

BAYES LECTURE 2

- Latent Variables
 - Errors in Variables
 - Missing Data
- Hierarchical models
- State Space (Hidden Markov) models

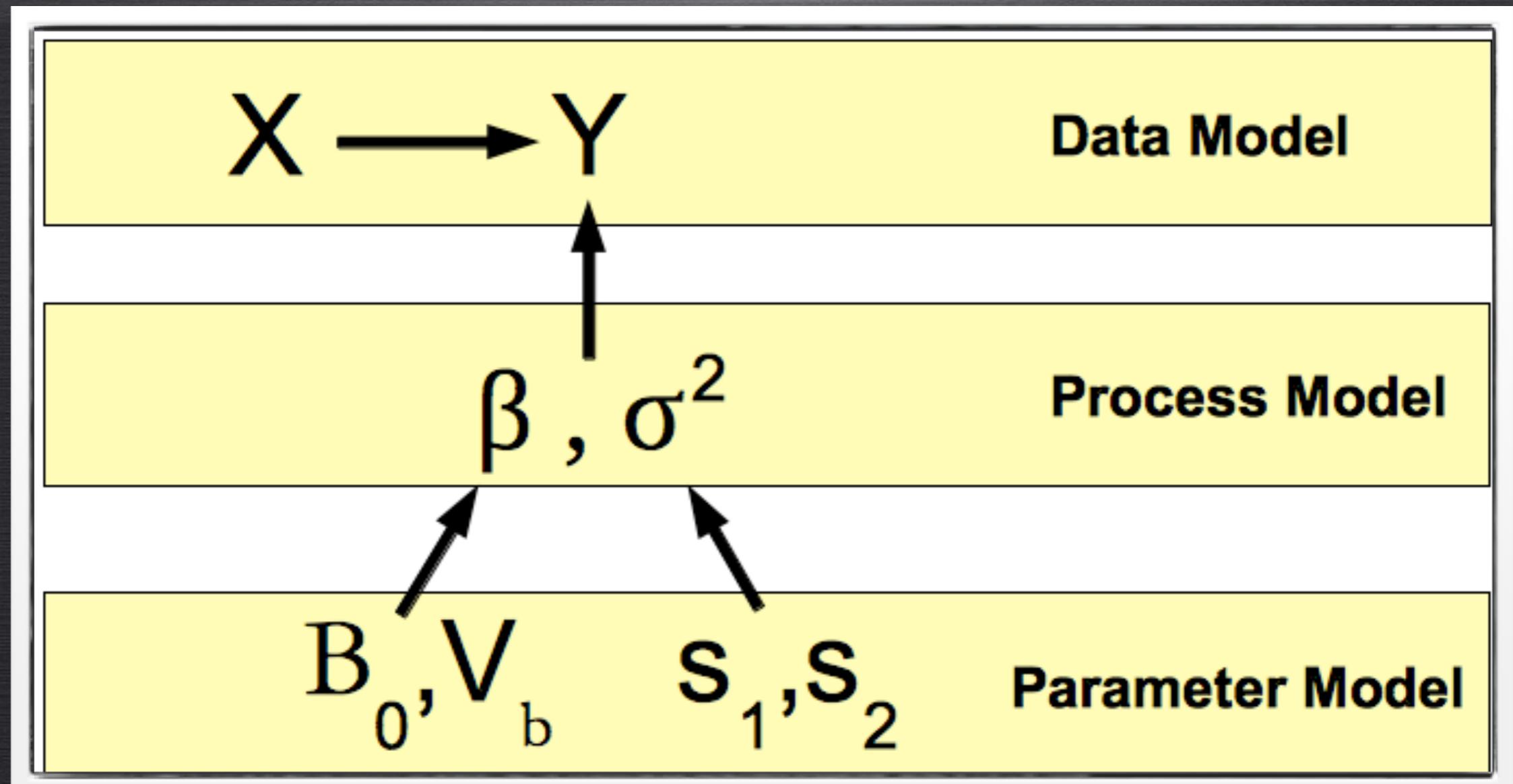
Linear model assumptions

The linear model rests on some important assumptions:

- Errors are additive and normally distributed
- Errors are homoskedastic (don't vary across X s)
- Observations are independent (conditional on the linear predictor)
- Linear (in covariates) mean function
- All error/randomness is in the value of the response (i.e., the X values are precisely known)
- There is no (systematic) missing data

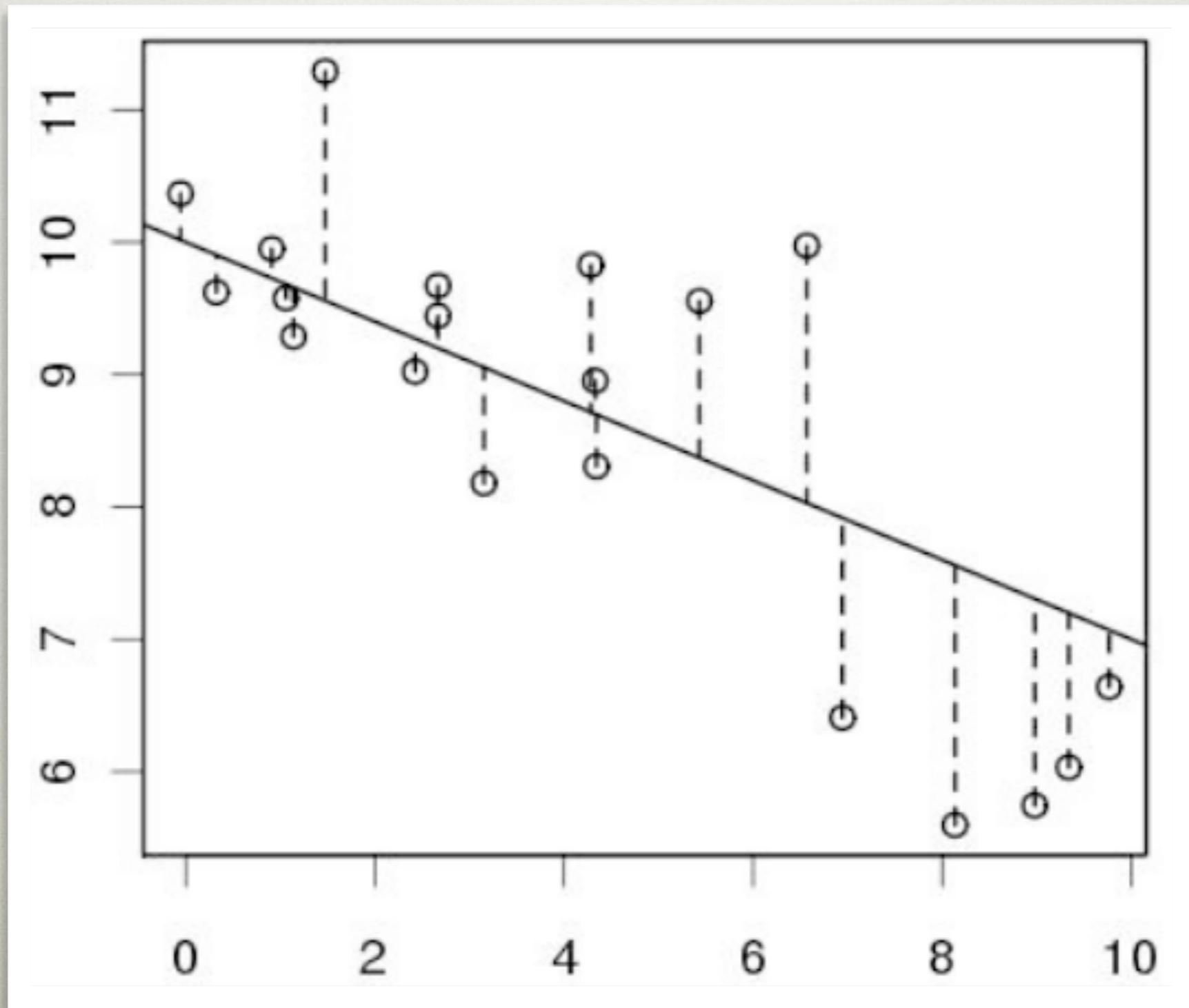
Ecological data rarely conform to these assumptions!

