R for DNEP Day Two

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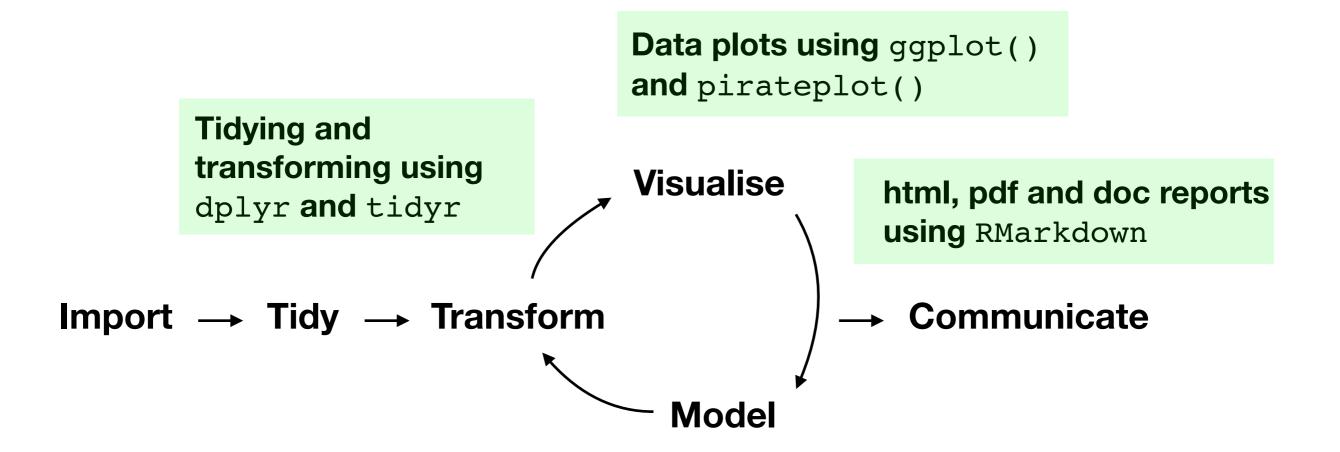
Plan for Today

- Tutorial this morning looking at linear models and (generalised) linear mixed models shortened to (G)LMMs.
- LMMs allow for models with a combination of fixed and random effects (intercepts and slopes).
- Focus on designs of one factor with several levels, and 2 x 2 designs for continuous and dichotomous data.
- Examination of measures of model fit, and using emmeans to interpret interactions.
- You doing all of the above in this afternoon's lab.

So far...

- You saw the place of R in the context of open science.
- You learned the basics of programming in R including writing scripts.
- You learned some graphing basics, and how to do a number of statistical tests in R.
- You learned how to use R Markdown to produce nice looking reports.

Workflow



ANO(C)VA using afex() and aov() Linear regression using lm() and step() (Generalised) linear mixed models using lmer() and glmer()

Workflow



(Generalised) linear mixed models using lmer() and glmer()

Why Linear Mixed Models?

We are going to look at linear modelling and then (generalized) linear mixed modelling. (G)LMMs are taking experimental psychology by storm.

(G)LMMs are more powerful than ANOVA, allow for multiple random effects (typically subjects and items) simultaneously, subject and item covariates, nesting, unbalanced designs, normal and non-normal data distributions, cope with missing data, allow you to model both continuous and categorical IVs and DVs, operate over trial-level data, and allow you to determine the best statistical models to fit to your data that make the most theoretical sense...

The following linear modelling and linear mixed modelling examples are from Bodo Winter's excellent tutorial:

Winter, B. (2013). Linear models and linear mixed effects models in R with linguistic applications. arXiv:1308.5499. [http://arxiv.org/pdf/1308.5499.pdf]

Recap - Linear modelling in R

Imagine we have data corresponding to males and females and their height. This is the genderheightdata file.

| Subject | Gender | Height |
|---------|--------|--------|
| 1 | Male | 180 |
| 2 | Male | 175 |
| 3 | Male | 179 |
| 4 | Female | 170 |
| 5 | Female | 165 |
| 6 | Female | 160 |

We might be interested in whether height is predicted by gender.

From Winter (2013)

So, we want to know whether Height is predicted by Gender.

Height ~ Gender

So, we fit a linear model like this:

> ourmodel <- lm(Height ~ Gender, genderheightdata)

The model is stored in the variable ourmodel.

```
> ourmodel <- lm(Height ~ Gender, genderheightdata)</pre>
> summary(ourmodel)
Call:
lm(formula = Height ~ Gender, data = genderheightdata)
Residuals:
1 2 3 4 5 6
2 - 3 1 5 0 - 5
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 165.000
                         2.309
                                 71.45 2.3e-07 ***
GenderMale
            13.000
                         3.266
                                  3.98
                                         0.0164 *
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 4 on 4 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7984, Adjusted R-squared:
                                                    0.748
```

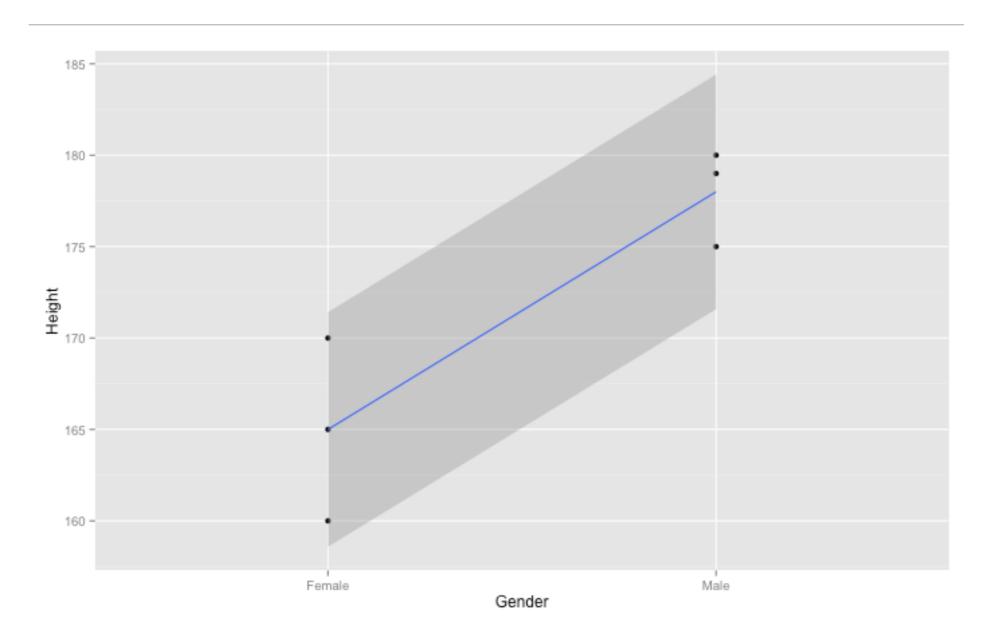
F-statistic: 15.84 on 1 and 4 DF, p-value: 0.0164

We have a significant predictor (Gender) and model (indicated by the F-ratio).

 For a model with one predictor, the p values associated with the model (i.e., the F value) and the predictor are the same. For models with more than one predictor, this won't be the case.

 The Intercept coefficient (165) corresponds to the mean Height of our reference category (Female).
 The estimate GenderMale (13) is the difference between our reference category and our Males.
 Females were taken as the reference category (i.e., the intercept) simply because R chooses this on an alphabetical basis (and Female comes before Male). We can use ggplot to graph our data. Using the "lm" method, we can generate the linear model (or regression) line.

```
> scatter <- ggplot (genderheightdata, aes (group = 1, Gender, Height)) + geom_point()
> scatter + geom_smooth (method = "lm")
> |
```



 Our predictor doesn't have to be categorical though. We're using the ageheightdata file here.

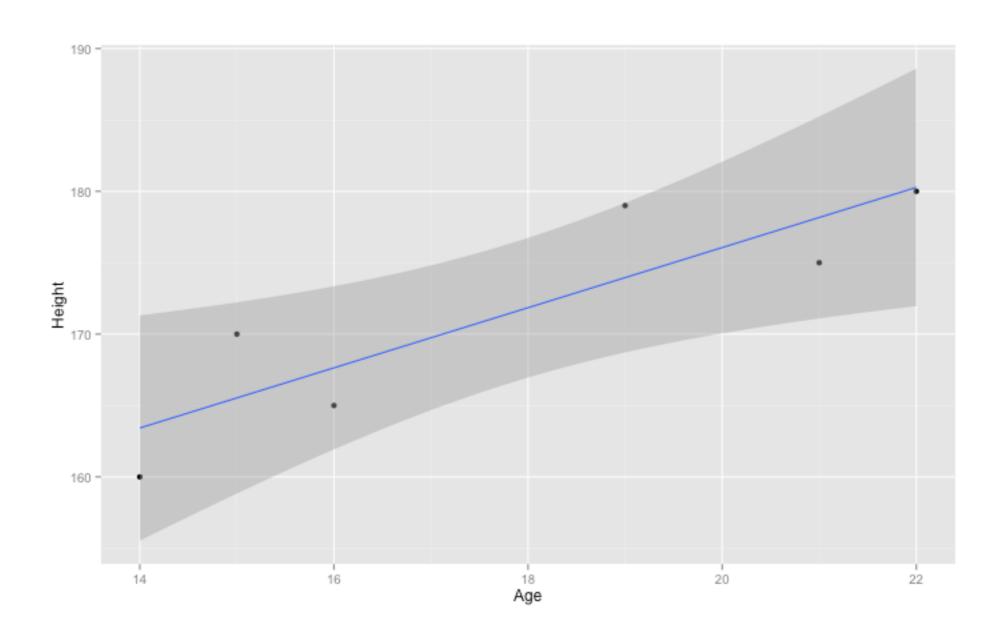
| Subject | Age | Height |
|---------|-----|--------|
| 1 | 22 | 180 |
| 2 | 21 | 175 |
| 3 | 19 | 179 |
| 4 | 15 | 170 |
| 5 | 16 | 165 |
| 6 | 14 | 160 |

Is Height predicted by Age?

```
> ourmodel <- lm(Height ~ Age, ageheightdata)</pre>
> summary (ourmodel)
Call:
lm(formula = Height ~ Age, data = ageheightdata)
Residuals:
-0.2766 -3.1702 5.0426 4.4681 -2.6383 -3.4255
Coefficients:
          Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
2.1064 0.5817 3.621 0.022334 *
Age
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 4.307 on 4 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7663, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7078
F-statistic: 13.11 on 1 and 4 DF, p-value: 0.02233
```

For every increase in Age by I, Height increases by 2.1064. But of course, we know this relationship breaks down at a certain age - but for the data we have, we can fit a linear function.

```
> scatter <- ggplot (ageheightdata, aes (Age, Height)) + geom_point()
> scatter + geom_smooth (method = "lm")
> |
```



Linear Mixed Models

What happens when we have multiple predictors?

