

Analysis

An analysis using LiDAR data to detect moose browsing effects, with ground truthing

```
library(readr)
library(ggplot2)
library(glmmTMB)
```

Get compiled dataset (see compile.R)

```
dat <- read_csv("../data/compiledDataset.csv")
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   .default = col_double(),
##   locality_and_treatment = col_character(),
##   LocalityCode = col_character(),
##   LocalityName = col_character(),
##   Treatment = col_character(),
##   resolution_m = col_character(),
##   region = col_character()
## )
```

```
## See spec(...) for full column specifications.
```

```
head(dat)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 27
##   locality_and_tr~ LocalityCode LocalityName Treatment Longitude Latitude
##   <chr>           <chr>         <chr>         <chr>         <dbl>   <dbl>
## 1 bratsberg_b     BRB           Bratsberg     B             10.5    63.4
## 2 bratsberg_ub    BRUB          Bratsberg     UB            10.5    63.4
## 3 didrik_holmsen_b DHB           Didrik Holm~ B             11.4    59.9
## 4 didrik_holmsen_~ DHUB          Didrik Holm~ UB            11.4    59.9
## 5 drangedal1_b    1DRB          Drangedal1    B             9.15    59.1
## 6 drangedal1_ub   1DRUB         Drangedal1    UB            9.15    59.1
## # ... with 21 more variables: Clear.cut <dbl>, Year.initiated <dbl>,
## #   LiDAR.data.from.year <dbl>, plot_density_m2 <dbl>, resolution_m <chr>,
## #   region <chr>, Moose2015 <dbl>, Reddeer2015 <dbl>, Roedeer2015 <dbl>,
## #   YrsSinceExclosure <dbl>, field_mean <dbl>, field_median <dbl>, mn <dbl>,
## #   md <dbl>, sd <dbl>, min <dbl>, max <dbl>, first_qu.25. <dbl>,
## #   third_qu.75. <dbl>, mad <dbl>, prod <dbl>
```

A quick data check

```
table(dat$Treatment, dat$Clear.cut)
```

```
##
##      2000 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009
## B      1   4   3   7   8   4  10   7   1
## UB     1   4   3   7   8   4  10   7   1
```

```
table(dat$Year.initiated, dat$LiDAR.data.from.year)
```

```
##
##      2010 2011 2013 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019
## 2007     0   0   0   0   0   0   0   6
## 2008     4   4   0  18   2   2   0   0
## 2009     0   0   0   0   4  24   0   0
## 2010     0   0   0   0   4   4   4   0
## 2011     0   0   2   0   4   0   0   8
```

```
table(dat$plot_density_m2, dat$resolution_m)
```

```
##
##      0,25 0,5
## 2      2  54
## 5     32   2
```

Something odd there...

```
table(dat$region, dat$Treatment)
```

```
##
##           B UB
## Hedmark   16 16
## Telemark  14 14
## Trondelag 15 15
```

```
table(dat$LocalityName, dat$Treatment)
```

```
##
##           B UB
## Bratsberg      1  1
## Didrik Holmsen  1  1
## Drangedal1     1  1
## Drangedal3     1  1
## Drangedal4     1  1
## Eidskog        1  1
## Fet 3          1  1
## Fritsoe1       1  1
## Fritsoe2       1  1
```

```
## Furesdal 1 1
## Halvard Pramhus 1 1
## Hi_tydal 1 1
## Kongsvinger 1 1
## Kongsvinger 2 1 1
## Kviteseid1 1 1
## Kviteseid2 1 1
## Kviteseid3 1 1
## Maarud 1 1 1
## Maarud 2 1 1
## Maarud 3 1 1
## Malvik 1 1
## namdalseid_1kub 1 1
## Nes 1 1 1
## Nes 2 1 1
## Nome_Cappelen1 1 1
## Nome_Cappelen2 1 1
## Notodden3 1 1
## Notodden5 1 1
## Notodden6 1 1
## Nsb_Verdal 1 1
## Selbu_Flub 1 1
## Selbu_k1 1 1
## Selbu_S1 1 1
## Singsaas 1 1
## Sl_Tydal 1 1
## Soerum 1 1
## Stangeskovene Aurskog 1 1
## Stangeskovene Eidskog 1 1
## steinkjer_1BBb 1 1
## steinkjer_2BBb 1 1
## Stig Dahlen 1 1
## Sub_Namdalseid 1 1
## Truls Holm 1 1
## verdal_1vb 1 1
## verdal_2VB 1 1
```

Looks good.

Canopy growth per year

Lets first compute canopy growth per year since exclosure

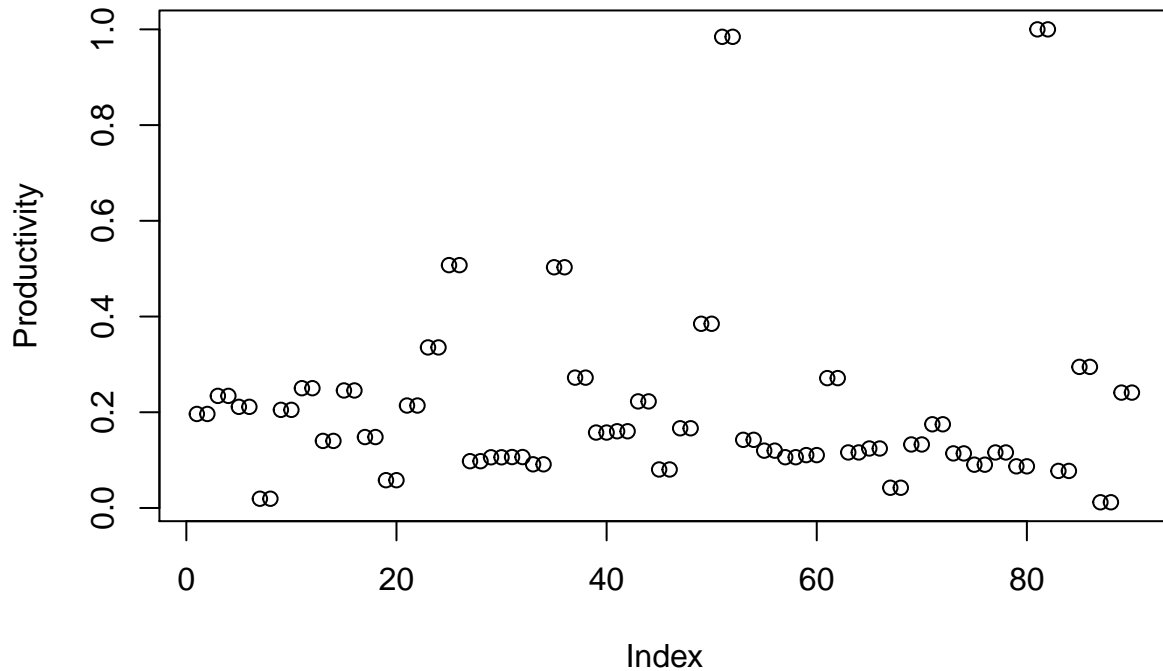
```
dat$canopygrowth <- dat$md/dat$YrsSinceExclosure
summary(dat$canopygrowth)
```

```
##      Min.   1st Qu.   Median     Mean  3rd Qu.    Max.
## 0.001214 0.022698 0.045375 0.096275 0.165922 0.420857
```

The numbers are in meters I'm pretty sure

One of the first things to decide on is what to do with productivity, as there are two outliers:

```
plot(dat$prod, ylab="Productivity")
```



```
dat[dat$prod>0.6,c("LocalityName", "region", "prod")]
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 3
##   LocalityName region  prod
##   <chr>         <chr>  <dbl>
## 1 Nes 2         Hedmark 0.984
## 2 Nes 2         Hedmark 0.984
## 3 Stig Dahlen   Hedmark 1
## 4 Stig Dahlen   Hedmark 1
```

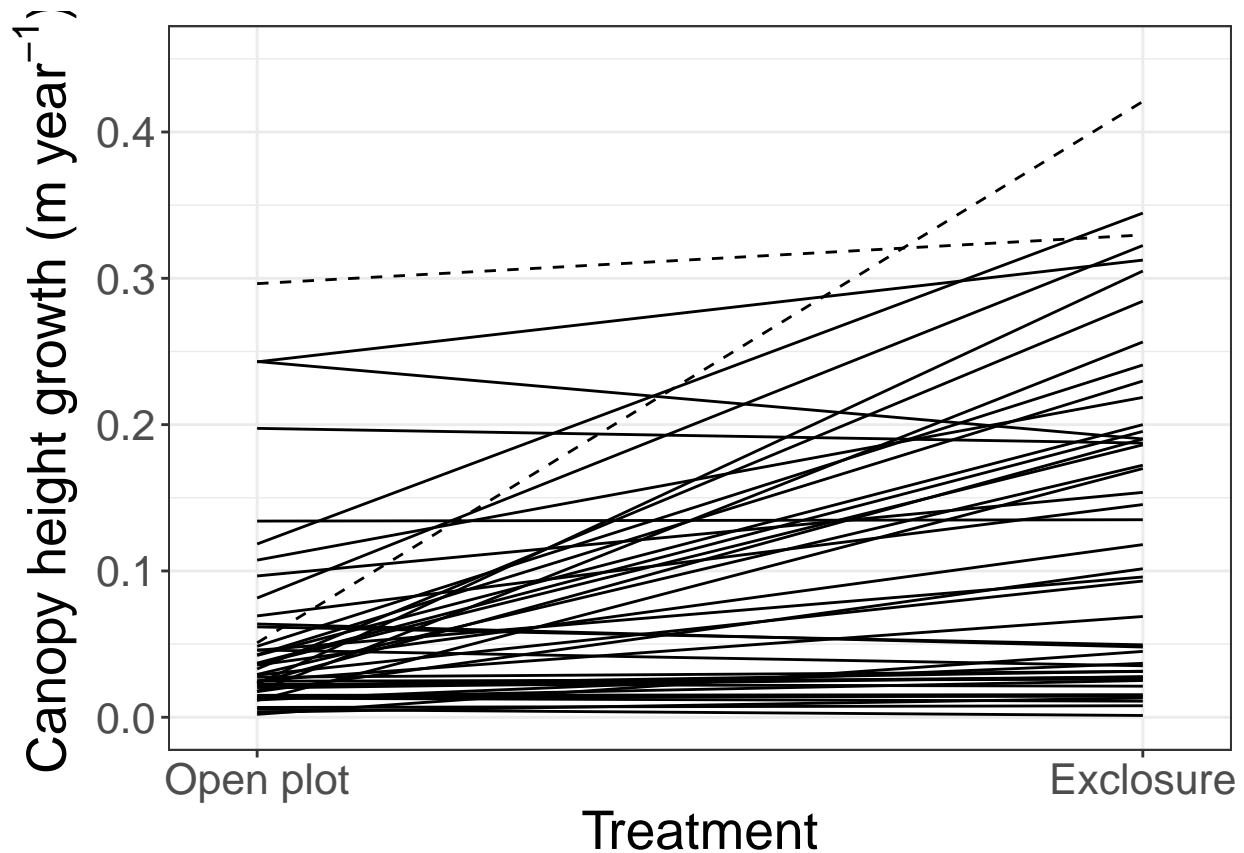
These are two sites in Hedmark that probably really are very productive, although there could have been serious sampling error due to chance. But they are legitimate, and we should be careful not to drop them too willingly.

```
dat$Treatment <- as.factor(dat$Treatment)
levels(dat$Treatment) <- c('Open plot', 'Exclosure')
dat$outlier <- "no"
dat$outlier[dat$LocalityName == "Nes 2" | dat$LocalityName == "Stig Dahlen"] <- "yes"
(spag1 <-
  ggplot(dat, aes(x=Treatment, y=canopygrowth, group=LocalityName, linetype = outlier))+
  geom_line()+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year'-1', '))), x='Treatment'))
```

```

scale_linetype_manual(breaks = c("Exclosure", "Open plot"),
                      labels = c("Open plots", "Exclosures"), values=c(1,2))+
scale_x_discrete(limits = c('Open plot', 'Exclosure'),
                 breaks = c('Open plot', 'Exclosure'), expand = c(0.1,0))+
theme_bw()+
theme(text = element_text(size = 20))+
ylim(0, 0.45)
)

```



The two 'outlier sites' are in dotted lines.

Now let's plot the interaction between productivity and treatment. We can use the log of the productivity if residuals are acting strange. Let's use a loess smoother for this as it makes less assumptions about the shape of the relationship:

```

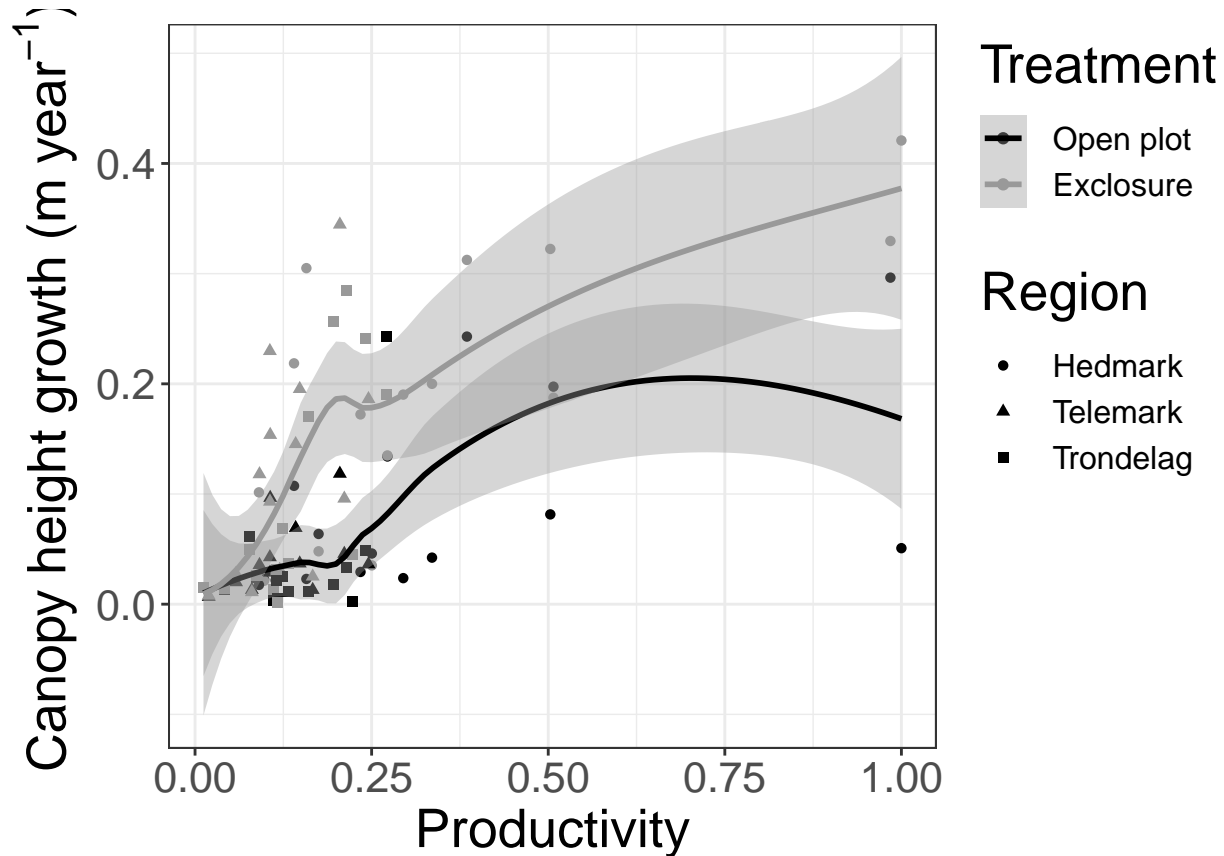
ggplot(data = dat,
        aes(x = prod, y = canopygrowth))+
geom_point(aes(colour= Treatment, shape=region))+
geom_smooth(aes(colour= Treatment),
            method = "loess", formula = 'y ~ x')+
labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year'-1', '))), x='Productivity')+
theme_bw()+
scale_color_manual(values = c("gray0", "gray60"))+
labs(colour="Treatment", shape="Region")+
theme(text = element_text(size = 20))+
#ylim(0, 0.4)+
theme(legend.position = 'right',

```

```

legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
legend.box.just = "left",
#legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
legend.text = element_text(size=12))

```

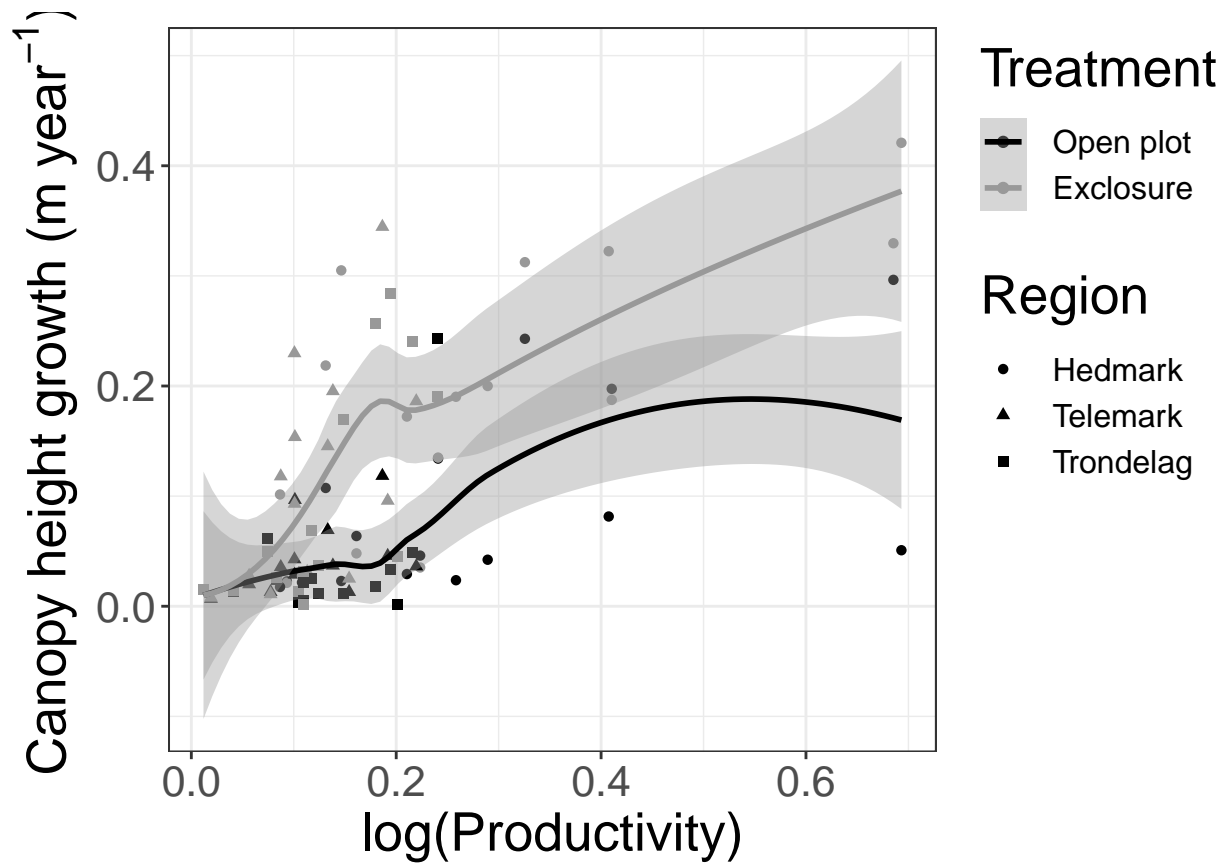


The highly productive sites are affecting this picture quite a bit I'd imagine. Let's try with a log-transformation:

```

dat$prod_1 <- log(dat$prod+1)
ggplot(data = dat,
       aes(x = prod_1, y = canopygrowth))+
  geom_point(aes(colour= Treatment, shape=region))+
  geom_smooth(aes(colour= Treatment),
             method = "loess", formula = 'y ~ x')+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year' '^'-1', ')')), x='log(Productivity)')+
  theme_bw()+
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray0", "gray60"))+
  labs(colour="Treatment", shape="Region")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 20))+
  #ylim(0, 0.4)+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))

```

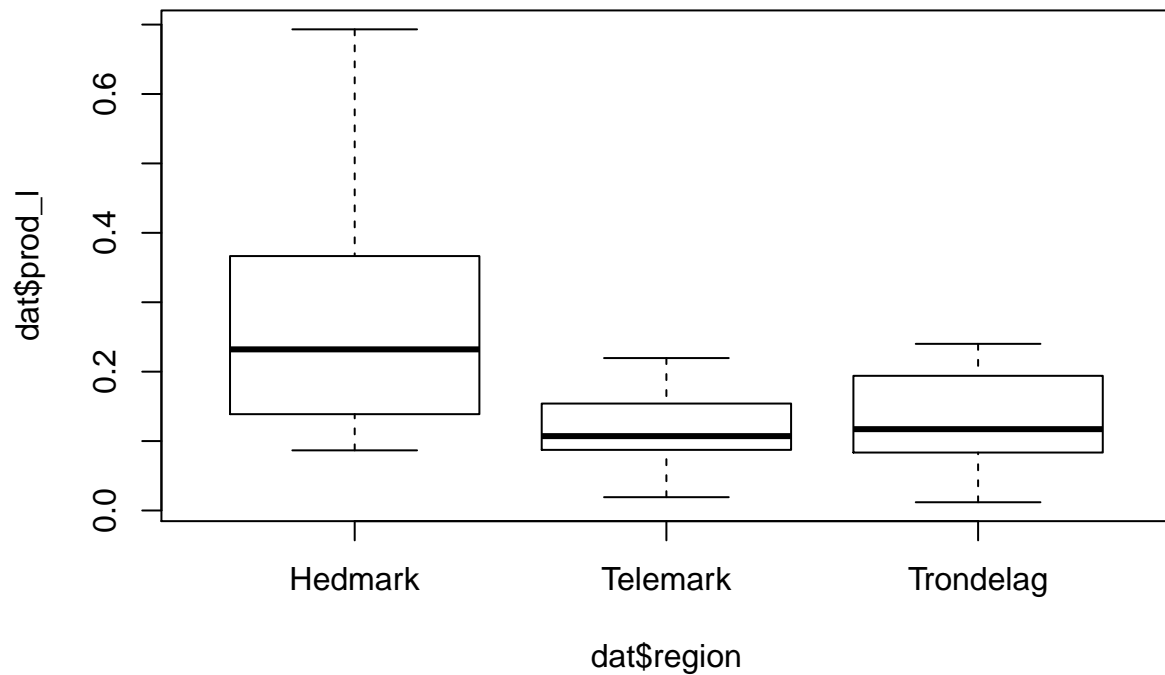


That's perhaps a little better. There's a relationship there it seems like, but perhaps not linear. Also note that all the really productive sites are in Hedmark:

```
table(round(dat$prod, 1), dat$region)
```

