# Mixed Effects Linear Models to Analyze Plankton Comunity Data

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## Introduction

This notebook reprises analyses using mixed model linear models instead of GAMs. The goal is to lower complexity of models, and gain access to some tools for automated model selection.

In practice, what I found using GAM analyses was that they seldom fit relationships that were not linear between predictors and response, so we gained little benefit from the added complexity of using GAM models. GAMs are complex to fit, especially (as here) when predictor variables are interrelated.

In this Notebook, I emphasize physical environmental variables. The base model includes the following Fixed Effects predictors:

- Station
- Temperature
- Salinity
- log(Turb)
- log(Chl)
- log1p(Fish)

That is different from the related GAM models because I retain Station in the model. Here, where relationships are strictly linear, keeping it in the model did not lead to an excess of colinearity.

Year is included in the model as a random effect, largely to reduce unexplained variance in the model.

This means these models omit:

- Discharge (highly collinear with other predictors),
- Oxygen Saturation (Incomplete data and Highly collinear with Temperature),
- Season (Highly correlated with multiple predictors, especially Temperature)
- Sample Event (inclusion as a random factor often led to over-specified models and it seldom proved important)

I emphasize hierarchical linear models here because there are robust automated tools for stepwise model selection on linear hierarchical models, and the logic of applying consideration of collinearity is less confusing than the logic of applying "concurvity" to GAM models. Almost all GAM models we fit to the plankton data end up fitting only linear relationships anyway, so there should be little loss in model accuracy.

### Load Libraries

```
library(lmerTest) # Automatically loads lme4
#> Loading required package: lme4
#> Loading required package: Matrix
#> Attaching package: 'lmerTest'
#> The following object is masked from 'package:lme4':
#>
#>
#> The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
#>
#>
      step
library(tidyverse)
                                       ----- tiduverse 1.3.1 --
#> -- Attaching packages -----
#> v qqplot2 3.3.6
                   v purrr 0.3.4
#> v tibble 3.1.7
                    v dplyr 1.0.9
#> v tidyr 1.2.0
                    v stringr 1.4.0
#> v readr 2.1.2
                    v forcats 0.5.1
#> -- Conflicts -----
                                            ----- tidyverse conflicts() --
#> x tidyr::expand() masks Matrix::expand()
#> x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
#> x dplyr::lag() masks stats::lag()
#> x tidyr::pack() masks Matrix::pack()
#> x tidyr::unpack() masks Matrix::unpack()
library(readxl)
library(car)
                  # provides access to vif() function
#> Loading required package: carData
#> Attaching package: 'car'
#> The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
#>
#> The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
#>
#>
      some
library(emmeans)
                 # For extracting useful "marginal" model summaries
```

## Set Graphics Theme

This sets ggplot() graphics for no background, no grid lines, etc. in a clean format suitable for (some) publications.

```
theme_set(theme_classic())
```

## Input Data

#### Folder References

```
data_folder <- "Original_Data"
```

#### Load Data

```
filename.in <- "penob.station.data EA 3.12.20.xlsx"
file_path <- file.path(data_folder, filename.in)</pre>
station_data <- read_excel(file_path,</pre>
                                  sheet="Final", col_types = c("skip", "date",
                                                          "numeric", "text", "numeric",
                                                          "text", "skip", "skip",
                                                          "skip",
                                                         rep("numeric", 10),
                                                          "text",
                                                          rep("numeric", 47),
                                                          "text",
                                                         rep("numeric", 12))) %>%
  \label{eq:continuity} $$\operatorname{rename\_with($^{\circ}$ gsub("", "_", .x)) \%}$% $$ \operatorname{rename\_with($^{\circ}$ gsub("\\.", "_", .x)) \%}$%
  rename_with(~ gsub("\\?", "", .x)) %>%
  rename_with(~ gsub("%", "pct", .x)) %>%
  rename_with(~ gsub("_Abundance", "", .x)) %>%
  filter(! is.na(date))
#> New names:
#> * `` -> `...61`
```

```
names(station_data)[10:12]
#> [1] "discharge_week_cftpersec" "discharg_day"
#> [3] "discharge_week_max"
```

```
names(station_data)[10:12] <- c('disch_wk', 'disch_day', 'disch_max')</pre>
```

Station names are arbitrary, and Erin previously expressed interest in renaming them from Stations 2, 4, 5 and 8 to Stations 1,2,3,and 4.

The factor() function by default sorts levels before assigning numeric codes, so a convenient way to replace the existing station codes with sequential numbers is to create a factor and extract the numeric indicator values with as.numeric().

```
station_data <- station_data %>%
 mutate(station = factor(as.numeric(factor(station))))
head(station_data)
#> # A tibble: 6 x 76
#>
    date
                         year month month_num season riv_km station station_num
#>
    \langle dttm \rangle
                        <dbl> <chr> <dbl> <chr> <dbl> <chr> <dbl> <fct>
#> 1 2013-05-28 00:00:00 2013 May
                                        5 Spring 22.6 1
                                                                             1
#> 2 2013-05-28 00:00:00 2013 May
                                          5 Spring 13.9 2
#> 3 2013-05-28 00:00:00 2013 May
                                          5 Spring 8.12 3
                                                                              3
                                          5 Spring
#> 4 2013-05-28 00:00:00 2013 May
                                                     2.78 4
                                                                              4
#> 5 2013-07-25 00:00:00 2013 July
                                           7 Summer 22.6 1
                                                                              1
#> 6 2013-07-25 00:00:00 2013 July
                                          7 Summer 13.9 2
                                                                              2
\# #> # ... with 68 more variables: depth <dbl>, disch_wk <dbl>, disch_day <dbl>,
      disch_max <dbl>, tide_height <dbl>, Full_Moon <dbl>, Abs_Moon <dbl>,
#> # Spring_or_Neap <chr>, ave_temp_c <dbl>, ave_sal_psu <dbl>,
#> # ave_turb_ntu <dbl>, ave_do_maperl <dbl>, ave_DO_Saturation <dbl>,
#> # ave_chl_microqperl <dbl>, sur_temp <dbl>, sur_sal <dbl>, sur_turb <dbl>,
\# sur_do <dbl>, <math>sur_chl <dbl>, bot_temp <dbl>, bot_sal <dbl>, bot_turb <dbl>,
\# #> # bot_do <dbl>, bot_chl <dbl>, max_temp <dbl>, max_sal <dbl>, ...
```

#### Subsetting to Desired Data Columns

I base selection of predictor variables here on the ones used in the manuscript.

```
base_data <- station_data %>%
  rename(Date = date,
         Station = station,
         Year = year) %>%
  select(-c(month, month num)) %>%
  mutate(Month = factor(as.numeric(format(Date, format = '%m')),
                                                 levels = 1:12,
                                                 labels = month.abb),
         DOY = as.numeric(format(Date, format = '%j')),
         season = factor(season, levels = c('Spring', 'Summer', 'Fall')),
         is_sp_up = season == 'Spring' & Station == 1,
         Yearf = factor(Year)) %>%
  rename(Season = season,
         Density = combined_density,
         Temp = ave_temp_c,
         Sal = ave_sal_psu,
         Turb = sur turb,
         AvgTurb = ave_turb_ntu,
         DOsat = ave_DO_Saturation,
         Chl = ave_chl_microgperl,
         Fish = `_{--}61`,
         RH = Herring
         ) %>%
  select(Date, Station, Year, Yearf, Month, Season, is_sp_up, DOY, riv_km,
         disch_wk, disch_day, disch_max,
         Temp, Sal, Turb, AvgTurb, DOsat, Chl,
         Fish, RH,
         Density, H, SEI,
```

```
Acartia, Balanus, Eurytemora, Polychaete, Pseudocal, Temora) %>%
  arrange(Date, Station)
head(base_data)
#> # A tibble: 6 x 29
#>
     Date
                         Station Year Yearf Month Season is_sp_up
                                                                       DOY \ riv_km
     \langle dttm \rangle
                                  <dbl> <fct> <fct> <fct> <fct> <fct> <fgl>
                                                                     <dbl>
#>
                          <fct>
                                                                            <dbl>
#> 1 2013-05-28 00:00:00 1
                                   2013 2013 May
                                                    Spring TRUE
                                                                       148
                                                                            22.6
#> 2 2013-05-28 00:00:00 2
                                   2013 2013 May
                                                    Spring FALSE
                                                                       148 13.9
#> 3 2013-05-28 00:00:00 3
                                   2013 2013 May
                                                    Spring FALSE
                                                                       148
                                                                             8.12
#> 4 2013-05-28 00:00:00 4
                                   2013 2013 May
                                                    Spring FALSE
                                                                       148
                                                                             2.78
#> 5 2013-07-25 00:00:00 1
                                   2013 2013 Jul
                                                                       206 22.6
                                                    Summer FALSE
#> 6 2013-07-25 00:00:00 2
                                   2013 2013 Jul
                                                    Summer FALSE
                                                                       206 13.9
#> # ... with 20 more variables: disch wk <dbl>, disch day <dbl>, disch max <dbl>,
       Temp <dbl>, Sal <dbl>, Turb <dbl>, AvgTurb <dbl>, DOsat <dbl>, Chl <dbl>,
       Fish <dbl>, RH <dbl>, Density <dbl>, H <dbl>, SEI <dbl>, Acartia <dbl>,
       Balanus <dbl>, Eurytemora <dbl>, Polychaete <dbl>, Pseudocal <dbl>,
#> #
       Temora <dbl>
```

```
rm(station_data)
```

### Complete Cases

This drops only two samples, one for missing Zooplankton data, one for missing fish data. We need this reduced data set to run The step() function. It makes little sense to try stepwise model selection if each time you add or remove a variable, the sample you are studying changes. Since fish is never an important predictor, we will want need to refit models after stepwise elimination to use the most complete possible data set.

