

# Linear, Generalized, and Mixed/Multilevel models - an introduction with R

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## Introduction to linear models

# Modern statistics are easier than this

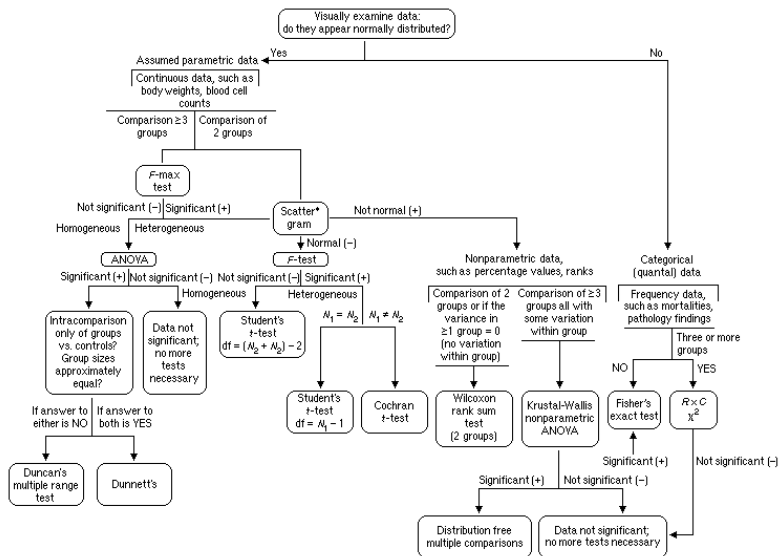
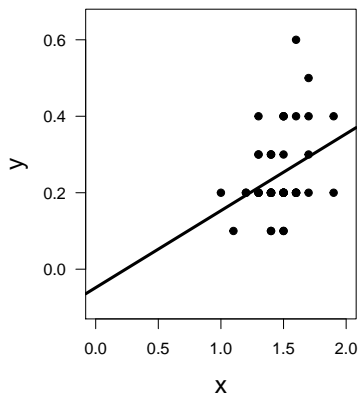


Figure 1:

# Our overarching regression framework

$$y_i = a + bx_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$



## Data

$y$  = response variable

$x$  = predictor

## Parameters

$a$  = intercept

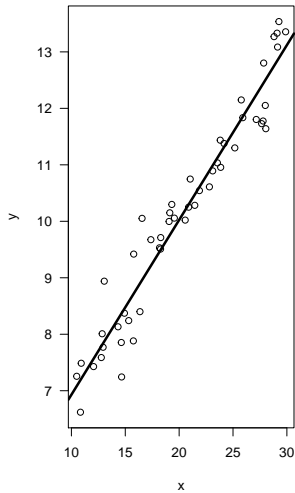
$b$  = slope

$\sigma$  = residual variation

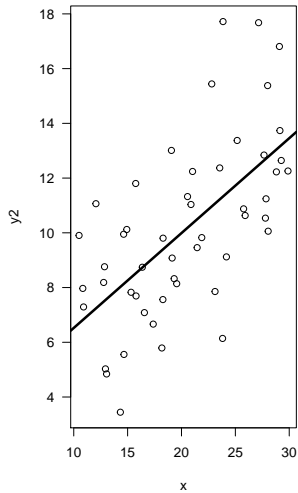
$\varepsilon$  = residuals

# Residual variation (error)

**small**



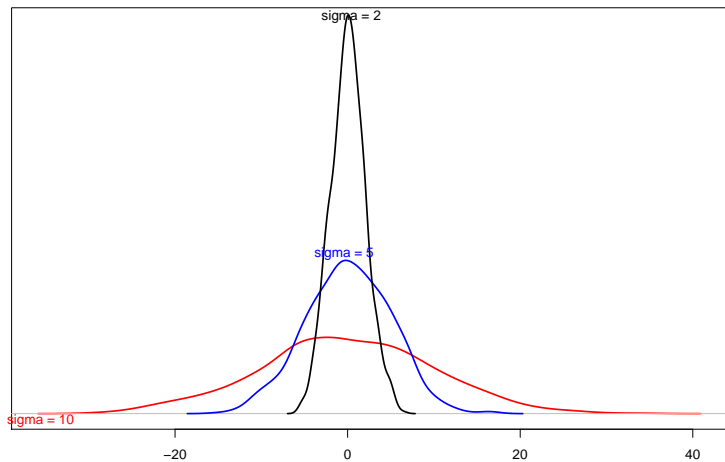
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# Residual variation

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Distribution of residuals



## In a Normal distribution

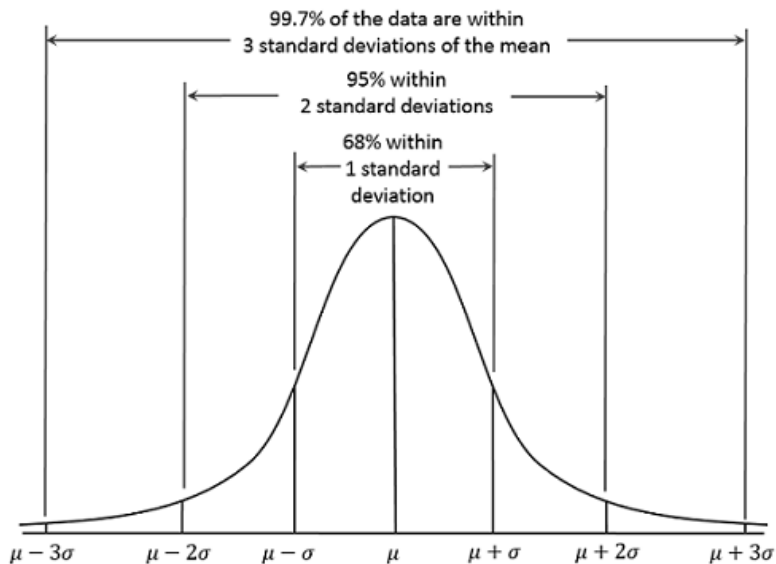


Figure 2:

## Linear models



## Example dataset: forest trees

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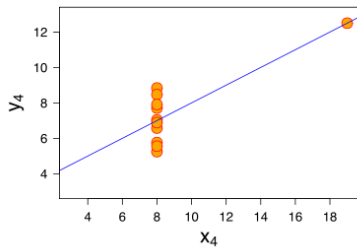
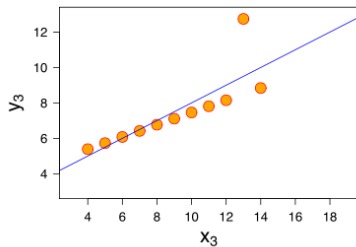
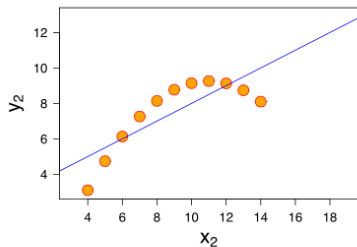
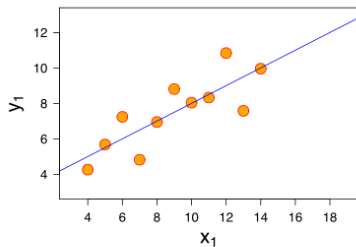
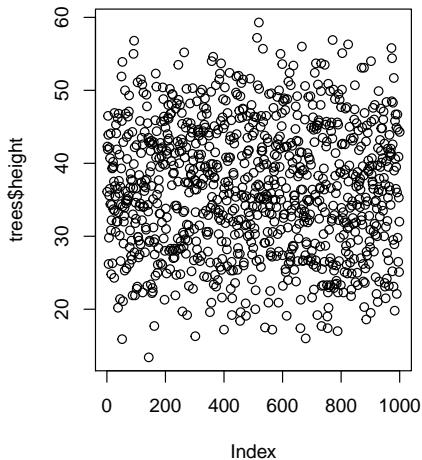


Figure 3:

# Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

## Outliers

```
plot(trees$height)
```



## Outliers impact on regression

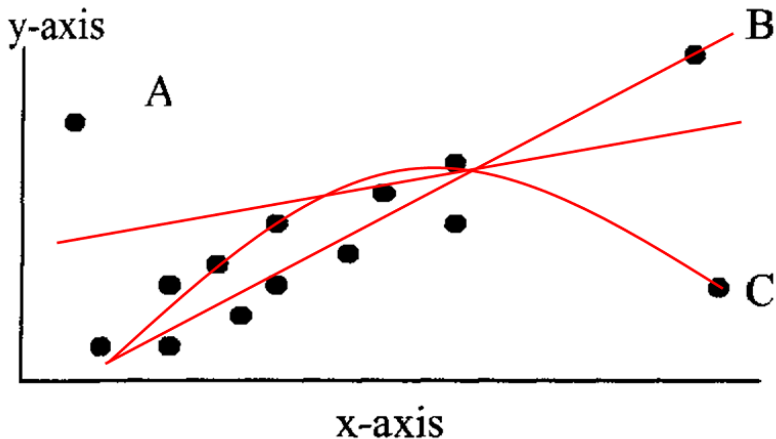


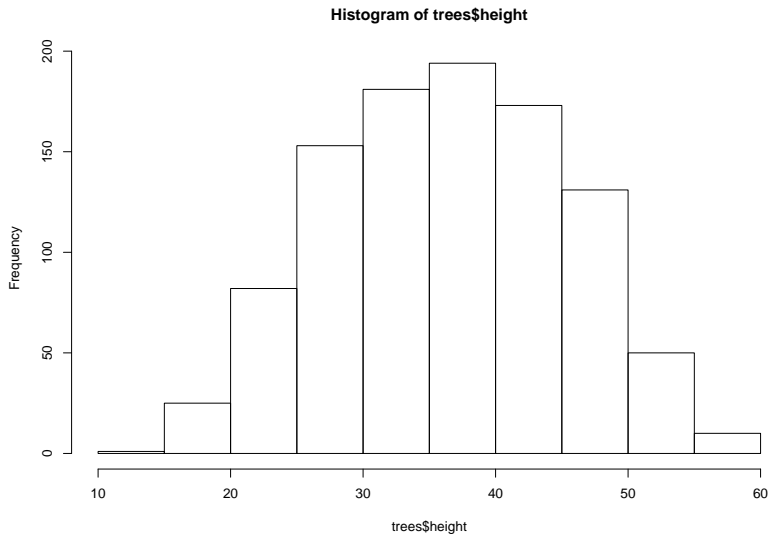
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See <http://rpsychologist.com/d3/correlation/>



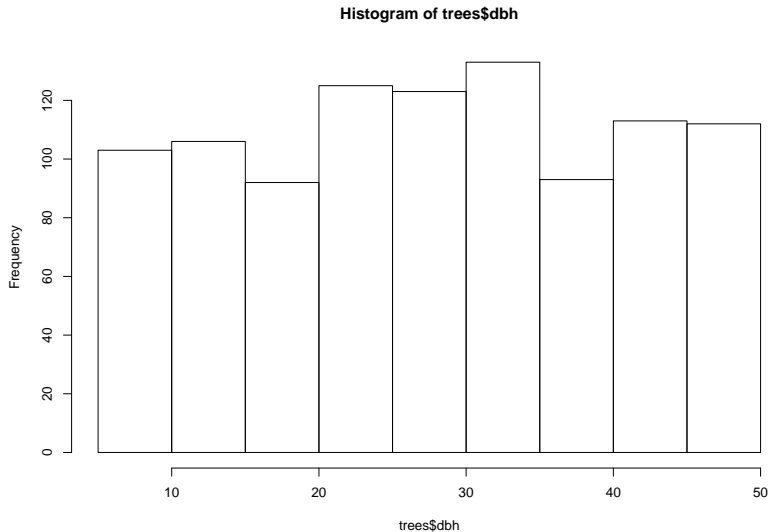
# Histogram of response variable

```
hist(trees$height)
```



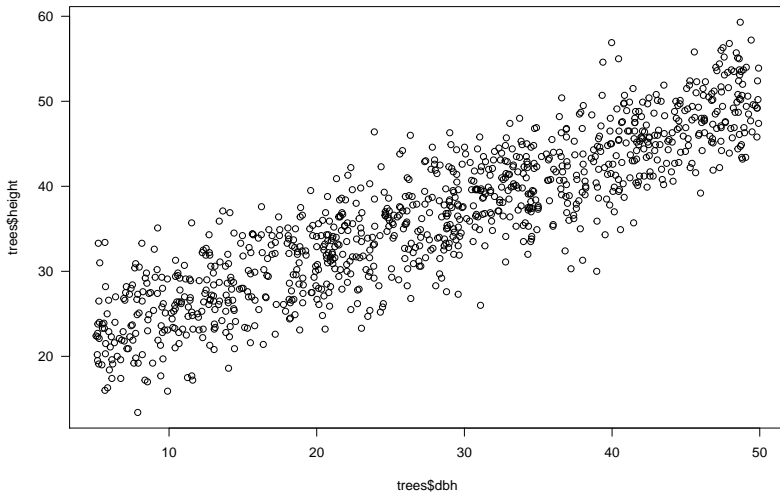
# Histogram of predictor variable

```
hist(trees$dbh)
```



# Scatterplot

```
plot(trees$dbh, trees$height, las = 1)
```



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```
m1 <- lm(height ~ dbh, data = trees)
```

## What does this mean?

Call:

```
lm(formula = height ~ dbh, data = trees)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-13.3270	-2.8978	0.1057	2.7924	12.9511

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	19.33920	0.31064	62.26	<2e-16 ***
dbh	0.61570	0.01013	60.79	<2e-16 ***

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 4.093 on 998 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.7874, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7871

F-statistic: 3695 on 1 and 998 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

## Retrieving model coefficients

```
coef(m1)
```

(Intercept)	dbh
19.3391968	0.6157036

# Confidence intervals

```
confint(m1)
```

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	18.7296053	19.948788
dbh	0.5958282	0.635579



## Using effects package

```
library(effects)  
summary(allEffects(m1))
```

model: height ~ dbh

dbh effect

dbh

	5	20	30	40	50
	22.41771	31.65327	37.81030	43.96734	50.12438

Lower 95 Percent Confidence Limits

dbh

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	21.89682	31.35487	37.55287	43.61733	49.61669

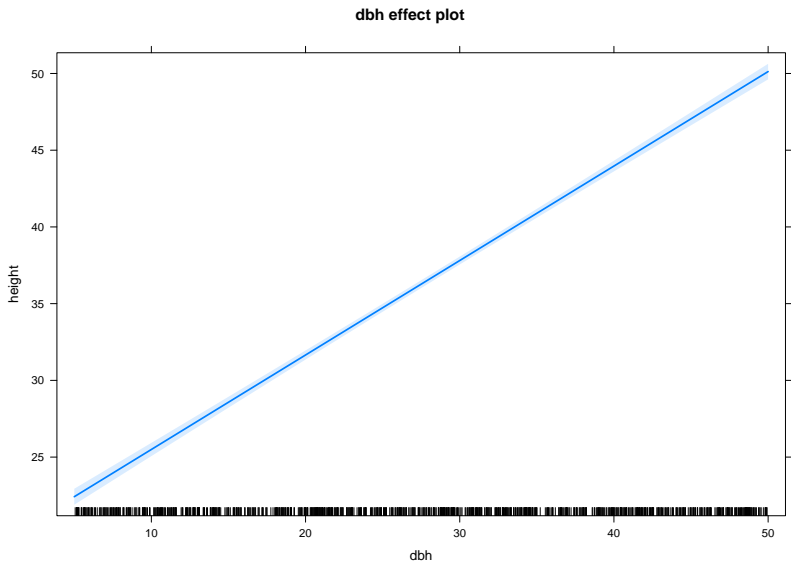
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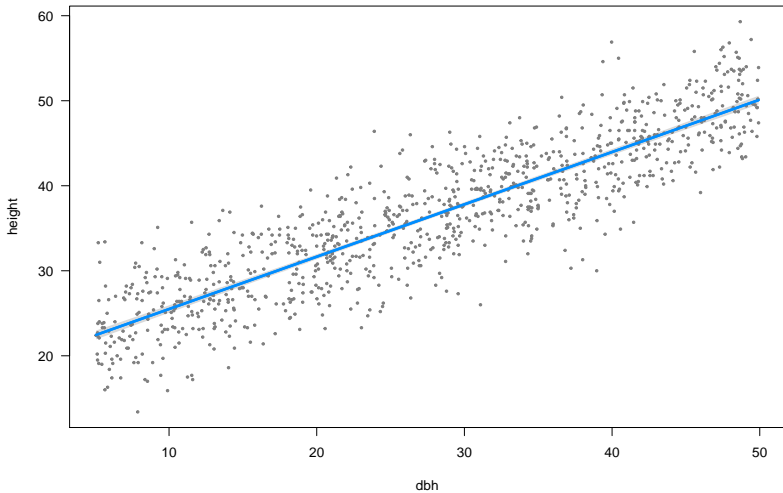
# Plot effects

```
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```



## Plot model (visreg)

```
library(visreg)  
visreg(m1)
```



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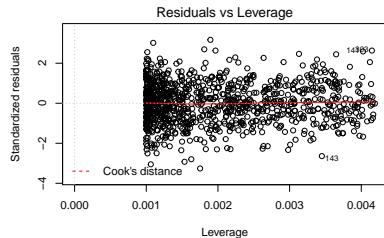
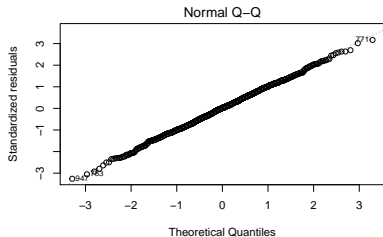
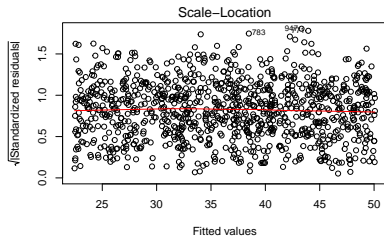
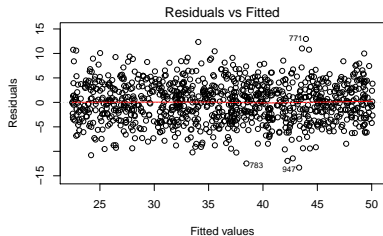
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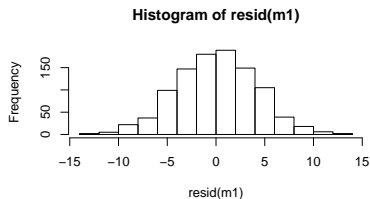
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- ▶ No measurement error in predictors

# Model checking: residuals



# Are residuals normal?

