

# Linear models II

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# In the previous lecture...

Model	Variables	Distribution	R code
Linear Regression	$Y = b_0 + b_1x$	Normal	<i>lm(formula, data)</i>
General Linear Models	$Y = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + \dots$	Normal	<i>lm(formula, data)</i>
Generalized Linear Models (GLM)	$Y = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + \dots$	Any	<i>glm(formula, family, data)</i>

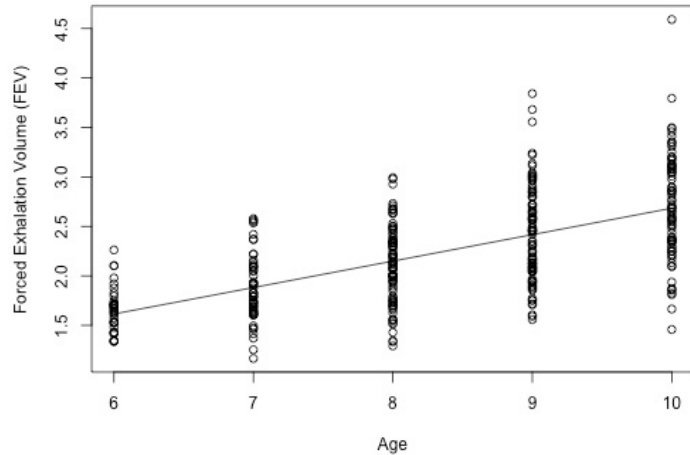
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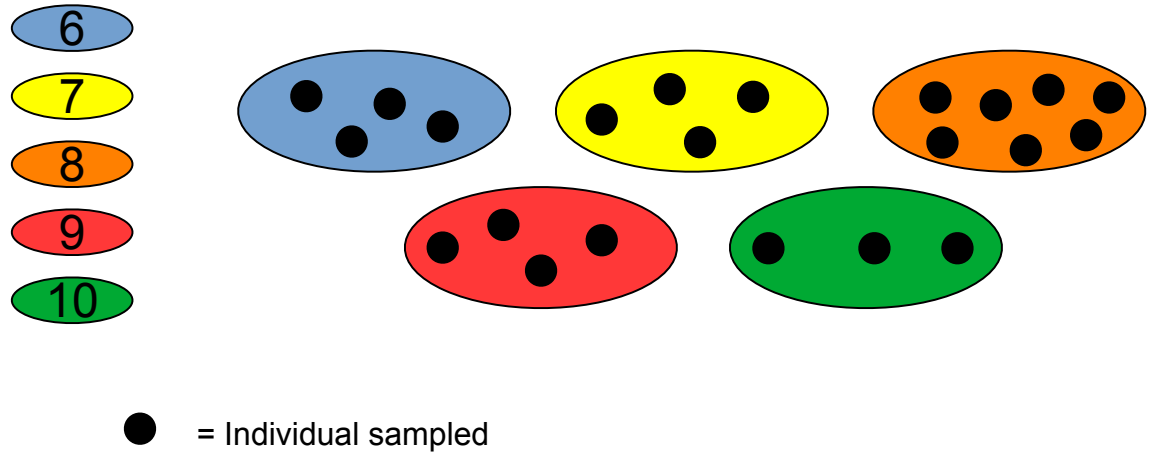
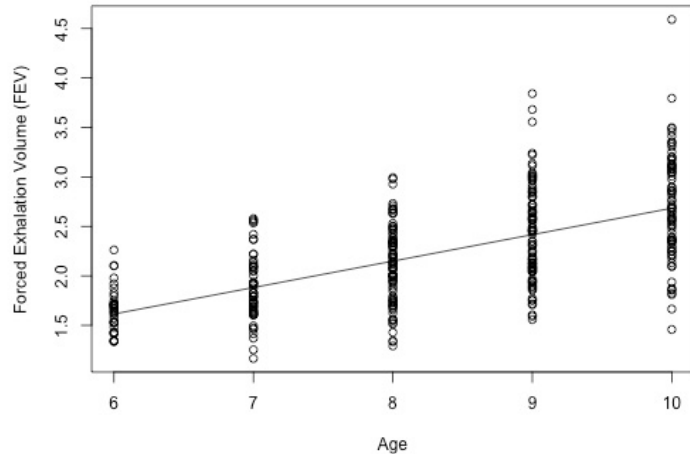
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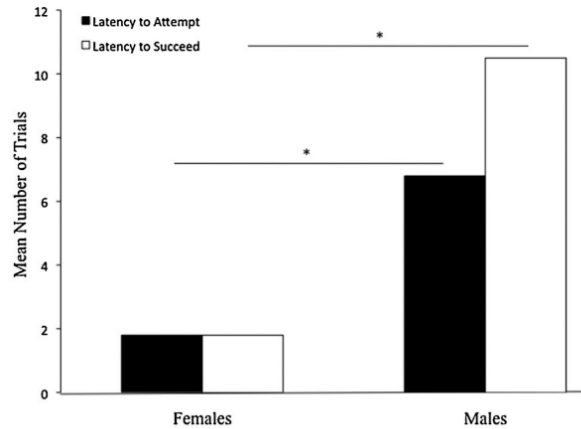
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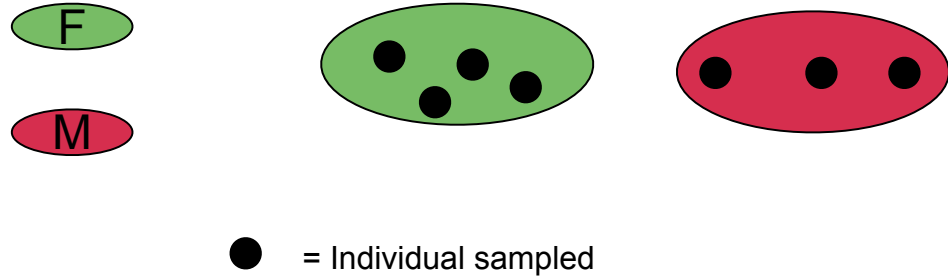
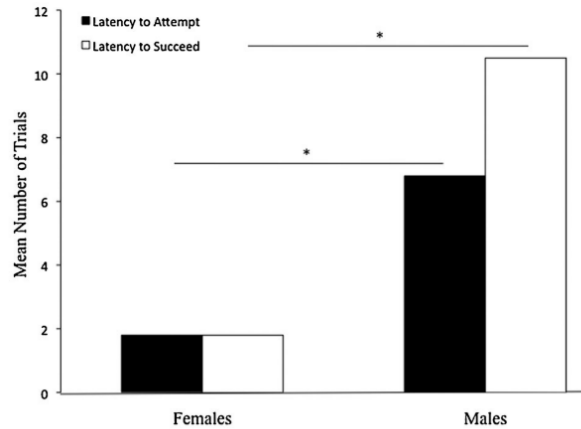
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The levels of our study (Age, Sex) are called FIXED EFFECT.