#### Reduced Data

The low salinity spring samples are doing something rather different, and they complicate model fitting. Models are far better behaved if we exclude a few extreme samples. These are low salinity low zooplankton samples. We have two complementary ways to specify which samples to omit, without just omitting "outliers". The first is to restrict modeling to "marine" samples over a certain salinity, and the other is to omit spring upstream samples, which include most of the problematic samples.

## Model of Fish Abundance

```
fish_lmer <- lmer(log1p(Fish) ~ Station +
                   Temp +
                   Sal +
                   log(Turb) +
                   log(Chl) +
                   log1p(Density) +
                   (1 | Yearf),
                 data = base_data, na.action = na.omit,
                REML = TRUE)
#> boundary (singular) fit: see help('isSingular')
summary(fish lmer)
#> Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
#> lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula:
#> log1p(Fish) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) + log1p(Density) +
     (1 | Yearf)
#>
     Data: base_data
#> REML criterion at convergence: 229.9
#>
#> Scaled residuals:
#> Min 1Q Median
                                 3Q
#> -2.21140 -0.53493 0.00498 0.68506 2.39279
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                     Variance Std.Dev.
#> Yearf (Intercept) 0.00 0.000
#> Residual
                      3.28
                               1.811
#> Number of obs: 58, groups: Yearf, 5
#>
#> Fixed effects:
                                       df t value Pr(>/t/)
                Estimate Std. Error
#> (Intercept)
                1.73121 2.26961 49.00000 0.763 0.449
#> Station2 -1.12929 1.08611 49.00000 -1.040
                                                     0.304
#> Station3
               -1.40461 0.98480 49.00000 -1.426
                                                     0.160
#> Station4
                -1.38003
                           1.07274 49.00000 -1.286
                                                     0.204
#> Temp
                -0.07888
                         0.08813 49.00000 -0.895
                                                     0.375
#> Sal
                0.02158
                         0.05846 49.00000 0.369
                                                     0.714
#> log(Turb)
               -0.05450
                         0.64021 49.00000 -0.085
                                                     0.933
#> log(Chl)
                -0.12674
                          0.54168 49.00000 -0.234
                                                     0.816
#> log1p(Density) 0.53607
                         0.28616 49.00000 1.873
                                                   0.067 .
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
            (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
             -0.148
#> Station2
#> Station3 -0.229 0.759
#> Station4 -0.292 0.756 0.774
#> Temp
            -0.331 0.578 0.581 0.601
#> Sal -0.039 -0.675 -0.549 -0.542 -0.328
```

```
#> log(Turb) -0.353 -0.109 0.143 0.186 0.202 0.318

#> log(Chl) 0.064 -0.206 -0.166 -0.277 -0.362 -0.092 -0.018

#> lg1p(Dnsty) -0.576 0.062 -0.055 0.005 -0.172 -0.285 -0.396 -0.027

#> optimizer (nloptwrap) convergence code: 0 (OK)

#> boundary (singular) fit: see help('isSingular')
```

Note that the impact of the Year random factor is so small that lmer() fit it as having exactly zero variance. But the term is still in the model, and the model includes adjustments for annual means. That still helps reduce model variance. In effect, the model is the equivalent of a linear model that includes Yearf as a factor.

```
anova(fish lmer)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
                 Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
#> Station
                 7.0771 2.3590
                                  3
                                       49 0.7193 0.54527
#> Temp
                 2.6275 2.6275
                                   1
                                       49 0.8011 0.37513
#> Sal
                 0.4468 0.4468
                                 1
                                       49 0.1362 0.71365
#> log(Turb)
                0.0238 0.0238
                                       49 0.0072 0.93251
                                 1
#> log(Chl)
                 0.1796 0.1796
                                       49 0.0547 0.81598
                                   1
#> log1p(Density) 11.5100 11.5100 1
                                       49 3.5095 0.06699 .
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

### Stepwise Model Selection

The lmerTest package includes a backward elimination algorithm that first searches for random effects that provide little explanatory power (by likelihood ratio test), then for fixed effects that can be dropped.

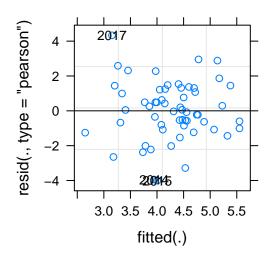
```
(fish_step_0 <- step(fish_lmer,</pre>
                  #reduce.random = FALSE, # add to not drop random terms
                  ))
#> Backward reduced random-effect table:
#>
#>
              Eliminated npar logLik AIC LRT Df Pr(>Chisq)
                           11 -114.95 251.9
#> <none>
#> (1 | Yearf)
                      1 10 -114.95 249.9
                                            0 1
#>
#> Backward reduced fixed-effect table:
                 Eliminated Df Sum of Sq
                                           RSS
                                                  AIC F value Pr(>F)
#> log(Turb)
                          1 1 0.0238 160.73 75.118 0.0072 0.93251
#> log(Chl)
                          2 1
                               0.1819 160.91 73.184 0.0566 0.81292
#> Sal
                          3 1
                                 0.5200 161.43 71.371 0.1648 0.68647
#> Station
                          4 3 10.9333 172.36 69.172 1.1739 0.32863
#> Temp
                          5 1 0.3385 172.70 67.285 0.1080 0.74368
#> log1p(Density)
                          6 1
                                11.3703 184.07 68.984 3.6869 0.05994 .
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Model found:
#> log1p(Fish) ~ 1
fish_step_0 <- get_model(fish_step_0)</pre>
```

Stepwise elimination takes us to a model that lacks **any** predictors. In essence, the best prediction we can come up with for the abundance of fish based on AIC is.... The mean abundance of fish.

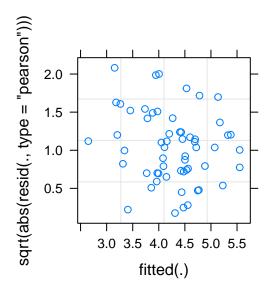
Fish abundance is associated with zooplankton density, with higher fish abundance occurring with higher plankton density, but the association hovers at the edge of statistical significance, depending on the details of the model.

## Model Diagnostics (Full Model)

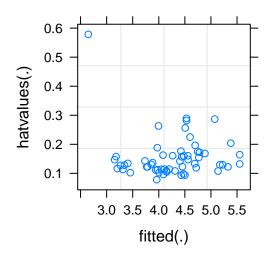
```
oldpar <- par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(fish_lmer, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)</pre>
```



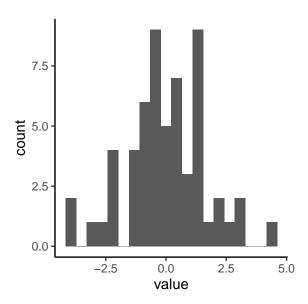
```
plot(fish_lmer, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))
```



```
plot(fish_lmer, hatvalues(.) ~ fitted(.))
```



## as\_tibble(resid(fish\_lmer)) %>% ggplot(aes(value)) + geom\_histogram(bins = 20)



### par(oldpar)

The Regression model has one high leverage point. As we have come to expect, that is a high discharge, low salinity spring sample.

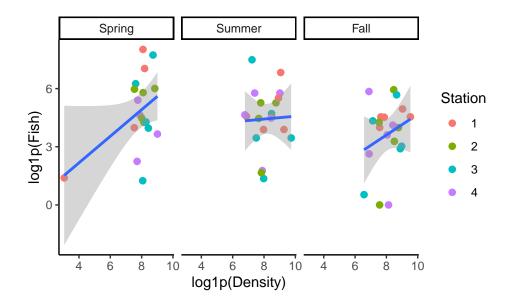
```
complete_data[which(hatvalues(fish_lmer)>.5),]
#> # A tibble: 1 x 18
#> Season Station Yearf is_sp_up Temp Sal Turb Chl Fish RH Density
#> <fct> <fct> <fct> <fct> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> </dbl>
```

The impact of the high leverage term is obvious in a graphic.

### Graphic Review of Data

There is a lot of noise in this relationship.

