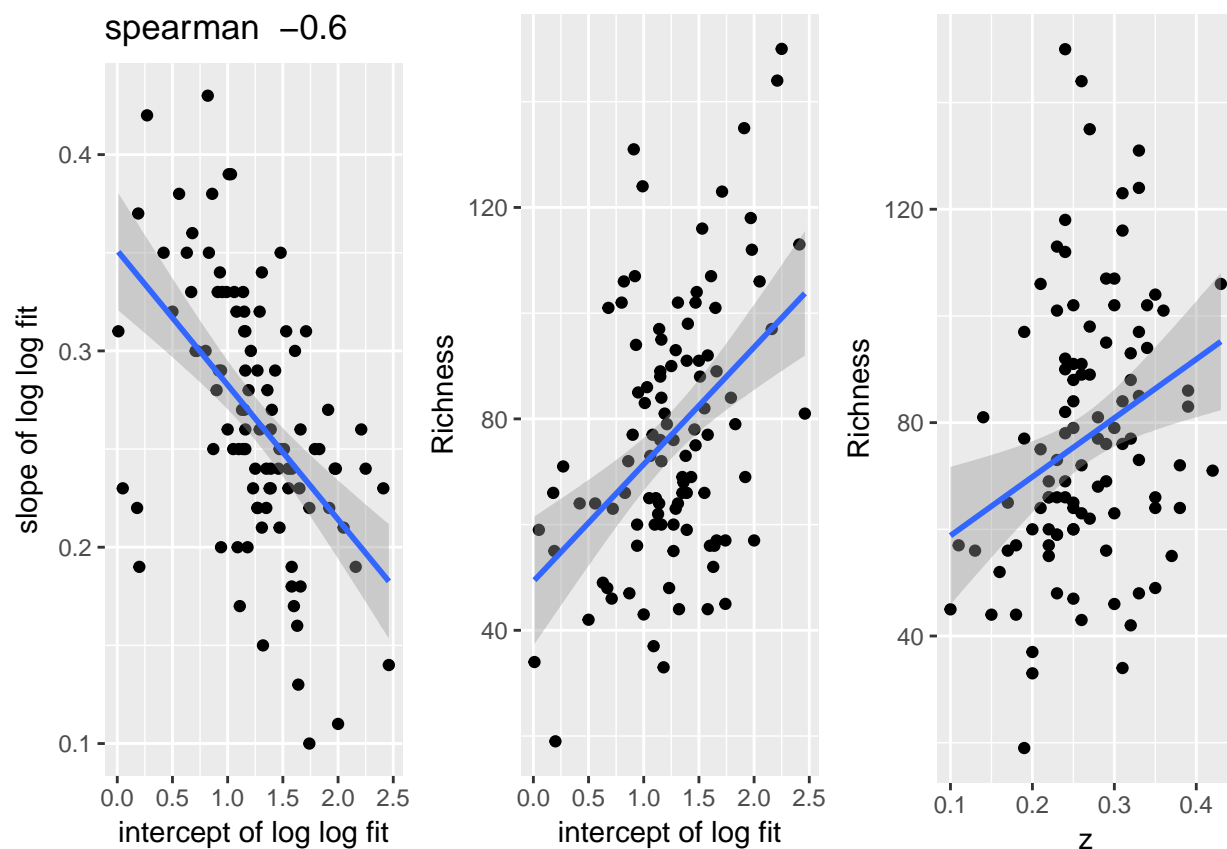


Analysing effect of abiotic factors on intercept of mixed effect model

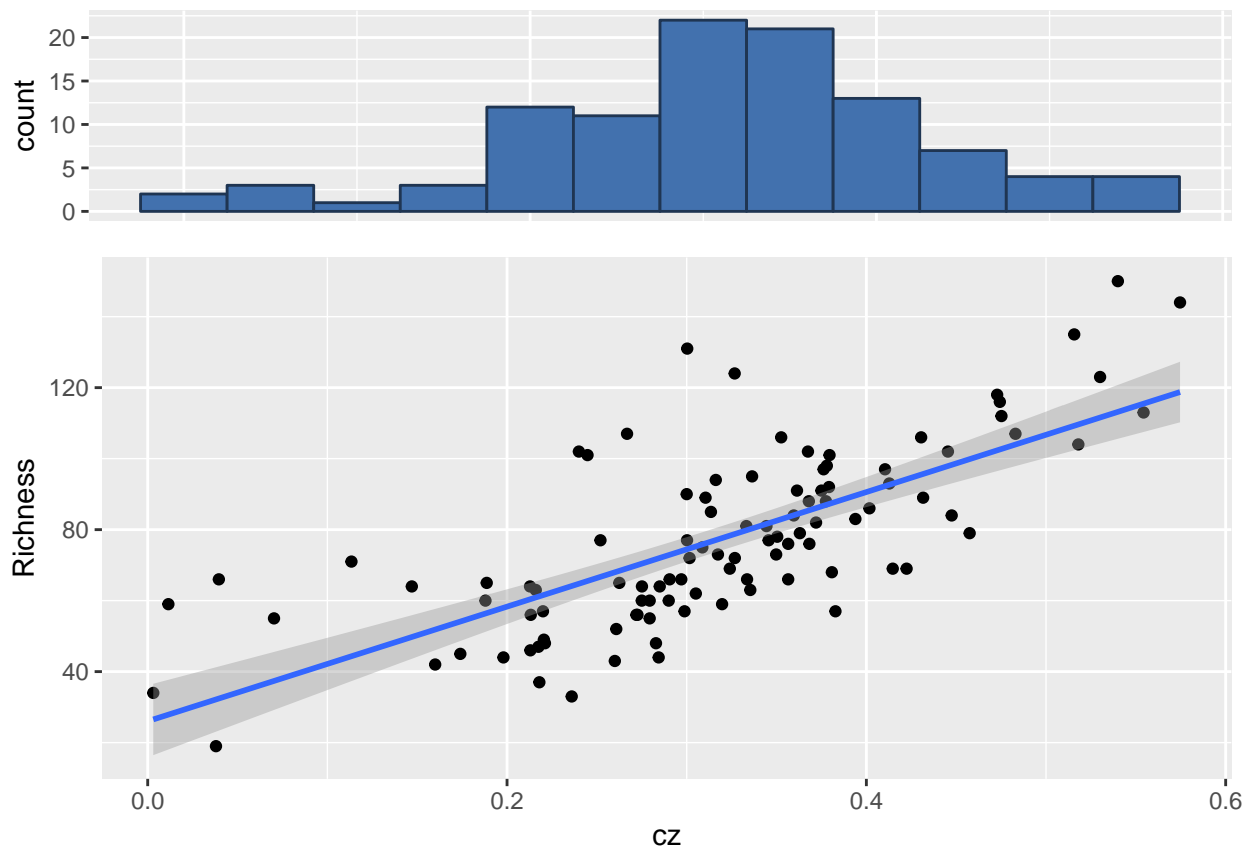
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