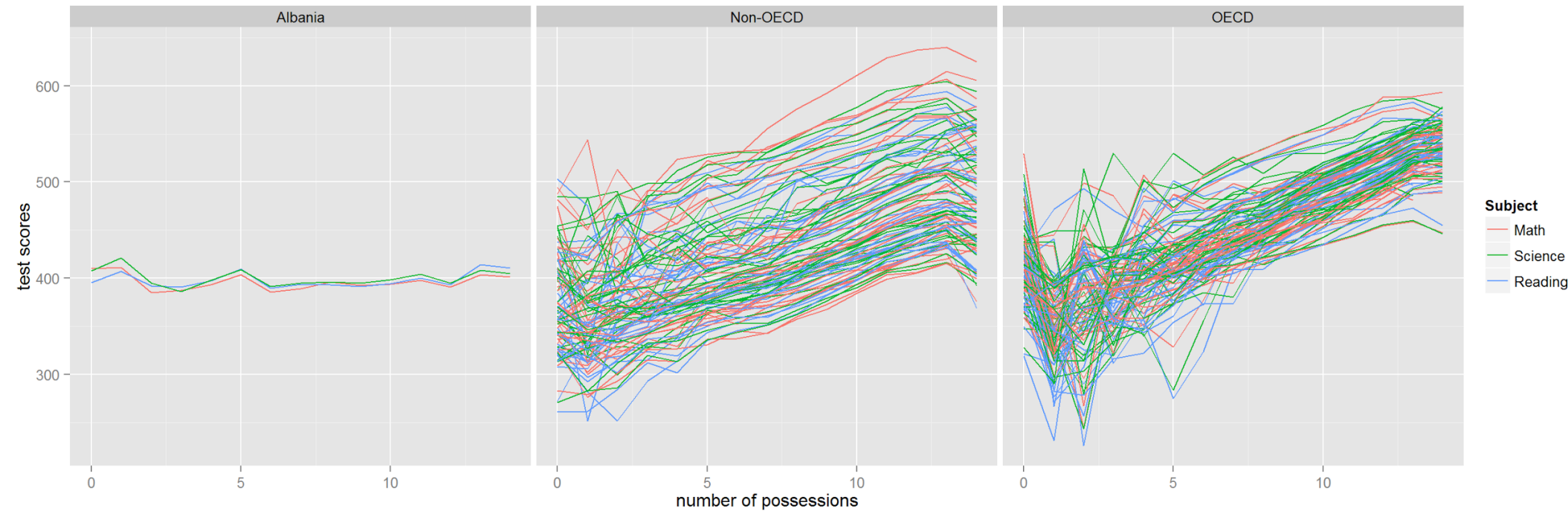


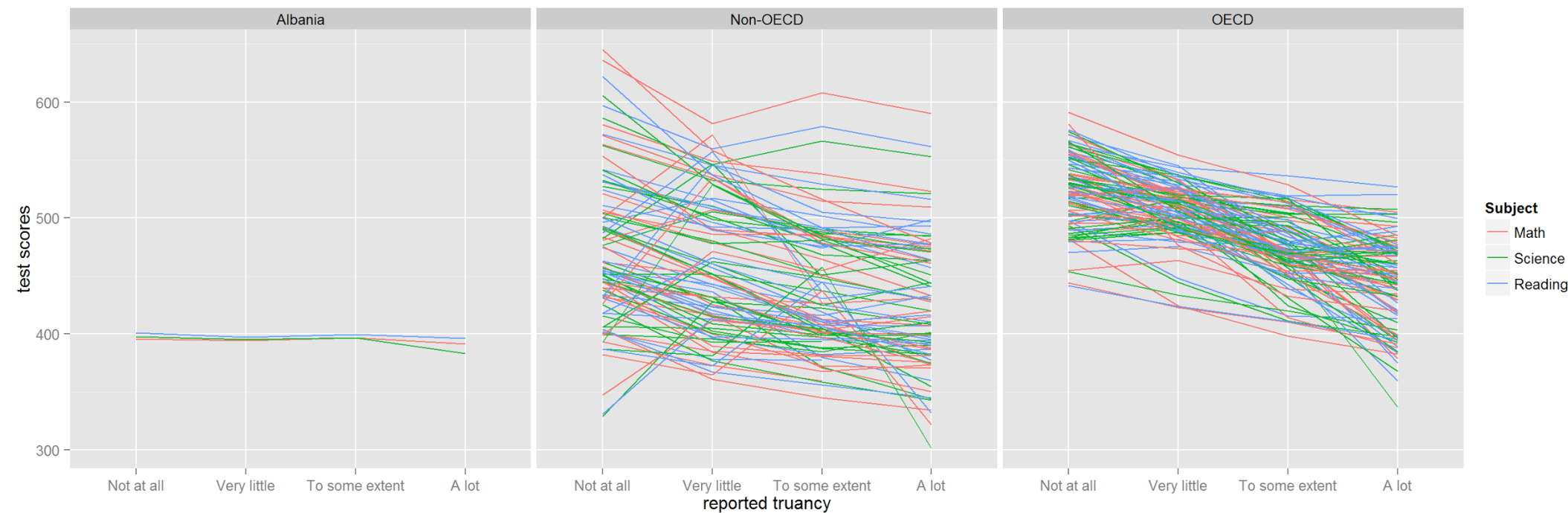
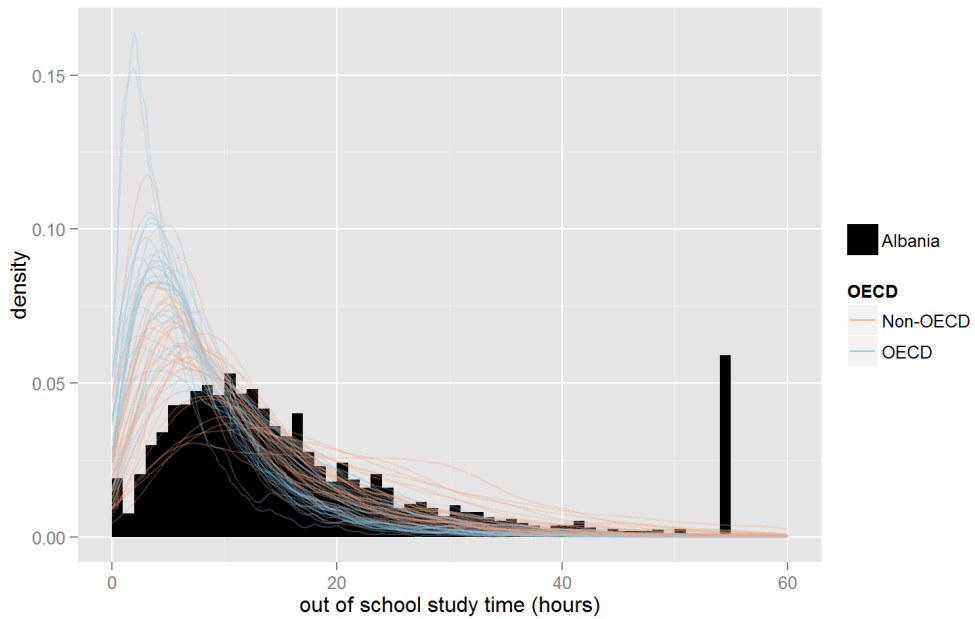
The weird and wacky Republic of Albania

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Albania appears to be an outlier and is not representative of general trends in education. It is the only nation in the dataset to have a strange proportion of students who spent more than 50 hours studying per week.



Among OECD and non-OECD nations, students with more possessions do better in math, reading and science. Similarly schools with lower reported truancy rates do better in all subjects. The only notable exception is from the Republic of Albania; possessions and truancy rates appear unrelated to test scores. The gender gap in Albania is also among the smallest for both math and reading scores.