```
base_data %>%
   ggplot(aes(log1p(Density), log1p(Fish))) +
   geom_point(aes(color = Station), size = 2) +
   geom_smooth(method = 'lm', formula = y~x) +
   facet_wrap(~Season)
#> Warning: Removed 2 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
#> Warning: Removed 2 rows containing missing values (geom_point).
```



### Model on Reduced Data

```
method [lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula:
#> log1p(Fish) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) + log1p(Density) +
      (1 | Yearf)
#>
     Data: drop_low
#>
#>
       AIC
             BIC logLik deviance df.resid
#>
     234.9
             257.0 -106.4
                             212.9
                                        44
#>
#> Scaled residuals:
     Min 1Q Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
#> -2.35213 -0.52015 0.00501 0.70812 2.29842
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                      Variance Std. Dev.
#> Yearf
          (Intercept) 0.000 0.000
#> Residual
                      2.809
                              1.676
#> Number of obs: 55, groups: Yearf, 5
#>
#> Fixed effects:
#>
               Estimate Std. Error
                                        df t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept)
               5.14893 3.13585 55.00000 1.642
                                                    0.106
#> Station2
               -1.19974
                         1.00752 55.00000 -1.191
                                                    0.239
#> Station3
                -1.44516
                         0.91655 55.00000 -1.577
                                                    0.121
                         1.00059 55.00000 -1.479
                -1.48029
#> Station4
                                                    0.145
#> Temp
               -0.08730 0.08176 55.00000 -1.068
                                                   0.290
#> Sal
               0.803
               0.13584
                          0.63759 55.00000 0.213
#> log(Turb)
                                                    0.832
#> log(Chl)
               0.04070
                           0.52963 55.00000 0.077
                                                    0.939
#> log1p(Density) 0.18745
                           0.36664 55.00000 0.511
                                                    0.611
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
#>
      (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
#> Station2 -0.139
#> Station3 -0.183 0.756
           -0.252 0.753 0.776
#> Station4
             -0.271 0.578 0.579 0.600
#> Temp
#> Sal
            -0.289 -0.573 -0.449 -0.428 -0.248
#> log(Turb) -0.086 -0.111 0.156 0.189 0.177 0.230
             0.169 -0.192 -0.158 -0.268 -0.360 -0.231 0.015
#> log(Chl)
#> lg1p(Dnsty) -0.763 0.086 -0.029 0.039 -0.084 -0.009 -0.446 -0.098
#> optimizer (nloptwrap) convergence code: 0 (OK)
#> boundary (singular) fit: see help('isSingular')
```

And the resulting model shows no signs of a statistically significant connection to any predictors.

#### Stepwise Evaluation of Submodels

```
#> Backward reduced random-effect table:
#>
              Eliminated npar logLik
                                        AIC
                                                   LRT Df Pr(>Chisq)
#>
#> <none>
                          11 -106.44 234.88
#> (1 | Yearf)
                      1 10 -106.44 232.88 5.6843e-14 1
#>
#> Backward reduced fixed-effect table:
                 Eliminated Df Sum of Sq
#>
                                           RSS
                                                  AIC F value Pr(>F)
#> log(Chl)
                          1 1 0.0166 154.49 72.804 0.0049 0.9443
                          2 1 0.1262 154.62 70.849 0.0384 0.8455
#> log(Turb)
#> Sal
                          3 1 0.2498 154.87 68.937 0.0776 0.7818
#> log1p(Density)
                         4 1 1.4419 156.31 67.447 0.4562 0.5026
                         5 1 5.8390 162.15 67.464 1.8678 0.1778
#> Temp
                         6 3 13.3372 175.48 65.812 1.3983 0.2540
#> Station
#>
#> Model found:
#> log1p(Fish) ~ 1
fish_step_1 <- get_model(fish_step_1)</pre>
```

Again, the final model includes no significant association between any of the predictors and fish abundance.

## Model of Zooplankton Density

```
density_lmer <- lmer(log(Density) ~</pre>
                                     Station +
                                     Temp +
                                     Sal +
                                     log(Turb) +
                                     log(Chl) +
                                     log1p(Fish) +
                                     (1 | Yearf),
                                  data = complete_data, na.action = na.omit)
anova(density_lmer)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
                   Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value
                                                                           Pr(>F)

      1.7574
      0.5858
      3 45.805
      1.0436
      0.382301

      0.0143
      0.0143
      1 48.590
      0.0254
      0.874002

      5.2955
      5.2955
      1 46.457
      9.4340
      0.003555
      **

#> Station
#> Temp
#> Sal
#> log(Turb) 3.3045 3.3045 1 46.166 5.8870 0.019216 *
#> log(Chl) 0.6516 0.6516 1 48.907 1.1608 0.286586
#> log1p(Fish) 1.7119 1.7119
                                               1 45.623 3.0498 0.087479 .
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Salinity and Turbidity are significant predictors.

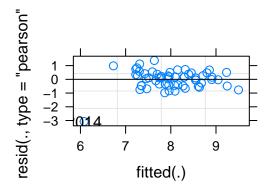
#### Stepwise Model Selection

```
(density_step_0 <- step(density_lmer,</pre>
                      #reduce.random = FALSE, # add to not drop random terms
                   ))
#> Backward reduced random-effect table:
#>
#>
              Eliminated npar logLik
                                          AIC
                                                LRT Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> <none>
                           11 -75.937 173.88
#> (1 | Yearf)
                          10 -80.160 180.32 8.4451 1
                                                           0.00366 **
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Backward reduced fixed-effect table:
#> Degrees of freedom method: Satterthwaite
#>
#>
              Eliminated Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value
                                            1 48.590 0.0254 0.8740017
#> Temp
                        1 0.0143 0.0143
#> Station
                        2 2.5984 0.8661
                                            3 46.428 1.5781 0.2073682
#> log(Chl)
                       3 0.9552 0.9552
                                            1 51.635 1.6695 0.2020762
                                            1 50.491 3.7945 0.0569903 .
#> log1p(Fish)
                        4 2.2109 2.2109
                        0 8.5973 8.5973
                                             1 51.682 14.0309 0.0004539 ***
#> Sal
#> log(Turb)
                        0 3.9984 3.9984
                                             1 51.652 6.5255 0.0136227 *
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#>
#> Model found:
#> log(Density) ~ Sal + log(Turb) + (1 | Yearf)
density_step_0 <- get_model(density_step_0)</pre>
```

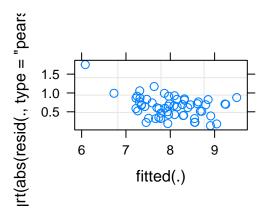
So, the stepwise process retains Year, salinity and turbidity as predictors of zooplankton density.

## Model Diagnostics (Full Model)

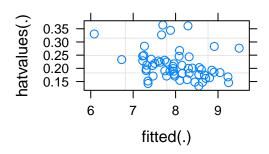
```
plot(density_lmer, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
   id = 0.05)
```



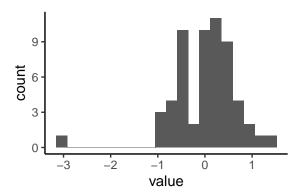
```
plot(density_lmer, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))
```



plot(density\_lmer, hatvalues(.) ~ fitted(.))



```
as_tibble(resid(density_lmer)) %>% ggplot(aes(value)) + geom_histogram(bins = 20)
```



This time we have no very high leverage points, although some are on the high side for a model with this many parameters. But we have one obvious outlier, from 2014.

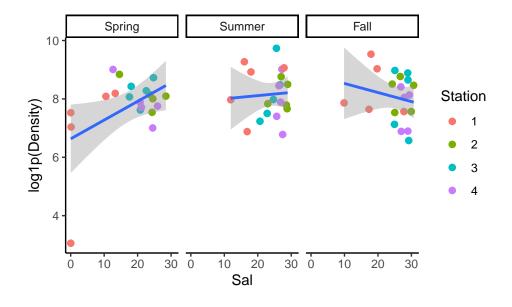
```
outlier <- which(resid(density_lmer) < -3)
complete_data[outlier,]
#> # A tibble: 1 x 18
```

```
Season Station Yearf is_sp_up Temp
                                        Sal Turb
                                                     Chl Fish
                                                                  RH Density
#>
    <fct> <fct>
                   <fct> <lgl>
                                <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
                                                                       <db1>
#> 1 Spring 1
                   2014 TRUE
                                  7.33 0.03
                                              7.4 1.31 3.03
                                                                        20.3
#> # ... with 7 more variables: H <dbl>, Acartia <dbl>, Balanus <dbl>,
    Eurytemora <dbl>, Polychaete <dbl>, Pseudocal <dbl>, Temora <dbl>
```

The outlier is a spring, low salinity sample from Station 1.