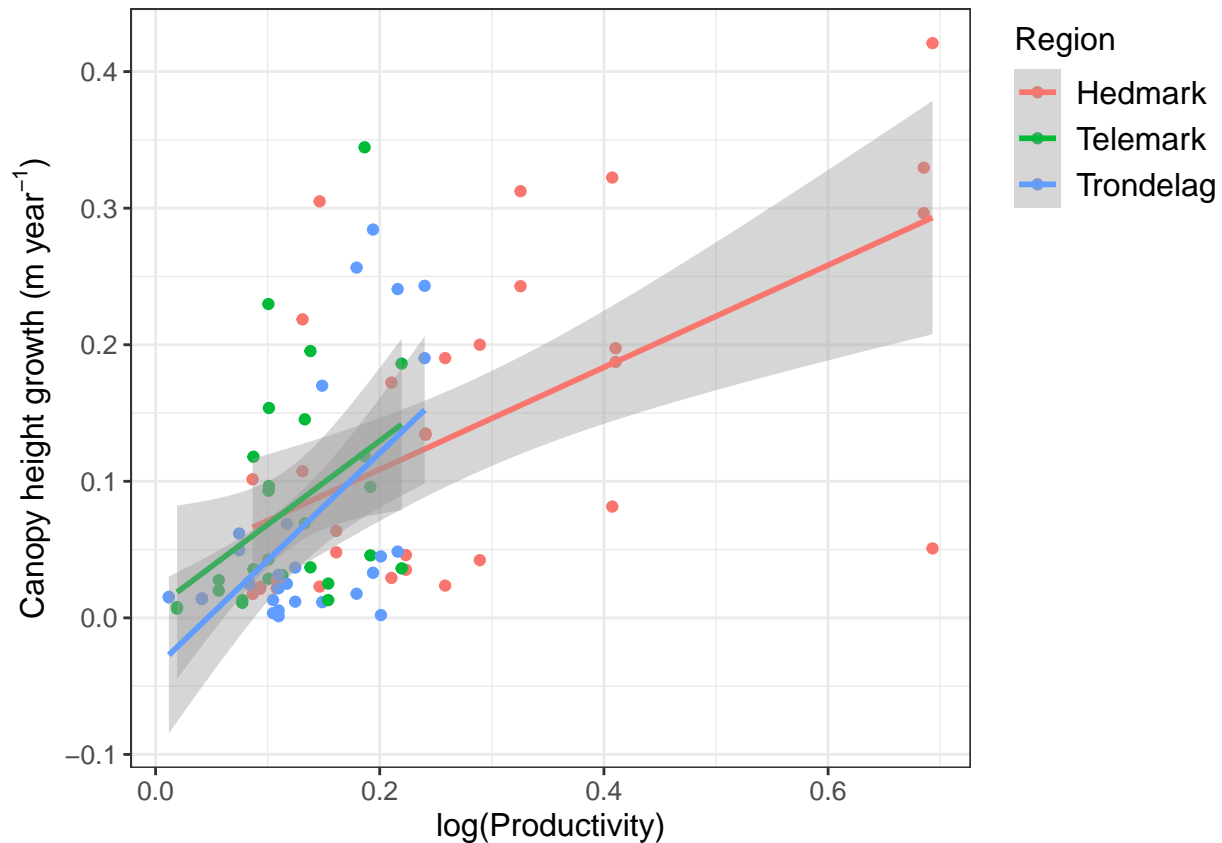
```
##
##      Hedmark Telemark Trondelag
## 0         0         2         4
## 0.1       8        18        14
## 0.2       6         8        10
## 0.3       8         0         2
## 0.4       2         0         0
## 0.5       4         0         0
## 1         4         0         0
```

```
boxplot(dat$prod_1~dat$region)
```



Lets investigate the effect of region a bit more.

```
ggplot(data = dat,
  aes(x = prod_l, y = canopygrowth, colour = region))+
  geom_point()+
  geom_smooth(method = "lm")+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year-1, ')')), x='log(Productivity)')+
  theme_bw()+
  #scale_color_manual(values = c("gray0", "gray50", "grey100"))+
  labs(colour="Region")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  #ylim(0, 0.4)+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
```

This plot tells us there is no need for a random slope model. Also, the two productivity outliers appear less like outliers when only looking at the Hedmark data points.

Summary stats (OBS, don't report these - keep reading)

Let's get some summary stats.

```
m <- tapply(dat$canopygrowth, dat$Treatment, FUN = mean)
# And standard error:
source('se.R')
s <- tapply(dat$canopygrowth, dat$Treatment, FUN = se)
(cg_means <- data.frame("mean canopy growth per year" = round(m, 3),
                        "standard error of the mean" = round(s, 3)))
```

```
##          mean.canopy.growth.per.year standard.error.of.the.mean
## Open plot                0.056                0.010
## Exclosure                0.136                0.017
```

```
rm(m, s)
```

We need a model to describe the interaction between treatment and productivity. The response is continuous and both positive and negative values can occur, so a gaussian family would be appropriate.

```
library(glmmTMB) # using this package even though I dont need all its finesse...
dat$region <- as.factor(dat$region)
mod1 <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1 + (1|region),
  data = dat, family = gaussian)
```

```
mod2 <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1 ,
  data = dat, family = gaussian)
```

```
AIC(mod1, mod2)
```

```
##      df      AIC
## mod1  6 -215.4912
## mod2  5 -217.4912
```

Model 2 is slightly better, suggesting we drop the random intercept. What does ANOVA say about this?

```
anova(mod1, mod2)
```

```
## Data: dat
## Models:
## mod2: canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1, zi=~0, disp=~1
## mod1: canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1 + (1 | region), zi=~0, disp=~1
##      Df      AIC      BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## mod2  5 -217.49 -204.99 113.75 -227.49
## mod1  6 -215.49 -200.49 113.75 -227.49      0      1      1
```

The models explain exactly the same, so we can drop the random intercept. The only reason for keeping it is if we want to argue it's part of the design, which it is. However, I don't think that's more important than having a parsimonious model.

```
summary(mod2)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:          canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1
## Data: dat
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##   -217.5   -205.0    113.7   -227.5        85
##
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.00467
##
## Conditional model:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    0.004464   0.016613   0.269  0.78815
## TreatmentExclosure 0.030452   0.023495   1.296  0.19493
## prod_1          0.287174   0.072826   3.943 8.04e-05 ***
## TreatmentExclosure:prod_1 0.275917   0.102992   2.679  0.00738 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

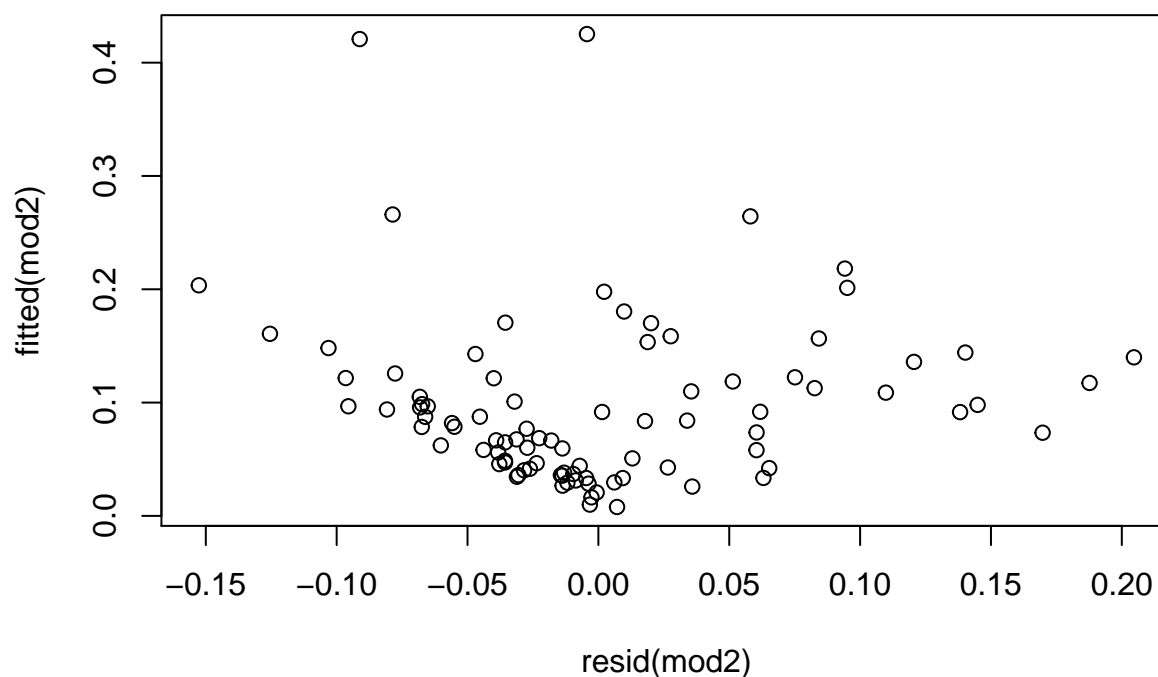
Significant interaction term, so we're keeping this full model. We can also see what the random effect would've give us:

```
ranef(mod1)
```

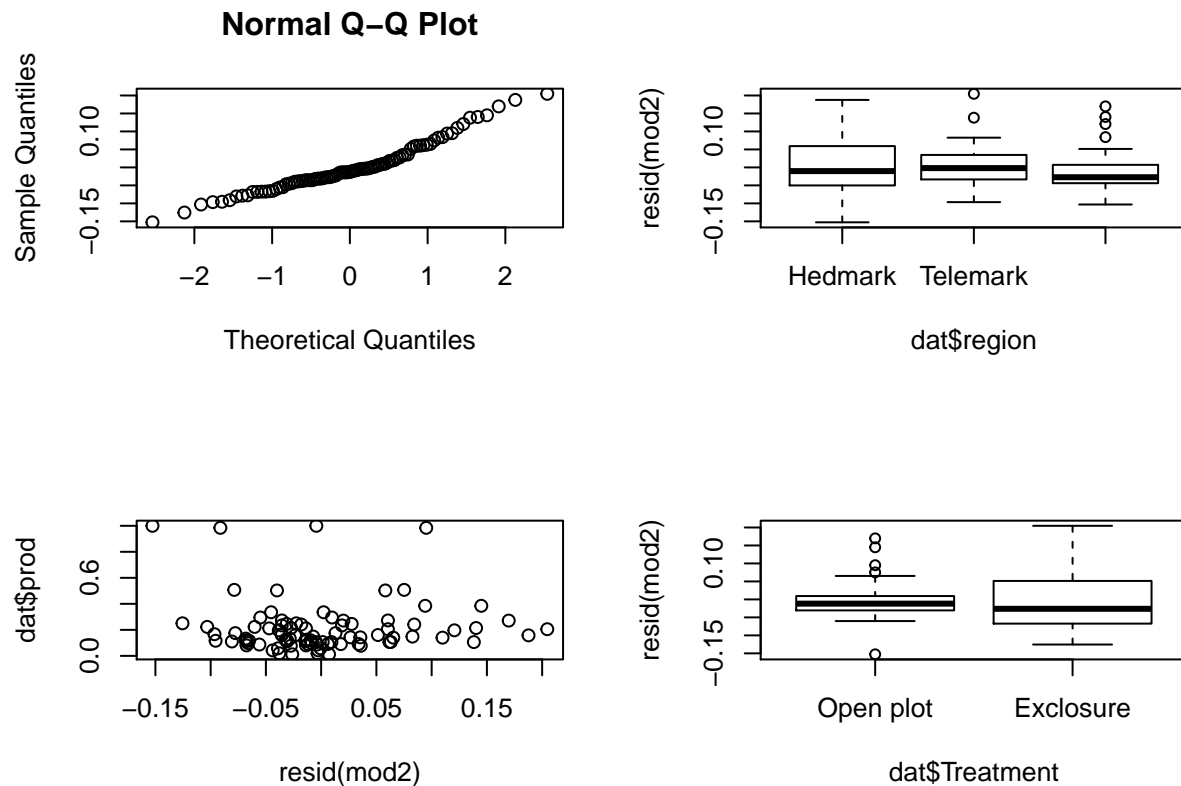
```
## $region  
##      (Intercept)  
## Hedmark  -1.809701e-12  
## Telemark   1.271089e-10  
## Trondelag -1.252993e-10
```

, and it's not very much.

```
plot(resid(mod2), fitted(mod2))
```

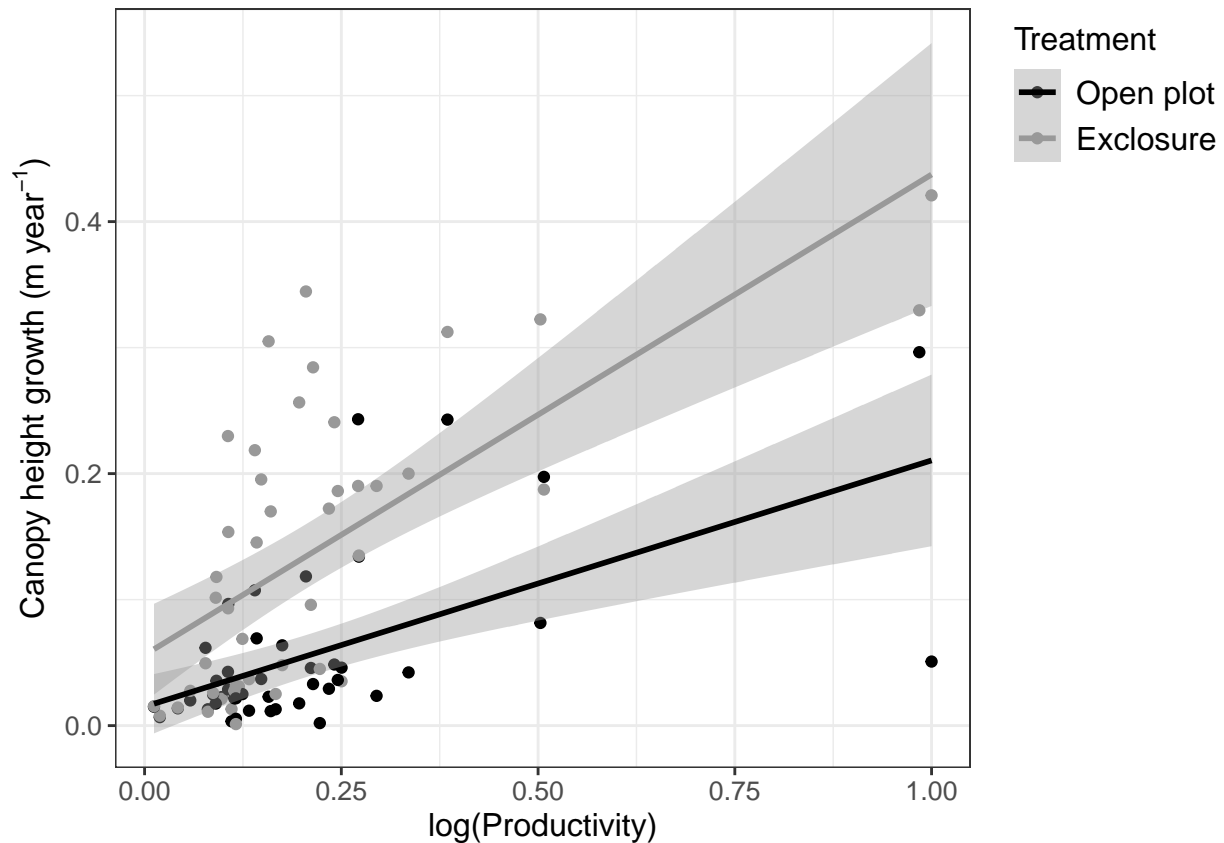


```
par(mfrow=c(2,2))  
qqnorm(resid(mod2))  
plot(resid(mod2) ~ dat$region)  
plot(resid(mod2), dat$prod)  
plot(resid(mod2) ~ dat$Treatment)
```



Looks like everything is in order. The residuals against productivity at least show a centering around zero.

```
ggplot(data = dat,
       aes(x = prod, y = canopygrowth, colour= Treatment))+
  geom_point()+
  geom_smooth(method = "lm")+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year-1, ')'), x='log(Productivity)')+
  theme_bw()+
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray0", "gray60"))+
  labs(colour="Treatment")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  #ylim(0, 0.4)+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
```



So here we're modelling a linear function of productivity. We could try adding a quadratic term.

```
dat$prod_12 <- dat$prod_1*dat$prod_1
mod3 <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1 + prod_12,
  data = dat, family = gaussian)
```

```
AIC(mod2, mod3)
```

```
##      df      AIC
## mod2  5 -217.4912
## mod3  6 -219.5023
```

This gave a slight improvement.

```
anova(mod2, mod3)
```

```
## Data: dat
## Models:
## mod2: canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1, zi=~0, disp=~1
## mod3: canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod_1 + prod_12, zi=~0, disp=~1
##      Df      AIC      BIC logLik deviance  Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## mod2  5 -217.49 -204.99 113.75  -227.49
## mod3  6 -219.50 -204.50 115.75  -231.50  4.0111      1    0.0452 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The numbers tell us we should keep it. We will need to remake that plot above, but we'll get to that.

Sensitivity analysis

We should do a sensitivity analysis by removing the outliers and comparing the results that those models give us.

```
dat2 <- dat[dat$prod < 0.7,]
dim(dat2)
```

```
## [1] 86 31
```

That deleted the two most productive sites.

```
mod_sens1 <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod + (1|region),
  data = dat2, family = gaussian)
mod_sens2 <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod,
  data = dat2, family = gaussian)
mod_sens3 <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod + I(prod^2),
  data = dat2, family = gaussian)
cg_cand <- data.frame(AIC(mod_sens1, mod_sens2, mod_sens3))
cg_cand$model <- c("Intial model: Treatment * prod + (1|region)",
  "-(1|region)",
  "-(1|region) and + prod^2")
cg_cand
```

```
##           df          AIC                model
## mod_sens1  6 -211.5329 Intial model: Treatment * prod + (1|region)
## mod_sens2  5 -213.5329                -(1|region)
## mod_sens3  6 -212.8157                -(1|region) and + prod^2
```

```
summary(mod_sens2)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:          canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod
## Data: dat2
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##   -213.5   -201.3    111.8   -223.5      81
##
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.00435
##
## Conditional model:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -0.003533   0.018914  -0.187  0.851835
## TreatmentExclosure  0.029838   0.026749   1.115  0.264644
## prod           0.311650   0.091980   3.388  0.000703 ***
## TreatmentExclosure:prod 0.256527   0.130079   1.972  0.048601 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

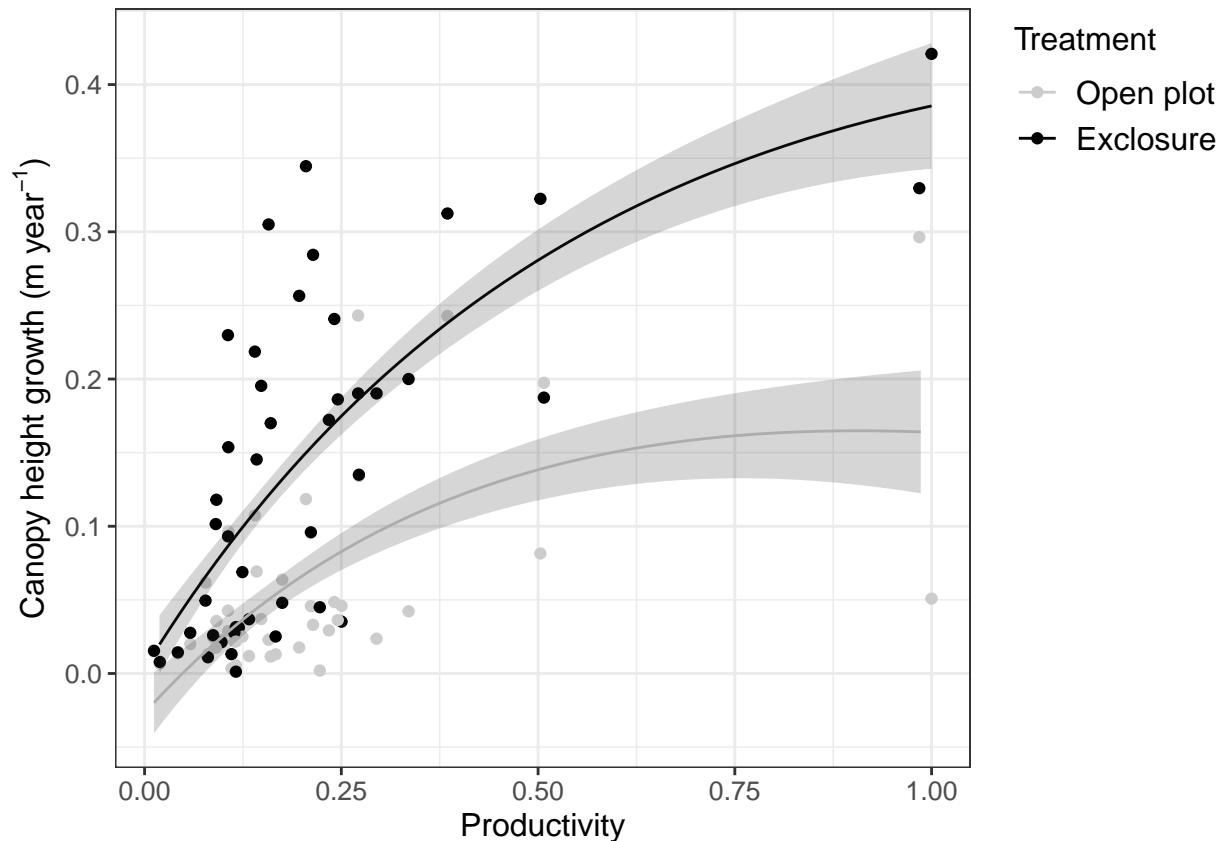
The results are qualitatively the same, which justified keeping the ‘outliers’ in. (but see discussing below at the end of the MAD chapter)

Plot

```
tr <- rep(c("Open plot", "Exclosure"), times=50, each=1)
prod_l <- seq(from = min(dat$prod_l), to=max(dat$prod_l), length.out = 100)
prod_l2 <- prod_l^2

pred <- predict(mod3, list(Treatment= tr,
                           prod_l   = prod_l,
                           prod_l2  = prod_l2),
                           se.fit   = TRUE)
pred2 <- data.frame(Treatment = tr,
                    prod_l    = prod_l,
                    pred      = pred$fit,
                    se        = pred$se.fit)

(cg_wOutlier <-
  ggplot()+
  geom_point(data = dat, aes(x = exp(prod_l)-1, y = canopygrowth, colour= Treatment))+
  geom_line(data=pred2, aes(x = exp(prod_l)-1, y=pred, colour = Treatment))+
  geom_ribbon(data=pred2, aes(x = exp(prod_l)-1,
                              ymin=pred-se,
                              ymax=pred+se,
                              group = Treatment),
              alpha=0.2,
              linetype="blank")+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year'-1', '))), x='Productivity')+
  theme_bw()+
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray80", "black"))+
  labs(colour="Treatment")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
)
```

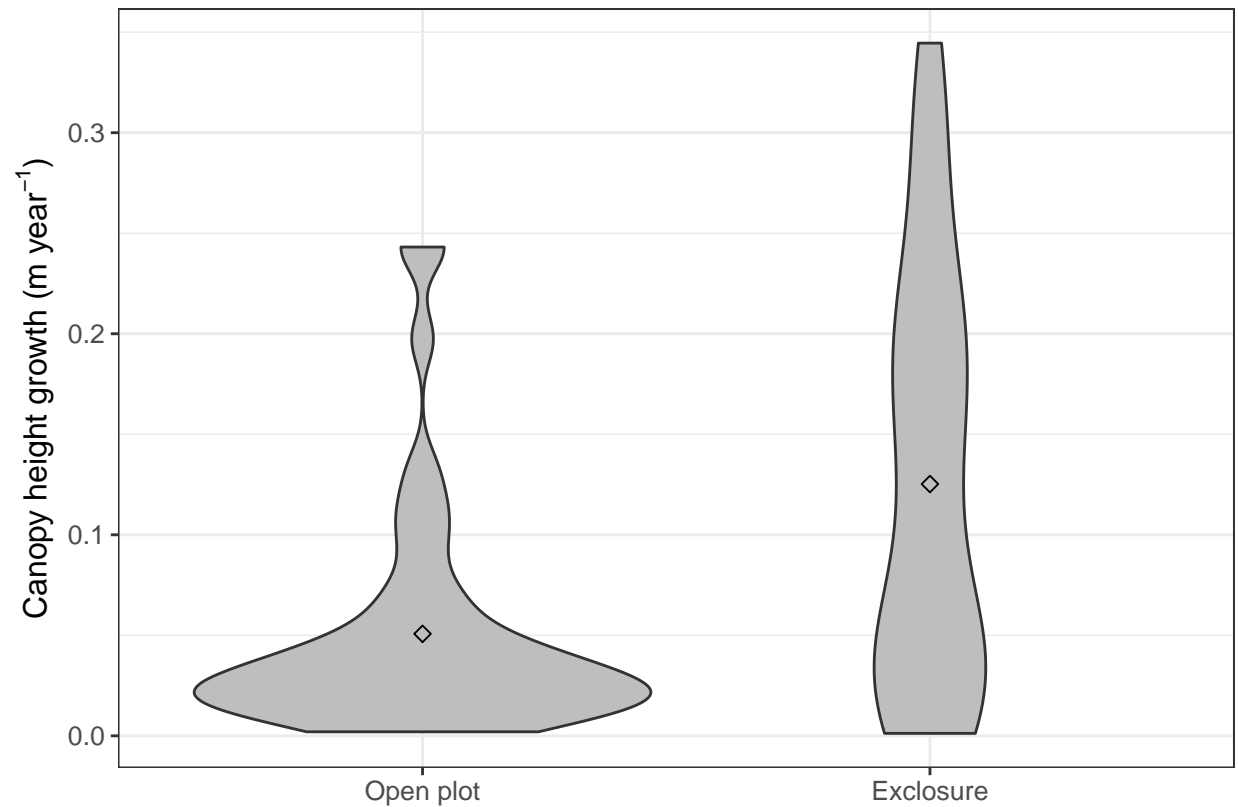


```
rm(tr, prod_1, prod_12, pred, pred2)
```

I have backtransformed the productivity axis in this plot. The ribbons are \pm SE, but perhaps 95%CIs are better, or ± 1.96 SE.

We can also make these nice violin plots, even though the main plot should show the interaction effect like the plot above does.

