Hierarchical and Mixed Effects Models in R

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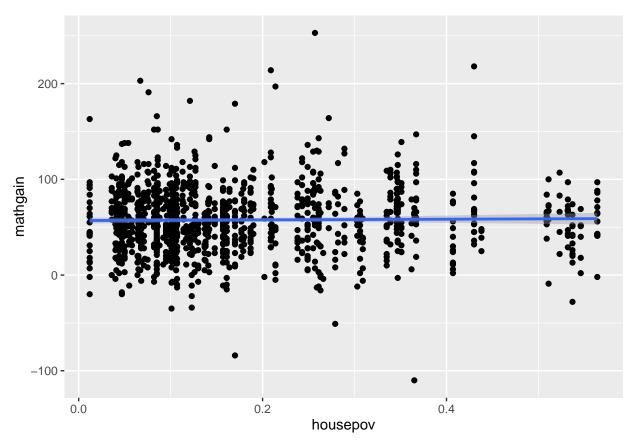
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Chapter 1: Overview and Introduction to Hierarchical and Mixed Models

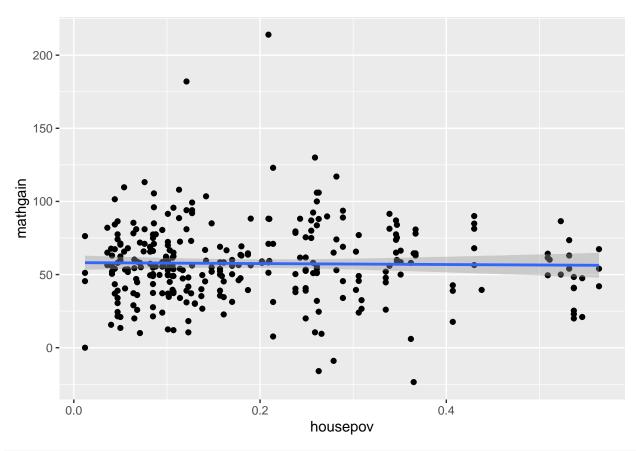
• lme4 package

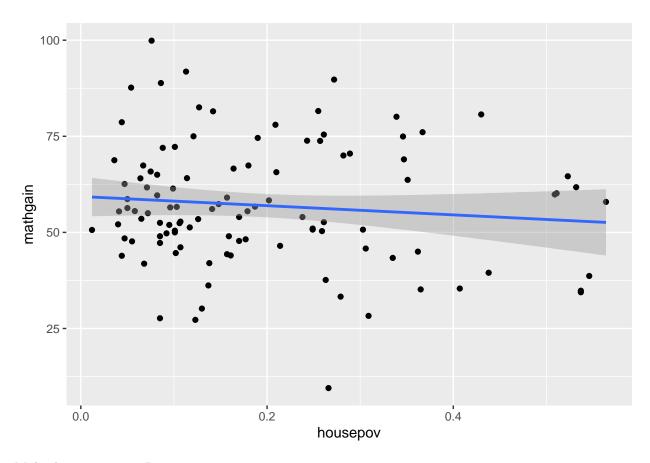
```
library(lme4)
## Loading required package: Matrix
##
## Attaching package: 'Matrix'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:tidyr':
##
       expand, pack, unpack
library(lmerTest)
## Warning: package 'lmerTest' was built under R version 3.6.3
## Attaching package: 'lmerTest'
## The following object is masked from 'package:lme4':
##
##
       lmer
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       step
library(broom.mixed)
## Warning: package 'broom.mixed' was built under R version 3.6.3
## Registered S3 methods overwritten by 'broom.mixed':
##
     method
                    from
##
     augment.lme
                    broom
##
     augment.merMod broom
##
     glance.lme
                    broom
##
     glance.merMod broom
##
     glance.stanreg broom
     tidy.brmsfit broom
##
     tidy.gamlss
                    broom
##
     tidy.lme
                    broom
     tidy.merMod
##
                    broom
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tidy.rjags
##
                    broom
##
     tidy.stanfit
                    broom
##
     tidy.stanreg
                    broom
studentData <- read_csv("https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/1803/datasets/975fe2b01908</pre>
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     sex = col_double(),
     minority = col_double(),
##
     mathkind = col_double(),
##
##
     mathgain = col_double(),
##
     ses = col_double(),
##
     yearstea = col_double(),
     mathknow = col_double(),
##
##
     housepov = col_double(),
     mathprep = col_double(),
##
     classid = col_double(),
##
##
     schoolid = col_double(),
     childid = col_double()
##
## )
# Visualize the data first
ggplot(data = studentData, aes(x = housepov, y = mathgain)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE)
```



```
# Fit a linear model
summary(lm(formula = mathgain ~ housepov, data = studentData)) # Not predictive. We haven't accounted f
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mathgain ~ housepov, data = studentData)
## Residuals:
                 1Q Median
##
       Min
                                   ЗQ
                                           Max
## -168.226 -22.222 -1.306 19.763 195.156
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 56.937
                            1.674
                                   34.02 <2e-16 ***
                 3.531
                            7.515
                                     0.47
                                             0.639
## housepov
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 34.63 on 1188 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.0001858, Adjusted R-squared: -0.0006558
## F-statistic: 0.2208 on 1 and 1188 DF, p-value: 0.6385
classData <- studentData %>%
 group_by(classid) %>%
  summarise(mathgain = mean(mathgain),
           housepov = mean(housepov))
ggplot(data = classData, aes(x = housepov, y = mathgain)) +
 geom_point() +
 geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE)
```