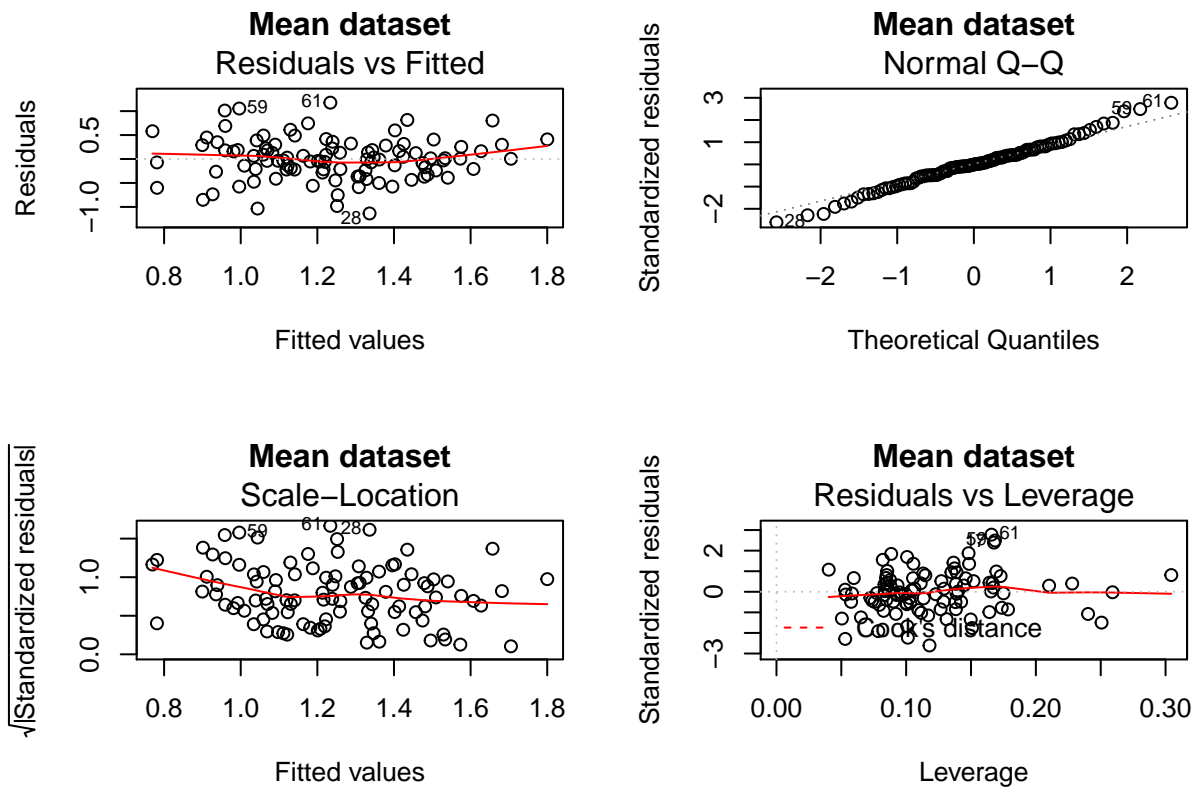
Here the intercept from the mixed model is analysed. The data is split in the same way, and outliers from area and PHI are removed.