```
hist(resid(m1))
```



```
lm(formula = height ~ dbh, data = trees)
      coef.est coef.se
(Intercept) 19.34    0.31
      dbh      0.62    0.01
---
n = 1000, k = 2
residual sd = 4.09, R-Squared = 0.79
```

SD of residuals = 4.09 coincides with estimate of  $\sigma$ .

# How good is the model in predicting tree height?

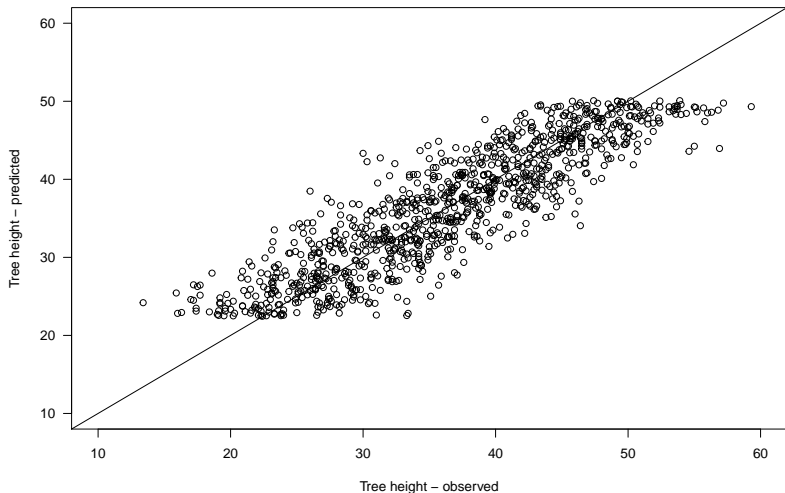
fitted gives predictions for each observation

```
trees$height.pred <- fitted(m1)
head(trees)
```

	plot	dbh	height	sex	dead	height.pred
1	4	29.68	36.1	male	0	37.61328
2	5	33.29	42.3	male	0	39.83597
3	2	28.03	41.9	female	0	36.59737
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5	1	47.94	43.9	female	0	48.85603
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# Calibration plot: Observed vs Predicted values

```
plot(trees$height, trees$height.pred, xlab = "Tree height - obse
```



## Using fitted model for prediction

Q: Expected tree height if DBH = 39 cm?

```
new.dbh <- data.frame(dbh = c(39))  
predict(m1, new.dbh, se.fit = TRUE)
```

```
$fit
```

```
1
```

```
43.35164
```

```
$se.fit
```

```
[1] 0.1715514
```

```
$df
```

```
[1] 998
```

```
$residual.scale
```

```
[1] 4.092629
```

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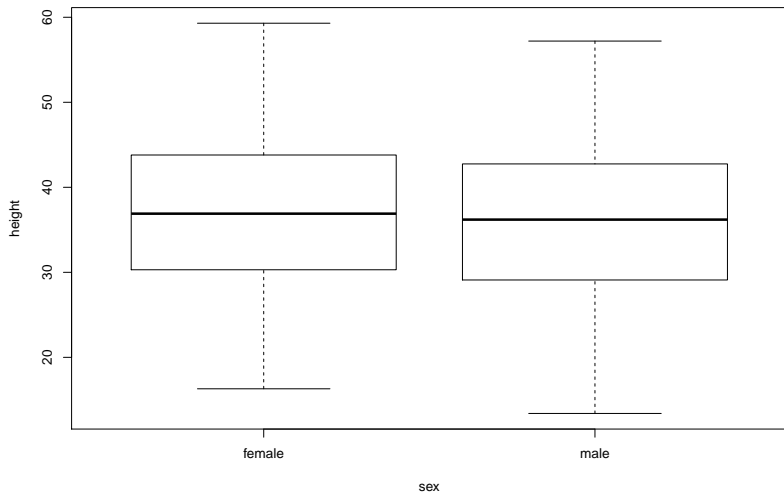
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Categorical predictors (factors)

Q: Does tree height vary with sex?

```
plot(height ~ sex, data = trees)
```





## Model height ~ sex

```
m2 <- lm(height ~ sex, data = trees)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = height ~ sex, data = trees)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-22.6881	-6.7881	-0.0097	6.7261	22.3687

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	36.9312	0.3981	92.778	<2e-16 ***
sexmale	-0.8432	0.5607	-1.504	0.133

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Residual standard error: 8.865 on 998 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.002261, Adjusted R-squared: 0.001261

F-statistic: 2.261 on 1 and 998 DF, p-value: 0.133

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## Effects: Height ~ sex

Compare CIs

```
summary(allEffects(m2))
```

```
model: height ~ sex
```

```
sex effect
```

```
sex
```

```
female      male
```

```
36.93125 36.08810
```

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Lower 95 Percent Confidence Limits
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```
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```

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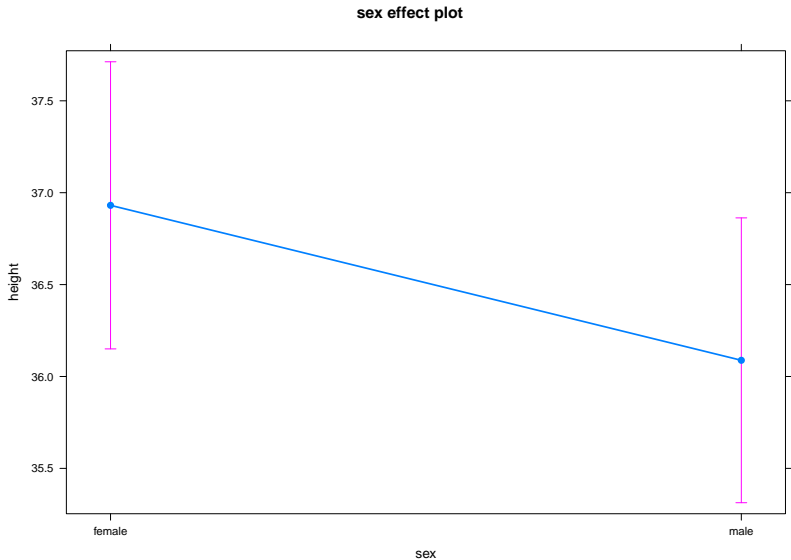
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sex
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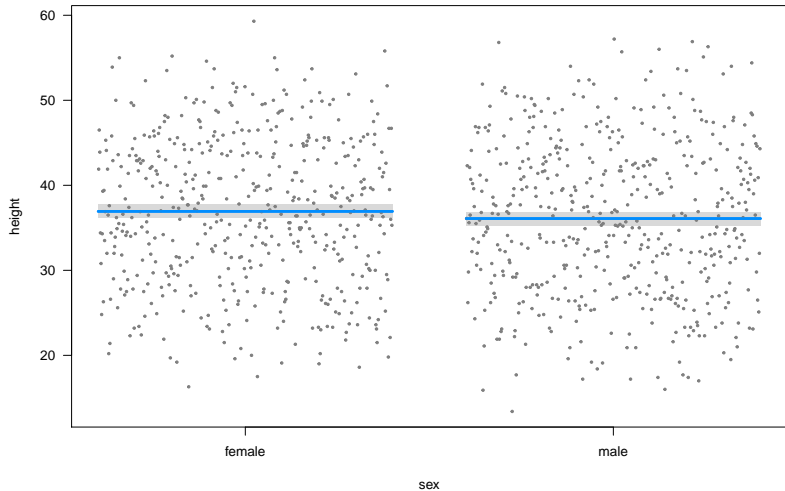
# Plot

```
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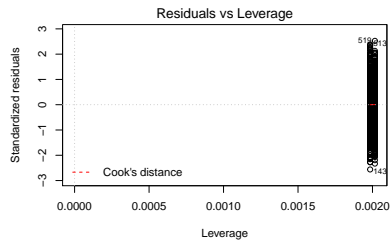
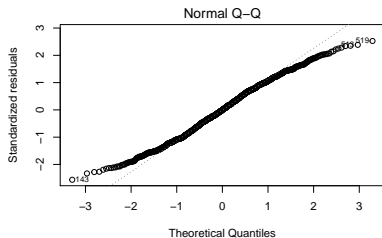
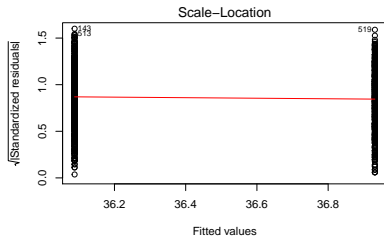
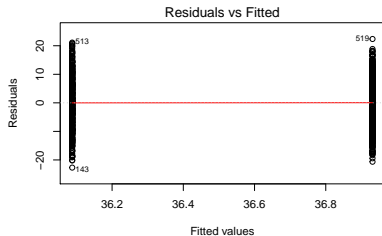


# Plot (visreg)

```
visreg(m2)
```

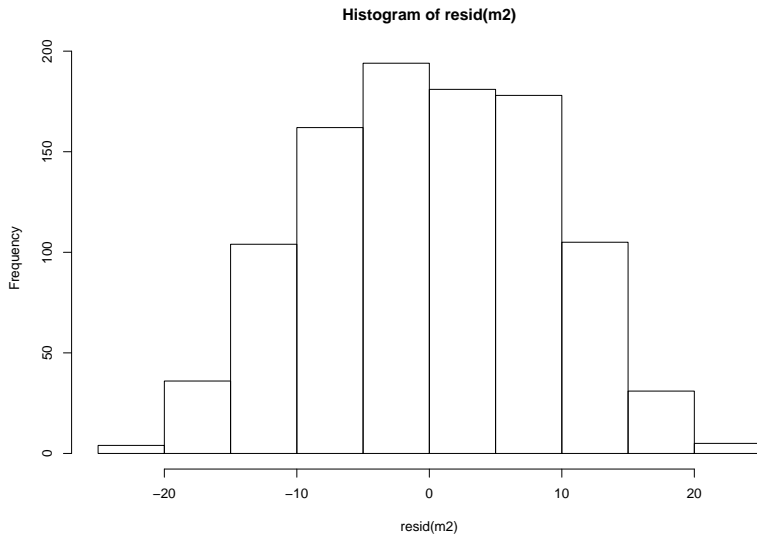


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```
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```

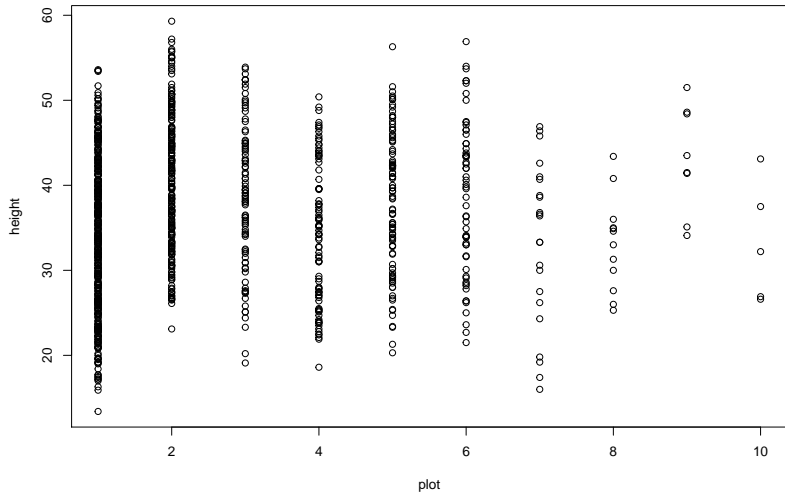




Q: Does height differ among field plots?

## Plot data first

```
plot(height ~ plot, data = trees)
```



## Linear model with categorical predictors

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$$y_i = a + b_{plot2} + c_{plot3} + d_{plot4} + e_{plot5} + \dots + \varepsilon_i$$

## Model Height ~ Plot

All right here?

```
m3 <- lm(height ~ plot, data = trees)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = height ~ plot, data = trees)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-22.4498	-6.7049	0.0709	6.7537	23.0640

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	35.4636	0.4730	74.975	< 2e-16 ***
plot	0.3862	0.1413	2.733	0.00639 **

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Residual standard error: 8.842 on 998 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.007429, Adjusted R-squared: 0.006435

# Plot is a factor!

```
trees$plot <- as.factor(trees$plot)
```

# Model Height ~ Plot

Call:

```
lm(formula = height ~ plot, data = trees)
```

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-20.4416	-6.9004	0.0379	6.3051	19.7584

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	
(Intercept)	33.8416	0.4266	79.329	< 2e-16	***
plot2	6.3411	0.7126	8.899	< 2e-16	***
plot3	4.9991	0.9828	5.086	4.36e-07	***
plot4	0.5329	0.9872	0.540	0.58949	
plot5	4.3723	0.9425	4.639	3.97e-06	***
plot6	4.7601	1.1709	4.065	5.18e-05	***
plot7	-0.7416	1.8506	-0.401	0.68871	
plot8	-0.6832	2.4753	-0.276	0.78258	
plot9	9.1709	3.0165	3.040	0.00243	**
plot10	-0.5816	3.8013	-0.153	0.87843	

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Residual standard error: 8.446 on 990 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.1016, Adjusted R-squared: 0.09344

F-statistic: 12.44 on 9 and 990 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

# Estimated tree heights for each site

```
summary(allEffects(m3))
```

```
model: height ~ plot
```

```
plot effect
```

```
plot
```

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	33.84158	40.18265	38.84066	34.37444	38.21386	38.60167	33.10000	33.15833
	9	10						
	43.01250	33.26000						

```
Lower 95 Percent Confidence Limits
```

```
plot
```

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	33.00444	39.06264	37.10317	32.62733	36.56463	36.46190	29.56629	28.37367
	9	10						
	37.15251	25.84764						

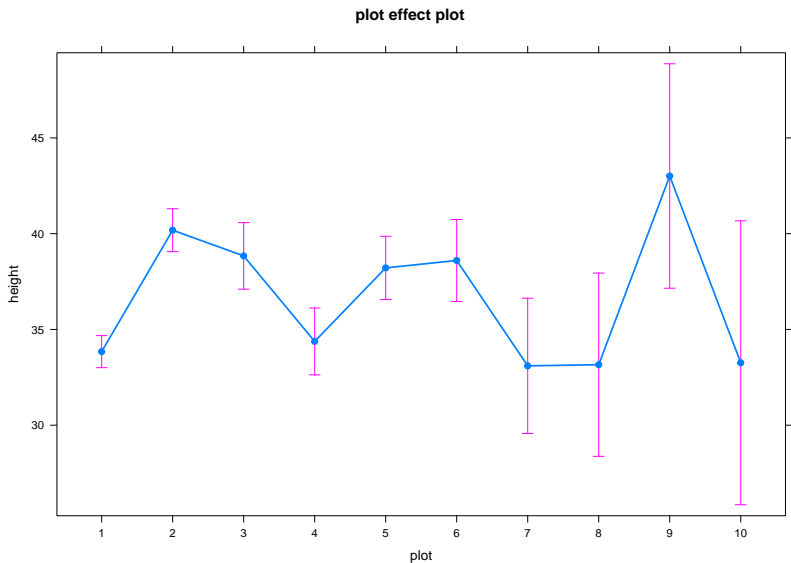
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	34.67872	41.30265	40.57814	36.12156	39.86309	40.74143	36.63371	37.94299
	9	10						
	48.87249	40.67236						