Imagine we are interested in how a person's Gender predicts the Pitch of their voice. Let's imagine we're interested in how Polite they're trying to be *also* predicts the Pitch of their voice.

We observe the same 6 people in different situations (some requiring them to be extra polite while talking, others not.)

These observations are not independent of each other (which is an assumption of a linear model).

From Winter (2013)

- We can get around the lack of independence by treating participants as a random effect such that each participant has their own individual pitch baseline.
- This gives us a separate random intercept value for each participant - in other words, our model can account for individual variation.
- This is a mixed effects linear model:

pitch ~ politeness + gender + (I| subject) + error

This is our random effect and assumes a different intercept for each participant.

- Imagine also that we had different Politeness scenarios (e.g., 7 different scenarios that required participants to be polite, and 7 different scenarios that require them to be informal.)
- Each scenario in each category might have been a little different. One particular scenario might have had a higher Pitch mean than a different scenario - in other words, the scenarios will also have different baselines.

 We can capture the random effect of Item (called scenario in this dataset) in the same way we did for participants:

```
pitch ~ politeness + gender + (1|subject) + (1|scenario) + error
```

| subject | gender | scenario | attitude | frequency |
|---------|--------|----------|----------|-----------|
| F1 | F | 1 | pol | 213.3 |
| F1 | F | 1 | inf | 204.5 |
| F1 | F | 2 | pol | 285.1 |
| F1 | F | 2 | inf | 259.7 |
| F1 | F | 3 | pol | 203.9 |
| F1 | F | 3 | inf | 286.9 |
| F1 | F | 4 | pol | 250.8 |
| F1 | F | 4 | inf | 276.8 |
| F1 | F | 5 | pol | 231.9 |
| F1 | F | 5 | inf | 252.4 |
| F1 | F | 6 | pol | 181.2 |

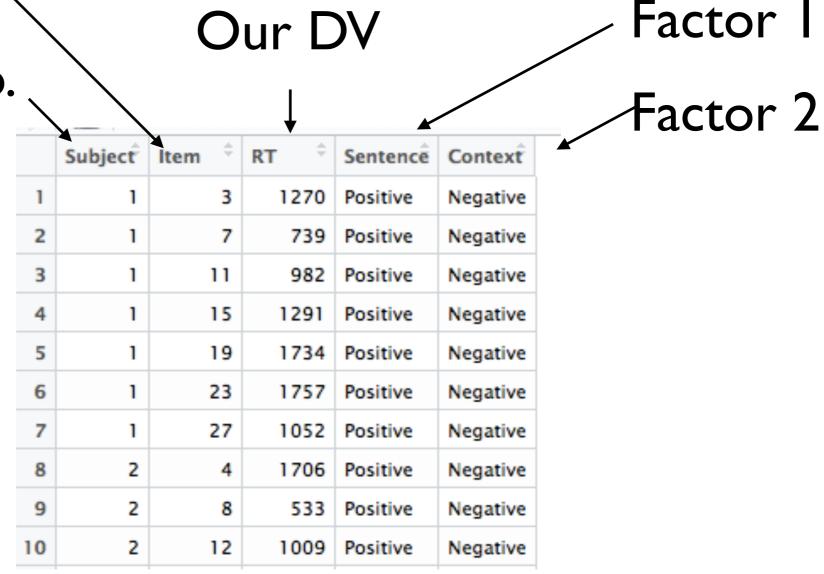
6 participants, and 7 items (scenarios). Each scenario appeared in two version - polite vs informal.

• We're using the politenessdata file here.

Note - for linear mixed models, data must be in Long format - every row is one time point per participant. This is really important! The following is from a 2 x 2 experiment.

Item no.

Participant no.



Fixed vs. Random Effects

<u>Fixed effect</u> Data has been gathered from all the levels of the factor that are of interest. (Typically your experimental factors and maybe factors like gender).

Random effect The factor has many possible levels, interest is in all possible levels, but only a random sample of levels is included in the data. (Typically participants and items). Typically need > 5 levels.

For mixed effects linear modelling in R, we need to install the package *lme4*. This is the mixed effects model equivalent of *lm* which we used previously. We also want the *lmerTest* package and the *emmeans* package.

```
> install.packages ("lme4")
> install.packages ("lmerTest")
> install.packages ("emmeans")
```

Gives us p-values for our model estimates.

Allows us to do pairwise comparisons.

Remember then to load them:

- > library (lme4)
- > library (lmerTest)
- > library (emmeans)

```
> politeness.model <- lmer (frequency~attitude + (1|subject) + (1|scenario), data=politeness_data)
> summary (politeness.model)
Linear mixed model fit by REML ['lmerMod']
Formula: frequency ~ attitude + (1 | subject) + (1 | scenario)
  Data: politeness_data
REML criterion at convergence: 793.5
Scaled residuals:
   Min
            10 Median
                            30
                                  Max
-2.2006 -0.5817 -0.0639 0.5625 3.4385
Random effects:
                                                                More
                     Variance Std.Dev.
Groups
         Name
                                                                variability in
scenario (Intercept) 219
                              14.80
                             63.36
subject (Intercept) 4015
                                                                subjects than
Residual
                      646
                              25.42
Number of obs: 83, groups: scenario, 7; subject, 6
                                                                in scenarios.
Fixed effects:
           Estimate Std. Error t value
(Intercept) 202.588
                        26.754
                                7.572
attitudepol -19.695
                         5.585 -3.527
Correlation of Fixed Effects:
```

(Intr)

attitudepol -0.103

>

Going from Informal to Polite contexts, people's voice pitch drops about 19.7Hz.

 So far we haven't accounted for Gender. We can add Gender as a fixed effect (because we know that Males have lower pitched voices than Females).

Our new fixed effect

- > politeness.model <- lmer (frequency~attitude + gender + (1|subject) + (1|scenario), data=politeness_data)
- > summary (politeness.model)

```
> politeness.model <- lmer (frequency~attitude + gender + (1|subject) + (1|scenario), data=politeness_data)
> summary (politeness.model)
Linear mixed model fit by REML ['lmerMod']
Formula: frequency ~ attitude + gender + (1 | subject) + (1 | scenario)
   Data: politeness_data
REML criterion at convergence: 775.5
Scaled residuals:
            10 Median
    Min
                                   Max
-2.2591 -0.6236 -0.0772 0.5388 3.4795
Random effects:
 Groups Name
                     Variance Std.Dev.
 scenario (Intercept) 219.5
 subject (Intercept) 615.6
                              24.81
 Residual
                     645.9
                              25.41
Number of obs: 83, groups: scenario, 7; subject, 6
Fixed effects:
            Estimate Std. Error t value
```

Our variation due to subjects has dropped - we now explain quite a lot in terms of our factor Gender.

(Intercept) 256.846 16.116 15.938 attitudepol -19.721 5.584 -3.532 genderM -108.516 21.013 -5.164 Correlation of Fixed Effects: (Intr) atttdp

attitudepol -0.173 -0.652 0.004 genderM

We have an effect of Situation. and also an effect of Gender. People have lower pitched voices in Polite Situations, and Males have lower pitched voices than females.

 To determine whether our mixed effects model is significant, we need to know whether it differs from what we'd expect if Politeness didn't influence voice pitch.

```
> politeness.null <- lmer (frequency~gender + (1|subject) + (1|scenario), data=politeness_data, REML=FALSE)
```

 This model which we call politeness.null removes our Attitude effect as a predictor (and includes a new term REML=FALSE which is needed to estimate the likelihood of the null model relative to our experimental model). We re-create our politeness.model which includes our Attitude effect as a predictor (plus the likelihood estimator).

```
> politeness.model <- lmer (frequency~attitude + gender + (1|subject) + (1|scenario), data=politeness_data, REML=FALSE)
```

We can now compare the two models with each other using the anova function:

```
> anova (politeness.null, politeness.model)
```

This performs a likelihood ratio test on our 2 models and tells us whether they are significantly different from each other - this test only works with **nested** models.

This is the important bit as the chi-squared test tells us whether our politeness model differs from the null. It does. We could write "...being polite lowers pitch (χ 2 (I)=II.62, p < .001) by 19.7 Hz..."

Note, deviance equals the residual sum of squares in linear models.

We can also compare the model without gender to the model with gender:

```
politeness.nogender <- lmer (frequency ~ attitude + (1|subject) + (1|scenario), data=politeness_data)
politeness.withgender <- lmer (frequency ~ attitude + gender + (1|subject) + (1|scenario), data=politeness_data)
anova (politeness.nogender, politeness.withgender)
```

The difference between the models is significant.

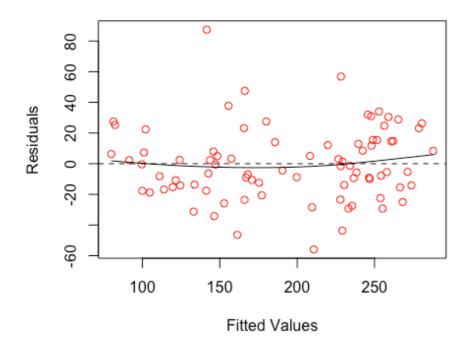
The second model has the lower AIC value (so is a better fit).