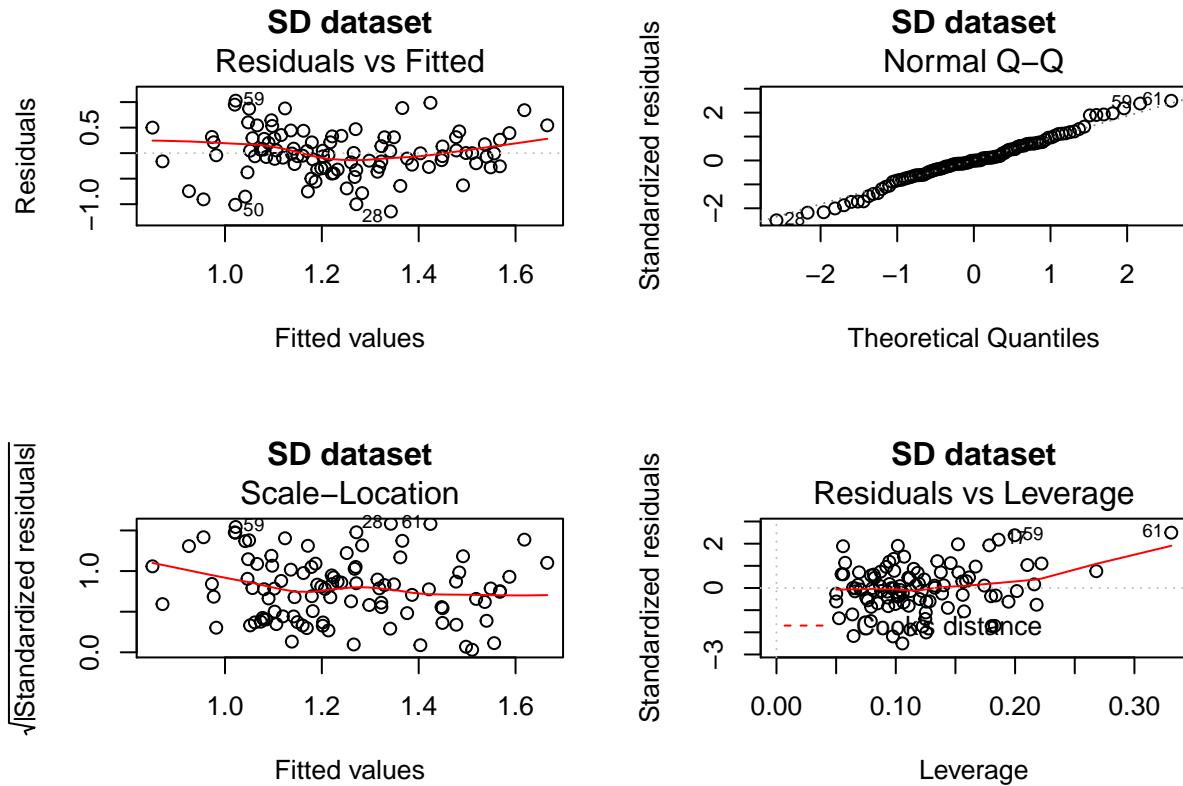
Having a quick look at the behaviour of the intercepts and slopes, as richness increases, slope and intercept increase, but the first graph shows that as the slope increases the intercept decreases. I have no idea what this means, if anything.



