

# 2042 MLM Final Group Project (Spring 2020)

Part 2

Group 1

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```
# Load -----  
dat <- read.csv("data/classroom.csv")  
dat$math1st <- dat$mathkind + dat$mathgain
```

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## Question 1

Refit the model in Part 1 that has all fixed effects as well as random intercepts (in schools and classrooms). Recall that `math1st = mathkind + mathgain` is the outcome.

The model is `math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathprep + mathknow + ses + sex + minority + (1|schoolid/classid)`, REML = T

```
# Fit the model with all fixed effects and random intercepts
fit1 <- lmerTest::lmer(
  math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathprep + mathknow + ses + sex + minority +
    (1|schoolid/classid),
  data = dat,
  REML = T
)
# Report the model fit
summary(fit1)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathprep + mathknow + ses + sex +
##   minority + (1 | schoolid/classid)
##   Data: dat
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10729.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
##   Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3.8581 -0.6134 -0.0321  0.5971  3.6598
##
## Random effects:
##   Groups                Name                Variance Std.Dev.
##   classid:schoolid (Intercept)    93.89     9.689
##   schoolid          (Intercept)  169.45    13.017
##   Residual                        1064.96   32.634
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:  classid:schoolid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  539.63041    5.31209  275.39010 101.585 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov     -17.64850   13.21755  113.87814  -1.335   0.184
## yearstea       0.01129    0.14141  226.80861   0.080   0.936
## mathprep     -0.27705    1.37583  205.27111  -0.201   0.841
## mathknow      1.35004    1.39168  234.49768   0.970   0.333
## ses           10.05076    1.54485 1066.56211   6.506 1.18e-10 ***
## sex          -1.21419    2.09483 1022.42110  -0.580   0.562
## minority     -16.18676    3.02605  704.47787  -5.349 1.20e-07 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##              (Intr) houspv yearst mthprp mthknw ses      sex
## housepov    -0.451
## yearstea    -0.259  0.071
```

```
## mathprep -0.631  0.038 -0.172
## mathknow -0.083  0.058  0.029  0.004
## ses      -0.121  0.082 -0.028  0.053 -0.007
## sex      -0.190 -0.007  0.016 -0.006  0.007  0.020
## minority -0.320 -0.178  0.024  0.001  0.115  0.162 -0.011
```

- a. Construct the residual that removes only the ‘fixed effects’ then subtract it from the outcome; call this residual `resFE`
  - i. R hint 1: `predict` has an option to generate the prediction based on the fixed effects only.
  - ii. R hint 2: If you decide to add a column to your data frame with `resFE`, note that `predict` only generates predictions for cases uses in the model *after listwise deletion*.

```
# Make prediction
yhat <- predict(fit1, re.form = ~0)

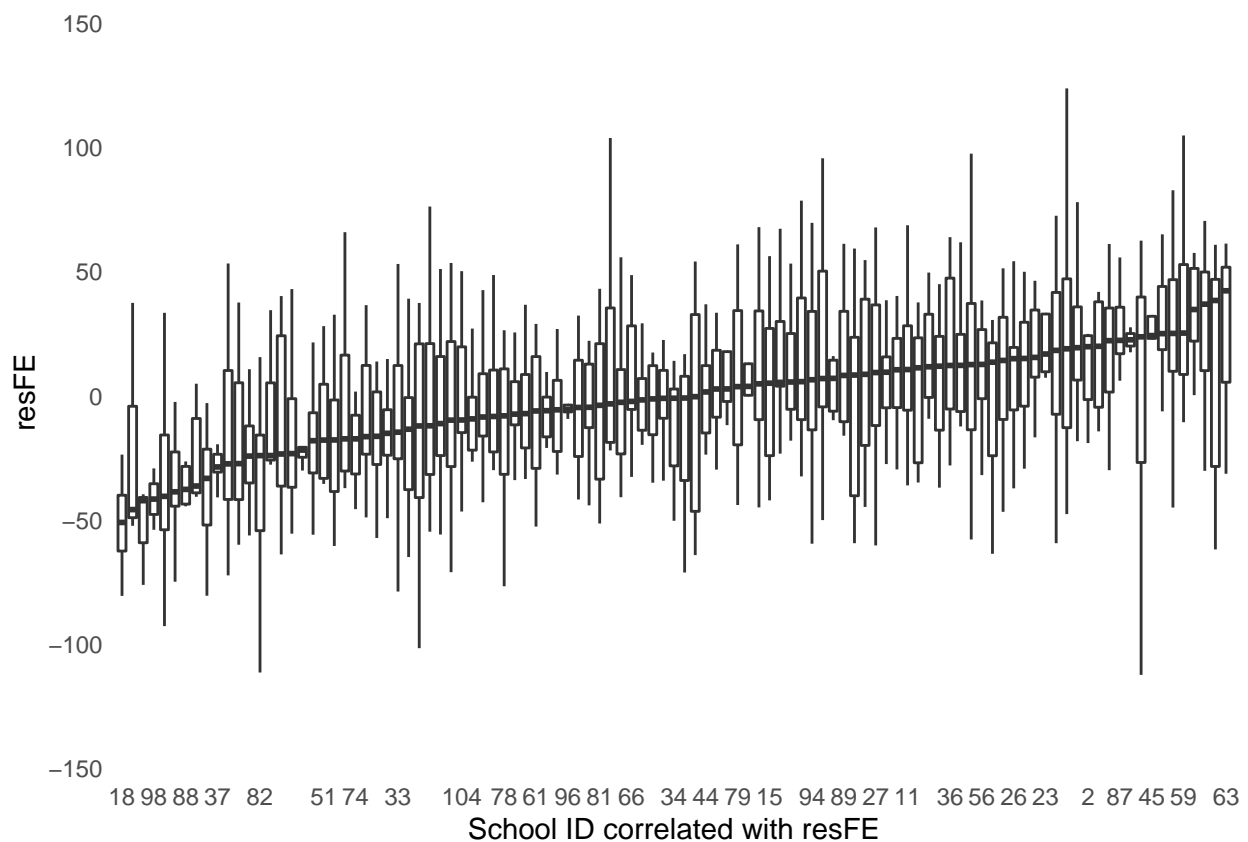
# Drop rows containing missing values
dat <- dat[complete.cases(dat), ]

# Create a variable to store residual
dat$resFE <- dat$math1st - yhat
```

## Question 2

Show that the residual is not independent within schools in some manner.

