Assignment 7: GLMs week 2 (Linear Regression and beyond)

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OVERVIEW

This exercise accompanies the lessons in Environmental Data Analytics on generalized linear models.

Directions

- 1. Change "Student Name" on line 3 (above) with your name.
- 2. Work through the steps, **creating code and output** that fulfill each instruction.
- 3. Be sure to **answer the questions** in this assignment document.
- 4. When you have completed the assignment, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file.
- 5. After Knitting, submit the completed exercise (PDF file) to the dropbox in Sakai. Add your last name into the file name (e.g., "Salk_A06_GLMs_Week1.Rmd") prior to submission.

The completed exercise is due on Tuesday, February 25 at 1:00 pm.

Set up your session

Attaching package: 'nlme'

- 1. Set up your session. Check your working directory, load the tidyverse, nlme, and piecewise SEM packages, import the raw NTL-LTER raw data file for chemistry/physics, and import the processed litter dataset. You will not work with dates, so no need to format your date columns this time.
- 2. Build a ggplot theme and set it as your default theme.

```
#1
getwd()
```

[1] "/Users/rachelgonsenhauser/Documents/Environmental_Data_Analytics_2020"

```
library(tidyverse)
## -- Attaching packages -----
                                             ----- tidyverse 1.3.0 --
## v ggplot2 3.2.1
                             0.3.3
                    v purrr
## v tibble 2.1.3
                             0.8.4
                    v dplyr
                    v stringr 1.4.0
## v tidyr
           1.0.0
           1.3.1
## v readr
                    v forcats 0.4.0
## -- Conflicts ------ tidyverse conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()
                  masks stats::lag()
library(dplyr)
#install.packages("nlme")
library(nlme)
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
       collapse
##
library(piecewiseSEM)
## Registered S3 methods overwritten by 'lme4':
##
     method
                                      from
     cooks.distance.influence.merMod car
##
##
     influence.merMod
##
     dfbeta.influence.merMod
##
     dfbetas.influence.merMod
                                      car
##
##
     This is piecewiseSEM version 2.1.0.
##
##
##
     Questions or bugs can be addressed to <LefcheckJ@si.edu>.
Chemistry.raw <- read.csv("./Data/Raw/NTL-LTER_Lake_ChemistryPhysics_Raw.csv")
Litter.processed <- read.csv("./Data/Processed/NEON_NIWO_Litter_mass_trap_Processed.csv")
#2
mytheme <- theme_classic(base_size = 12) +</pre>
  theme(axis.text = element_text(color = "black"),
        legend.position = "bottom")
theme_set(mytheme)
```

NTL-LTER test

Research question: What is the best set of predictors for lake temperatures in July across the monitoring period at the North Temperate Lakes LTER?

- 3. Wrangle your NTL-LTER dataset with a pipe function so that it contains only the following criteria:
- Only dates in July (hint: use the daynum column). No need to consider leap years.
- Only the columns: lakename, year4, daynum, depth, temperature_C
- Only complete cases (i.e., remove NAs)
- 4. Run an AIC to determine what set of explanatory variables (year4, daynum, depth) is best suited to predict temperature. Run a multiple regression on the recommended set of variables.

```
#3
Chemistry.wrangled <-
  Chemistry.raw %>%
  filter(daynum > 181 & daynum < 213) %>%
  select(lakename:daynum, depth, temperature_C) %>%
  na.omit()
#4
Chemistry.AIC <- lm(data = Chemistry.wrangled, temperature_C ~ year4 + daynum + depth)
step(Chemistry.AIC)
## Start: AIC=26016.31
## temperature_C ~ year4 + daynum + depth
##
##
            Df Sum of Sq
                            RSS
                                  AIC
## <none>
                         141118 26016
```

```
## - year4
                      80 141198 26020
                    1333 142450 26106
## - daynum 1
## - depth
            1
                  403925 545042 39151
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = temperature C ~ year4 + daynum + depth, data = Chemistry.wrangled)
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)
                      year4
                                  daynum
                                                 depth
      -6.45556
                                  0.04134
##
                    0.01013
                                              -1.94726
Chemistry.model <- lm(data = Chemistry.wrangled, temperature_C ~ year4 + daynum + depth)
summary(Chemistry.model)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = temperature_C ~ year4 + daynum + depth, data = Chemistry.wrangled)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
## -9.6517 -2.9937 0.0855 2.9692 13.6171
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) -6.455560
                           8.638808
                                      -0.747
                                               0.4549
                0.010131
                           0.004303
                                       2.354
                                               0.0186 *
## year4
                           0.004315
                                       9.580
## daynum
                0.041336
                                               <2e-16 ***
               -1.947264
                           0.011676 -166.782
## depth
                                               <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3.811 on 9718 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7417, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7417
## F-statistic: 9303 on 3 and 9718 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
  5. What is the final set of explanatory variables that predict temperature from your multiple regression?
```