# Plot

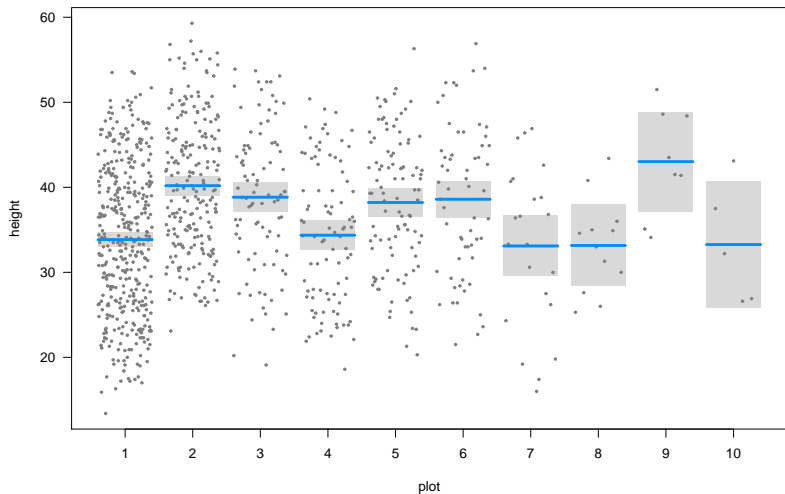
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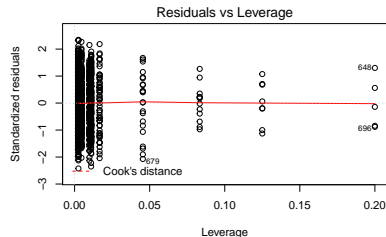
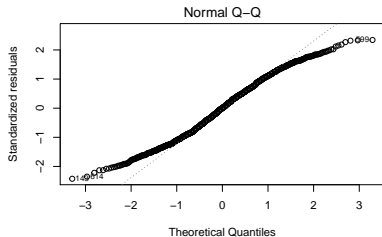
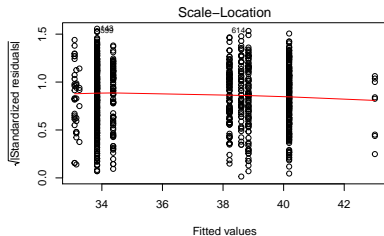
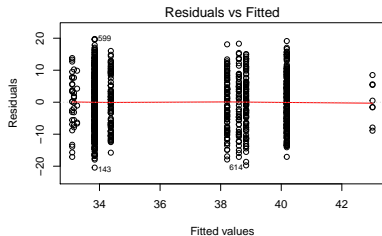


# Plot (visreg)

```
visreg(m3)
```



# Model checking: residuals



Combining continuous and categorical predictors

## Predicting tree height based on dbh and site

$$y_i = a + bx_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$y_i = a + b_{plot2} + c_{plot3} + d_{plot4} + e_{plot5} + \dots + k \cdot DBH_i + \varepsilon_i$$

# Predicting tree height based on dbh and site

Call:

```
lm(formula = height ~ plot + dbh, data = trees)
```

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-10.1130	-1.9885	0.0582	2.0314	11.3320

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	16.699037	0.260565	64.088	< 2e-16 ***
plot2	6.504303	0.256730	25.335	< 2e-16 ***
plot3	4.357457	0.354181	12.303	< 2e-16 ***
plot4	1.934650	0.356102	5.433	6.98e-08 ***
plot5	3.637432	0.339688	10.708	< 2e-16 ***
plot6	4.204511	0.421906	9.966	< 2e-16 ***
plot7	-0.176193	0.666772	-0.264	0.7916
plot8	-5.312648	0.893603	-5.945	3.82e-09 ***
plot9	5.437049	1.087766	4.998	6.84e-07 ***
plot10	2.263338	1.369986	1.652	0.0988 .
dbh	0.617075	0.007574	81.473	< 2e-16 ***

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Residual standard error: 3.043 on 989 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.8835, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8823

F-statistic: 750 on 10 and 989 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

# Estimated tree heights for each site

```
summary(allEffects(multreg))
```

```
model: height ~ plot + dbh
```

```
plot effect
```

```
plot
```

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	33.90437	40.40868	38.26183	35.83902	37.54181	38.10889	33.72818	28.59173
	9	10						
	39.34142	36.16771						

```
Lower 95 Percent Confidence Limits
```

```
plot
```

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	33.60276	40.00512	37.63569	35.20858	36.94739	37.33787	32.45495	26.86438
	9	10						
	37.22831	33.49623						

```
Upper 95 Percent Confidence Limits
```

```
plot
```

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	34.20599	40.81223	38.88798	36.46947	38.13622	38.87990	35.00141	30.31907
	9	10						
	41.45454	38.83919						

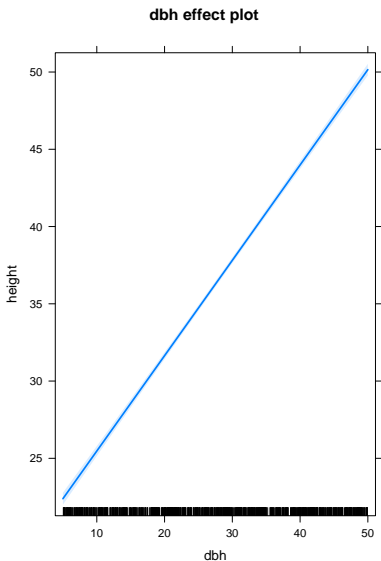
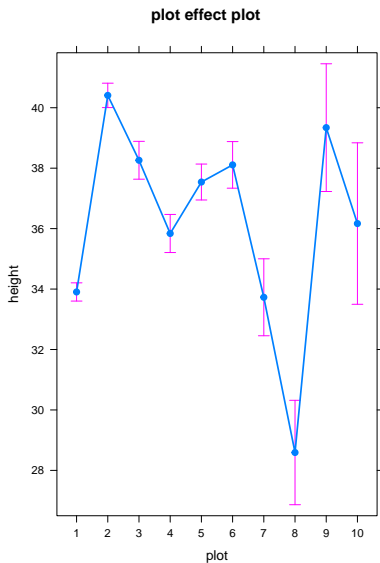
```
dbh effect
```

```
dbh
```

	5	20	30	40	50
	22.38634	31.64246	37.81321	43.98396	50.15471

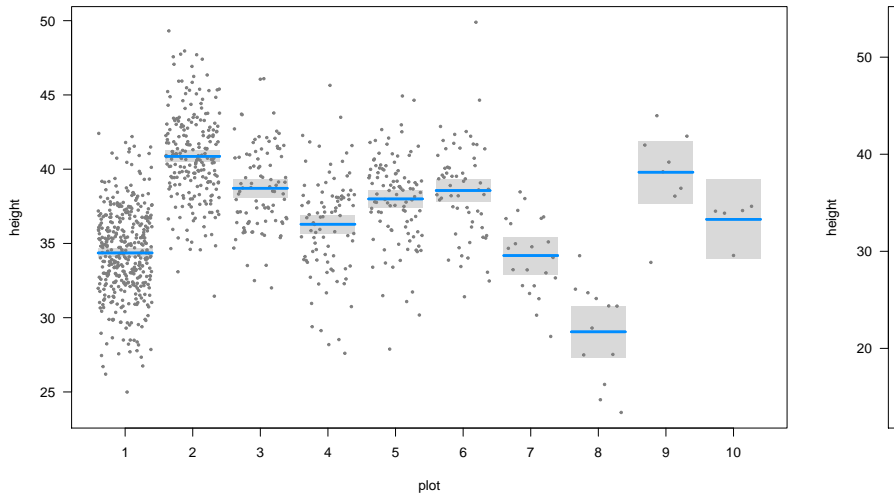
# Plot

```
plot(allEffects(multreg))
```



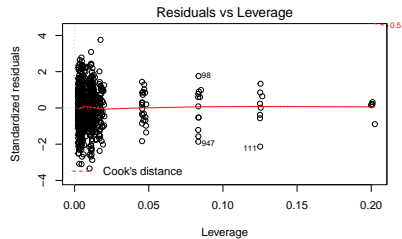
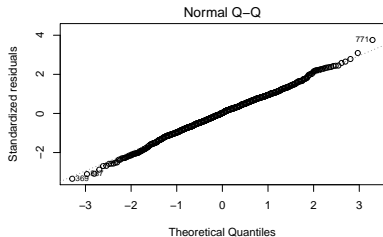
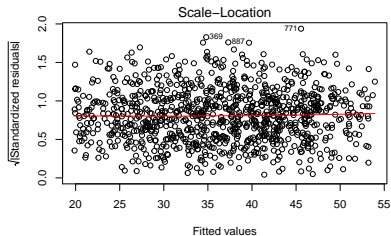
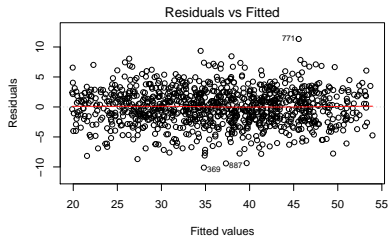
# Plot (visreg)

```
visreg(multreg)
```





# Model checking: residuals



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## Generalised Linear Models: Logistic regression

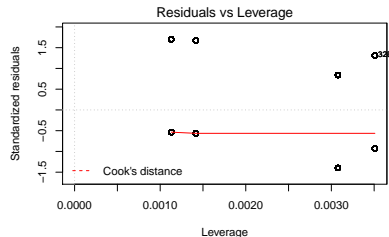
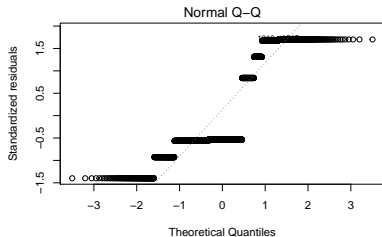
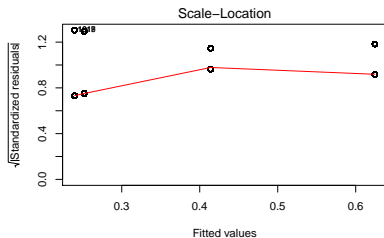
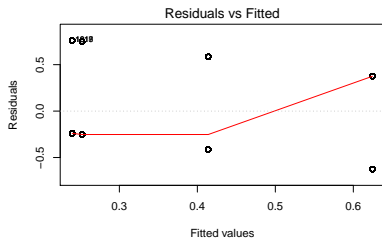
## Q: Survival of passengers on the Titanic ~ Class

Read titanic\_long.csv dataset.

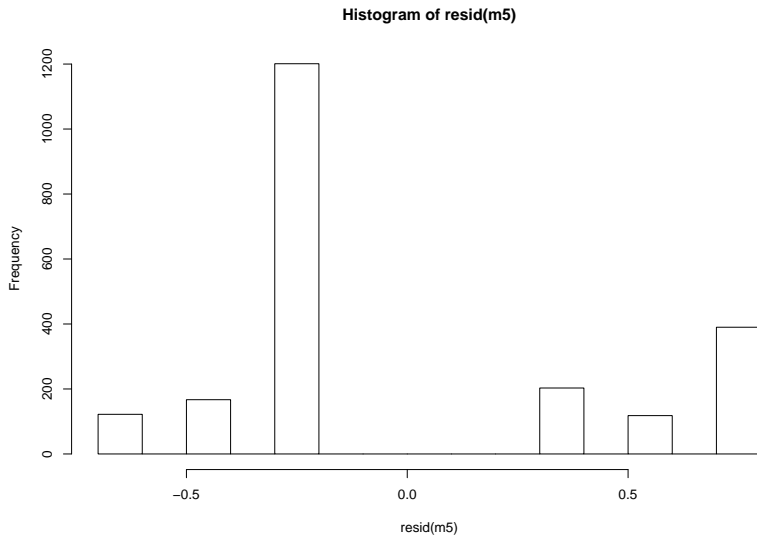
	class	age	sex	survived
1	first	adult	male	1
2	first	adult	male	1
3	first	adult	male	1
4	first	adult	male	1
5	first	adult	male	1
6	first	adult	male	1

# Let's fit linear model:

```
m5 <- lm(survived ~ class, data = titanic)
```



# Weird residuals!





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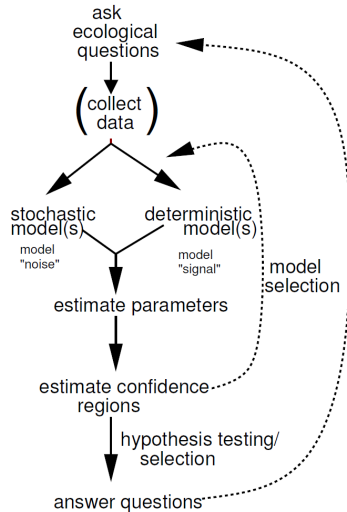


Figure 1.5 Flow of the modeling process.

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What proportion survived in each class?

```
as.numeric(tapply(titanic$survived, titanic$class, mean))
```

```
[1] 0.2395480 0.6246154 0.4140351 0.2521246
```

## Back to survival of Titanic passengers (dplyr)

Passenger survival according to class

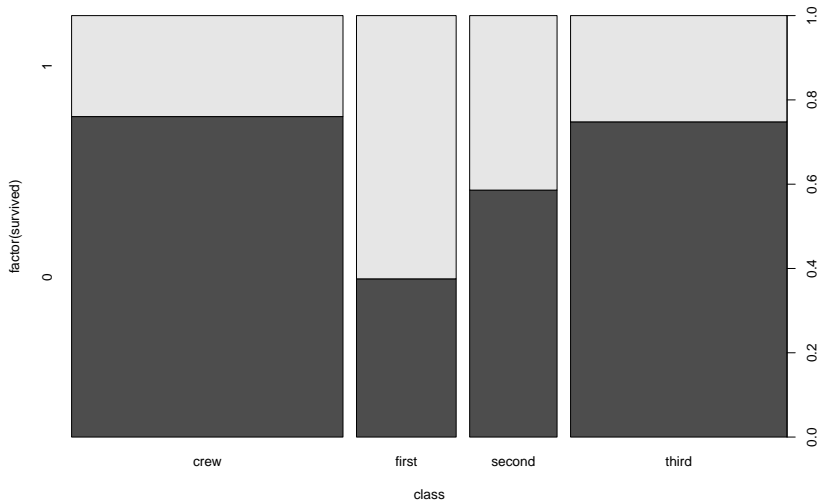
```
library(dplyr)
titanic %>%
  group_by(class, survived) %>%
  summarise(count = n())
```

```
# A tibble: 8 x 3
# Groups:   class [?]
  class survived count
  <fctr>    <int> <int>
1  crew         0   673
2  crew         1   212
3  first        0   122
4  first        1   203
5  second       0   167
6  second       1   118
7  third        0   528
8  third        1   178
```

```
Or summarise(group_by(titanic, class, survived), count =
n())
```

Or graphically...

```
plot(factor(survived) ~ class, data = titanic)
```



## Fitting GLMs in R: glm

```
tit.glm <- glm(survived ~ class, data=titanic, family=binomial)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = survived ~ class, family = binomial, data = titanic)
```

Deviance Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-1.3999	-0.7623	-0.7401	0.9702	1.6906

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-1.15516	0.07876	-14.667	< 2e-16 ***
classfirst	1.66434	0.13902	11.972	< 2e-16 ***
classecond	0.80785	0.14375	5.620	1.91e-08 ***
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(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)



# Interpreting logistic regression output

Parameter estimates (logit-scale)

(Intercept)	classfirst	classecond	classtthird
-1.15515905	1.66434399	0.80784987	0.06784632

**We need to back-transform:** apply *inverse logit*

Crew probability of survival:

```
plogis(coef(tit.glm)[1])
```

```
(Intercept)  
0.239548
```

Looking at the data, the proportion of crew who survived is

```
[1] 0.239548
```

## Q: Probability of survival for 1st class passengers?

```
plogis(coef(tit.glm)[1] + coef(tit.glm)[2])
```

```
(Intercept)  
0.6246154
```

Needs to add intercept (baseline) to the parameter estimate. Again this value matches the data:

```
sum(titanic$survived[titanic$class == "first"]) /  
  nrow(titanic[titanic$class == "first", ])
```

```
[1] 0.6246154
```

# Model interpretation using effects package

```
library(effects)  
allEffects(tit.glm)
```

```
model: survived ~ class
```