```
# Visualize that the residual is not independent within schools
ggplot(dat, aes(x = reorder(schoolid, resFE, FUN = median), y = resFE)) +
  geom_boxplot(outlier.alpha = 0) +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(
    panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
    panel.grid.minor = element_blank()
  ) +
  xlab("School ID correlated with resFE") +
  scale_x_discrete(guide = guide_axis(check.overlap = TRUE))
```



The above graph shows that as reordered school id increases, the `resFE` gradually increases. There is a positive correlation between them.

### Question 3

Construct the residual that utilizes the BLUPs for the random effects using the R command `residuals`.

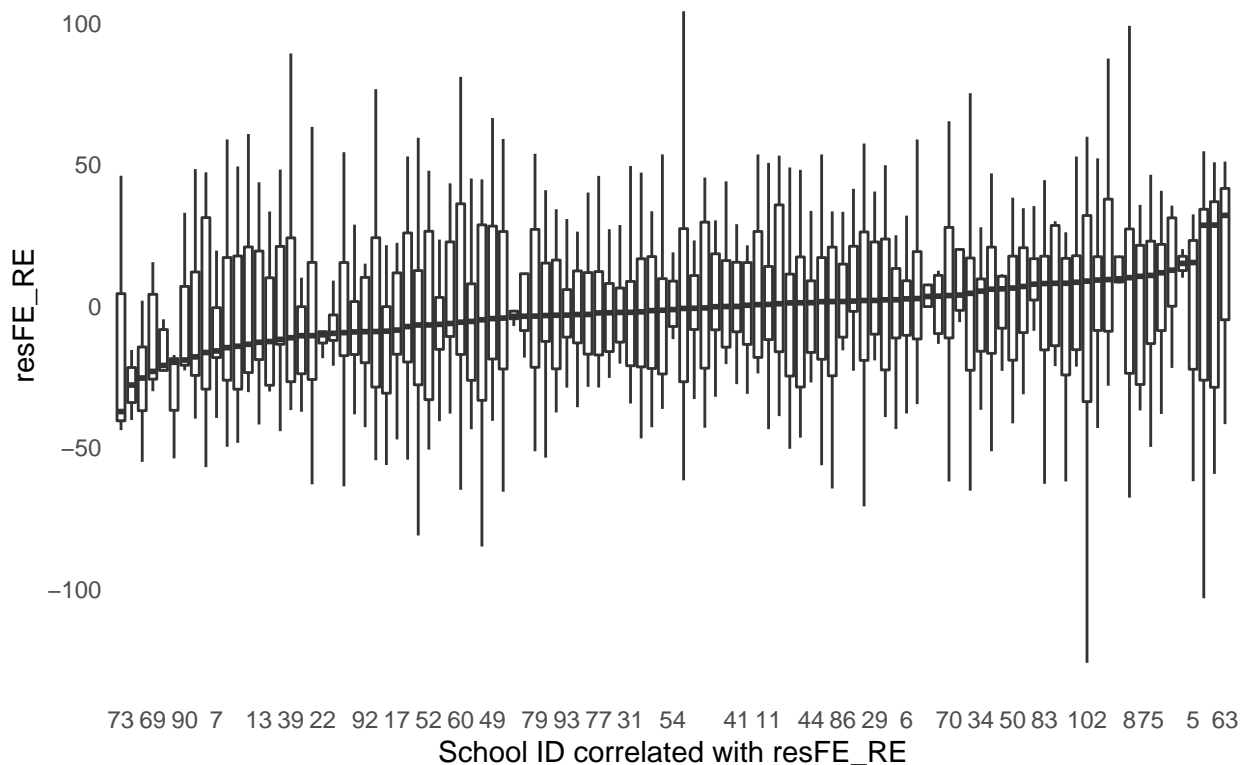
i. Call the new residual `resFE_RE`

```
dat$resFE_RE <- residuals(fit1)
```

## Question 4

Show that these new residuals, `resFE_RE`, are MUCH LESS (if not completely un-) correlated within schools, using the same method as before (boxplot?)

```
ggplot(dat, aes(x = reorder(schoolid, resFE_RE, FUN = median), y = resFE_RE)) +  
  geom_boxplot(outlier.alpha = 0) +  
  theme_minimal() +  
  theme(  
    panel.grid.major = element_blank(),  
    panel.grid.minor = element_blank()  
  ) +  
  xlab("School ID correlated with resFE_RE") +  
  scale_x_discrete(guide = guide_axis(check.overlap = TRUE))
```



Response: The new residuals, `resFE_RE`, are much less correlated within school. This is because the boxplots are more centered around zero (median for each school would be much closer to zero if the errors are independent).

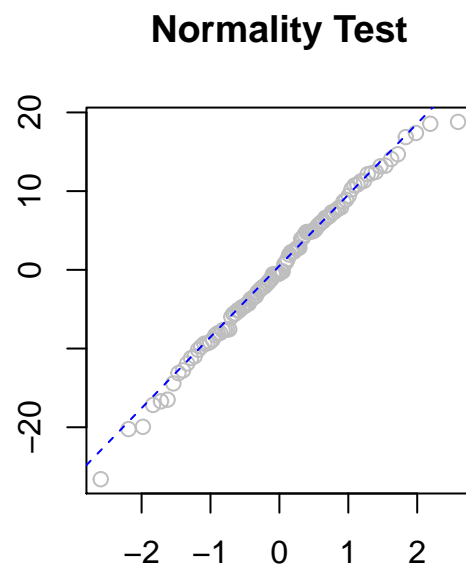
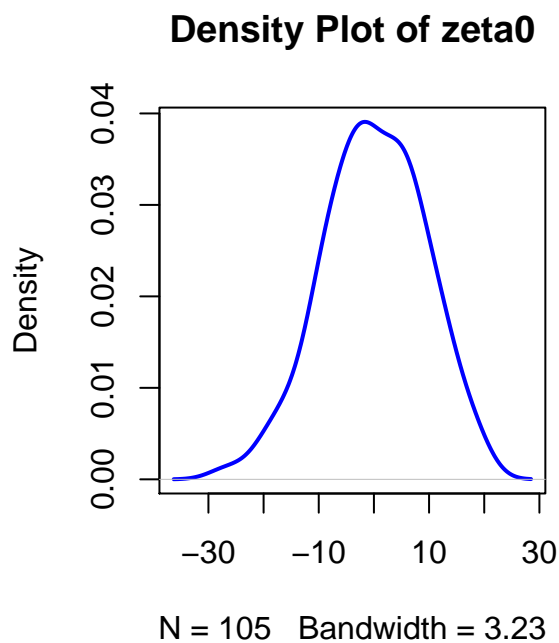
## Question 5

- a. Generate the two sets of BLUPs (for random effects  $\zeta_0$  and  $\eta_0$ )