How much of the observed variance does this model explain?

Answer: The final set of explanatory variables that predict temperature are year, day number, and depth. Year, day number, and depth all significantly predict temperature (multiple linear regression: F=9303, df=3 and 9718, p<0.0001). This model explains 74.2% of the observed variance in temperature (R2=0.7417).

6. Run an interaction effects ANCOVA to predict temperature based on depth and lakename from the same wrangled dataset.

```
#6
Chemistry.ancova.interaction <- lm(data = Chemistry.wrangled, temperature_C ~ lakename * depth)
summary(Chemistry.ancova.interaction)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = temperature_C ~ lakename * depth, data = Chemistry.wrangled)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                                3Q
                1Q Median
                                        Max
```

```
## -7.6455 -2.9133 -0.2879 2.7567 16.3606
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                  22.9455
                                              0.5861 39.147 < 2e-16 ***
## lakenameCrampton Lake
                                              0.6804
                                                       3.259 0.00112 **
                                   2.2173
## lakenameEast Long Lake
                                                      -7.089 1.45e-12 ***
                                  -4.3884
                                              0.6191
## lakenameHummingbird Lake
                                  -2.4126
                                              0.8379
                                                      -2.879 0.00399 **
## lakenamePaul Lake
                                   0.6105
                                              0.5983
                                                       1.020 0.30754
## lakenamePeter Lake
                                   0.2998
                                              0.5970
                                                       0.502 0.61552
## lakenameTuesday Lake
                                  -2.8932
                                              0.6060
                                                      -4.774 1.83e-06 ***
## lakenameWard Lake
                                                       2.867 0.00415 **
                                   2.4180
                                              0.8434
## lakenameWest Long Lake
                                  -2.4663
                                              0.6168 -3.999 6.42e-05 ***
## depth
                                  -2.5820
                                              0.2411 -10.711 < 2e-16 ***
## lakenameCrampton Lake:depth
                                                       3.268 0.00109 **
                                   0.8058
                                              0.2465
## lakenameEast Long Lake:depth
                                   0.9465
                                              0.2433
                                                       3.891 0.00010 ***
## lakenameHummingbird Lake:depth
                                                      -2.064 0.03903 *
                                  -0.6026
                                              0.2919
## lakenamePaul Lake:depth
                                   0.4022
                                              0.2421
                                                       1.662 0.09664 .
## lakenamePeter Lake:depth
                                                       2.398 0.01649 *
                                   0.5799
                                              0.2418
## lakenameTuesday Lake:depth
                                   0.6605
                                              0.2426
                                                       2.723 0.00648 **
## lakenameWard Lake:depth
                                   -0.6930
                                              0.2862
                                                      -2.421 0.01548 *
## lakenameWest Long Lake:depth
                                                       3.354 0.00080 ***
                                   0.8154
                                              0.2431
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3.471 on 9704 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7861, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7857
## F-statistic: 2097 on 17 and 9704 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

7. Is there a significant interaction between depth and lakename? How much variance in the temperature observations does this explain?

Answer: Yes, there is a significant interaction between depth and lake name (ANCOVA: F=2097, df=17 and 9704, p<0.0001). This model explains 78.6% of observed variation in temperature (R2=0.7857).

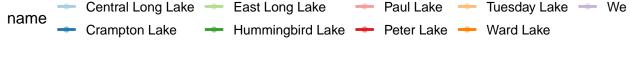
8. Create a graph that depicts temperature by depth, with a separate color for each lake. Add a geom_smooth (method = "lm", se = FALSE) for each lake. Make your points 50 % transparent. Adjust your y axis limits to go from 0 to 35 degrees. Clean up your graph to make it pretty.

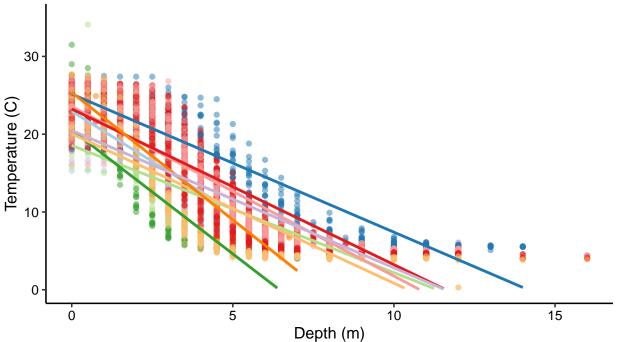
```
#8
#library(RColorBrewer)

