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# Assignment 1: Using mixed effects modelling to model hierarchical data

In this assignment we will be investigating the *politeness* dataset of Winter and Grawunder (2012) and apply basic methods of multilevel modelling.

#### **Dataset**

The dataset has been shared on GitHub, so make sure that the csv-file is on your current path. Otherwise you can supply the full path.

```
politeness <- read.csv('politeness.csv') ## read in data

# Omit na
politeness <- na.omit(politeness)</pre>
```

## Exercises and objectives

The objectives of the exercises of this assignment are:

- 1) Learning to recognize hierarchical structures within datasets and describing them
- 2) Creating simple multilevel models and assessing their fitness
- 3) Write up a report about the findings of the study

REMEMBER: In your report, make sure to include code that can reproduce the answers requested in the exercises below

REMEMBER: This assignment will be part of your final portfolio

#### Exercise 1 - describing the dataset and making some initial plots

1) Describe the dataset, such that someone who happened upon this dataset could understand the variables and what they contain

```
# Data comes from an experiment in which researches are interested in differences of voice pitch in for # The dataset contains 224 observations with 7 variables to describe the data. These variables are labe # - Subject: The anonymized participant ID. # - Gender: The gender of the participant, either F (female) or M (male). # - Scenario: Categorized as 7 different scenarios of dialogue, labeled 1-7.
```

```
# - Attitude: The attitude of the scenario, either formal or informal.
# - Total duration: Duration of the scenario.
# - fOmn: The mean pitch of the participants voice in a scenario.
# - hiss_count: How many hisses the subject utters during the scenario.
```

i. Also consider whether any of the variables in *politeness* should be encoded as factors or have the factor encoding removed. Hint: ?factor

```
# First 4 variables are
politeness$subject <- as.factor(politeness$subject)</pre>
politeness$gender <- as.factor(politeness$gender)</pre>
politeness$scenario <- as.factor(politeness$scenario)</pre>
politeness$attitude <- as.factor(politeness$attitude)</pre>
politeness$total_duration <- as.numeric(politeness$total_duration)</pre>
politeness$f0mn <- as.numeric(politeness$f0mn)</pre>
politeness$hiss_count <- as.numeric(politeness$hiss_count)</pre>
summary(lm(total_duration ~ attitude, data = politeness))
##
## lm(formula = total_duration ~ attitude, data = politeness)
## Residuals:
     Min
             1Q Median
                            3Q
## -22.67 -17.99 -11.75 16.47 76.96
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 25.1444 2.4072 10.446 <2e-16 ***
## attitudepol -0.7275
                            3.3883 -0.215
                                                0.83
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Residual standard error: 24.67 on 210 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.0002195, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 0.0461 on 1 and 210 DF, p-value: 0.8302
```

2) Create a new data frame that just contains the subject F1 and run two linear models; one that expresses f0mn as dependent on scenario as an integer; and one that expresses f0mn as dependent on scenario encoded as a factor

```
# Make subset of data to only include F1
subject_integer_df <- politeness %>%
    filter(subject == "F1")

subject_factor_df <- politeness %>%
    filter(subject == "F1")

# Treat subject as integer
# I already changed subject to factor previously, but will write the code again to practice
subject_integer_df$scenario <- as.integer(subject_integer_df$scenario)</pre>
```

```
subject_factor_df$scenario <- as.factor(subject_factor_df$scenario)

# Make model with the different encodings
model_as_integer <- lm(f0mn ~ scenario, data = subject_integer_df)
model_as_factor <- lm(f0mn ~ scenario, data = subject_factor_df)</pre>
```

i. Include the model matrices, X from the General Linear Model, for these two models in your report and describe the different interpretations of scenario that these entail

```
# Include model matrix
model.matrix(model_as_integer)
```

```
##
       (Intercept) scenario
## 1
                 1
                            1
## 2
                 1
                            1
## 3
                            2
                 1
## 4
                  1
                            2
## 5
                            3
                 1
## 6
                 1
                            3
## 7
                 1
                            4
## 8
                 1
                            4
                            5
## 9
                 1
## 10
                 1
                            5
                            6
## 11
                 1
## 12
                 1
                            6
                            7
## 13
                 1
                            7
## 14
                 1
## attr(,"assign")
## [1] 0 1
```