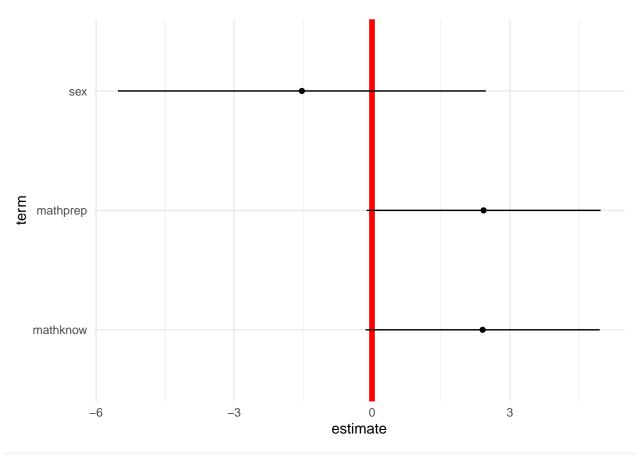
Multiple regression in R tips:

- $lm(y \sim x 1)$ the -1 estimates an intercept for each x (group), rather than relative to the first group.
- numeric vs factors R automatically assumes a numeric predictor is a slope
- scaling parameters and slopes
- shortcut for interaction is x1*x2

Without other coefficients, a single intercept is the global mean of the data. Multiple intercepts allow you to estimate the mean for each group as long as other coefficients are not estimated (when the groups are discrete...).

What about continuous predictor variables? -> slopes.

```
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
           1Q Median
                              30
                                      Max
## -4.3203 -0.6146 -0.0294 0.5467 5.5331
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
## classid (Intercept) 103.57 10.177
                         85.44
## schoolid (Intercept)
                                9.244
## Residual
                        1019.47 31.929
## Number of obs: 1081, groups: classid, 285; schoolid, 105
## Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error
                                        df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                            3.838 233.946 13.613 <2e-16 ***
                52.250
## sex
                -1.526
                            2.041 1030.557 -0.747
                                                    0.4550
## mathprep
                 2.426
                            1.298 181.813
                                            1.869
                                                    0.0632 .
## mathknow
                 2.405
                            1.299 206.425
                                            1.851
                                                    0.0656 .
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
           (Intr) sex
                         mthprp
           -0.268
## sex
## mathprep -0.878 0.001
## mathknow -0.003 0.011 0.005
# Extract out the coefficients
modelOutPlot <- broom.mixed::tidy(me_mod, conf.int = TRUE) # note: have to use broom.extra for me model
modelOutPlot <- modelOutPlot[modelOutPlot$effect == "fixed" &</pre>
                            modelOutPlot$term != "(Intercept)", ]
# Plot the coefficients of interest
ggplot(data = modelOutPlot, aes(x = term, y = estimate, ymin = conf.low, ymax = conf.high)) +
 theme_minimal() +
 geom_hline(yintercept = 0.0, color = "red", size = 2) +
 geom_point() +
 geom_linerange() +
 coord_flip()
```



^ Really like this plot!