### Graphic Review of Data

```
base_data %>%
  ggplot(aes(Sal, log1p(Density))) +
  geom_point(aes(color = Station), size = 2) +
  geom_smooth(method = 'lm', formula = y~x) +
  facet_wrap(~Season)
```



### Model on Reduced Data

```
#> Station 2.14305 0.71435 3 42.367 3.5613 0.021920 *

#> Temp 0.48304 0.48304 1 43.717 2.4081 0.127916

#> Sal 0.10945 0.10945 1 42.282 0.5457 0.464179

#> log(Turb) 1.52413 1.52413 1 42.642 7.5983 0.008562 **

#> log(Chl) 1.36545 1.36545 1 44.233 6.8073 0.012340 *

#> log1p(Fish) 0.00056 0.00056 1 42.143 0.0028 0.957925

#> ---

#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

This model produces slightly different results from the full data. In the absence of the handful of low salinity samples, salinity no longer provides much information about plankton density. Instead, both Turbidity and Chlorophyll appear important.

### Stepwise Model Selection

Stepwise model selection confirms that conclusion.

```
(density_step_no_low <- step(density_lmer_no_low))</pre>
#> Backward reduced random-effect table:
#>
#>
             Eliminated npar logLik
                                          LRT Df Pr(>Chisq)
                                     AIC
#> <none>
                 11 -50.479 122.96
#> (1 | Yearf) 0 10 -63.564 147.13 26.17 1 3.126e-07 ***
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#>
#> Backward reduced fixed-effect table:
#> Degrees of freedom method: Satterthwaite
#>
            Eliminated Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
0 1.29550 1.29550
#> log(Chl)
                                       1 45.906 6.4182 0.014776 *
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#>
#> Model found:
#> log(Density) ~ Station + log(Turb) + log(Chl) + (1 | Yearf)
density_step_no_low <- get_model(density_step_no_low)</pre>
```

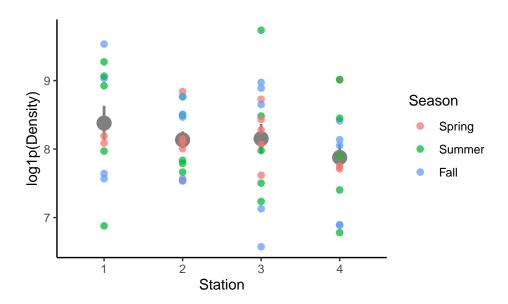
## **Graphic Summaries**

#### **Compare Stations**

```
drop_low %>%
   ggplot(aes(Station, log1p(Density))) +
```

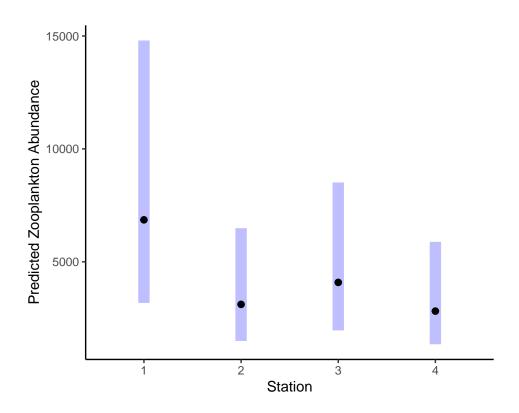
```
stat_summary(size = 1, color = 'grey50') +
geom_point(aes(color = Season), size = 2, alpha = .75)
#> No summary function supplied, defaulting to `mean_se()`
```

#### Data (dropping low salinity samples)



Marginal (Modeled) Means This shows comparisons of "marginal", "least squares" or "adjusted" means. These are modeled means, estimated for what would be seen at average levels of all the other predictors. They are a product not only of the data but also of the model. Error bars are 95% confidence intervals.

```
station_emms <- emmeans(density_lmer_no_low, ~Station, type = 'response')
plot(station_emms) +
  coord_flip() +
  xlab('Predicted Zooplankton Abundance')</pre>
```



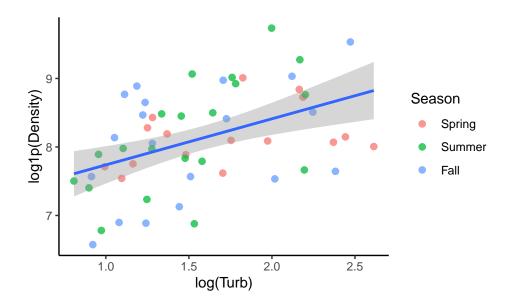
```
pairs(station_emms)
#> contrast
                       ratio
                                     df null t.ratio p.value
                                SE
#> Station1 / Station2 2.202 0.638 42.7
                                           1
                                               2.724 0.0444
#> Station1 / Station3 1.678 0.454 42.9
                                               1.915 0.2370
                                           1
#> Station1 / Station4 2.435 0.741 43.2
                                          1
                                               2.923 0.0271
#> Station2 / Station3 0.762 0.136 42.0
                                              -1.517 0.4367
                                           1
#> Station2 / Station4 1.106 0.213 42.3
                                           1
                                               0.523
                                                      0.9531
#> Station3 / Station4 1.451 0.254 42.2
                                               2.125 0.1618
#>
#> Degrees-of-freedom method: kenward-roger
#> P value adjustment: tukey method for comparing a family of 4 estimates
#> Tests are performed on the log scale
```

Station 1 has higher zooplankton diversity than Stations 2 or 4.

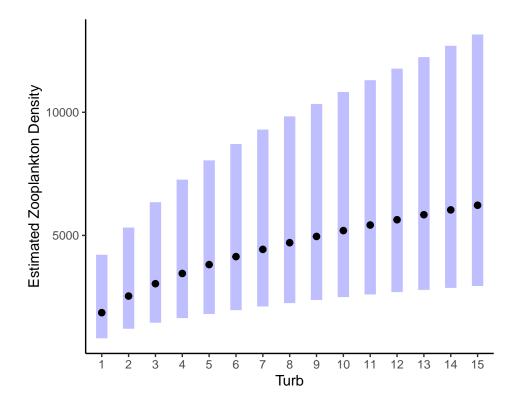
## Turbidity

```
drop_low %>%
  ggplot(aes(log(Turb), log1p(Density))) +
  geom_point(aes(color = Season), size = 2, alpha = .75) +
  geom_smooth(method = 'lm')
#> `geom_smooth()` using formula 'y ~ x'
```

#### Data



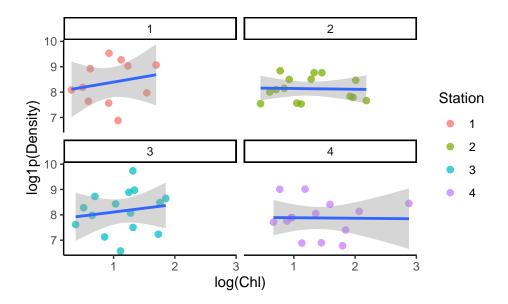
## Model



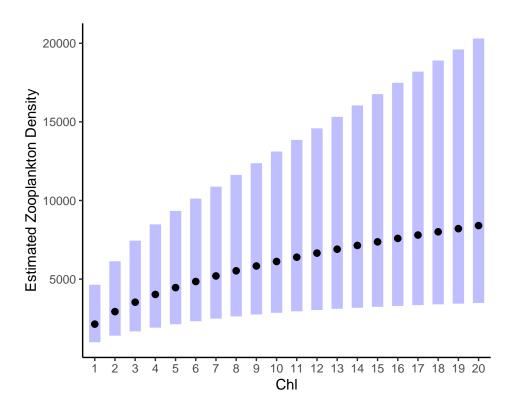
### Chlorophyll

**Data** There is not much pattern with chlorophyll in the raw data. I show it here by Station, because it may differ – but we did not fit interaction terms.