```
ranefs <- ranef(fit1)
zeta0 <- ranefs$schoolid[, 1]
eta0 <- ranefs$classid[, 1]
```

- b. Examine these for normality (include evidence)

```
# Use QQ-plot to examine zeta0 and eta0
par(mfrow = c(1, 2), pty = "s")
plot(density(zeta0),
     lty = 1, lwd = 2, col = "Blue", main = "")
title("Density Plot of zeta0", cex = 0.8)
qqnorm(zeta0,
      col = "Gray", ann = FALSE)
title("Normality Test", cex = 0.8)
qqline(zeta0,
      lty = 2, lwd = 1, col = "Blue")
```

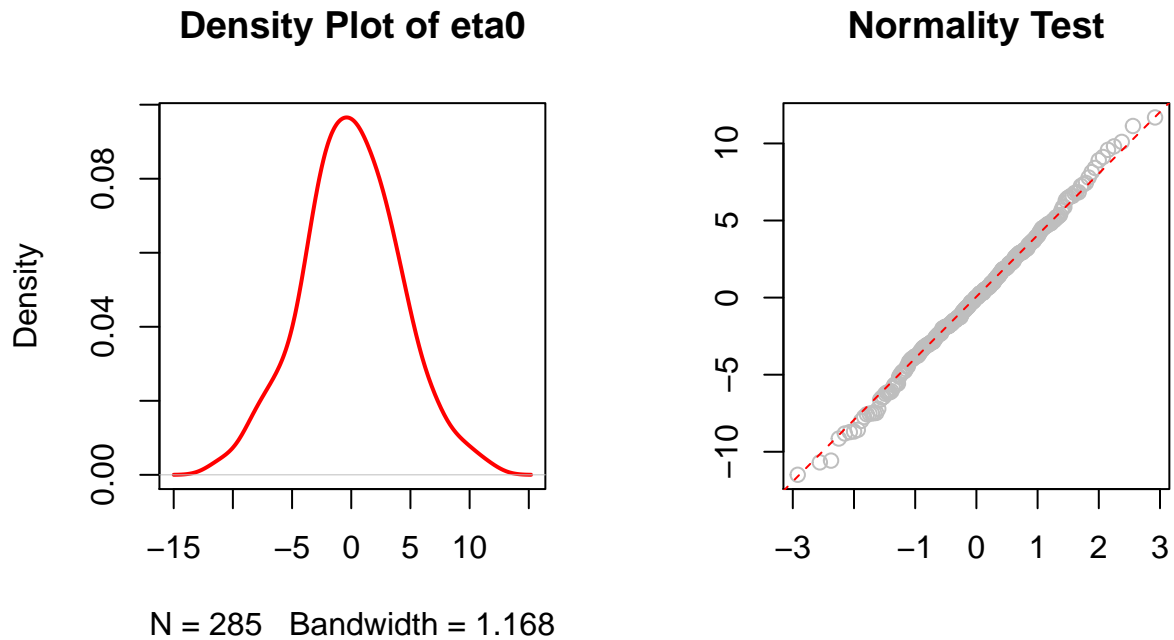


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2), pty = "s")
plot(density(eta0),
     lty = 1, lwd = 2, col = "Red", main = "")
```

```

title("Density Plot of eta0", cex = 0.8)
qqnorm(eta0,
      col = "Gray", ann = FALSE)
title("Normality Test", cex = 0.8)
qqline(eta0,
      lty = 2, lwd = 1, col = "Red")

```



Response: It appears that the BLUPs for classroom effects are fairly normal. Their density plot has a bell-shaped, symmetric distribution and their Q-Q plot has most of the points falling about the straight line. The BLUPs for school effects appear slightly less normal. Their density plot has a less symmetric distribution and the points on their Q-Q plot deviate a bit more from forming a straight line.



## Question 6

Returning to the classroom data.

- a. Fit a slightly more complicated model with the same fixed effects, but now add a random slope for minority, correlated with the random intercept, at the school level (keep the classroom level random intercept).

```
fit2 <- lmerTest::lmer(
  math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathprep + mathknow + ses + sex + minority +
    (minority|schoolid) + (1|schoolid:classid), data = dat)
print(summary(fit2))
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math1st ~ housepov + yearstea + mathprep + mathknow + ses + sex +
##   minority + (minority | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:classid)
## Data: dat
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10717.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3.8952 -0.6358 -0.0345  0.6129  3.6444
##
## Random effects:
##   Groups                Name                Variance Std.Dev. Corr
##   schoolid:classid (Intercept)            86.7      9.311
##   schoolid          (Intercept)          381.2     19.524
##                      minority           343.2     18.525    -0.83
## Residual                        1039.4     32.240
## Number of obs: 1081, groups:  schoolid:classid, 285; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error        df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  539.49369    5.65513    173.09178  95.399 < 2e-16 ***
## housepov     -16.06251   12.57477    99.99134  -1.277   0.204
## yearstea      -0.00437    0.13765   217.17884  -0.032   0.975
## mathprep      -0.29178    1.33537   198.06922  -0.218   0.827
## mathknow       1.63216    1.35929   224.78144   1.201   0.231
## ses           9.43095    1.54335  1063.13485   6.111 1.39e-09 ***
## sex          -0.86278    2.08382  1021.81437  -0.414   0.679
## minority     -16.37547    3.89604    58.24604  -4.203 9.17e-05 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##          (Intr) houspv yearst mthprp mthknw ses      sex
## housepov -0.394
## yearstea -0.253  0.091
## mathprep -0.576  0.037 -0.167
## mathknow -0.078  0.061  0.024 -0.002
## ses       -0.105  0.089 -0.021  0.052 -0.005
## sex       -0.172 -0.013  0.014 -0.005  0.010  0.024
## minority -0.494 -0.157  0.027 -0.002  0.099  0.113 -0.014
```