Chapter 2: Linear Mixed-Effect Models

Random-effect syntax (for using lme4):

- (1 | group): random intercept with a fixed mean
- $(1 \mid g1/g2)$: intercepts vary among g1 and g2 within g2
- $(1 \mid g1) + (1 \mid g2)$: random intercepts for two variables
- $x + (x \mid g)$: correlated random slope and intercept
- x + (x || g): uncorrelated random slope and intercept

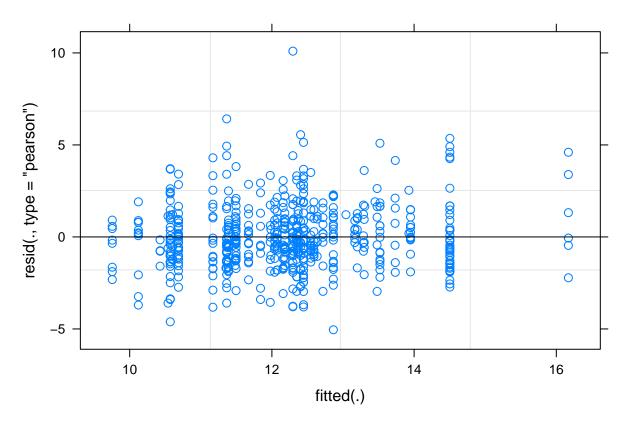
Using birth data

countyBirthsData <- read_csv("https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/1803/datasets/eb95cb6</pre>

```
## Warning: Missing column names filled in: 'X1' [1]
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     X1 = col_double(),
##
     Year = col_double(),
##
     TotalPopulation = col_double(),
##
     BirthRate = col_double(),
##
     AverageBirthWeight = col_double(),
     AverageAgeofMother = col_double(),
##
##
     CountyName = col_character(),
     State = col_character()
##
## )
```

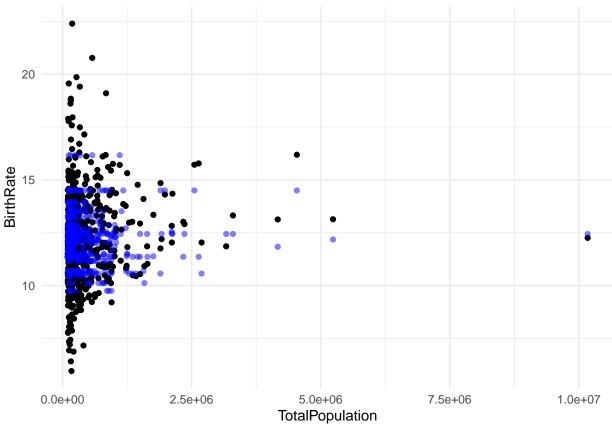
```
# Counties exist within states, and perhaps states contribute to variability. Hence, the need for rando
# To start, we build a hierarchical model with a global intercept (fixed-effect) and random-effect for
mod1 <- lmer(formula = BirthRate ~ (1 | State),</pre>
            data = countyBirthsData)
summary(mod1)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: BirthRate ~ (1 | State)
##
     Data: countyBirthsData
## REML criterion at convergence: 2411
##
## Scaled residuals:
              1Q Median
      Min
                               30
## -2.7957 -0.6056 -0.1063 0.5211 5.5948
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name
                      Variance Std.Dev.
## State
          (Intercept) 1.899
                                 1.378
## Residual
                        3.256
                                 1.804
## Number of obs: 578, groups: State, 50
## Fixed effects:
##
              Estimate Std. Error df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 12.3362
                         0.2216 43.3830 55.67 <2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
# plot the residuals
```

plot(mod1)



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# Random-effects intercepts estimated for each state. This allowed us to account for each state having
# Let's include a fixed effect: average age of mother.
mod2 <- lmer(formula = BirthRate ~ AverageAgeofMother + (1 | State),</pre>
             data = countyBirthsData)
summary(mod2)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: BirthRate ~ AverageAgeofMother + (1 | State)
      Data: countyBirthsData
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 2347.6
##
## Scaled residuals:
       Min
                1Q Median
                                ЗQ
                                       Max
## -2.9602 -0.6086 -0.1042 0.5144 5.2686
##
## Random effects:
```

Variance Std.Dev.

1.250

1.709

Groups

Residual

State

##

Name

(Intercept) 1.562

Number of obs: 578, groups: State, 50

2.920