```
(cg_viol <-
  ggplot(data = dat2, aes(x = Treatment, y = canopygrowth))+
  geom_violin(fill = "grey")+
  theme_bw()+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year-1, ')')), x='')+
  stat_summary(fun.y=mean, geom="point", shape=23, size=2)
)
```

MAD

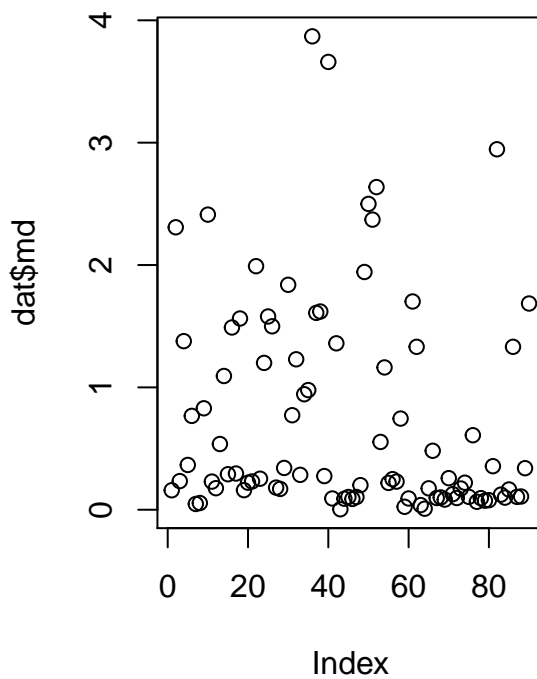
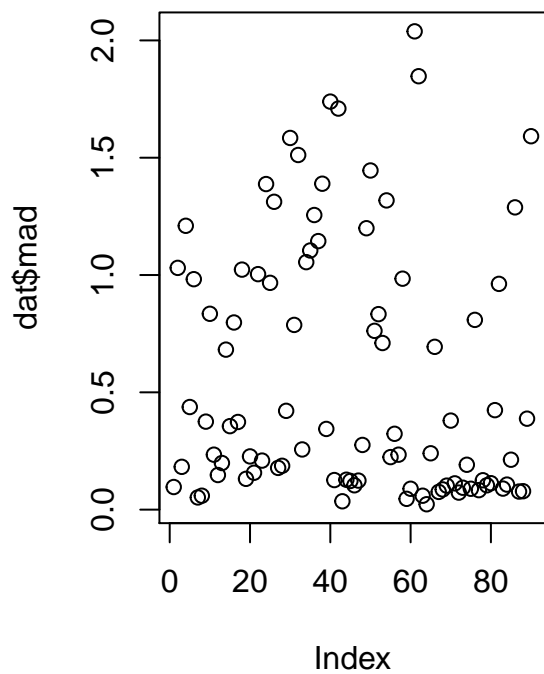
I think first and foremost it's the relative MAD we should focus on. That's the equivalent of CV (Coefficient of Variation).

```
dat$rMAD <- dat$mad/dat$md
summary(dat$rMAD)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
## 0.3160  0.7399  1.0207  1.0869  1.2554  8.8956
```

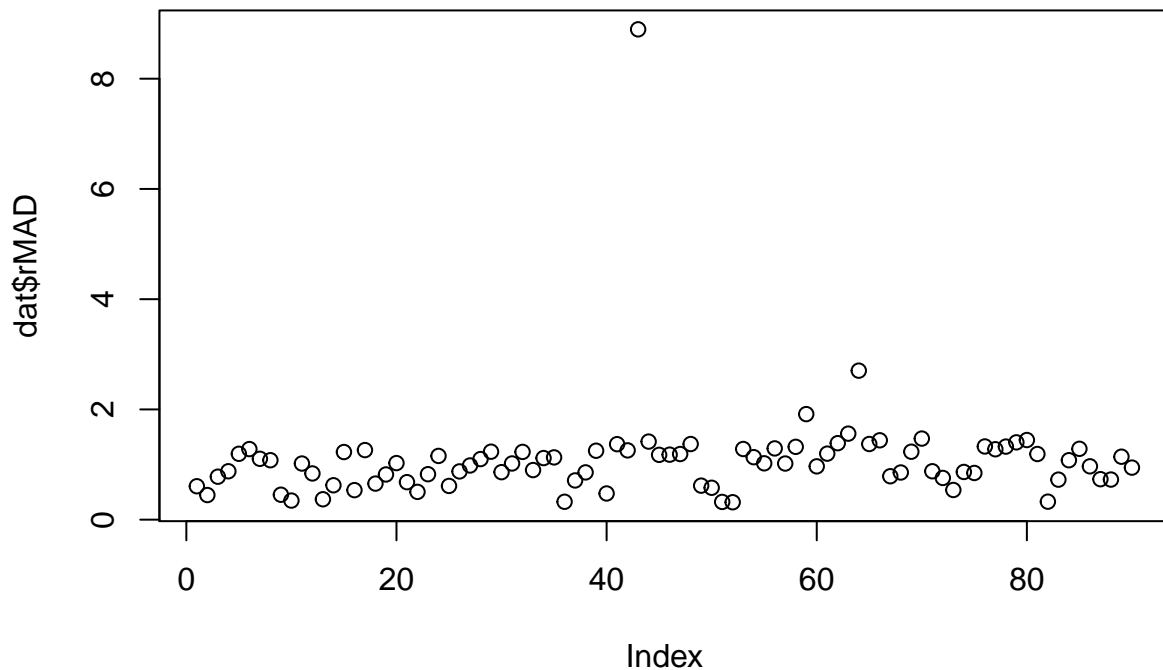
Looks sqewed.

```
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(dat$mad)
plot(dat$md)
```



The two factors are well-behaved at first glance.

```
plot(dat$rMAD)
```



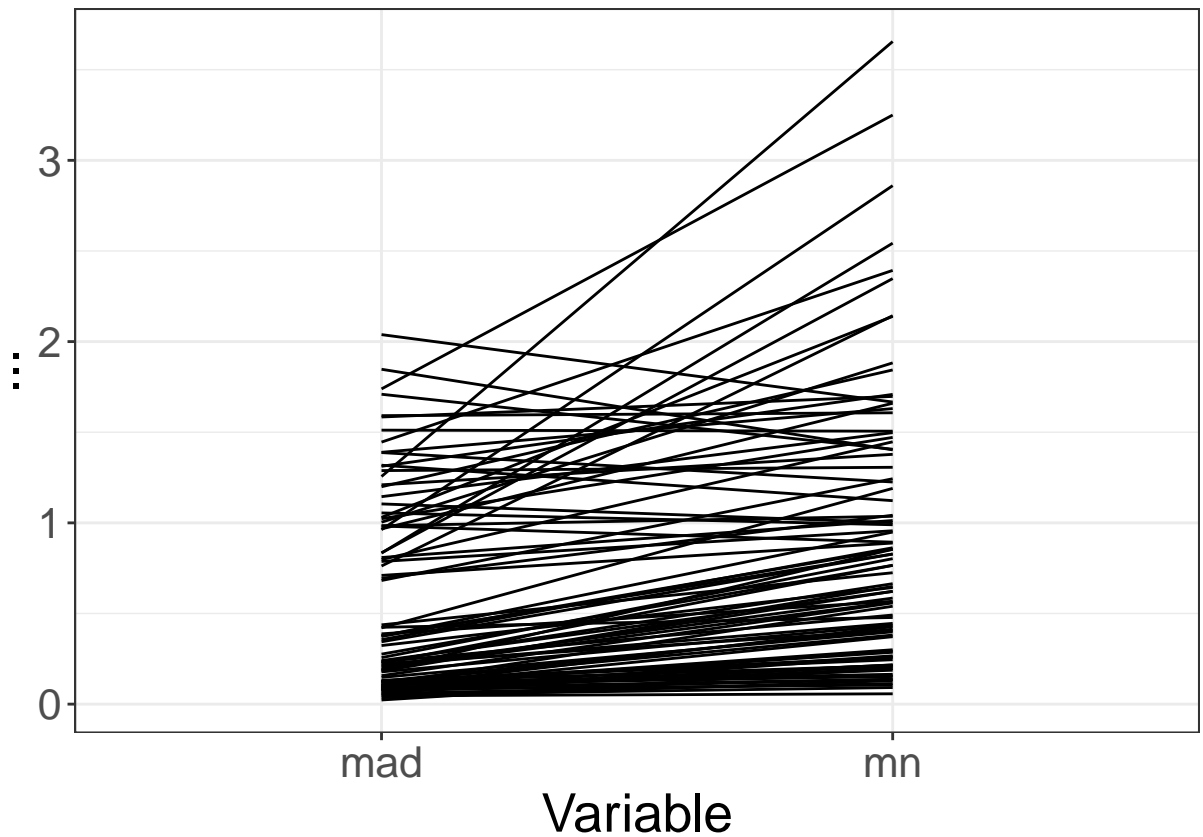
But this one is not.

```
dat[dat$rMAD>4, c("LocalityName", "Treatment", "md", "mn", "sd", "mad", "rMAD")]
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 7
##   LocalityName Treatment      md      mn      sd      mad rMAD
##   <chr>          <fct>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 namdalseid_1kub Open plot 0.00400 0.129 0.688 0.0356 8.90
```

It's the median that is causing trouble. It's very low, 0.004m.

```
library(reshape2)
myMelt <- melt(data = dat, id.vars = "LocalityCode", measure.vars = c("mad", "mn"))
ggplot(myMelt, aes(x=variable, y=value, group=LocalityCode))+
  geom_line()+
  labs(y='...', x='Variable')+
  theme_bw()+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 20))
```



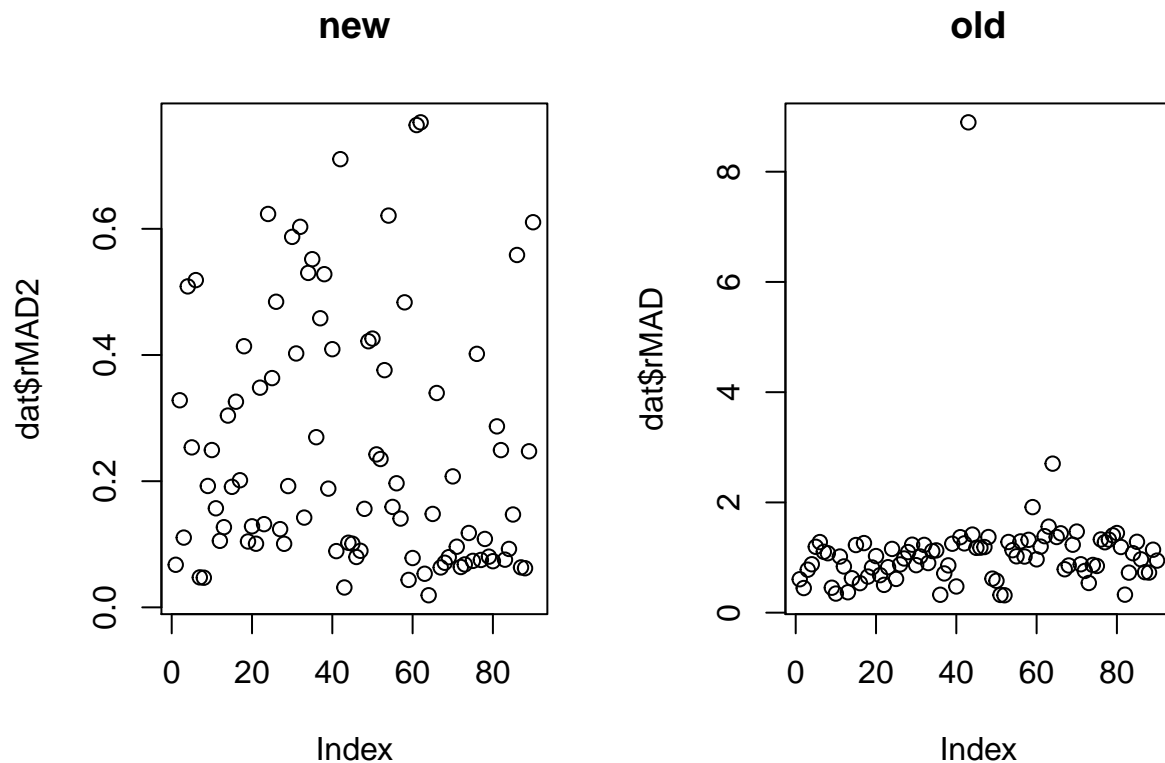
This doesn't look strange. It is simply the low median value that increases rMAD asymptotically. It's of course the lowest median in the data set, as you can see here:

```
min(dat$md)
```

```
## [1] 0.004
```

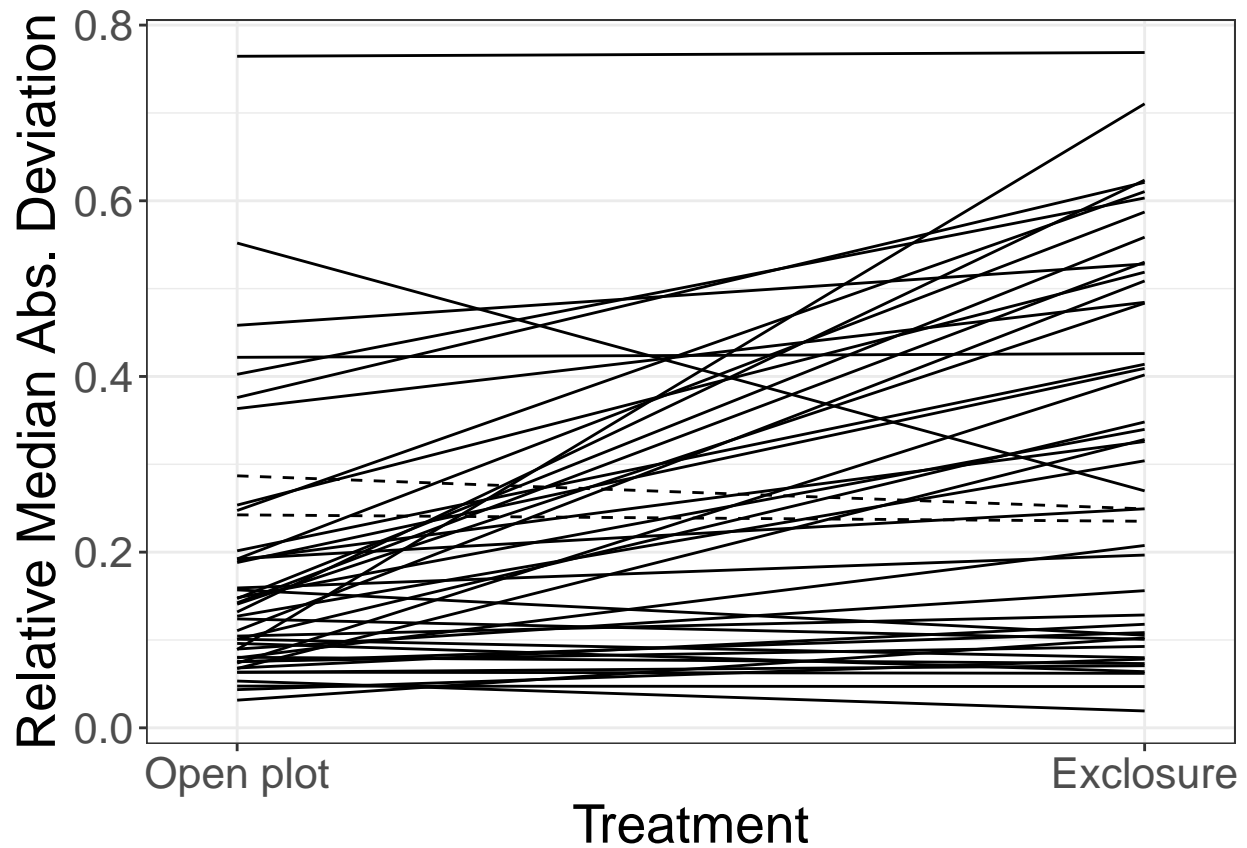
Let's remake rMAD with a slight moderation:

```
dat$rMAD2 <- dat$mad/(dat$mn+1)
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(dat$rMAD2, main = "new")
plot(dat$rMAD, main = "old")
```

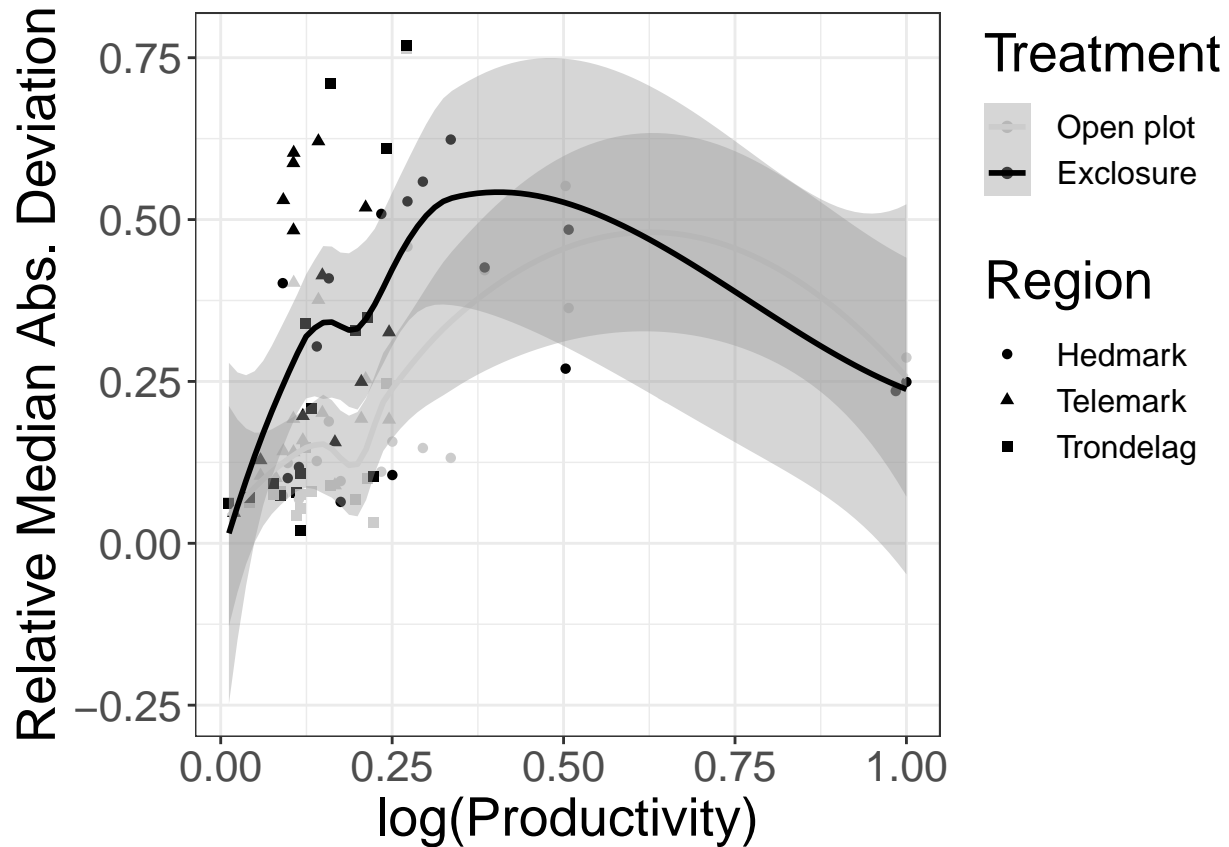


I don't see how this can affect the interpretation of rMAD. Let's use it.