$$\vec{y} \sim N(X\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2)$$

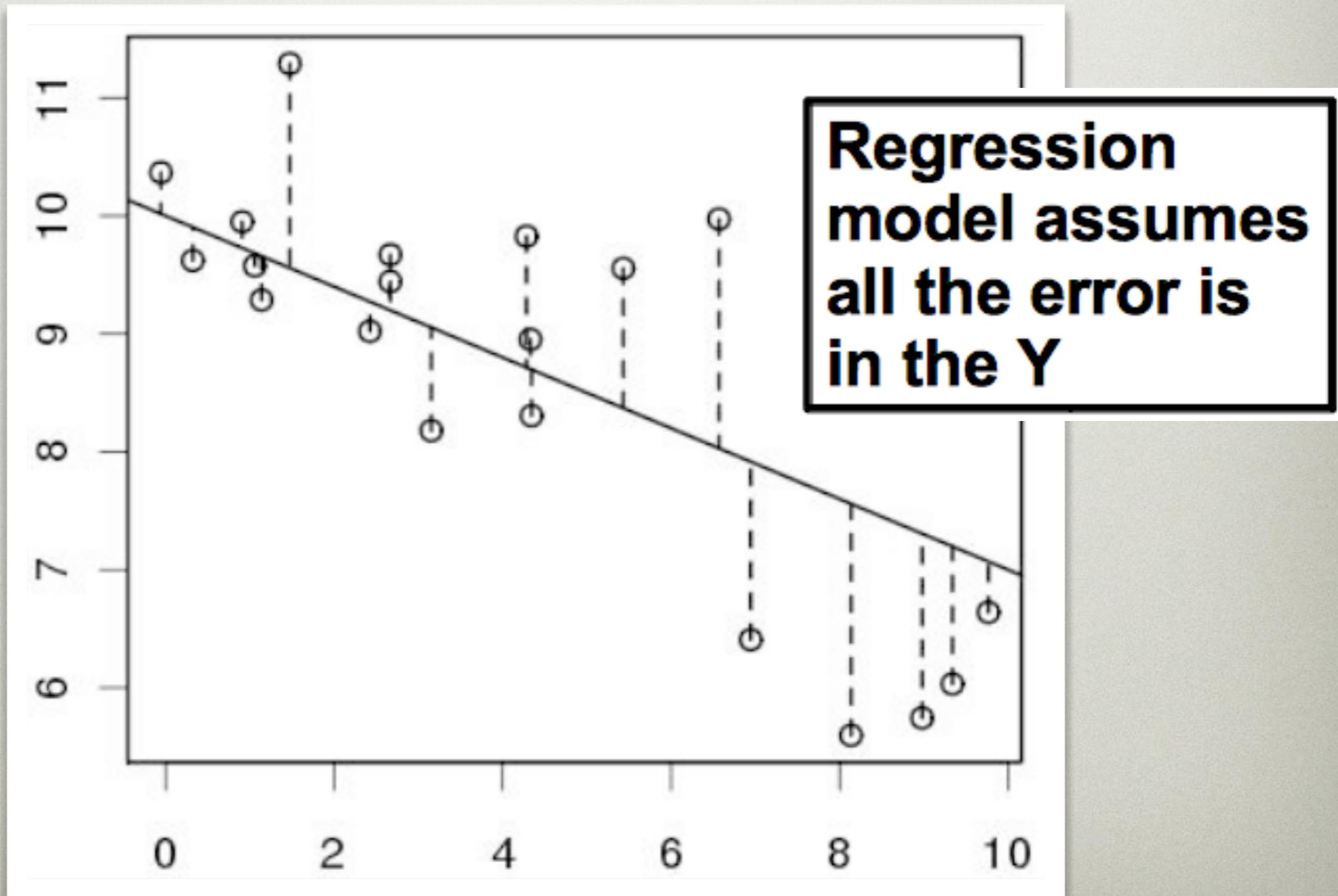


GRAPH NOTATION

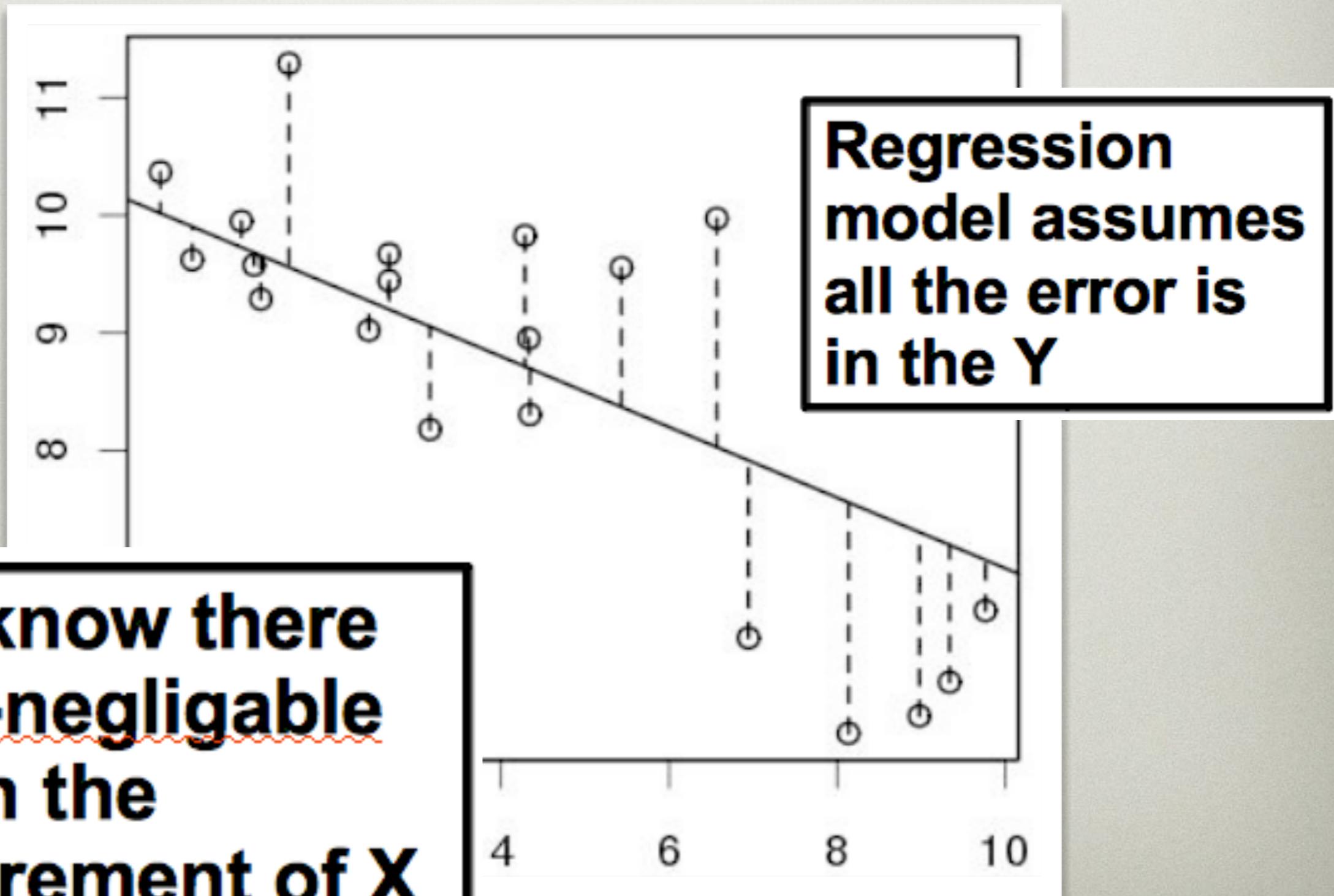
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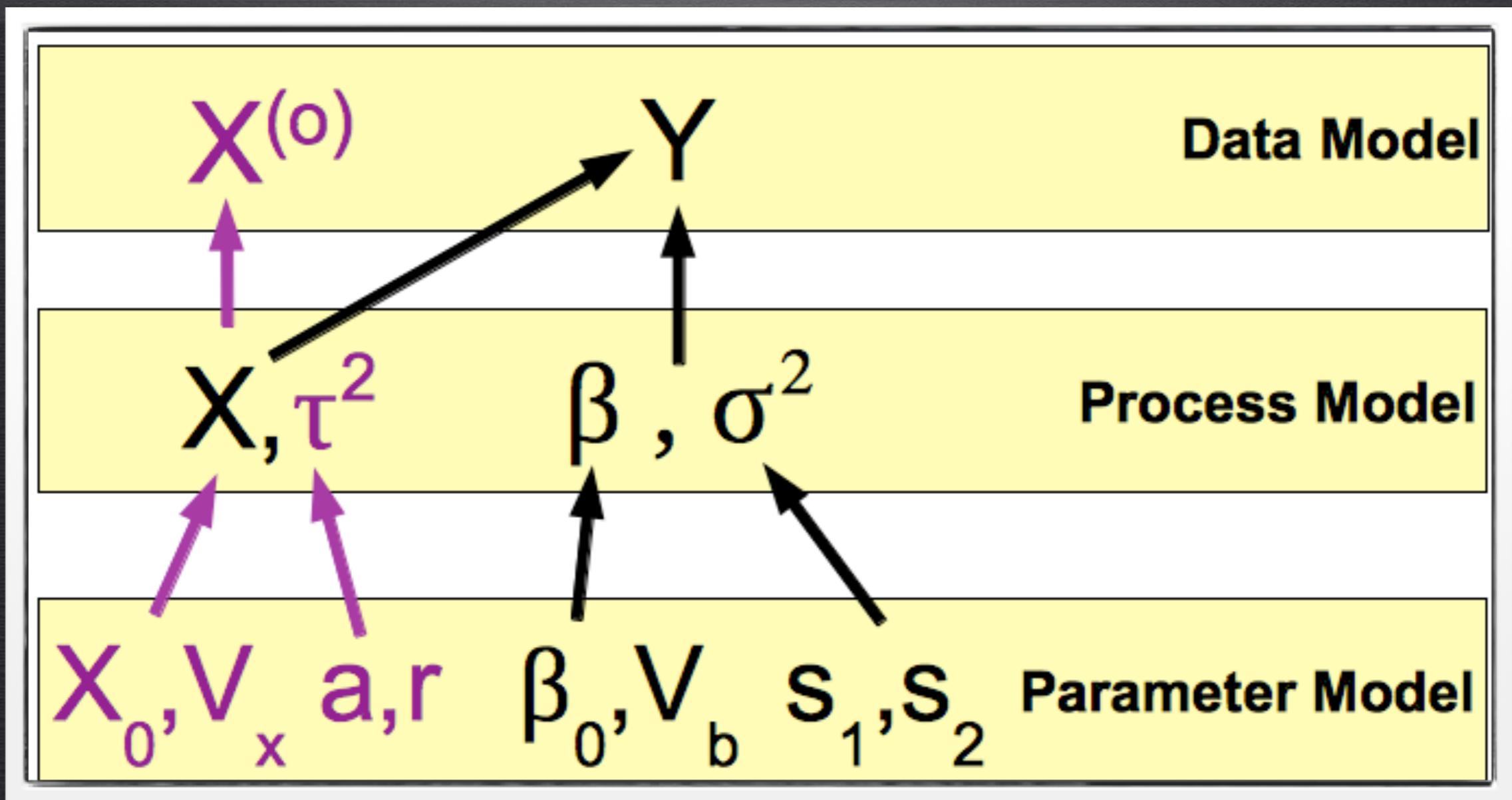


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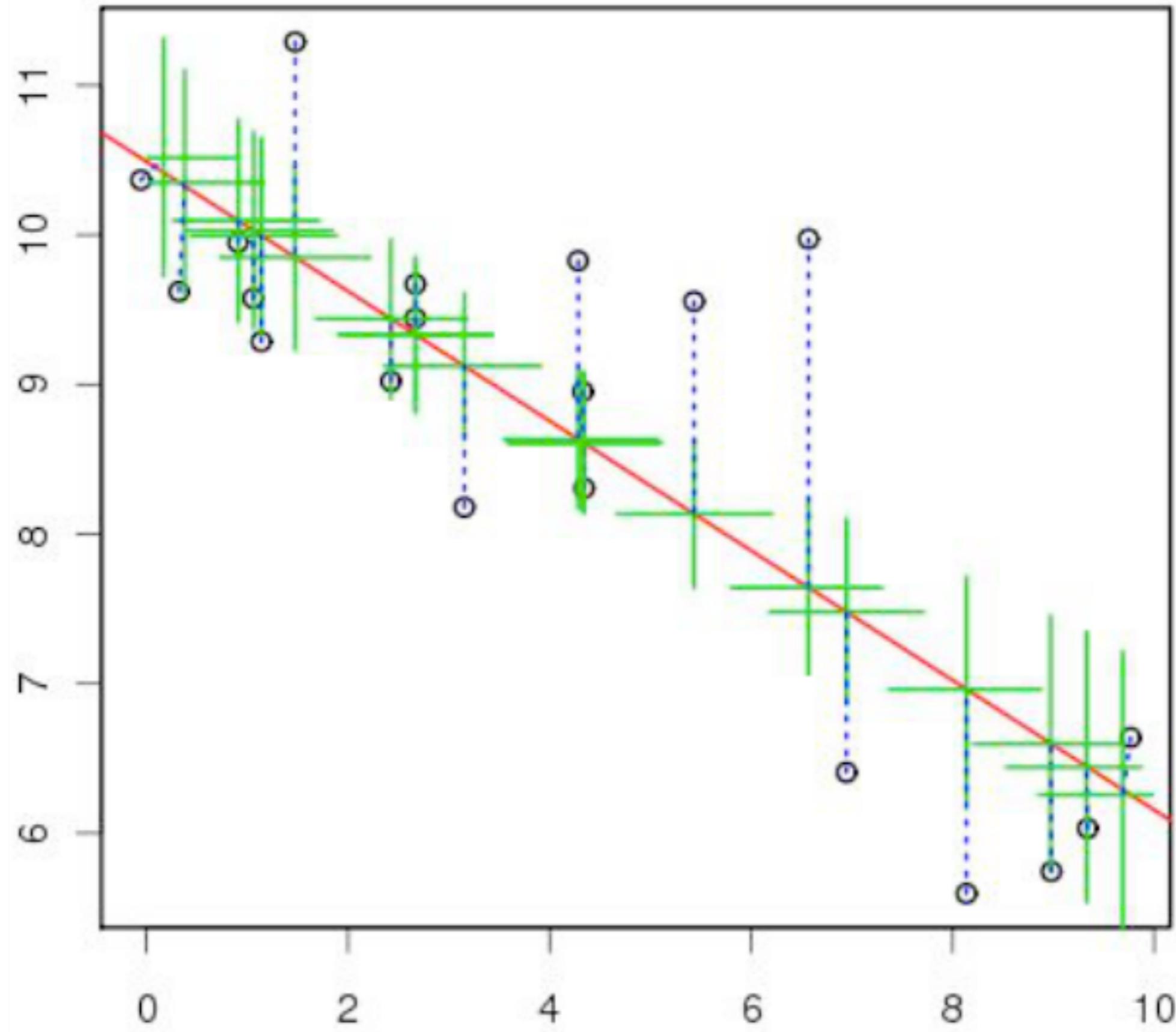


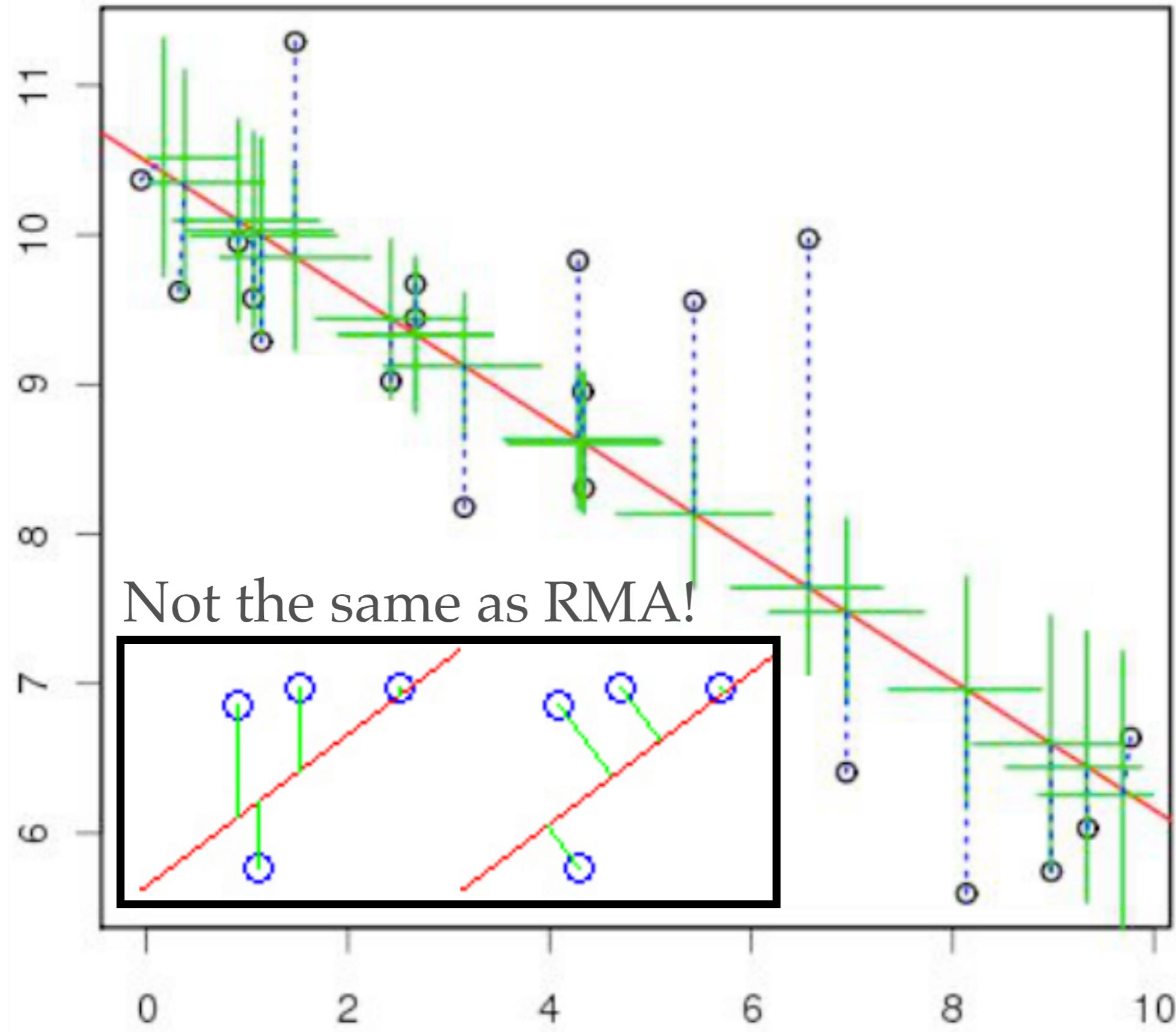
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$$x^{(o)} \sim N(x, \tau^2)$$



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model {  
  ## priors  
  for(i in 1:2) { beta[i] ~ dnorm(0,0.001)}  
  sigma ~ dgamma(0.1,0.1)  
  tau ~ dgamma(0.1,0.1)  
  for(i in 1:n) { x[i] ~ dunif(0,10)}  
  
  for(i in 1:n){  
    xo[i] ~ dnorm(x[i],tau)  
    mu[i] <- beta[1]+beta[2]*x[i]  
    y[i] ~ dnorm(mu[i],sigma)  
  }  
}
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Additional Thoughts on EIV

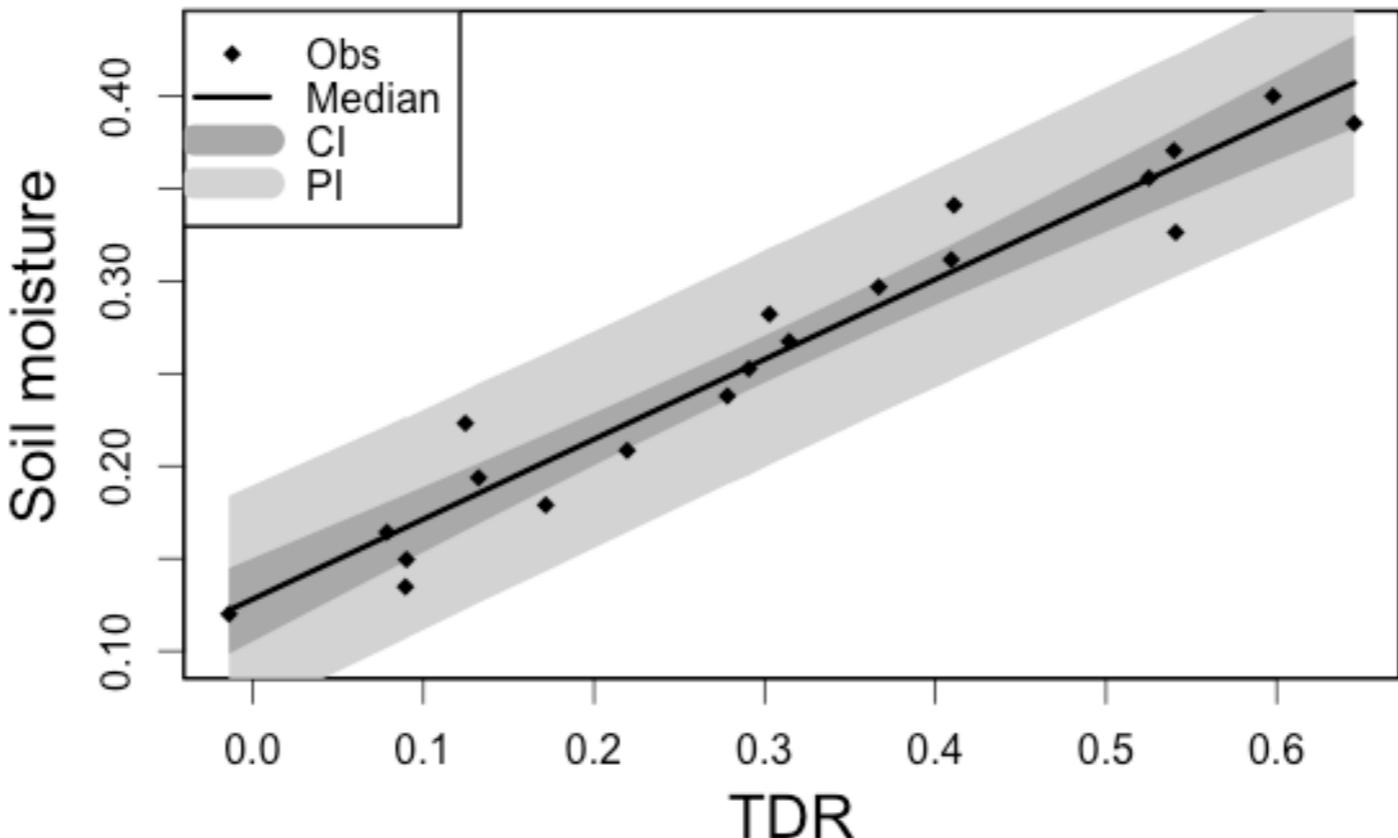
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- Errors in X's need not be Normal
- Errors need not be additive
- Can account for known biases