```
## Fixed effects:
##
                                                  df t value Pr(>|t|)
                      Estimate Std. Error
## (Intercept)
                       27.57033
                                  1.81801 575.96198 15.165 < 2e-16 ***
                                  0.06349 574.18338 -8.434 2.71e-16 ***
## AverageAgeofMother -0.53549
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
               (Intr)
## AvrgAgfMthr -0.994
# Now we want a random-effects slope for each state. A random-effect slope may be estimated for each gr
# Adding total population of each state as a random effect (it's numeric, hence slope not intercept)
countyBirthsData <- countyBirthsData %>%
 mutate(LogTotalPop = log10(TotalPopulation))
mod3 <- lmer(formula = BirthRate ~ AverageAgeofMother + (LogTotalPop | State),</pre>
            data = countyBirthsData)
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0260043 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
# Uncorrelated random effects model (use the // syntax):
mod4 <- lmer(formula = BirthRate ~ AverageAgeofMother + (LogTotalPop | State),</pre>
            data = countyBirthsData)
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
summary(mod4) # Not good. Need to the more complex model (mod3)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: BirthRate ~ AverageAgeofMother + (LogTotalPop || State)
     Data: countyBirthsData
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 2347.6
## Scaled residuals:
              10 Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -2.9602 -0.6086 -0.1042 0.5144 5.2686
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
            Name
                        Variance Std.Dev.
## State
             (Intercept) 1.562
                                 1.250
## State.1 LogTotalPop 0.000
                                 0.000
## Residual
                         2.920
                                  1.709
## Number of obs: 578, groups: State, 50
## Fixed effects:
##
                       Estimate Std. Error
                                                  df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                       27.57033
                                  1.81801 575.96198 15.165 < 2e-16 ***
## AverageAgeofMother -0.53549
                                  0.06349 574.18338 -8.434 2.71e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

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##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
               (Intr)
## AvrgAgfMthr -0.994
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
# A predictor can be both a fixed-effect and a random-effect (e.g., mothers age)
mod5 <- lmer(formula = BirthRate ~ AverageAgeofMother + (AverageAgeofMother | State),</pre>
            data = countyBirthsData)
## Warning in checkConv(attr(opt, "derivs"), opt$par, ctrl = control$checkConv, :
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0133555 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
summary(mod5) # This is helpful for prediction, as you can correct the effect of age of mother by state
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: BirthRate ~ AverageAgeofMother + (AverageAgeofMother | State)
     Data: countyBirthsData
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 2337.5
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
              10 Median
                                3Q
## -2.8402 -0.5965 -0.1132 0.5233 5.1817
## Random effects:
## Groups
                                Variance Std.Dev. Corr
                                78.33144 8.8505
## State
             (Intercept)
            AverageAgeofMother 0.08433 0.2904
## Residual
                                 2.80345 1.6744
## Number of obs: 578, groups: State, 50
## Fixed effects:
##
                     Estimate Std. Error
                                                df t value Pr(>|t|)
                      27.21961 2.41010 39.91438 11.294 5.31e-14 ***
## (Intercept)
                               0.08293 39.42721 -6.312 1.83e-07 ***
## AverageAgeofMother -0.52344
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
               (Intr)
##
## AvrgAgfMthr -0.997
## convergence code: 0
## Model failed to converge with max|grad| = 0.0133555 (tol = 0.002, component 1)
REML - restricted maximum likelihood method
# Extracting coefficients
# Fixed effects:
fixef(mod5)
##
          (Intercept) AverageAgeofMother
```

-0.523442

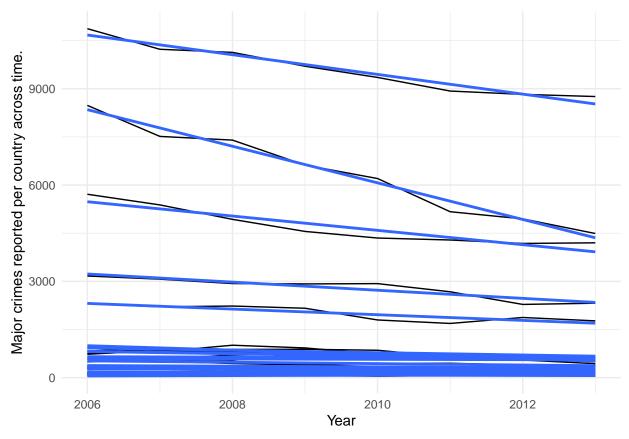
27.219605

##

Random effects: ranef(mod5)