We can visualise the fit of the two models by plotting the residuals against the fitted data using:

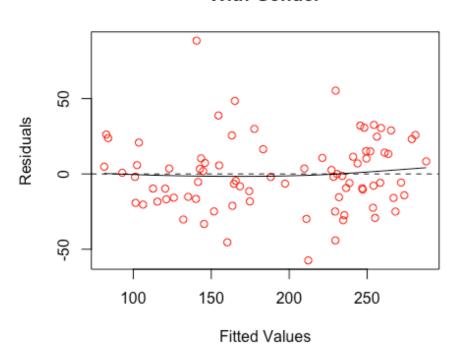
This adds a straight, dashed, line at y=0

This adds a line connecting the residuals and fitted data using a cubic smoothing spline.

Without Gender



With Gender



Better models have better overlap between the solid line, and the dashed line. This is where there is minimisation in error between a model and the fitted data. You can see the model 'With Gender' fits the data better than 'Without Gender' as the solid line overlaps more with the dashed line. Consistent with what our AIC values tell us.

• So far we have accounted for the possibility that our participants and items might have different pitch baselines (which is why we introduced the separate random intercepts). But what if the effect of politeness is different for different participants, and also what if the effect of politeness is different for different scenarios?

 All this means is that the slopes of our lines might vary as a function of participant (so the difference between the two levels of politeness might be bigger for one person than for another) and as a function of scenario (so the difference between the two levels of politeness might also be bigger for one scenario than for another).

> coef (politeness.model)

\$scenario

| | (Intercept) | attitudepol | genderM |
|---|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 243.4859 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| 2 | 263.3592 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| 3 | 268.1322 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| 4 | 277.2546 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| 5 | 254.9319 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| 6 | 244.8015 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| 7 | 245.9618 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |

\$subject

| | (Intercept) | attitudepol | genderM |
|----|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| F1 | 243.3684 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| F2 | 266.9443 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| F3 | 260.2276 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| МЗ | 284.3536 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| Μ4 | 262.0575 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |
| Μ7 | 224.1292 | -19.72207 | -108.5173 |

The different intercepts for each item and for each participant take into account individual baseline differences. However, it doesn't take into account the fact our effect might be bigger for some participants than for others (and for some items than for others). In other words, the slopes are all currently the same.

These modified terms tell the model to expect different intercepts for Frequency (which we had before) as well as differing slopes as a function of the factor Attitude. These are our random effects.

> coef (politeness.model)

\$scenario

```
(Intercept) attitudepol
                         genderM
  245.2603
             -20.43832 -110.8021
  263.3012
            -15.94386 -110.8021
  269.1432
             -20.63361 -110.8021
             -16.30132 -110.8021
  276.8309
  256.0579
            -19.40575 -110.8021
  246.8605
             -21.94816 -110.8021
  248.4702
             -23.55752 -110.8021
```

The slopes between our two Attitude conditions differ for each item...

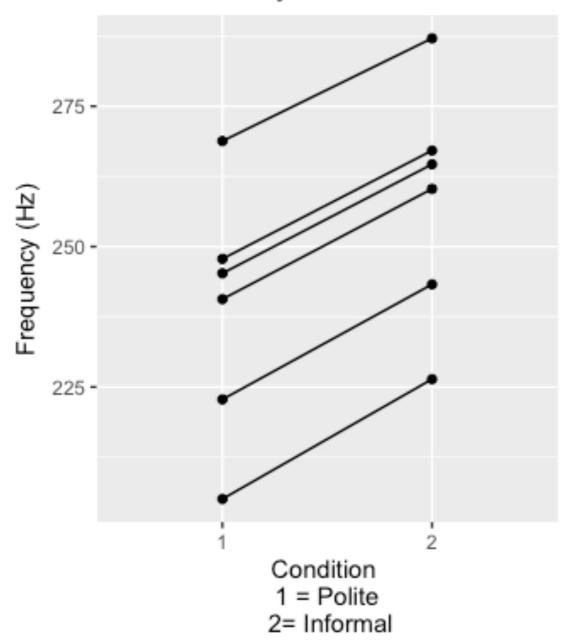
\$subject

| | (Intercept) | attitudepol | genderM |
|----|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| F1 | 243.8053 | -20.68245 | -110.8021 |
| F2 | 266.7321 | -19.17028 | -110.8021 |
| F3 | 260.1484 | -19.60452 | -110.8021 |
| МЗ | 285.6958 | -17.91951 | -110.8021 |
| Μ4 | 264.1982 | -19.33741 | -110.8021 |
| Μ7 | 227.3551 | -21.76744 | -110.8021 |

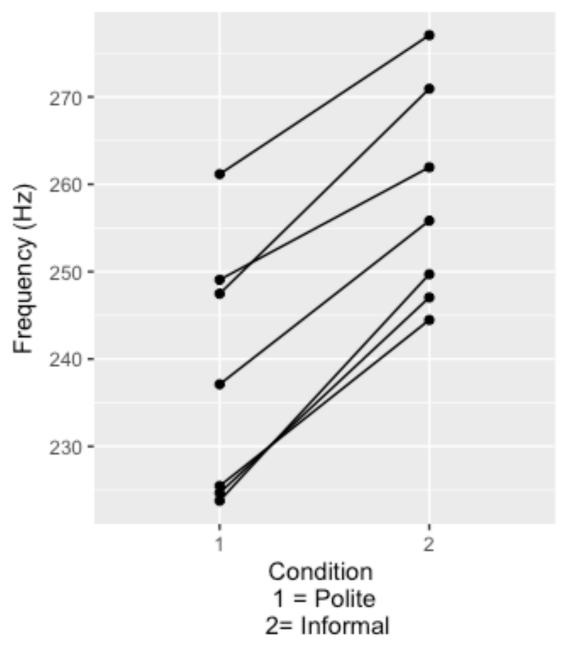
...and for each participant.

Plotting the slopes of our Politeness factor

Individual subject coefficients



Individual scenario coefficients



 Again, we can compare our new model with the null (which needs to include the same random effects).

Our model is significant.

Examples of LMMs for Factorial Designs

- In the first case, we will look at a model where we have one factor with three levels. We have two sets of data we want to analyse one is eye gaze duration data, the other is the number of times people re-read a section of text.
- In the second case, we will look at a model for a 2 x 2 repeated measures design - this time just with eye gaze duration data as people read a section of text.