```
(spag2 <-
  ggplot(dat, aes(x=Treatment, y=rMAD2, group=LocalityName, linetype = outlier))+
  geom_line()+
  labs(y='Relative Median Abs. Deviation', x='Treatment')+
  scale_linetype_manual(breaks = c("Exclosure", "Open plot"),
                        labels = c("Open plots", "Exclosures"), values=c(1,2))+
  scale_x_discrete(limits = c('Open plot', 'Exclosure'),
                   breaks = c('Open plot', 'Exclosure'), expand = c(0.1,0))+
  theme_bw()+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 20))
)
```

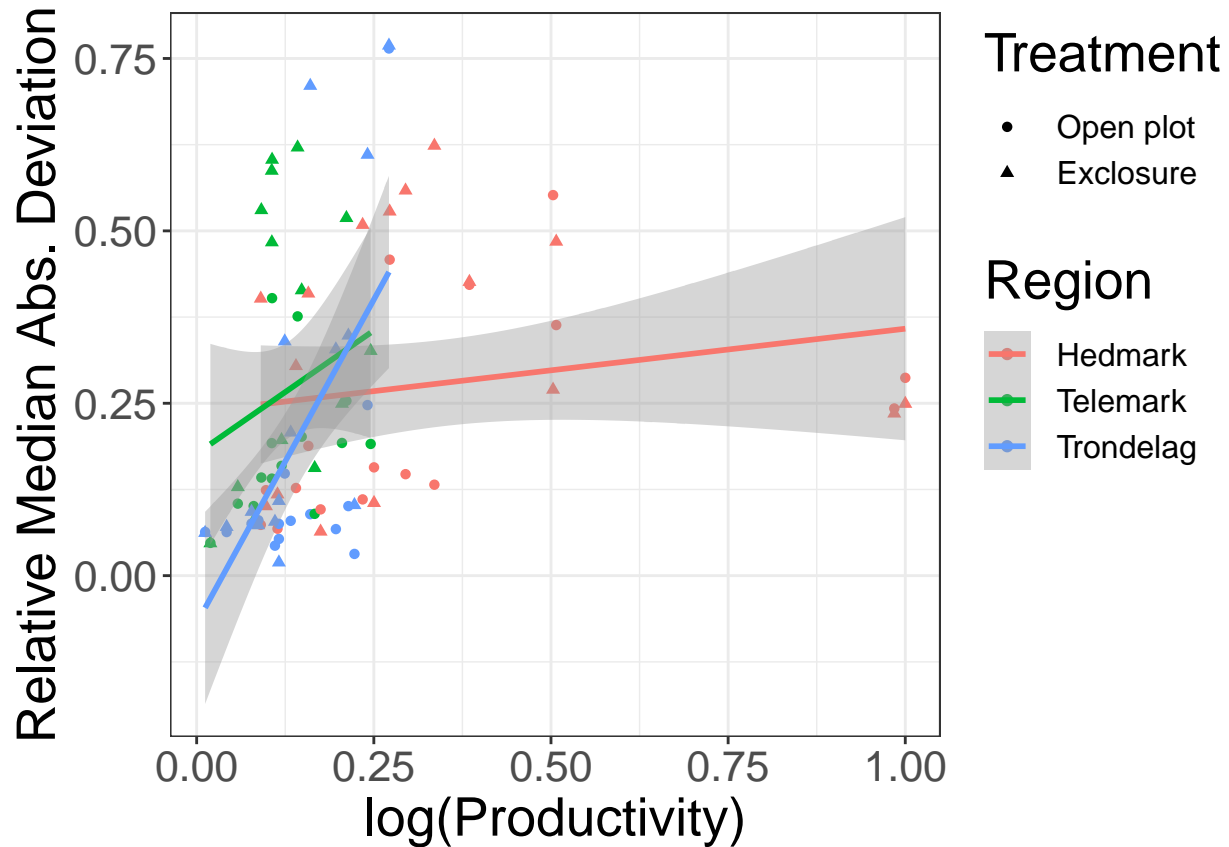


```
ggplot(data = dat,
       aes(x = prod, y = rMAD2))+
  geom_point(aes(colour= Treatment, shape=region))+
  geom_smooth(aes(colour= Treatment),
             method = "loess", formula = 'y ~ x')+
  labs(y='Relative Median Abs. Deviation', x='log(Productivity)')+
  theme_bw()+
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray80", "black"))+
  labs(colour="Treatment", shape="Region")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 20))+
  #ylim(0, 0.4)+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
```



Probably no interaction with productivity here, but the 'exclosure line' appear to lie higher. Let's see if there an effect of region

```
ggplot(data = dat,
       aes(x = prod, y = rMAD2))+
  geom_point(aes(colour=region, shape=Treatment))+
  geom_smooth(aes(colour= region),
             method = "lm", formula = 'y ~ x')+
  labs(y='Relative Median Abs. Deviation', x='log(Productivity)')+
  theme_bw()+
  #scale_color_manual(values = c("gray80", "black", "grey20"))+
  labs(colour="Region", shape="Treatment")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 20))+
  #ylim(0, 0.4)+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
```



Looks like we might need a random slope for this one.

```
modmad <- glmmTMB(data = dat,
  rMAD2~Treatment*prod_l+prod_l2+(prod_l|region),
  family = gaussian)
```

```
## Warning in fitTMB(TMBStruc): Model convergence problem; singular convergence
## (7). See vignette('troubleshooting')
```

```
summary(modmad)
```

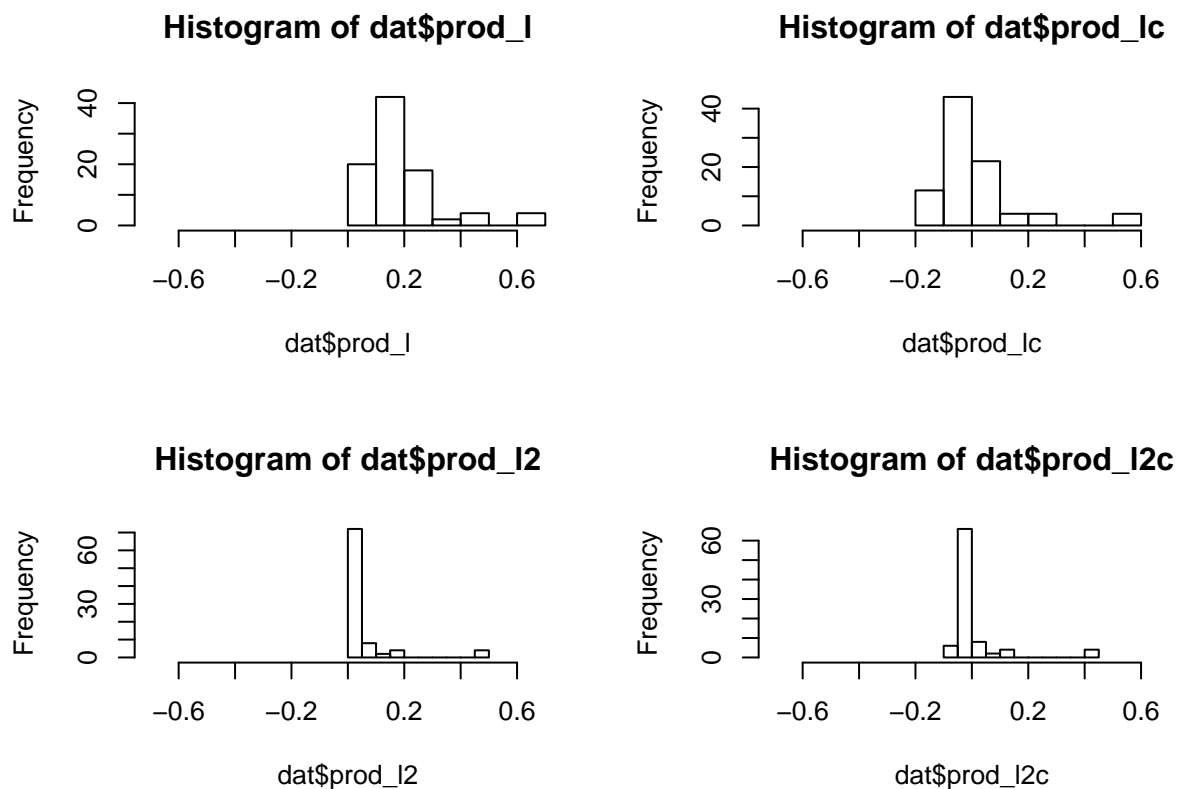
```
## Family: gaussian (identity)
## Formula:      rMAD2 ~ Treatment * prod_l + prod_l2 + (prod_l | region)
## Data: dat
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##    -60.3    -37.8     39.1    -78.3      81
##
## Random effects:
##
## Conditional model:
## Groups   Name                Variance Std.Dev. Corr
## region   (Intercept)  0.003101  0.05569
##          prod_l       0.026468  0.16269  -1.00
## Residual                    0.023795  0.15426
```



```
## Number of obs: 90, groups: region, 3
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0238
##
## Conditional model:
##
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -0.07869   0.06385  -1.232  0.21779
## TreatmentExclosure    0.16853   0.05301   3.179  0.00148 **
## prod_l          2.14520   0.42564   5.040 4.66e-07 ***
## prod_l2         -2.51124   0.58296  -4.308 1.65e-05 ***
## TreatmentExclosure:prod_l -0.18024   0.23236  -0.776  0.43792
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Note perfect correlation between random effect. All I can think of trying the centering.

```
dat$prod_lc <- dat$prod_l - mean(dat$prod_l)
dat$prod_l2c <- dat$prod_l2 - mean(dat$prod_l2)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
hist(dat$prod_l, xlim = c(-0.7,0.7))
hist(dat$prod_lc, xlim = c(-0.7,0.7))
hist(dat$prod_l2, xlim = c(-0.7,0.7))
hist(dat$prod_l2c, xlim = c(-0.7,0.7))
```



Ok, but notice how sqewed the quadratic term is, probably amplifying the 'outlierissue'...

```
modmad2 <- glmmTMB(data = dat,
  rMAD2~Treatment*prod_lc+prod_l2c+(prod_lc|region),
  family = gaussian)

## Warning in fitTMB(TMBStruc): Model convergence problem; non-positive-definite
## Hessian matrix. See vignette('troubleshooting')

## Warning in fitTMB(TMBStruc): Model convergence problem; singular convergence
## (7). See vignette('troubleshooting')
```

```
summary(modmad2)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:      rMAD2 ~ Treatment * prod_lc + prod_l2c + (prod_lc | region)
## Data: dat
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##      NA      NA      NA      NA      81
##
## Random effects:
##
## Conditional model:
## Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev. Corr
## region   (Intercept) 0.000696 0.02638
##          prod_lc     0.026468 0.16269  -1.00
## Residual                0.023795 0.15426
## Number of obs: 90, groups:  region, 3
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0238
##
## Conditional model:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)      0.17708    0.02835   6.247 4.19e-10 ***
## TreatmentExclosure 0.13606    0.03252   4.184 2.87e-05 ***
## prod_lc          2.14520    0.42564   5.040 4.66e-07 ***
## prod_l2c         -2.51124    0.58296  -4.308 1.65e-05 ***
## TreatmentExclosure:prod_lc -0.18024    0.23236  -0.776  0.438
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Well that just made it worse. I think we just need to simplify the model.

```
modmad3 <- glmmTMB(data = dat,
  rMAD2~Treatment*prod_l+prod_l2+(1|region),
  family = gaussian)
summary(modmad3)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:      rMAD2 ~ Treatment * prod_l + prod_l2 + (1 | region)
## Data: dat
##
```

```
##      AIC      BIC   logLik deviance df.resid
##    -63.3    -45.8    38.7   -77.3      83
##
## Random effects:
##
## Conditional model:
##   Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
##   region   (Intercept) 0.0008213 0.02866
##   Residual              0.0242256 0.15565
## Number of obs: 90, groups:  region, 3
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0242
##
## Conditional model:
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)      -0.07861    0.05777  -1.361  0.17358
## TreatmentExclosure    0.16853    0.05348   3.151  0.00163 **
## prod_1             2.14061    0.41378   5.173 2.30e-07 ***
## prod_l2            -2.41072    0.53976  -4.466 7.96e-06 ***
## TreatmentExclosure:prod_l -0.18024    0.23445  -0.769  0.44202
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Like so. Lets for fun compare with the random slope model, but I'm not sure if its AIC is comparable/reliable:

```
AIC(modmad, modmad3)
```

```
##      df      AIC
## modmad   9 -60.25425
## modmad3  7 -63.31825
```

The random intecept model is better anyways. Byt we can drop the interaction, and theat leave us with:

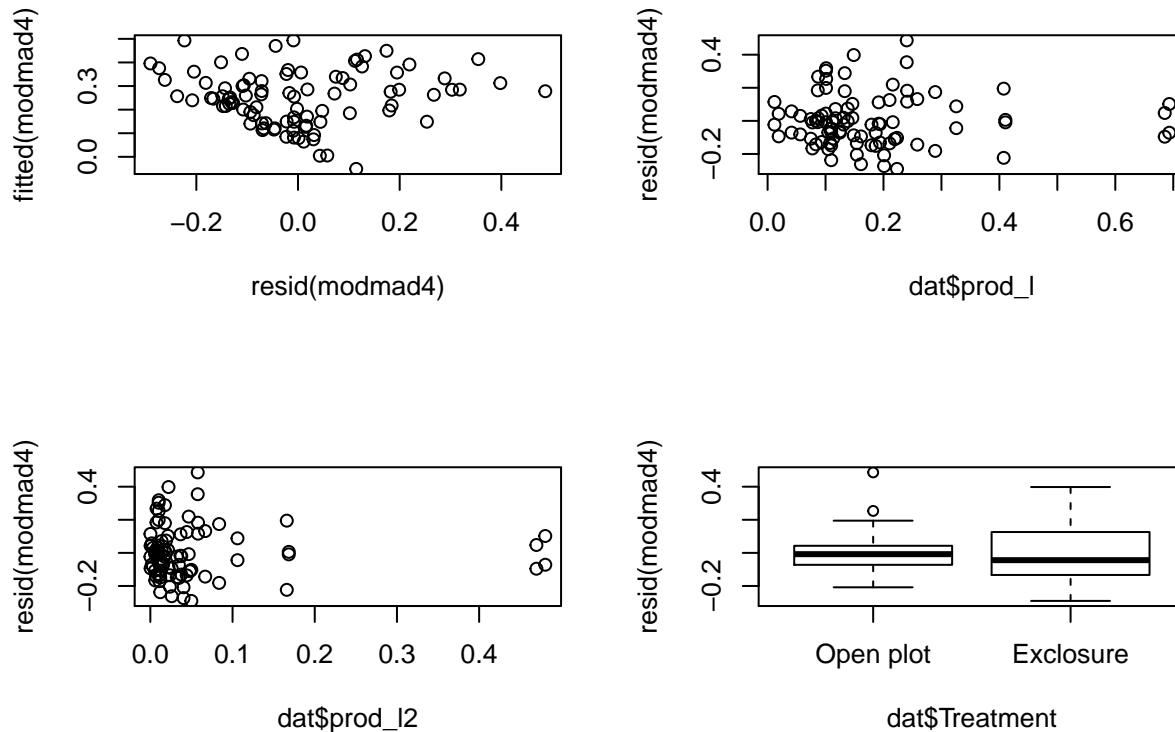
```
modmad4 <- update(modmad3, .~. -Treatment:prod_1)
summary(modmad4)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:      rMAD2 ~ Treatment + prod_1 + prod_l2 + (1 | region)
## Data: dat
##
##      AIC      BIC   logLik deviance df.resid
##    -64.7    -49.7    38.4   -76.7      84
##
## Random effects:
##
## Conditional model:
##   Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
##   region   (Intercept) 0.0008136 0.02852
##   Residual              0.0243913 0.15618
## Number of obs: 90, groups:  region, 3
##
```

```
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0244
##
## Conditional model:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -0.06226   0.05391  -1.155   0.248
## TreatmentExclosure  0.13606   0.03293   4.132 3.59e-05 ***
## prod_l         2.04957   0.39815   5.148 2.64e-07 ***
## prod_l2        -2.40999   0.54160  -4.450 8.60e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

All very significant. Error estimates seem reasonable. Let's look at some validation plots.

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(resid(modmad4), fitted(modmad4))
plot(dat$prod_l, resid(modmad4))
plot(dat$prod_l2, resid(modmad4))
plot(resid(modmad4)~dat$Treatment)
```



Looks fine.

Plot rMAD2

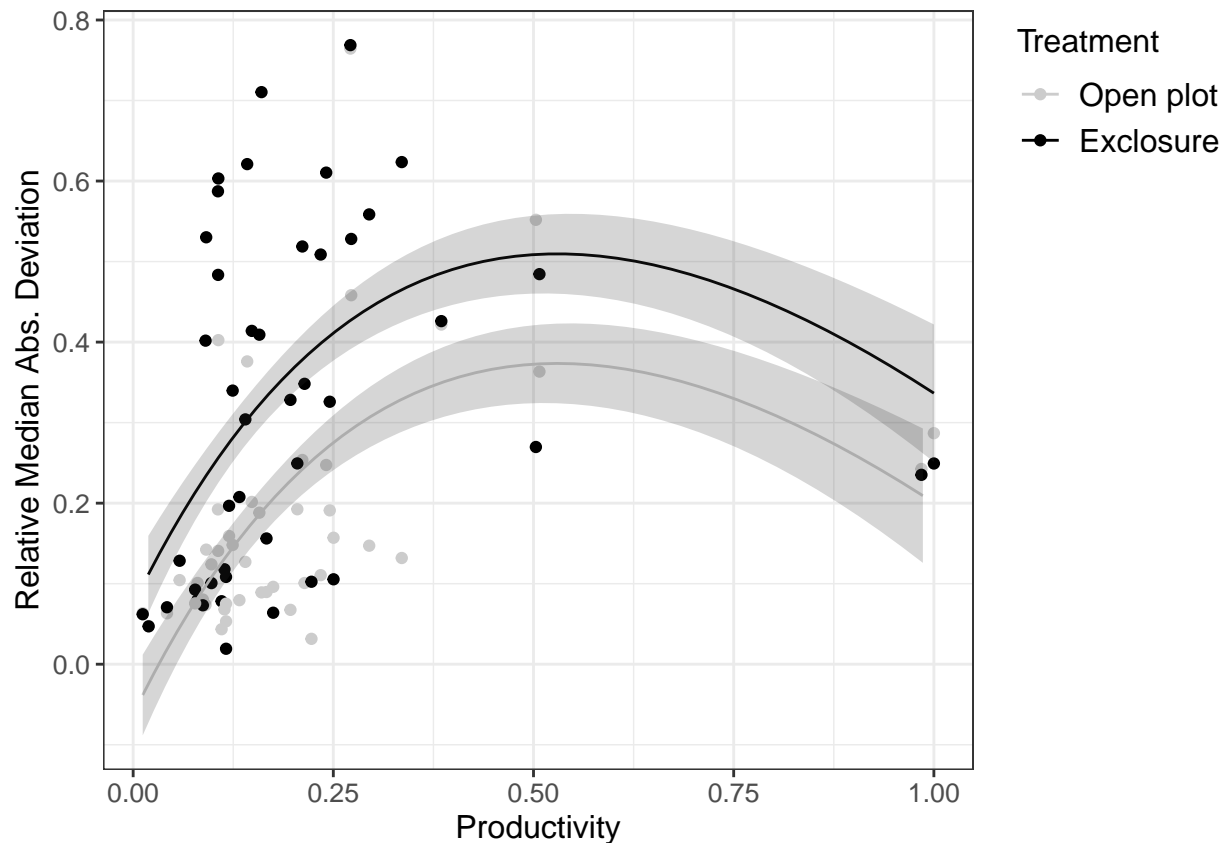
```

tr <- rep(c("Open plot", "Exclosure"), times=50, each=1)
prod_l <- seq(from = min(dat$prod_l), to=max(dat$prod_l), length.out = 100)
prod_l2 <- prod_l^2
region <- rep(NA, times=100)

pred <- predict(modmad4, list(Treatment=tr,
                             prod_l=prod_l,
                             prod_l2=prod_l2,
                             region = region), se.fit = TRUE)
pred2 <- data.frame(Treatment = tr,
                    prod_l    = prod_l,
                    pred       = pred$fit,
                    se         = pred$se.fit)

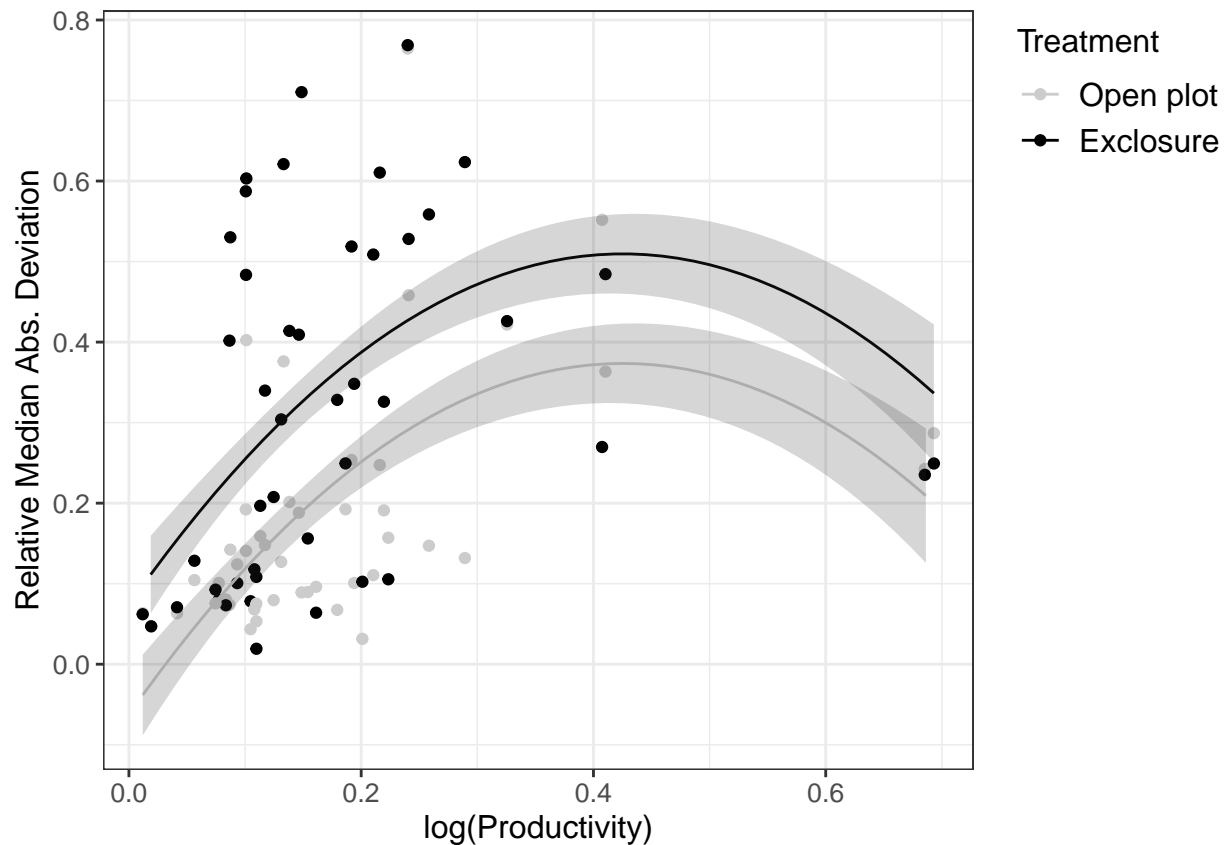
(rmad_wOutlier <-
  ggplot()+
  geom_point(data = dat, aes(x = exp(prod_l)-1, y = rMAD2, colour= Treatment)) +
  geom_line(data=pred2, aes(x = exp(prod_l)-1, y=pred, colour = Treatment)) +
  geom_ribbon(data=pred2, aes(x = exp(prod_l)-1,
                             ymin=pred-se,
                             ymax=pred+se,
                             group = Treatment),
             alpha=0.2,
             linetype="blank") +
  labs(y="Relative Median Abs. Deviation", x='Productivity') +
  theme_bw() +
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray80", "black")) +
  labs(colour="Treatment") +
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12)) +
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
)

```



That looks a bit odd. Lets look at it without backtransforming the x-axis:

```
ggplot()+
  geom_point(data = dat,aes(x = prod_1, y = rMAD2, colour= Treatment))+
  geom_line(data=pred2, aes(x = prod_1, y=pred, colour = Treatment))+
  geom_ribbon(data=pred2, aes(x = prod_1,
                             ymin=pred-se,
                             ymax=pred+se,
                             group = Treatment),
             alpha=0.2,
             linetype="blank")+
  labs(y="Relative Median Abs. Deviation", x='log(Productivity)')+
  theme_bw()+
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray80", "black"))+
  labs(colour="Treatment")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
```



```
rm(tr, prod_1, prod_l2, region, pred, pred2)
```

Still strange.