```
## $State
##
       (Intercept) AverageAgeofMother
## AK
        4.15003868
                           -0.109184783
       -4.03378321
## AL
                            0.127790698
##
        1.21082566
                           -0.026165323
##
  ΑZ
       -5.11009217
                            0.148282653
  CA
       11.43254356
                           -0.373285277
##
  CO
        1.35768165
                           -0.043219507
##
       -3.82970951
                            0.066100814
   CT
##
  DC
        1.21115127
                           -0.012314396
       -2.11510834
  DE
                            0.060412134
## FL
      -11.31590854
                            0.334159606
##
  GA
        6.93457372
                           -0.230274526
## HI
       -0.51788167
                            0.020356335
##
   ΙA
        3.41174428
                           -0.085895750
##
   ID
        7.51123552
                           -0.222596318
##
   IL
       -3.07183968
                            0.102977648
##
  IN
       -3.02904144
                            0.097145469
## KS
        5.15187643
                           -0.150220284
## KY
        2.30557751
                           -0.058607045
## LA
        5.32029471
                           -0.154658352
  MA
       -5.72651427
                            0.144383430
##
  MD
       -3.31971034
                            0.116256669
##
  ME
       -5.76419680
                            0.145079276
##
  ΜI
       -5.51723036
                            0.156052226
## MN
                            0.077580405
       -1.41379992
## MO
        0.46288340
                           -0.013492801
##
  MS
       -0.77739331
                            0.021041676
##
        0.07683320
  ΜT
                          -0.006560404
##
  NC
        4.20869679
                           -0.159191892
   ND
##
        3.20725583
                           -0.078130864
##
   NE
        4.97980324
                           -0.122101047
       -3.02333587
                            0.055641597
##
   NH
## NJ
        6.33991764
                           -0.220034709
## NM
        1.24087579
                           -0.066463156
## NV
                           -0.009233999
        0.35709749
##
  NY
       -5.34557647
                            0.162856972
##
  OH
       -7.43833421
                            0.227092266
##
   OK
        4.73462323
                           -0.140260716
##
  OR
       -5.64958450
                            0.170021845
## PA
       -8.17679196
                            0.230593543
## RI
       -0.82967532
                           -0.014536489
##
   SC
       -5.60511798
                            0.179511398
##
  SD
        4.96670949
                           -0.128324308
   TN
       -1.21831791
                            0.038711838
##
   TX
       10.90259845
                           -0.331687671
##
   UT
       14.12700916
                           -0.369723836
##
   VA
       -8.76482204
                           0.350357075
## VT
       -0.02787975
                           -0.014042974
## WA
        0.30152985
                          -0.002489047
       -0.35751943
                          -0.004946489
## WI
```