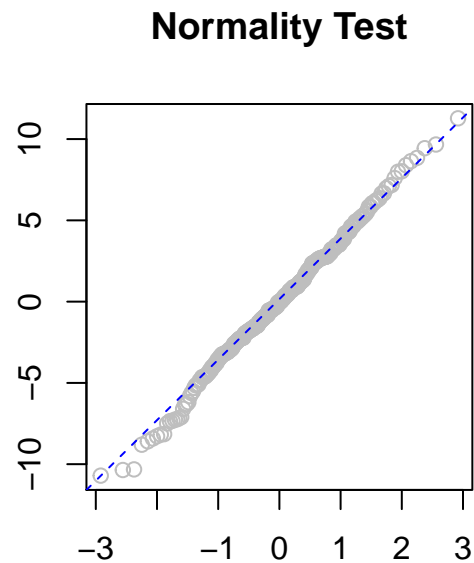
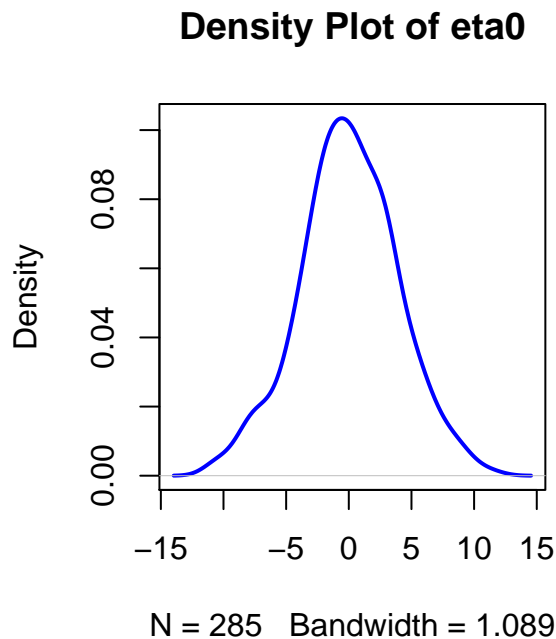
- b. Construct the residual (individual, level 1) and the BLUPs for the remaining random effects. Call the new residual `resFE_RE` as before.

```
# Residual
resFE_RE <- residuals(fit2)

# BLUPs
ranefs.fit2 <- lme4::ranef(fit2)
eta0.fit2 <- ranefs.fit2$'schoolid:classid'[, 1]
zeta0.fit2 <- ranefs.fit2$schoolid[, 1]
zeta1.fit2 <- ranefs.fit2$schoolid[, 2]
```

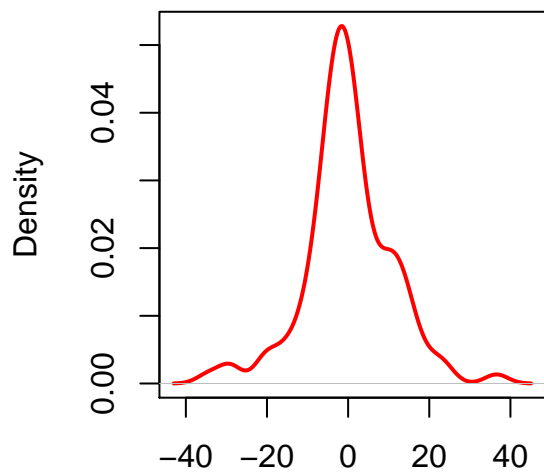
- c. Examine all error estimates (individual level residuals, BLUPs (school and classroom level) for normality.

```
# Examine eta0
par(mfrow = c(1, 2), pty = "s")
plot(density(eta0.fit2),
     lty = 1, lwd = 2, col = "Blue", main = "")
title("Density Plot of eta0", cex = 0.8)
qqnorm(eta0.fit2,
      col = "Gray", ann = FALSE)
title("Normality Test", cex = 0.8)
qqline(eta0.fit2,
      lty = 2, lwd = 1, col = "Blue")
```



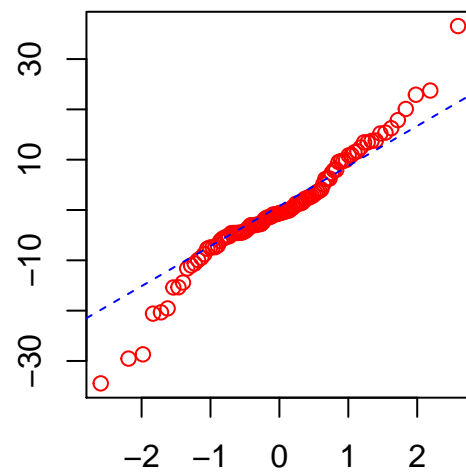
```
# Examine zeta0
par(mfrow = c(1, 2), pty = "s")
plot(density(zeta0.fit2),
     lty = 1, lwd = 2, col = "Red", main = "")
title("Density Plot of zeta0", cex = 0.8)
qqnorm(zeta0.fit2,
      col = "Red", ann = FALSE)
title("Normality Test", cex = 0.8)
qqline(zeta0.fit2,
      lty = 2, lwd = 1, col = "Blue")
```