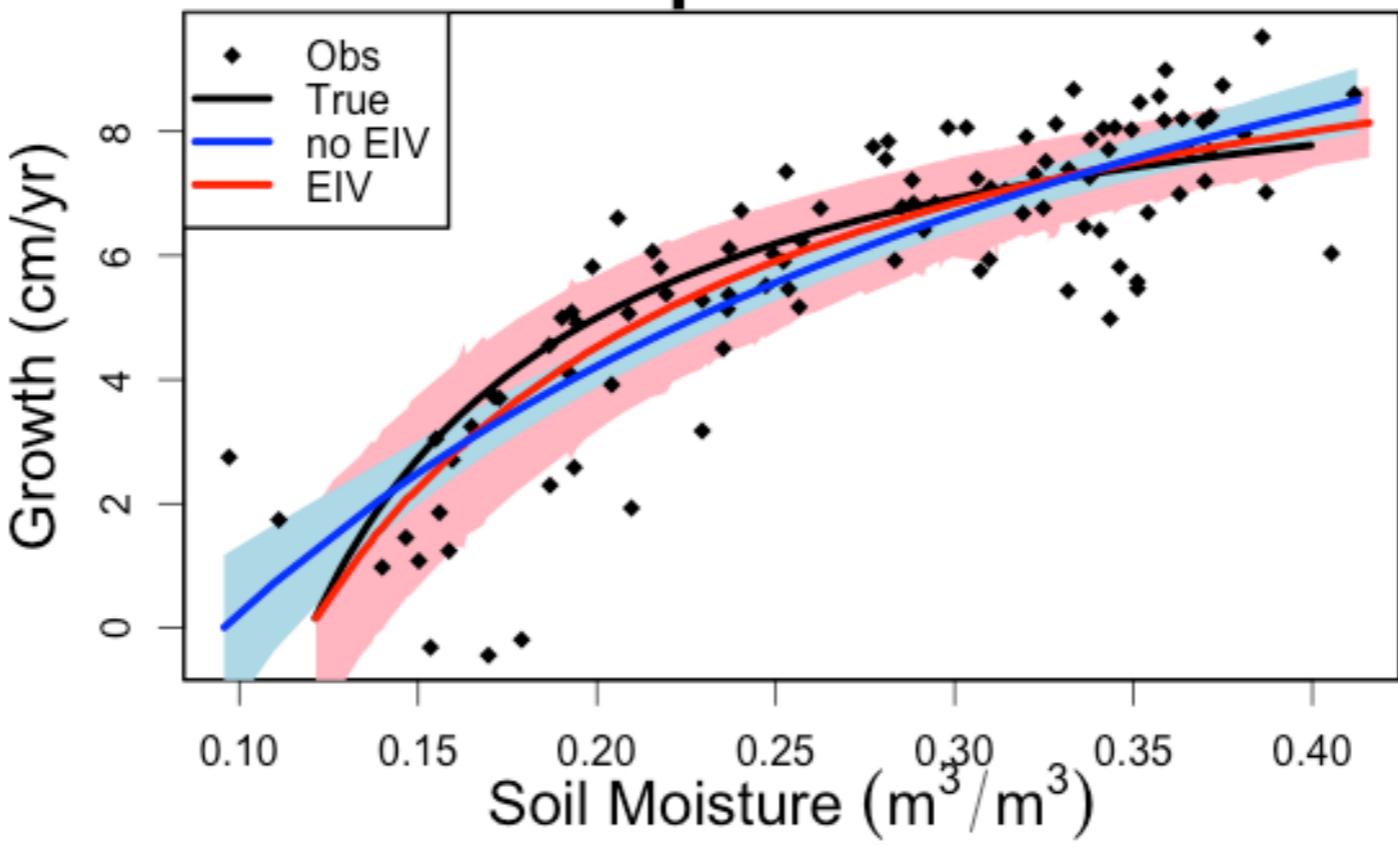
$$x^{(o)} \sim N(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x, \tau^2)$$

- Observed data can be a different type (proxy)
 - e.g. calibration curves
- Very useful to have informative priors

Calibration



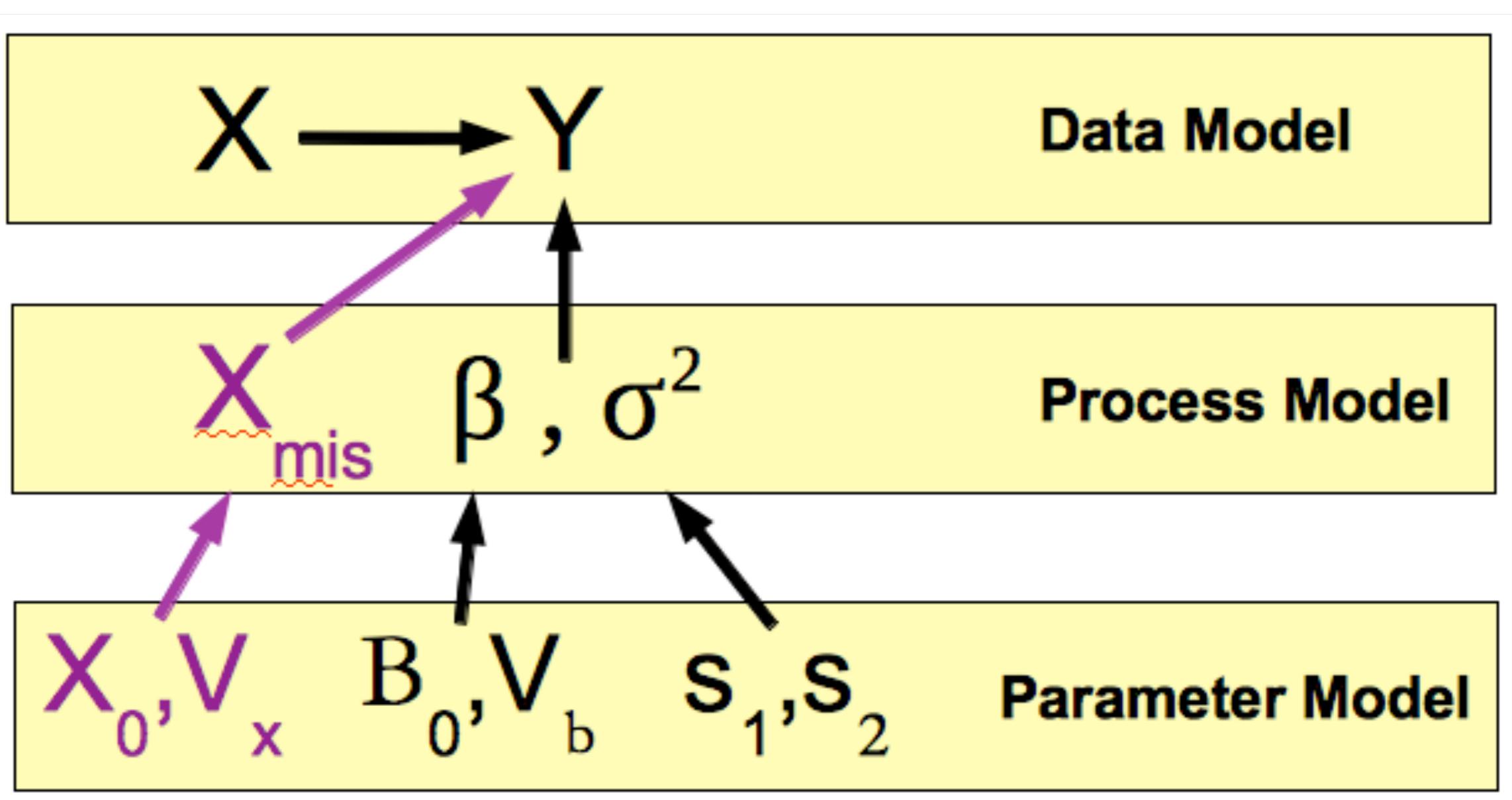
Growth Response to Moisture



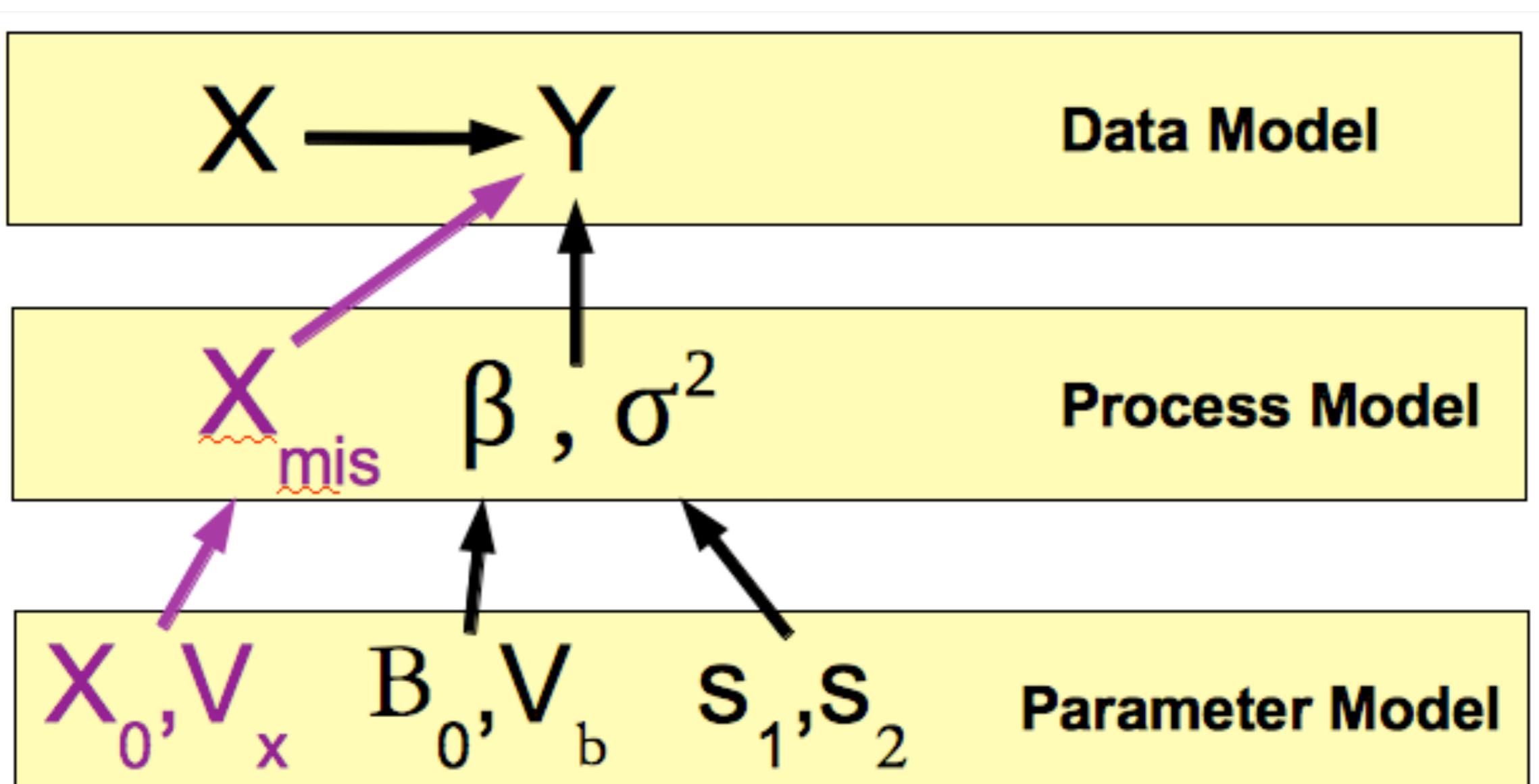
Latent Variables

- Variables that are not directly observed
- Values are inferred from model
 - Parameter model: prior on value
 - Data and Process models provide constraint
- MCMC integrates over (by sampling) the values the unobserved variable could take on
- Contribute to uncertainty in parameters, model
- Ignoring this variability can lead to falsely overconfident conclusions

MISSING DATA



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Data needs to be Missing At Random!!