```
## WV -3.92421158
                         0.115236390
##
## with conditional variances for "State"
# Confidence intervals for fe:
confint(mod5)
## Computing profile confidence intervals ...
## Warning in nextpar(mat, cc, i, delta, lowcut, upcut): unexpected decrease in
## profile: using minstep
## Warning in FUN(X[[i]], ...): non-monotonic profile for .sig02
## Warning in confint.thpr(pp, level = level, zeta = zeta): bad spline fit
## for .sig02: falling back to linear interpolation
                          2.5 %
                     4.4104030 13.8610928
## .sig01
## .sig02
                     -0.9997023 -0.9607253
## .sig03
                      0.1333576 0.4630192
## .sigma
                      1.5761207 1.7821071
## (Intercept)
                     22.4263992 32.1350540
## AverageAgeofMother -0.6923128 -0.3576348
tidy(mod5, conf.int = TRUE)
## # A tibble: 6 x 10
    effect group term estimate std.error statistic
                                                       df
                                                            p.value conf.low
   <chr> <chr> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                              <dbl>
                                                                       <dbl>
## 1 fixed <NA> (Int~
                                                                      22.5
                         27.2
                                   2.41
                                             11.3 39.9 5.31e-14
## 2 fixed <NA> Aver~ -0.523
                                 0.0829
                                             -6.31 39.4 1.83e- 7
                                                                     -0.686
## 3 ran_p~ State sd__~
                         8.85
                                  NA
                                              NA
                                                     NA
                                                        NA
                                                                      NA
## 4 ran_p~ State sd__~
                         0.290
                                  NA
                                              NA
                                                     NA
                                                          NA
                                                                      NA
## 5 ran_p~ State cor_~
                         -0.992
                                  NA
                                              NA
                                                     NA
                                                          NA
                                                                      NA
## 6 ran_p~ Resi~ sd__~
                          1.67
                                  NA
                                              NA
                                                     NA
                                                          NA
                                                                      NA
## # ... with 1 more variable: conf.high <dbl>
Using Maryland Crime data
MDcrime <- read_csv("https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/1803/datasets/e5e076efd3c3b766
## Warning: Missing column names filled in: 'X1' [1]
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
    X1 = col_double(),
##
    County = col_character(),
##
    Year = col_double(),
##
    Crime = col_double(),
##
    Year2 = col_double()
ggplot(data = MDcrime, aes(x = Year, y = Crime, group = County)) +
 geom line() +
 geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) +
 theme minimal() +
 ylab("Major crimes reported per country across time.")
```



```
# Looks like we will require a random-effect intercept, and likely a random-effect slope.
# Try a linear model:
mod1 <- lm(formula = Crime ~ Year, data = MDcrime)</pre>
summary(mod1) # Year(2) not significant. Note: need to use Year2 variable.
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Crime ~ Year, data = MDcrime)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
  -1514.3 -1156.6 -930.9 -511.5
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 136642.97 147510.24
                                     0.926
                                               0.355
                  -67.33
                              73.41 -0.917
                                               0.360
## Year
##
## Residual standard error: 2331 on 190 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.004408,
                                    Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 0.8413 on 1 and 190 DF, p-value: 0.3602
# Fit the model with Year(2) as both a fixed and random-effect:
mod2 <- lmer(formula = Crime ~ Year2 + ( 1 + Year2 | County), data = MDcrime)
summary(mod2)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: Crime ~ Year2 + (1 + Year2 | County)
##
     Data: MDcrime
## REML criterion at convergence: 2535.7
## Scaled residuals:
##
      Min
             1Q Median
                               30
                                      Max
## -3.8080 -0.2235 -0.0390 0.2837 3.0767
## Random effects:
## Groups
                        Variance Std.Dev. Corr
           Name
            (Intercept) 7584514 2754.00
                          16940
                                  130.15 -0.91
##
            Year2
## Residual
                           8425
                                   91.79
## Number of obs: 192, groups: County, 24
##
## Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error
                                       df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 1577.28
                           562.29
                                    23.02 2.805
                                                   0.0100 *
                -67.33
                            26.72
                                    23.01 -2.519
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##
        (Intr)
## Year2 -0.906
# ANOVA - Analysis of Variance
# Build a null model with only County as a random-effect
null_model <- lmer(Crime ~ (1 | County), data = MDcrime)</pre>
# Build alternative model, with Year2 as a fixed and random slope and County as a random effect
alt_model <- lmer(Crime ~ Year2 + (1 + Year2 | County), data = MDcrime)
# Compare models - look at Chi square test.
anova(null_model, alt_model)
## refitting model(s) with ML (instead of REML)
## Data: MDcrime
## Models:
## null_model: Crime ~ (1 | County)
## alt_model: Crime ~ Year2 + (1 + Year2 | County)
                          BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
             Df
                   AIC
## null model 3 2954.4 2964.2 -1474.2
                                        2948.4
## alt model 6 2568.9 2588.4 -1278.4
                                       2556.9 391.52
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Chapter 3: Generalized Linear Mixed-Effects Models

Topics covered in this chapter (for future reference):