Sensitivity analysis

Removing the most productive sites and comparing the results

```
dat2 <- dat[dat$prod<0.7,]
dat2$prod2 <- dat2$prod^2
```

```
mads <- glmmTMB(data=dat2,
  rMAD2~Treatment*prod+prod2+(1|region), family = gaussian)
mads2 <- update(mads, .~. -prod2)
mads3 <- update(mads2, .~. -Treatment:prod)
mads4 <- update(mads, .~. -Treatment:prod)

rmad_cand <- data.frame(AIC(mads, mads2, mads3, mads4))
rmad_cand$model <- c("Global model: Treatment*prod+prod2+(1|region)",
  "-prod2",
  "-Treatment:prod and -prod2",
  "-Treatment:prod")
rmad_cand
```

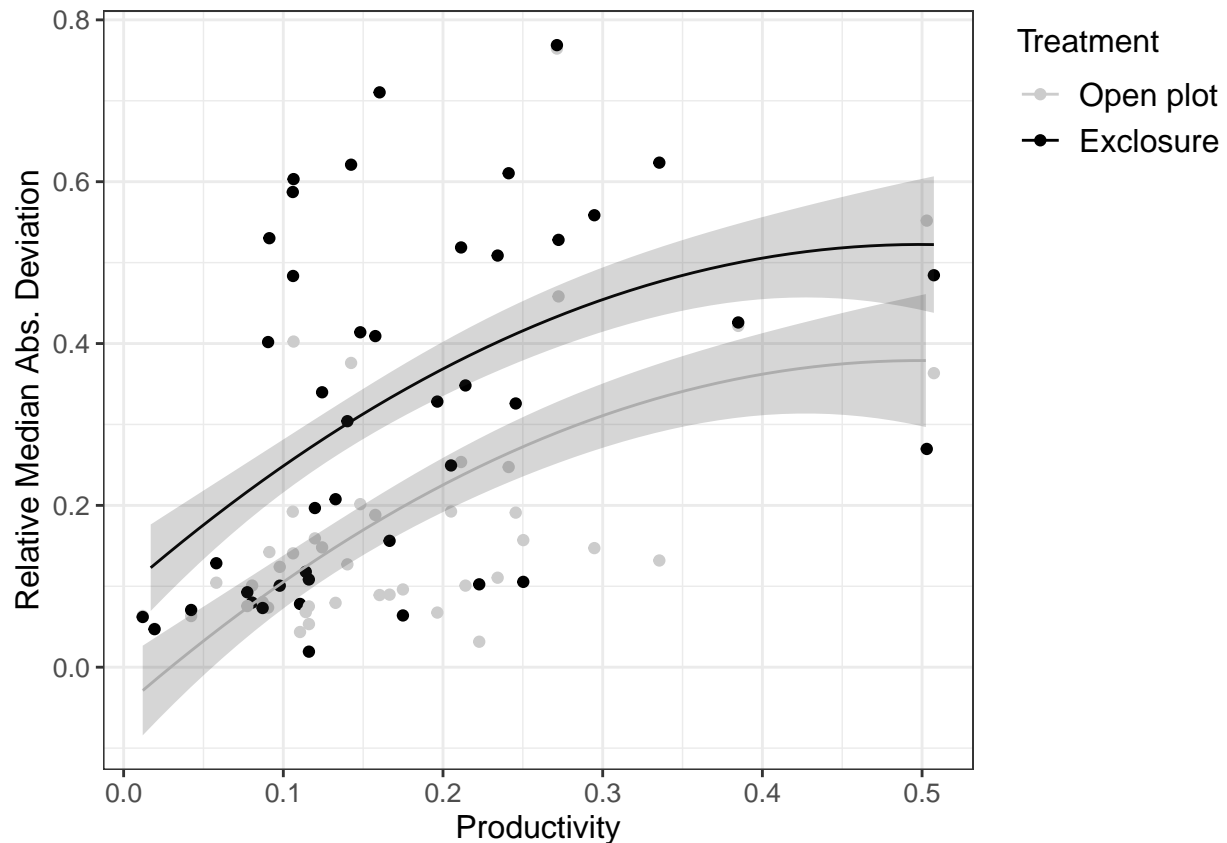
	df	AIC	model
## mads	7	-56.70222	Global model: Treatment*prod+prod2+(1 region)
## mads2	6	-55.74227	-prod2
## mads3	5	-57.73926	-Treatment:prod and -prod2
## mads4	6	-58.69911	-Treatment:prod

The interaction term is dropped when not including the most productive sites.

```
tr <- rep(c("Open plot", "Exclosure"), times=50, each=1)
prod <- seq(from = min(dat2$prod), to=max(dat2$prod), length.out = 100)
prod2 <- prod^2
region <- rep(NA, times=100)
pred <- predict(mads4, list(Treatment=tr,
                           prod =prod,
                           prod2 =prod2,
                           region =region), se.fit = TRUE)

pred2 <- data.frame(Treatment = tr,
                   prod      = prod,
                   pred      = pred$fit,
                   se        = pred$se.fit)
```

```
(rmad <-
  ggplot()+
  geom_point(data = dat2,aes(x = prod, y = rMAD2, colour= Treatment))+
  geom_line(data=pred2, aes(x = prod, y=pred, colour = Treatment))+
  geom_ribbon(data=pred2, aes(x = prod,
                             ymin=pred-se,
                             ymax=pred+se,
                             group = Treatment),
             alpha=0.2,
             linetype="blank")+
  labs(y="Relative Median Abs. Deviation", x='Productivity')+
  theme_bw()+
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray80", "black"))+
  labs(colour="Treatment")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))
)
```

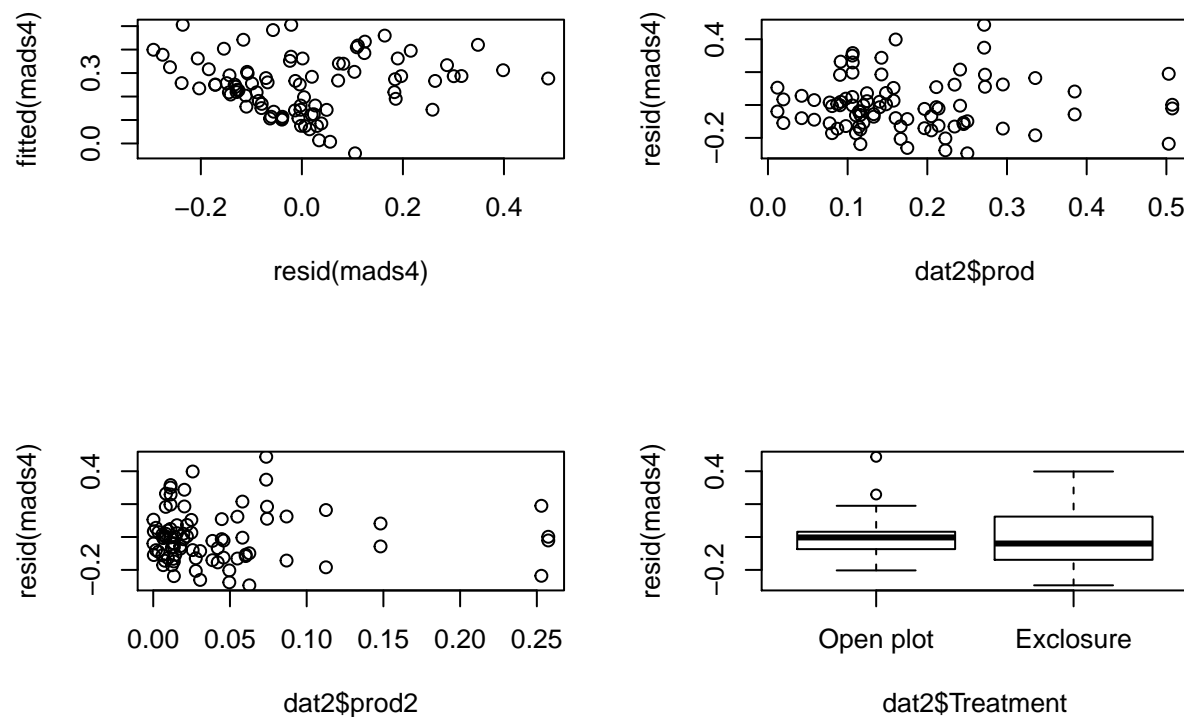



```
rm(tr, prod, prod2, region, pred, pred2)
```

The plots are very different looking, but from 0 - 0.5 the lines follow a quite similar path. Probably this last one is more logical, as there no reason to think that rMAD should go towards zero as prod increases. It's however a little confusing for the reader if we sometimes take the points out and sometimes not... That makes me opt for removing them from the start. We can include the plots as appendix as a safeguard perhaps.

Lets validate that last model.

```
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(resid(mads4), fitted(mads4))
plot(dat2$prod, resid(mads4))
plot(dat2$prod2, resid(mads4))
plot(resid(mads4)~dat2$Treatment)
```



ok.

```
summary(mads4)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:          rMAD2 ~ Treatment + prod + prod2 + (1 | region)
## Data: dat2
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##    -58.7    -44.0     35.3    -70.7      80
##
## Random effects:
##
## Conditional model:
##   Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
##   region  (Intercept) 0.00089  0.02983
##   Residual                0.02511  0.15847
## Number of obs: 86, groups:  region, 3
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0251
##
## Conditional model:
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -0.04907   0.06038  -0.813  0.416356
## TreatmentExclosure 0.14343   0.03418   4.197 2.71e-05 ***
## prod           1.71534   0.51583   3.325 0.000883 ***
```

```
## prod2          -1.71848    0.99005  -1.736 0.082607 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

So the interaction isn't significant, but lowers the AIC none the less. Summary stats:

```
m <- tapply(dat2$rMAD2, dat2$Treatment, FUN = mean)
# And standard error:
source('se.R')
s <- tapply(dat2$rMAD2, dat2$Treatment, FUN = se)
(rmad_means <- data.frame("mean canopy growth per year" = round(m, 3),
                          "standard error of the mean" = round(s, 3)))
```

```
##          mean.canopy.growth.per.year standard.error.of.the.mean
## Open plot                0.177                0.023
## Exclosure                0.320                0.033
```

Canopy growth v2

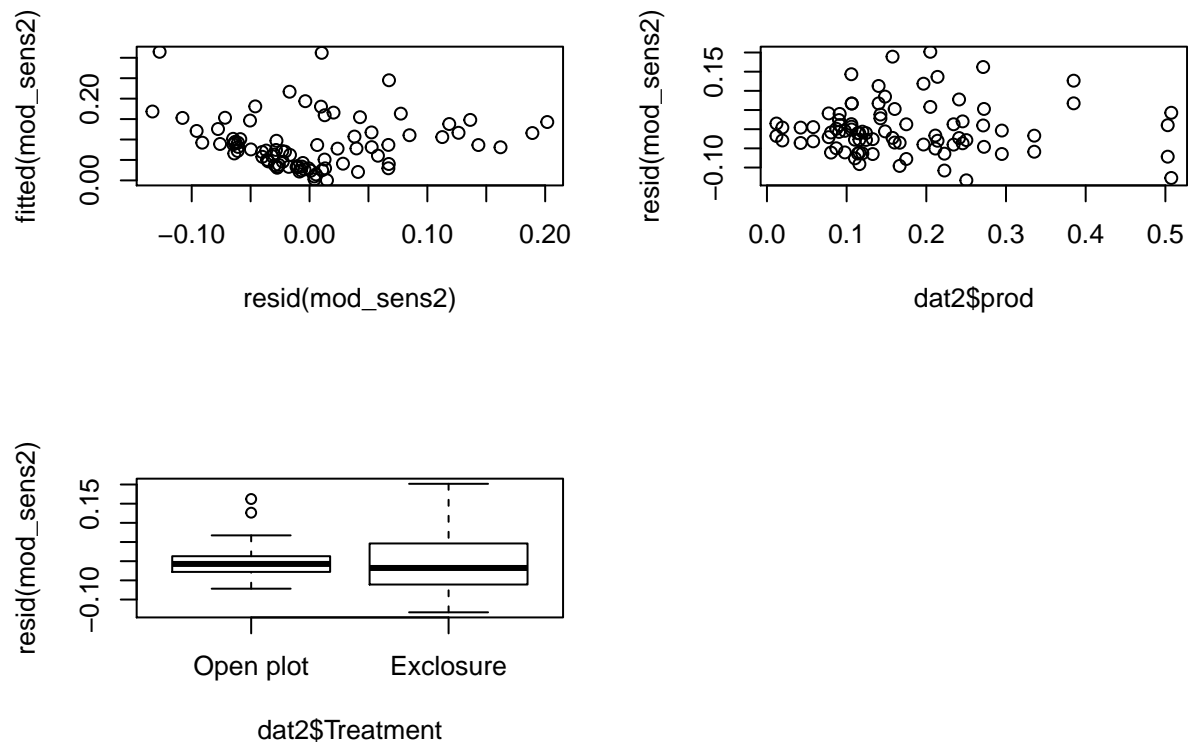
Because we decided to drop the 'outliers', we want to do that also in the canopy growth analysis. We have the model:

```
summary(mod_sens2)
```

```
## Family: gaussian (identity)
## Formula:          canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod
## Data: dat2
##
##      AIC      BIC   logLik deviance df.resid
##   -213.5   -201.3    111.8   -223.5      81
##
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.00435
##
## Conditional model:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -0.003533   0.018914  -0.187 0.851835
## TreatmentExclosure  0.029838   0.026749   1.115 0.264644
## prod           0.311650   0.091980   3.388 0.000703 ***
## TreatmentExclosure:prod 0.256527   0.130079   1.972 0.048601 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Significant interaction, ok. Some validation.

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(resid(mod_sens2), fitted(mod_sens2))
plot(dat2$prod, resid(mod_sens2))
plot(resid(mod_sens2)~dat2$Treatment)
```



Ok. And some new summary stats:

```
m <- tapply(dat2$canopygrowth, dat2$Treatment, FUN = mean)
s <- tapply(dat2$canopygrowth, dat2$Treatment, FUN = se)
data.frame("mean canopy growth per year in meters" = round(m, 3),
           "standard error of the mean" = round(s, 3))
```

```
##           mean.canopy.growth.per.year.in.meters standard.error.of.the.mean
## Open plot                                0.051                0.009
## Exclosure                               0.125                0.016
```

And plot

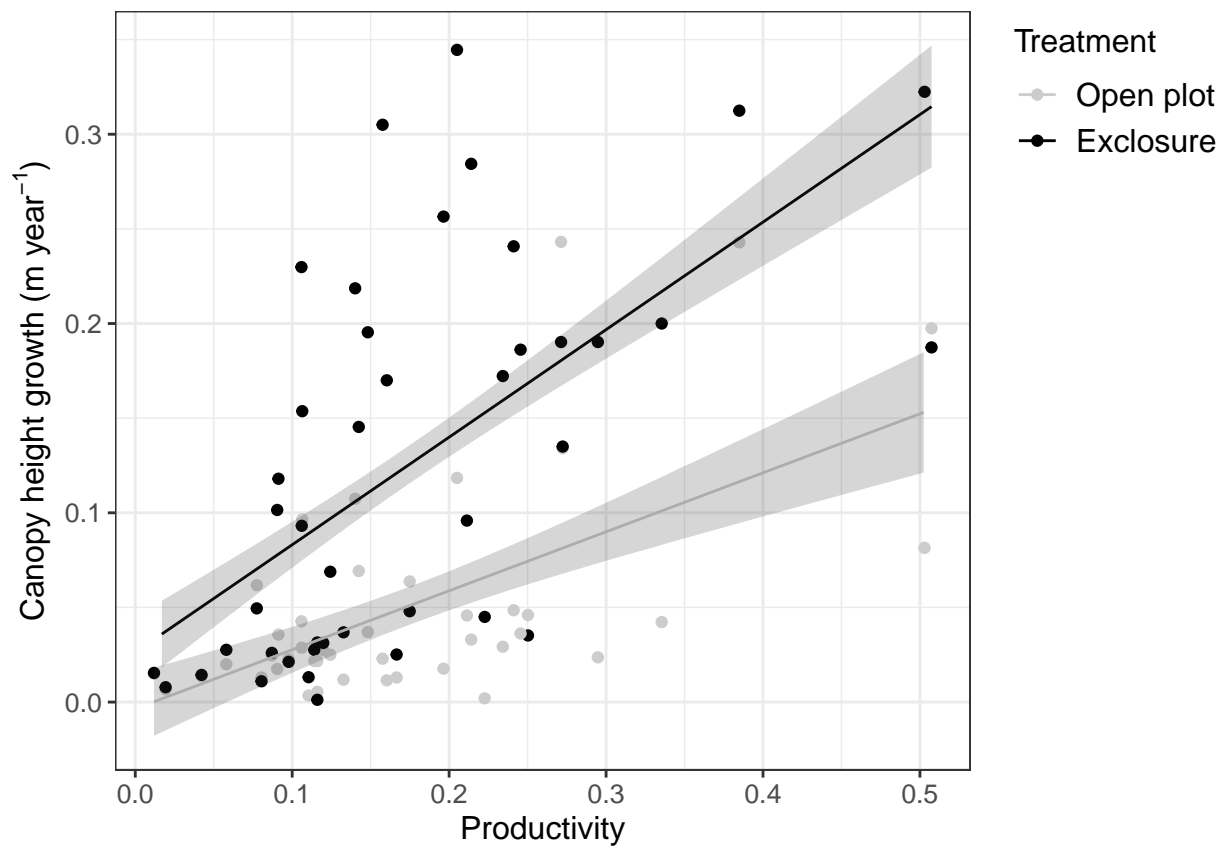
```
tr <- rep(c("Open plot", "Exclosure"), times=50, each=1)
prod <- seq(from = min(dat2$prod), to=max(dat2$prod), length.out = 100)
pred <- predict(mod_sens2, list(Treatment= tr,
                               prod      = prod),
               se.fit  = TRUE)
pred2 <- data.frame(Treatment = tr,
                   prod      = prod,
                   pred      = pred$fit,
                   se        = pred$se.fit)
```

```
(cg <-
  ggplot()+
```

```

geom_point(data = dat2, aes(x = prod, y = canopygrowth, colour= Treatment))+
geom_line(data=pred2, aes(x = prod, y=pred, colour = Treatment))+
geom_ribbon(data=pred2, aes(x = prod,
                           ymin=pred-se,
                           ymax=pred+se,
                           group = Treatment),
           alpha=0.2,
           linetype="blank")+
labs(y=expression(paste('Canopy height growth (m year-1', ' '))), x='Productivity')+
theme_bw()+
scale_color_manual(values = c("gray80", "black"))+
labs(colour="Treatment")+
theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
theme(legend.position = 'right',
      legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
      legend.box.just = "left",
      #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
      legend.text = element_text(size=12))
)

```



```
rm(tr, prod, pred, pred2)
```

Compare LiDAR and field data

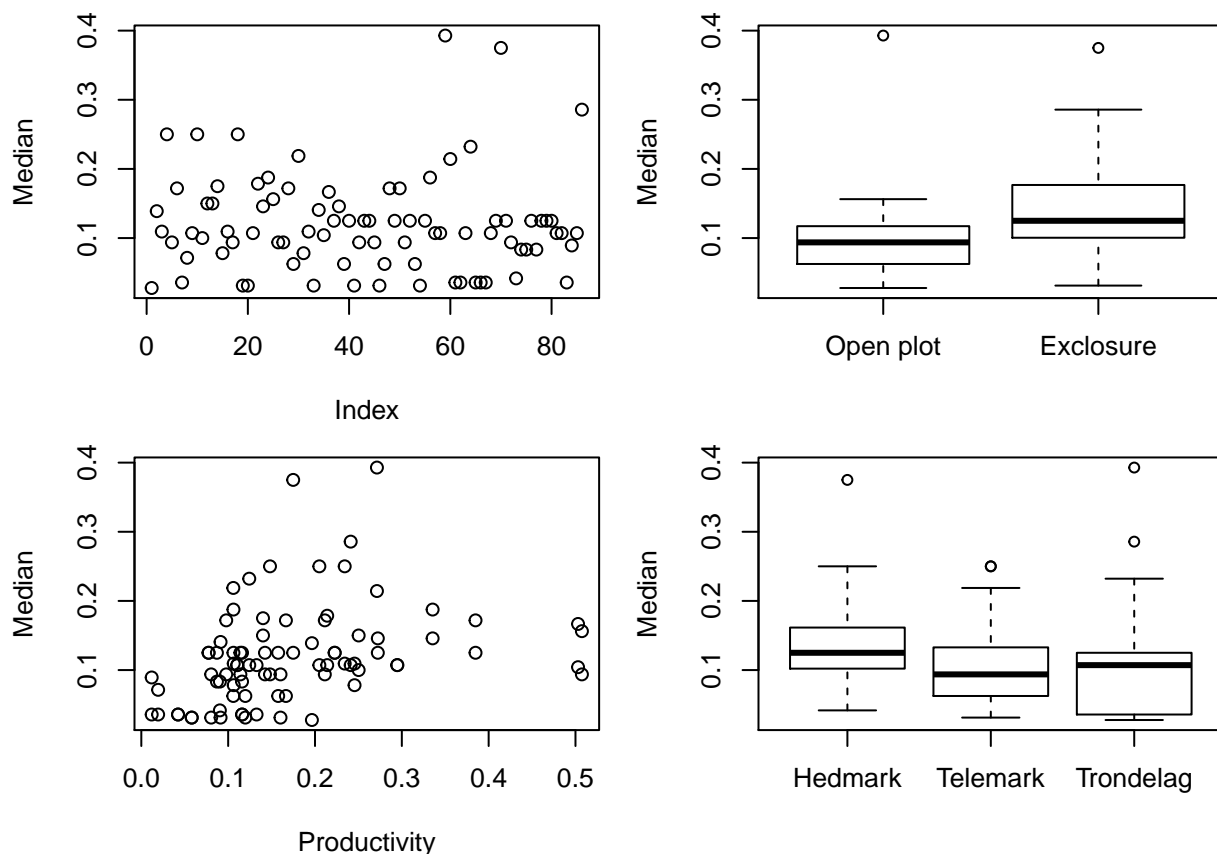
First, let's calculate canopy growth as we did for the LiDAR data

```
dat2$canopygrowth_f <- dat2$field_median/dat2$YrsSinceExclosure
```

```
summary(dat2$canopygrowth_f)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
## 0.02778 0.07943 0.10714 0.11947 0.14583 0.39286
```

```
par(mfrow=c(2,2), mar=c(4,4,1,1))
plot(dat2$canopygrowth_f, ylab="Median")
plot(dat2$canopygrowth_f~dat2$Treatment, xlab="", ylab="Median")
plot(dat2$canopygrowth_f~dat2$prod, xlab="Productivity", ylab="Median")
plot(dat2$canopygrowth_f~dat2$region, xlab="", ylab="Median")
```



Appears the annual median tree growth of a site (median of the median of a circle) is around 0.1, or precisely:

```
median(dat2$canopygrowth_f)
```

```
## [1] 0.1071429
```

Also, it is greater in exclosures and increases with productivity, and is highest in Hedmark. Very similar to the LiDAR data.