**Density Plot of zeta0**

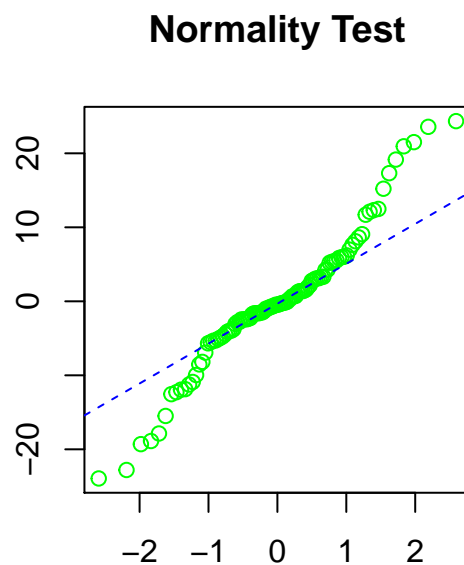
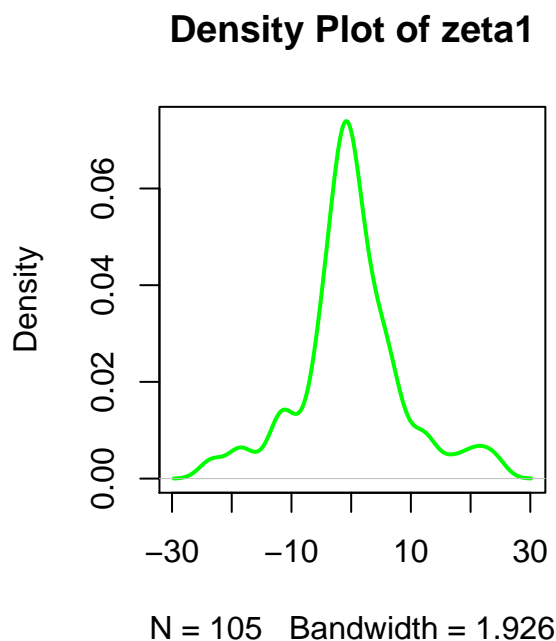


N = 105 Bandwidth = 2.843

**Normality Test**



```
# Examine zeta1
par(mfrow = c(1, 2), pty = "s")
plot(density(zeta1.fit2),
     lty = 1, lwd = 2, col = "Green", main = "")
title("Density Plot of zeta1", cex = 0.8)
qqnorm(zeta1.fit2,
      col = "Green", ann = FALSE)
title("Normality Test", cex = 0.8)
qqline(zeta1.fit2,
      lty = 2, lwd = 1, col = "Blue")
```

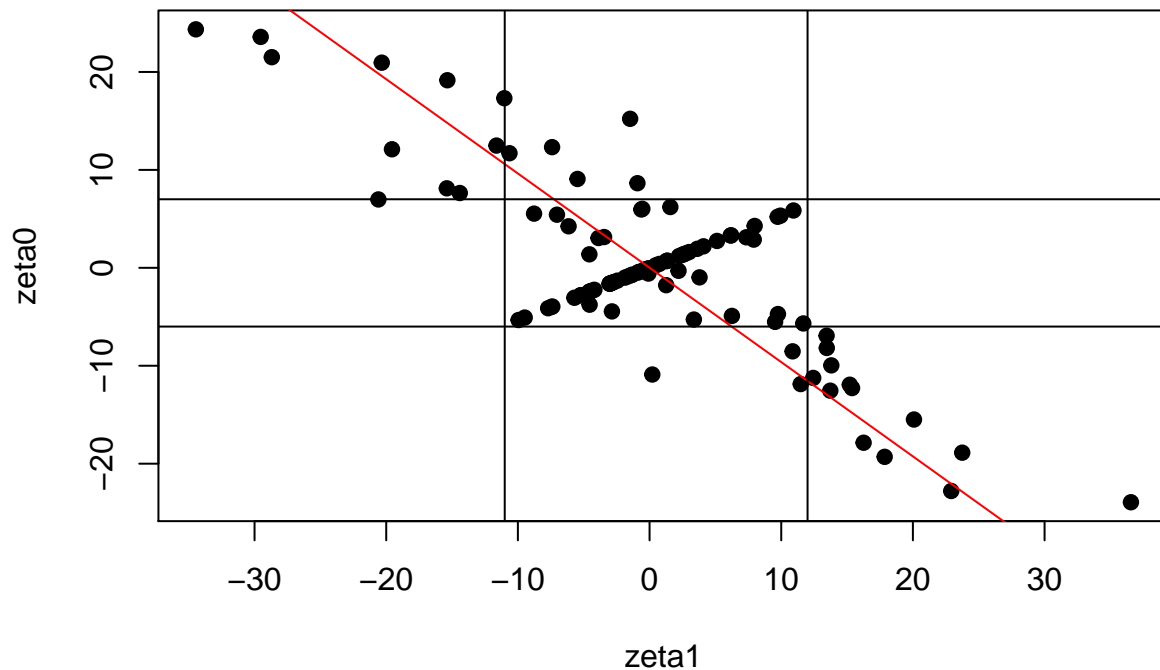


Response: It appears that the individual level residuals and BLUPs for classroom effects are fairly normal. Their density plots have a bell-shaped, symmetric distribution and their Q-Q plots have most of the points falling about the straight line. The BLUPs for school effects (both the random slope for minority and the random intercept) are less normal. Their density plots have a less symmetric distribution and the points on their Q-Q plots deviate more from forming a straight line.

d. Plot zeta0 vs. zeta1 to see whether the estimated correlation is consistent with the observed. **Briefly comment.**

```
plot(zeta0.fit2, zeta1.fit2, main="Zeta0 vs. Zeta1",
     xlab="zeta1", ylab="zeta0", pch=19)
abline(lm(zeta0.fit2~zeta1.fit2), col="red")
abline(7,0)
abline(-6,0)
abline(v=-11)
abline(v=12)
```