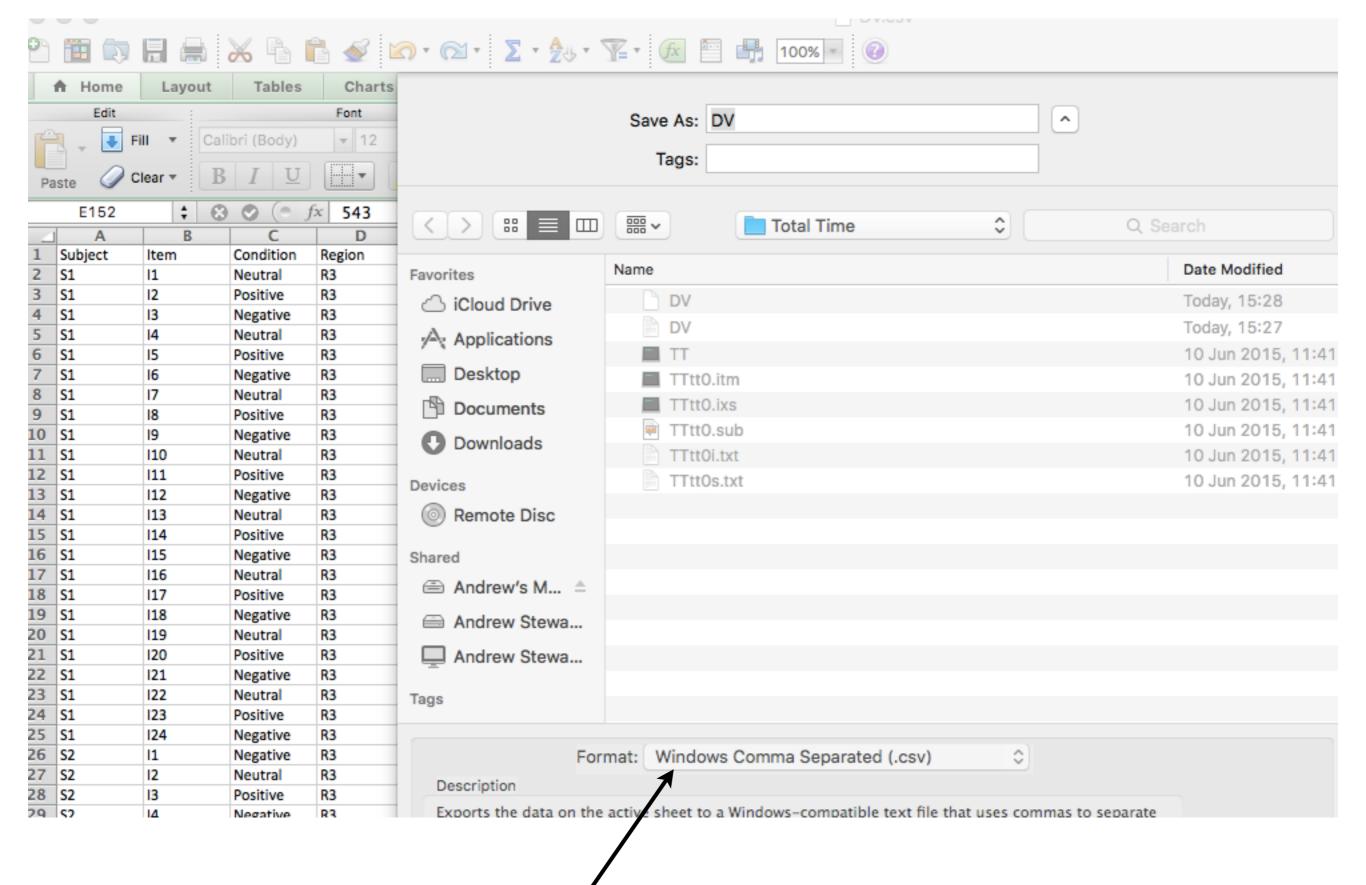
One factor with Three levels

 We are going to analyse eye movement data associated with reading a segment of text in one of three conditions - Positive, Negative, or Neutral.

```
#install the lme4, lsmeans and lmertest packages first
install.packages ("lme4")
install.packages ("lmerTest")
install.packages ("emmeans")
library (lme4)
library (lmerTest)
library(emmeans)

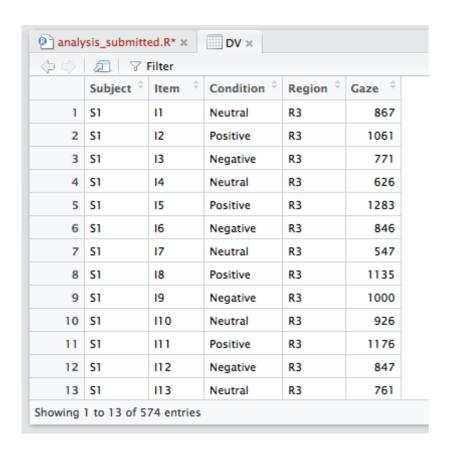
#C1 = Neutral condition
#C2 = Negative condition
#C3 = Positive condition
```

The *ImerTest* package gives us p-values for our fixed effects, while the *emmeans* allows us to conduct pairwise comparisons.



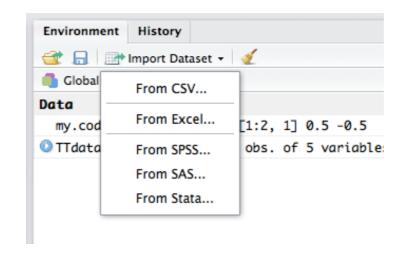
First I need to re-save my data in Excel as a .csv file

Our data file is called DV and looks like this:

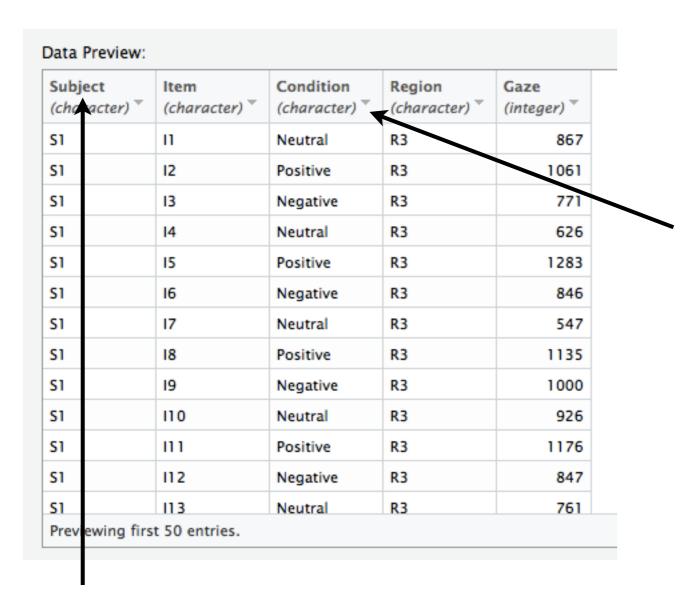


The columns
 correspond to our
 Subject Number, our
 Item Number, our
 Condition, the Region
 of Text and the Gaze
 time (ms.)

• You then need to import the data file:



 Make sure you check that R correctly recognises your factors. In this case, it initially doesn't:



The names of the columns you will use in your model (incl. the names of the random effects).

 For Condition, you need to select it as a Factor (not as a character string). Click on the down arrow, and then select Factor. Enter the levels separated by commas.



You can also use the function as. factor to turn your variable into a factor:

> DV\$Condition <- as.factor(DV\$Condition)

You can type the following to check the number of levels of the factor:

> levels (DV\$Condition)

```
model.null <- lmer (Gaze ~ (1 + Condition| Subject) + (1 + Condition| Item), data=DV, REML=TRUE)
model.full <- lmer (Gaze ~ Condition + (1 + Condition| Subject) + (1 + Condition| Item), data=DV, REML=TRUE)
anova (model.null, model.full)
summary (model.full)
```

- Line 25 creates a variable called model.null associated with just random effects of Subjects and Items. Note there is no fixed effect.
- Line 26 create a variable called model.full which includes both the random and fixed effects.
- Line 27 tests where the model.full is a better fit to our data and model.null. If it is, it means adding the fixed effect means we are able to explain our data better than if we don't add it.
- Line 28 then asks for the model.full parameters to be displayed.

The Output

For model comparisons, a different parameter estimator must be used (R will do this for you). REML should be used to estimate parameters when you report them.

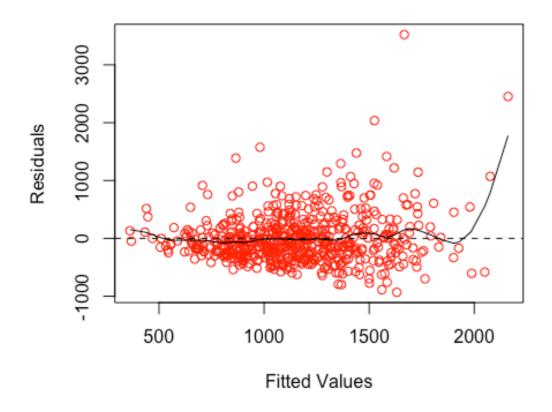
Our two models differ significantly from each other. The one that fits our data the best has the lower AIC value. AIC is the Akaike Information Criterion and measures how much 'information' is not captured by our model (values that are relatively lower are better). NOTE - absolute AIC values cannot be interpreted - they have to be compared with the AIC value of another model.

```
Random effects:
Groups
                           Variance Std.Dev. Corr
         Name
                           108205
                                    328.95
 Subject (Intercept)
                                     50.88
                                             -1.00
         ConditionNeutral
                                     80.16
         ConditionPositive 6425
                                             -1.00 1.00
                            32985
                                    181.62
         (Intercept)
 Item
                                     36.00
         ConditionNeutral
                             1296
                                              0.00
                                     62.42
                                             -0.54 0.84
         ConditionPositive
                             3897
 Residual
                           204916
                                    452.68
Number of obs: 574, groups: Subject, 24; Item, 24
Fixed effects:
                 Estimate Std. Error
                                          df t value Pr(>|t|)
                  1083.76
                               83.40
                                       30.15 12.994 6.88e-14 ***
(Intercept)
ConditionNeutral
                   101.04
                               48.05
                                       52.01 2.103
ConditionPositive 123.54
                               50.70
                                       22.73 2.437
                                                       0.0231 *
Signif. codes: 0 '***
                       0.001 "** 0.01 "* 0.05 ". 0.1 " 1
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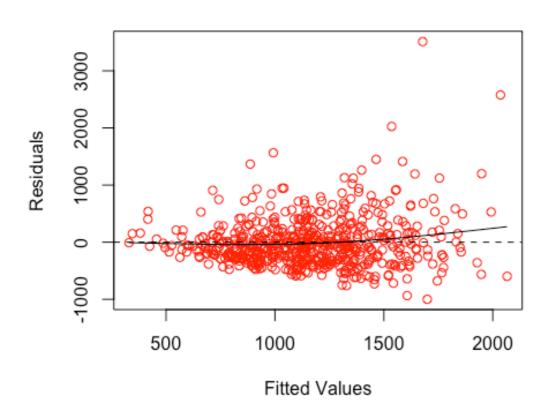
This is what we're mainly interested in. We know the model itself is significantly better than the null model. These comparisons tells us what differences are driving the effect.

• Think of these like the contrasts that are used to interpret significant ANOVAs. In this case, the Neutral and Positive conditions are each being compared to the Negative condition (or the intercept of the regression line). The estimates tell us that the intercept is 1084 (which is the Negative condition mean). The Neutral mean is 1084+101, while the Positive mean is 1084+124.

Null model



Full model



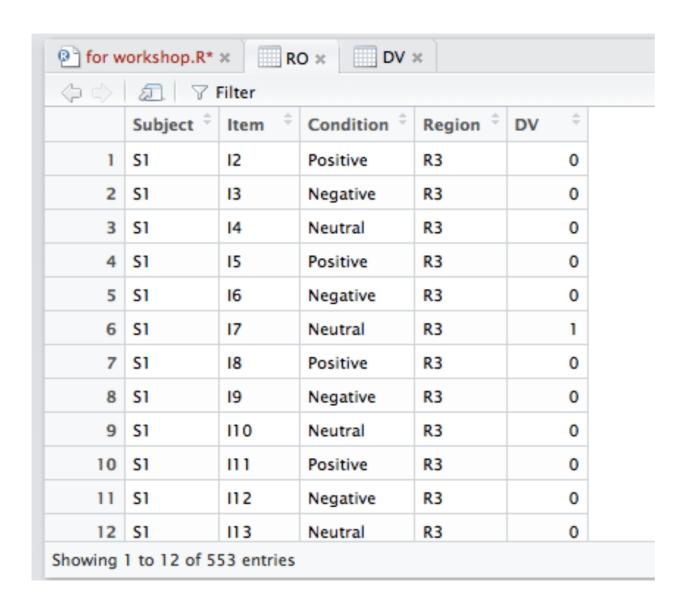
Again we can examine model fit by plotting the residuals against the fitted values. The model with the fixed effect (the full model) is a better fit than the model which includes only the random effects.

A few points to note so far...

- Models can only be compared to each other using the ANOVA function if they are nested - in other words, if one model is a subset of the other. Models with different fixed and random effects structures cannot be compared in this way - use AIC or BIC comparisons.
- If using treatment coding for Contrasts, sometimes the Intercept (or reference level condition) chosen by R isn't the one you might want. You can change it using: DV\$Condition <- relevel (DV\$Condition, ref = 3) where ref corresponds to the level of the factor Condition you want as the intercept, DV corresponds to the datafile, and Condition corresponds to the factor you want to relevel.

What if our DV isn't a continuous variable?

• In eye movement work, we measure both gaze time (ms.) and also the number of times people re-read a region of text. For any one person reading a region of text, they either re-read it, or they don't. Thus, the data are binary (not continuous). In our data set, I corresponds to a region being re-read, 0 to not being re-read.



 Here is our data file - our DV is categorical - either I or 0. For categorical data, we have to use the generalised linear model (glmer) and the binomial distribution. This is the syntax for such a model with both fixed and random effects:

```
model.full <- glmer (DV ~ Condition + (1 + Condition|Subject) + (1 + Condition|Item), data=RO, family=binomial)
```

 When we run it, we get an error (that you will get used to seeing again and again!)