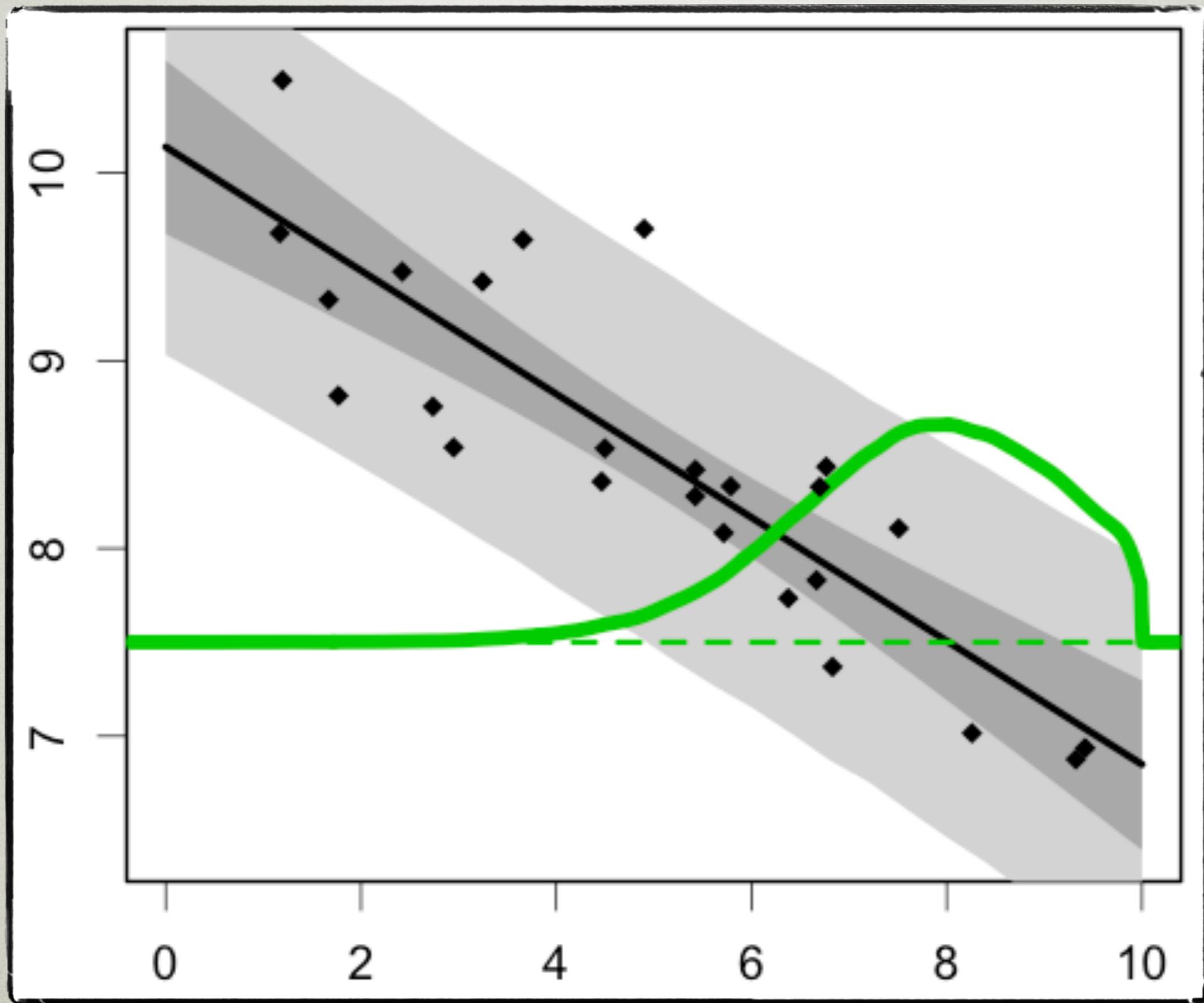
JAGS example: Simple Regression

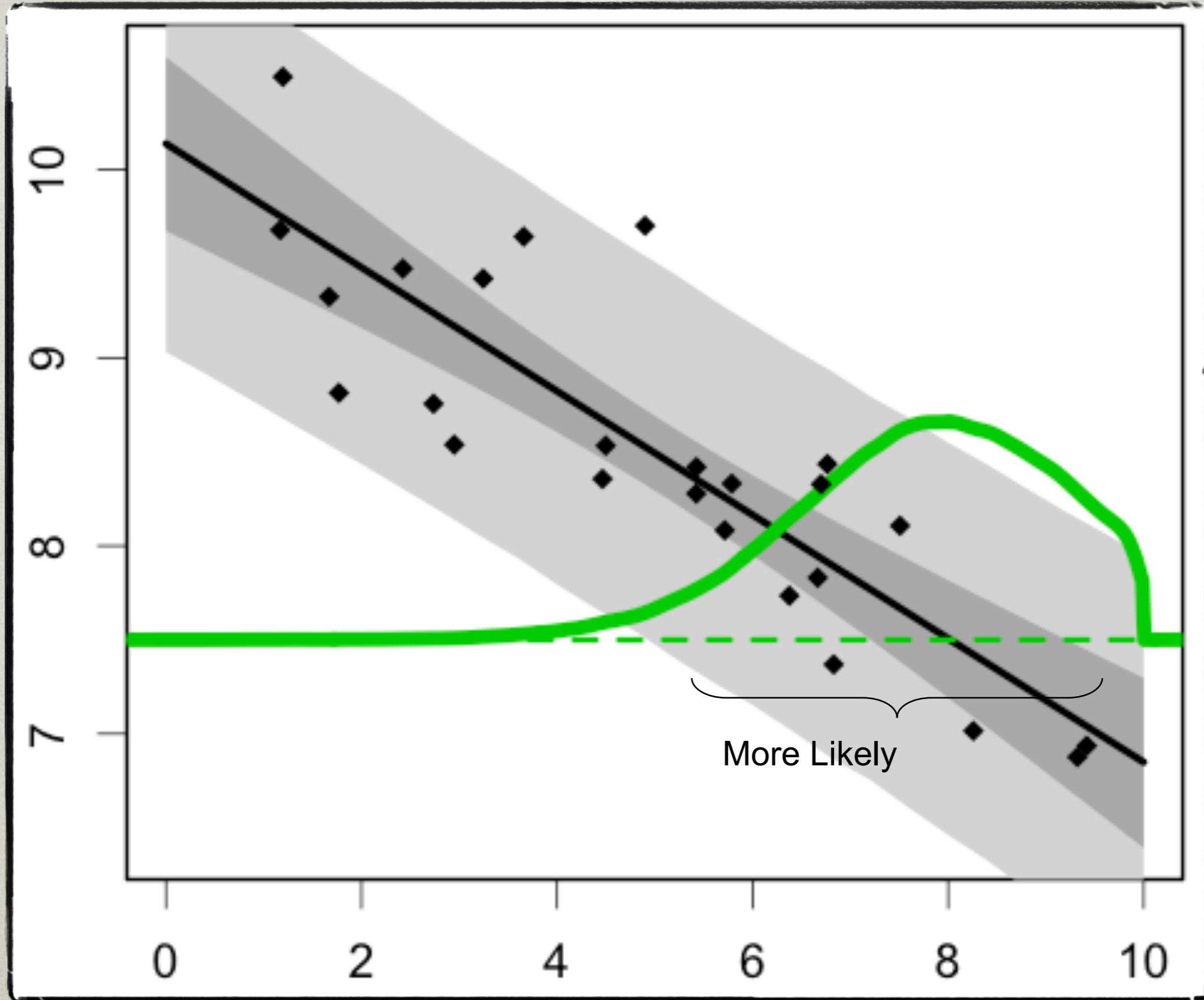
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  for(i in mis) { x[i] ~ dunif(0,10)}  
  for(i in 1:n){  
    mu[i] <- beta[1]+beta[2]*x[i]  
    y[i] ~ dnorm(mu[i],sigma)  
  }  
}
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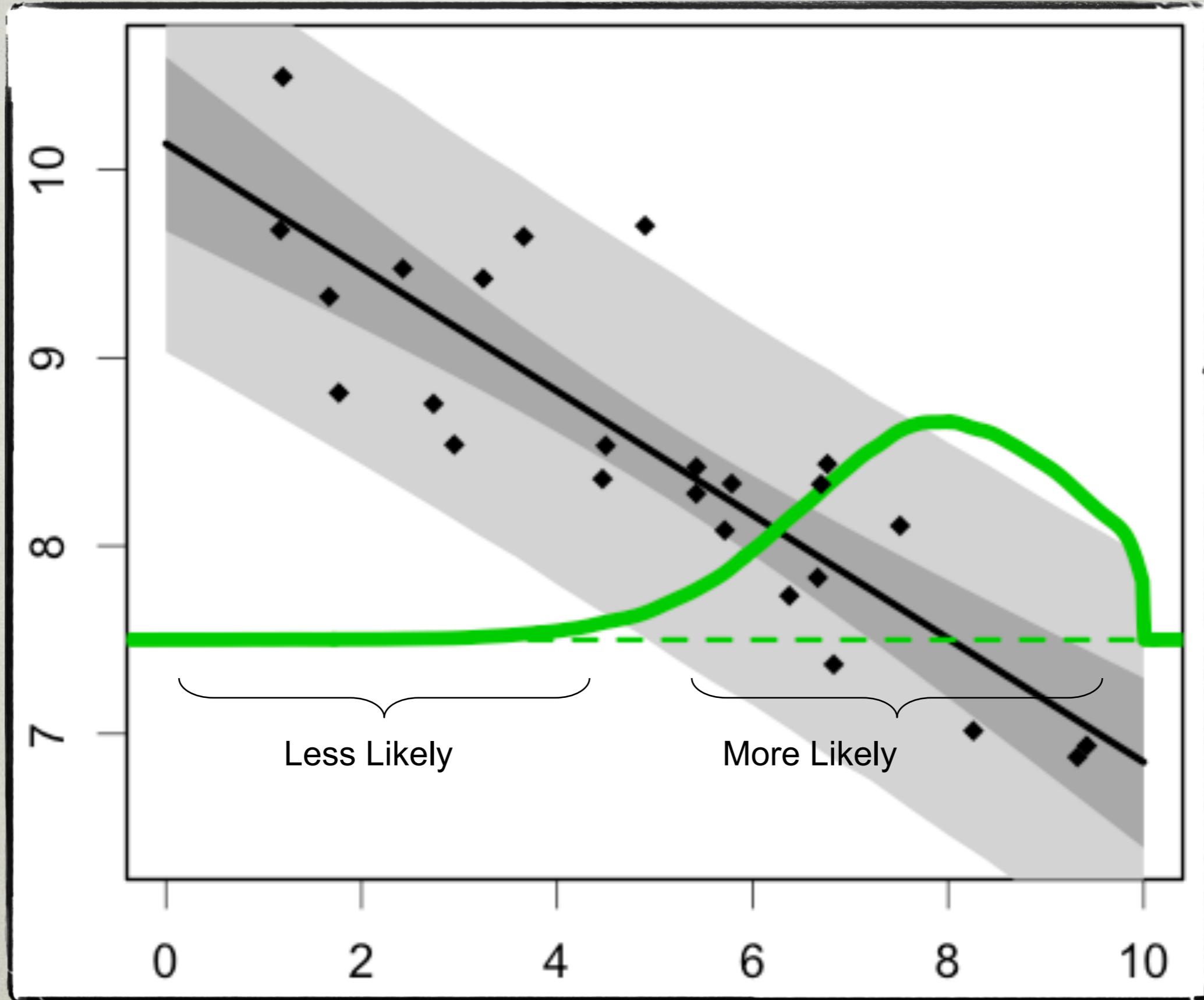
Vector giving indices of missing values

X	Y
4.68	8.46
2.95	8.55
9.09	7.01
8.15	9.06
1.76	11.38
4.23	9.12
7.73	7.3
2.43	8.02
6.46	8.45
4.06	8.95
2.42	9.62
0.6	9.15
8.17	7.51
0.22	10.8
4.93	9.78
2.99	10.71
8.36	8.89
6.4	8.21
8.17	6.22
6.46	5.4
1.82	10.05
9.52	7.96
2.44	9.63
6.84	7.05
7.42	8.73
mis = 26	NA
	7.5

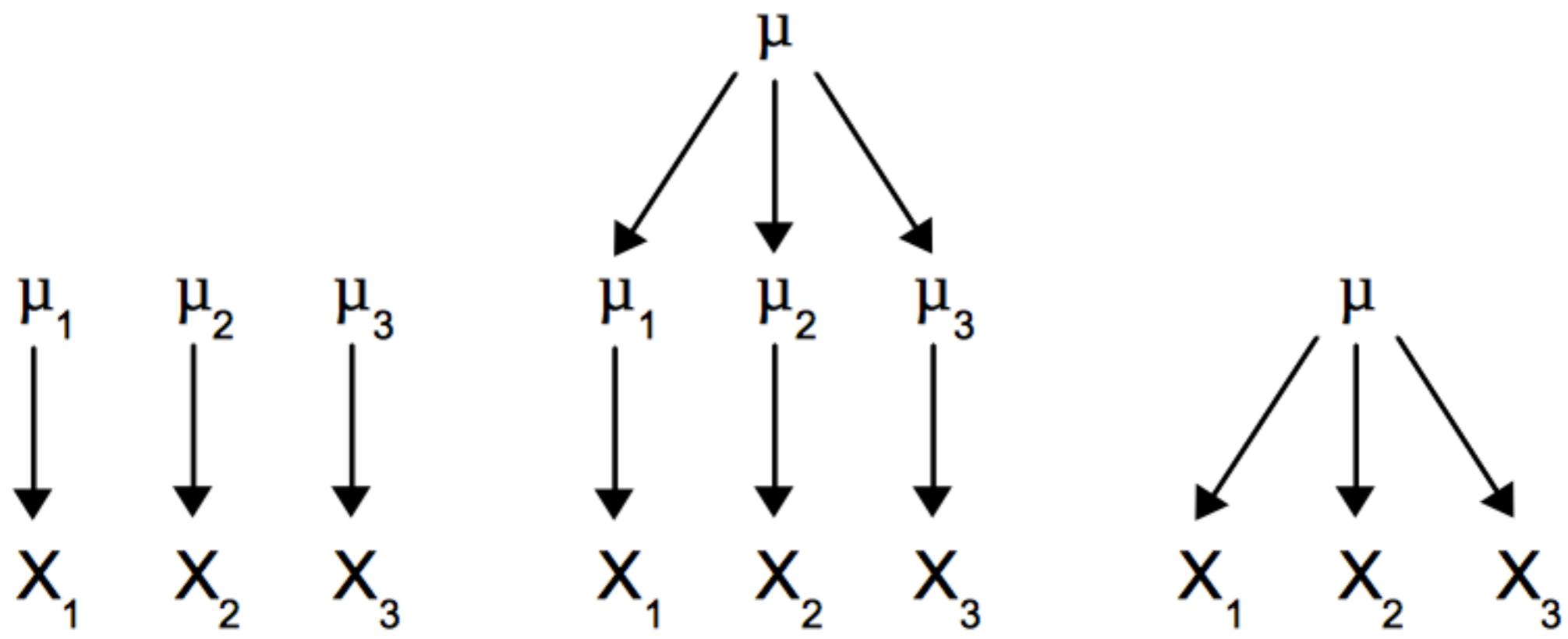
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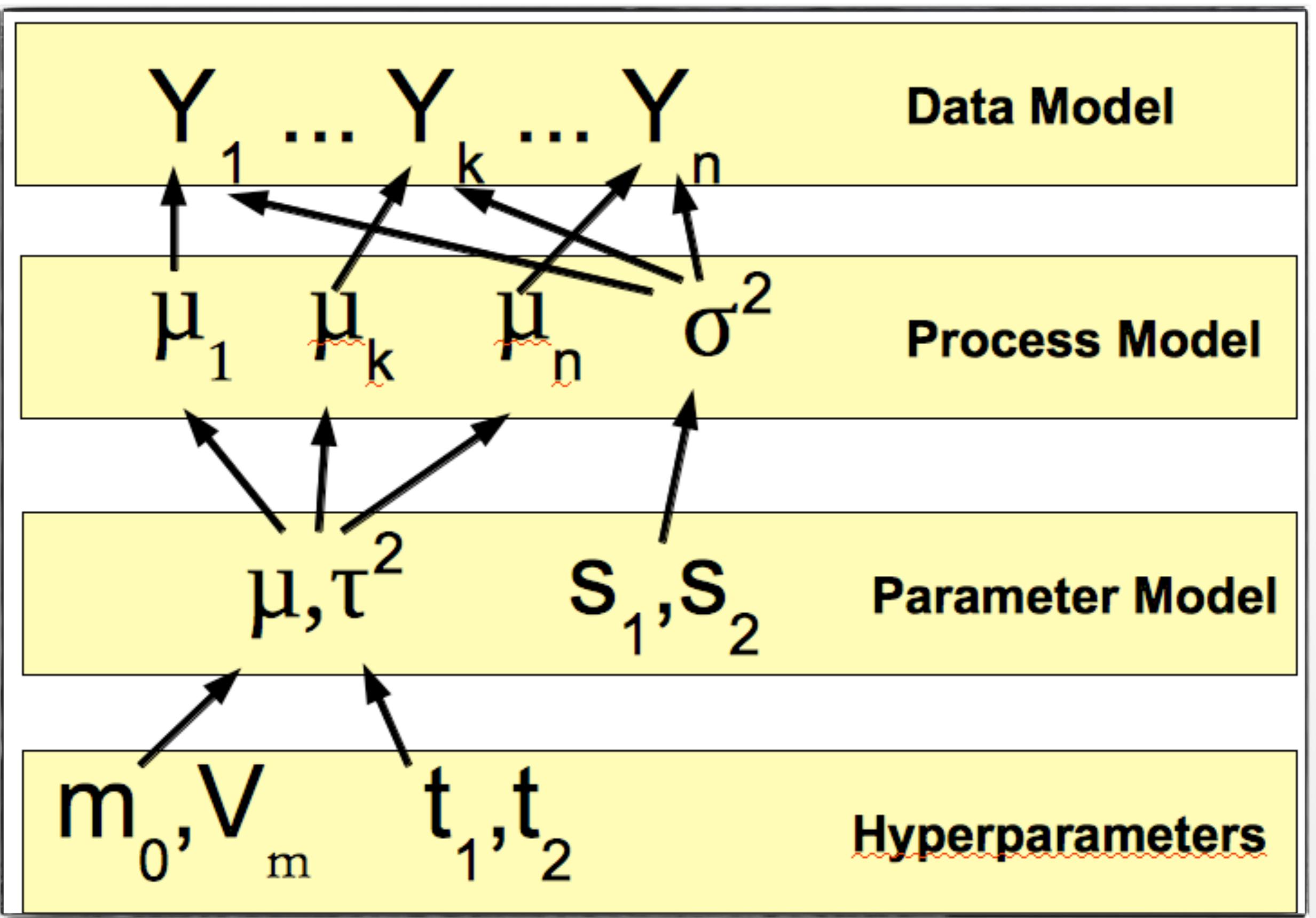
HIERARCHICAL MODELS