Tempplot <- ggplot(Chemistry.wrangled, aes(x = depth, y = temperature_C, color = lakename)) +
   geom_point(alpha = 0.5) +
   geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) +
   ylim(0, 35) +

labs(x = "Depth (m)", y = "Temperature (C)", color = "Lake name") +
   scale_color_brewer(palette = "Paired") +
   theme(legend.position = "top")
print(Tempplot)</pre>
```

Warning: Removed 73 rows containing missing values (geom_smooth).





- 9. Run a mixed effects model to predict dry mass of litter. We already know that nlcdClass and functionalGroup have a significant interaction, so we will specify those two variables as fixed effects with an interaction. We also know that litter mass varies across plot ID, but we are less interested in the actual effect of the plot itself but rather in accounting for the variance among plots. Plot ID will be our random effect.
- a. Build and run a mixed effects model.
- b. Check the difference between the marginal and conditional R2 of the model.

```
Litter.mixed <- lme(data = Litter.processed,</pre>
                      dryMass ~ nlcdClass * functionalGroup,
                      random = ~1|plotID)
summary(Litter.mixed)
## Linear mixed-effects model fit by REML
##
    Data: Litter.processed
##
          AIC
                   BIC
                           logLik
##
     9038.575 9179.479 -4493.287
##
## Random effects:
    Formula: ~1 | plotID
##
           (Intercept) Residual
##
             0.5899105 3.456817
## StdDev:
##
## Fixed effects: dryMass ~ nlcdClass * functionalGroup
                                                                     Value Std.Error
##
                                                                  0.155492 0.4863580
## (Intercept)
```