```
drop_low %>%
   ggplot(aes(log(Chl), log1p(Density))) +
   geom_point(aes(color = Station), size = 2, alpha = .75) +
   geom_smooth(method = 'lm') +
   facet_wrap(~Station)
#> `geom_smooth()` using formula 'y ~ x'
```



**Model** But the relationship emerges in the model, presumably because it is hidden or confounded by other predictors in the model.



## **Shannon Diversity**

```
shannon lmer <- lmer(H ~ Station +</pre>
                          Temp +
                          Sal +
                          log(Turb) +
                          log(Chl) +
                          log1p(Fish) +
                          (1 | Yearf),
                        data = complete_data, na.action = na.omit)
anova(shannon_lmer)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
#>
               Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
                                 3 46.909 1.2833 0.2911
#> Station
               0.98117 0.32706
               0.14639 0.14639
#> Temp
                                   1 46.517 0.5744 0.4523
               0.44368 0.44368
                                   1 48.553 1.7409 0.1932
#> Sal
#> log(Turb)
               0.01654 0.01654
                                   1 47.978 0.0649 0.8000
#> log(Chl)
               0.54991 0.54991
                                   1 43.450 2.1578 0.1491
#> log1p(Fish) 0.08348 0.08348
                                   1 47.149 0.3276 0.5698
```

So this model returns no statistically significant predictors. Lets check on this with step().

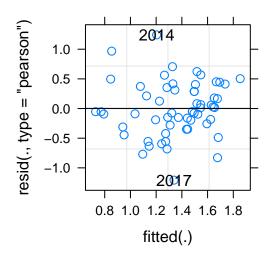
#### Stepwise Model Selection

```
(shannon_step <- step(shannon_lmer,))</pre>
#> Backward reduced random-effect table:
#>
#>
               Eliminated npar logLik
                                          AIC
                                                  LRT Df Pr(>Chisq)
#> <none>
                            11 -54.512 131.02
#> (1 | Yearf)
                            10 -55.225 130.45 1.4268 1
                                                             0.2323
#>
#> Backward reduced fixed-effect table:
               Eliminated Df Sum of Sq
#>
                                          RSS
                                                   AIC F value Pr(>F)
#> log(Turb)
                        1 1
                               0.00022 13.628 -68.002 0.0008 0.9775
#> log1p(Fish)
                        2 1
                               0.10592 13.734 -69.553 0.3886 0.5359
                        3
                               0.17767 13.912 -70.807 0.6598 0.4204
#> Temp
                          1
#> log(Chl)
                           1
                               0.54639 14.458 -70.573 2.0423 0.1590
                        4
                               0.75702 15.215 -69.613 2.7751 0.1016
#> Sal
                        5
                          1
#> Station
                        6 3
                               1.90301 17.118 -68.778 2.2513 0.0928 .
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#>
#> Model found:
#> H ~ 1
shannon_step <- get_model(shannon_step)</pre>
```

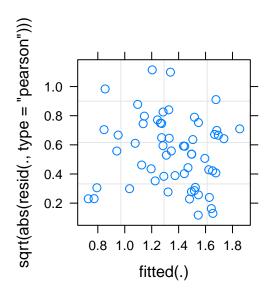
So, even after model simplification, we see no statistically significant predictors.

### **Model Diagnostics**

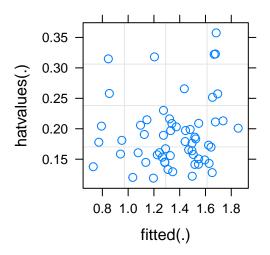
```
plot(shannon_lmer, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
   id = 0.05)
```



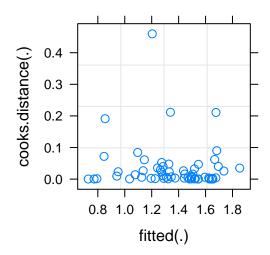
```
plot(shannon_lmer, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))
```



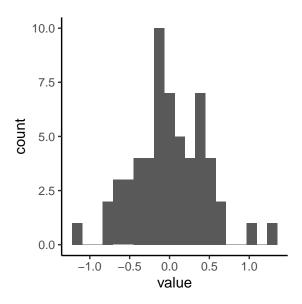
plot(shannon\_lmer, hatvalues(.) ~ fitted(.))



plot(shannon\_lmer, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))



as\_tibble(resid(shannon\_lmer)) %>% ggplot(aes(value)) + geom\_histogram(bins = 20)



This model is not dreadful, although he one outlier may be problematic.

## Model on Reduced Data

```
data = drop_low, na.action = na.omit)
anova(shannon_lmer_no_low)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
              Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
#> Station
             1.23530 0.41177
                               3 43.823 2.1158 0.11190
#> Temp
              0.00213 0.00213
                                 1 44.920 0.0109 0.91716
#> Sal
             0.06569 0.06569
                                1 44.083 0.3375 0.56422
#> log(Turb) 0.00293 0.00293 1 45.208 0.0150 0.90296
#> log(Chl) 0.17845 0.17845
                              1 41.209 0.9169 0.34387
1 43.395 3.4271 0.07095
#> log1p(Fish) 0.66696 0.66696
                                 1 43.395 3.4271 0.07095 .
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Fish abundance is marginally significant here.

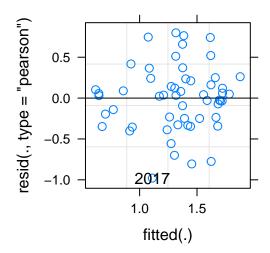
#### Stepwise Model Selection

```
(shannon_step_no_low <- step(shannon_lmer_no_low, reduce.random = TRUE))
#> Backward reduced random-effect table:
#>
              Eliminated npar logLik
#>
                                               LRT Df Pr(>Chisq)
                                        AIC
#> <none>
                          11 -46.041 114.08
                       1 10 -47.248 114.50 2.4142 1
#> (1 | Yearf)
                                                          0.1202
#>
#> Backward reduced fixed-effect table:
             Eliminated Df Sum of Sq
                                        RSS
                                                AIC F value
                                                              Pr(>F)
                       1 1
                            0.0005 10.238 -76.467 0.0023 0.961971
#> Temp
#> log(Turb)
                       2 1
                            0.0133 10.251 -78.396 0.0610 0.806067
#> Sal
                       3 1 0.0686 10.320 -80.029 0.3214 0.573393
#> log(Chl)
                       4 1 0.3910 10.711 -79.983 1.8565 0.179261
                      5 1
                            0.6786 11.390 -78.605 3.1678 0.081182 .
#> loq1p(Fish)
#> Station
                       0 3
                            3.8875 15.277 -68.454 5.8025 0.001718 **
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Model found:
#> H ~ Station
shannon_step_no_low <- get_model(shannon_step_no_low)</pre>
```

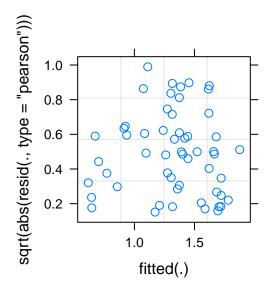
Reducing model complexity using stepwise model selection by AIC leads to a model that retains Station as a fairly robust predictor, even though it was NOT identified as important in the full model. Station is partially collinear with Salinity and Chlorophyll, so it is possible that including too many terms in the initial model hid a simpler pattern.

### Model Diagnostics (full Model)

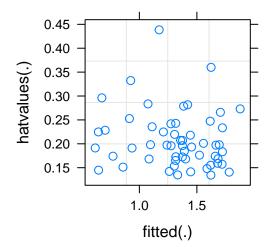
```
plot(shannon_lmer_no_low, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)
```



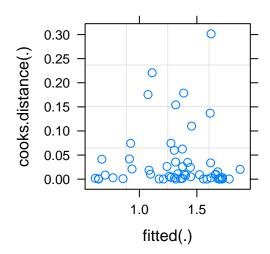
plot(shannon\_lmer\_no\_low, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))



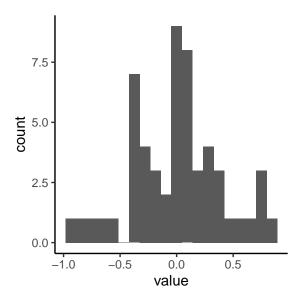
plot(shannon\_lmer\_no\_low, hatvalues(.) ~ fitted(.))



plot(shannon\_lmer\_no\_low, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))



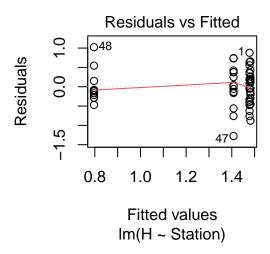
as\_tibble(resid(shannon\_lmer\_no\_low)) %>% ggplot(aes(value)) + geom\_histogram(bins = 20)

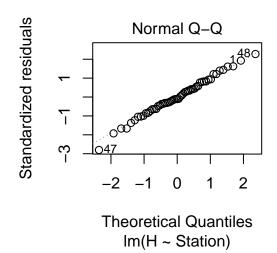


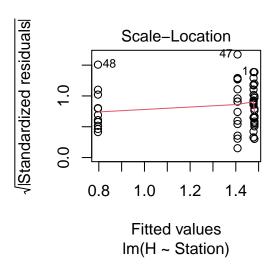
Model diagnostics are not too bad. While we have some points with slightly high leverage compared to other points, the leverage values are only moderate at 0.35 and Cook's distance is < 0.5.