```
> model.full <- glmer (DV ~ Condition + (1 + Condition|Subject) + (1 + Condition|Item), data=R0, family=binomial)
Warning message:
In checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
    Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0171702 (tol = 0.001, component 1)</pre>
```

- So what can we do? We need to simplify the random effects structures. We can do this by dropping terms one by one until we find a model that can be fitted to our data. For example, we could drop the random slope from our items random effect first.
- For this particular example, the most complex model that works involves only random intercepts.

```
> model.interceptonly <- glmer (DV ~ Condition + (1|Subject) + (1|Item) , data=RO,
family=binomial)
> model.null <- glmer (DV ~ (1|Subject) + (1|Item), data=RO, family=binomial)
> anova (model.interceptonly, model.null)
```

 Our model with a fixed effect of Condition, and with random intercepts is no better than our model with just the random intercepts. In fact, it's worse - look at the AIC values. So we have no effect of Condition in our rereading data.

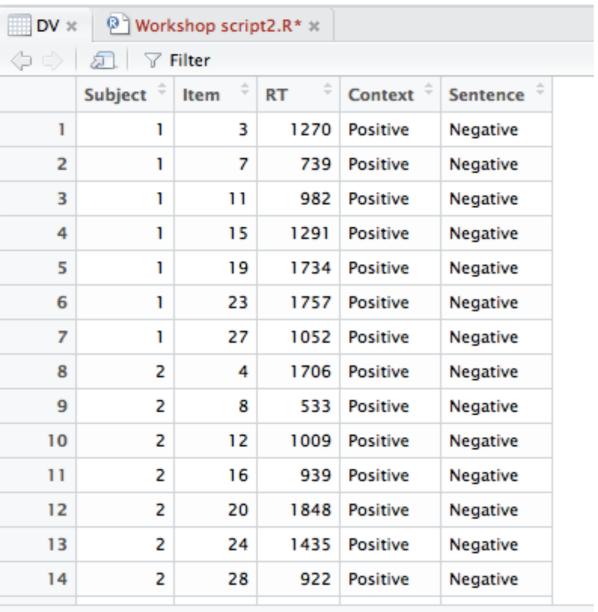
Writing up LMM Results

• The analyses were carried out using the *lme4* package (Bates, Maechler, Bolker, & Walker, 2017) to fit the linear mixed models for the reading time measure in R (R Development Core Team, 2017). The *glmer* function in the *lme4* package with Laplace approximation was used for the Re-reading measure. Below we report regression coefficients (b), standard errors, and *t*-values (for duration measures). Restricted maximum likelihood estimation was used for the reporting of linear mixed model parameters.

Then you'll report the descriptive statistics and the parameter estimates...

LMMs for a 2 x 2 Repeated Measures Design

- Now let's take a 2 x 2 repeated measures design. We measured people's eye movements as they read either positive or negative information. Prior context set up expectations that the story was likely to continue with positive vs. negative information.
- Factor I is Context (Positive vs. Negative)
- Factor 2 is Sentence Type (Positive vs. Negative)



Showing 1 to 15 of 1,680 entries

 We have Subject number, Item number, RT (reading time), Context and Sentence. The first thing we need to do is to apply contrast weightings to our two factors. By default, the contrasts are dummy or treatment coded. We need to change them to deviation coded. This helps make the coefficients in the LMM make more sense as the intercept of the LMM will correspond to the Grand Mean (i.e., the mean of all four conditions).

```
contrasts (DV$Context)<-matrix (c(.5, -.5))
contrasts (DV$Sentence)<-matrix (c(.5, -.5))
```

- The first thing we are going to do is define our full model with our fixed effects and fully crossed Subject and Item random effects.
- Then we are going to define the null model with only the random effects.

```
model.full <- lmer (RT ~ Context*Sentence + (1+Context*Sentence | Subject) + (1+Context*Sentence | Item), data=DV, REML=TRUE) model.null <- lmer (RT ~ (1+Context*Sentence | Subject) + (1+Context*Sentence | Item), data=DV, REML=TRUE)
```

- Note that we define our fixed effect using the notation Context*Sentence
- This is equivalent to (Context + Sentence + Context:Sentence) which corresponds to a main effect of Context, a main effect of Sentence and the interaction between the two (as represented by the colon symbol).

• Our model with the fixed effects (as well as the random effects) is a better fit for our data than is the model just with the random effects. Now we need to look at the model parameters using the 'summary' command...

```
> summary (model.full)
```

```
Fixed effects:
                                        df t value Pr(>|t|)
                 Estimate Std. Error
                              76.24
(Intercept)
                  1568.75
                                     50.07 20.577
                                                    <2e-16 ***
Context1
                   -36.20
                              86.01 29.77 -0.421
                                                    0.6768
                   -69.01
Sentence1
                          39.87
                                     25.93 -1.731
                                                    0.0954
                                                    0.0458 *
                          80.36 25.51 -2.100
Context1:Sentence1 -168.73
              0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

- We can see that the interaction is significant. But how do we know what difference(s) is/are driving this effect?
- Think back to ANOVA days we need to now do something else...

- We can run pairwise comparisons. We can ask for a correction to be applied if we want to, but in this case we're doing to work out that correction by hand. There are only 2 theoretically meaningful pairwise comparisons, so we multiply the reported p value by 2 to manually apply Bonferroni correction.
- We use the emmeans function in the emmeans package.

Positive, Positive - Negative, Negative 105.21905 92.22797 29.04

Negative, Positive - Negative, Negative 120.56791 92.61288 30.57 Positive, Negative - Negative, Negative 153.37805 50.68247 20.94

estimate

Positive, Positive - Negative, Positive -15.34886 62.02007 27.31 -0.247 0.8064 Positive, Positive - Positive, Negative -48.15900 97.23991 26.58 -0.495 0.6245

Negative, Positive - Positive, Negative -32.81014 97.35194 31.48 -0.337 0.7383

contrast

Here we have the descriptive statistics associated with each of our 4 conditions.

Above are all the possible pairwise comparisons - only 2 are of theoretical interest to us:

df t.ratio p.value

1.141 0.2633

3.026 0.0064

- I. A Negative meaning sentence following a Negative Context vs. the same Negative meaning following a Positive Context.
- 2. A Positive meaning sentence following a Negative Context vs. the same Positive meaning following a Positive Context.

```
$contrasts
contrast

Positive, Positive - Negative, Positive -15.34886 62.02007 27.31 -0.247 0.8064

Positive, Positive - Positive, Negative -48.15900 97.23991 26.58 -0.495 0.6245

Positive, Positive - Negative, Negative 105.21905 92.22797 29.04 1.141 0.2633

Negative, Positive - Positive, Negative -32.81014 97.35194 31.48 -0.337 0.7383

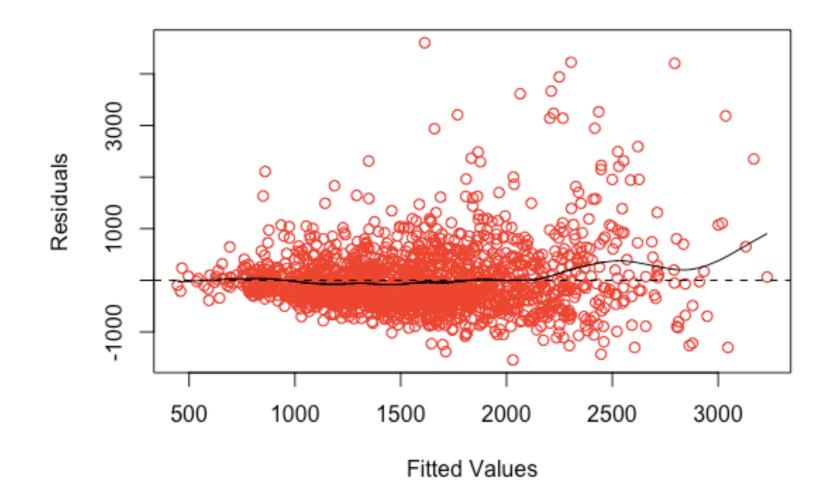
Negative, Positive - Negative, Negative 120.56791 92.61288 30.57 1.302 0.2027

Positive, Negative - Negative, Negative 153.37805 50.68247 20.94 3.026 0.0064
```

- The two key comparisons reveal that Positive sentences are read no more quickly after Positive than after Negative context (1579 vs. 1595 ms.) while Negative Sentences are read more quickly after Negative than after Positive contexts (1474 vs. 1627 ms.)
- Note, the estimates in the contrasts correspond to the difference between comparisons in each pair.

We can visually assess the model fit by plotting the residuals against the observed data using:

```
#plot a graph of residuals - model fit is good the more the solid and dashed lines overlap plot(fitted(model.full), residuals(model.full), xlab = "Fitted Values", ylab = "Residuals", col="red") abline(h = 0, lty = 2) lines(smooth.spline(fitted(model.full), residuals(model.full)))
```



Looks like fit starts to drop off a bit for values > 2000.

