

# DR. BENEDIKT LANGENBERG

RESEARCHER - STATISTICIAN - DATA SCIENTIST

## CONTACTS

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## SKILLS

### Programming:

R · Python (pandas, numpy, scikit-learn) · SAS · stan · SQL · SPSS · JAVA · GPT API · git

### Statistical Modeling:

generalized linear mixed models · regularized regression · piecewise-regression · decision trees · random forests · time-series models · structural equation models · support vector regression · clustering · mixture models · latent class & profile analysis · PCA · factor analysis · survival analysis · monte carlo methods · propensity scores · weighting · mediation · missing data · meta-analysis

### Data Visualization:

ggplot2 · seaborn · matplotlib · shiny dashboard

### Research:

study planning · survey development · hypothesis testing · interpretation · scientific reporting · clinical trials

## EDUCATION

### PhD Quantitative Psychology

cum laude

Bielefeld University, Germany (2022)

### MSc Statistical Data Analysis

cum laude

Ghent University, Belgium (2021)

### MSc Psychology

cum laude

RWTH Aachen University, Germany (2017)

### BSc Computer Science

RWTH Aachen University, Germany (2017)

### BSc Psychology

RWTH Aachen University, Germany (2014)

## LANGUAGES

German   
English   
Dutch 

## EXPERIENCE

### Founder | Consultant

BLAnalytics - Data Consultancy, The Netherlands

Since 04/2025

- Provide expert **consultation** in **statistical modeling, data science, and study planning** for academic and industry clients
- **Develop and deliver tailored workshops** on advanced statistical methods and tools (e.g., **R, Python**)
- Translate methodological expertise into practical, reproducible workflows and training materials

### Assistant Professor of Methodology & Statistics

Methodology & Statistics, Faculty of Health, Medicine & Life Sciences, Maastricht University, The Netherlands

Since 09/2023

- Provided **consultation on study design and statistical methodology** for research projects and proposals in health, medicine and life sciences
- Developed statistical methods for **intensive longitudinal** and **panel data**
- **Developed statistical software packages** and dashboards using **R** and **Python**
- Applied **ML** for **subgroup discovery** in clinical studies
- **Supervised eight junior researchers** in statistics and research methodology
- Led **workshops on data science** for health, medicine & life sciences

### Postdoctoral Researcher

Psychological Methods, Bielefeld University, Germany

05/2022 - 08/2023

- Provided **statistical consultation** on multidisciplinary research projects
- Conducted **Monte Carlo simulations** to assess model performance
- Applied **ML techniques** to medical datasets in **R** and **Python**
- **Developed custom R packages** and provided methodological consulting

### Research Scholar

Department of Psychology, San Diego State University, CA, USA

02/2021 - 04/2021

- Research Project: **Bayesian estimation** of treatment effects in experiments
- **Statistical programming** with **R** and **stan**

### Research Associate

Bielefeld University & RWTH Aachen University, Germany

03/2018 - 05/2022

- **Dissertation:** "Repeated measures ANOVA with latent variables: A new approach based on structural equation modeling"
- **Development of statistical methods** for latent variables modeling in experiments
- **Statistical programming** with **R** and **stan**

### UX Researcher

Allround Team GmbH (Ford Supplier), Cologne, Germany

02/2016 - 02/2018

- Conducted **usability and UX testing** for **human-machine interaction** and driver assistance systems
- Designed and ran **UX studies** in both **driving simulators** and real-world settings
- **Analyzed survey** and **behavioral data**

### Startup Project Lead

Probantoo – Participant Scheduling Portal

09/2013 - 12/2016

- **Web-based platform** for **participant scheduling** for clinical and psychological studies in academic research
- Recipient of the **Mobile Solutions Award** (€10,000) by **adesso AG** and the **University of Duisburg-Essen** (Germany)
- Modeled **entity relationships** and system logic for participant, study, and time slot management
- Used **modeling frameworks** to translate requirements to the developer team

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## FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS

### raise: R and AI for Statistical Education

Open Science Grant, Maastricht University, The Netherlands

2025

- Own role: Main Applicant
- Amount granted: 4,000 €

### Latent Multilevel Structural Equation Models for Experimental Designs Using Maximum Likelihood and Bayesian Methods (MA 7702/1-2)