- Each level of a Fixed Factor is not derived randomly among infinite possibilities
- In an experiment, we look at all the possible levels of a Fixed Factor
- If we change the levels of a Fixed Factor, we have to change the hypothesis and repeat the experiment
  - E.g., if we change our fixed effect from sex to age in our Bonobos experiment, we also need to change our hypothesis

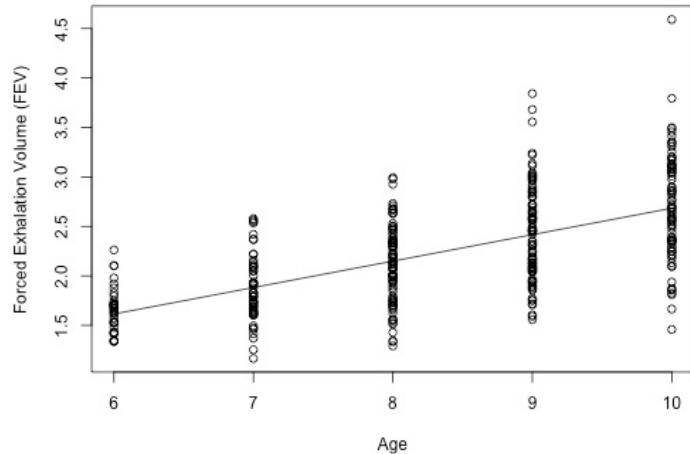
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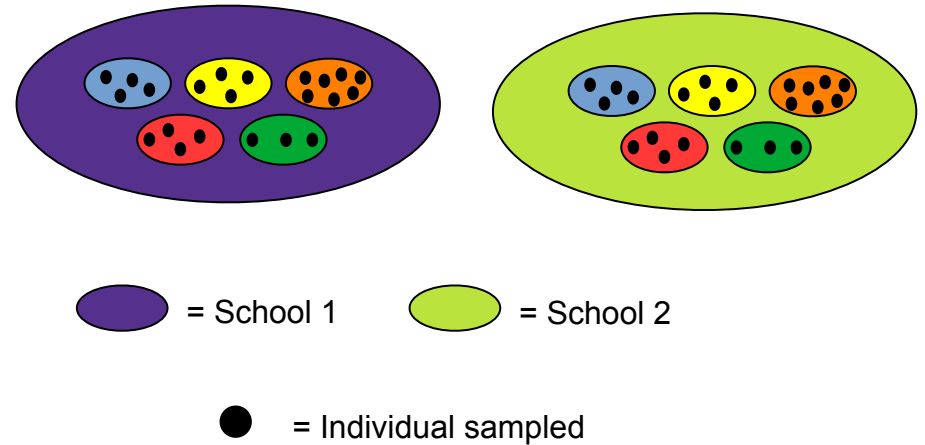
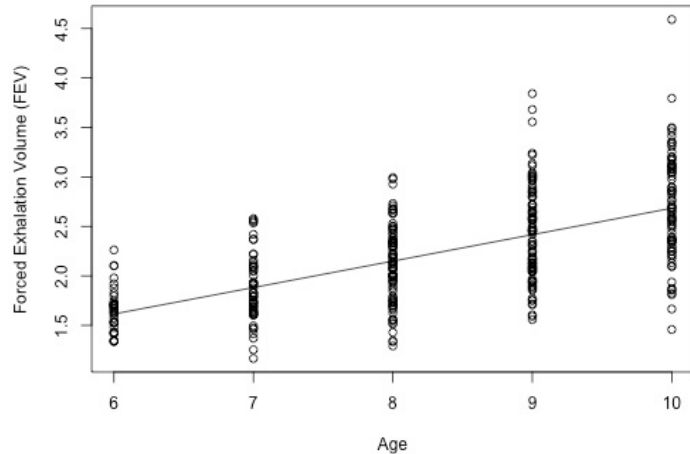