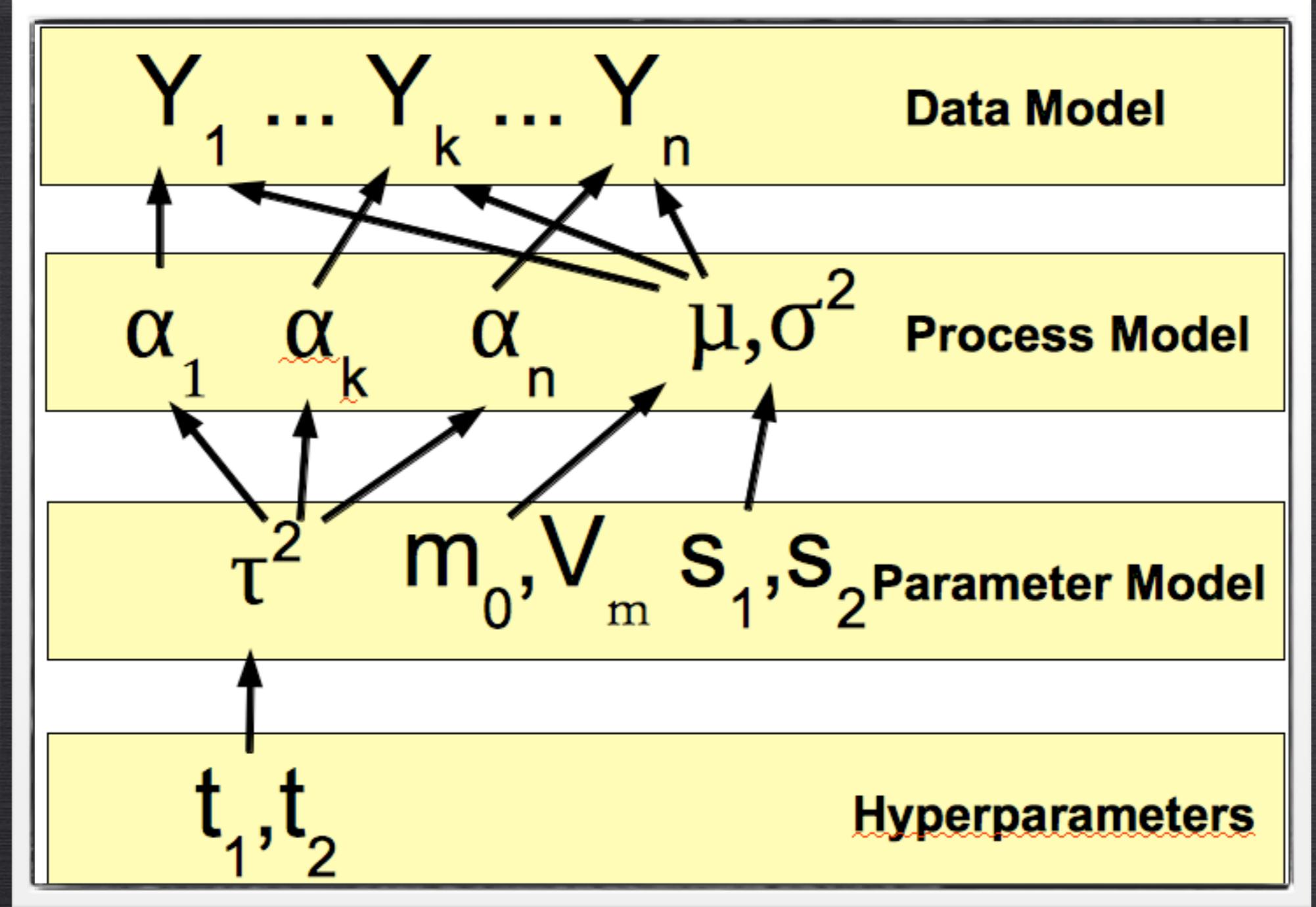


Independent

Hierarchical

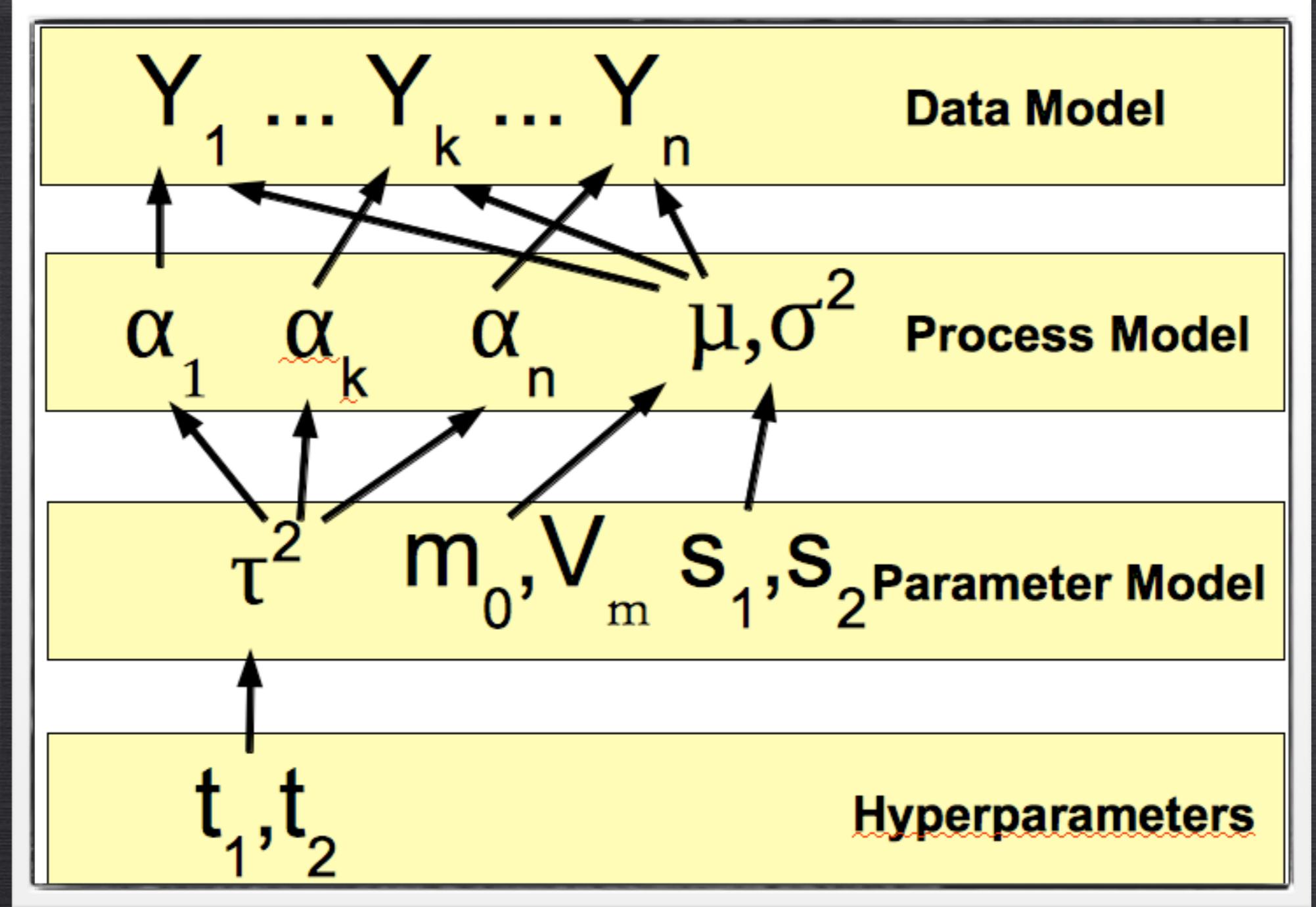
Shared





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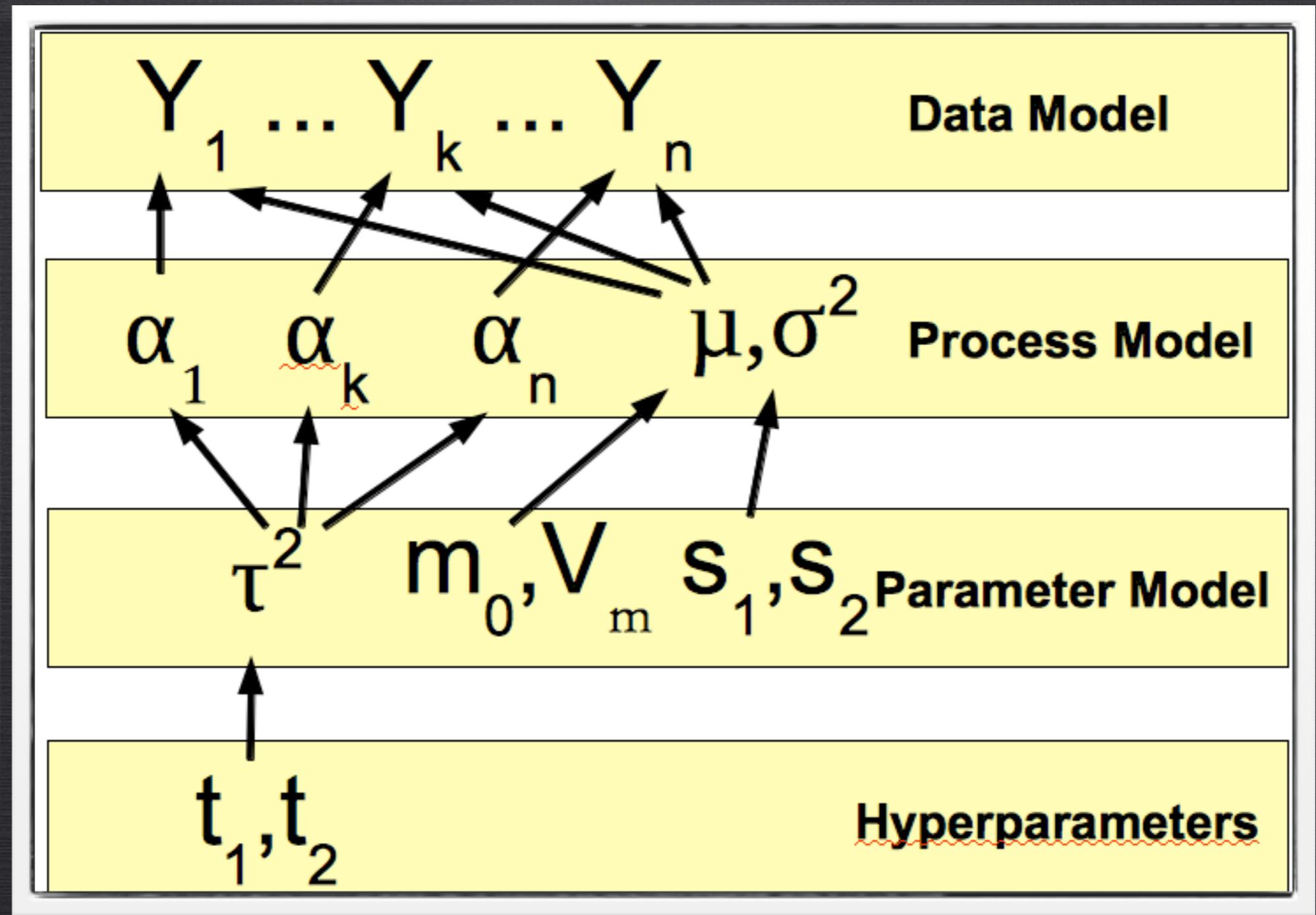
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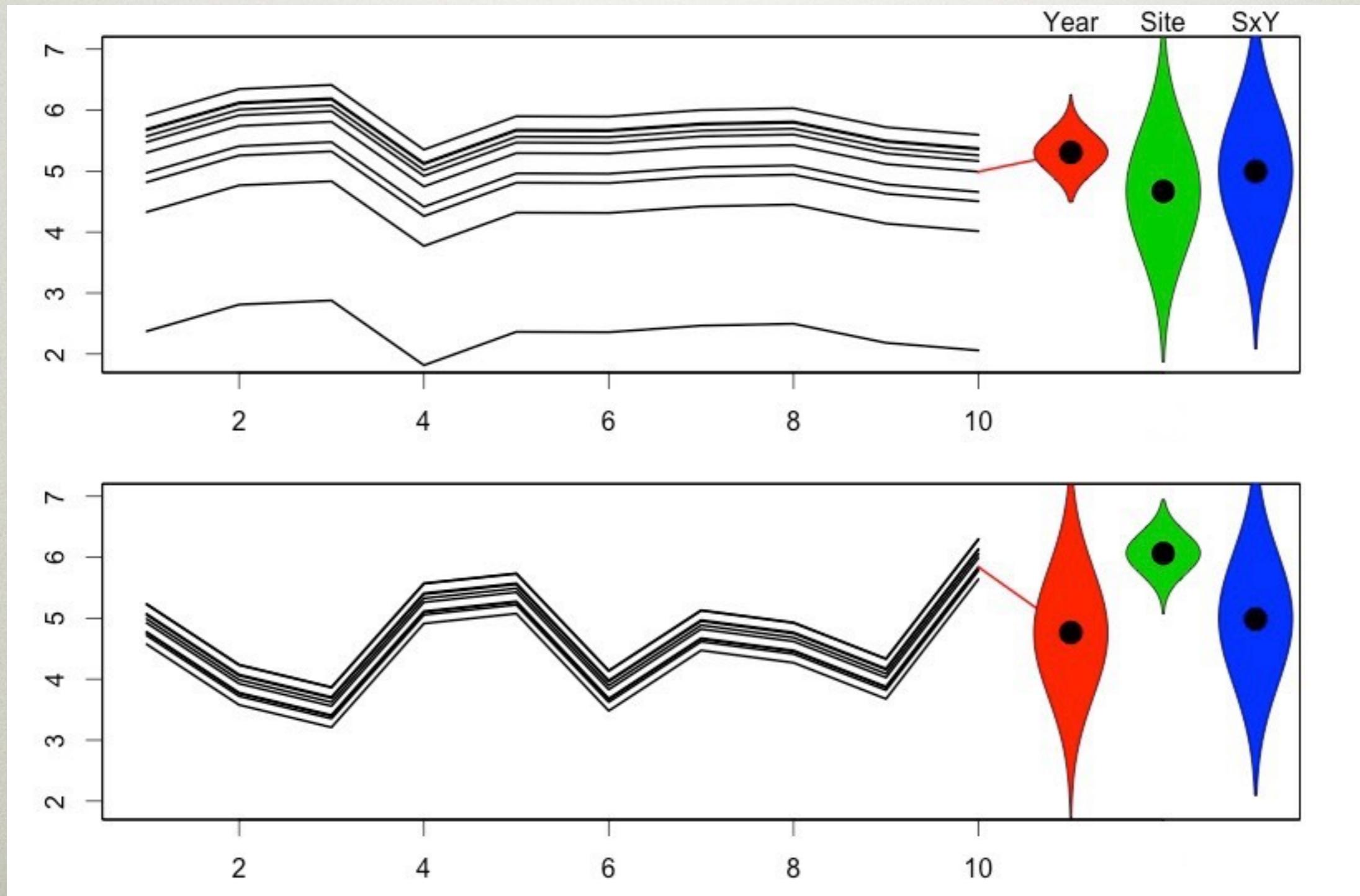
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Random Effects

Notes:

- * Can put variability on any param
- * Need not be independent

IMPACTS ON INFERENCE



EXPLAINING UNEXPLAINED VARIANCE

- Random effects attempt to account for the unexplained variance associated with some group (plot, year, etc.) due to all the things that were not measured
- May point to scales that need additional explanation
- Adding covariates may explain some portion of this variance, but there's always something you didn't measure
- Sometimes additional fixed effects not justified (model selection)

STATE SPACE MODELS

(AKA HIDDEN MARKOV)