• If we had re-reading (i.e., regression) data, we would also have to run an analysis using the *glmer* function on those data. The code would look like:

```
model.full <- glmer (Regressions ~ Context*Sentence + (1 + Context*Sentence|Subject)
+ (1 + Context*Sentence|Item), data=RO, family=binomial)</pre>
```

 To generate the pairwise comparisons (and to report the descriptives using the original measurement scale), we would use:

```
emmeans (model.full, pairwise~ Context*Sentence, adjust="none", type = "response")
```

 If we did not set the type parameter, then the descriptives would be on a log odds ratio scale (and harder to interpret).

Citing Packages

Remember to cite the packages you use, plus the version of R itself (with year info.) To find out how to cite a particular package, type:

```
> citation ("lme4")
To cite lme4 in publications use:

Douglas Bates, Martin Maechler, Ben Bolker, Steve Walker (2015). Fitting Linear Mixed-Effects Models Using lme4. Journal of Statistical Software, 67(1), 1-48. doi:10.18637/jss.v067.i01.
```

> version

And to find out which version of R you are using:

```
x86 64-apple-darwin15.6.0
platform
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               darwin15.6.0
OS
              x86 64, darwin15.6.0
system
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major
               4.3
minor
               2017
year
month
              11
dav
               30
               73796
svn rev
language
version.string R version 3.4.3 (2017-11-30)
nickname
              Kite-Eating Tree
```

Writing up These Results

The analyses were carried out using the *lme4* package (Bates, Maechler, Bolker, & Walker, 2015) to fit the linear mixed models for the reading time measure in *R* (R Development Core Team, 2017). Pairwise comparisons conducted with the *emmeans* package (Lenth, 2018) were used to investigate the significant interaction for the reading time measure. Below we report regression coefficients (*b*), standard errors, and *t*-values. Restricted maximum likelihood estimation was used for the reporting of linear mixed model parameters. Deviation coding was used for each of the two experimental factors (Barr et al., 2013). Absolute values of the *t*-value greater than or equal to 1.96 indicate an effect that is significant at approximately the . 05 alpha level. For pairwise comparisons we report the *t*- values and *p*-values. Degrees of freedom are approximated using the Satterthwaite method.

| | b | SE | t |
|--------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Intercept | 1569 | 76.24 | 20.577 |
| Context | -36.20 | 86.01 | -0.42 I |
| Sentence | -69.01 | 39.87 | -1.731 |
| Context x Sentence | -168.73 | 80.36 | -2.100 |

You then report the two pairwise comparisons we conducted in the same way as you would do for ANOVA.

- When reporting the results of LMMs, it is important to provide all the information that someone would need to reproduce your analysis exactly. It's important to provide dates for the R packages you're using so that exactly the same version of R and associated packages can be used by someone else.
- We're moving toward a world where many of the top journals now ask for your analysis code to be uploaded as supplementary material. This could be your R script, or could be the R Markdown document. Either way, it should help with the need for reproducibility.

Addressing lack of convergence

```
Warning message:
```

```
In checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
    Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0171702 (tol = 0.001, component 1)
```

If you see this message (which you will - again and again and again), it means you have to simplify your random effects structure so that a model can be identified.

Addressing lack of convergence

Simplify your random effects structure step by step. For an experiment with two factors (Factor I and Factor 2) we could simplify the participant and item random effects like this:

```
(1 + Factor 1*Factor 2| Participant) + (1 + Factor 1*Factor 2| Item)
(1 + Factor 1*Factor 2| Participant) + (1 + Factor 1+Factor 2| Item)
(1 + Factor 1+Factor 2| Participant) + (1 + Factor 1+Factor 2| Item)
(1 + Factor 1+Factor 2| Participant) + (1 + Factor 1| Item)
```

•••

If you think your random effects looks too sparse when settling on a model that converges, you could try dropping one effect term entirely and then simplifying the other:

```
(1 + Factor 1*Factor 2| Participant) + (1 + Factor 1*Factor 2| Item)
(1 + Factor 1+Factor 2| Participant)
(1 + Factor 1| Participant)
(1 + Factor 2| Participant)
```

You want to avoid random effects with just random intercepts (i.e., no slopes) as that can inflate the Type I error rate (Barr et al., 2013).

A few other LMM things...

- You can add participant and item covariates as fixed effects, and you can have a variety of continuous and categorical variables in your LMM. LMMs are very flexible.
- You'll find that sometimes several models fit your data always run likelihood comparison tests to determine which is the best fit. If you have a selection where not one is statistically better than the others, choose the model that makes most *theoretical* sense.

Important Point

- Add as many random slopes (not just random intercepts) as your experimental design allows - for most cases, we expect variation between participants in terms of how they'll respond to different levels of an experimental condition (which is why we add participants as a random slope) and also variation between our experimental items to different levels of an experimental condition (which is why we also add items as a random slope).
- If the full model with random slopes and intercepts does not converge, then gradually simplify your random effects structures (e.g., drop an interaction term first, then drop a main effect etc.) until you find a model that does converge.

LMMs for Ordinal DVs

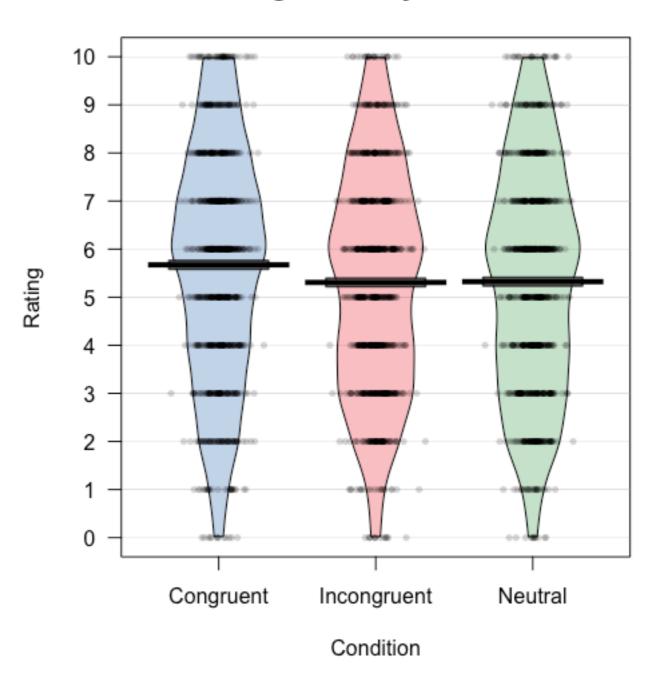
- Often we might collect data using a Likert scale. These data are ordinal and so we should used the cumulative-link mixed model function (CLMM) in the package called ordinal.
 Works similarly to LMMs in lme4 but with one or two minor syntax changes...
- An example: we had 42 participants rate images of sports on a scale of 0-10 corresponding to how much they liked each one. Before each rating measure, they saw a video of a sport that matched or mismatched the one they then had to rate (with a neutral video as baseline).

- We want to know whether people's ratings were influenced by whether or not the sport they rated matched the one they had just seen.
- We have Subject, Image, and SportType as our random effects.
- VideoCondition corresponds to our condition 2 is match, 3 is mismatch, and 4 is neutral.
- Our DV is the column 'ratings'.

| | | | | | | | | | | Q, |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| • | Subject [‡] | order [‡] | Image [‡] | SportType [‡] | VideoCondition [‡] | RTs [‡] | Questionnaire [‡] | SportExperienceTest1 [‡] | SportExperienceTest2 [‡] | ratings [‡] |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2644 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1606 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 3 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 10 | 2 | 1512 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2217 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 5 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1988 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 6 | 1 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 2 | 2876 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 9 |

Rating Scores by Condition

 Plotting our data suggests the Congruent condition is producing higher scores than our other two conditions.



 Before we build our null and experimental models, we need to ensure our DV is coded as an ordinal variable.

```
> Main$ratings <- as.ordered (Main$ratings)
> model.clm.null <- clmm (ratings ~ 1 + (1 + VideoCondition|Subject) + (1 + VideoCondition|SportType) + (1 + VideoCondition|Image), data=Main)
> model.clm4 <- clmm (ratings ~ VideoCondition + (1 + VideoCondition|Subject) + (1 + VideoCondition|SportType) + (1 + VideoCondition|Image), data=Main)</pre>
```

• The syntax for our null model requires we have an explicit intercept (represented by a I in the fixed effects structure) similar to when we built regression models (this is different to how we specify a null model in lme4 syntax).