```

m2 <- tapply(dat2$canopygrowth_f, dat2$Treatment, FUN = mean)
s2 <- tapply(dat2$canopygrowth_f, dat2$Treatment, FUN = se)
(cg_field <- data.frame("mean canopy growth per year" = round(m2, 3),
                       "standard error of the mean" = round(s2, 3)))

```

```

##           mean.canopy.growth.per.year standard.error.of.the.mean
## Open plot                0.094                0.009
## Exclosure                 0.145                0.011

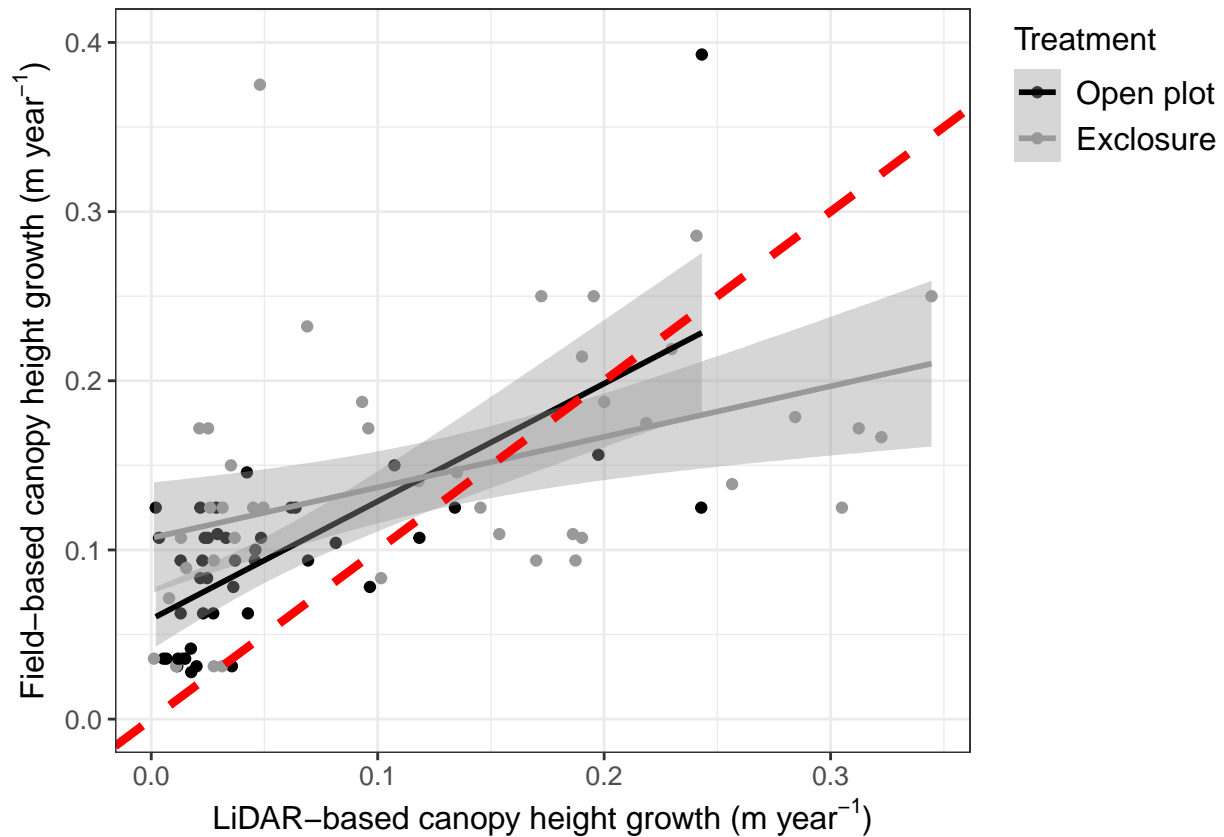
```

We don't want to analyse the field data alone, or by itself. That we have done in other papers and with more data. Here we are only interested in 'ground-truthing' the LiDAR data. So..:

```

ggplot(data = dat2,
        aes(x = canopygrowth, y = canopygrowth_f, colour= Treatment))+
  geom_point()+
  geom_smooth(method = "lm")+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Field-based canopy height growth (m year'-1, '))), x=expression(paste('L
  theme_bw()+
  scale_color_manual(values = c("gray0", "gray60"))+
  labs(colour="Treatment")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  ylim(0, 0.4)+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))+
  geom_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, color="red",
              linetype="dashed", size=1.5)

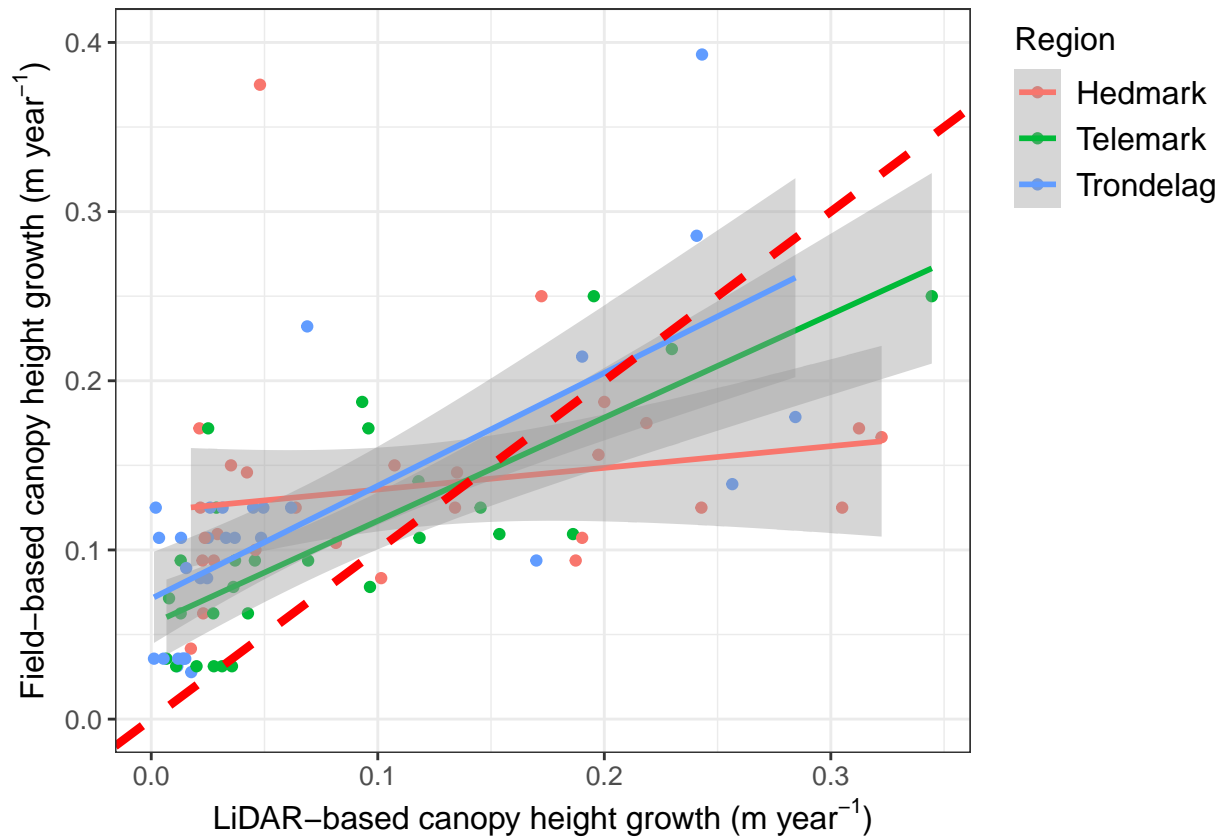
```



Perhaps the correlation strength differs between treatment, but not very much.

```
ggplot(data = dat2,
       aes(x = canopygrowth, y = canopygrowth_f, colour= region))+
  geom_point()+
  geom_smooth(method = "lm")+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Field-based canopy height growth (m year'-1', '))), x=expression(paste('L
  theme_bw()+

  labs(colour="Region")+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  ylim(0, 0.4)+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
        legend.box.just = "left",
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))+
  geom_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, color="red",
              linetype="dashed", size=1.5)
```

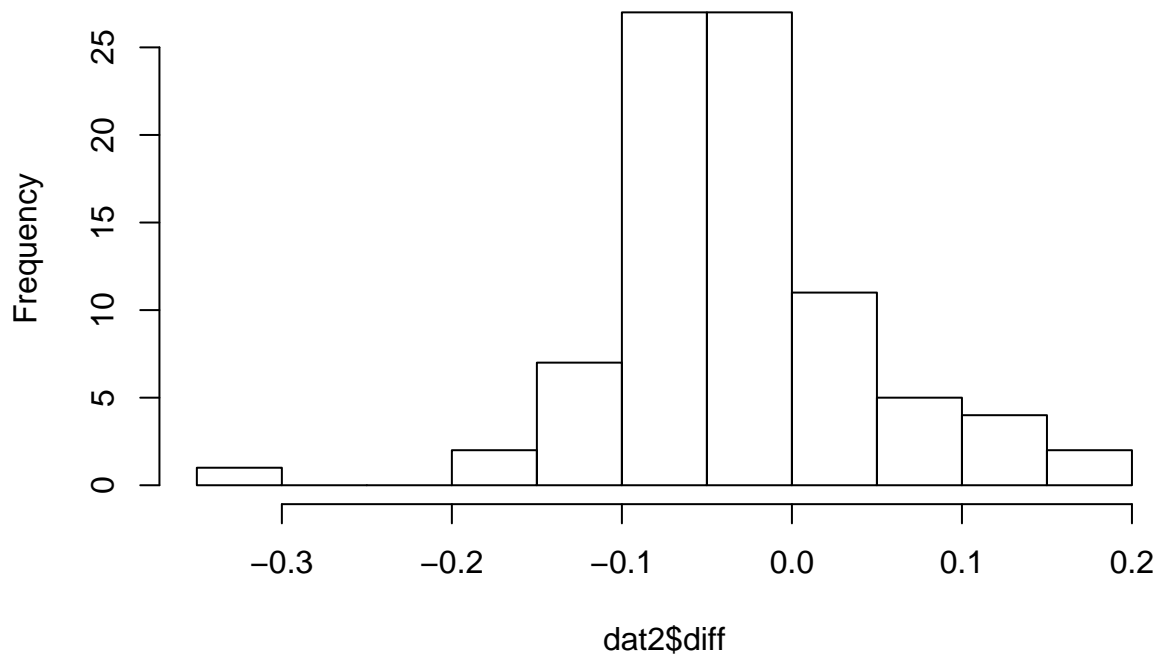



Also it differs a bit between region.

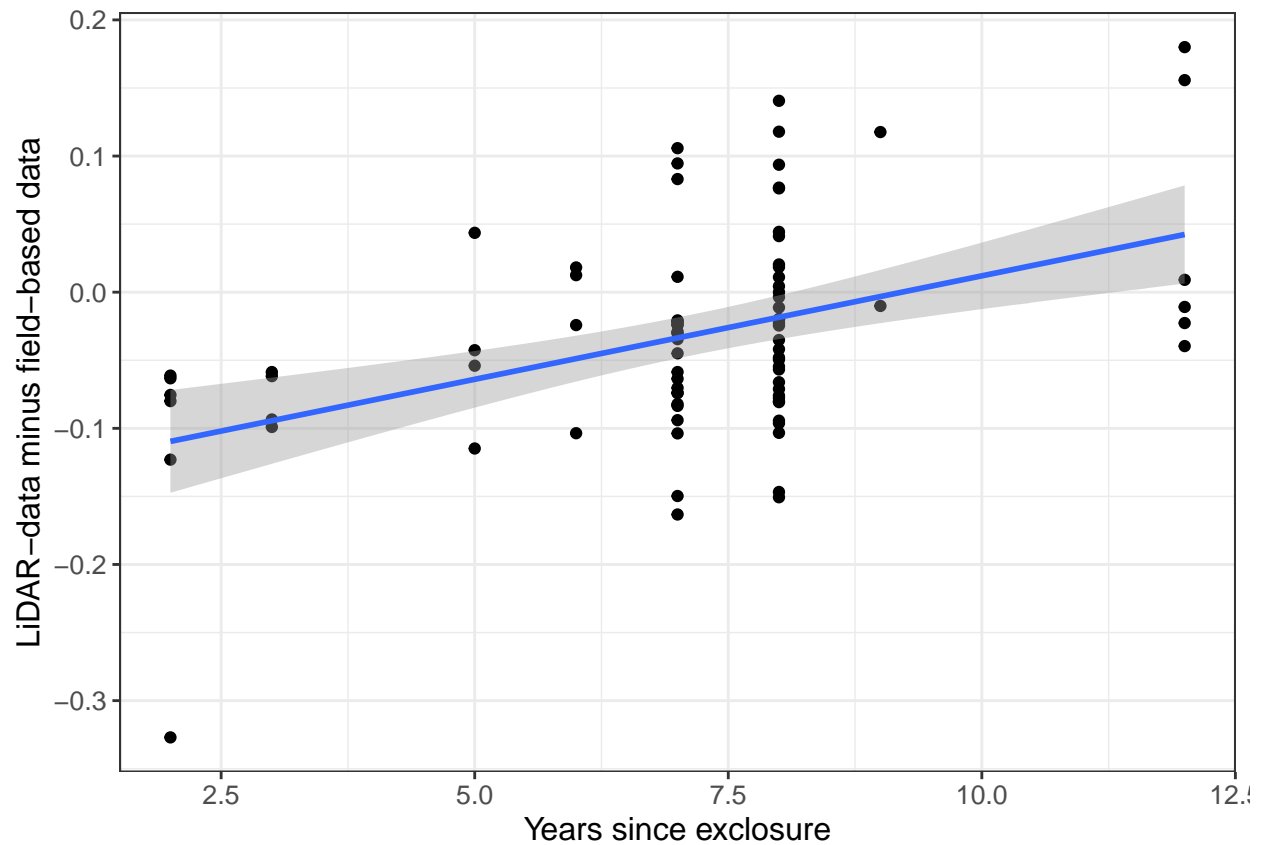
Also, we can look at the effect that experimental duration has had on the correlation:

```
dat2$diff <- dat2$canopygrowth - dat2$canopygrowth_f
hist(dat2$diff)
```

Histogram of dat2\$diff



```
ggplot(data = dat2,  
       aes(x = YrsSinceExclosure, y = diff))+  
  geom_point()+  
  geom_smooth(method = "lm")+  
  labs(y="LiDAR-data minus field-based data",  
       x="Years since exclosure")+  
  theme_bw()+  
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+  
  #ylim(0, 0.4)+  
  theme(legend.position = 'right',  
        legend.justification = c("left", "top"),  
        legend.box.just = "left",  
        #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),  
        legend.text = element_text(size=12))+  
  geom_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, color="red",  
              linetype="dashed", size=1.5)
```



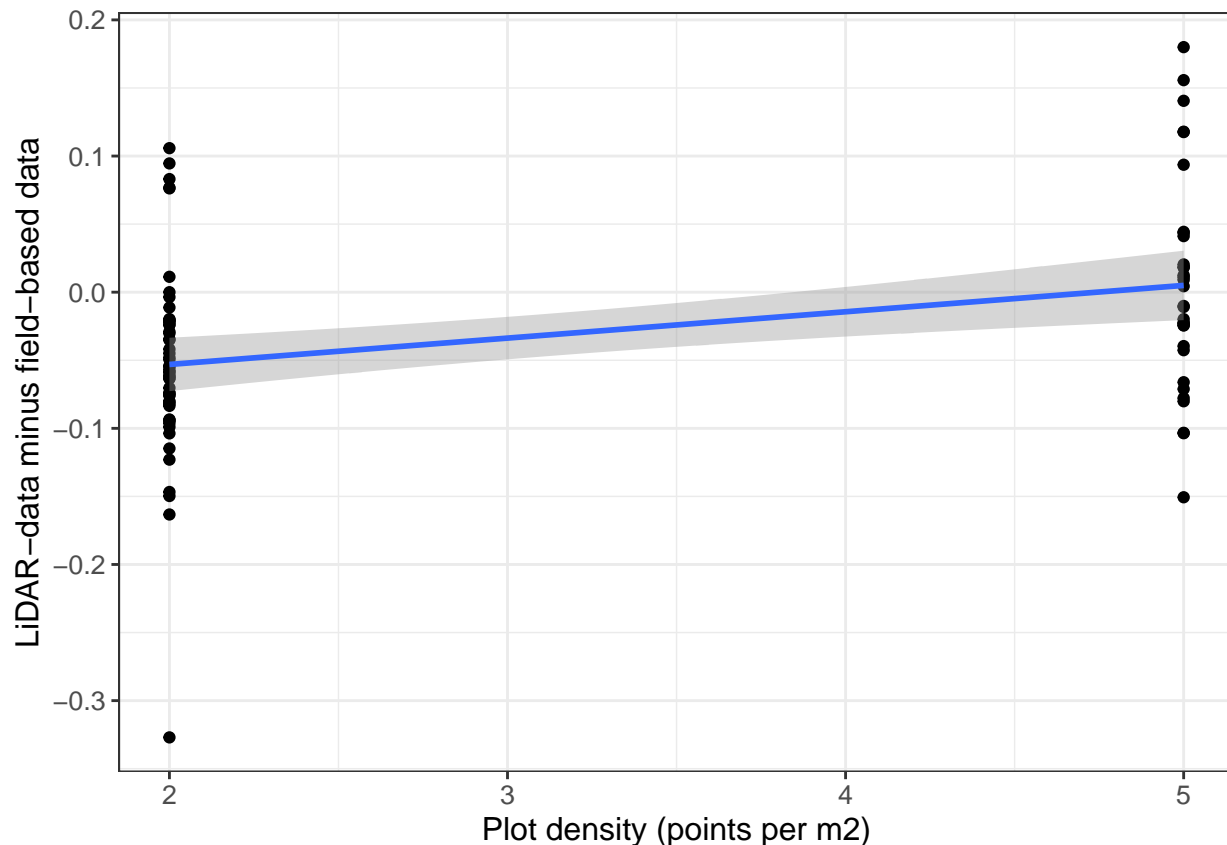
It looks like older exclosures have a greater difference between LiDAR and field-based data.

I would like to see if the correlation depends on LiDAR resolution, but then we should figure out what this is about:

```
table(dat2$plot_density_m2, dat2$resolution_m)
```

```
##
##      0,25 0,5
##      2    2 52
##      5   30  2
```

It's not clear which is derived from which, but I think its plot density that is the original.



No big difference.

Note that we are not seeing if the slope is close to 1 or not. We assume it will be. It's correlation strength that matters.

```
(field_lidar_cor <- cor(dat2$canopygrowth, dat2$canopygrowth_f, method = "pearson"))
```

```
## [1] 0.5693676
```

And it's not very high. We can use a more sophisticated model to see where the field-based data is better or worse at predicting LiDAR results.