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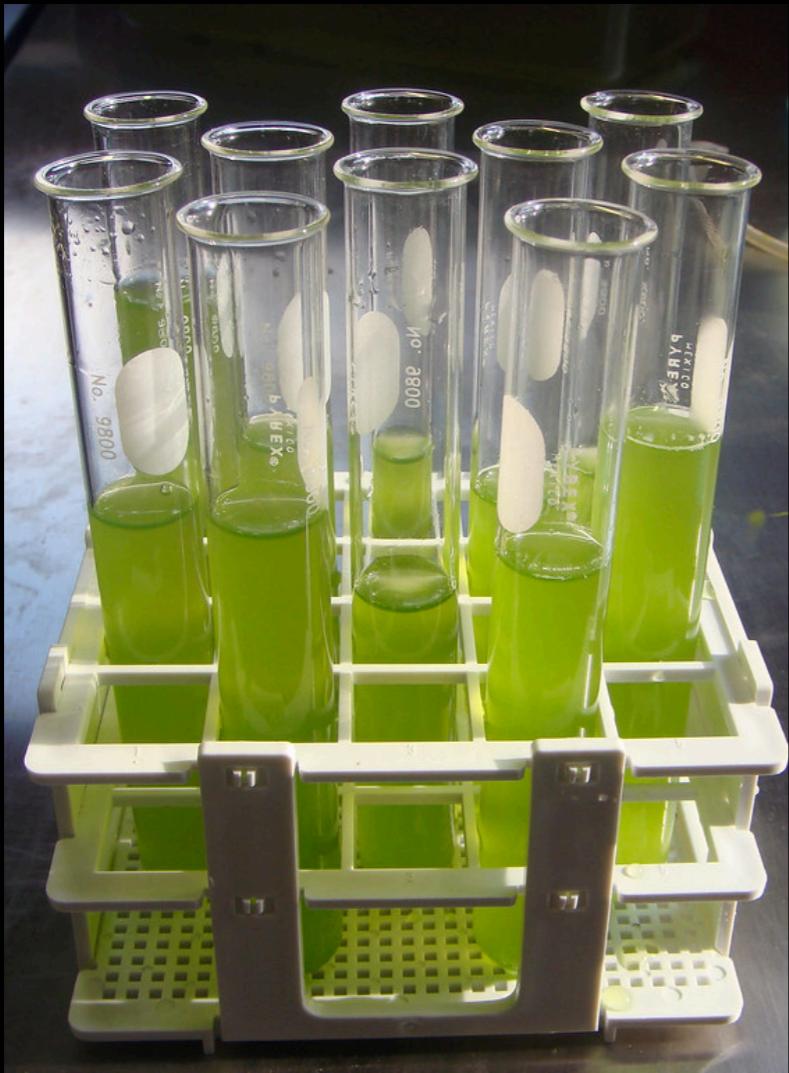
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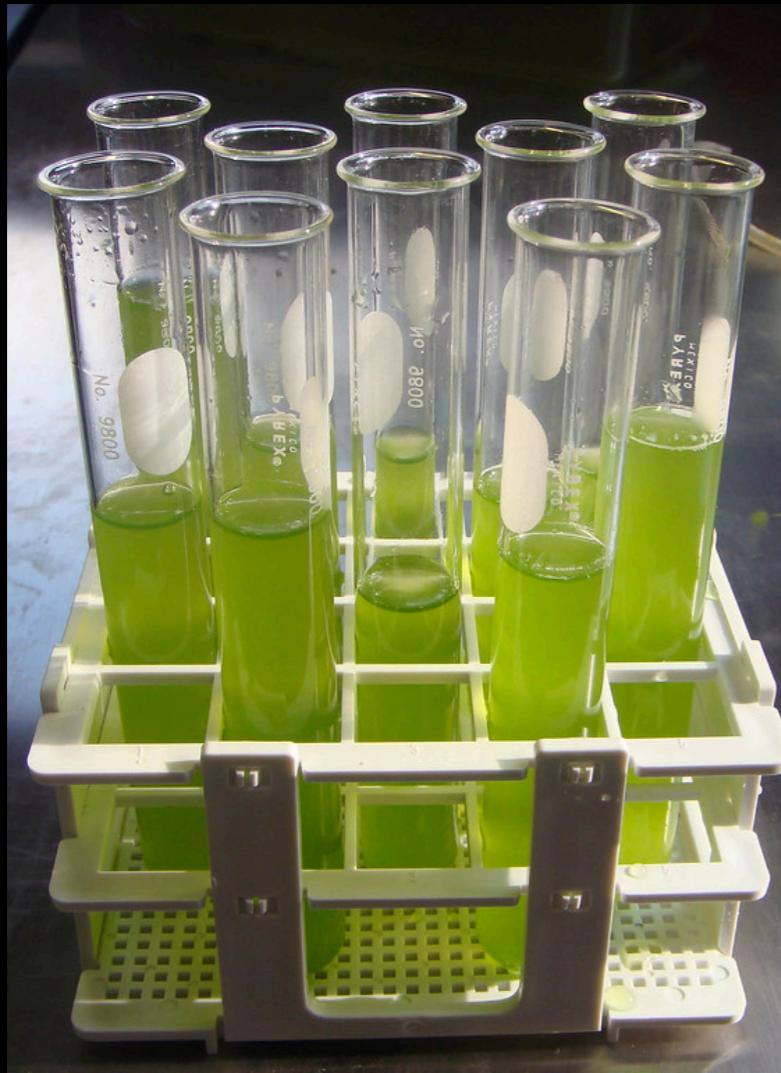
state variable covariates / drivers parameters process error

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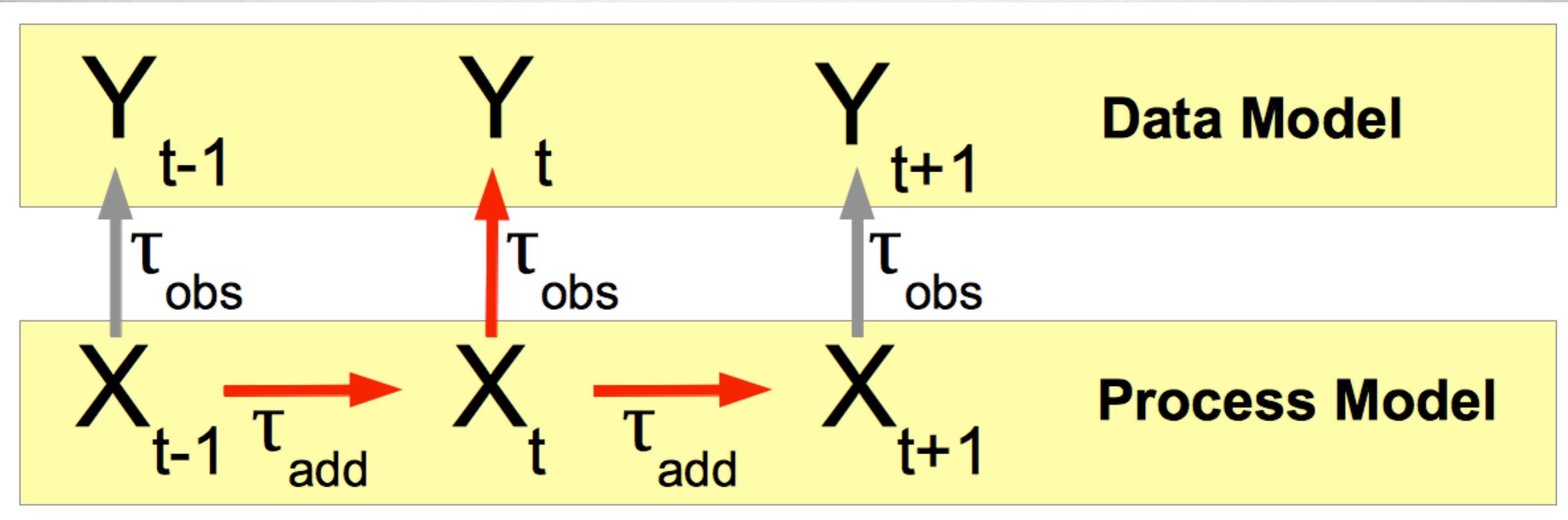


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But want to model this X_t



STATE SPACE



$$Y_t = g(X_t | \phi)$$

$$X_t = f(X_{t-1} | \theta)$$

Data Model

Process Model

RANDOM WALK

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- Special Cases
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 - Last

$$X_t \sim N(X_{t-1}, \tau_{add}^2) \\ Y_t \sim N(X_t, \tau_{obs}^2) \\ \tau_{obs}^2 \sim IG(a_{obs}, r_{obs}) \\ \tau_{add}^2 \sim IG(a_{add}, r_{add}) \\ X_0 \sim N(X_{ic}, \tau_{IC})$$

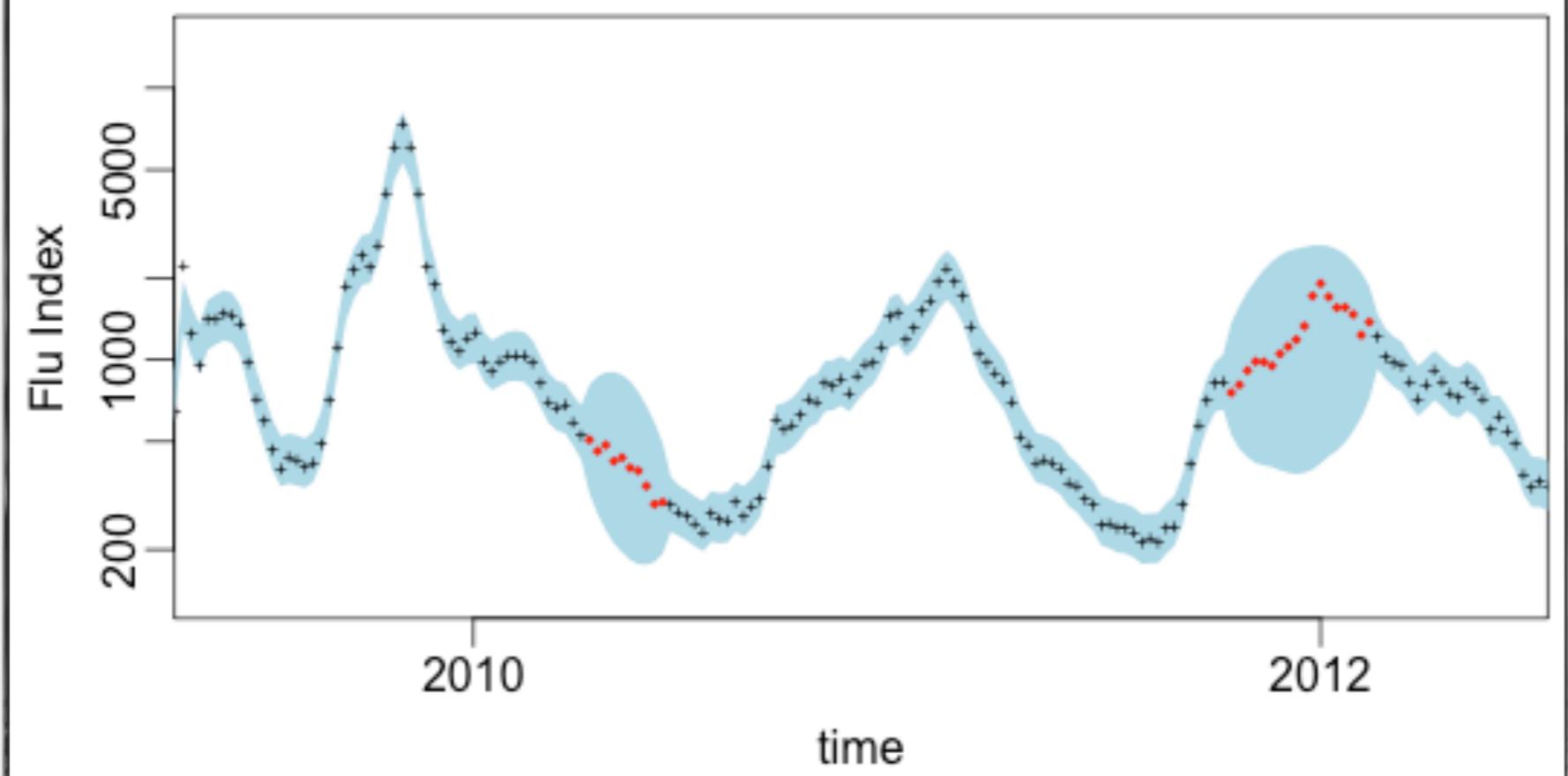
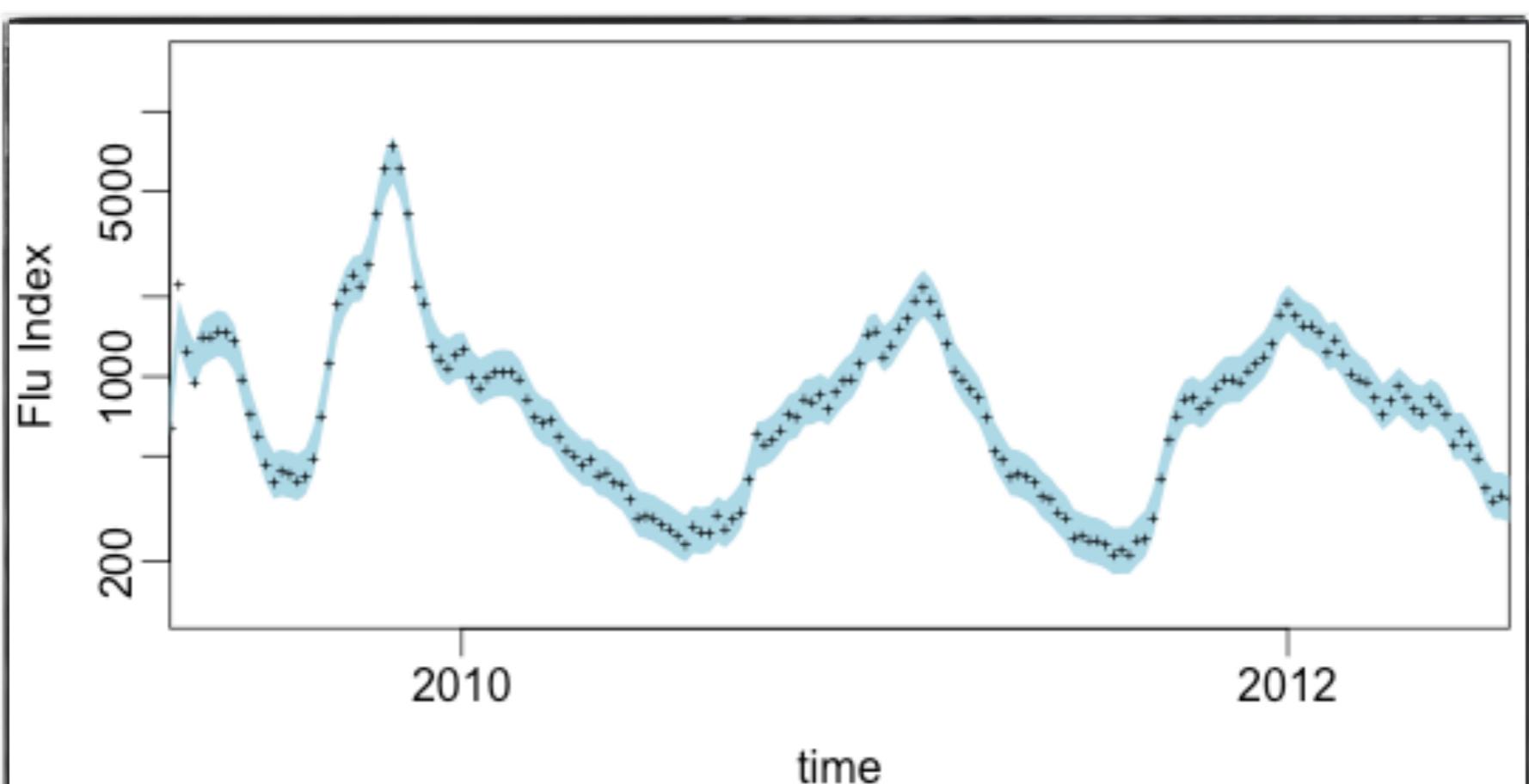
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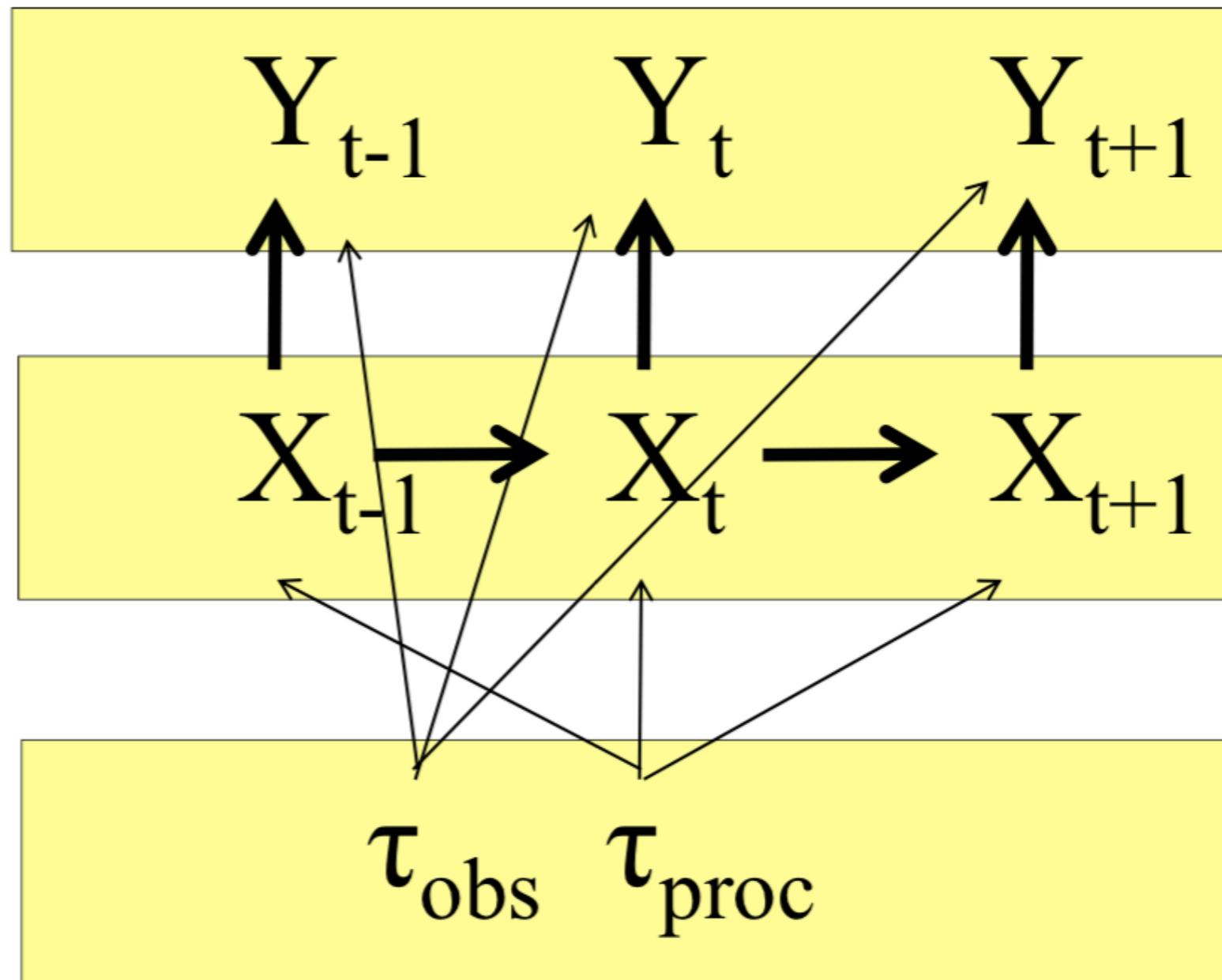
RandomWalk = "
model{