```
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
                                                               -0.156004 0.7789816
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
                                                               -0.107080 0.6636775
## functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.126008 0.5501061
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                                1.477797 0.6323043
## functionalGroupNeedles
                                                                7.284064 0.5313161
## functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.048525 0.5500878
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               -0.058702 0.5501061
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                                1.929441 0.5385556
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                                1.068772 0.5259330
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                                0.181416 0.8847246
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                                0.173857 0.7510320
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.467648 1.1201304
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                                0.633876 0.9217911
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -2.118299 0.8705440
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -2.909142 0.7347172
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                                0.143603 0.8976715
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                                0.104935 0.7528434
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                                0.049290 0.8976827
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                                0.076708 0.7547591
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -0.986627 0.8850639
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               -1.503446 0.7409024
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -1.017803 0.8802289
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               -0.979078 0.7317033
                                                                 DF
                                                                      t-value
## (Intercept)
                                                               1659
                                                                     0.319706
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
                                                                  9 -0.200266
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
                                                                  9 -0.161343
## functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               1659 -0.229061
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                               1659 2.337160
                                                               1659 13.709474
## functionalGroupNeedles
## functionalGroupOther
                                                               1659 -0.088213
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               1659 -0.106711
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               1659 3.582622
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               1659
                                                                     2.032144
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               1659
                                                                     0.205053
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               1659
                                                                     0.231490
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               1659 -0.417495
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                                     0.687657
                                                               1659
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               1659 -2.433305
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               1659 -3.959540
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               1659
                                                                     0.159972
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               1659
                                                                     0.139385
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               1659
                                                                     0.054908
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                                     0.101632
                                                               1659
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches 1659 -1.114752
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               1659 -2.029209
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material 1659 -1.156293
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               1659 -1.338081
##
                                                               p-value
## (Intercept)
                                                                0.7492
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
                                                                0.8457
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
                                                                0.8754
## functionalGroupLeaves
                                                                0.8188
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                                0.0195
```

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0.0000
## functionalGroupNeedles
## functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.9297
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.9150
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.0003
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.0423
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.8376
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.8170
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.6764
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                                0.4918
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.0151
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                                0.0001
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.8729
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.8892
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.9562
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.9191
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.2651
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                                0.0426
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.2477
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.1811
## Correlation:
##
                                                               (Intr) nlcdCH nlcdCS
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
                                                              -0.624
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
                                                              -0.733 0.458
## functionalGroupLeaves
                                                              -0.559 0.349 0.409
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.485 0.303 0.356
## functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.579
                                                                      0.361 0.424
## functionalGroupOther
                                                              -0.559 0.349
                                                                             0.409
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                              -0.559 0.349
                                                                             0.409
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                              -0.571 0.356 0.418
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                              -0.584 0.365 0.428
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.347 -0.586 -0.255
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.409 -0.255 -0.569
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.274 -0.462 -0.201
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.333 -0.208 -0.464
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.353 -0.595 -0.259
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.418 -0.261 -0.582
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.342 -0.577 -0.251
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.408 -0.255 -0.568
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.342 -0.577 -0.251
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.407 -0.254 -0.566
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches 0.347 -0.586 -0.254
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.415 -0.259 -0.577
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.349 -0.589 -0.256
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                                0.420 -0.262 -0.584
                                                              fnctGL fnctGM fnctGN
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
## functionalGroupLeaves
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.429
## functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.511 0.445
## functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.494 0.430 0.511
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.494 0.429 0.511
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.504 0.439
                                                                             0.522
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.516 0.449 0.535
```

```
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.622 -0.267 -0.318