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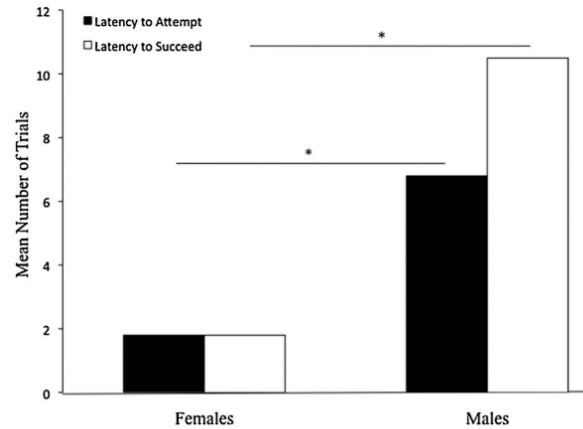
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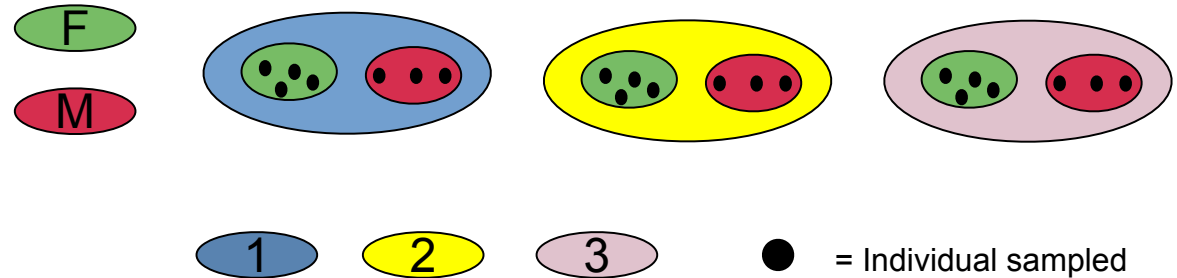
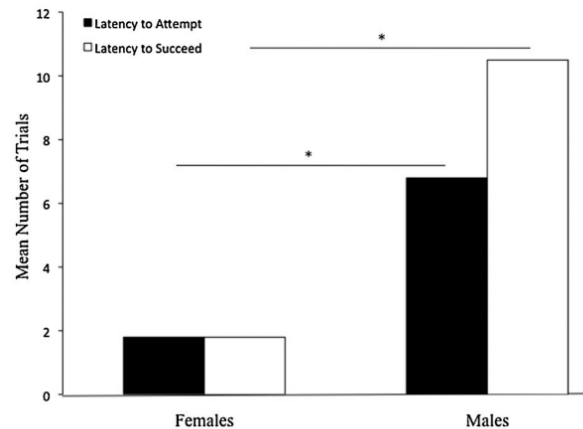
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The levels that quantify our variance are called RANDOM EFFECT.

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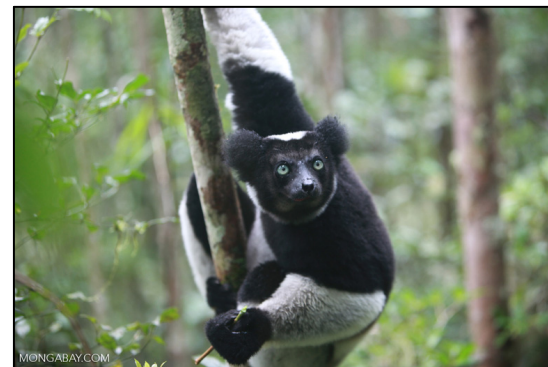
GLMMs combine the proprieties of Linear Mixed Models (LMM) and Generalized Linear Models (GLM), which handle non-normal data.

