## There is More to Parental Mediation than Restriction: Developing a Differentiated Measure for Need-supportive and Need-thwarting Mediation Practices in Gaming





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Problematic

gaming

Structure

Autonomy-

support

Predictive validity:

regressions

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Control

Chaos

## Parental mediation and communication styles

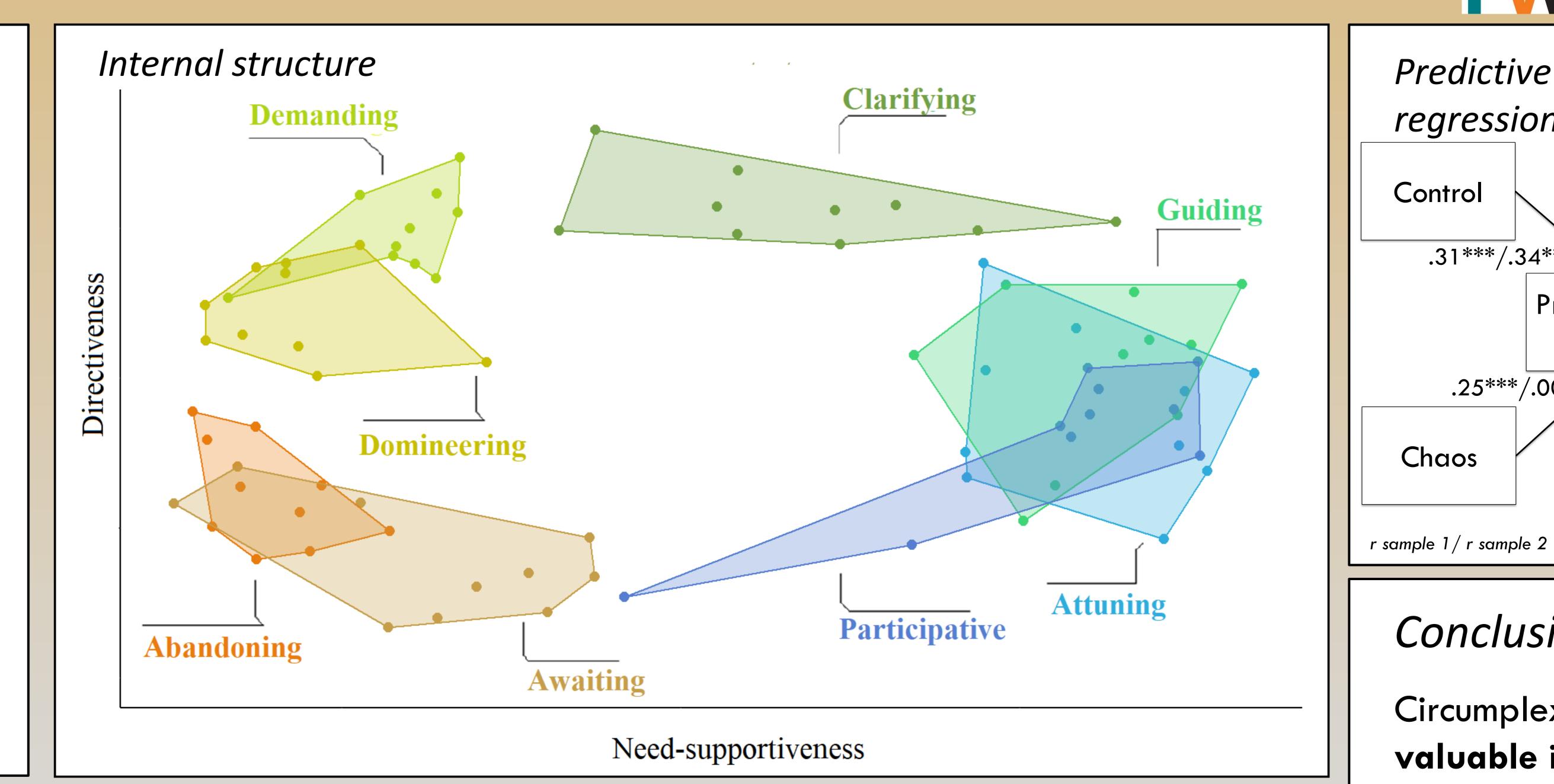
Setting rules on & going into conversation about video gaming: parental mediation

