and AR (e.g., Chatfield, 2004) corroborating our diagnostic approach. In the time series plot, the shape of the change pattern can be observed. As shown in the simulation study, ignoring small deviations from the overall trend pattern (i.e., the linear pattern) did not lead to biased results for the experimental condition effects.



 $Figure\ A.6$  Patterns of trends, autocorrelations, and partial autocorrelations.

# Comparability between Laplace Approximation and Bayesian Analysis for the Dynamic IRTree Model

In this section, we provide comparability of estimates and statistical inference between Laplace approximation implemented in the glmer function and Bayesian analysis using Stan (Carpenter et al., 2017).

Bayesian analysis. The rStan (an R package that interfaces with Stan in R) is recently developed software implementing the no-U-turn sampler (Hoffman & Gelman, 2014), which is an extension to the Hamiltonian Monte Carlo (HMC; Neal, 2011) algorithm. Prior and hyper-prior distributions were specified in rStan as follows:

$$\lambda_r \sim N(0, 1, 000),$$
 $\zeta_r \sim N(0, 1, 000),$ 
 $\gamma_r \sim N(0, 1, 000),$ 
 $\Sigma_{1(1\times 1)} \sim Cauchy(0, 5),$ 
 $\Sigma_{2(4\times 4)} \sim Inverse - Wishart(4, I_4),$ 

and

$$\Sigma_{3(2\times 2)} \sim Inverse - Wishart(2, I_2).$$

In the inverse-Wishart distributions,  $I_D$  indicates the unit matrix of size D and the degrees of freedom  $\nu$  is set to D as the rank of the random effects to represent vague prior knowledge. Stan code for Model 2 is written as follows:

```
data {
  int R; // number of observations
  int T; // number of trials
  int J; // number of persons
  int I; // number of items

int trialnum[R]; // trial indicator
  int subject[R]; // person indicator
```

```
// item indicator
  int item1[R];
  int node1[R];
                   // Node 1 indicator
  int node2[R];
                    // Node 2 indicator
  real privileged1[R];
                         // independent variable
  real contrast[R];
                          // independent variable
                           // independent variable
  real ctime1[R];
                           // lag
  int clag1[R];
  int<lower=0, upper=1> c[R]; // dependent variable
  vector[4] Zero1;
  matrix[4,4] Omega1;
  vector[2] Zero2;
  matrix[2,2] Omega2;
parameters {
//fixed
   vector[2] zeta;
   vector[2] gamma1;
   vector[2] gamma2;
   vector[2] gamma3;
   vector[2] gamma4;
//random
  real delta[T];
  real<lower=0> sigmat;
  vector[4] theta[J]; // [J,4] dim matrix for theta
  cov_matrix[4] Rth;
  vector[2] beta[I]; // [I,2] dim matrix for beta
  cov_matrix[2] Rbe;
}
model {
  //priors
  zeta ~ normal(0,1000);
  gamma1 ~ normal(0,1000);
  gamma2 ~ normal(0,1000);
gamma3 ~ normal(0,1000);
gamma4 ~ normal(0,1000);
  sigmat ~ cauchy(0,5);
  Rth ~ inv_wishart(4, Omega1);
Rbe ~ inv_wishart(2, Omega2);
  //random effects
  for (t in 1:T) delta[t] ~ normal(0, sigmat);
  for (j in 1:J) {
    theta[j] ~ multi_normal(Zero1, Rth);
  for (i in 1:I){
beta[i] ~ multi_normal(Zero2, Rbe);
  }
for (r in 1:R){
```

For convergence diagnostics, the potential scale reduction factor (PSRF; Gelman & Rubin, 1992) was considered with two chains, and the PSRF value of 1.01 was used as a threshold to indicate model convergence (Gelman et el., 2014). In the selected model, significance of fixed effects was tested using a 95% highest posterior density (HPD) interval. When the HPD interval did not include 0, the fixed effects were considered significantly different from 0.

Results. 3,000 iterations were run and the first 100 iterations were discarded as a burn-in period. About 172 hours (user time in R) were required on a 2.81GHz computer with 16.0 GB of RAM to obtain the 3,000 iterations with the two chains. As posterior moment, the posterior mean and the standard deviation are reported because the posterior distribution is symmetric. Because Stan output provides results up to the second decimal points, results from glmer rounded up to two decimal points are reported. As shown in Table 1, estimates and statistical inference of fixed effects from Bayesian analysis and Laplace approximation are comparable.

 $\label{lem:comparability} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table A.5 & Comparability of Estimates (Standard Error) [HPD Interval] and Statistical Inference between Bayesian Analysis and Laplace Approximation for Model 2 in Table 4 \\ \end{tabular}$ 

	Ba	Laplace			
	Node 1	Node 1	Node 2		
Fixed Effects					
Intercept[ $\gamma_1$ ]	<b>0.10</b> (0.02)[0.05,0.15]	<b>1.34</b> (0.05)[1.23,1.44]	<b>0.10</b> (0.02)	1.31(0.05)	
$AR(1)$ ylag $[\lambda_Y]$	<b>4.19</b> (0.02)[4.16,4.22]	<b>5.23</b> (0.03)[5.16,5.29]	<b>4.18</b> (0.01)	<b>5.17</b> (0.03)	
$\operatorname{Trend}[\zeta]$	<b>0.01</b> (0.00)[0.01,0.01]	<b>0.03</b> (0.00)[0.03,0.03]	<b>0.01</b> (0.00)	<b>0.03</b> (0.00)	
Privileged[ $\gamma_2$ ]	0.00(0.02)[-0.04, 0.04]	0.07(0.05)[-0.02, 0.16]	0.01(0.02)	0.07(0.05)	
$Contrast[\gamma_3]$	<b>0.05</b> (0.01)[0.03,0.08]	<b>-0.38</b> (0.03)[-0.45,-0.32]	<b>0.05</b> (0.01)	<b>-0.39</b> (0.03)	

	Bayesian				La	aplace		
	SD	Corr			SD	Corr		
Random Effects								
$Trial(\Sigma_1)$								
Node $1(\delta_{lji1})$	-				-			
Node $2(\delta_{lji2})$	0.11				0.09			
$Person(\tilde{\Sigma}_2)$								
Node 1:Intercept[ $\theta_{i1}$ ])	0.20				0.17			
Node 2:Intercept $[\theta_{j2}]$ )	0.30	0.67			0.27	0.71		
Node 1:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1j1}$ ]	0.17	-0.29	-0.20		0.12	-0.36	-0.18	
Node 2:AR(1)ylag[ $\lambda_{1j2}$ ]	0.26	-0.19	-0.13	0.90	0.23	-0.14	-0.25	0.93
Item $(\Sigma_3)$								
Node 1:Intercept[ $\beta_{i1}$ ])	0.15				0.13			
Node 2:Intercept[ $\beta_{i2}$ ])	0.41	0.42			0.38	0.41		

Note. - indicates that an effect is not modelled; Values in bold indicates significance at the 5% level for fixed effects.

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