- You have a Random Effect
- It can handle data with poisson, binomial or normal distribution
- It can handle interactions and additive effects

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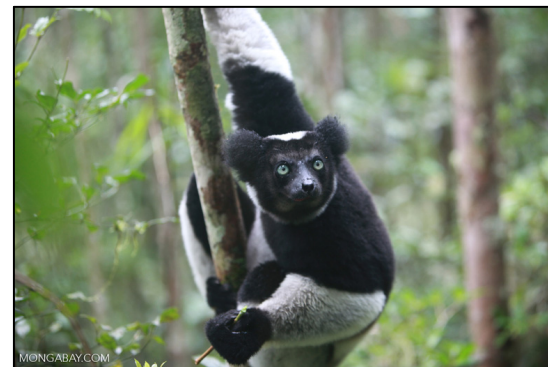


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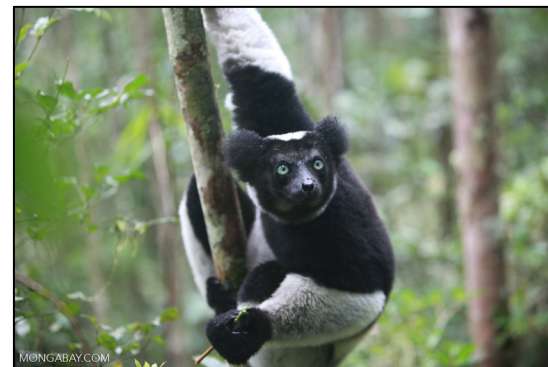
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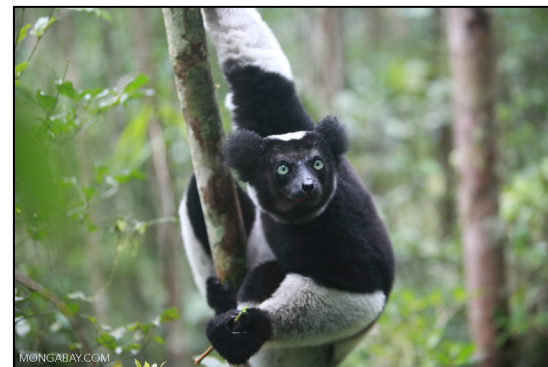
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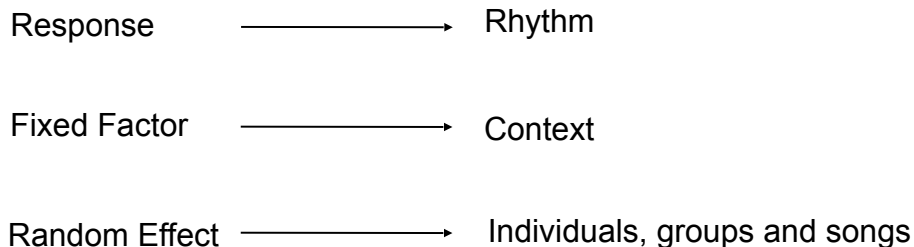
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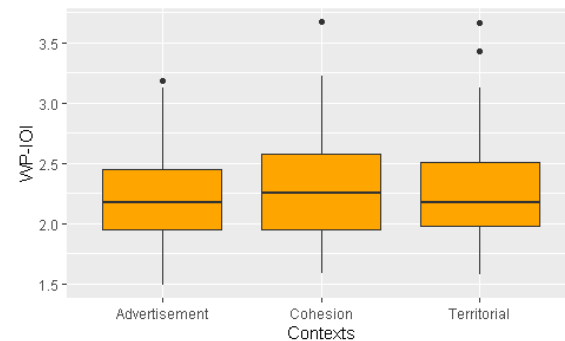
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# An example

Phonemic Diversity Supports a Serial Founder Effect Model of Language Expansion from Africa (Atkinson 2011)

- “Here I show that the number of phonemes used in a global sample of 504 languages is also clinal and fits a serial founder–effect model of expansion from an inferred origin in Africa.”
- Assumption: “The more speakers a language has, the bigger its phoneme inventory is likely to be.” (Hay & Bauer 2007)
- “For maximum comparability to earlier studies, we created models in which  $\log(\text{population})$  is the independent variable (more commonly called a fixed-effect predictor in the literature on mixed models). Language genus and language family were included as group-level predictors (a.k.a. random effects).” (Moran et al., 2012)