## model.matrix(model\_as\_factor)

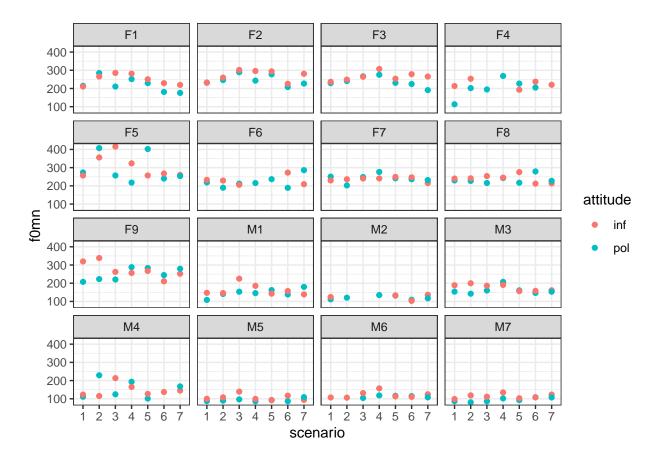
```
(Intercept) scenario2 scenario3 scenario4 scenario5 scenario6 scenario7
##
## 1
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                        0
## 2
                 1
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                        0
                                                                                   0
## 3
                 1
                            1
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                        0
                                                                                   0
## 4
                 1
                            1
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                        0
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                            0
                                                  0
                                                                        0
                                                                                   0
## 5
                 1
                                       1
                                                             0
## 6
                 1
                            0
                                       1
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                        0
                                                                                   0
## 7
                 1
                            0
                                       0
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                                                                                   0
## 8
                            0
                                       0
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                                                                                   0
                 1
                                                  1
## 9
                 1
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
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                                                                                   0
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                                        0
                                                                                   0
## 10
                 1
                                                             1
## 11
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                                   0
                 1
                                                                        1
## 12
                 1
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                        1
                                                                                   0
## 13
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                             0
                                                                        0
                                                                                   1
                 1
                            0
                                       0
                                                  0
                                                                        0
## attr(,"assign")
## [1] 0 1 1 1 1 1 1
## attr(,"contrasts")
## attr(,"contrasts")$scenario
## [1] "contr.treatment"
```

ii. Which coding of *scenario*, as a factor or not, is more fitting?

# We are interested in treating each scenario as separate entities that aren't ranked based on their na

3) Make a plot that includes a subplot for each subject that has scenario on the x-axis and f0mn on the y-axis and where points are colour coded according to attitude

```
# Plotting
ggplot(data = politeness, aes(x = scenario, y = f0mn, color = attitude)) +
  geom_point() +
  facet_wrap(~subject)+
  theme_bw()
```



i. Describe the differences between subjects

## Exercise 2 - comparison of models

For this part, make sure to have lmerTest installed. You can install it using install.packages("lmerTest") and load it using library(lmerTest) lmer is used for multilevel modelling

```
mixed.model <- lmer(formula=..., data=...)
example.formula <- formula(dep.variable ~ first.level.variable + (1 | second.level.variable))</pre>
```