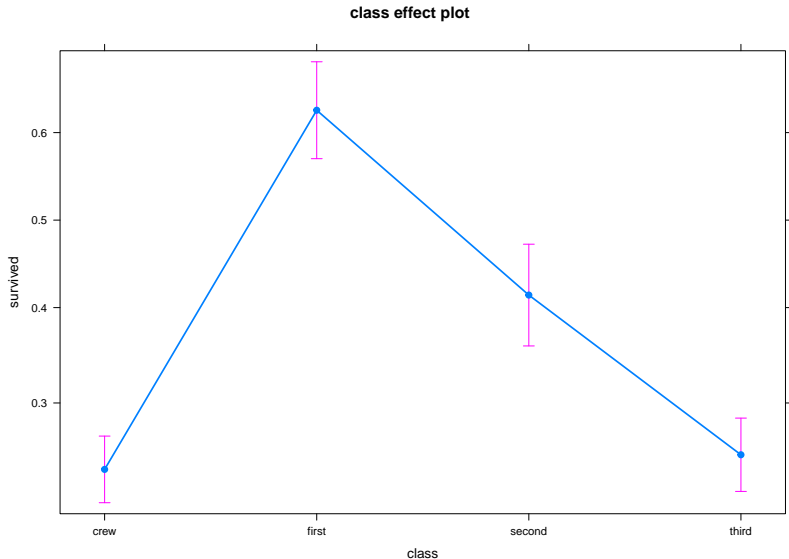
```
class effect
```

```
class
```

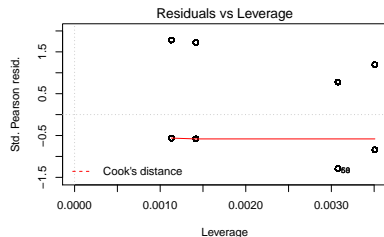
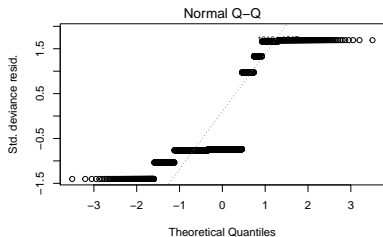
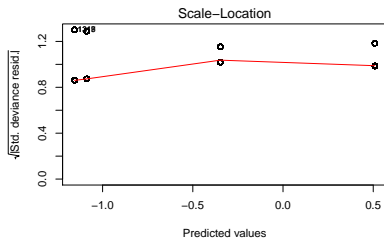
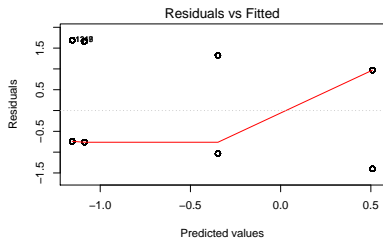
	crew	first	second	third
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# Effects plot

```
plot(allEffects(tit.glm))
```



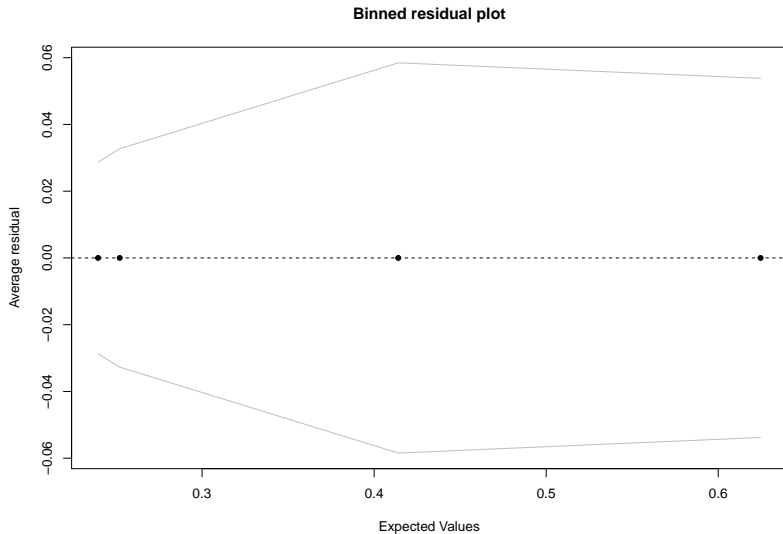
# Logistic regression: model checking



Not very useful.

# Binned residual plots for logistic regression

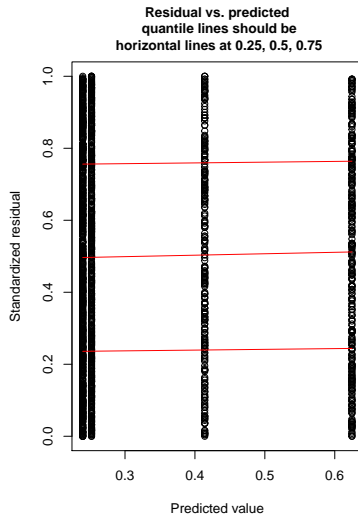
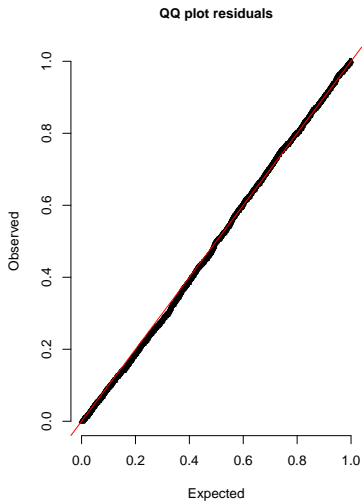
```
predvals <- predict(tit.glm, type="response")  
arm::binnedplot(predvals, titanic$survived - predvals)
```



# Residual diagnostics with DHARMA

```
library(DHARMA)
simulateResiduals(tit.glm, plot = TRUE)
```

DHARMA scaled residual plots



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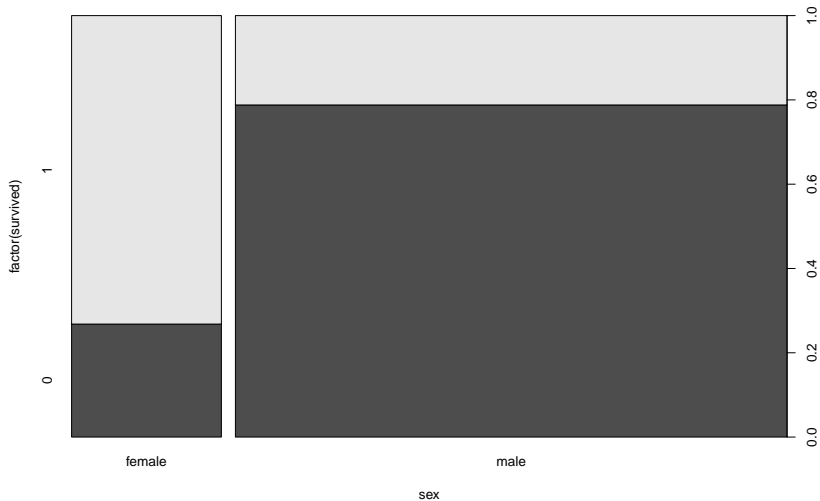
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Q: Did men have higher survival than women?



## Plot first

```
plot(factor(survived) ~ sex, data = titanic)
```



## Fit model

```
tit.sex <- glm(survived ~ sex, data = titanic, family = binomial)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = survived ~ sex, family = binomial, data = titanic)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.6226	-0.6903	-0.6903	0.7901	1.7613

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	1.0044	0.1041	9.645	<2e-16 ***
sexmale	-2.3172	0.1196	-19.376	<2e-16 ***

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(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 2769.5 on 2200 degrees of freedom

# Effects

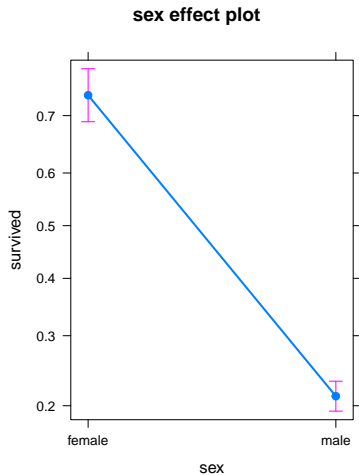
```
model: survived ~ sex
```

```
sex effect
```

```
sex
```

```
female    male
```

```
0.7319149 0.2120162
```



Q: Did women have higher survival because they travelled more in first class?

## Let's look at the data

tapply

```
tapply(titanic$survived, list(titanic$class, titanic$sex), sum)
```

	female	male
crew	20	192
first	141	62
second	93	25
third	90	88

Mmmm...

## Fit additive model with both factors

```
tit.sex.class <- glm(survived ~ class + sex, data = titanic, fam
```

```
glm(formula = survived ~ class + sex, family = binomial, data =
```

```
      coef.est coef.se
```

```
(Intercept)  1.19      0.16
```

```
classfirst   0.88      0.16
```

```
classecond -0.07      0.17
```

```
classthird  -0.78      0.14
```

```
sexmale     -2.42      0.14
```

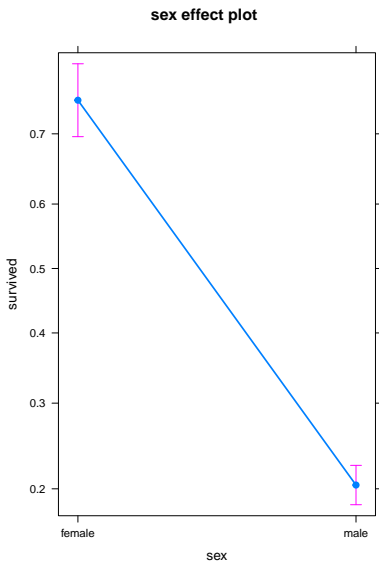
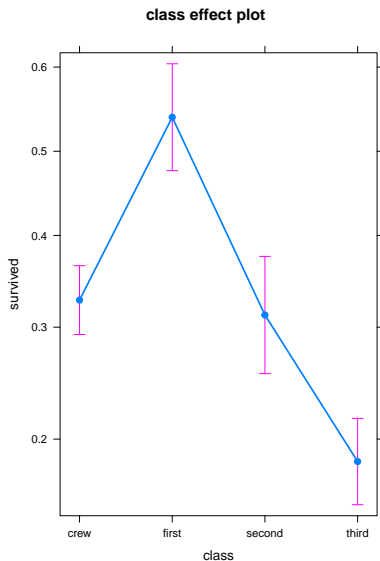
```
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```

```
  n = 2201, k = 5
```

```
residual deviance = 2228.9, null deviance = 2769.5 (difference
```

# Plot additive model

```
plot(allEffects(tit.sex.class))
```



## Fit model with both factors (interactions)

```
tit.sex.class <- glm(survived ~ class * sex, data = titanic, fam
```

```
glm(formula = survived ~ class * sex, family = binomial, data =
```

	coef.est	coef.se
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(Intercept)	1.90	0.62
-------------	------	------

classfirst	1.67	0.80
------------	------	------

classecond	0.07	0.69
------------	------	------

classthird	-2.06	0.64
------------	-------	------

sexmale	-3.15	0.62
---------	-------	------

classfirst:sexmale	-1.06	0.82
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classecond:sexmale	-0.64	0.72
--------------------	-------	------

classthird:sexmale	1.74	0.65
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n = 2201, k = 8

residual deviance = 2163.7, null deviance = 2769.5 (difference



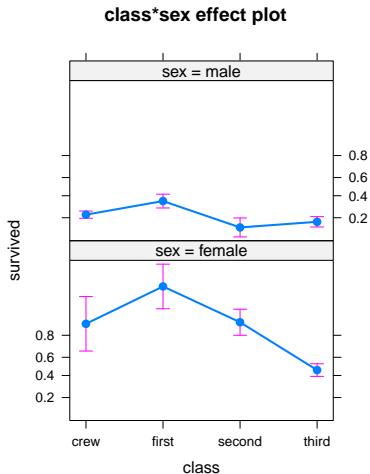
# Effects

```
model: survived ~ class * sex
```

```
class*sex effect
```

```
sex
```

class	female	male
crew	0.8695652	0.2227378
first	0.9724138	0.3444444
second	0.8773585	0.1396648
third	0.4591837	0.1725490



So, women had higher probability of survival than men, even within the same class.

Logistic regression for proportion data

## Read Titanic data in different format

Read Titanic\_prop.csv data.

	X	Class	Sex	Age	No	Yes
1	1	1st	Female	Adult	4	140
2	2	1st	Female	Child	0	1
3	3	1st	Male	Adult	118	57
4	4	1st	Male	Child	0	5
5	5	2nd	Female	Adult	13	80
6	6	2nd	Female	Child	0	13

These are the same data, but summarized (see Freq variable).

## Use cbind(n.success, n.failures) as response

```
prop.glm <- glm(cbind(Yes, No) ~ Class, data = tit.prop, family
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cbind(Yes, No) ~ Class, family = binomial, data =
```

Deviance Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-9.6404	-0.2915	1.5698	5.0366	10.1516

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	0.5092	0.1146	4.445	8.79e-06 ***
Class2nd	-0.8565	0.1661	-5.157	2.51e-07 ***
Class3rd	-1.5965	0.1436	-11.114	< 2e-16 ***
ClassCrew	-1.6643	0.1390	-11.972	< 2e-16 ***

---

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(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

# Effects

```
model: cbind(Yes, No) ~ Class
```

```
Class effect
```

```
Class
```

	1st	2nd	3rd	Crew
	0.6246154	0.4140351	0.2521246	0.2395480

Compare with former model based on raw data:

```
model: survived ~ class
```

```
class effect
```

```
class
```

	crew	first	second	third
	0.2395480	0.6246154	0.4140351	0.2521246

Same results!

Logistic regression with continuous predictors

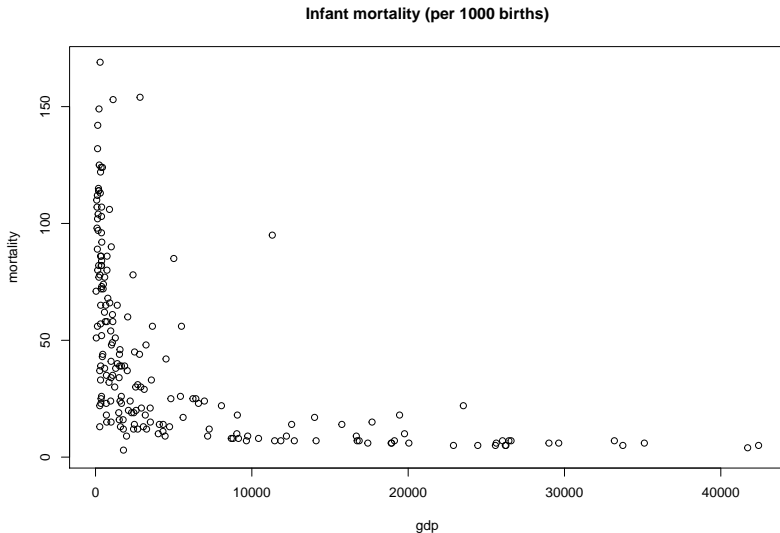
Example dataset: GDP and infant mortality

Read UN\_GDP\_infantmortality.csv.

	country	mortality	gdp
Afghanistan	: 1	Min. : 2.00	Min. : 36
Albania	: 1	1st Qu.: 12.00	1st Qu.: 442
Algeria	: 1	Median : 30.00	Median : 1779
American.Samoa	: 1	Mean : 43.48	Mean : 6262
Andorra	: 1	3rd Qu.: 66.00	3rd Qu.: 7272
Angola	: 1	Max. : 169.00	Max. : 42416
(Other)	: 201	NA's : 6	NA's : 10

# EDA

```
plot(mortality ~ gdp, data = gdp, main = "Infant mortality (per
```





## Fit model

```
gdp.glm <- glm(cbind(mortality, 1000 - mortality) ~ gdp,  
               data = gdp, family = binomial)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cbind(mortality, 1000 - mortality) ~ gdp, family =  
     data = gdp)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-9.2230	-3.5163	-0.5697	2.4284	13.5849

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-2.657e+00	1.311e-02	-202.76	<2e-16 ***
gdp	-1.279e-04	3.458e-06	-36.98	<2e-16 ***

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

# Effects

```
allEffects(gdp.glm)
```

```
model: cbind(mortality, 1000 - mortality) ~ gdp
```

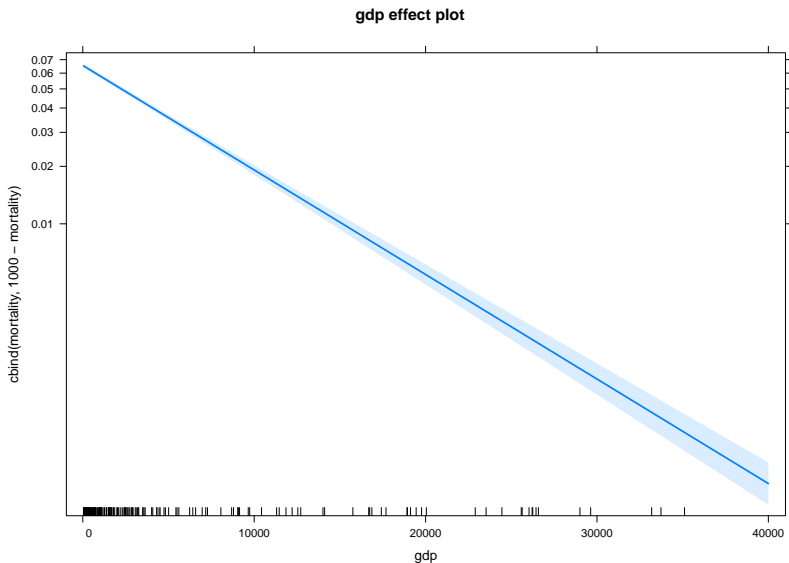
```
gdp effect
```