## Zeta0 vs. Zeta1



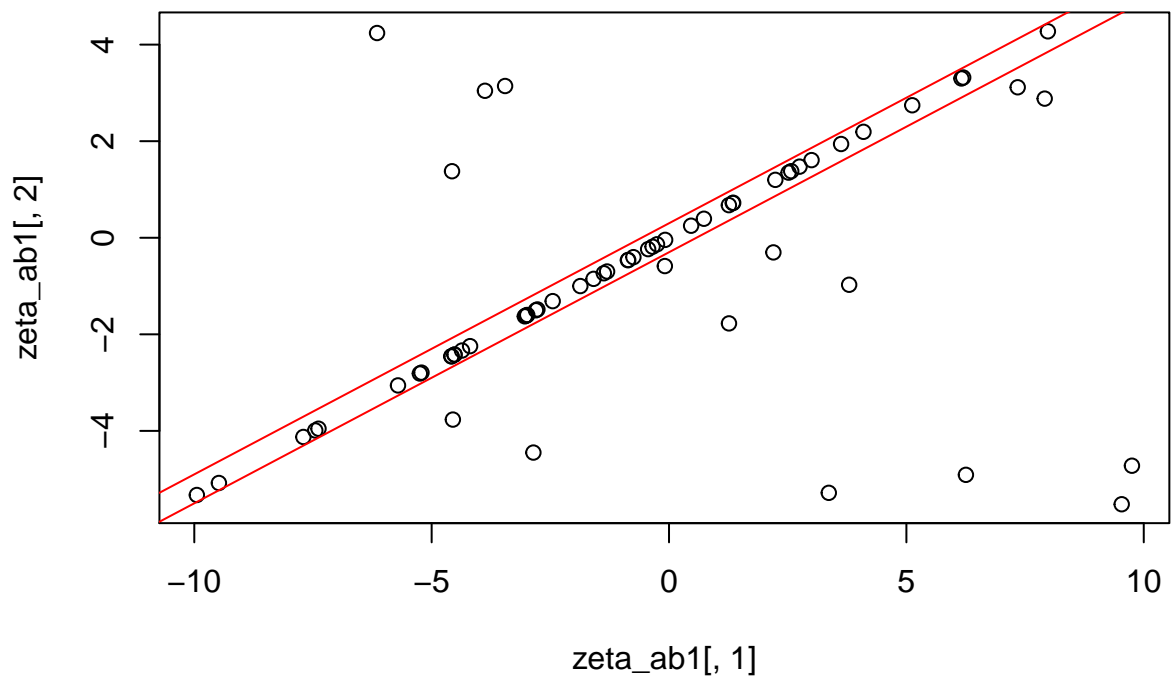
```
# Estimated correlation
cor(zeta0.fit2,zeta1.fit2)
```

```
## [1] -0.7852153
```

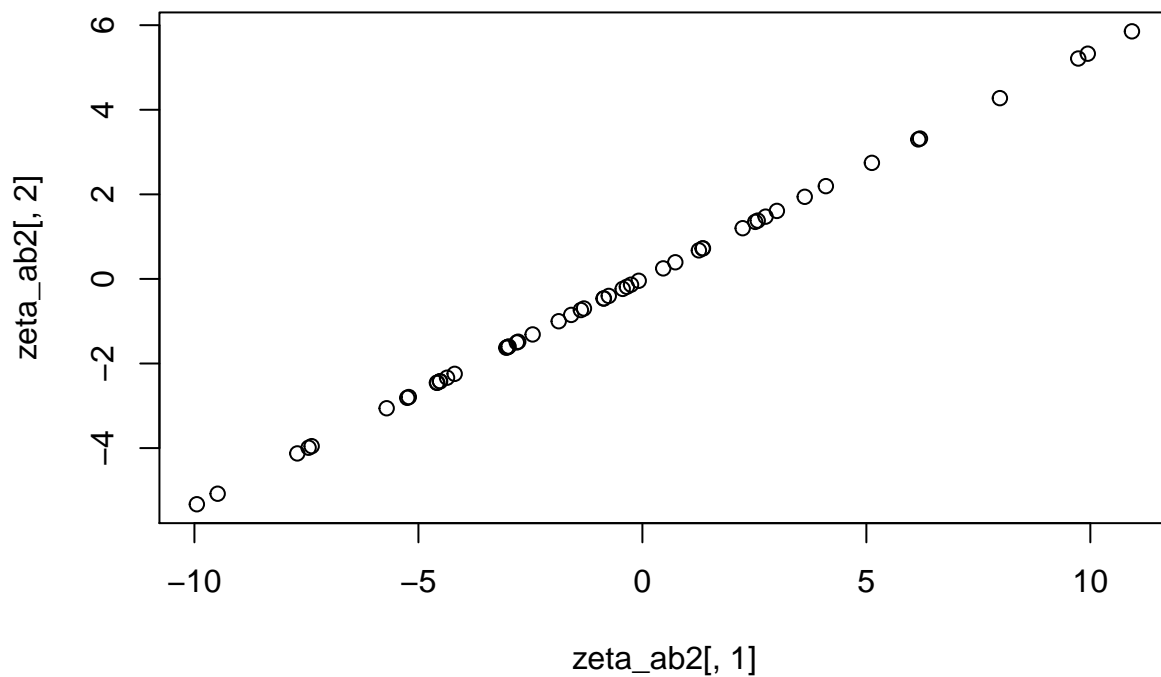
Response: The estimated correlation is -0.785 but it is not consistent with some of the points in the scatterplot that appear to be positively correlated.

e. Track down those odd points in the scatterplot. What schools are they? Do they have anything in common?

```
# Insert code if you want to examine odd points
zeta <- ranefs.fit2$schoolid
zeta$schooid <- row.names(zeta)
zeta_ab1 <- zeta[zeta0.fit2 > -10 & zeta0.fit2 < 10 &
               zeta1.fit2 > -10 & zeta1.fit2 < 5, ]
plot(zeta_ab1[,1], zeta_ab1[,2])
abline(a=0.3,b=0.52,col=2)
abline(a=-0.3,b=0.52,col=2)
```



```
zeta_ab2 <- zeta[0.3+0.52*zeta0.fit2>zeta1.fit2 & -0.3+0.52*zeta0.fit2<zeta1.fit2,]
plot(zeta_ab2[,1],zeta_ab2[,2])
```



```
#Part of Schoolids for the weird points
head(zeta_ab2[,3])
```

```
## [1] "1" "4" "5" "9" "10" "12"
```

```
dat2<-dat[dat$schoolid %in% zeta_ab2[,3],]
```

```
library(dplyr)
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:car':
```

```
##
```

```
## recode
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
```

```
##
```

```
## filter, lag
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
```

```
##
```

```
## intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

```
head(dat2 %>% group_by(schoolid) %>% summarize(mean(minority)))
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 2
##   schoolid `mean(minority)`
##   <int>      <dbl>
## 1      1      1
## 2      4      1
## 3      5      1
## 4      9      1
## 5     10      1
## 6     12      1
```

Response: The odd points are from schoolids 1, 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 28, 33, 38, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 52, 57, 60, 61, 69, 73, 78, 79, 80, 84, 86, 89, 90, 96, 98, 100, 102, 103, and 106. We can see that the odd points are from schools where high proportion of students or even all of them are minorities.



## Question 7

Make a *person-period* file with math score (Kindergarten and First grade). That is, `math0 <- mathkind`; `math1 <- mathkind + mathgain` (you have to make this work in the dataframe). Using `reshape` in R, you have to be careful to specify the name of the math variable (`math0` and `math1`) as *varying*.