1) Build four models and do some comparisons

i. a single level model that models f0mn as dependent on gender

```
m1 <- lm(f0mn ~ gender, data = politeness)</pre>
summary(m1)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = f0mn ~ gender, data = politeness)
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                    3Q
                                            Max
## -134.283 -24.928
                       -6.783
                                20.517
                                        168.217
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 247.583
                             3.588
                                     69.01
                                             <2e-16 ***
## genderM
              -115.821
                             5.476 -21.15
                                             <2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 39.46 on 210 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.6806, Adjusted R-squared: 0.679
## F-statistic: 447.4 on 1 and 210 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
ii. a two-level model that adds a second level on top of i. where unique intercepts are modelled for ea
m2 <- lmerTest::lmer(f0mn ~ gender + (1|scenario), data = politeness, REML = FALSE)
summary(m2)
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario)
##
     Data: politeness
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
     2162.3
              2175.7 -1077.1
                                2154.3
                                            208
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                                30
## -3.2617 -0.6192 -0.1537 0.4899 4.2318
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
            Name
                         Variance Std.Dev.
## scenario (Intercept)
                           71.82
                                  8.475
## Residual
                         1471.08 38.355
## Number of obs: 212, groups: scenario, 7
##
## Fixed effects:
##
              Estimate Std. Error
                                         df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 247.768
                             4.735
                                     11.793 52.32 2.5e-15 ***
```

```
## genderM
              -115.870
                            5.324 205.219 -21.76 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr)
##
## genderM -0.483
summary(lmerTest::lmer(f0mn ~ gender + (1|scenario), data = politeness, REML = FALSE))
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario)
     Data: politeness
##
##
        AIC
                BIC
                      logLik deviance df.resid
##
     2162.3
             2175.7 -1077.1
                               2154.3
                                           208
##
## Scaled residuals:
               1Q Median
      Min
                               30
                                      Max
## -3.2617 -0.6192 -0.1537 0.4899 4.2318
##
## Random effects:
                        Variance Std.Dev.
## Groups
            Name
                          71.82
                                 8.475
## scenario (Intercept)
## Residual
                        1471.08 38.355
## Number of obs: 212, groups: scenario, 7
##
## Fixed effects:
##
              Estimate Std. Error
                                        df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 247.768
                            4.735
                                    11.793 52.32 2.5e-15 ***
## genderM
              -115.870
                            5.324 205.219 -21.76 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr)
## genderM -0.483
iii. a two-level model that only has _subject_ as an intercept
m3 <- lmerTest::lmer(f0mn ~ gender + (1|subject), data = politeness, REML = FALSE)
summary(m3)
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | subject)
##
     Data: politeness
##
##
        AIC
                BIC
                      logLik deviance df.resid
##
     2112.0
             2125.5 -1052.0
                               2104.0
                                           208
##
```

```
## Scaled residuals:
##
              1Q Median
      Min
                               30
                                      Max
## -3.2405 -0.5471 -0.1431 0.4360 3.8443
##
## Random effects:
                        Variance Std.Dev.
## Groups
           Name
## subject (Intercept) 511.2
                                 22.61
                                 32.04
## Residual
                        1026.7
## Number of obs: 212, groups: subject, 16
##
## Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error
                                        df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                    15.984 30.501 1.36e-15 ***
## (Intercept) 246.547
                            8.083
              -115.193
                           12.239
                                    16.076 -9.412 6.08e-08 ***
## genderM
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
           (Intr)
## genderM -0.660
iv. a two-level model that models intercepts for both _scenario_ and _subject_
m4 <- lmerTest::lmer(f0mn ~ gender + (1|scenario) + (1|subject), data = politeness, REML = FALSE)
summary (m4)
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
    method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
##
     Data: politeness
##
##
       AIC
                BIC
                     logLik deviance df.resid
             2122.0 -1047.6
##
    2105.2
                               2095.2
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -3.0357 -0.5384 -0.1177 0.4346 3.7808
## Random effects:
## Groups Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
## subject (Intercept) 516.19
                                 22.720
## scenario (Intercept) 89.36
                                  9.453
## Residual
                        940.25
                                 30.664
## Number of obs: 212, groups: subject, 16; scenario, 7
##
## Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error
                                        df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 246.778
                            8.829
                                    19.248 27.952 < 2e-16 ***
              -115.186
                           12.223
                                    16.011 -9.424 6.19e-08 ***
## genderM
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
```

```
v. which of the models has the lowest residual standard deviation, also compare the Akaike Information
# Finding residual standard deviation
tibble(sigma(m1), sigma(m2), sigma(m3), sigma(m4))
## # A tibble: 1 x 4
    'sigma(m1)' 'sigma(m2)' 'sigma(m3)' 'sigma(m4)'
##
           <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                                   <dbl>
                                               <dbl>
## 1
            39.5
                        38.4
                                    32.0
                                                30.7
# AIC values
tibble(AIC(m1), AIC(m2), AIC(m3), AIC(m4))
## # A tibble: 1 x 4
     'AIC(m1)' 'AIC(m2)' 'AIC(m3)' 'AIC(m4)'
##
         <dbl>
                   <dbl>
                             <dbl>
                                       <dbl>
## 1
         2164.
                   2162.
                             2112.
                                       2105.
anova(m2, m1, m3, m4)
## Data: politeness
## Models:
## m1: f0mn ~ gender
## m2: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario)
## m3: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | subject)
## m4: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
                    BIC logLik deviance
##
     npar
             AIC
                                           Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
         3 2164.0 2174.0 -1079.0
## m1
                                   2158.0
## m2
         4 2162.3 2175.7 -1077.1
                                   2154.3 3.7136 1
                                                       0.053969 .
         4 2112.1 2125.5 -1052.0
                                  2104.1 50.2095
## m3
         5 2105.2 2122.0 -1047.6
## m4
                                  2095.2 8.8725 1
                                                       0.002895 **
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
vi. which of the second-level effects explains the most variance?
# We see by comparing residual standard deviation and AIC scores of m2 (intercepts for scenario) and m3
  2) Why is our single-level model bad?
```