Since the gradient is a function of c and z , I thought it might be nice to look at richness with cz . But I have no idea what this means either.



The two site with the highest values of PHI had high leverage in this model and were therefore removed from the data in order to give normally distributed residuals, the plots above were created after these values were removed.



```
##   Northing      PHI    meandbh    meanph    Buffer    meanSOM
##   1.721261    1.219326    2.031493    1.356264    1.816954    1.158692
##   meanLBA     meanTD area_ratio    no_NVC    no_MSG
##   1.708121    1.955180    1.230977    1.292059    1.263801
```

The variance inflation factors in the mean dataset are low, suggesting that correlations between covariates are low and not likely to increase the variance of the parameter estimates.

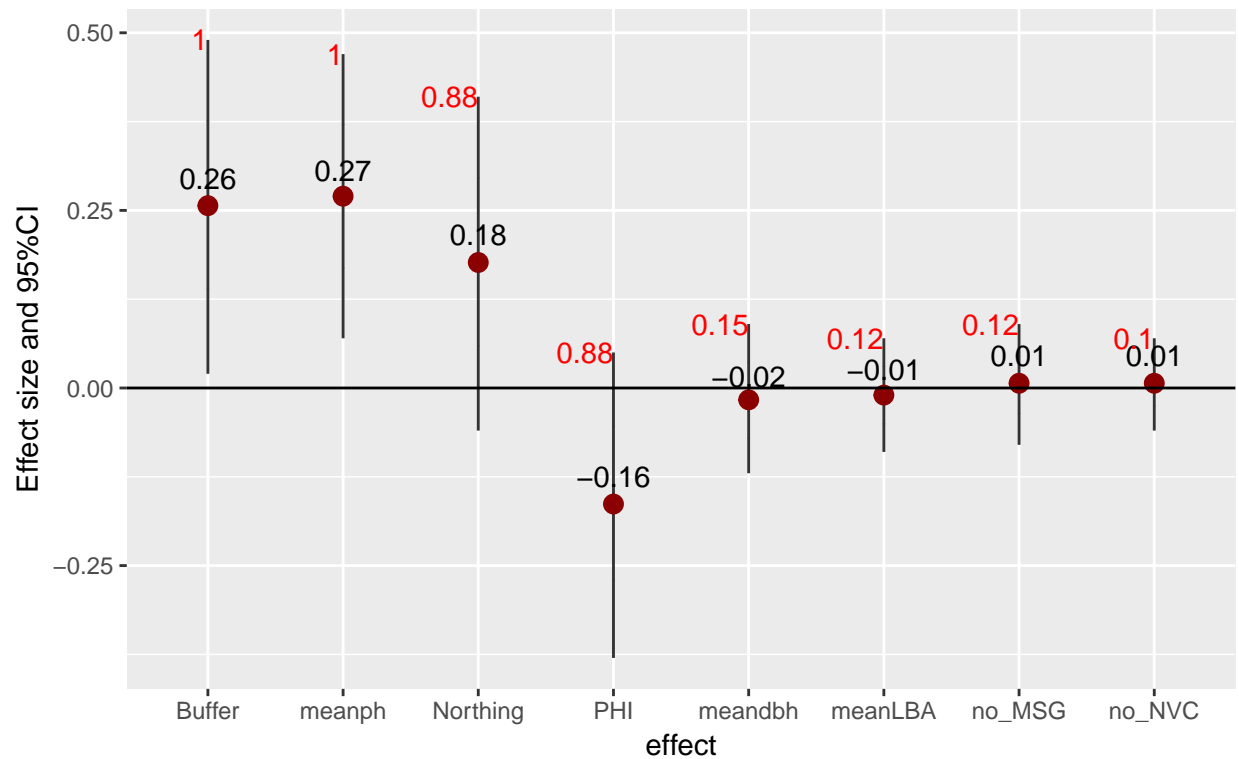
```
##   Northing      PHI    Buffer    no_MSG    no_NVC    sd_pH
##   1.713097    1.275714    1.860168    1.241747    1.277452    1.328220
##   sd_SOM     sd_LBA sd_meandbh    sd_TD area_ratio
##   1.412783    1.188175    1.521227    1.501602    1.257226
```