German Research Foundation (German: Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, DFG)

2021

- Main Applicant: Dr. Axel Mayer
- Own role: Significant support in the preparation and writing of the application (follow-up application to DFG project MA 7702/1-1, i.e., topic of my dissertation)
- Amount granted: 320,750 €
- <https://gepris.dfg.de/gepris/projekt/386867729?language=en>

### Research scholarship for PhD students for a three-months research visit at San Diego State University

German Academic Exchange Service (German: Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, DAAD)

2020

- Own role: Main Applicant
- Amount granted: 5,922 €

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## AWARDS AND HONORS

### Competitive travel grant for the "Open Science Retreat 2024" in Schoorl, The Netherlands

Open Science Community Netherlands

2024

- Amount granted: 500 €

### Competitive travel grant for the "9th European Congress of Methodology" in Valencia, Spain

European Association of Methodology

2021

- Amount granted: 750 €

### Competitive travel grant for the "Research Synthesis & Big Data Conference 2019" in Dubrovnik, Croatia

Leibniz Institute for Psychology (ZPID), Germany

2019

- Amount granted: 500 €

### Recipient of the Springorum Commemorative Coin

Friends of the RWTH Aachen University (German: Förderverein der RWTH Aachen)

2017

- Award given to the best 10% of students

### Award recipient of the "Mobile Solutions Award"

adesso AG and University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany

2016

- Amount granted: 10,000 €
- Innovation contest within the framework of mobile applications

### Recipient of the German Scholarship (German: Deutschlandstipendium)

Educational Funds, RWTH Aachen University

2015

- Amount granted: 3,600€
- Merit-based Scholarship equally financed by the German government and commercial companies

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Refereed Journal Articles

- Langenberg, B.**, Helm, J. L., McCabe, C. J., Günther, T., & Mayer, A. (under review). Interindividual Differences and Intraindividual Variability in Custom Contrasts: Leveraging Dynamic Structural Equation Modeling for Analyzing Experimental Factorial Designs. <https://osf.io/7wdfv/>
- Langenberg, B.**, Helm, J. L., & Mayer, A. (2024). Bayesian Analysis of Multi-Factorial Experimental Designs Using SEM. *Multivariate behavioral research*, 59(4), 716–737. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00273171.2024.2315557>
- Helm, J. L., **Langenberg, B.**, Grossman, E., Poulin, J., & Mayer, A. (2022). Using structural equation modeling in place of between-subjects analysis of variance. *Structural Equation Modeling: A Multidisciplinary Journal*, 1–9. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10705511.2022.2033977>
- Kiefer, C., Lemmerich, F., **Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2022). Subgroup discovery in structural equation models. *Psychological Methods*, 29(6), 1025–1045. <https://doi.org/10.1037/met0000524>
- Langenberg, B.**, Helm, J. L., & Mayer, A. (2022). Repeated measures ANOVA with latent variables to analyze interindividual differences in contrasts. *Multivariate Behavioral Research*, 57(1), 2–19. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00273171.2020.1803038>
- Langenberg, B.**, Janczyk, M., Koob, V., Kliegl, R., & Mayer, A. (2022). A tutorial on using the paired t-test for power calculations in repeated measures ANOVA with interactions. *Behavior Research Methods*, 55(5), 2467–2484. <https://doi.org/10.3758/s13428-022-01902-8>
- Langenberg, B.**, Wurpts, I. C., Geuke, G. G. M., & Onghena, P. (2022). Estimating and testing causal mediation effects in single-case experimental designs using state-space modeling. *Evaluation & the Health Professions*, 45(1), 8–21. <https://doi.org/10.1177/01632787211067533>

### Refereed Book Chapters

- Mayer, A., Kiefer, C., **Langenberg, B.**, & Lemmerich, F. (2021). Using subgroup discovery and latent growth curve modeling to identify unusual developmental trajectories. In U. Engel, A. Quan-Haase, S. X. Liu, & L. Lyberg (Eds.), *Handbook of computational social science, volume 2: Data science, statistical modelling, and machine learning methods* (pp. 244–266). Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003025245>