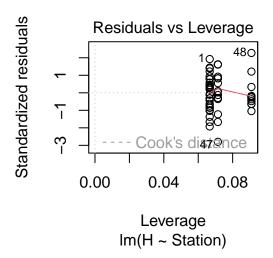
## Model Diagnostics (simple Model)

plot(shannon\_step\_no\_low)





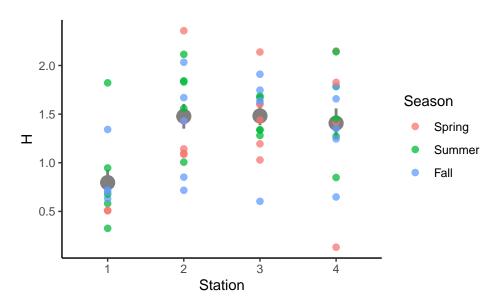




## **Graphic Summary**

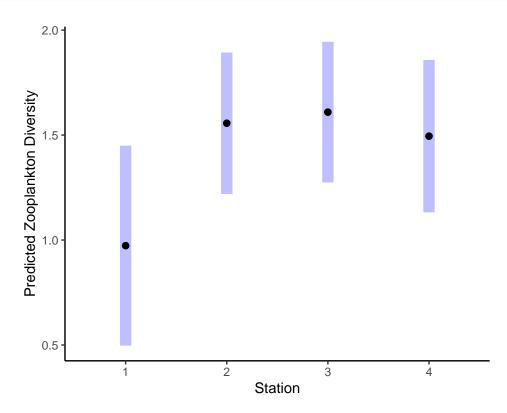
```
drop_low %>%
  ggplot(aes(Station, H)) +
  stat_summary(size = 1, color = 'grey50') +
  geom_point(aes(color = Season), size = 2, alpha = .75)
#> No summary function supplied, defaulting to `mean_se()`
```

#### Data (dropping low salinity samples)



Marginal (Modeled) Means – Full Model This shows comparisons of "marginal", "least squares" or "adjusted" means from the full model, where Station was not identified as a significant predictor of diversity.

```
station_emms <- emmeans(shannon_lmer_no_low, ~Station, type = 'response')
plot(station_emms) +
  coord_flip() +
  xlab('Predicted Zooplankton Diversity')</pre>
```

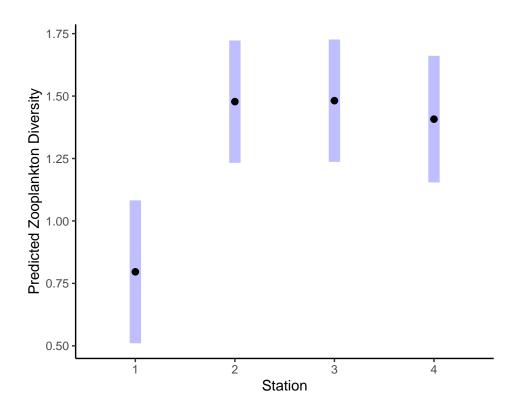


```
pairs(station_emms)
#> contrast
                       estimate
                                   SE
                                        df t.ratio p.value
#> Station1 - Station2 -0.5832 0.285 45.3 -2.049 0.1856
#> Station1 - Station3 -0.6361 0.265 45.6
                                           -2.398 0.0917
#> Station1 - Station4 -0.5217 0.298 46.0
                                           -1.751 0.3100
#> Station2 - Station3 -0.0529 0.176 42.2
                                           -0.300
                                                   0.9905
#> Station2 - Station4
                       0.0615 0.189 43.3
                                            0.325
                                                   0.9880
#> Station3 - Station4
                         0.1144 0.172 43.3
                                             0.664
                                                   0.9100
#>
#> Degrees-of-freedom method: kenward-roger
#> P value adjustment: tukey method for comparing a family of 4 estimates
```

Plankton diversity is lowest upstream, although the pattern is weak, and does not clearly emerge from the noise in this model.

#### Marginal (Modeled) Means – Reduced Model

```
station_emms <- emmeans(shannon_step_no_low, ~Station, type = 'response')
plot(station_emms) +
  coord_flip() +
  xlab('Predicted Zooplankton Diversity')</pre>
```



```
pairs(station_emms)
    contrast
                        estimate
                                     SE df t.ratio p.value
    Station1 - Station2 -0.68138 0.188 51
                                            -3.632
                                                    0.0035
   Station1 - Station3 -0.68526 0.188 51
                                            -3.653
#>
                                                    0.0033
   Station1 - Station4 -0.61126 0.190 51
                                            -3.210
   Station2 - Station3 -0.00388 0.173 51
                                            -0.022
                                                    1.0000
   Station2 - Station4 0.07013 0.176 51
                                             0.399
                                                    0.9782
   Station3 - Station4 0.07401 0.176 51
#>
                                             0.421
                                                    0.9746
#>
#> P value adjustment: tukey method for comparing a family of 4 estimates
```

The simpler model has narrower error bars, but shows the same pattern as the data or the full model. Station 1 shows lower zooplankton diversity than the other three sites.

## Single Species Models

#### **Model Choice**

Our model alternatives are similar to the choices we had for the Total Density model. The problem is, we can't use any of the continuous data distributions in GAMS with zero values (at least relying on the canonical link functions) because  $(\log(0) = -\ln f; 1/0 = \ln f, 1/0*0 = \ln f)$ . The easiest solution is to add some finite small quantity to the density data, and predict that. Here we predict  $\log(\text{Density} + 1)$  using Gaussian models. It's not ideal, especially for species where there are many zeros, but it's a good start. A two stage model would be a bit more robust, but probably no more informative.

### **Automating Analysis of Separate Species**

I'm going to automate analysis of all selected species by using a "nested" Tibble. This is a convenient alternative to writing a "for" loop to run multiple identical analyses.

I create a "long" data source.

Next, I create a function to run the lmer() analysis. The function takes a data frame or tibble as an argument. The tibble must have data columns with the correct names. Unfortunately, I can't run step() on the full model within a nested tibble, as step() is unable to find the data used to construct each model used as a starting point for the stepwise model simplification.

Next, I create the nested tibble, and conduct the analysis on each species....

```
spp_analysis <- spp_data %>%
  group_by(Species) %>%
  nest() %>%
  mutate(lmers = map(data, my_lmer))
```

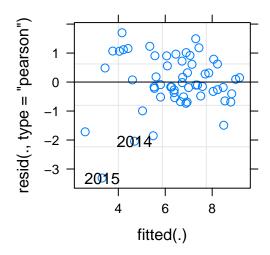
and finally, output the model results. I can do that in a "for" loop, but it's Awkward to look through a long list of output, so I step through each species in turn.

#### Acartia

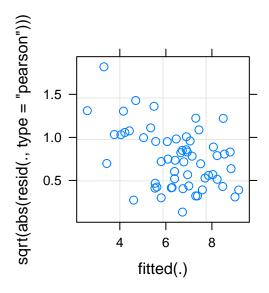
```
spp = 'Acartia'
mod_1 <- spp_analysis$lmers[spp_analysis$Species == spp][[1]]</pre>
anova(mod_1)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
      Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
#> Station
            3.7819 1.2606 3 45.593 1.1664 0.3329047
           #> Temp
#> Sal
           19.0879 19.0879 1 45.973 17.6616 0.0001203 ***
#> log(Turb) 6.1834 6.1834 1 45.802 5.7214 0.0209217 *
#> log(Chl) 2.0405 2.0405 1 48.086 1.8881 0.1757921
#> log1p(Fish) 2.2684 2.2684 1 45.444 2.0989 0.1542670
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
summary(mod_1)
#> Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
#> lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula: log1p(Density) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) +
     log1p(Fish) + (1 | Yearf)
#>
    Data: .dat
#>
#>
#> REML criterion at convergence: 185.9
#> Scaled residuals:
#> Min 10 Median
                         3Q
                                 Max
#> -3.1843 -0.4444 -0.0919 0.6702 1.6364
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                    Variance Std.Dev.
#> Yearf (Intercept) 0.9221 0.9603
                            1.0396
#> Residual
                    1.0808
#> Number of obs: 58, groups: Yearf, 5
#> Fixed effects:
            Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
#> Station2 -0.95848 0.66343 46.13957 -1.445 0.155288
#> Station3 -0.26349 0.60764 46.24915 -0.434 0.666573
#> Station4 -0.47670 0.67849 46.70685 -0.703 0.485802
           #> Temp
            #> Sal
#> log(Turb) 0.84003 0.35119 45.80201 2.392 0.020922 *
#> log(Chl) 0.50556 0.36793 48.08555 1.374 0.175792
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
      (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
#>
#> Station2
            -0.235
#> Station3 -0.386 0.795
```

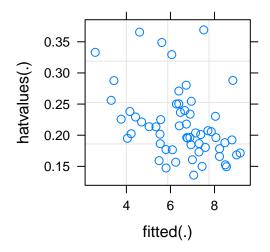
#### **Model Diagnostics**

```
plot(mod_1, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)
```