```
gdp
```

	40	10000	20000	30000	40000
	0.0652177296	0.0191438829	0.0054028095	0.0015096074	0.0004206154

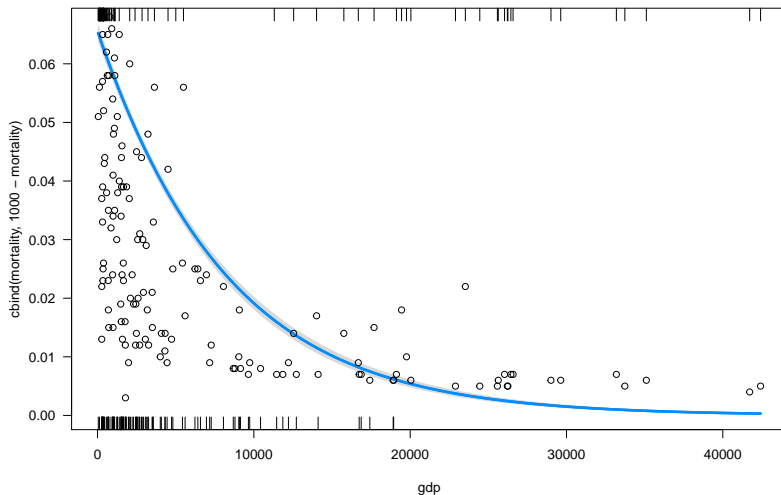
# Effects plot

```
plot(allEffects(gdp.glm))
```



## Plot model using visreg:

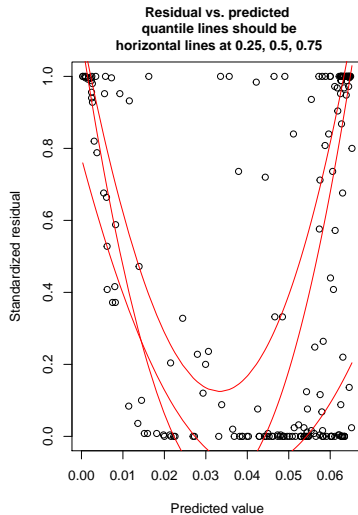
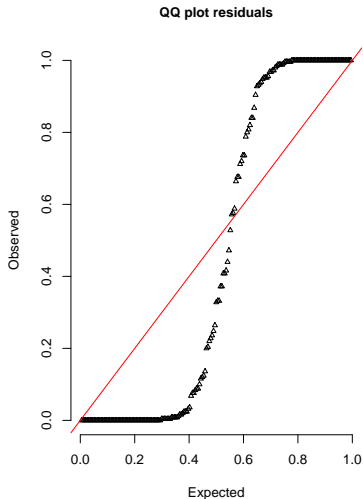
```
visreg(gdp.glm, scale = "response")  
points(mortality/1000 ~ gdp, data = gdp)
```



# Residuals diagnostics with DHARMa

```
simulateResiduals(gdp.glm, plot = TRUE)
```

DHARMa scaled residual plots



## Overdispersion

# Testing for overdispersion (DHARMa)

```
simres <- simulateResiduals(gdp.glm, refit = TRUE)  
testOverdispersion(simres)
```

DHARMa nonparametric overdispersion test via comparison to simulation under  $H_0$  = fitted model

```
data:  simres  
dispersion = 20.761, p-value < 2.2e-16  
alternative hypothesis: overdispersion
```

## Overdispersion in logistic regression with proportion data

```
gdp.overdisp <- glm(cbind(mortality, 1000 - mortality) ~ gdp,  
                    data = gdp, family = quasibinomial)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cbind(mortality, 1000 - mortality) ~ gdp, family =  
    data = gdp)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-9.2230	-3.5163	-0.5697	2.4284	13.5849

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-2.657e+00	5.977e-02	-44.465	< 2e-16 ***
gdp	-1.279e-04	1.577e-05	-8.111	5.96e-14 ***

---  
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(Dispersion parameter for quasibinomial family taken to be 20.79)



## Mean estimates do not change after accounting for overdispersion

```
model: cbind(mortality, 1000 - mortality) ~ gdp
```

```
gdp effect
```

```
gdp
```

	40	10000	20000	30000	40000
	0.0652177296	0.0191438829	0.0054028095	0.0015096074	0.0004206154

```
model: cbind(mortality, 1000 - mortality) ~ gdp
```

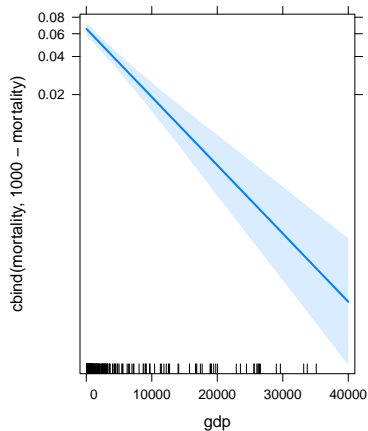
```
gdp effect
```

```
gdp
```

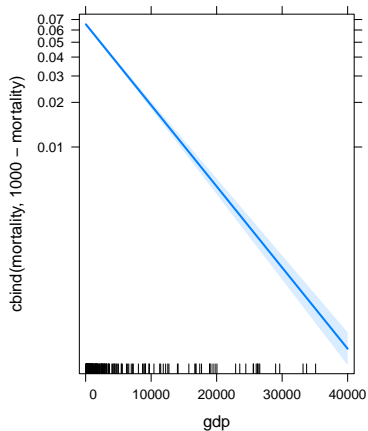
	40	10000	20000	30000	40000
	0.0652177296	0.0191438829	0.0054028095	0.0015096074	0.0004206154

But standard errors (uncertainty) do!

**gdp effect plot**

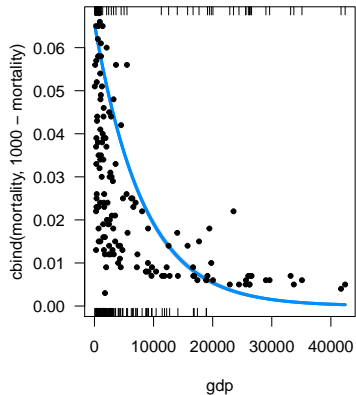


**gdp effect plot**

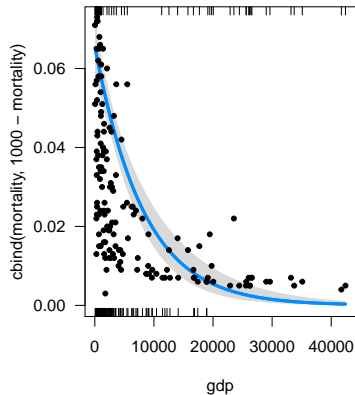


# Plot model and data

**Binomial**



**Quasibinomial**



# Overdispersion

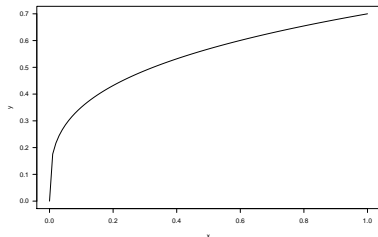
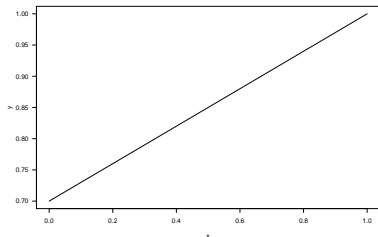
Whenever you fit logistic regression to **proportion** data, check family quasibinomial.

# Think about the shape of relationships

$$y \sim x + z$$

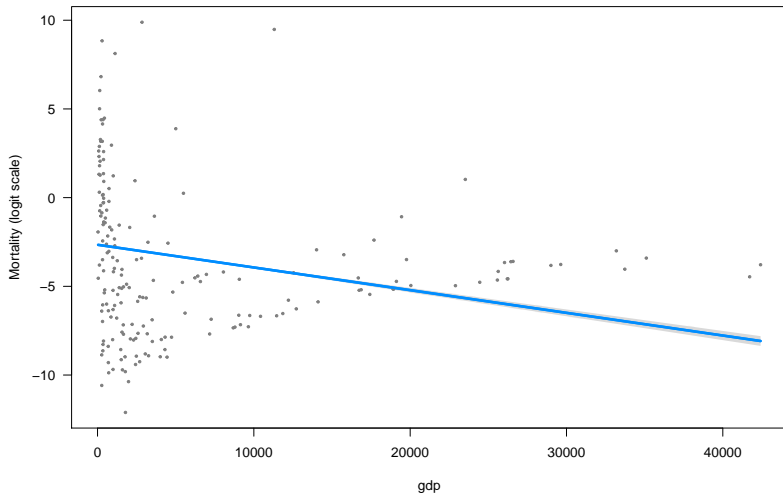
Really? Not everything has to be linear! Actually, it often is not.

**Think** about shape of relationship. See chapter 3 in Bolker's book.



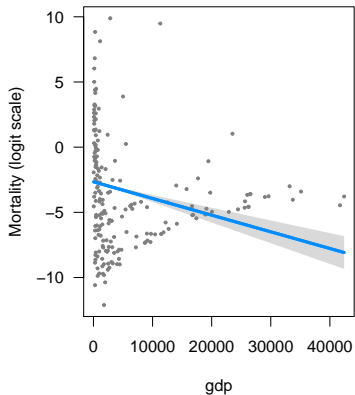
# Think about the shape of relationships

```
visreg(gdp.glm, ylab = "Mortality (logit scale)")
```

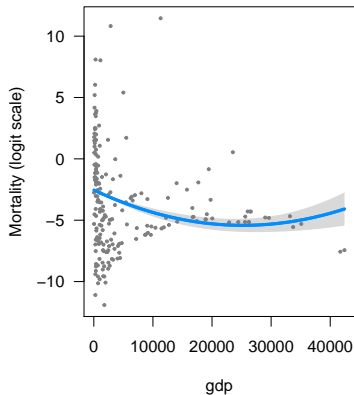


# Think about the shape of relationships

**Mortality ~ GDP**

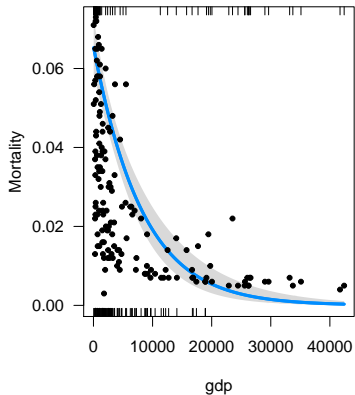


**Mortality ~ GDP + GDP^2**

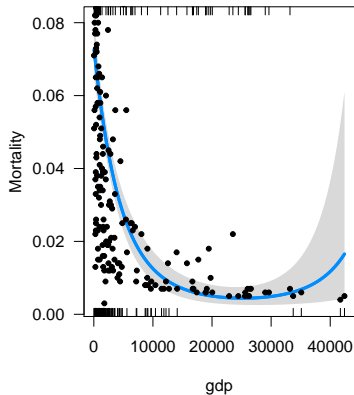


# Think about the shape of relationships

**Mortality ~ GDP**



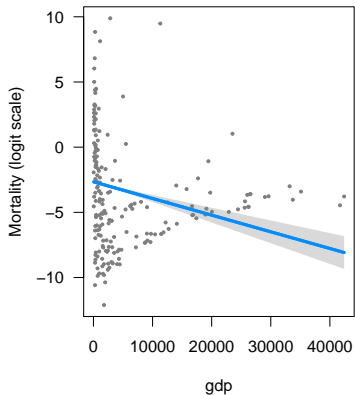
**Mortality ~ GDP + GDP^2**



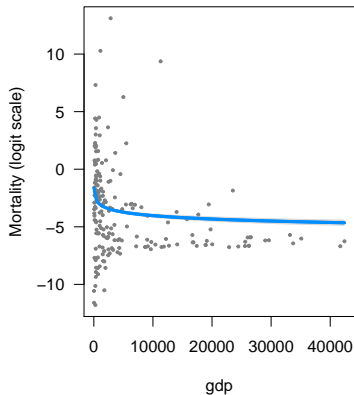


# Think about the shape of relationships

**Mortality ~ GDP**

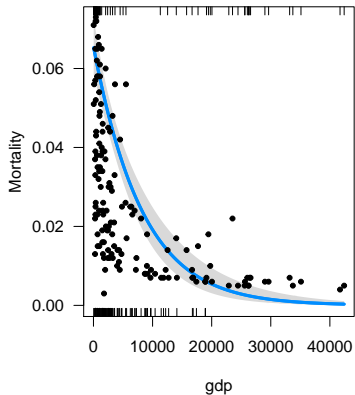


**Mortality ~ log(GDP)**

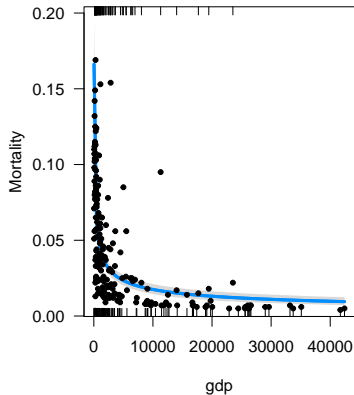


# Think about the shape of relationships

**Mortality ~ GDP**



**Mortality ~ log(GDP)**



GLM for count data: Poisson regression

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- ▶ Response variable: Counts (0, 1, 2, 3...) - discrete

Then

$$\log(N) = a + bx$$

$$N = e^{a+bx}$$

# Poisson regression

- ▶ Response variable: Counts (0, 1, 2, 3...) - discrete
- ▶ Link function:  $\log$

Then

$$\log(N) = a + bx$$

$$N = e^{a+bx}$$



## Example dataset: Seedling counts in quadrats

```
seedl <- read.csv("data-row/seedlings.csv")
```

X	count	row	col
Min. : 1.00	Min. :0.00	Min. :1	Min. : 1.0
1st Qu.:13.25	1st Qu.:1.00	1st Qu.:2	1st Qu.: 3.0
Median :25.50	Median :2.00	Median :3	Median : 5.5
Mean :25.50	Mean :2.14	Mean :3	Mean : 5.5
3rd Qu.:37.75	3rd Qu.:3.00	3rd Qu.:4	3rd Qu.: 8.0
Max. :50.00	Max. :7.00	Max. :5	Max. :10.0

light	area
Min. : 2.571	Min. :0.25
1st Qu.:26.879	1st Qu.:0.25
Median :47.493	Median :0.50
Mean :47.959	Mean :0.62
3rd Qu.:67.522	3rd Qu.:1.00
Max. :99.135	Max. :1.00

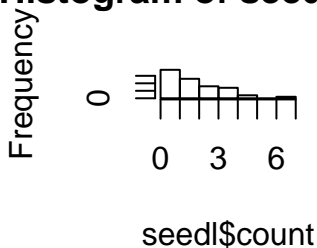
# EDA

```
table(seed1$count)
```

```
0  1  2  3  4  5  7  
7 12 13  8  7  2  1
```

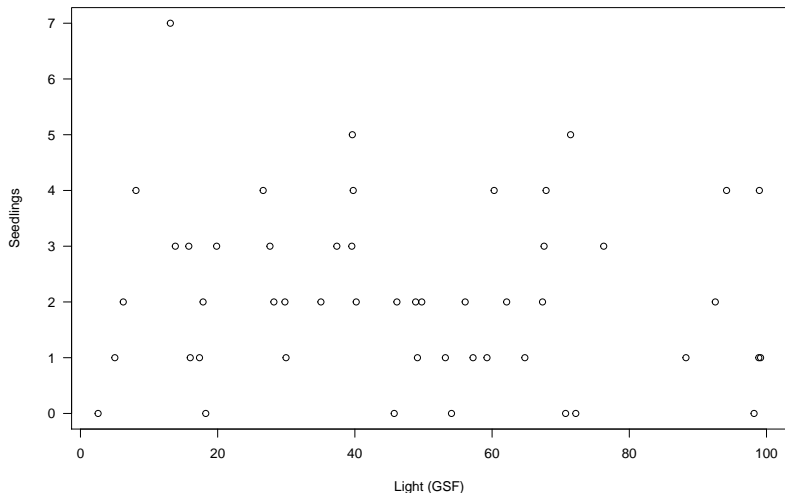
```
hist(seed1$count)
```

## Histogram of seed1\$count



## Q: Relationship between Nseedlings and light?

```
plot(seedl$light, seedl$count, las = 1, xlab = "Light (GSF)", ylab = "Seedlings")
```