 First, let's test whether our experimental model and null models differ:

```
> anova (model.clm.null, model.clm4)
```

```
## Likelihood ratio tests of cumulative link models:
##
                 formula:
## model.clm.null ratings ~ 1 + (1 + VideoCondition | Subject) + (1 + VideoCondition | SportType) + (1 +
VideoCondition | Image)
## model.clm4
                 ratings ~ VideoCondition + (1 + VideoCondition | Subject) + (1 + VideoCondition |
SportType) + (1 + VideoCondition | Image)
                 link: threshold:
## model.clm.null logit flexible
## model.clm4 logit flexible
##
           no.par AIC logLik LR.stat df Pr(>Chisq)
## model.clm.null 28 10841 -5392.6
## model.clm4
             30 10837 -5388.4 8.5295 2 0.01406 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

 We can see that they do - and our experimental model has the lower AIC value. Let's explore the effect of our Condition factor using emmeans:

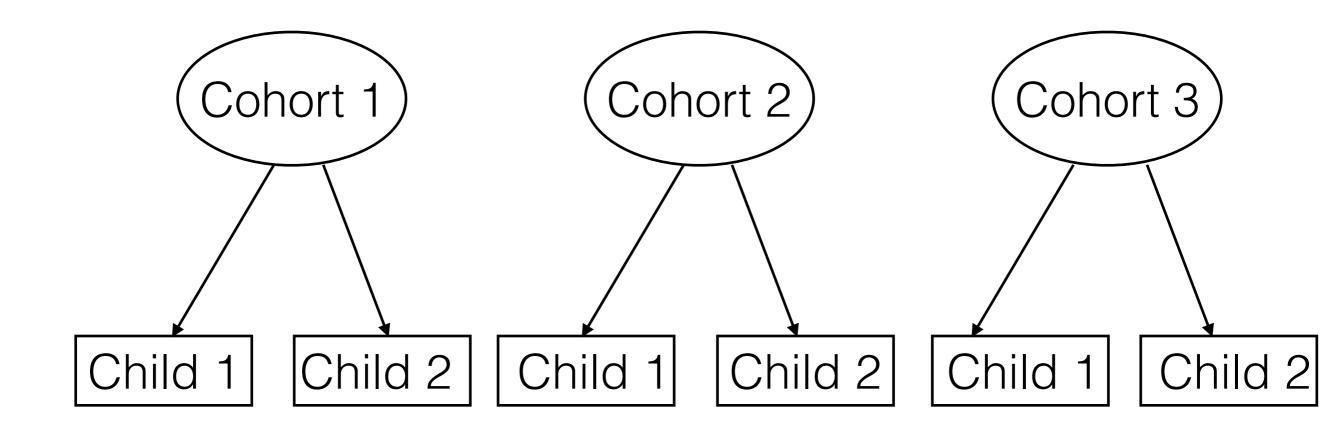
```
> emmeans (model.clm4, pairwise ~ VideoCondition, adjust="none")
## $emmeans
## VideoCondition
                    emmean
                                 SE df asymp.LCL asymp.UCL
## Congruent
                0.6084163 0.2597503 Inf 0.0993151 1.1175176
## Incongruent 0.2917028 0.2449736 Inf -0.1884367 0.7718422
## Neutral
                 0.3153088 0.2436285 Inf -0.1621942 0.7928119
## Confidence level used: 0.95
##
## $contrasts
## contrast
                                            SE df z.ratio p.value
## Congruent - Incongruent 0.31671360 0.09146945 Inf
                                                    3.463 0.0005
## Congruent - Neutral 0.29310751 0.09391144 Inf 3.121 0.0018
## Incongruent - Neutral -0.02360608 0.08587502 Inf -0.275 0.7834
```

- The pairwise comparisons tell us that the Congruent condition differs from the Incongruent and Neutral conditions, but that the Incongruent and Neutral conditions do not differ.
- We can conclude that people's ratings for how much they liked particular sports were influenced by whether they had just seen a video depicting the sport. When the video and sport matched, they give the sport a higher rating when when the video and sport mismatched.

Crossed vs. Nested Random Effects

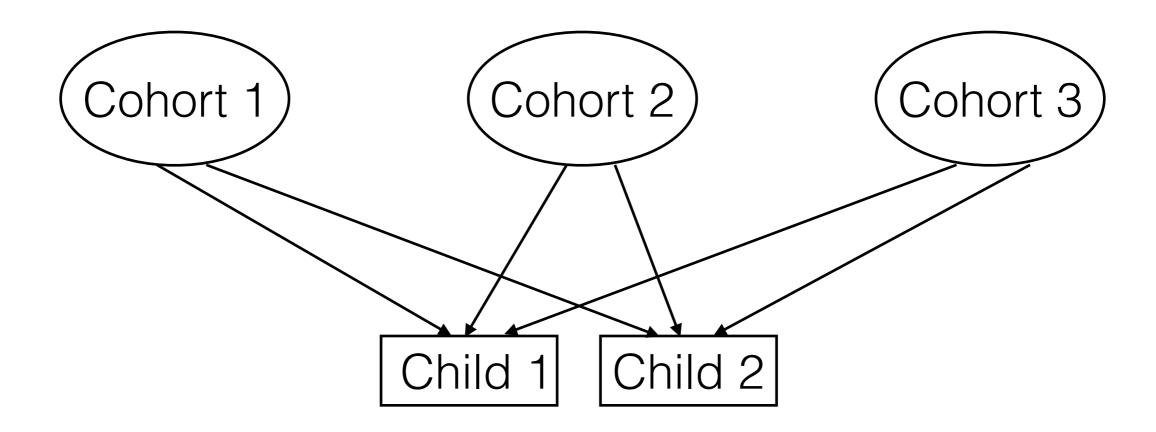
- In most experimental designs, your participant and item random factors are likely to be crossed so random effects notation for a one factor experiment is (1+Factor| Subjects) + (1+Factor| Items)
- In some cases though, your factors might be *nested*.
 Nesting is a property of your data.
- To illustrate:

Nested



Child has an identifier that refers to a different child in each Cohort. Each child appears only in one Cohort. Child is nested within Cohort so random effects structure would be (1+Factor| Cohort/Child)

Crossed



Each child appears in each Cohort. The levels are crossed so random effects structure would be (1+Factor| Cohort) + (1+Factor| Child)

Visualising our whole dataset using "visdat"

```
install.packages ("visdat")
    library (visdat)
 3
    #read in data file
    RPs_plus_ratings <- read_csv("~/Desktop/Air Work/R analyses/Igor study/RPs_plus_ratings.csv")</pre>
    #make Fit a factor
    RPs_plus_ratings$Fit <- factor (RPs_plus_ratings$Fit)
    #create an index so we can remove item 9
10
    index <- RPs_plus_ratings$Item !="9"
11
12
    #visualise the data
    vis_dat(RPs_plus_ratings[index,])
15
    #visualise missing data
    vis_miss(RPs_plus_ratings[index,])
17
18
                                                                                100
         100
                                                                            Observations
                                                         Type
      Observations
                                                            factor
                                                                                200
                                                             integer
                                                             numeric
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         300
                                                                                400
         400
                                                                                                                            Present
                                                                                                                Missing
                                                                                                                           (99.3\%)
```

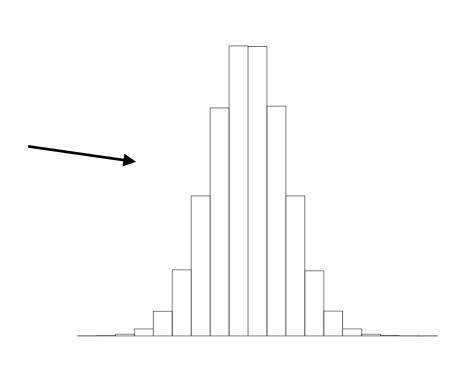
What about normality?

- In LMMs (as with the GLM) we need to worry about the normality of the residuals...
- You can check normality in a number of ways.
- Graphically, you can use the qqnorm function (which produces a Q-Q plot), and hist (which produces a histogram) applied to the model residuals.
- Statistically, you could use the *shapiro.test* function applied to a distribution of data. Be aware that for large datasets, even small deviations from normality will result in a significant Shapiro test. So best not to use this...

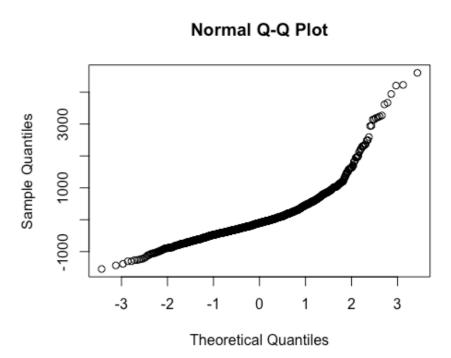
Log transform

Typically, RT data are non-normal and more often the DV looks like this.

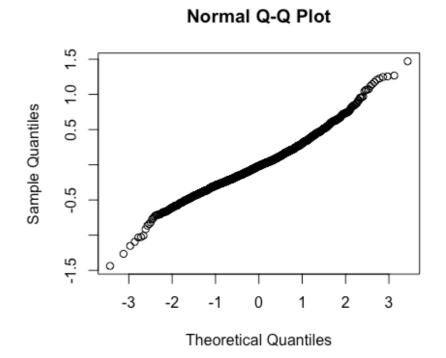
We can log transform our DV to approximate something that looks a bit more like the normal distribution (could also look at inverse RT). But there are risks around transforming data (Lo & Andrews, 2015)



 Normality test on the model residuals from the untransformed data:



 Normality test on the model residuals from the log transformed data:



• The original analysis on the untransformed data:

```
Fixed effects:
                                         df t value Pr(>ItI)
                  Estimate Std. Error
(Intercept)
                   1568.75
                               76.24
                                       50.07 20.577
                                                      <2e-16 ***
Context1
                   -36.20
                               86.01
                                      29.77 -0.421
                                                      0.6768
                   -69.01
                               39.87
                                      25.93 -1.731
                                                      0.0954 .
Sentence1
                                                      0.0458 *
Context1:Sentence1 -168.73
                               80.36
                                       25.51 -2.100
               0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

The new analysis on the log transformed data:

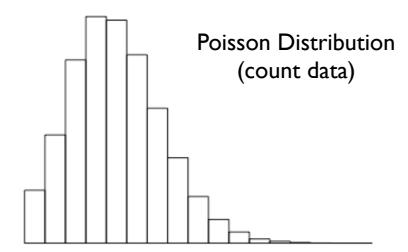
```
Fixed effects:
                  Estimate Std. Error
                                            df t value
(Intercept)
                   7.23975
                              0.04967 49.13000 145.761
Sentence1
                                                 0.264
                   0.01392
                              0.05278 29.03000
Context1
                   0.04316
                              0.02258 28.62000
                                                 1.911
Sentence1:Context1 -0.09333
                              0.04618 25.55000
                                                -2.021
```

t-value of the interaction smaller than in analysis over untransformed data. With similar dfs, p will be bigger.

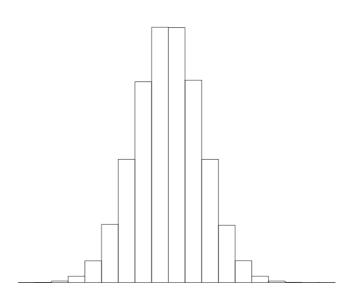
Other distributions under the GLMM via the function glmer are available...