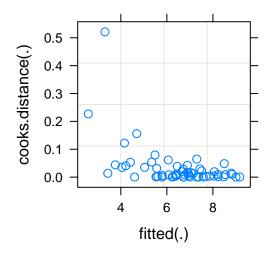


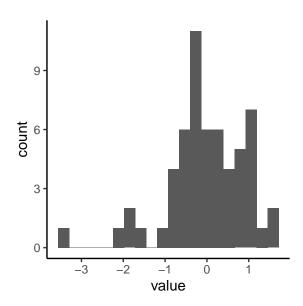
plot(mod\_1, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))





plot(mod\_1, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))

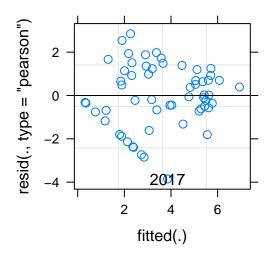




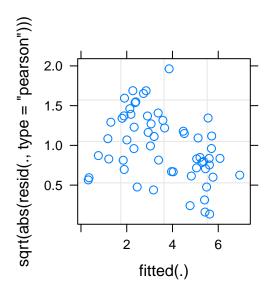
#### **Balanus**

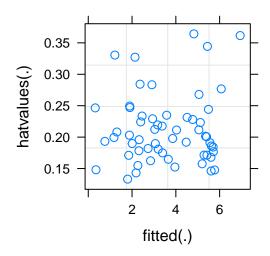
```
spp = 'Balanus'
mod_1 <- spp_analysis$lmers[spp_analysis$Species == spp][[1]]</pre>
anova(mod_1)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
    Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
#> Station
            6.307 2.102 3 45.969 0.8186 0.4902442
             6.108 6.108
                             1 48.565 2.3787 0.1294944
#> Temp
#> Sal
             0.381 0.381 1 46.566 0.1482 0.7019890
#> log(Turb) 0.799 0.799 1 46.299 0.3110 0.5797263
#> log(Chl) 42.609 42.609 1 48.881 16.5924 0.0001693 ***
#> log1p(Fish) 7.885 7.885 1 45.798 3.0704 0.0864242 .
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
summary(mod_1)
#> Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
#> lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula: log1p(Density) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) +
     log1p(Fish) + (1 | Yearf)
#>
     Data: .dat
#>
#>
#> REML criterion at convergence: 226.5
#>
#> Scaled residuals:
#> Min 10 Median
                             3Q
                                       Max
#> -2.40507 -0.42519 -0.01249 0.68806 1.77812
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                     Variance Std.Dev.
#> Yearf (Intercept) 1.303 1.142
#> Residual
                     2.568
                              1.602
#> Number of obs: 58, groups: Yearf, 5
#> Fixed effects:
            Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 1.97717 1.89426 48.37954 1.044 0.301780
#> Station2 0.46413 1.01881 46.77245 0.456 0.650815
#> Station3
             1.18283 0.93276 46.92301 1.268 0.211017
#> Station4 0.93524 1.03973 47.52116 0.900 0.372920
#> log(Turb) -0.30114
                      0.53995 46.29948 -0.558 0.579726
#> log(Chl) 2.28189 0.56020 48.88112 4.073 0.000169 ***
#> log1p(Fish) 0.21831 0.12459 45.79755 1.752 0.086424 .
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
      (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
#>
#> Station2
             -0.236
#> Station3 -0.391 0.793
```

```
plot(mod_1, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)
```

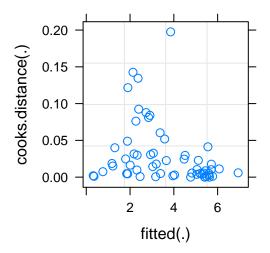


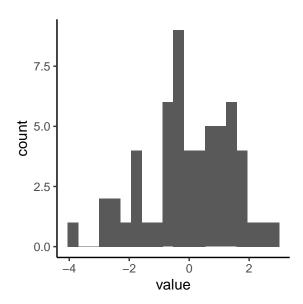
plot(mod\_1, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))





plot(mod\_1, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))





## Eurytemora

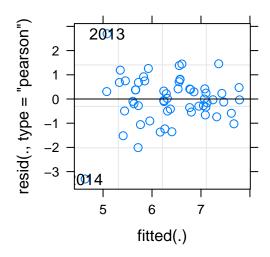
```
spp = 'Eurytemora'
mod_1 <- spp_analysis$lmers[spp_analysis$Species == spp][[1]]</pre>
anova(mod_1)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
       Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
#> Station
             6.1690 2.0563 3 46.126 1.9088 0.141337
             0.1218 0.1218 1 42.417 0.1131 0.738349
#> Temp
#> Sal
             11.9765 11.9765 1 48.811 11.1173 0.001639 **

      #> log(Turb)
      3.8564
      3.8564
      1 48.042
      3.5797 0.064525
      .

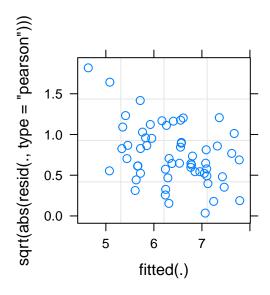
      #> log(Chl)
      0.2023
      0.2023
      1 36.716
      0.1878 0.667302

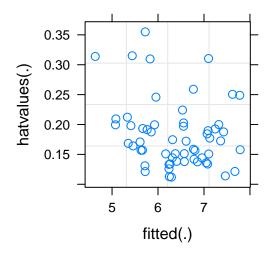
#> log1p(Fish) 3.1639 3.1639
                                1 46.886 2.9369 0.093180 .
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
summary(mod_1)
#> Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
#> lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula: log1p(Density) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) +
      log1p(Fish) + (1 | Yearf)
#>
     Data: .dat
#>
#>
#> REML criterion at convergence: 178.8
#>
#> Scaled residuals:
#> Min 10 Median
                            3Q
                                     Max
#> -3.1848 -0.4579 -0.0160 0.4427 2.5973
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                      Variance Std.Dev.
#> Yearf (Intercept) 0.07261 0.2695
                       1.07729 1.0379
#> Residual
#> Number of obs: 58, groups: Yearf, 5
#> Fixed effects:
             Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 3.44228 1.14938 48.29533 2.995 0.00432 **
#> Station2 -0.64544 0.64314 48.86429 -1.004 0.32053
#> Station3 -1.00675 0.58716 48.97828 -1.715 0.09274 .
#> Station4 -1.36153 0.64677 48.42791 -2.105 0.04049 *
#> Temp
             -0.01776 0.05283 42.41684 -0.336 0.73835
#> Sal
             #> log(Turb) 0.65017 0.34364 48.04171 1.892 0.06453.
#> log(Chl) -0.14453 0.33353 36.71618 -0.433 0.66730
#> log1p(Fish) 0.13688 0.07987 46.88559 1.714 0.09318 .
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
       (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
#>
#> Station2
             -0.207
#> Station3 -0.376 0.782
```

```
plot(mod_1, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)
```

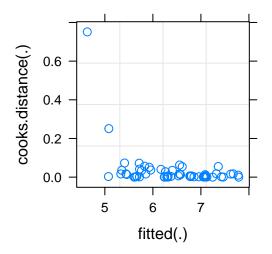


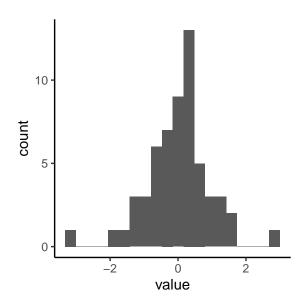
plot(mod\_1, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))





plot(mod\_1, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))

