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- E.g., quasi-Poisson: When there is overdispersion, allows us to model the variance as a linear function of the mean in contrast to the underlying assumption of a Poisson model that  $\mu = \tau^2$  (can account for outliers)

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- At the extreme, imagine perfect separability along  $x$ ; a large number of fits will perfectly predict the data

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- Quasi-score function:  $q_i = \frac{y_i - \mu_i}{a(\psi)\tau^2}$
- Contribution of  $i$ th point to log-likelihood function:  $Q_i = \int_{y_i}^{\mu_i} \frac{y_i - \mu_i}{a(\psi)\tau^2} dt$
- Components of  $\mathbf{Y}$  are independent by assumption (we can violate this in later weeks), the log-quasi-likelihood for the complete data is the sum of the individual contributions:  $Q(\theta, a(\psi)|y) = \sum_{i=1}^n Q_i$
- MLE of  $\hat{\theta}$ :  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} Q(\theta, \psi|y) = -\sum_{i=1}^n y_i + n\theta \equiv 0$
- Quasi-deviance function:  
$$D(\theta, \psi|y) = -2a(\psi)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n Q_i = 2 \int_{\mu_i}^{y_i} \frac{y_i - t}{\tau^2} dt$$

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- For GLMMs, we add random effects to the linear predictor and then express the expected value of the outcome conditional on those random effects

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- Generally more power than fixed effects, but need to make the above assumptions, because with greater power generally comes larger false positive rates if the assumptions are not met

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