The variance inflation factors in the sd dataset are also low

The first twelve models from the mean dataset, which had a delta < 2 were selected from the MuMin dredge function as the top model set.

Model averaged results for delta <2, intercepts, Mean dataset

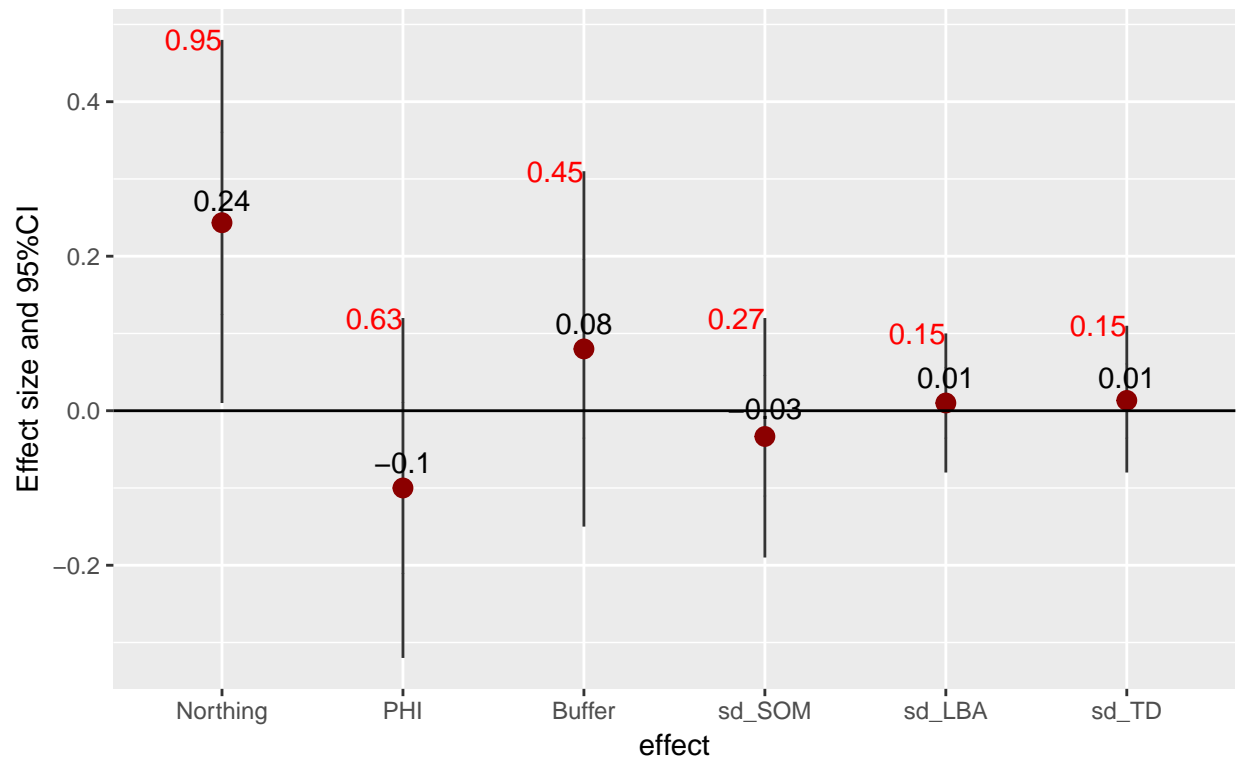
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The graph shows the averaged effect sizes of the model with delta < 2. The buffer and meanpH may effect the intercep of the log/log fit