(Intr)

## genderM -0.604

i.e. averaging across \_attitude\_ and\_scenario\_

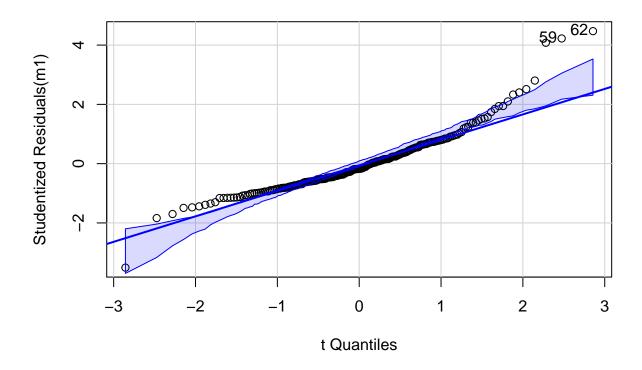
# The single level model ignores some important hierarchies in the data which we are well aware of exis

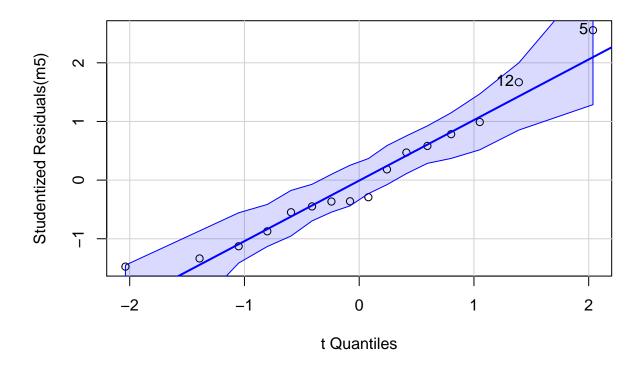
i. create a new data frame that has three variables, \_subject\_, \_gender\_ and \_f0mn\_, where \_f0mn\_ is th

```
# Creating new df
politeness2 <- politeness %>%
  group_by(subject, gender) %>%
  summarize(mean_of_f0mn = mean(f0mn))
## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'subject'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.
ii. build a single-level model that models _f0mn_ as dependent on _gender_ using this new dataset
# Building new model
m5 <- lm(mean_of_f0mn ~ gender, data = politeness2)</pre>
summary(m5)
##
## lm(formula = mean_of_f0mn ~ gender, data = politeness2)
## Residuals:
      Min
              1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -34.606 -15.493 -8.212 15.702 52.859
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                          8.635 28.530 8.34e-14 ***
## (Intercept) 246.370
                           13.055 -8.816 4.35e-07 ***
             -115.092
## genderM
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 25.91 on 14 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8474, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8365
## F-statistic: 77.72 on 1 and 14 DF, p-value: 4.346e-07
```