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.732 -0.314 -0.374
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.242 -0.564 -0.251
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.295 -0.686 -0.305
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -0.312 -0.272 -0.610
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.370 -0.322 -0.723
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.303 -0.263 -0.313
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.361 -0.314 -0.374
                                                              -0.303 -0.263 -0.313
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               -0.360 -0.313 -0.373
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -0.307 -0.267 -0.318
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               -0.367 -0.319 -0.380
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -0.309 -0.268 -0.320
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                              -0.371 -0.322 -0.384
                                                               fnctGO fnctGS fncGT/
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
## functionalGroupLeaves
## functionalGroupMixed
## functionalGroupNeedles
## functionalGroupOther
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                                0.494
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.504 0.504
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.516 0.517 0.528
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                              -0.307 -0.307 -0.314
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.362 -0.362 -0.369
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.243 -0.242 -0.248
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.295 -0.294 -0.301
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.312 -0.312 -0.319
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -0.370 -0.370 -0.378
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.613 -0.303 -0.309
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.731 -0.361 -0.369
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                              -0.303 -0.613 -0.309
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                              -0.360 -0.729 -0.368
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -0.307 -0.307 -0.608
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                              -0.367 -0.367 -0.727
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -0.309 -0.309 -0.315
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                              -0.371 -0.371 -0.379
##
                                                               fncGWm nCH:GL nCS:GL
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
## functionalGroupLeaves
## functionalGroupMixed
## functionalGroupNeedles
## functionalGroupOther
## functionalGroupSeeds
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
## functionalGroupWoody material
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.321
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.378
                                                                      0.455
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                                             0.178
                                                              -0.253 0.406
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.308 0.183 0.410
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.326 0.524 0.229
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -0.387 0.230 0.514
```

```
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                              -0.316 0.508 0.222
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                              -0.377 0.224 0.502
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                             -0.317 0.508 0.222
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                              -0.376 0.224
                                                                            0.500
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -0.321
                                                                     0.515
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                             -0.384 0.228
                                                                           0.510
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -0.597 0.518
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                              -0.719 0.231 0.516
                                                              nCH:GM nCS:GM nCH:GN
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
## functionalGroupLeaves
## functionalGroupMixed
## functionalGroupNeedles
## functionalGroupOther
## functionalGroupSeeds
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
## functionalGroupWoody material
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.387
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.414 0.186
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.182 0.419 0.441
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.177
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches 0.407 0.183 0.524
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material 0.409
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.227
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches 0.230 0.508
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material 0.231 0.511 0.225
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.229
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.523 0.429
## Standardized Within-Group Residuals:
           Min
                        01
                                   Med
                                                03
                                                           Max
## -1.96496855 -0.23842984 -0.01535880 0.09027291 14.27434811
```

```
##
## Number of Observations: 1692
## Number of Groups: 12
rsquared(Litter.mixed)
     Response
                 family
                             link method Marginal Conditional
## 1 dryMass gaussian identity
                                     none 0.2465822
                                                        0.2679023
  b. continued... How much more variance is explained by adding the random effect to the model?
     Answer: 26.8% of variance in dry mass is explained by the model when the random effect is
     added (as compared to 24.7% without the random effect). As such, about 2.13% more variance is
     explained by adding the random effect to the model.
  c. Run the same model without the random effect.
  d. Run an anova on the two tests.
Litter.fixed <- gls(data = Litter.processed,</pre>
                        dryMass ~ nlcdClass * functionalGroup)
```

```
summary(Litter.fixed)
## Generalized least squares fit by REML
     Model: dryMass ~ nlcdClass * functionalGroup
##
##
     Data: Litter.processed
##
          AIC
                   BIC
                          logLik
     9058.088 9193.573 -4504.044
##
##
## Coefficients:
                                                                   Value Std.Error
##
## (Intercept)
                                                                0.119625 0.3906950
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
                                                               -0.114199 0.6422303
                                                               -0.104119 0.5383767
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
## functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.103599 0.5560568
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                                1.504750 0.6380023
## functionalGroupNeedles
                                                                7.312264 0.5369590
## functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.034817 0.5560568
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               -0.046163 0.5560568
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                                1.959669 0.5443402
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                                1.084311 0.5315555
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                                0.128646 0.8941030
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                                0.147030 0.7591538
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.381176 1.1302365
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                                0.745929 0.9303798
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -2.138801 0.8799314
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -2.921481 0.7425783
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                                0.126058 0.9074253
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                                0.085888 0.7610116
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                                0.046155 0.9074253
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                                0.059436 0.7629471
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -1.015195 0.8946237
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               -1.495591 0.7488092
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -1.040859 0.8897083
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               -0.971848 0.7395676
                                                                 t-value p-value
## (Intercept)
                                                                0.306185 0.7595
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
                                                               -0.177817 0.8589
```

```
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
                                                              -0.193395 0.8467
## functionalGroupLeaves
                                                              -0.186311 0.8522