Parental mediation in the domain of gaming is complicated

Previous research: autonomy-support and control in mediation matter

But simple dichotomy and small effects

Circumplex, 2-dimensional model of styles: 8 zones in 4 styles





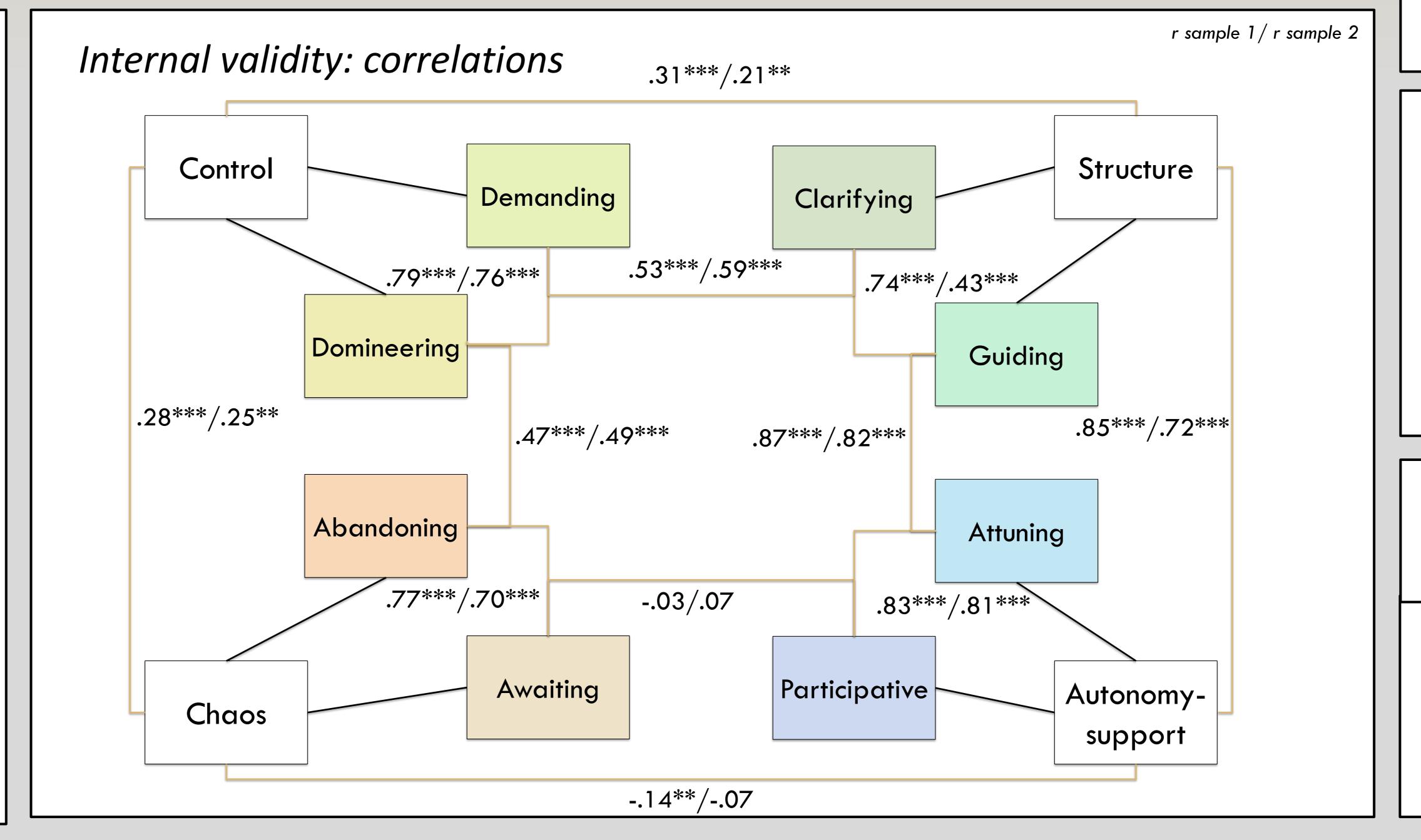
Development of vignette-based questionnaire

12 (sample 1) and 10 (sample 2) given situations on video gaming

Parents had to rate how likely it would be that they would react in 8 given ways, corresponding with each zone

2 samples of adolescent gamers' parents (n1 = 277; n2 = 162)

2<sup>nd</sup> sample: slightly adjusted questionnaire based on previous results



# Conclusion

Circumplex model: valuable in parental mediation on gaming

### Future studies

Do these styles explain additional variance in gaming outcomes?

Direction of effects?

### Interested?

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