```
dat$math0 <- dat$mathkind
dat$math1 <- dat$mathkind+dat$mathgain
class_pp <- reshape(
  dat,
  varying = c("math0", "math1"),
  v.names = "math",
  timevar = "year",
  times = c(0, 1),
  direction = "long"
)
```

## Question 8

We ignore classrooms in this analysis, but keep it in the notation.

- a. Fit a model with math as outcome, and fixed effect for time trend (year), and random intercepts for schools.

```
fit.M00 <- lmer(math ~ year + (1 | schoolid),
               data = class_pp)
# Report the model fit
print(summary(fit.M00))

## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math ~ year + (1 | schoolid)
## Data: class_pp
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 21794.2
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -5.0693 -0.6031  0.0030  0.6321  3.7529
##
## Random effects:
## Groups   Name      Variance Std.Dev.
## schoolid (Intercept) 337      18.36
## Residual              1288     35.89
## Number of obs: 2162, groups: schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error    df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  465.053      2.136 133.580  217.76 <2e-16 ***
## year         57.844      1.544 2055.557   37.47 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##      (Intr)
## year -0.361
```

- b. Write down the model

Equation:

$$MATH_{tijk} = b_0 + \zeta_{0k} + b_1 TIME_{tijk} + \varepsilon_{tijk},$$

and we assume  $\zeta_{0k} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\zeta_0}^2)$  and  $\varepsilon_{tijk} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2)$ , independently.

- c. Add random intercepts for child

```
fit.M0 <- lmer(math ~ year + (1 | schoolid/childid),
               data = class_pp)
# Report the model fit
summary(fit.M0)
```

```

## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math ~ year + (1 | schoolid/childid)
## Data: class_pp
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 21425.2
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.7233 -0.4827  0.0125  0.4922  3.4892
##
## Random effects:
## Groups          Name          Variance Std.Dev.
## childid:schoolid (Intercept) 722.0     26.87
## schoolid         (Intercept) 293.2     17.12
## Residual                        602.2     24.54
## Number of obs: 2162, groups:  childid:schoolid, 1081; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  465.288      2.057  116.652   226.2   <2e-16 ***
## year          57.844      1.056 1080.000    54.8   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##      (Intr)
## year -0.257

```

d. Write down the model

Equation:

$$MATH_{ijk} = b_0 + \delta_{0ijk} + \zeta_{0k} + b_1 TIME_{ijk} + \varepsilon_{ijk}$$

and assume  $\delta_{0ijk} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\delta_0}^2)$ ,  $\zeta_{0k} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\zeta_0}^2)$ , and  $\varepsilon_{ijk} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2)$ , independently.

## Question 9

Report original and new variance estimates of  $\sigma_{\zeta_0}^2$  (between schools) and  $\sigma_{\epsilon}^2$  (within schools):

$\sigma_{\zeta_0}^2$  : The original variance estimate is 337. The new variance estimate is 293.2.  $\sigma_{\epsilon}^2$  : The original variance estimate is 1288. The new variance estimate is 602.2.

- Compute a pseudo  $R^2$  relating the between school variation and ignoring between students in the same school. In other words, what fraction of the between-school variance in the first model is ‘explained’ by the addition of a student random effect?

```
# Insert code to compute psuedo R^2 or do this inline  
(337 - 293.2) / 337
```

```
## [1] 0.1299703
```

Response: The proportion of the between-school variance in the first model that is ‘explained’ by the addition of a student random effect is 0.1299703.

- Does the total variation stay about the same (adding between children within schools variance as well, to the second model results) **(you should comment)**?

```
# Total variation of first model  
337 + 1288
```

```
## [1] 1625
```

```
# Total variaion of second model  
722 + 293.2 + 602.2
```

```
## [1] 1617.4
```

Response: Yes, the total variation stays about the same. The total variation of the first model is 1625. The total variation of the second model is 1617.4.

## Question 10

Add a random slope ( $\zeta_1$ ) for the trend (year) within schools (uncorrelated with random intercept ( $\zeta_0$ ))

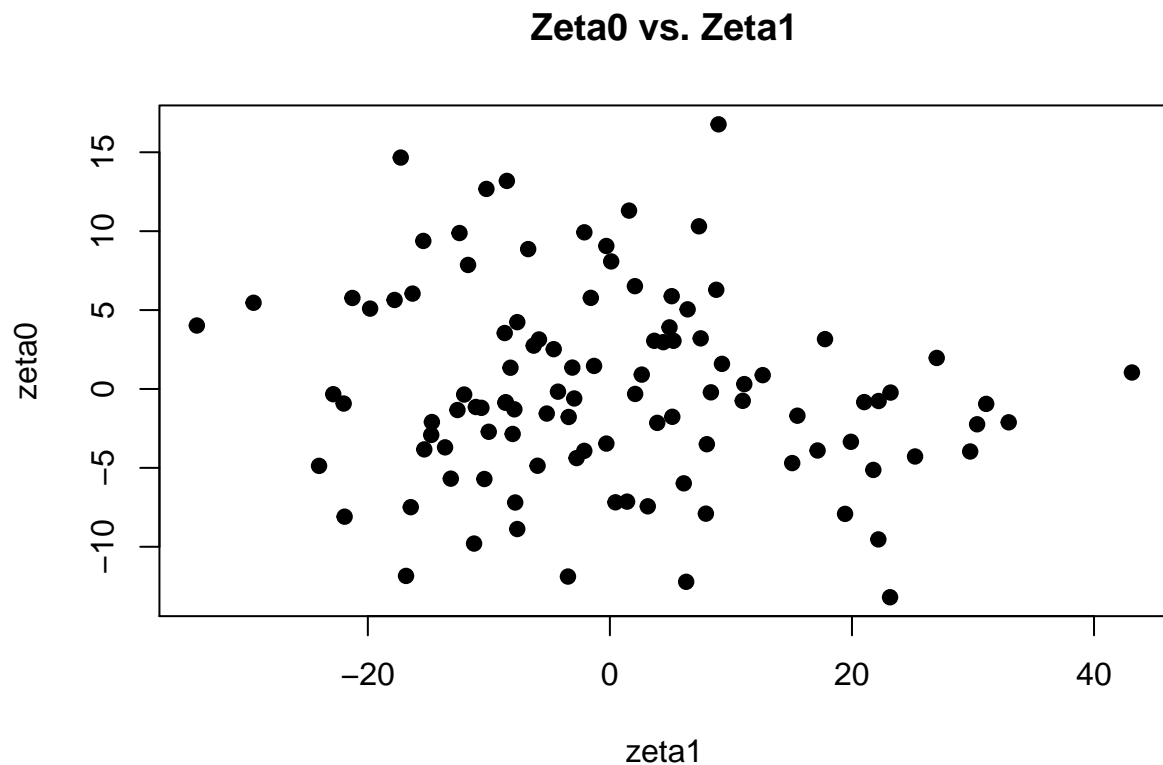
```
fit.M1 <- lmer(math ~ year + (0 + year | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/childid),
              data = class_pp)
summary(fit.M1)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math ~ year + (0 + year | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/childid)
## Data: class_pp
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 21403.1
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.7461 -0.4788  0.0119  0.4719  3.5976
##
## Random effects:
## Groups           Name          Variance Std.Dev.
## childid.schoolid (Intercept) 745.36   27.301
## schoolid         (Intercept) 315.70   17.768
## schoolid.1       year          85.97    9.272
## Residual                        554.92   23.557
## Number of obs: 2162, groups:  childid:schoolid, 1081; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  465.257      2.108 108.630  220.73  <2e-16 ***
## year         57.751       1.402 101.341   41.18  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##      (Intr)
## year -0.188
```

- a. Generate the BLUPs for the random effects and examine whether the independence between  $\zeta_0$  and  $\zeta_1$  is reflected in a scatterplot of these two sets of effects.