Model averaged results for delta <2, interepts, SD dataset

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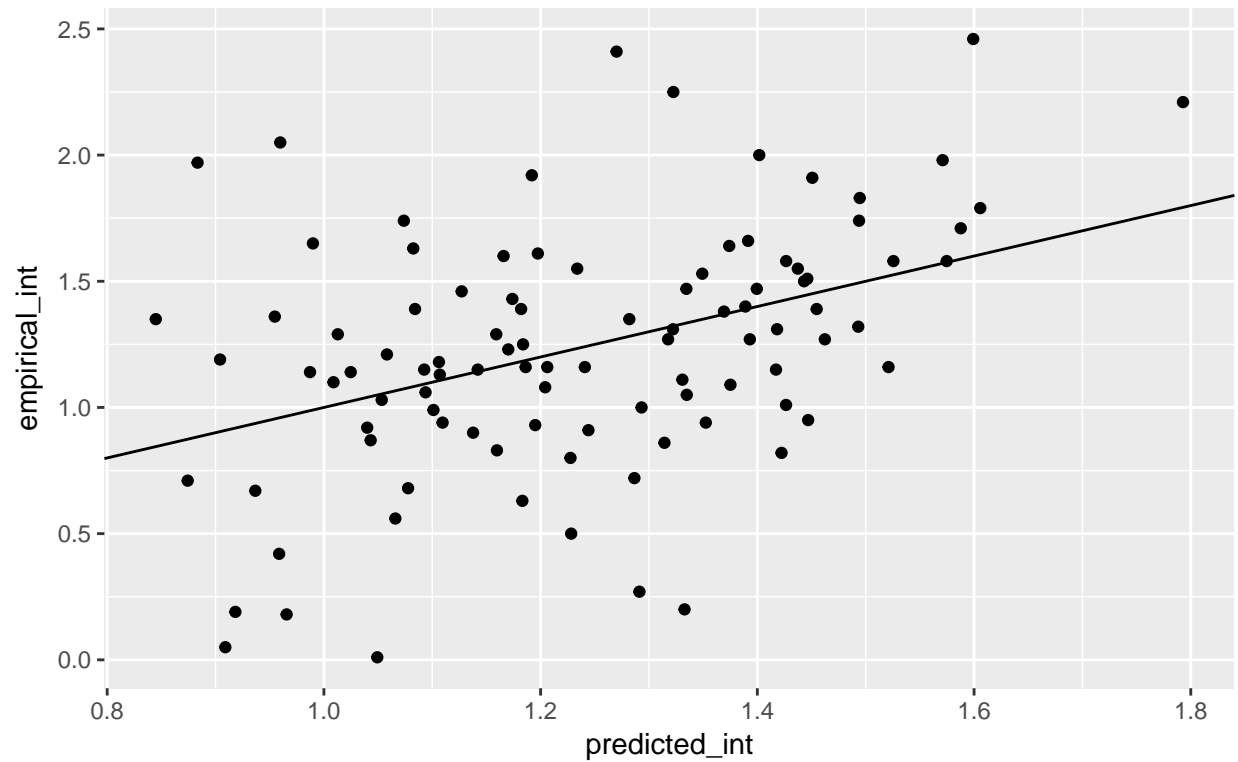


The Northing is the only variable which may effect the intercepts of the log/log fit

Using the model for prediction

Observed versus predicted data, mean dataset

$R^2 = 0.18$



Observed versus predicted data, sd dataset

$R^2 = 0.12$