```
moddiff <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth~canopygrowth_f
  +region+canopygrowth_f:region
  +YrsSinceExclosure+YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f
  +plot_density_m2+plot_density_m2:canopygrowth_f
  +Treatment+Treatment:canopygrowth_f,
  family=gaussian,
  data=dat2)
summary(moddiff)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:
## canopygrowth ~ canopygrowth_f + region + canopygrowth_f:region +
## YrsSinceExclosure + YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f + plot_density_m2 +
## plot_density_m2:canopygrowth_f + Treatment + Treatment:canopygrowth_f
```

```
## Data: dat2
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##   -216.8   -184.9    121.4   -242.8      73
##
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.00348
##
## Conditional model:
##
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    0.028696   0.067070   0.428   0.669
## canopygrowth_f -0.501168   0.437962  -1.144   0.252
## regionTelemark -0.021372   0.050695  -0.422   0.673
## regionTrondelag -0.027782   0.052147  -0.533   0.594
## YrsSinceExclosure -0.004944   0.010008  -0.494   0.621
## plot_density_m2  0.004487   0.014719   0.305   0.760
## TreatmentExclosure 0.021574   0.029502   0.731   0.465
## canopygrowth_f:regionTelemark 0.166680   0.400241   0.416   0.677
## canopygrowth_f:regionTrondelag 0.245282   0.404599   0.606   0.544
## canopygrowth_f:YrsSinceExclosure 0.109693   0.076821   1.428   0.153
## canopygrowth_f:plot_density_m2 0.077693   0.121632   0.639   0.523
## canopygrowth_f:TreatmentExclosure 0.141096   0.233017   0.606   0.545
```

Nothing significant. Since there are so many candidate models, we can do a shortcut and apply dredge:

```
library(MuMIn)
(corr_cand <- dredge(moddiff, beta="none", rank = "AICc")[1:5,])
```

```
## Fixed terms are "cond((Int))" and "disp((Int))"
```

```
## Global model call: glmmTMB(formula = canopygrowth ~ canopygrowth_f + region + canopygrowth_f:region +
##   YrsSinceExclosure + YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f + plot_density_m2 +
##   plot_density_m2:canopygrowth_f + Treatment + Treatment:canopygrowth_f,
##   data = dat2, family = gaussian, ziformula = ~0, dispformula = ~1)
## ---
## Model selection table
##      cnd((Int)) dsp((Int)) cnd(cnp_f) cnd(plt_dns_m2) cnd(Trt)  cnd(YSE)
## 284  0.002381      +      -0.2593      0.013230      + -0.008476
## 412  0.012060      +      -0.3450      0.013200      + -0.009152
## 316  0.006928      +      -0.2972      0.009724      + -0.007803
## 282  0.014310      +      -0.2343              + -0.004758
## 444  0.015780      +      -0.3757      0.009960      + -0.008496
##      cnd(cnp_f:plt_dns_m2) cnd(cnp_f:Trt) cnd(cnp_f:YSE) df  logLik  AICc delta
## 284              0.1402  7 121.087 -226.7  0.00
## 412              0.1453  8 121.176 -224.5  2.26
## 316      0.02881      0.1351  8 121.147 -224.4  2.31
## 282              0.1408  6 117.585 -222.1  4.63
## 444      0.02662      0.1403  9 121.227 -222.1  4.65
##      weight
## 284  0.545
## 412  0.176
## 316  0.171
## 282  0.054
```

```
## 444 0.053
## Models ranked by AICc(x)
```

And the best model is...:

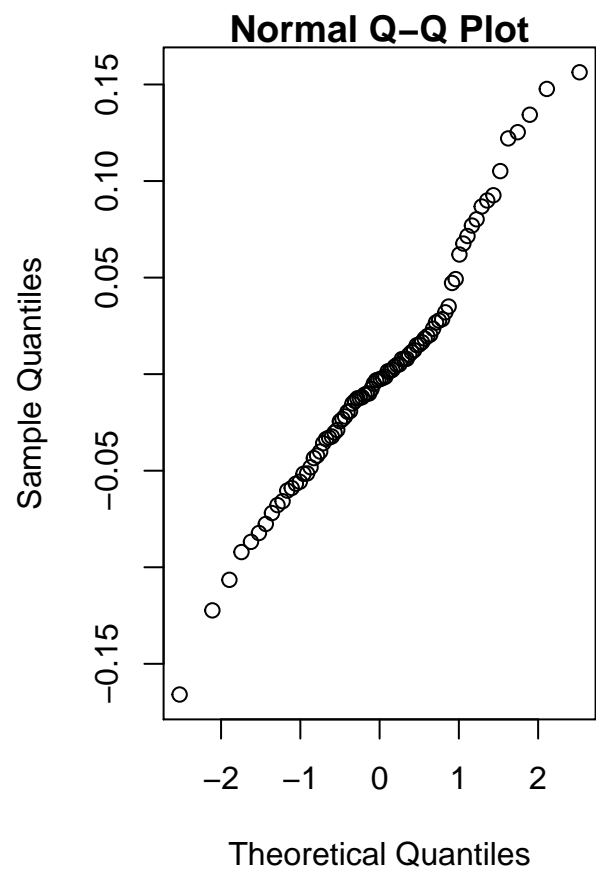
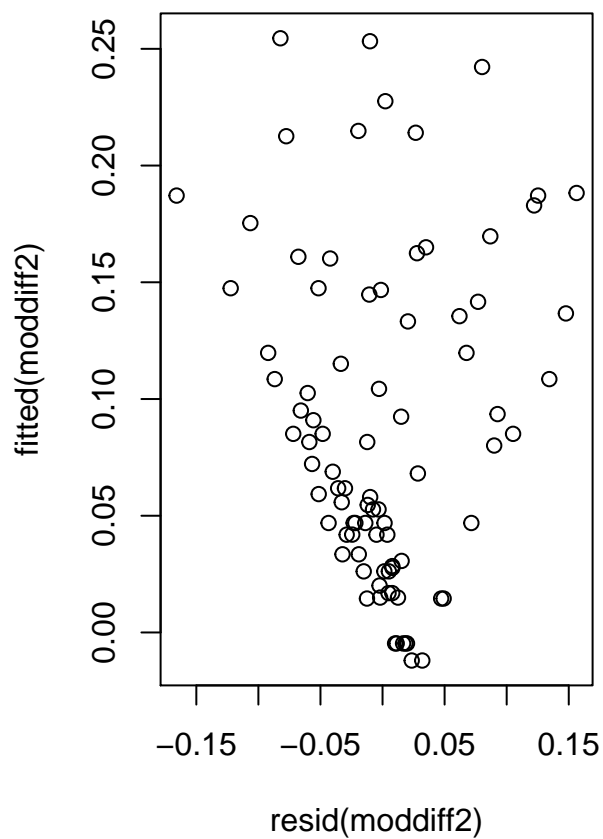
```
moddiff2 <- glmmTMB(canopygrowth~canopygrowth_f
                    +YrsSinceExclosure+YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f
                    +plot_density_m2
                    +Treatment,
                    family=gaussian,
                    data=dat2)
summary(moddiff2)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:
## canopygrowth ~ canopygrowth_f + YrsSinceExclosure + YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f +
##      plot_density_m2 + Treatment
## Data: dat2
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##   -228.2   -211.0    121.1   -242.2       79
##
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0035
##
## Conditional model:
##
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    0.002381   0.047428   0.050   0.95997
## canopygrowth_f -0.259305   0.303197  -0.855   0.39242
## YrsSinceExclosure -0.008476   0.006628  -1.279   0.20100
## plot_density_m2    0.013229   0.004898   2.701   0.00691 **
## TreatmentExclosure  0.038179   0.013724   2.782   0.00540 **
## canopygrowth_f:YrsSinceExclosure  0.140224   0.043695   3.209   0.00133 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

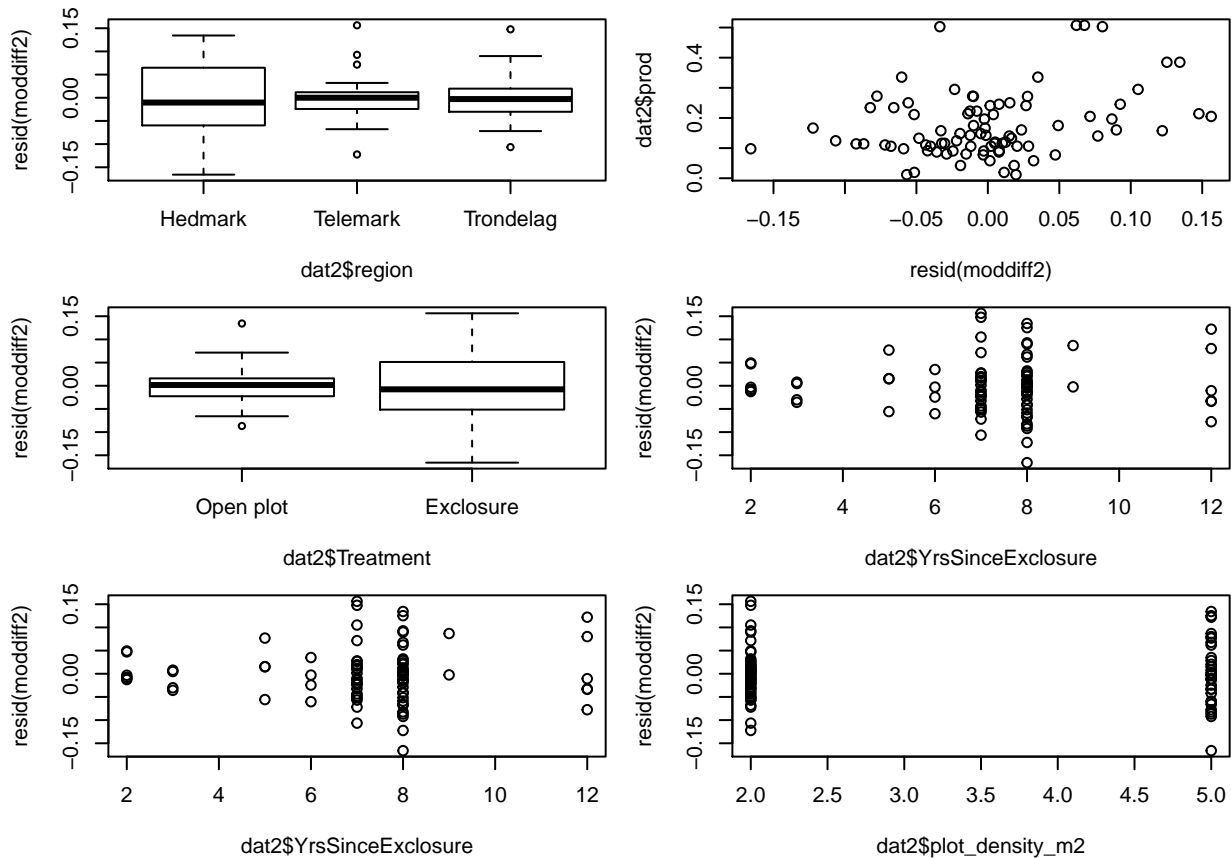
Interpretation: Field-based data have a medium correlation to LiDAR data (0.57). The correlation is dependent on Years since exclosure (probably this could be exchanged with tree height?) and LiDAR data is more likely to underestimate canopy growth at short experimental durations (see figure above). Similarly, lower LiDAR resolution induces underestimates in the same way. Field-based data is also not able to explain the variation induced by the fencing treatment. This could be a three way interaction as well, including years since exclosure. Not sure if it should be included here actually.

Validation

```
par(mfrow=c(1,2), mar = c(4,4,1,1))
plot(resid(moddiff2), fitted(moddiff2))
qqnorm(resid(moddiff2))
```

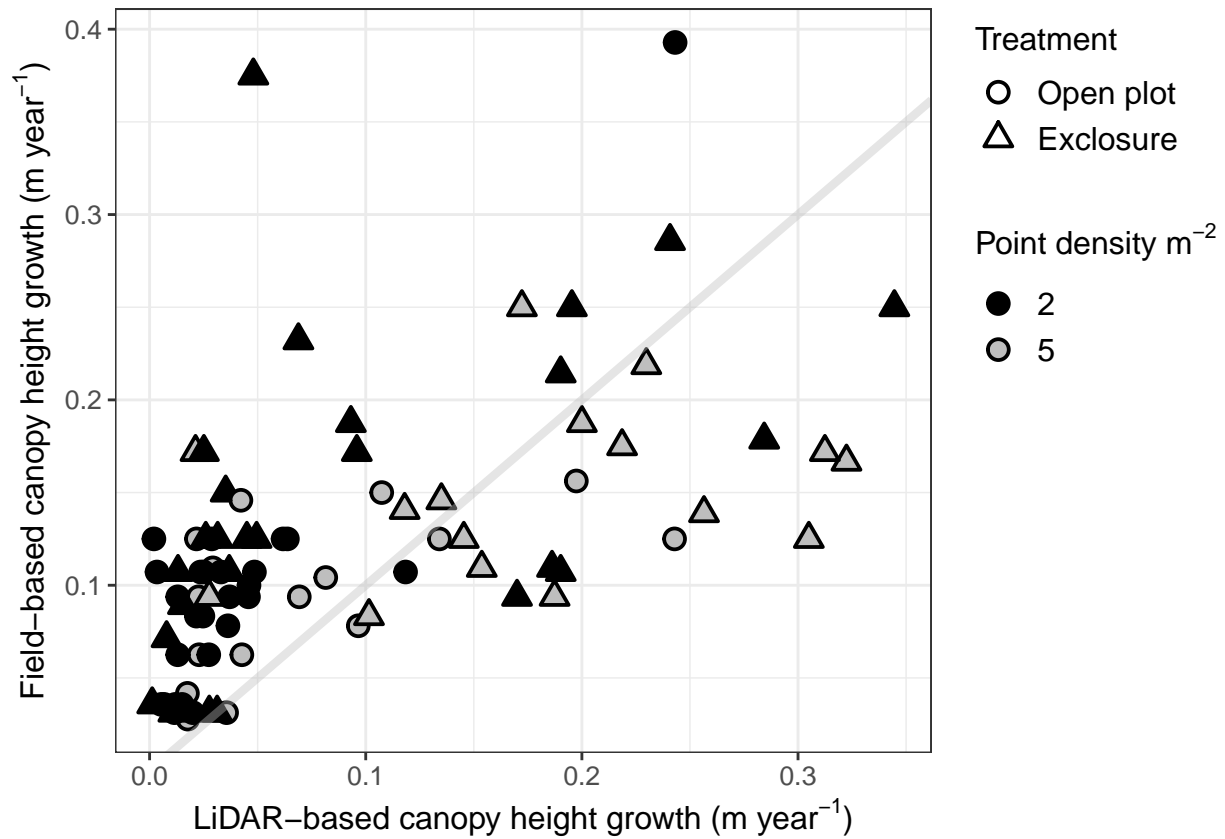


```
par(mfrow=c(3,2), mar = c(4,4,1,1))
plot(resid(moddiff2)~ dat2$region)
plot(resid(moddiff2), dat2$prod)
plot(resid(moddiff2)~ dat2$Treatment)
plot(resid(moddiff2)~ dat2$YrsSinceExclosure)
plot(resid(moddiff2)~ dat2$YrsSinceExclosure)
plot(resid(moddiff2)~ dat2$plot_density_m2)
```



Looks Ok For the final plot I think just keep it simple.

```
(corr_plot <-
  ggplot(data = dat2,
    aes(x = canopygrowth, y = canopygrowth_f))+
  geom_point(aes(shape = Treatment,
    fill = as.factor(plot_density_m2),
    size=3, stroke=1))+
  labs(y=expression(paste('Field-based canopy height growth (m year'-1', '))),
    x=expression(paste('LiDAR-based canopy height growth (m year'-1', '))))+
  theme_bw()+
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12))+
  theme(legend.position = 'right',
    legend.justification = c("left", "top"),
    legend.box.just = "left",
    #legend.margin = margin(5, 5, 5, 5),
    legend.text = element_text(size=12))+
  scale_shape_manual(values=c(21, 24), name = "Treatment")+
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("black", "grey"),
    name = expression(paste(ext="Point density m"-2")))+
  geom_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, color="grey",
    linetype="solid", size=1.5, alpha = 0.4)+
  guides(fill = guide_legend(override.aes=list(shape=21)))
)
```

That last line is tricky (<https://github.com/tidyverse/ggplot2/issues/2322>)

Summary (final plots and tables)

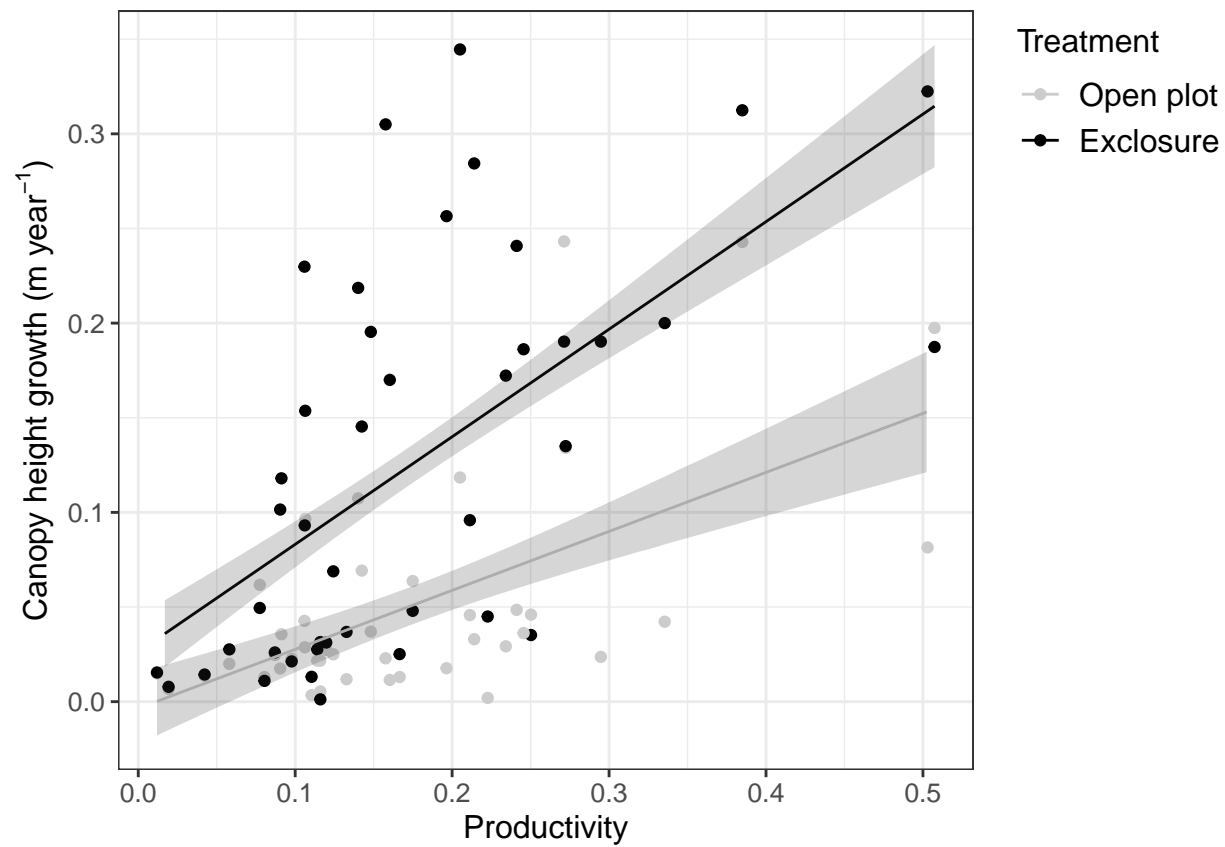
For the main manuscript:

methods figure from Ingrid

...