iii. make Quantile-Quantile plots, comparing theoretical quantiles to the sample quantiles) using 'qqno

```
par(car::qqPlot(m1), car::qqPlot(m5))
```





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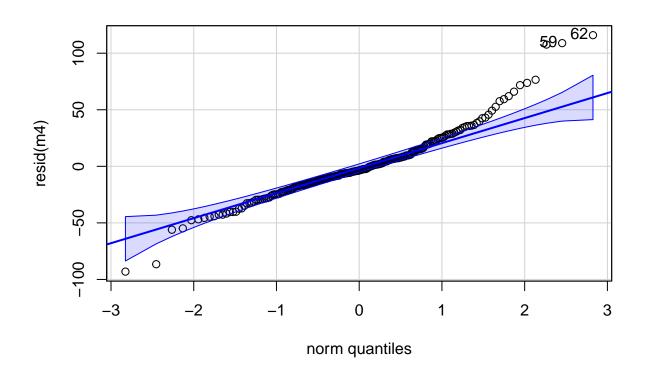
## 1

39.5

25.9

iv. Also make a quantile-quantile plot for the residuals of the multilevel model with two intercepts.

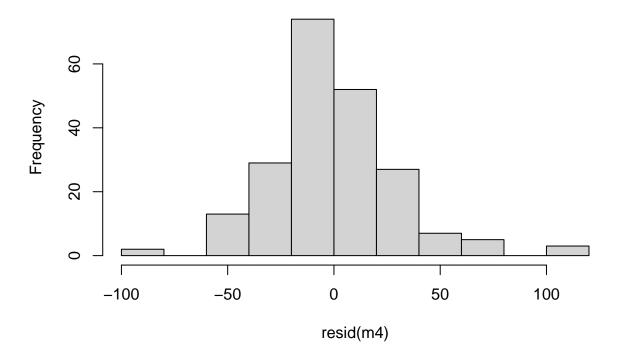
```
# Plotting both qq plot and histogram of residuals
car::qqPlot(resid(m4))
```



## 62 59 ## 59 56

hist(resid(m4))

# Histogram of resid(m4)



The residuals are a bit right-skewed, but it does look alright.

- 3) Plotting the two-intercepts model
  - i. Create a plot for each subject, (similar to part 3 in Exercise 1), this time also indicating the fitted value for each of the subjects for each for the scenarios (hint use fixef to get the "grand effects" for each gender and ranef to get the subject- and scenario-specific effects)