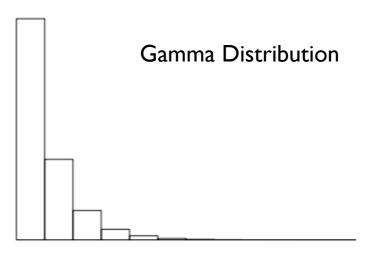
Usage

```
family(object, ...)
binomial(link = "logit")
gaussian(link = "identity")
Gamma(link = "inverse")
inverse.gaussian(link = "1/mu^2")
poisson(link = "log")
quasi(link = "identity", variance = "constant")
quasibinomial(link = "logit")
quasipoisson(link = "log")
```



Normal (Gaussian) Distribution





- Standard linear model assumes a normal distribution of residuals. In the generalised linear mixed model, we can assume a distribution in our model that doesn't involve a normal distribution. We have already looked at the binomial.
- Gamma distribution is another possibility (see Kliegl et al. 2010, Lo & Andrews, 2015, for discussion).

```
model1 <- glmer (RT ~ Sentence*Context + (1+Sentence*Context|Subject) + (1+Sentence*Context|Item), data=DV, family=Gamma)
summary (model1)</pre>
```

Fixed effects: Estimate Std. Error t value (Intercept) 7.28232 0.06731 108.20 0.02284 0.07679 0.30 Sentence1 Context1 0.04276 0.01701 2.51 -3.18Sentence1:Context1 -0.10806 0.03403

t-value of the interaction larger than in previous analysis.

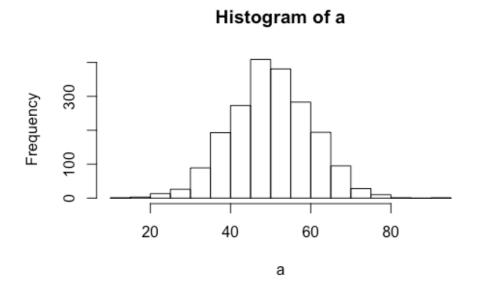
So what to do?

- In this example, all three analyses told basically the same story there is an effect in our interaction term. They differ in terms of the value of the t-statistic associated with testing this.
- It's an issue but if each possible way of analysing the data (incl. log transform and GLMM under the Gamma distribution) produces the same story, probably don't need to worry too much.
- Key is to be transparent in the write-up (did you transform the data? If so, how? What distribution do you assume your data come from?). Most importantly, publicly archive your data and analysis code so it can be examined by others.

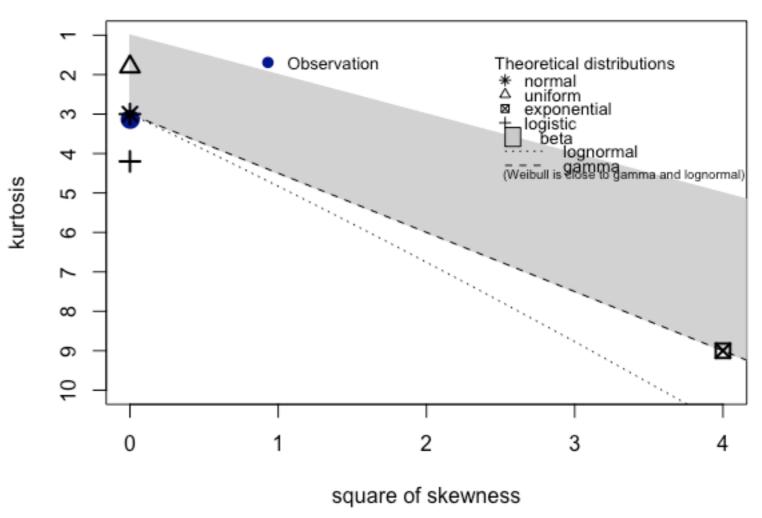
Determining the likely distribution of our data

- We can use the function descdist from the package fitdistrplus to plot any set of data on a Cullen and Frey graph - this will help us determine what known distribution of data our data match.
- First, I'm going to create some data drawn from the normal distribution and plot that sample...

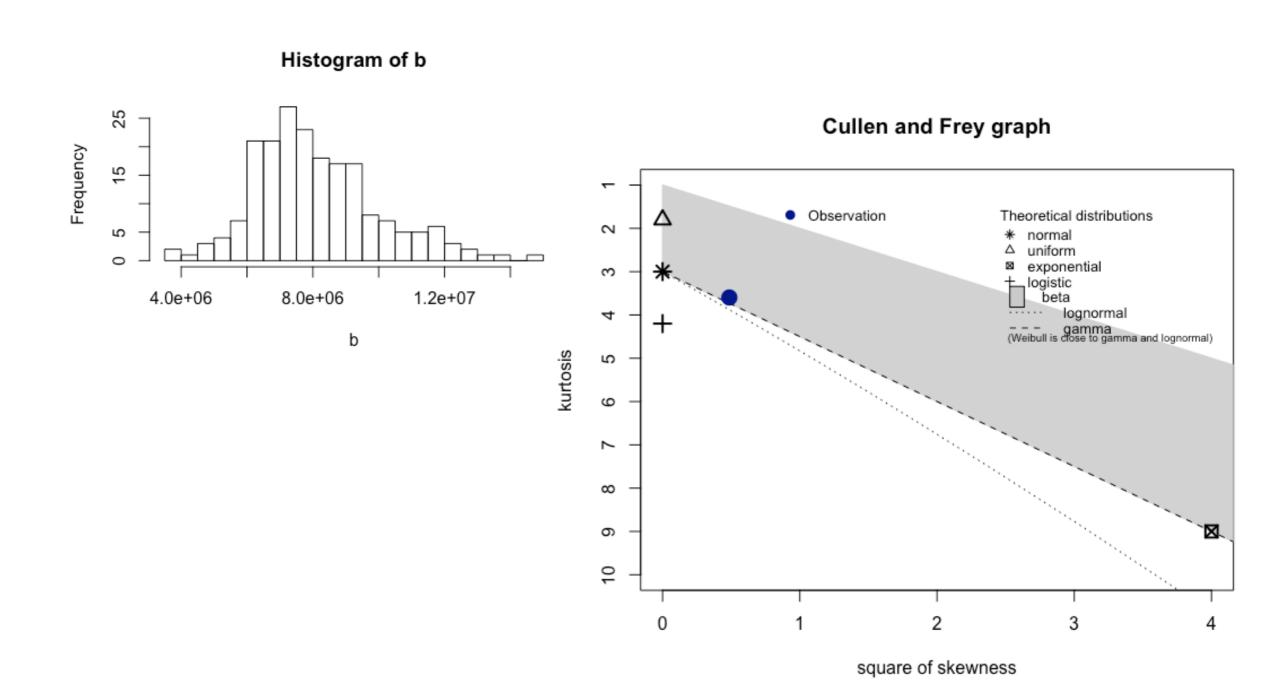
- > library(fitdistrplus)
- > a <- rnorm (2000, mean=50, sd=10)
- > descdist(a)



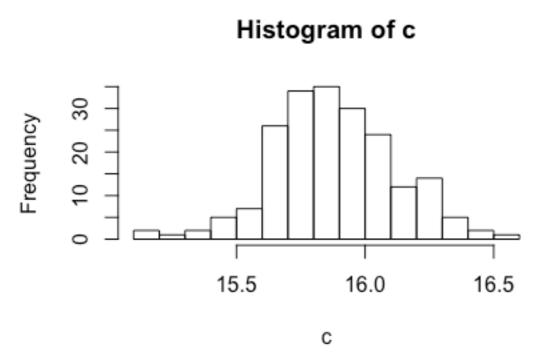
Cullen and Frey graph



Now some positively skewed data:

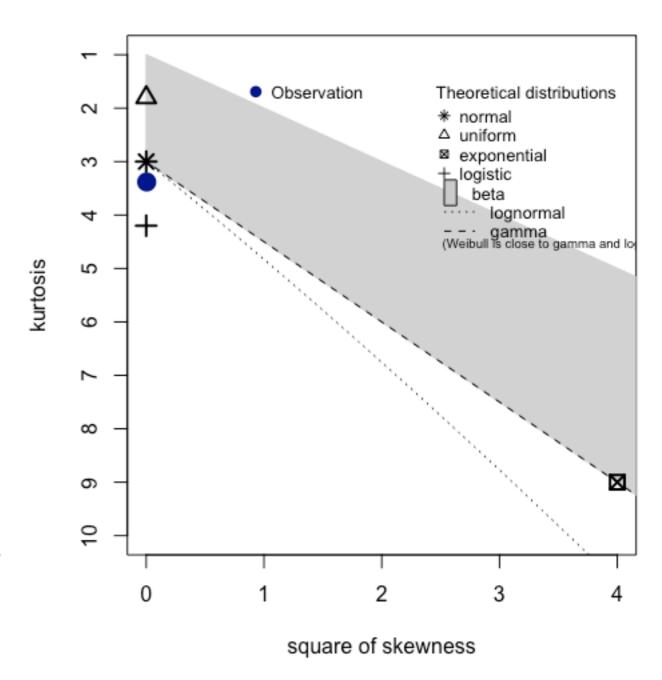


 We can log transform the data and then view on a Cullen and Frey graph...



Understanding the distribution our data is likely sampled from will help us avoid analysis pitfalls.

Cullen and Frey graph



General R Tips

- Restart R whenever you start a new analysis and create a new Project for each analysis - you don't want old variable names clogging up your workspace.
- Make sure you remember to install the library packages you need.
- If you get really stuck, look at some of the R advice forums.
- Chances are you are making a mistake related to syntax, capitalisation, or trying to run a package you haven't installed/updated.

Some examples where I've used LMMs in my own work - code is on my GitHub page.

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