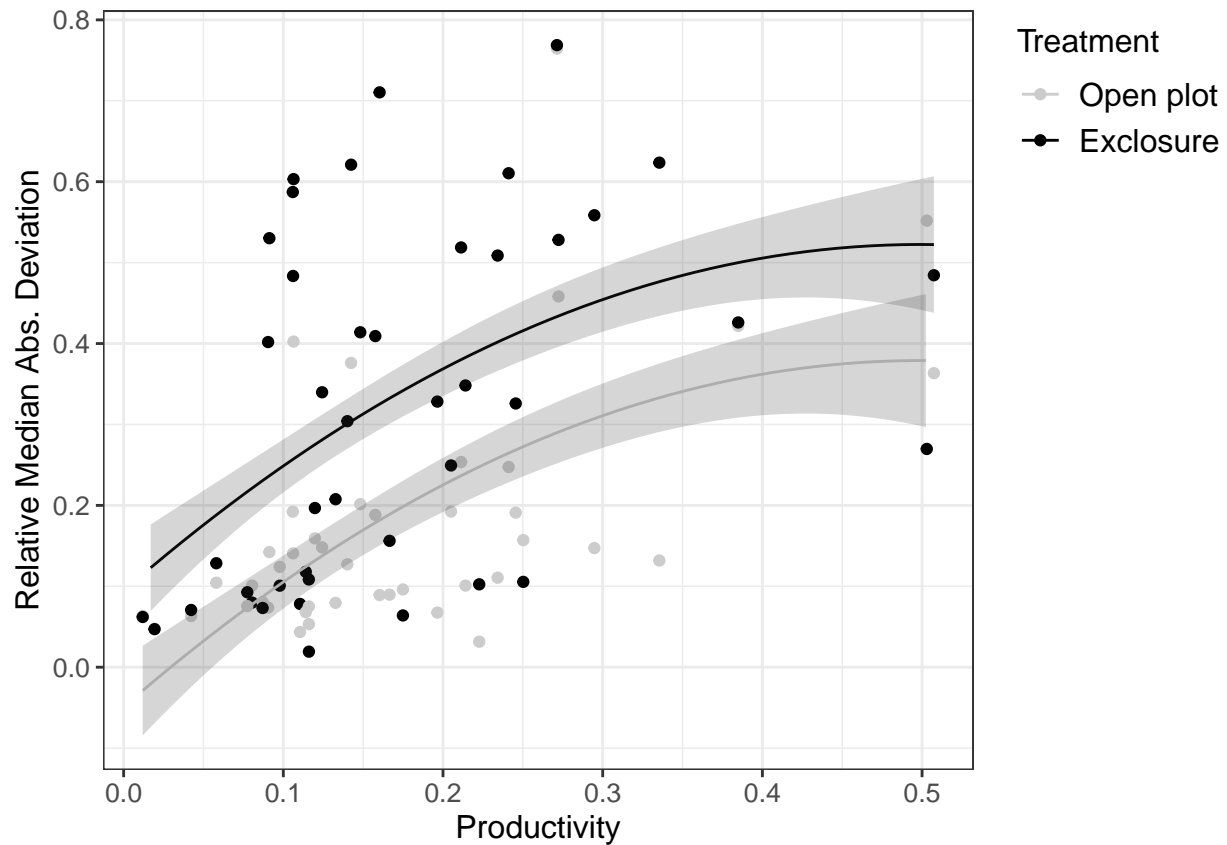
interaction plot for canopy growth

cg



interaction plot for rMAD

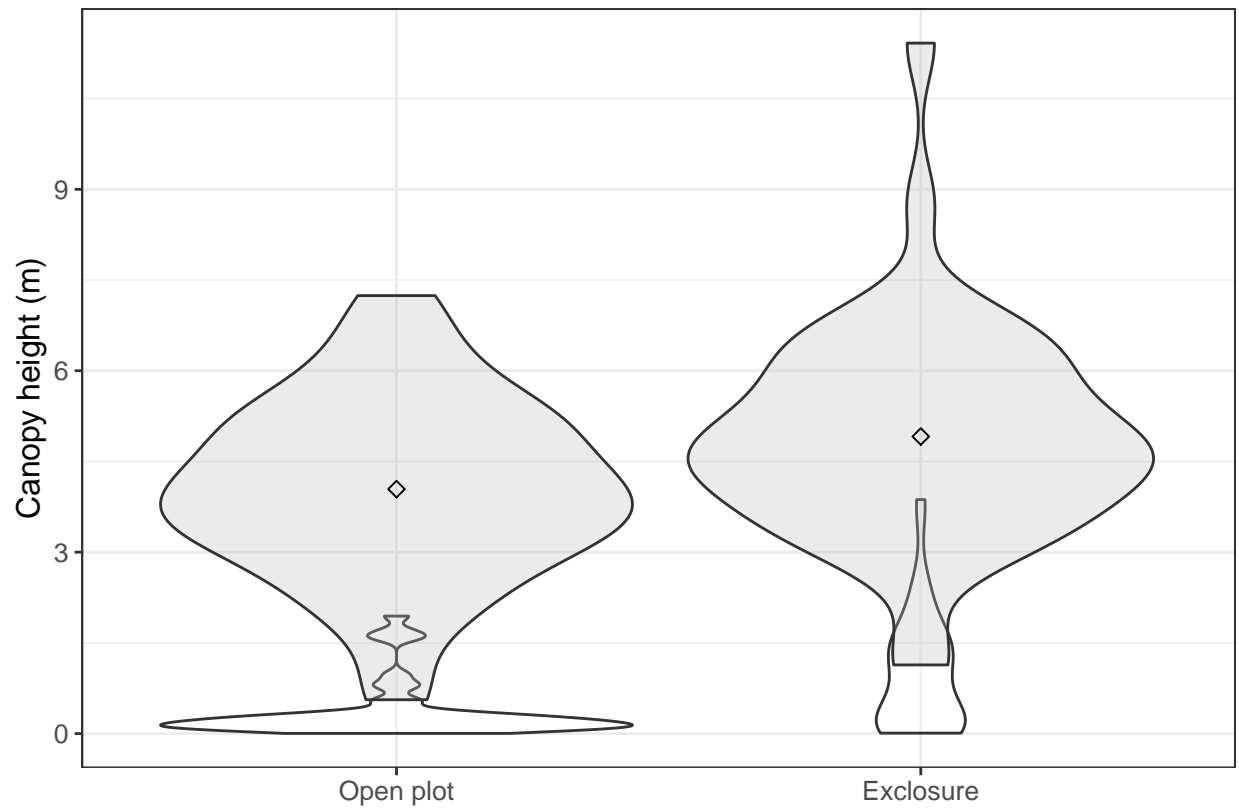
rmad



Violin plot of max canopy height

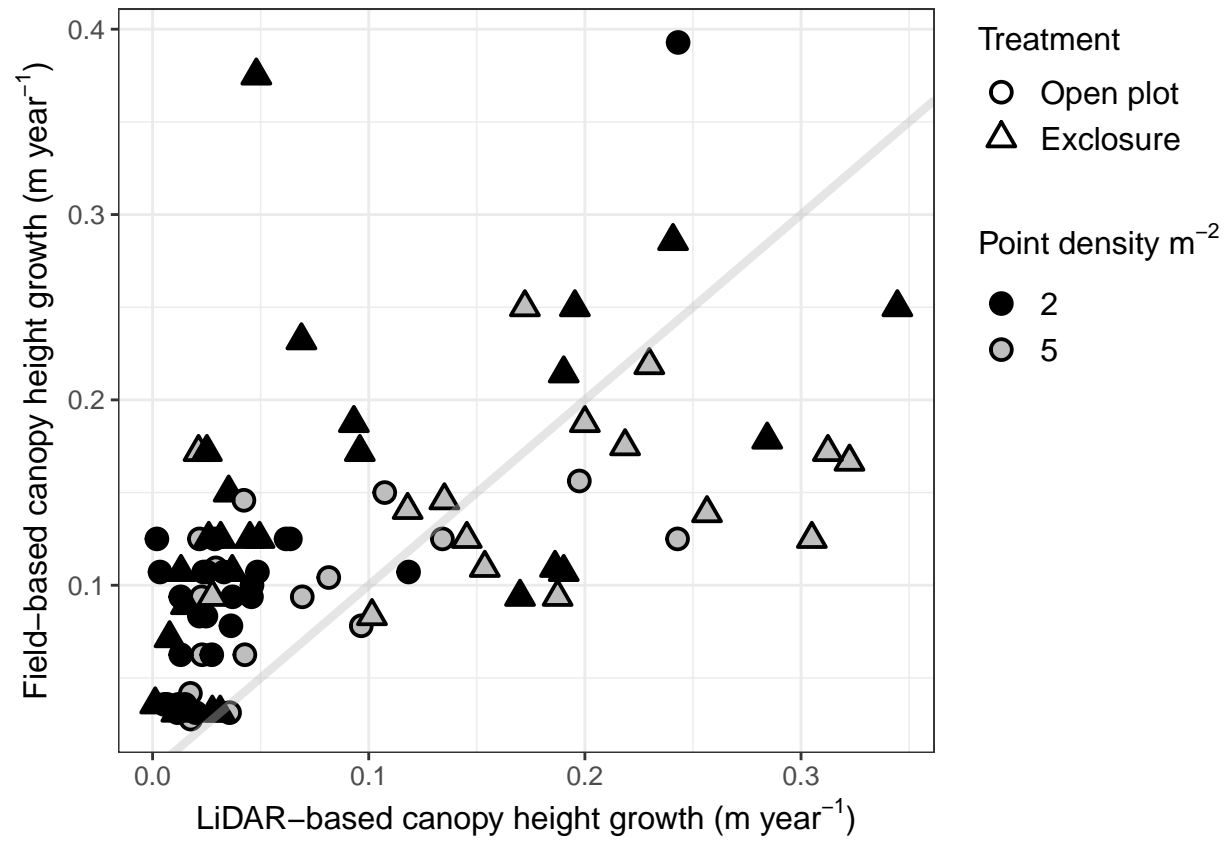
Here we could have kept the 'outliers', but for clarity we remove them by using dat2 instead of dat.

```
(viol1 <-
  ggplot(data = dat2, aes(x = Treatment)) +
  geom_violin(aes(y = md), fill = "white", alpha = 0.3) +
  geom_violin(aes(y = max), fill = "grey", alpha = 0.3) +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(text = element_text(size = 12)) +
  labs(y = 'Canopy height (m)', x = '') +
  stat_summary(aes(y = max), fun.y = mean, geom = "point", shape = 23, size = 2)
)
```



Scatter plot LiDAR vs field data

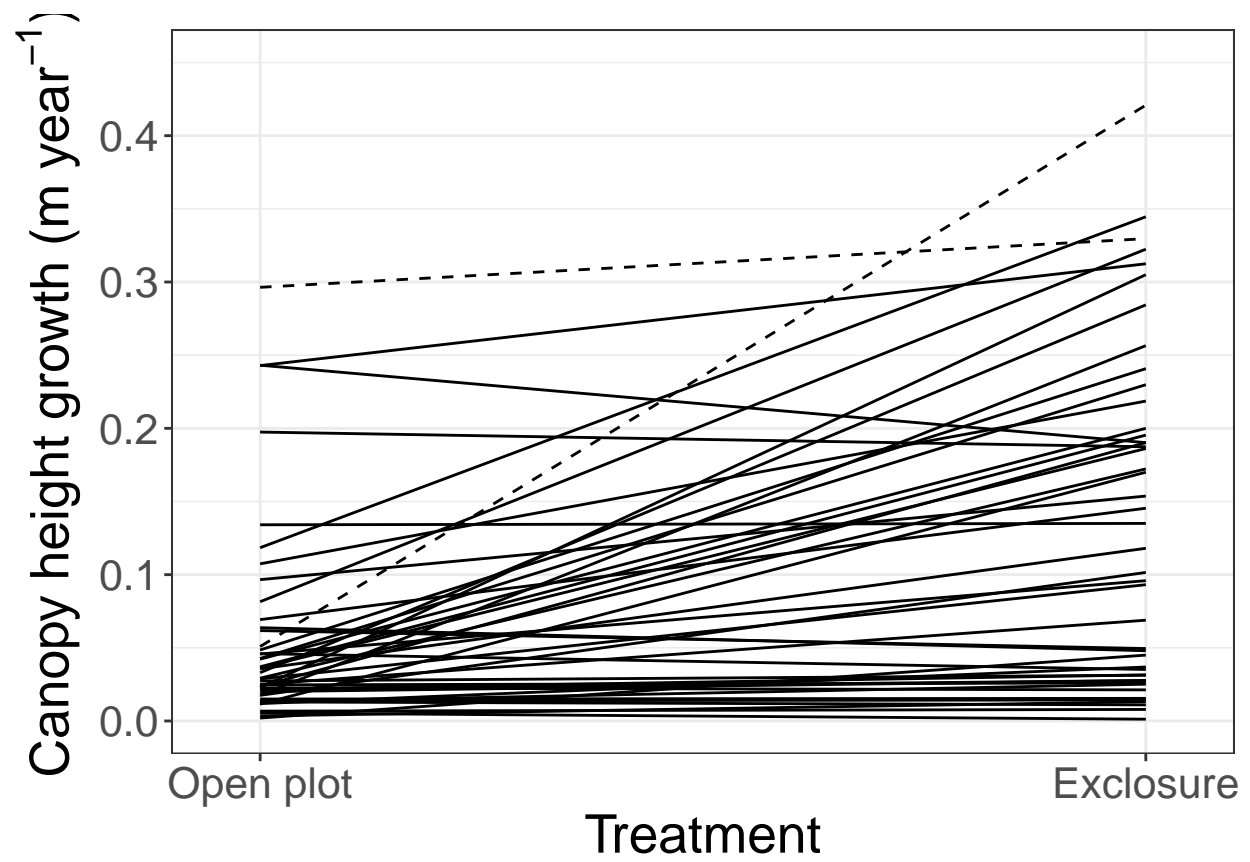
corr_plot



Figures for the appendix:

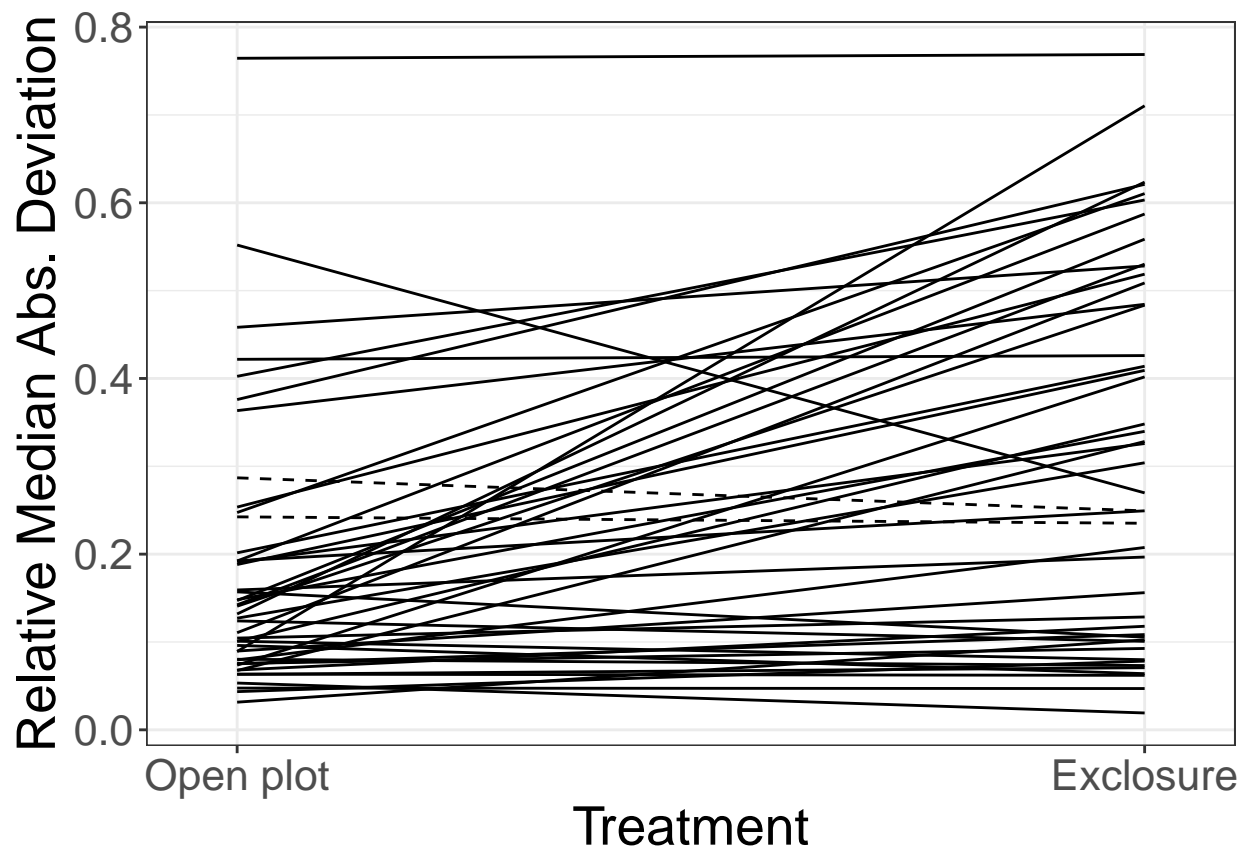
spagettiplot of canopy growth

spag1



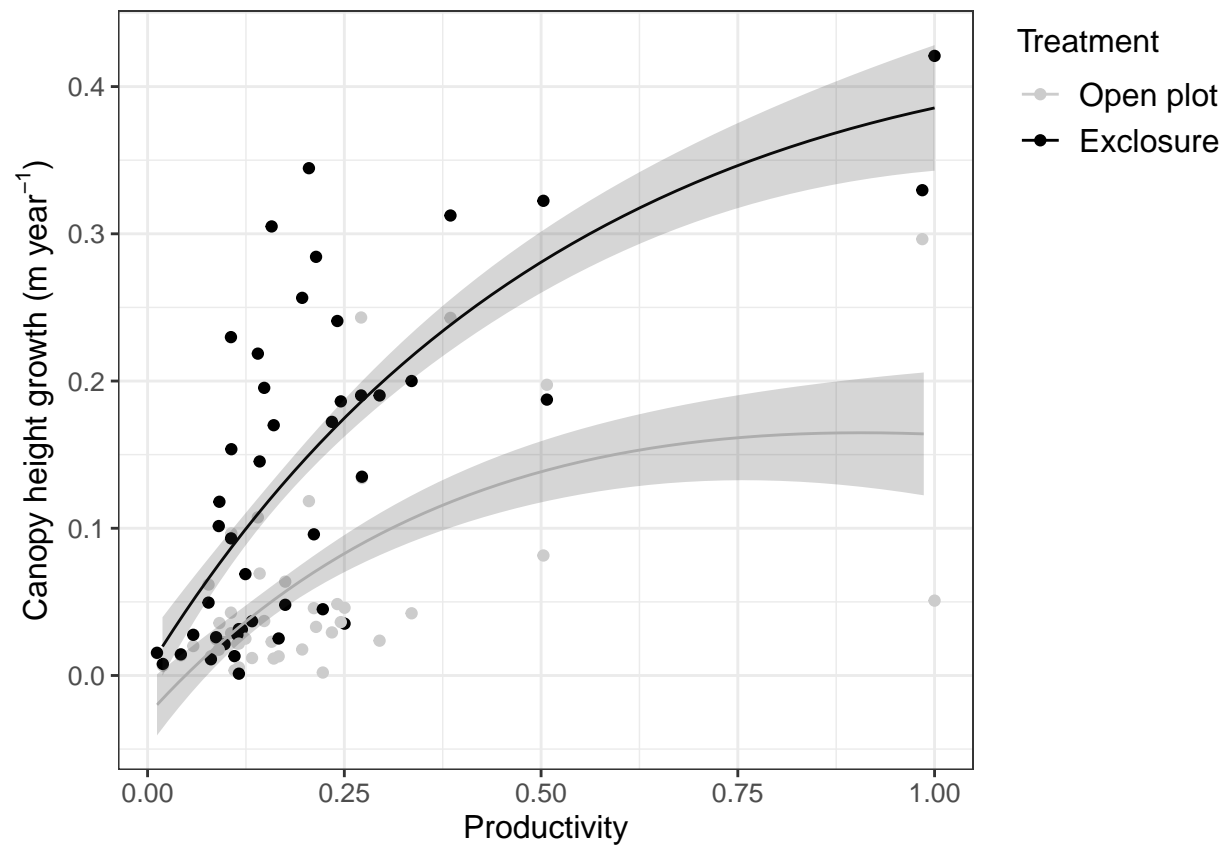
spagettiplot of rMAD

spag2



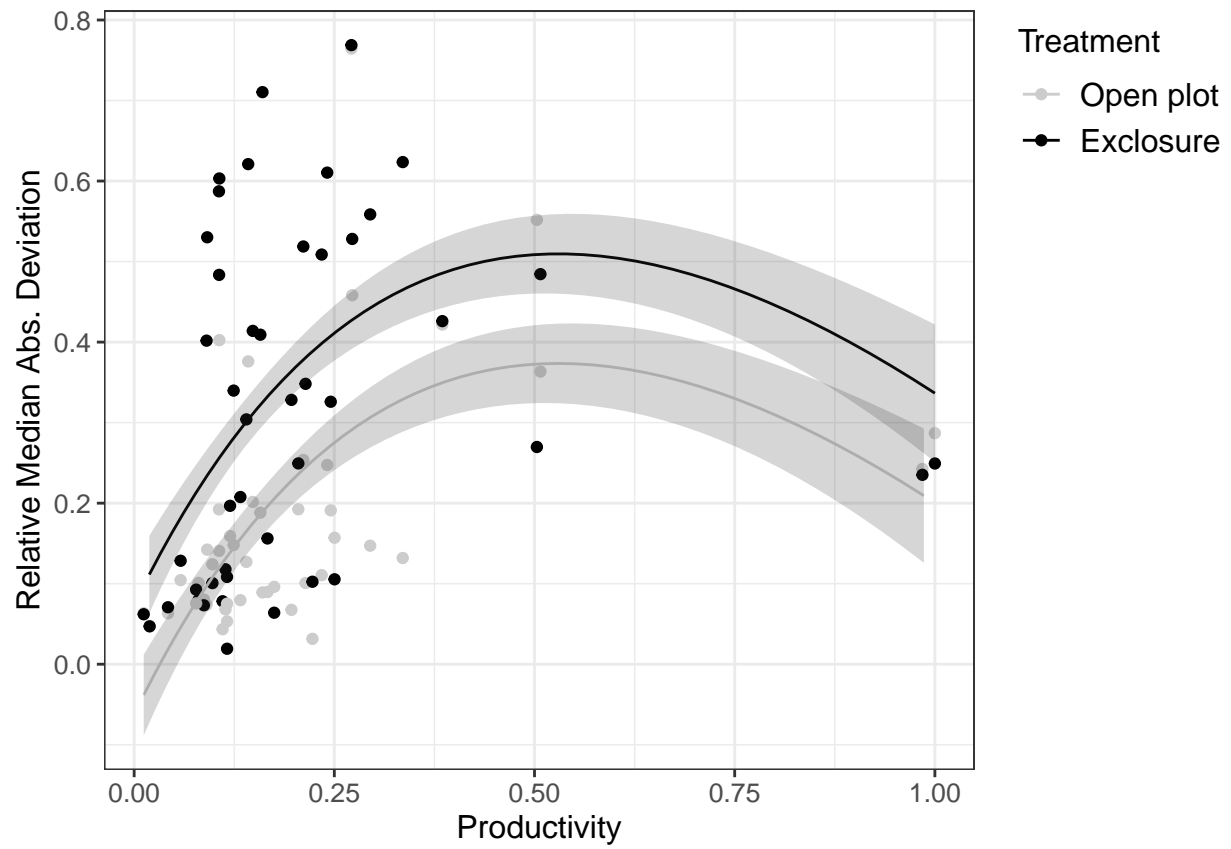
interaction plot for canopy growth incl outlier

cg_wOutlier



Interaction plot for rMAD incl outlier

rmad_w0utlier



Violin plot of canopy growth

cg_viol



Tables

Canopy Growth

Mean and sd

cg_means

```
##           mean.canopy.growth.per.year standard.error.of.the.mean
## Open plot                0.056                0.010
## Exclosure                 0.136                0.017
```

Best model

summary(mod_sens2)

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula: canopygrowth ~ Treatment * prod
## Data: dat2
##
##      AIC      BIC   logLik deviance df.resid
##   -213.5   -201.3    111.8   -223.5      81
##
```

```
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.00435
##
## Conditional model:
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -0.003533   0.018914  -0.187 0.851835
## TreatmentExclosure  0.029838   0.026749   1.115 0.264644
## prod            0.311650   0.091980   3.388 0.000703 ***
## TreatmentExclosure:prod 0.256527   0.130079   1.972 0.048601 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Candidate models

```
cg_cand
```

```
##           df          AIC                                model
## mod_sens1  6 -211.5329 Intial model: Treatment * prod + (1|region)
## mod_sens2  5 -213.5329                                -(1|region)
## mod_sens3  6 -212.8157                                -(1|region) and + prod^2
```

```
rMAD
```

```
rmad_means
```

```
##           mean.canopy.growth.per.year standard.error.of.the.mean
## Open plot                                0.177                0.023
## Exclosure                                0.320                0.033
```

```
best model
```

```
summary(mads4)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:          rMAD2 ~ Treatment + prod + prod2 + (1 | region)
## Data: dat2
##
##           AIC          BIC   logLik deviance df.resid
##        -58.7        -44.0     35.3    -70.7         80
##
## Random effects:
##
## Conditional model:
##   Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
##   region  (Intercept) 0.00089   0.02983
##   Residual              0.02511   0.15847
## Number of obs: 86, groups: region, 3
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0251
##
## Conditional model:
```

```
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -0.04907   0.06038  -0.813 0.416356
## TreatmentExclosure  0.14343   0.03418   4.197 2.71e-05 ***
## prod           1.71534   0.51583   3.325 0.000883 ***
## prod2          -1.71848   0.99005  -1.736 0.082607 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

candidate models

```
rmad_cand
```

```
##      df      AIC      model
## mads  7 -56.70222 Global model: Treatment*prod+prod2+(1|region)
## mads2 6 -55.74227                -prod2
## mads3 5 -57.73926                -Treatment:prod and -prod2
## mads4 6 -58.69911                -Treatment:prod
```

Field data

Mean and se

```
cg_field
```

```
##      mean.canopy.growth.per.year standard.error.of.the.mean
## Open plot                0.094                0.009
## Exclosure                0.145                0.011
```

Correlation

```
field_lidar_cor
```

```
## [1] 0.5693676
```

Global model

```
canopygrowth ~ canopygrowth_f + region + canopygrowth_f:region +
  YrsSinceExclosure + YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f + plot_density_m2 +
  plot_density_m2:canopygrowth_f + Treatment + Treatment:canopygrowth_f
```

Candidate models, top 5

```
corr_cand
```

```
## Global model call: glmmTMB(formula = canopygrowth ~ canopygrowth_f + region + canopygrowth_f:region +
##   YrsSinceExclosure + YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f + plot_density_m2 +
##   plot_density_m2:canopygrowth_f + Treatment + Treatment:canopygrowth_f,
##   data = dat2, family = gaussian, ziformula = ~0, dispformula = ~1)
```

```
## ---
## Model selection table
##      cnd((Int)) dsp((Int)) cnd(cnp_f) cnd(plt_dns_m2) cnd(Trt)  cnd(YSE)
## 284  0.002381      +    -0.2593      0.013230      + -0.008476
## 412  0.012060      +    -0.3450      0.013200      + -0.009152
## 316  0.006928      +    -0.2972      0.009724      + -0.007803
## 282  0.014310      +    -0.2343              + -0.004758
## 444  0.015780      +    -0.3757      0.009960      + -0.008496
##      cnd(cnp_f:plt_dns_m2) cnd(cnp_f:Trt) cnd(cnp_f:YSE) df  logLik  AICc delta
## 284                                0.1402  7 121.087 -226.7  0.00
## 412                                +      0.1453  8 121.176 -224.5  2.26
## 316                        0.02881      0.1351  8 121.147 -224.4  2.31
## 282                                0.1408  6 117.585 -222.1  4.63
## 444                        0.02662      +      0.1403  9 121.227 -222.1  4.65
##      weight
## 284  0.545
## 412  0.176
## 316  0.171
## 282  0.054
## 444  0.053
## Models ranked by AICc(x)
```

Best model

```
summary(moddiff2)
```

```
## Family: gaussian ( identity )
## Formula:
## canopygrowth ~ canopygrowth_f + YrsSinceExclosure + YrsSinceExclosure:canopygrowth_f +
##      plot_density_m2 + Treatment
## Data: dat2
##
##      AIC      BIC    logLik deviance df.resid
##   -228.2   -211.0    121.1   -242.2       79
##
##
## Dispersion estimate for gaussian family (sigma^2): 0.0035
##
## Conditional model:
##
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    0.002381   0.047428   0.050   0.95997
## canopygrowth_f -0.259305   0.303197  -0.855   0.39242
## YrsSinceExclosure -0.008476   0.006628  -1.279   0.20100
## plot_density_m2    0.013229   0.004898   2.701   0.00691 **
## TreatmentExclosure  0.038179   0.013724   2.782   0.00540 **
## canopygrowth_f:YrsSinceExclosure  0.140224   0.043695   3.209   0.00133 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
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AICc(moddiff2)
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