## lme4::ranef(m4)

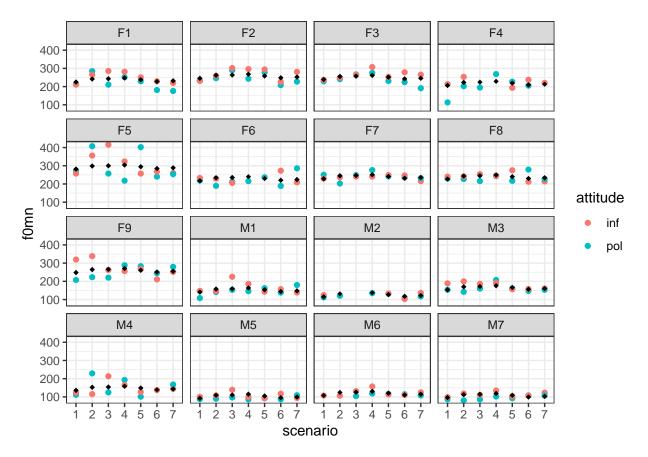
```
## $subject
##
      (Intercept)
## F1
       -10.352395
## F2
        10.094446
## F3
         3.729695
## F4
       -29.005995
## F5
        46.412082
       -18.123879
## F6
##
  F7
        -6.888757
##
  F8
        -8.412000
## F9
        12.546803
## M1
        20.751054
## M2
        -5.404916
## M3
        33.082363
## M4
        15.857120
## M5
       -27.866289
```

```
## M6 -12.427513
## M7 -23.991818
##
## $scenario
##
     (Intercept)
## 1 -11.387438
        5.223445
        6.676269
## 3
## 4
       11.148937
## 5
       1.386386
      -8.478479
## 7
       -4.569120
##
## with conditional variances for "subject" "scenario"
```

#### lme4::fixef(m4)

```
## (Intercept) genderM
## 246.7779 -115.1860
```

```
# Plotting
ggplot(data = politeness, aes(x = scenario, y = f0mn, color = attitude)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_point(aes(x = scenario, y = fitted(m4)), color = "black", shape = 18)+
  facet_wrap(~subject)+
  theme_bw()
```



#### Exercise 3 - now with attitude

- 1) Carry on with the model with the two unique intercepts fitted (scenario and subject).
  - i. now build a model that has attitude as a main effect besides gender

```
m6 <- lmerTest::lmer(f0mn ~ gender + attitude + (1|scenario) + (1|subject), data = politeness, REML = F.
summary(m6)
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
##
## Formula: f0mn ~ gender + attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
      Data: politeness
##
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                      logLik deviance df.resid
##
     2094.5
              2114.6 -1041.2
                                2082.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -2.8791 -0.5968 -0.0569 0.4260 3.9068
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
           Name
                         Variance Std.Dev.
## subject (Intercept) 514.92
                                  22.692
## scenario (Intercept)
                         99.22
                                   9.961
## Residual
                         878.39
                                  29.638
## Number of obs: 212, groups: subject, 16; scenario, 7
##
## Fixed effects:
##
              Estimate Std. Error
                                         df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                     21.800 27.904 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept) 254.408
                             9.117
## genderM
              -115.447
                                     16.000 -9.494 5.63e-08 ***
                            12.161
## attitudepol -14.817
                             4.086 190.559 -3.626 0.000369 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
               (Intr) gendrM
               -0.583
## genderM
## attitudepol -0.231 0.006
ii. make a separate model that besides the main effects of _attitude_ and _gender_ also include their is
m7 <- lmerTest::lmer(f0mn ~ gender * attitude + (1|scenario) + (1|subject), data = politeness, REML = F.
summary(m7)
\#\# Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
     method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: f0mn ~ gender * attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
     Data: politeness
##
##
##
       AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
     2096.0 2119.5 -1041.0
                                2082.0
##
                                            205
```

```
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                       Max
  -2.8460 -0.5893 -0.0685 0.3946
                                    3.9518
##
##
## Random effects:
  Groups
            Name
                         Variance Std.Dev.
##
   subject (Intercept) 514.09
                                  22.674
##
   scenario (Intercept)
                          99.08
                                   9.954
  Residual
                         876.46
                                  29.605
## Number of obs: 212, groups: subject, 16; scenario, 7
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                       Estimate Std. Error
                                                  df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                                     27.521 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
                        255.632
                                     9.289
                                             23.556
## genderM
                       -118.251
                                    12.841
                                             19.922
                                                     -9.209 1.28e-08 ***
                        -17.198
## attitudepol
                                     5.395
                                            190.331
                                                    -3.188
                                                             0.00168 **
## genderM:attitudepol
                          5.563
                                     8.241
                                            190.388
                                                      0.675
                                                             0.50049
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
               (Intr) gendrM atttdp
## genderM
               -0.605
## attitudepol -0.299 0.216
## gndrM:tttdp 0.195 -0.323 -0.654
```

iii. describe what the interaction term in the model says about Korean men's pitch when they are polite