##### Data Model
for(i in 1:n){
  y[i] ~ dnorm(x[i],tau_obs)
}

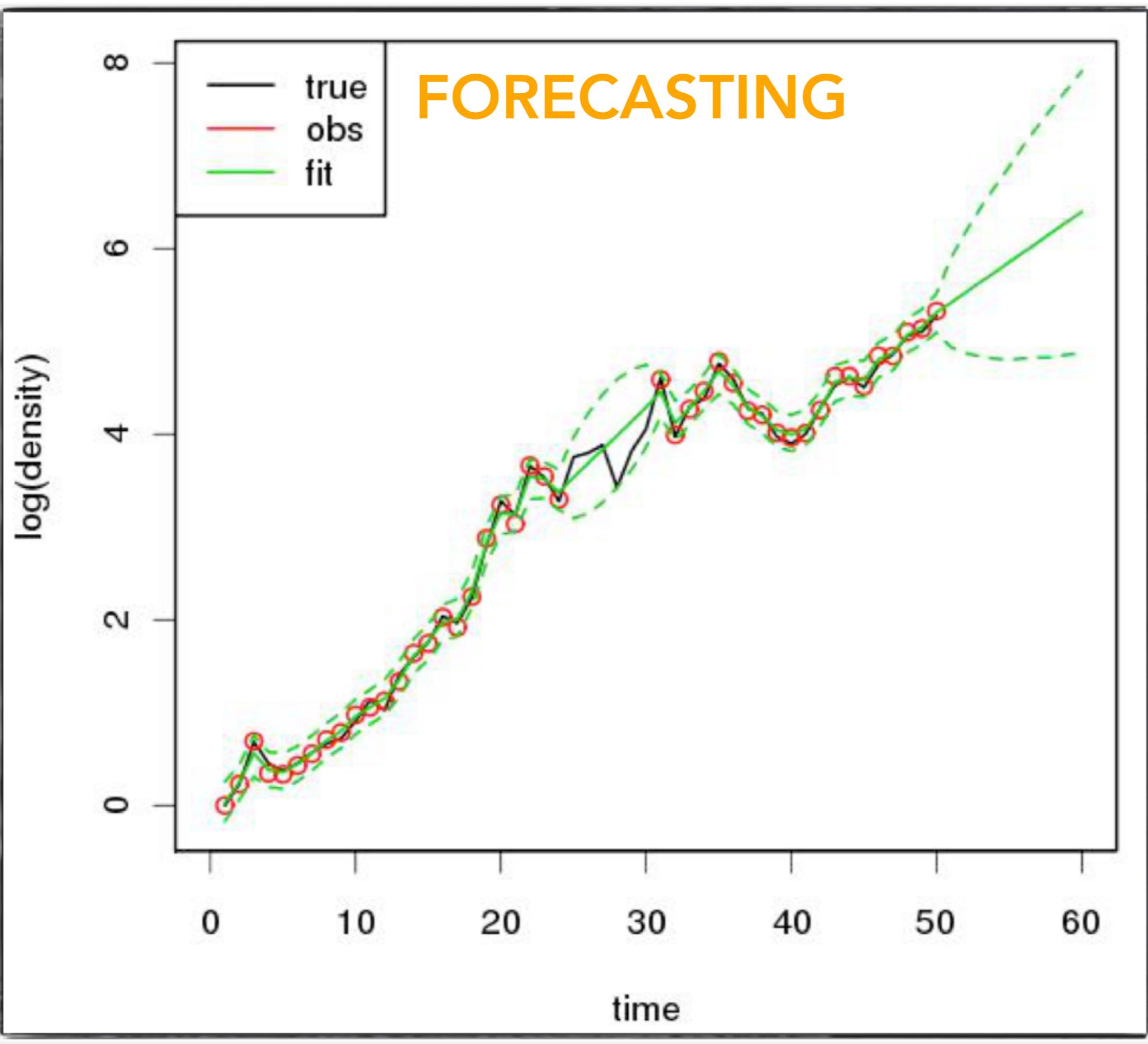
##### Process Model
for(i in 2:n){
  x[i]~dnorm(x[i-1],tau_proc)
}

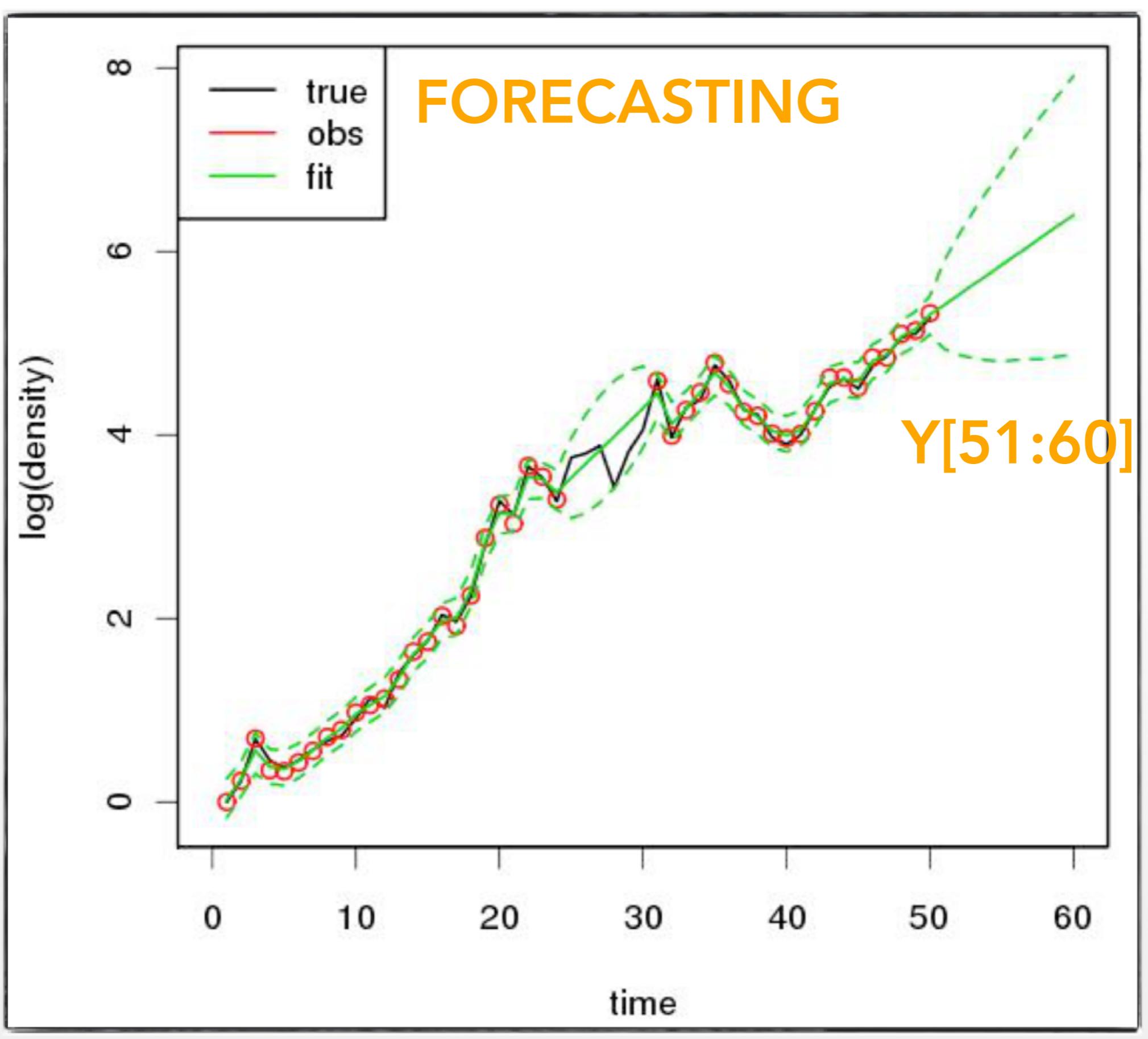
##### Priors
x[1] ~ dnorm(x_ic,tau_ic)
tau_obs ~ dgamma(a_obs,r_obs)
tau_proc ~ dgamma(a_proc,r_proc)
}

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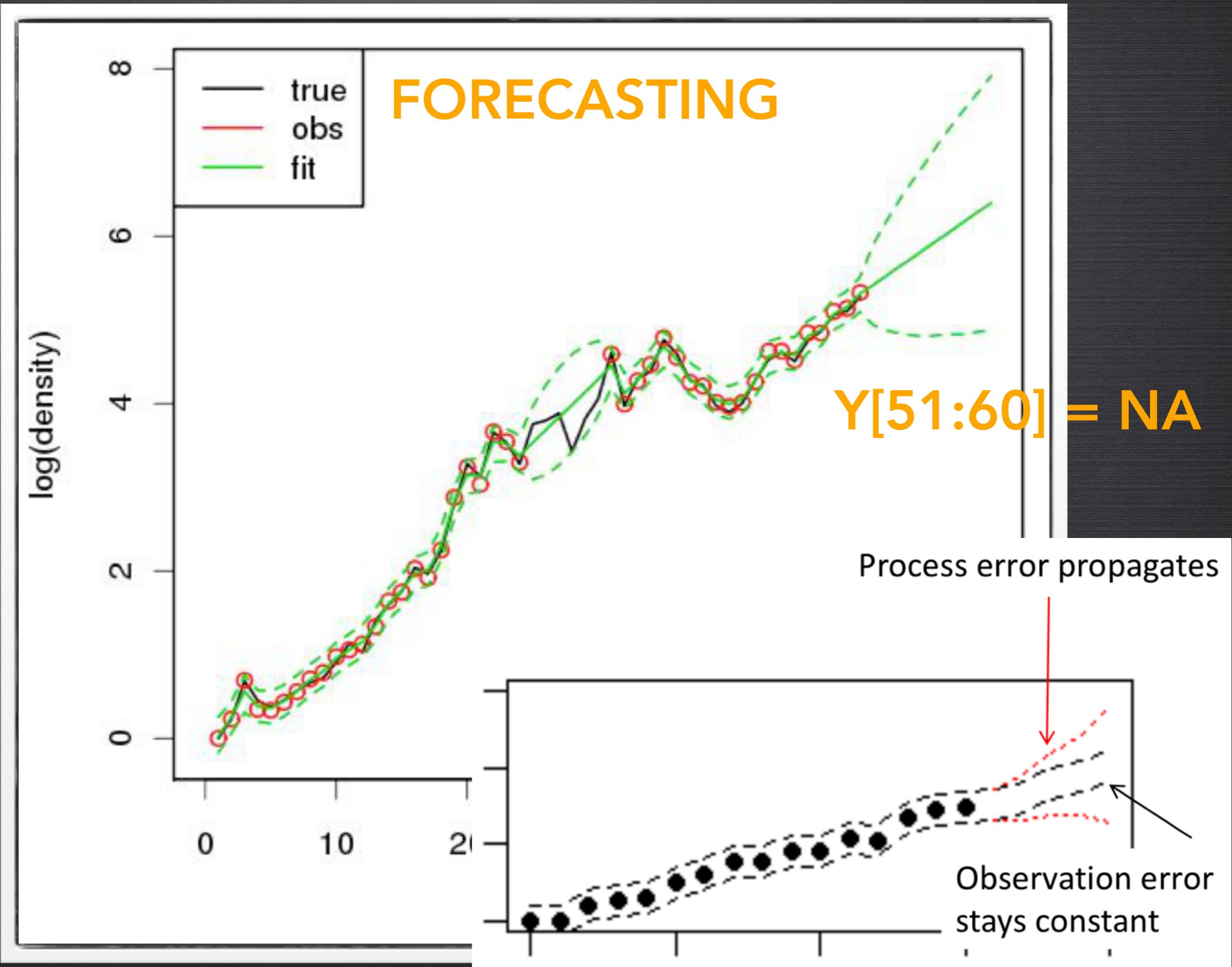