```
ranefs.fit.M1 <- ranef(fit.M1)
delta.fit.M1 <- ranefs.fit.M1$`childid:schoolid`[,1]
zeta0.fit.M1 <- ranefs.fit.M1$schoolid[,1]
zeta1.fit.M1 <- ranefs.fit.M1$schoolid[,2]

# Scatterplot of zeta_0 vs. zeta_1
plot(zeta0.fit.M1, zeta1.fit.M1,
     main="Zeta0 vs. Zeta1", xlab="zeta1", ylab="zeta0", pch=19)
```



```
# Correlation between zeta_0 and zeta_1
cor(zeta0.fit.M1, zeta1.fit.M1)
```

```
## [1] -0.1526661
```

Response: Yes, the independence of zeta\_0 and zeta\_1 is reflected in the scatterplot because there does not seem to be a strong correlation between the two (-0.11).

- b. Compute  $V_S(\text{year} = 0)$  and  $V_S(\text{year} = 1)$ . Since there are only two years, this is a form of heteroscedasticity in the random effects.

```
V_S_year0 = 324.79
V_S_year0
```

```
## [1] 324.79
```

```
V_S_year1 = 324.79 + 88.67
V_S_year1
```

```
## [1] 413.46
```

- i. In which year is there more between school variation, net of all else?

Response: There is more between school variation in year 1.

## Question 11

If you ran the model BY YEAR, and removed the year trend from the model, would you get the same estimates for the variances between schools?

```
fit.M_K <- lmer(mathkind ~ 1 + (1 | schoolid), data = dat)
print(summary(fit.M_K))
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: mathkind ~ 1 + (1 | schoolid)
## Data: dat
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 11017.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.7416 -0.5655  0.0086  0.6286  3.5648
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name Variance Std.Dev.
## schoolid (Intercept) 364.1 19.08
## Residual 1391.4 37.30
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
## Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 465.382 2.244 101.588 207.4 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
fit.M_1 <- lmer(math1st ~ 1 + (1 | schoolid), data = dat)
print(summary(fit.M_1))
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math1st ~ 1 + (1 | schoolid)
## Data: dat
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 10851.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3.5824 -0.6158 -0.0063  0.6191  3.8063
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name Variance Std.Dev.
## schoolid (Intercept) 279.1 16.71
## Residual 1202.6 34.68
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
## Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
```

```
## (Intercept)    523.2          2.0 101.9   261.6   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Response: No, you get different estimates for the variances between schools.



## Question 12

Rerun the last nested longitudinal model, allowing correlation between intercept and slope.

a. Is the correlation significant?

```
fit.M2 <- lmer(math ~ year + (year | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:childid), data = class_pp)
summary(fit.M2)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: math ~ year + (year | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:childid)
## Data: class_pp
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 21391.3
##
## Scaled residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4.6737 -0.4699  0.0038  0.4683  3.4882
##
## Random effects:
## Groups           Name             Variance Std.Dev. Corr
## schoolid:childid (Intercept) 749.0      27.37
## schoolid         (Intercept) 373.5      19.33
##                  year          112.4      10.60   -0.53
## Residual                    547.8      23.41
## Number of obs: 2162, groups: schoolid:childid, 1081; schoolid, 105
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  465.257      2.241 101.262   207.6   <2e-16 ***
## year          58.006      1.491  95.408    38.9   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##      (Intr)
## year -0.486
```

```
# LRT
anova(fit.M2, fit.M1, refit = F)
```

```
## Data: class_pp
## Models:
## fit.M1: math ~ year + (0 + year | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid/childid)
## fit.M2: math ~ year + (year | schoolid) + (1 | schoolid:childid)
##      Df    AIC    BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
## fit.M1  6 21415 21449 -10702    21403
## fit.M2  7 21405 21445 -10696    21391 11.879      1 0.0005678 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Response: Yes, the LRT suggests that the correlation is significant.

b. Compute  $V_S$  (year = 0) and  $V_S$ (year = 1) for this new model (your formula should include covariance terms).

```
V_S_year0_new = 370.6  
V_S_year0_new
```

```
## [1] 370.6
```

```
V_S_year1_new = 370.6 + 2*(-0.45)*10.44*19.25 + 109.1  
V_S_year1_new
```

```
## [1] 298.827
```

i. Is this result (and thus model) more consistent with the separate grade analysis? You are implicitly testing model fit here.

Response: Yes, this result (and model) is more consistent with the separate grade analysis.