# The model describes that, although pitch decreases in the polite attitude compared to the informal at

2) Compare the three models (1. gender as a main effect; 2. gender and attitude as main effects; 3. gender and attitude as main effects and the interaction between them. For all three models model unique intercepts for *subject* and *scenario*) using residual variance, residual standard deviation and AIC.

```
# Running anova to quickly compare AIC values anova(m4, m6, m7)
```

```
## Data: politeness
## Models:
## m4: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
## m6: f0mn ~ gender + attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
## m7: f0mn ~ gender * attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
##
      npar
             AIC
                    BIC logLik deviance
                                           Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
## m4
         5 2105.2 2122.0 -1047.6
                                   2095.2
         6 2094.5 2114.6 -1041.2
                                   2082.5 12.6868 1 0.0003683 ***
## m6
## m7
         7 2096.0 2119.5 -1041.0
                                  2082.0 0.4551 1 0.4998998
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
```

3) Choose the model that you think describe the data the best - and write a short report on the main findings based on this model. At least include the following:

- i. describe what the dataset consists of
- ii. what can you conclude about the effect of gender and attitude on pitch (if anything)?
- iii. motivate why you would include separate intercepts for subjects and scenarios (if you think they should be included)
- iv. describe the variance components of the second level (if any)
- v. include a Quantile-Quantile plot of your chosen model

## Findings based on politeness dataset by Winter & Grawunder

#### Note on dataset

This dataset was collected to study the phonetic profile of Korean formal and informal speech registers (Winter & Grawunder, 2012). The dataset includes variables of: "Subject" - the anonymized participant ID; "Gender" - the gender of the participant, either F (female) or M (male); "Scenario" - categorized as 7 different scenarios of dialogue, labeled 1-7; "Attitude" - the attitude of the scenario, either formal or informal; "Total duration" - duration of the scenario; "f0mn" - the mean pitch of the participants voice in a scenario and "hiss count" - how many hisses the subject utters during the scenario.

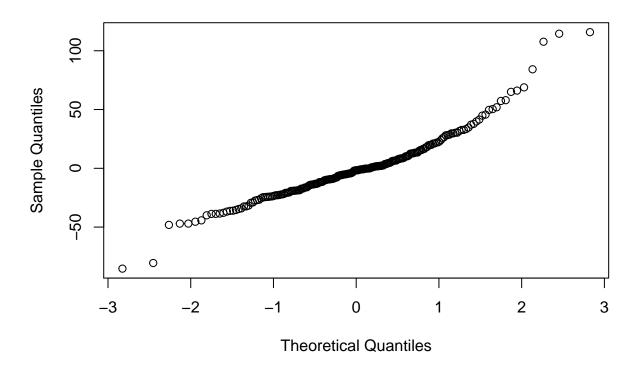
#### Building the model

The variable of interest in the paper is mean pitch (f0mn), and I'd like to monitor the changes (if anyin) in this variable. Therefore, it is the outcome variable of my model. Since it is established that pitch is highly correlated to biological sex, I have included gender as a main (fixed) effect. As the original paper hypothesized about pitch differences in formal and informal settings, attitude should of course also be included as a main effect. Furthermore, it is likely that subject have varying baseline pitch frequencies, which is the case for adding a random intercepts per subject. The same goes for the variable scenario, which indicates the situation in which the dialogue exchange takes place. The input in R then becomes f0mn  $\sim$  gender + attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject). The main effects are both significant at p < 0.05, and the model also has the lowest AIC value of all tested models. There could be a case for adding the interaction between gender and attitude, as one might hypothesize whether there's a difference in degree of pitch change between men and women across attitude, though this was tested and yielded a weaker model with no significant effect of the interaction and a higher AIC value, and as also not particularly relevant to the study.