## Let's fit model (Poisson regression)

```
seedl.glm <- glm(count ~ light, data = seedl, family = poisson)
summary(seedl.glm)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = count ~ light, family = poisson, data = seedl)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2.1906	-0.8466	-0.1110	0.5220	2.4577

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	0.881805	0.188892	4.668	3.04e-06 ***
light	-0.002576	0.003528	-0.730	0.465

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(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)

# Interpreting Poisson regression output

Parameter estimates (log scale):

```
coef(seed1.glm)
```

(Intercept)	light
0.881805022	-0.002575656

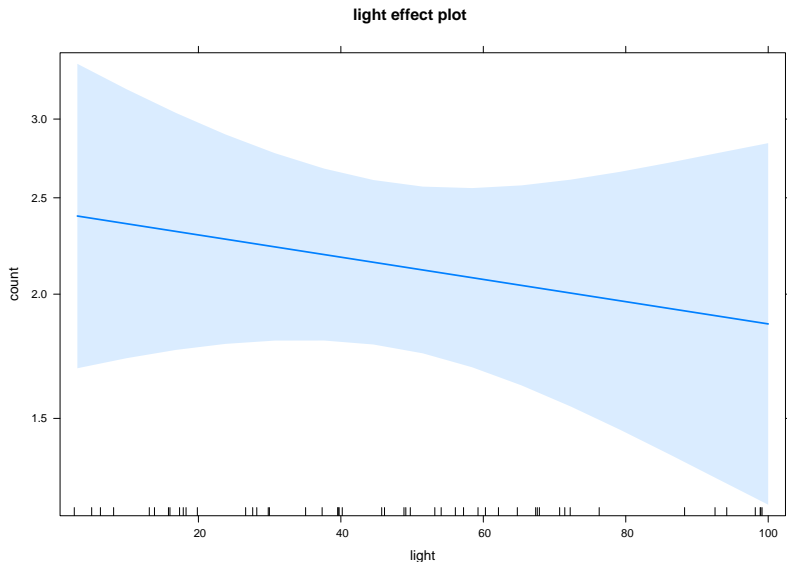
**We need to back-transform:** apply the inverse of the logarithm

```
exp(coef(seed1.glm))
```

(Intercept)	light
2.4152554	0.9974277

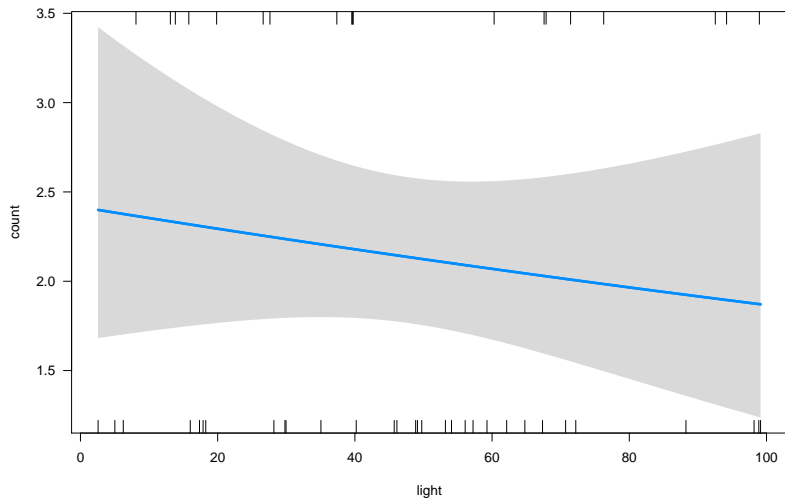
# So what's the relationship between Nseedlings and light?

```
plot(allEffects(seedl.glm))
```

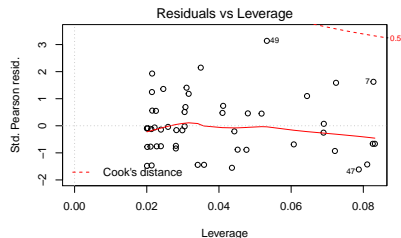
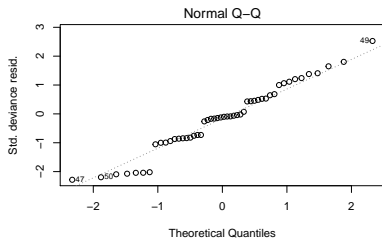
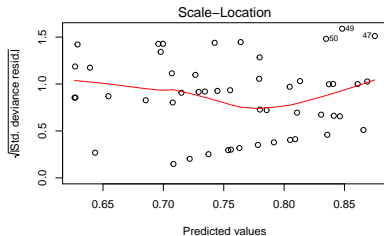
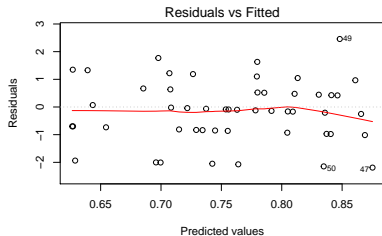


## Using visreg

```
visreg(seed1.glm, scale = "response")
```



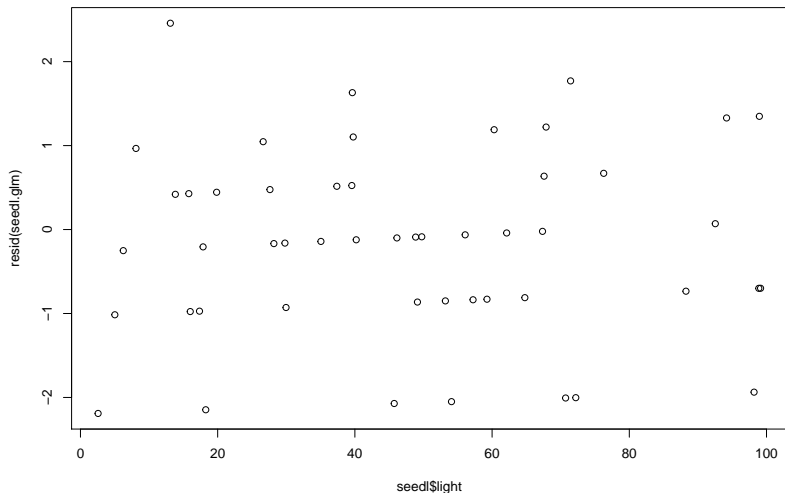
# Poisson regression: model checking





## Is there pattern of residuals along predictor?

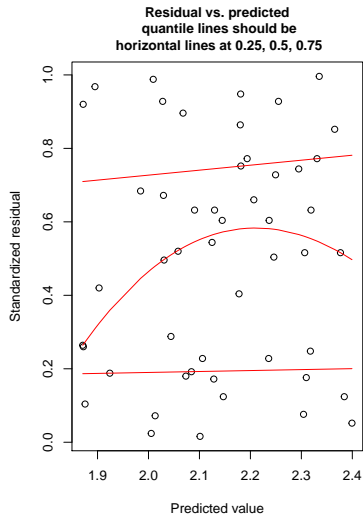
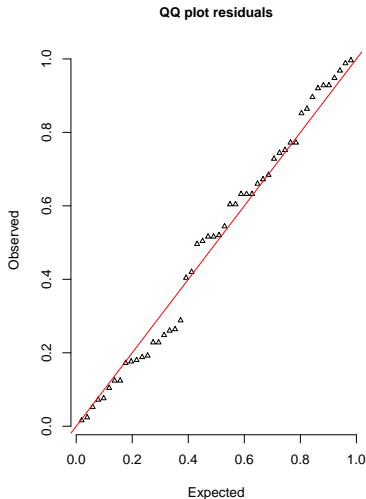
```
plot(seedl$light, resid(seedl.glm))
```



# Residuals diagnostics with DHARMA

```
simulateResiduals(seed1.glm, plot = TRUE)
```

DHARMA scaled residual plots



Poisson regression: Overdispersion

## Always check overdispersion with count data

```
simres <- simulateResiduals(seed1.glm, refit = TRUE)  
testOverdispersion(simres)
```

DHARMA nonparametric overdispersion test via comparison to  
simulation under  $H_0$  = fitted model

```
data:  simres  
dispersion = 1.1574, p-value = 0.196  
alternative hypothesis: overdispersion
```

# Accounting for overdispersion in count data

Use family quasipoisson

Call:

```
glm(formula = count ~ light, family = quasipoisson, data = seedl
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2.1906	-0.8466	-0.1110	0.5220	2.4577

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	0.881805	0.201230	4.382	6.37e-05 ***
light	-0.002576	0.003758	-0.685	0.496

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(Dispersion parameter for quasipoisson family taken to be 1.1349

Null deviance:	63.029	on 49	degrees of freedom
Residual deviance:	62.492	on 48	degrees of freedom

## Mean estimates do not change after accounting for overdispersion

```
model: count ~ light
```

```
light effect
```

```
light
```

	3	30	50	70	100
	2.396665	2.235657	2.123408	2.016794	1.866826

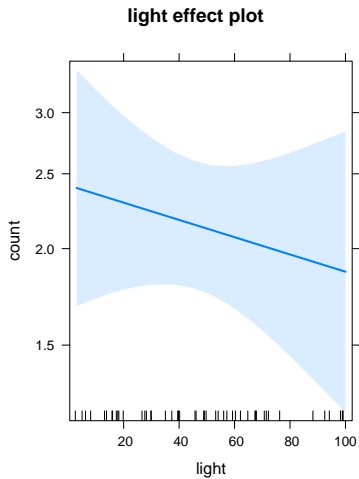
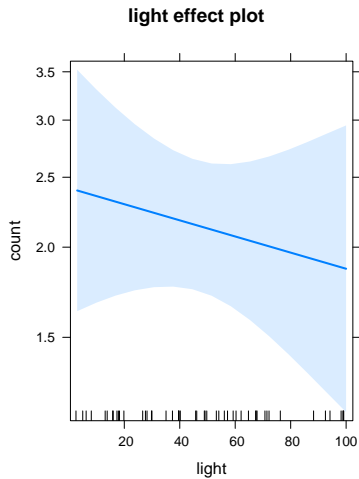
```
model: count ~ light
```

```
light effect
```

```
light
```

	3	30	50	70	100
	2.396665	2.235657	2.123408	2.016794	1.866826

But standard errors may change



What if survey plots have different area?



# Avoid regression of ratios

seedlings/area  $\sim$  light

*J. R. Statist. Soc. A* (1993)  
156, Part 3, pp. 379–392

## **Spurious Correlation and the Fallacy of the Ratio Standard Revisited**

By RICHARD A. KRONMAL†

Figure 6:

## Use offset to standardise response variables in GLMs

```
seedl.offset <- glm(count ~ light, offset = seedl$area, data = seedl, family = poisson)
summary(seedl.offset)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = count ~ light, family = poisson, data = seedl,
     offset = seedl$area)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2.6926	-0.8532	0.1491	0.5211	3.1051

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	0.299469	0.185468	1.615	0.106
light	-0.004498	0.003441	-1.307	0.191

(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 70.263 on 49 degrees of freedom

Note estimates now referred to area units

```
exp(coef(seedl.offset))
```

(Intercept)	light
1.3491422	0.9955123

## Mixed / Multilevel models

## Example dataset: trees

- Data on 1000 trees from 10 plots.

```
head(trees)
```

	plot	dbh	height	sex	dead	dbh.c
1	2	38.85	37.8	female	0	13.85
2	4	26.05	38.1	female	0	1.05
3	5	42.66	50.2	female	0	17.66
4	2	20.72	30.1	female	0	-4.28
5	4	21.83	34.0	female	0	-3.17
6	4	8.23	21.9	male	0	-16.77

## Example dataset: trees

- ▶ Data on 1000 trees from 10 plots.
- ▶ Trees per plot: 4 - 392.

```
head(trees)
```

	plot	dbh	height	sex	dead	dbh.c
1	2	38.85	37.8	female	0	13.85
2	4	26.05	38.1	female	0	1.05
3	5	42.66	50.2	female	0	17.66
4	2	20.72	30.1	female	0	-4.28
5	4	21.83	34.0	female	0	-3.17
6	4	8.23	21.9	male	0	-16.77

Q: What's the relationship between tree diameter and height?

## A simple linear model

```
lm.simple <- lm(height ~ dbh, data = trees)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = height ~ dbh, data = trees)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-13.7384	-4.7652	0.4759	4.2931	13.5282

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	13.18767	0.41476	31.80	<2e-16 ***
dbh	0.60967	0.01351	45.14	<2e-16 ***

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Residual standard error: 5.549 on 998 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.6712, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6709

F-statistic: 2038 on 1 and 998 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16



## Remember our model structure

$$y_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$$

$$\mu_i = \alpha + \beta x_i$$

In this case:

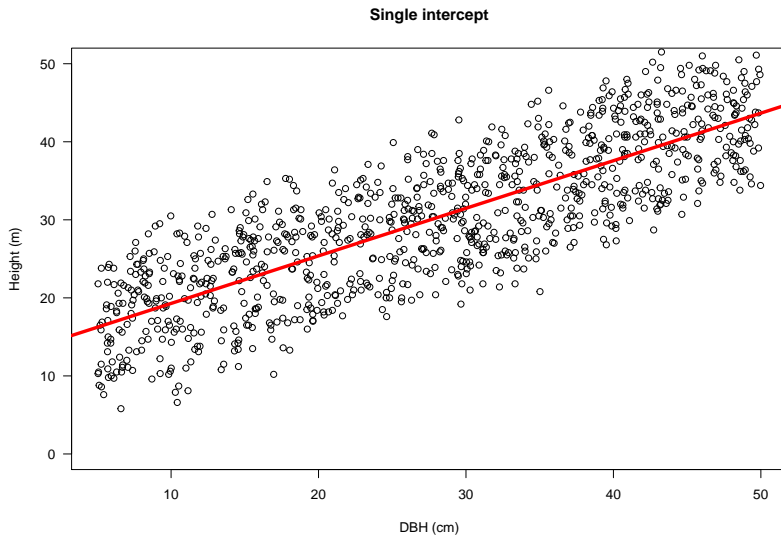
$$Height_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$$

$$\mu_i = \alpha + \beta DBH_i$$

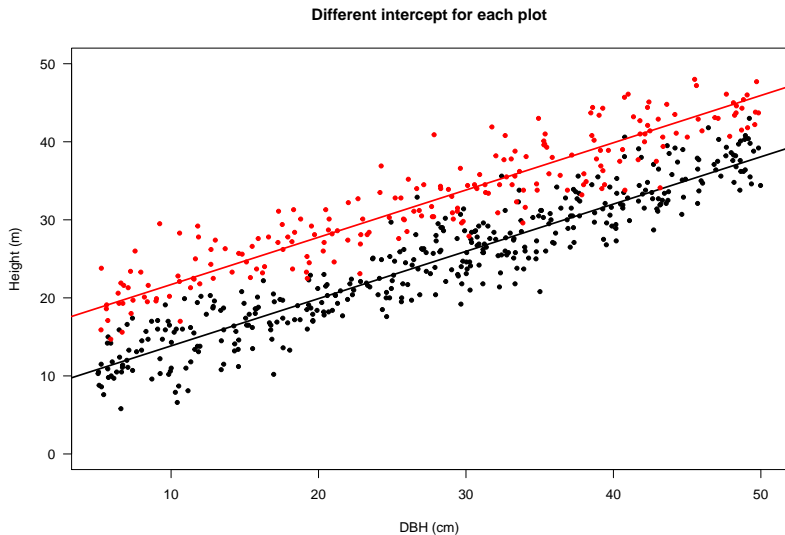
$\alpha$ : expected height when  $DBH = 0$

$\beta$ : how much height increases with every unit increase of DBH

# There is only one intercept



# What if allometry varies among plots?



## Fitting a varying intercepts model with `lm`

```
lm(formula = height ~ factor(plot) + dbh, data = trees)
```

	coef.est	coef.se
(Intercept)	7.79	0.24
factor(plot)2	7.86	0.24
factor(plot)3	7.95	0.32
factor(plot)4	11.48	0.33
factor(plot)5	11.05	0.32
factor(plot)6	11.55	0.43
factor(plot)7	7.41	0.63
factor(plot)8	3.05	0.97
factor(plot)9	9.73	1.45
factor(plot)10	-0.14	0.92
dbh	0.61	0.01