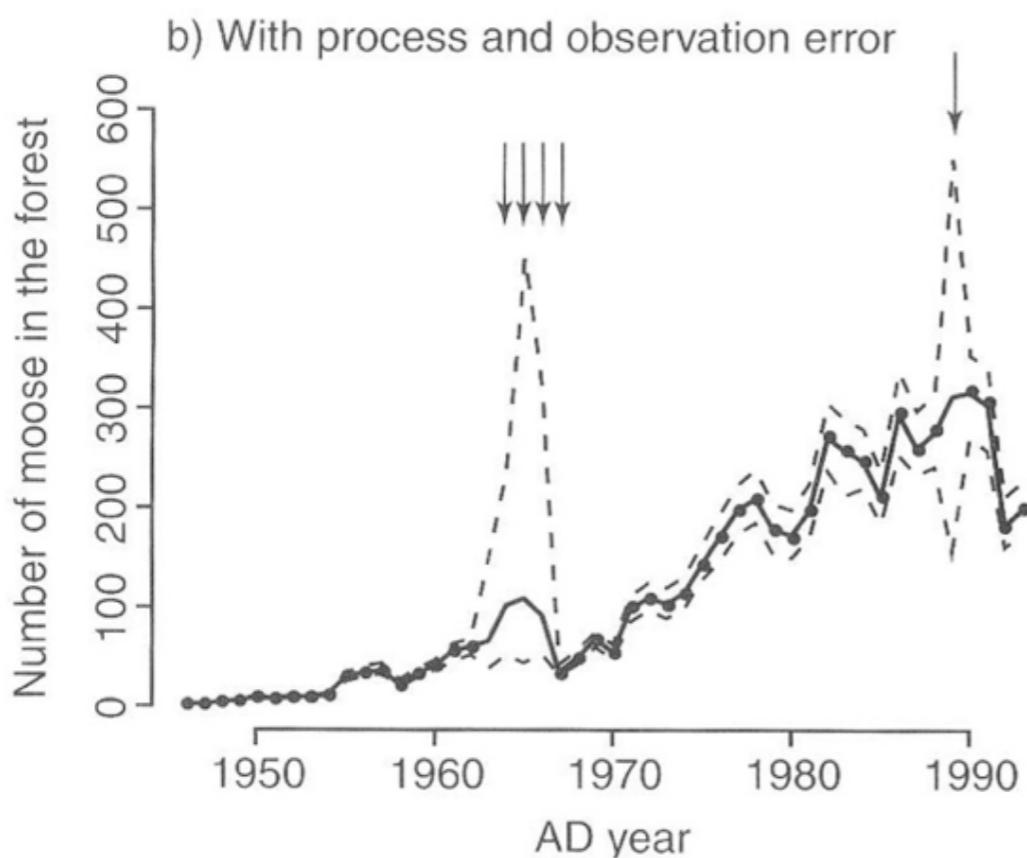
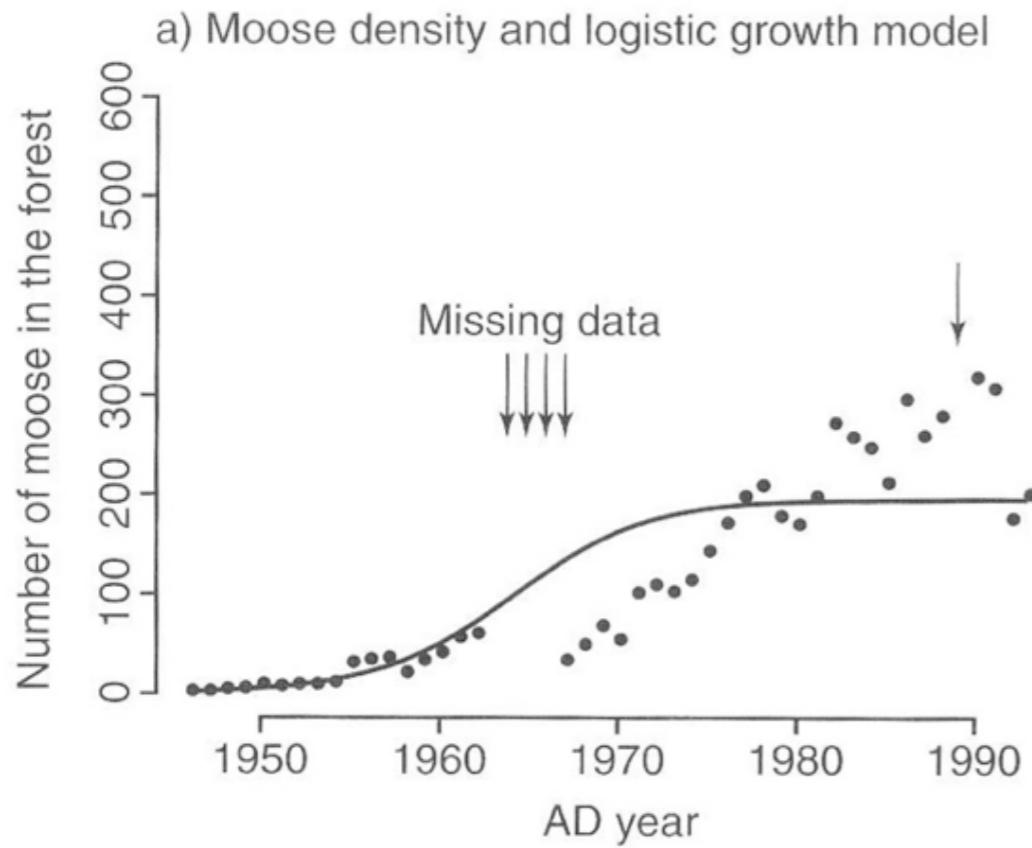
FORECASTING





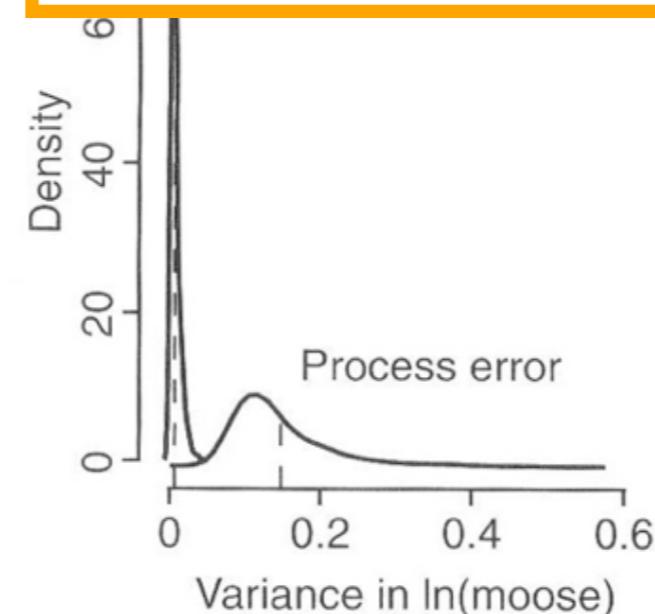
Y[51:60] = NA





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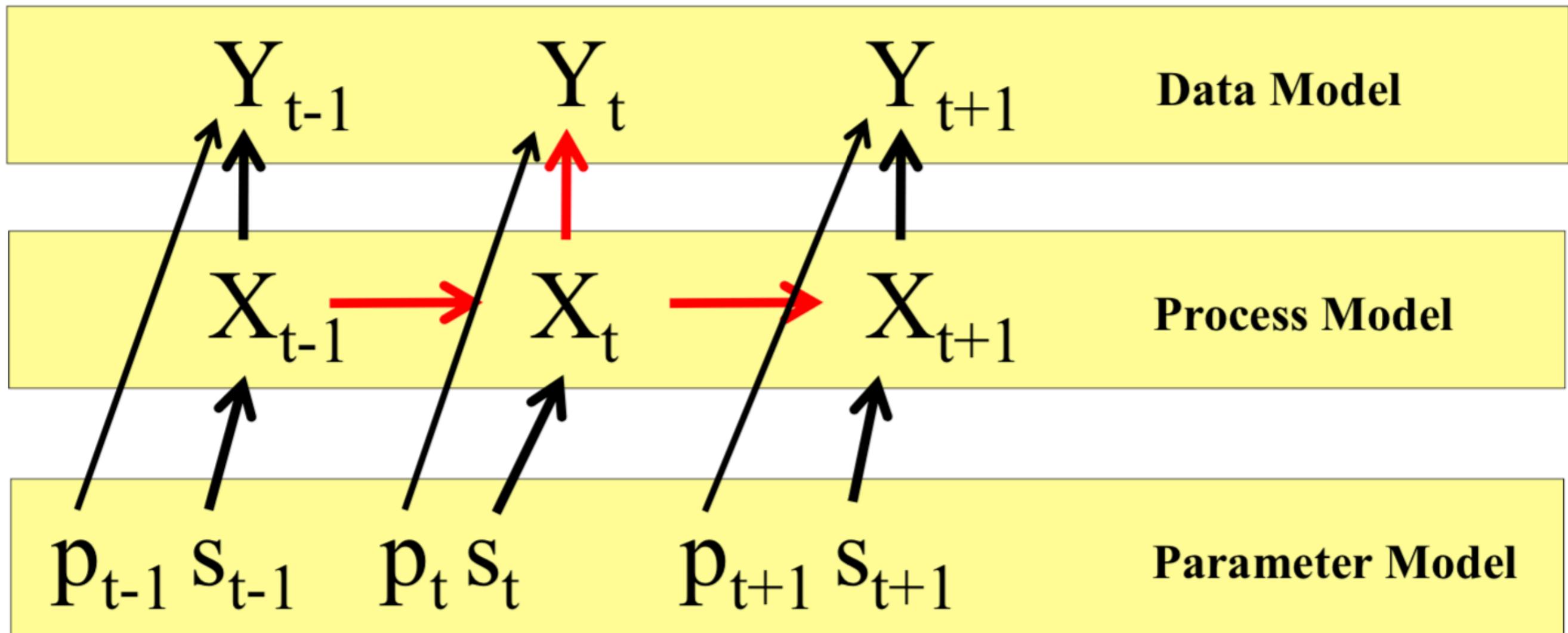
model {
  for (i in 1:N) {
    y[t] ~ dnorm(x[t], tau)
  }
  for (i in 2:N) {
    x[t] ~ dnorm(mu[t], sigma)
    mu[t] <- x[t-1] + r * x[t-1]*(1-x[t-1]/K)
  }
  x[1] ~ dnorm(0.00000E+00, 0.01)
  r ~ dnorm(0.00000E+00, 0.01)
  K ~ dnorm(100,0.01)
  tau ~ dgamma(0.01, 0.01)
  sigma ~ dgamma(0.01, 0.01)
}
  
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GENERALITY OF THE STATE SPACE FRAMEWORK

- Neither X nor Y need be Normal
- X and Y don't need to be the same type of data
- X and Y don't need to have the same time scale
- Handles missing data (gaps) and irregularly spaced data
- Handles multiple data sources (Y's), which don't need to be the same type or synchronous
- Handles time-integrated observations

Mark Recapture State Space



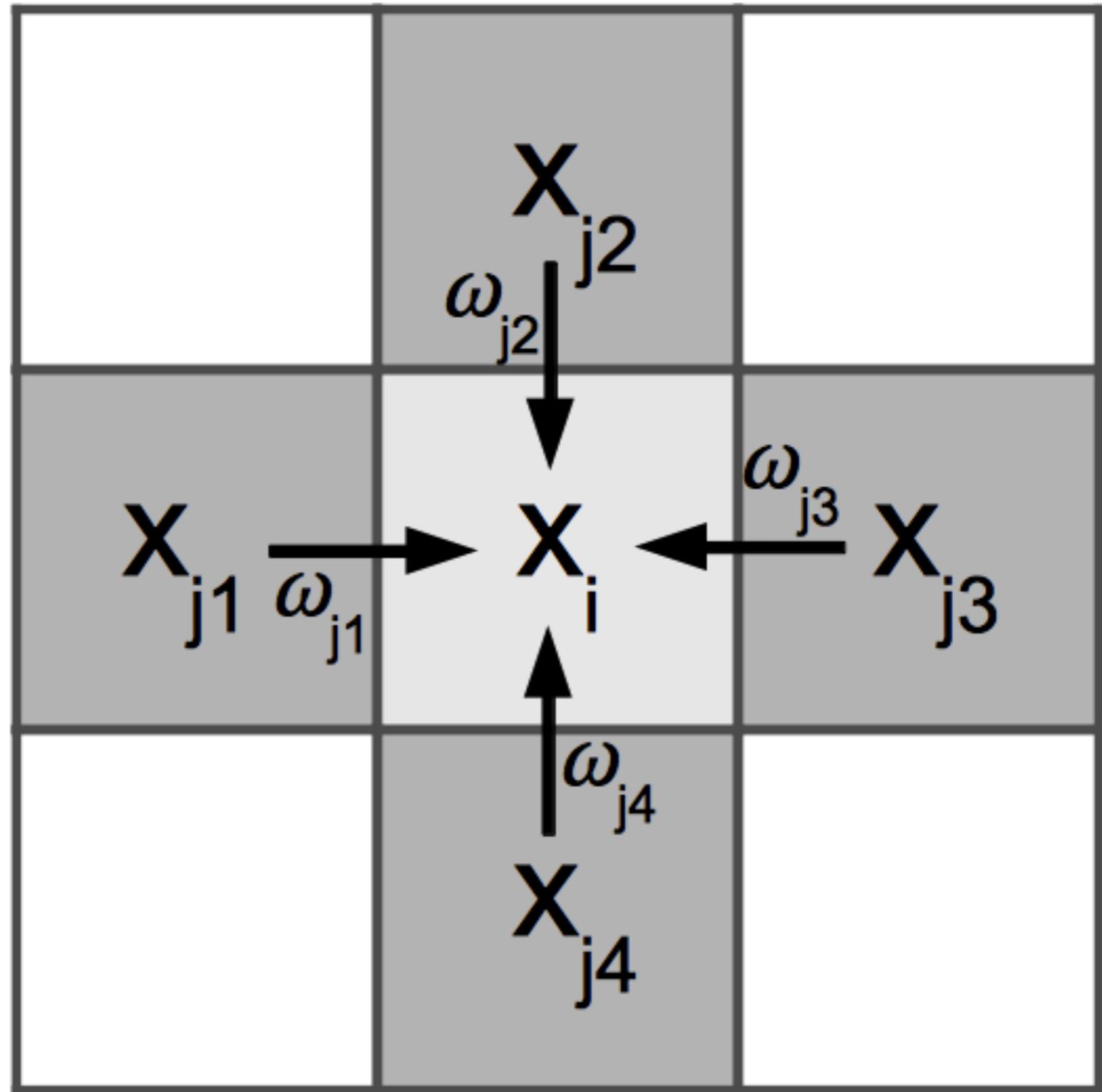
- Suppose an individual record consists of capture data
$$Y_i = [1, 0, 1, 0, 0]$$
- This is compatible with the following survival
$$X_i = [1, 1, 1, 0, 0]$$
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SPATIAL PROCESS

Raster:
Markov
Random
Field

Vector:
Conditional
Autoregressive

Alt to Kriging



$$x_i = \frac{1}{\sum \omega_j} \sum \omega_j x_j$$