#### Checking assumptions of normality of residuals

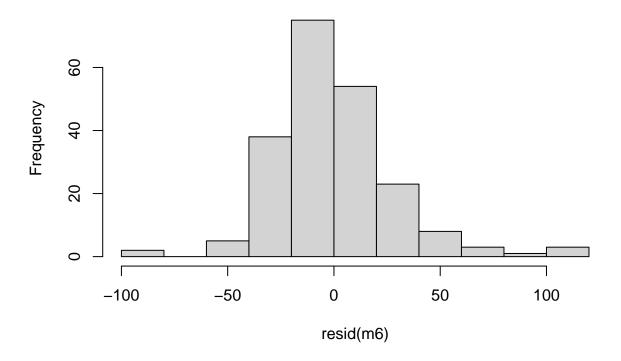
qqnorm(resid(m6))

# Normal Q-Q Plot



hist(resid(m6))

# **Histogram of resid(m6)**



The residuals follow a somewhat normal distribution, with a slight right skew (positive skew).

#### Results from model

The predictor "gender" has a significant effect (p < 0.05) on mean pitch, showing a decrease from 254.41 Hz for women to 138.96 Hz for men. In comparing polite and informal speech, there is a 14.82 Hz reduction in mean pitch going from the informal to the polite condition (p < 0.05). We also see the random intercepts explaining a good amount of the variance in the dataset (515), especially random intercepts by subject.

```
# Running anova to quickly compare AIC values
anova(m2, m1, m3, m4, m6, m7)
```

```
## Data: politeness
## Models:
## m1: f0mn ~ gender
## m2: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario)
## m3: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | subject)
## m4: f0mn ~ gender + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
## m6: f0mn ~ gender + attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
  m7: f0mn ~ gender * attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
##
                     BIC logLik deviance
                                             Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
##
      npar
              AIC
## m1
         3 2164.0 2174.0 -1079.0
                                    2158.0
## m2
         4 2162.3 2175.7 -1077.1
                                    2154.3
                                            3.7136
                                                    1
                                                       0.0539693 .
         4 2112.1 2125.5 -1052.0
                                                    0
## m3
                                    2104.1 50.2095
## m4
         5 2105.2 2122.0 -1047.6
                                    2095.2 8.8725
                                                   1
                                                       0.0028950 **
```

```
6 2094.5 2114.6 -1041.2 2082.5 12.6868 1 0.0003683 ***
## m7
        7 2096.0 2119.5 -1041.0 2082.0 0.4551 1 0.4998998
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
summary(m6)
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use Satterthwaite's
    method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: f0mn ~ gender + attitude + (1 | scenario) + (1 | subject)
##
     Data: politeness
##
##
       AIC
                BIC logLik deviance df.resid
##
     2094.5
             2114.6 -1041.2
                               2082.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               ЗQ
                                     Max
## -2.8791 -0.5968 -0.0569 0.4260 3.9068
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
## subject (Intercept) 514.92
## scenario (Intercept) 99.22
                                 9.961
## Residual
                        878.39
                                29.638
## Number of obs: 212, groups: subject, 16; scenario, 7
## Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error
                                       df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                   21.800 27.904 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept) 254.408 9.117
                                   16.000 -9.494 5.63e-08 ***
## genderM
              -115.447
                          12.161
## attitudepol -14.817
                          4.086 190.559 -3.626 0.000369 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
              (Intr) gendrM
```

## genderM

-0.583

## attitudepol -0.231 0.006