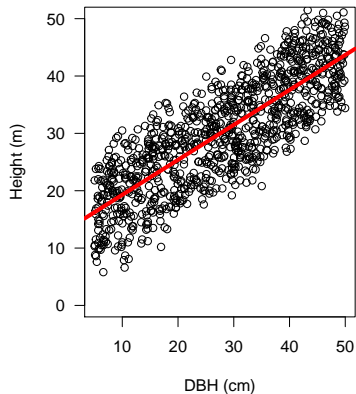
---

n = 1000, k = 11

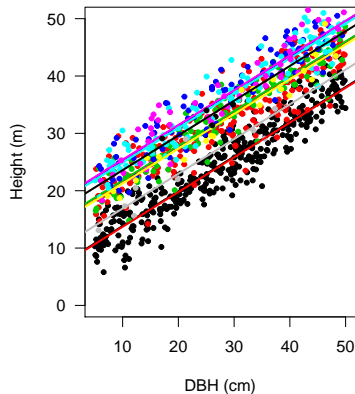
residual sd = 2.89, R-Squared = 0.91

# Single vs varying intercept

**Pooling all plots**



**Different intercept for each plot**



# Mixed models enable us to account for variability

## ► Varying intercepts

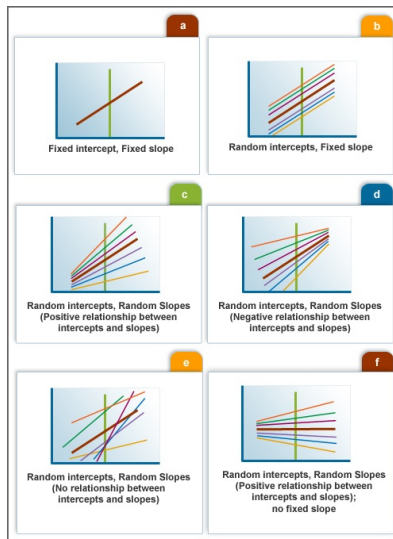


Figure 7:

# Mixed models enable us to account for variability

- ▶ Varying intercepts
- ▶ Varying slopes

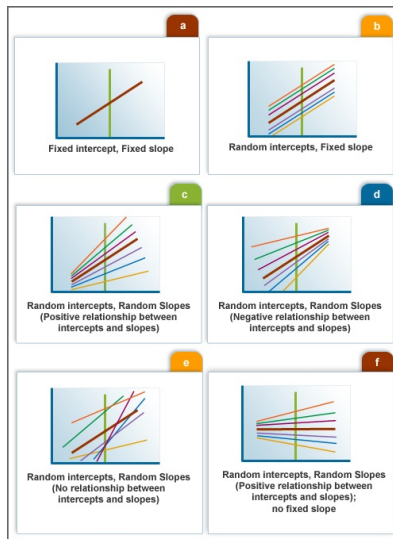


Figure 7:

## Mixed model with varying intercepts

$$y_i = a_j + bx_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$a_j \sim N(0, \tau^2)$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

En nuestro ejemplo:

$$\text{Height}_i = \text{plot}_j + b\text{DBH}_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$\text{plot}_j \sim N(0, \tau^2)$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$



Mixed models estimate varying parameters (intercepts and/or slopes) with pooling among levels (rather than considering them fully independent)

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  - ▶ `lmer(height ~ dbh + (1 | plot))`

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5. Fixed effects estimated using least squares or maximum likelihood; random effects estimated with shrinkage.

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# Shrinkage improves parameter estimation

Especially for groups with low sample size

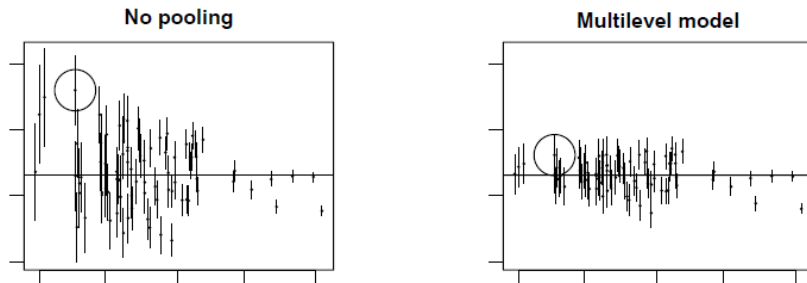


Figure 8:

*From Gelman & Hill p. 253*

# Fitting mixed/multilevel models

```
library(lme4)
mixed <- lmer(height ~ dbh + (1|plot), data = trees)
```

```
lmer(formula = height ~ dbh + (1 | plot), data = trees)
      coef.est coef.se
(Intercept) 14.80    1.44
dbh          0.61    0.01
```

Error terms:

Groups	Name	Std.Dev.
plot	(Intercept)	4.45
Residual		2.89

---

number of obs: 1000, groups: plot, 10  
AIC = 5015.6, DIC = 4996.4  
deviance = 5002.0



## Retrieve model coefficients

```
coef(mixed)
```

```
$plot
```

	(Intercept)	dbh
1	7.798373	0.6056549
2	15.647613	0.6056549
3	15.735397	0.6056549
4	19.253661	0.6056549
5	18.819467	0.6056549
6	19.306574	0.6056549
7	15.197908	0.6056549
8	11.016485	0.6056549
9	17.265447	0.6056549
10	7.940715	0.6056549

```
attr(,"class")
```

```
[1] "coef.mer"
```

## Broom: model estimates in tidy form

```
library(broom)
tidy(mixed)
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	gr
1	(Intercept)	14.7981641	1.437421280	10.29494	fi
2	dbh	0.6056549	0.007040079	86.02956	fi
3	sd_(Intercept).plot	4.4535702	NA	NA	p
4	sd_Observation.Residual	2.8852942	NA	NA	Resid

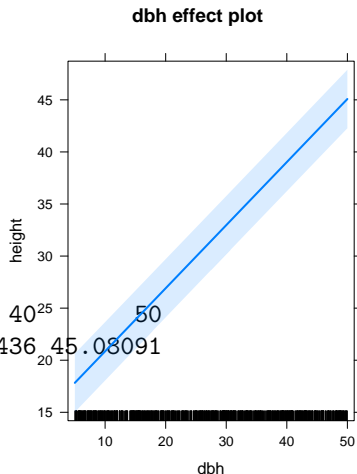
## Visualising model: allEffects

```
model: height ~ dbh
```

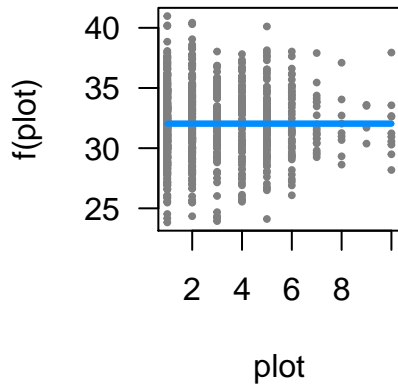
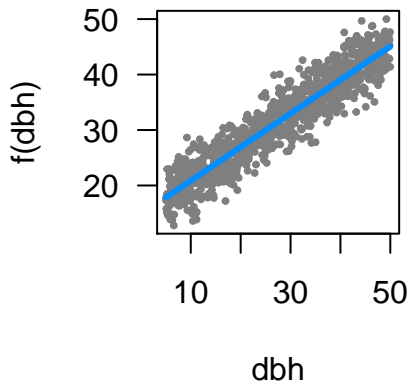
```
dbh effect
```

```
dbh
```

	5	20	30	40	50
	17.82644	26.91126	32.96781	39.02436	45.08091

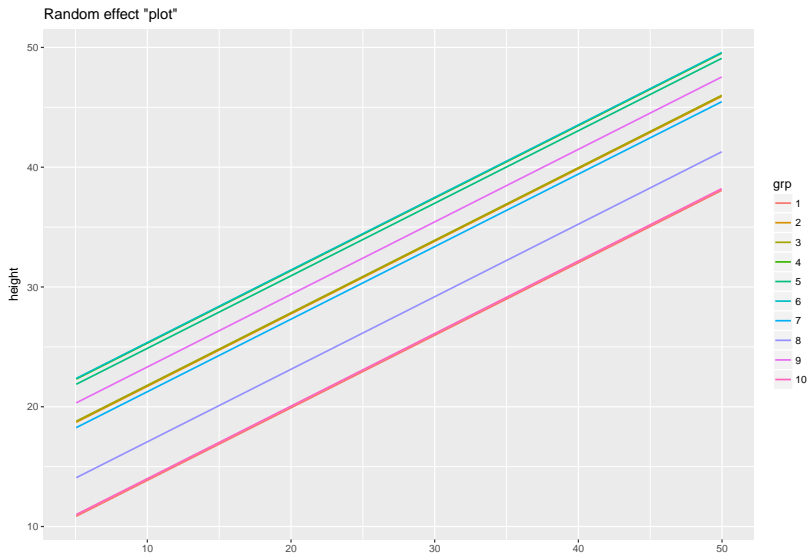


## Visualising model: visreg



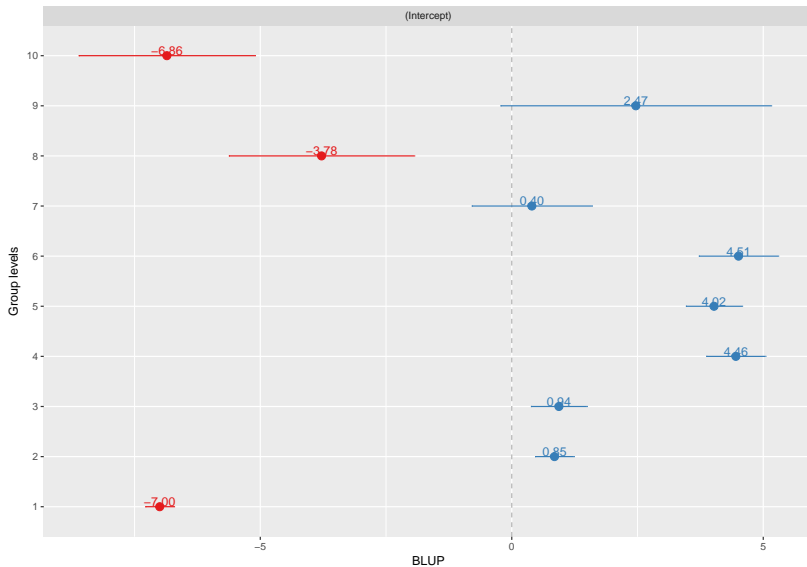
# Visualising model: sjPlot

```
library(sjPlot)
sjp.lmer(mixed, type = "ri.slope")
```



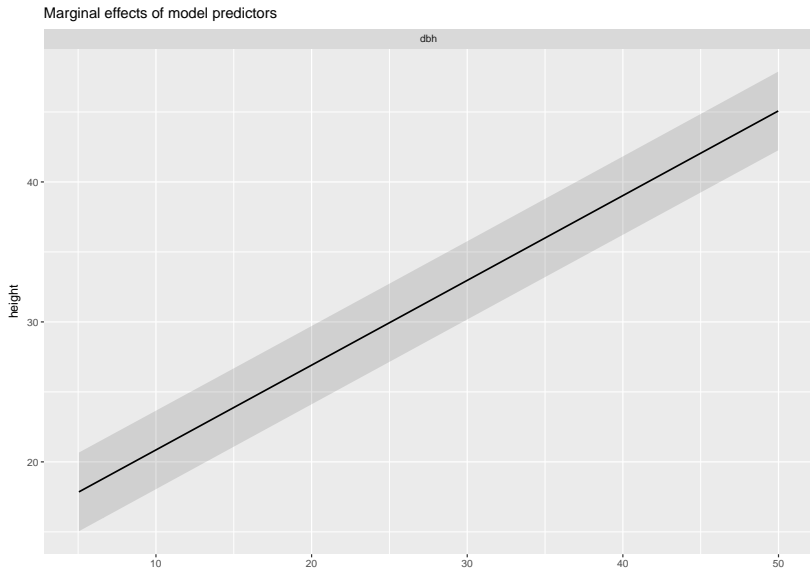
# Visualising model: sjPlot

```
sjp.lmer(mixed)
```



# Visualising model: sjPlot

```
sjp.lmer(mixed, type = "eff", show.ci = TRUE)
```



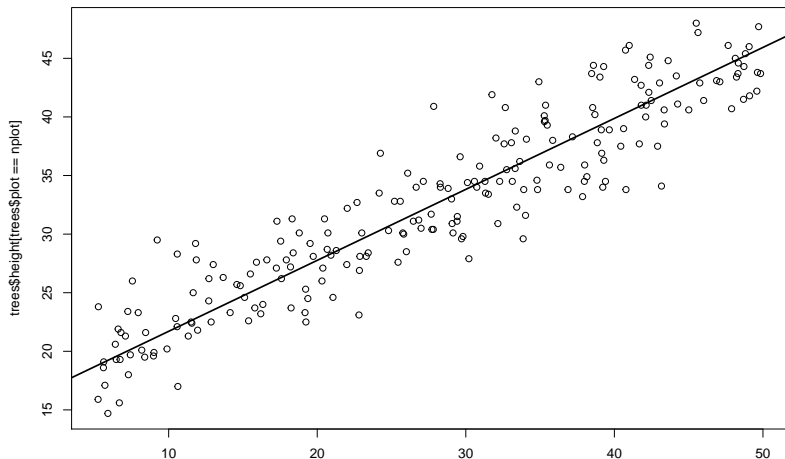
## Using merTools to understand fitted model

```
library(merTools)
shinyMer(mixed)
```



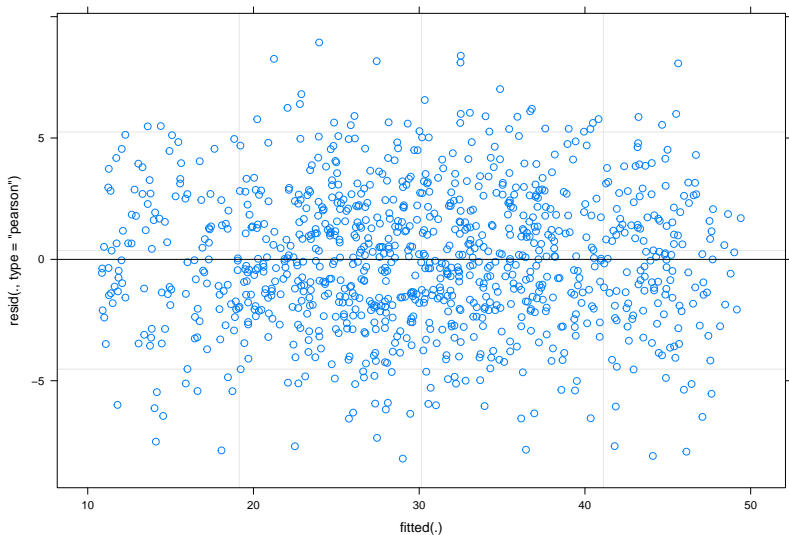
## Plotting regression for individual forest plots

```
nplot <- 2  
plot(trees$dbh[trees$plot==nplot], trees$height[trees$plot==nplot])  
abline(a=coef(mixed)$plot[nplot, 1], b=coef(mixed)$plot[nplot, 2])
```



# Checking residuals

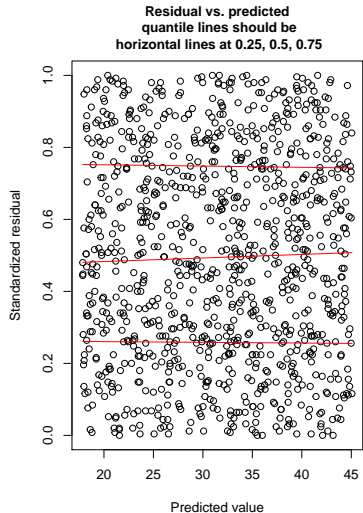
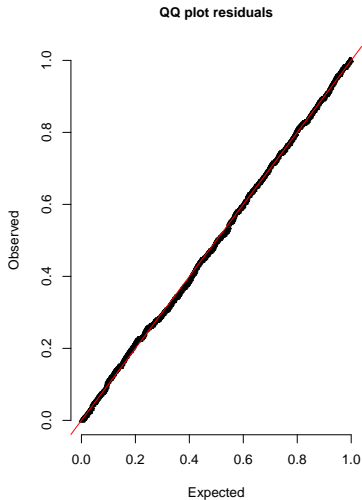
```
plot(mixed)
```



# Checking residuals (DHARMA)

```
simulateResiduals(mixed, plot = TRUE, use.u = TRUE)
```

DHARMA scaled residual plots



Growing the hierarchy: adding plot-level  
predictors

# Model with group-level predictors

We had:

$$y_i = a_j + bx_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$a_j \sim N(0, \tau^2)$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

Now

$$y_i = a_j + bx_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$a_j \sim N(\mu_j, \tau^2)$$

$$\mu_j = \gamma + \delta \cdot \text{predictor}_j$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

## Merging trees and plot data

```
plotdata <- read.csv("data-raw/plotdata.csv")
trees.full <- merge(trees, plotdata, by = "plot")
head(trees.full)
```

	plot	dbh	height	sex	dead	dbh.c	temp
1	1	28.63	22.1	female	0	3.63	15.1
2	1	44.71	39.0	female	0	19.71	15.1
3	1	28.31	29.0	female	0	3.31	15.1
4	1	19.33	19.1	male	0	-5.67	15.1
5	1	9.25	12.2	female	0	-15.75	15.1
6	1	30.02	23.1	female	0	5.02	15.1

## Centre continuous variables

Plot temperatures referred as deviations from 15°C