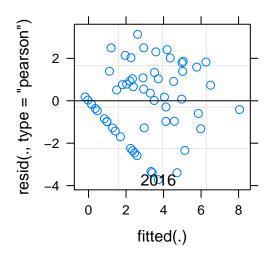




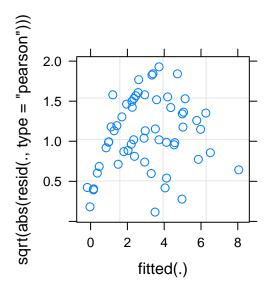
### Polychaete

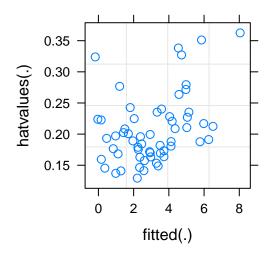
```
spp = "Polychaete"
mod_1 <- spp_analysis$lmers[spp_analysis$Species == spp][[1]]</pre>
anova(mod 1)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
#> Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
            12.593 4.198 3 46.274 1.1746 0.329650
#> Station
#> Temp
            31.714 31.714
                             1 49.000 8.8745 0.004489 **
#> Sal
             7.116 7.116
                             1 47.205 1.9913 0.164763
#> log(Turb) 24.647 24.647 1 46.802 6.8969 0.011632 *
#> log(Chl) 7.019 7.019 1 48.767 1.9640 0.167416
#> log1p(Fish) 2.864 2.864 1 46.128 0.8015 0.375291
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
summary(mod 1)
#> Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
#> lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula: log1p(Density) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) +
     log1p(Fish) + (1 | Yearf)
#>
   Data: .dat
#>
#> REML criterion at convergence: 241
#> Scaled residuals:
#> Min 1Q Median 3Q
#> -1.9678 -0.5202 0.0667 0.6710 1.6547
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                     Variance Std.Dev.
#> Yearf (Intercept) 1.075 1.037
#> Residual 3.574
                              1.890
#> Number of obs: 58, groups: Yearf, 5
#>
#> Fixed effects:
            Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
#>
#> (Intercept) 3.35828 2.18669 48.80632 1.536 0.13105
                      1.19557 47.42947 1.130 0.26417
#> Station2 1.35096
#> Station3 1.92047
                      1.09398 47.62141 1.755 0.08561 .
#> Station4 1.93109 1.21651 48.31034 1.587 0.11895
#> Temp
            #> Sal
#> log(Turb) 1.66677 0.63467 46.80158 2.626 0.01163 *
#> log(Chl) 0.91035 0.64958 48.76744 1.401 0.16742
#> log1p(Fish) 0.13132 0.14668 46.12755 0.895 0.37529
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
#> (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
#> Station2 -0.232
```

```
plot(mod_1, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)
```

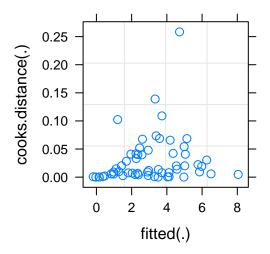


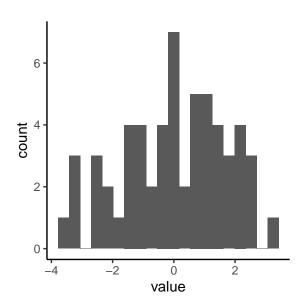
plot(mod\_1, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))





plot(mod\_1, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))





### Pseudocal

```
spp = "Pseudocal"
mod_1 <- spp_analysis$lmers[spp_analysis$Species == spp][[1]]</pre>
anova(mod 1)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
#> Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
               49.665 16.5551 3 45.759 7.2227 0.0004559 ***
#> Station
               0.500 0.5000
                                   1 48.858 0.2181 0.6425431
#> Temp
#> Sal
                0.032 0.0316 1 46.597 0.0138 0.9070676

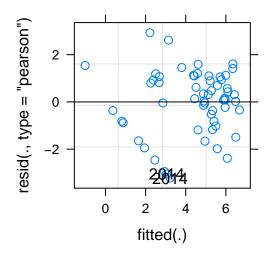
      #> log(Turb)
      4.507
      4.5069
      1 46.226
      1.9663
      0.1675222

      #> log(Chl)
      0.158
      0.1585
      1 48.998
      0.0691
      0.7936971

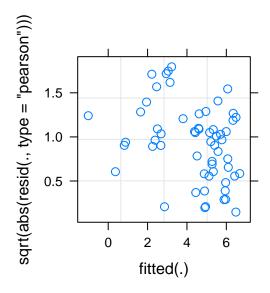
      #> log1p(Fish)
      11.257
      11.2570
      1 45.570
      4.9112
      0.0317173
      *

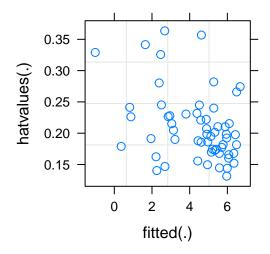
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
summary(mod_1)
#> Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
#> lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula: log1p(Density) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) +
       log1p(Fish) + (1 | Yearf)
#>
      Data: .dat
#>
#>
#> REML criterion at convergence: 220.1
#> Scaled residuals:
#> Min 10 Median 30
                                                  Max
#> -2.12734 -0.54041 0.09501 0.67954 1.93374
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                          Variance Std.Dev.
#> Yearf (Intercept) 0.8975 0.9474
                           2.2921 1.5140
#> Residual
#> Number of obs: 58, groups: Yearf, 5
#> Fixed effects:
                Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 0.983512 1.769326 48.635236 0.556 0.580849
#> Station2 3.522204 0.960207 46.844146 3.668 0.000623 ***
#> Station3 3.928660 0.878881 47.038029 4.470 4.91e-05 ***
#> Station4 2.894577 0.978596 47.779159 2.958 0.004804 **
#> Temp 0.038268 0.081935 48.858252 0.467 0.642543 
#> Sal 0.005791 0.049342 46.596830 0.117 0.907068
#> log(Turb) -0.714130 0.509277 46.226243 -1.402 0.167522 
#> log(Chl) 0.138066 0.525081 48.998366 0.263 0.793697
#> loq1p(Fish) 0.260615 0.117599 45.570194 2.216 0.031717 *
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
     (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
#>
#> Station2 -0.234
#> Station3 -0.392 0.792
```

```
plot(mod_1, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)
```

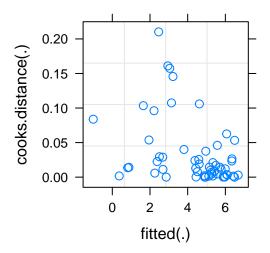


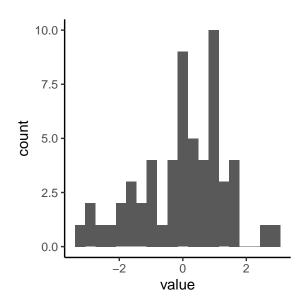
plot(mod\_1, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))





plot(mod\_1, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))





### Temora

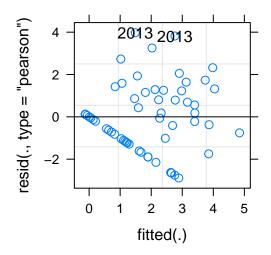
```
spp = "Temora"
mod_1 <- spp_analysis$lmers[spp_analysis$Species == spp][[1]]</pre>
anova(mod 1)
#> Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
    Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
#> Station
            29.1493 9.7164 3 46.846 3.0139 0.039245 *

      0.4965
      0.4965
      1 45.253
      0.1540
      0.696570

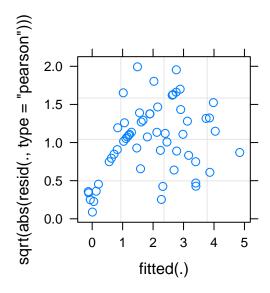
      1.2963
      1.2963
      1 48.719
      0.4021
      0.528985

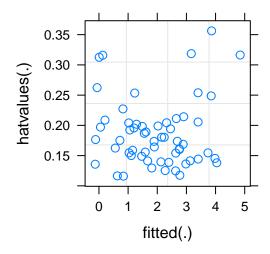
             0.4965 0.4965
#> Temp
#> Sal
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
summary(mod_1)
#> Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
#> lmerModLmerTest]
#> Formula: log1p(Density) ~ Station + Temp + Sal + log(Turb) + log(Chl) +
     log1p(Fish) + (1 | Yearf)
#>
#>
     Data: .dat
#>
#> REML criterion at convergence: 232.9
#> Scaled residuals:
#> Min 1Q Median
                               3Q
                                          Max
#> -1.60924 -0.63652 -0.03224 0.67365 2.21248
#>
#> Random effects:
#> Groups Name
                      Variance Std.Dev.
#> Yearf (Intercept) 0.2738 0.5233
                               1.7955
#> Residual
                      3.2239
#> Number of obs: 58, groups: Yearf, 5
#> Fixed effects:
             Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) -0.72137 1.99906 48.60459 -0.361 0.7198
#> Station2 0.52198 1.11617 48.79028 0.468 0.6421
#> Station3     2.25331     1.01939     48.91819     2.210     0.0318 *
#> Station4     1.32368     1.12457     48.81869     1.177     0.2449
#> log(Turb) 0.42773 0.59578 48.12030 0.718 0.4763
#> log(Chl) 1.78893 0.58311 41.30741 3.068 0.0038 **
#> log1p(Fish) 0.03472 0.13836 47.24800 0.251 0.8029
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Correlation of Fixed Effects:
      (Intr) Statn2 Statn3 Statn4 Temp Sal lg(Tr) lg(Ch)
#>
#> Station2
             -0.211
#> Station3 -0.379 0.783
```

```
plot(mod_1, resid(., type = "pearson") ~ fitted(.), abline = 0,
    id = 0.05)
```



plot(mod\_1, sqrt(abs(resid(., type = "pearson"))) ~ fitted(.))





plot(mod\_1, cooks.distance(.) ~ fitted(.))