- Logisitic regression with glm() family = "binomial"
- Poisson regression with glm() family = "poisson" -> for count data.
- Plotting logistic regression results with ggplot stat_smooth(method = "glm", method.args = list(family = "binomial"))
- Using glmer() to estimate glms with mixed effects.
- Handling different data inputs (e.g. matrix with cbind)
- Calculating odds-ratios with exp(fixef()) and exp(confint()). Can also be done via tidy()
- Using ggplot to visualize random-effects poisson models

Chapter 4: Repeated Measures

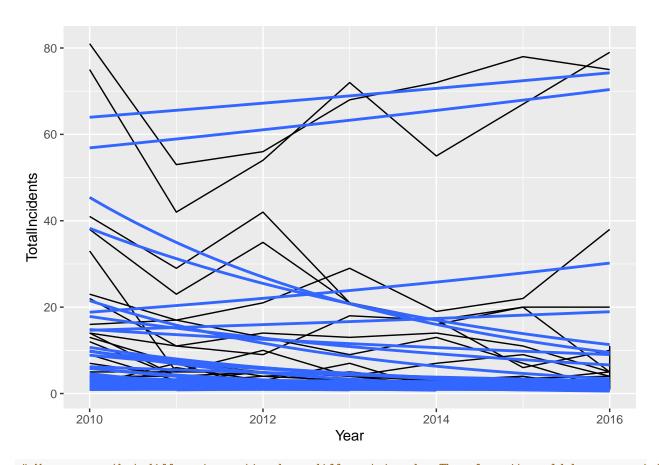
```
Paired t-test \rightarrow special case of a t-test
```

 $t.test(paired = TRUE) \rightarrow does not assume equal variance of both groups.$

Repeated measures ANOVA -> tests if means are constant across time. ^ simply a special type of mixed effects model.

```
set.seed(1234)
n_ind <- 10
before \leftarrow rnorm(n = n_ind, mean = 0, sd = 0.5)
after <- before + rnorm(n = n_ind, mean = 4.5, sd = 5)
t.test(before, after, paired = F)
##
##
   Welch Two Sample t-test
## data: before and after
## t = -2.3343, df = 9.1605, p-value = 0.04396
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -7.6873743 -0.1309186
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## -0.1915787 3.7175678
t.test(before, after, paired = T) # Paired is more powerful.
##
##
   Paired t-test
## data: before and after
## t = -2.3164, df = 9, p-value = 0.04576
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -7.72678305 -0.09150987
## sample estimates:
## mean of the differences
                 -3.909146
dat <- data.frame(y = c(before, after),</pre>
                  trial = rep(c("before", "after"), each = n_ind),
                  ind = rep(letters[1:n_ind], times = 2))
```

```
# Now do it with lmer:
mod <- lmer(y ~ trial + (1|ind), data = dat)</pre>
summary(mod) # Woot. Pretty much the same (same t value, p value)
## Linear mixed model fit by REML. t-tests use Satterthwaite's method [
## lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: y ~ trial + (1 | ind)
##
     Data: dat
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 103.2
##
## Scaled residuals:
      Min
              1Q Median
                               ЗQ
## -1.0871 -0.5599 -0.0249 0.1110 3.3158
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name
                      Variance Std.Dev.
## ind
            (Intercept) 9.047e-07 0.0009512
## Residual
                        1.402e+01 3.7446323
## Number of obs: 20, groups: ind, 10
## Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error
                                      df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 3.718 1.184 18.000 3.139 0.00567 **
## trialbefore -3.909
                           1.675 18.000 -2.334 0.03137 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
              (Intr)
## trialbefore -0.707
htcrime <- read_csv("https://assets.datacamp.com/production/repositories/1803/datasets/45e88fe1bc8d1d76
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
    Year = col_double(),
##
    County = col_character(),
    TotalIncidents = col_double(),
##
    Year2 = col_double()
## )
# Is the number of hate crimes changing over time in NY counties?
# 1) Is the state-wide number of hate crimes changing?
# 2) Are the number of hate crimes changing differently in each county?
# Step 1. Visualize
ggplot(data = htcrime, mapping = aes(x = Year, y = TotalIncidents, group = County)) +
 geom_line() +
 geom_smooth(method = "glm", method.args = c("poisson"), se = FALSE)
```



We can see that different counties have different trends. Therefore it would be appropriate to use di