```
trees.full$temp.c <- trees.full$temp - 15
```

## Fit multilevel model

```
group.pred <- lmer(height ~ dbh + (1 | plot) + temp.c, data = tr  
arm::display(group.pred)
```

```
lmer(formula = height ~ dbh + (1 | plot) + temp.c, data = trees.
```

	coef.est	coef.se
(Intercept)	11.79	1.75
dbh	0.61	0.01
temp.c	1.07	0.46

Error terms:

Groups	Name	Std.Dev.
plot	(Intercept)	3.61
Residual		2.89

---

number of obs: 1000, groups: plot, 10

AIC = 5012.8, DIC = 4991

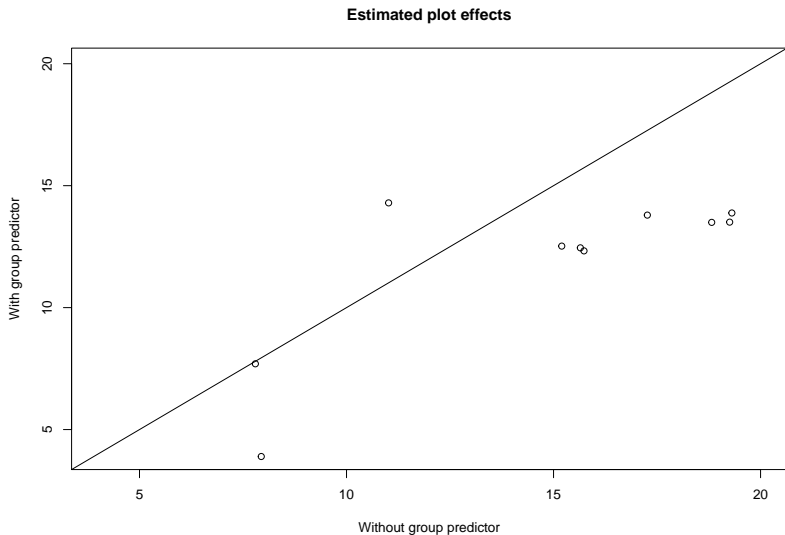
deviance = 4996.9



## Examine model with merTools

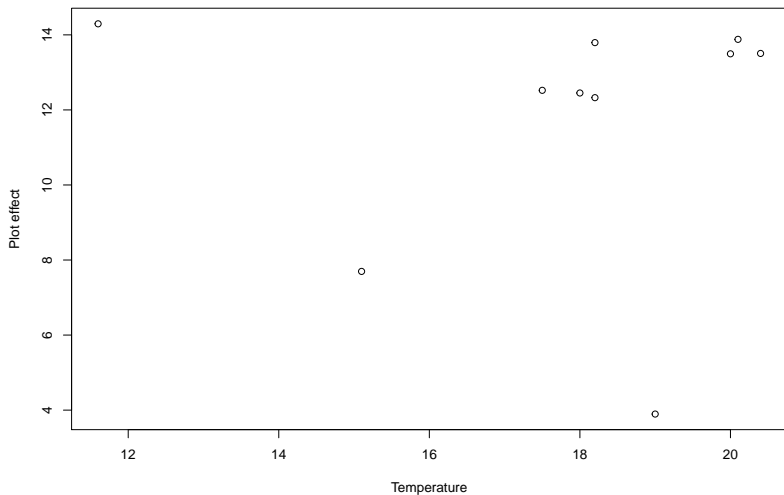
```
shinyMer(group.pred)
```

# Comparing plot effects with and without group predictor



## Are plot effects related to temperature?

```
plot(plotdata$temp, coef(group.pred)$plot[,1],  
      xlab = "Temperature", ylab = "Plot effect")
```



Varying intercepts and slopes

## Varying intercepts and slopes

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```
mixed.slopes <- lmer(height ~ dbh + (1 + dbh | plot), data=trees)
```

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- ▶ There is overall difference in height among plots (different intercepts)
- ▶ AND
- ▶ Relationship between DBH and Height varies among plots (different slopes)

```
mixed.slopes <- lmer(height ~ dbh + (1 + dbh | plot), data=trees)
```

## Varying intercepts and slopes

```
lmer(formula = height ~ dbh + (1 + dbh | plot), data = trees)
```

	coef.est	coef.se
(Intercept)	14.82	1.48
dbh	0.60	0.01

Error terms:

Groups	Name	Std.Dev.	Corr
plot	(Intercept)	4.57	
	dbh	0.01	-0.41
Residual		2.88	

---

number of obs: 1000, groups: plot, 10

AIC = 5018.6, DIC = 4995.9

deviance = 5001.3



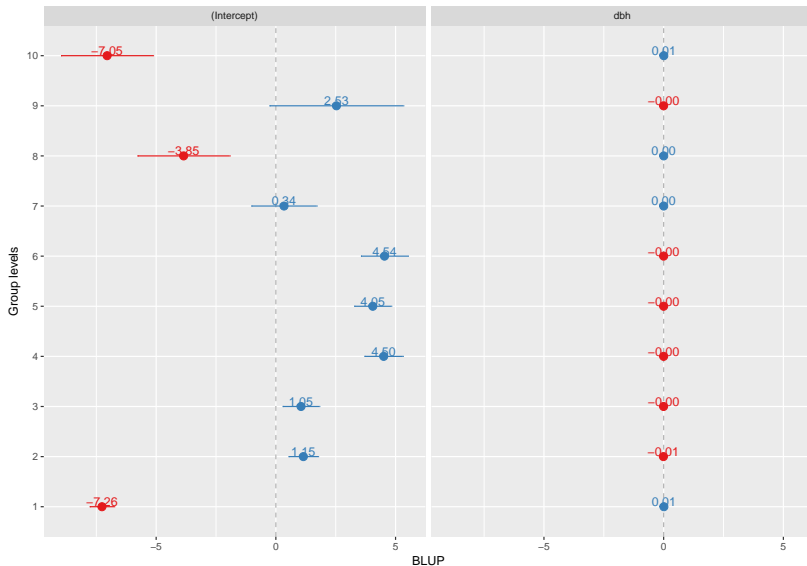
## Varying intercepts and slopes

```
$plot
      (Intercept)      dbh
1      7.554578 0.6144452
2     15.966915 0.5942836
3     15.868969 0.6008673
4     19.321161 0.6031855
5     18.866370 0.6039353
6     19.355009 0.6038332
7     15.159258 0.6067449
8     10.965429 0.6080747
9     17.348840 0.6024600
10     7.769135 0.6109349
```

```
attr(,"class")
[1] "coef.mer"
```

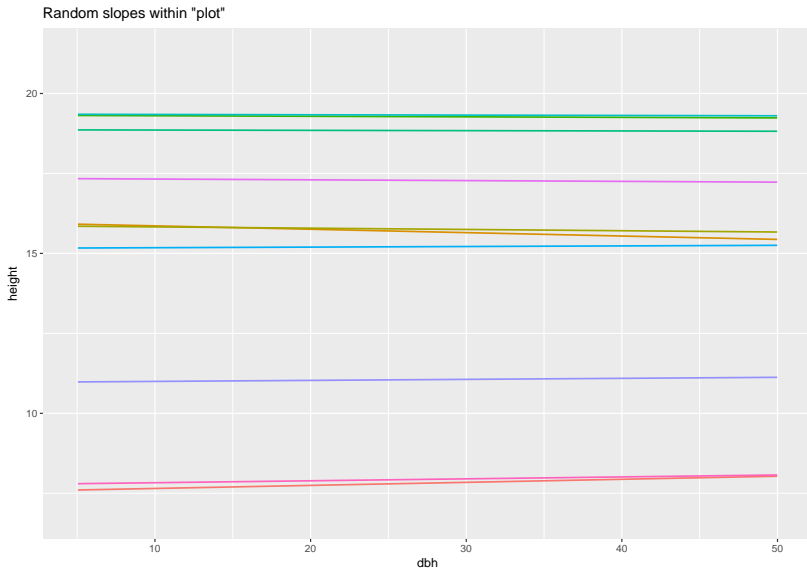
# Visualising model: sjPlot

```
sjp.lmer(mixed.slopes)
```



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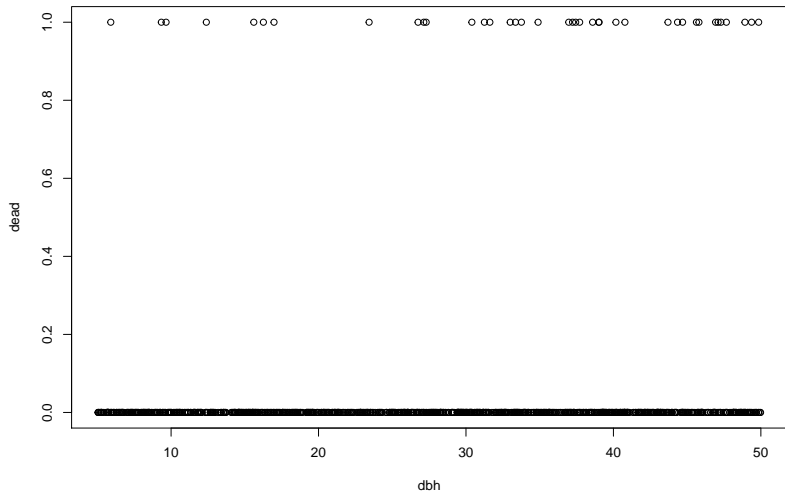
```
sjp.lmer(mixed.slopes, type = "rs.ri")
```



## Multilevel logistic regression

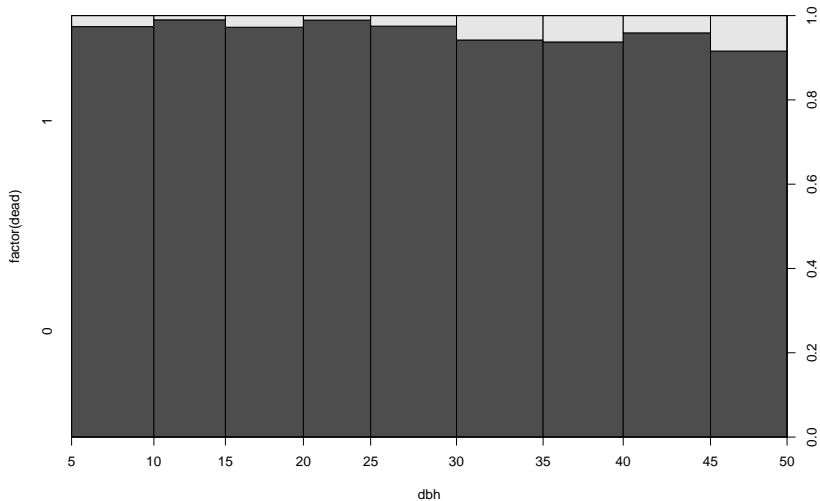
## Q: Relationship between tree size and mortality

```
plot(dead ~ dbh, data = trees)
```



## Q: Relationship between tree size and mortality

```
plot(factor(dead) ~ dbh, data = trees)
```



## Fit simple logistic regression

```
simple.logis <- glm(dead ~ dbh, data = trees, family=binomial)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = dead ~ dbh, family = binomial, data = trees)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.4121	-0.3287	-0.2624	-0.2048	2.9127

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-4.46945	0.49445	-9.039	< 2e-16 ***
dbh	0.04094	0.01380	2.967	0.00301 **

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 329.51 on 999 degrees of freedom

## Logistic regression with *independent* plot effects

```
logis2 <- glm(dead ~ dbh + factor(plot), data = trees, family=bi
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = dead ~ dbh + factor(plot), family = binomial, data
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.5923	-0.3198	-0.2549	-0.1940	2.8902

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-4.40106	0.52997	-8.304	<2e-16 ***
dbh	0.04060	0.01386	2.929	0.0034 **
factor(plot)2	-0.59168	0.52132	-1.135	0.2564
factor(plot)3	0.54576	0.47094	1.159	0.2465
factor(plot)4	0.05507	0.57434	0.096	0.9236
factor(plot)5	-0.38312	0.64222	-0.597	0.5508
factor(plot)6	-0.08426	0.76908	-0.110	0.9128
factor(plot)7	0.03126	1.06064	0.029	0.9765



# Fit multilevel logistic regression

```
mixed.logis <- glmer(dead ~ dbh + (1|plot), data=trees, family =
```

```
glmer(formula = dead ~ dbh + (1 | plot), data = trees, family =
```

	coef.est	coef.se
(Intercept)	-4.47	0.49
dbh	0.04	0.01

Error terms:

Groups	Name	Std.Dev.
plot	(Intercept)	0.00
Residual		1.00

---

number of obs: 1000, groups: plot, 10

AIC = 325.9, DIC = 319.9

deviance = 319.9

## Retrieve model coefficients

```
coef(mixed.logis)
```

```
$plot
```

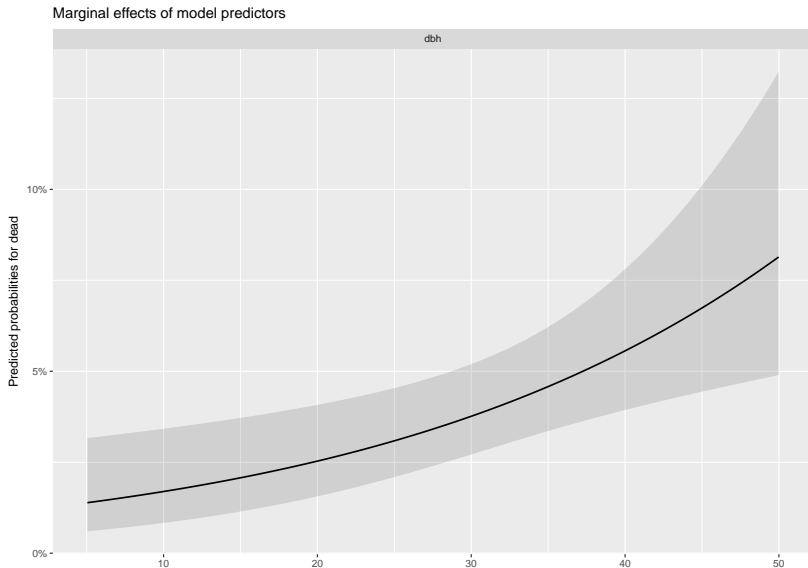
	(Intercept)	dbh
1	-4.469446	0.04093806
2	-4.469446	0.04093806
3	-4.469446	0.04093806
4	-4.469446	0.04093806
5	-4.469446	0.04093806
6	-4.469446	0.04093806
7	-4.469446	0.04093806
8	-4.469446	0.04093806
9	-4.469446	0.04093806
10	-4.469446	0.04093806

```
attr(,"class")
```

```
[1] "coef.mer"
```

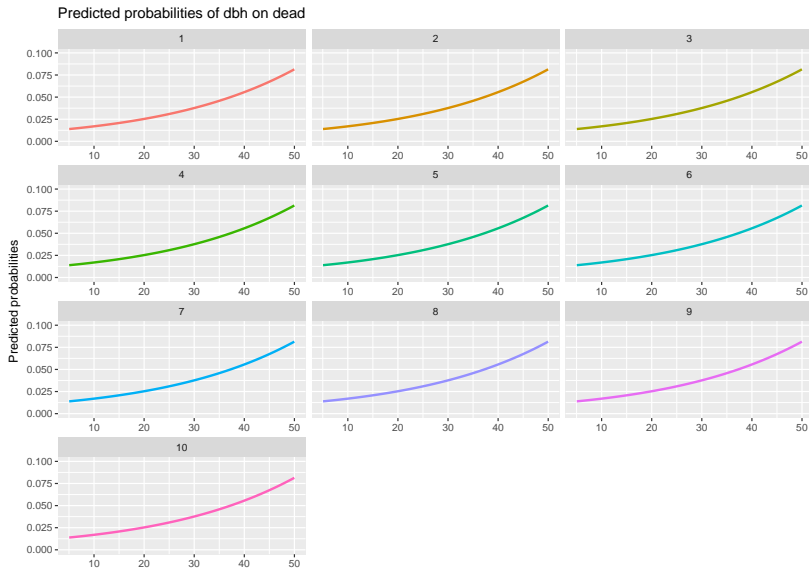
# Visualising model: sjPlot

```
sjp.glmer(mixed.logis, type = "eff", show.ci = TRUE)
```



# Visualising model: sjPlot

```
sjp.glmer(mixed.logis, type = "ri.slope")
```



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## Formula syntax for different models

$y \sim x + (1 \mid \text{group})$  # varying intercepts

$y \sim x + (1 + x \mid \text{group})$  # varying intercepts and slopes

$y \sim x + (1 \mid \text{group/subgroup})$  # nested

$y \sim x + (1 \mid \text{group1}) + (1 \mid \text{group2})$  # varying intercepts, crossed

$y \sim x + (1 + x \mid \text{group1}) + (1 + x \mid \text{group2})$  # varying intercepts and slopes, crossed

END



Figure 9:

Source code and materials:

<https://github.com/Pakillo/LM-GLM-GLMM-intro>