### Refereed Proceedings Articles

- Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2022). Differences in longitudinal trajectories between groups - the multi-group latent growth components approach. *Proceedings of the 9th European Congress of Methodology*. <https://doi.org/10.7203/PUV-OA-438-5>
- Lemmerich, F., Kiefer, C., **Langenberg, B.**, Cacho Aboukhalil, J., & Mayer, A. (2020). Mining exceptional mediation models. *Proceedings of the 25th International Symposium, ISMIS 2020*, 318–328. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-59491-6\\_30](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-59491-6_30)

### Dissertation

- Langenberg, B.** (2022). Repeated measures ANOVA with latent variables: A new approach based on structural equation modeling [Doctoral dissertation, Bielefeld University]. PUB. <https://doi.org/10.4119/unibi/2963576>

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## Software

- Langenberg, B.** (2022). powerANOVA: estimating power in repeated measures ANOVA (Version 0.2) [Computer software]. Retrieved May 18, 2022, from <https://github.com/langenberg/powerANOVA>
- Langenberg, B.** (2021). sccm: Single-case causal mediation analysis (Version 0.1) [Computer software]. Retrieved August 27, 2021, from <https://github.com/langenberg/sccm>
- Langenberg, B.**, Kiefer, C., Lemmerich, F., & Mayer, A. (2020). subgroupsem: An R package for mining exceptional models (Version 0.1) [Computer software]. <https://github.com/langenberg/subgroupsem>
- Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2020). semnova: Latent repeated measures ANOVA (Version 0.2.0) [Computer software]. Retrieved February 4, 2023, from <https://langenberg.github.io/semnova-man>

## Talks

- Langenberg, B.** (2024). *Leveraging Dynamic Structural Equation Modeling for Analyzing Intensive Eye-Tracking Data: An Illustration and Software Development*. 14th International Workshop on Psychometric Computing, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.
- Langenberg, B.** (2023). *The subgroupSEM R Package for Subgroup Discovery in Structural Equation Models*. 13th International Workshop on Psychometric Computing, Zurich, Switzerland.
- Langenberg, B.** (2023). *Using SubgroupSEM for Finding Subgroups with Unique Treatment Effects in Non-Randomized Experiments*. 10th European Congress of Methodology, Valencia, Spain.
- Langenberg, B.** (2022). *Repeated Measures ANOVA with Latent Variables: A New Approach Based on Structural Equation Modeling*. SEMlab, Ghent, Belgium.
- Langenberg, B.**, Helm, J. L., & Mayer, A. (2022). *Bayesian Analysis of Multi-factorial Experimental Designs Using SEM*. 10th Young Researchers Workshop, Zentrum für Statistik, Bielefeld, Germany.
- Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2021). *Implementing sphericity in multivariate latent variable models*. 9th European Congress of Methodology, Valencia, Spain.
- Langenberg, B.**, Wurpts, I. C., Geuke, G. G. M., & Onghena, P. (2021). *Estimating and Testing Causal Mediation Effects in Single-Case Experimental Design*. 9th Young Researchers Workshop, Zentrum für Statistik, Bielefeld, Germany.
- Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2020). *The semnova package for latent repeated measures ANOVA*. 12th International Workshop on Psychometric Computing, Dortmund, Germany.
- Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2019). *Interindividual differences in causal effects from multi-factorial repeated measures experimental designs*. Single Subject Causal Mediation Analysis Workshop, Leiden, Netherlands.
- Langenberg, B.**, Helm, J. L., & Mayer, A. (2019). *Comparing and extending SEM approaches for repeated measures designs*. 14th Conference of the Section Methods and Evaluation of the German Psychological Society, Kiel, Germany.
- Azzam, B., Roscher, B., Schelenz, R., Jacobs, G., **Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2018). *Identification of unexpected patterns and relationships in wind turbine scada data using dynamic structural equation modeling*. 14th EAWC PhD Seminar on Wind Energy, Brussels, Belgium.
- Langenberg, B.**, & Mayer, A. (2018). *Repeated measures ANOVA with latent variables using the latent growth component approach*. 8th European Congress of Methodology, Jena, Germany.