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                               2.358534 0.0185
## functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              13.617920 0.0000
## functionalGroupOther
                                                              -0.062615 0.9501
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                              -0.083019 0.9338
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               3.600082 0.0003
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               2.039883 0.0415
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.143882
                                                                         0.8856
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.193676 0.8465
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.337253 0.7360
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.801746 0.4228
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -2.430645 0.0152
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -3.934239 0.0001
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.138919 0.8895
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.112860 0.9102
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.050863 0.9594
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.077903 0.9379
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -1.134773 0.2566
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                              -1.997293
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -1.169888 0.2422
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                              -1.314076 0.1890
##
##
   Correlation:
##
                                                              (Intr) nlcdCH nlcdCS
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
                                                              -0.608
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
                                                              -0.726
                                                                      0.441
## functionalGroupLeaves
                                                              -0.703 0.427
                                                                             0.510
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.612 0.373 0.444
## functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.728 0.443 0.528
## functionalGroupOther
                                                              -0.703
                                                                      0.427
                                                                             0.510
## functionalGroupSeeds
                                                              -0.703
                                                                      0.427
                                                                             0.510
## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                              -0.718 0.437 0.521
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                              -0.735 0.447 0.533
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.437 -0.718 -0.317
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               0.515 -0.313 -0.709
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.346 -0.568 -0.251
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.420 -0.255 -0.579
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.444 -0.730 -0.322
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.526 -0.320 -0.725
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.431 -0.708 -0.312
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               0.513 -0.312 -0.707
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.431 -0.708 -0.312
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               0.512 -0.312 -0.706
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.437 -0.718 -0.317
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.522 -0.317 -0.719
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.439 -0.722 -0.319
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.528 -0.321 -0.728
                                                              fnctGL fnctGM fnctGN
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
## functionalGroupLeaves
## functionalGroupMixed
                                                               0.430
## functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               0.511 0.446
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## functionalGroupOther
                                                                0.494 0.430 0.511
## functionalGroupSeeds
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## functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               0.504 0.440 0.522
## functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.516 0.450 0.535
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.622 -0.268 -0.318
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                              -0.732 -0.315 -0.374
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.243 -0.564 -0.252
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.295 -0.686 -0.306
                                                              -0.312 -0.272 -0.610
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                               -0.370 -0.322 -0.723
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.303 -0.264 -0.313
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.361 -0.314 -0.374
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               -0.303 -0.264 -0.313
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
                                                               -0.360 -0.314 -0.373
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -0.307 -0.267 -0.318
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
                                                               -0.367 -0.320 -0.380
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -0.309 -0.269 -0.320
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                              -0.371 -0.324 -0.384
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous
## nlcdClassshrubScrub
## functionalGroupLeaves
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## functionalGroupWoody material
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.362 -0.362 -0.369
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.243 -0.243 -0.248
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                               -0.295 -0.295 -0.301
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.370 -0.370 -0.378
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                               -0.613 -0.303 -0.309
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -0.307 -0.307 -0.608
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -0.309 -0.309 -0.315
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
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## functionalGroupLeaves
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                              -0.321
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupLeaves
                                                               -0.378 0.456
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.254 0.408 0.178
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
                                                              -0.309 0.183 0.410
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.326 0.524 0.229
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
                                                              -0.387
                                                                      0.230
                                                                             0.514
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
                                                              -0.316
                                                                      0.508
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
                                                              -0.377
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches -0.321
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material -0.597
                                                                      0.518 0.226
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupNeedles
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
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## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupMixed
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
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## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupNeedles
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupOther
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupOther
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupSeeds
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupSeeds
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupTwigs/branches
## nlcdClassgrasslandHerbaceous:functionalGroupWoody material 0.229
## nlcdClassshrubScrub:functionalGroupWoody material
                                                               0.523 0.429
```

```
##
## Standardized residuals:
## Min Q1 Med Q3 Max
## -1.89209382 -0.13724016 -0.01672707 -0.00155260 14.03673076
##
## Residual standard error: 3.494483
## Degrees of freedom: 1692 total; 1668 residual
anova(Litter.mixed, Litter.fixed)
```

```
## Model df AIC BIC logLik Test L.Ratio p-value
## Litter.mixed 1 26 9038.575 9179.479 -4493.287
## Litter.fixed 2 25 9058.088 9193.573 -4504.044 1 vs 2 21.51338 <.0001
```

d. continued... Is the mixed effects model a better model than the fixed effects model? How do you know?

Answer: The mixed effects model is the better model because it has a lower AIC value (p<0.0001). This means that the mixed effects model is more parsimonious while also accounting for a good amount of variation in the response variable.