Introduction to statistics in R

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1. **The stepwise process to analyze your data**
2. **Application**
3. **Practical on your own**
4. **Conclusion**

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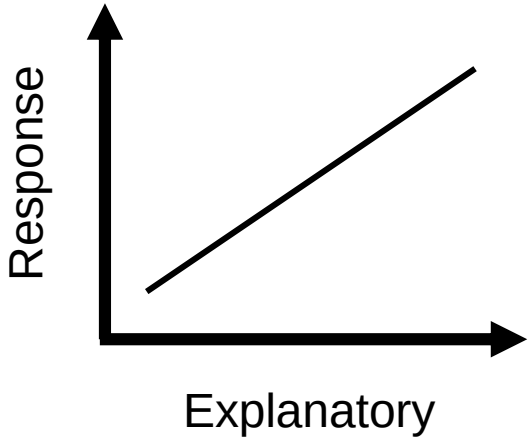

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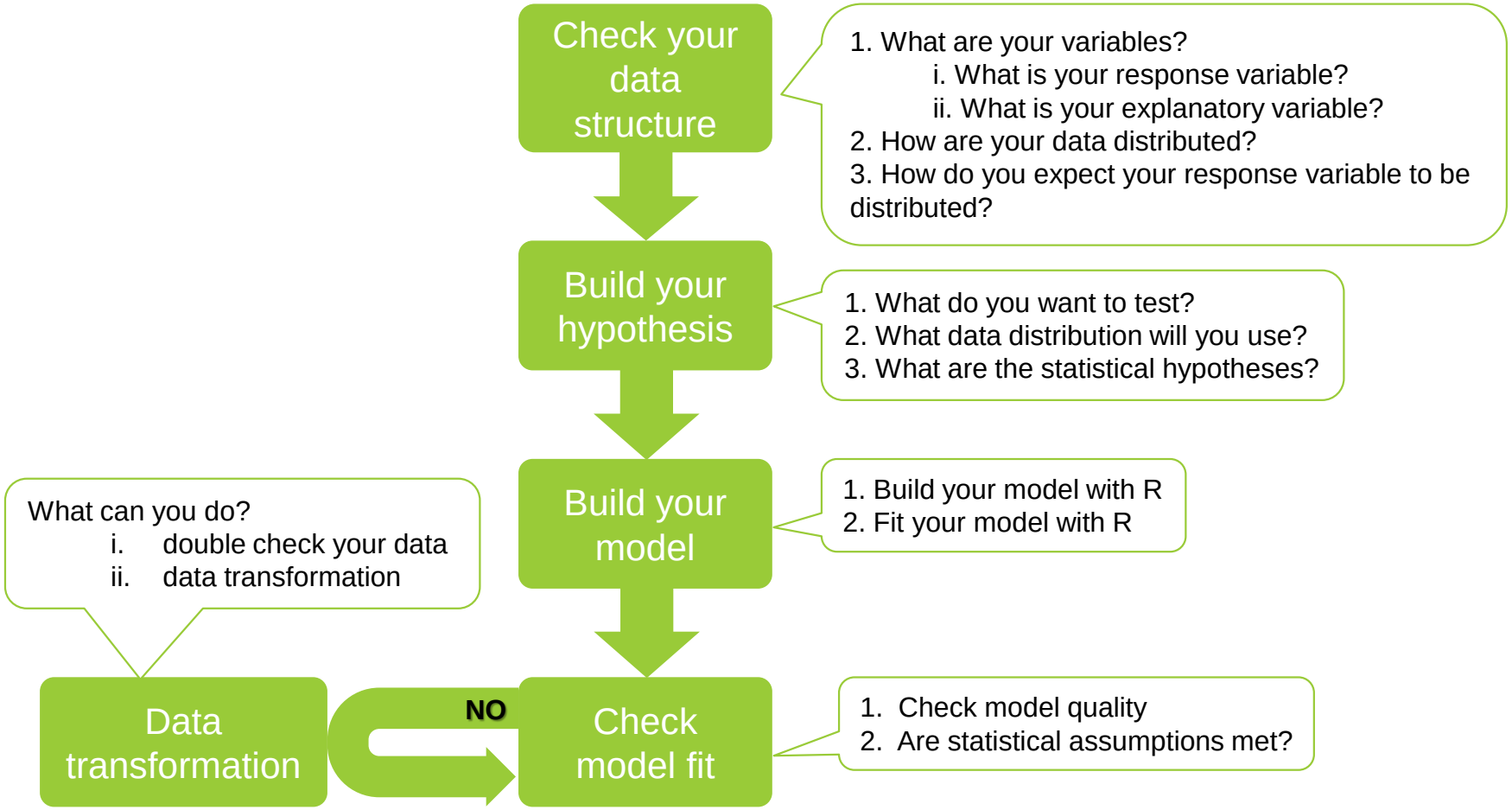

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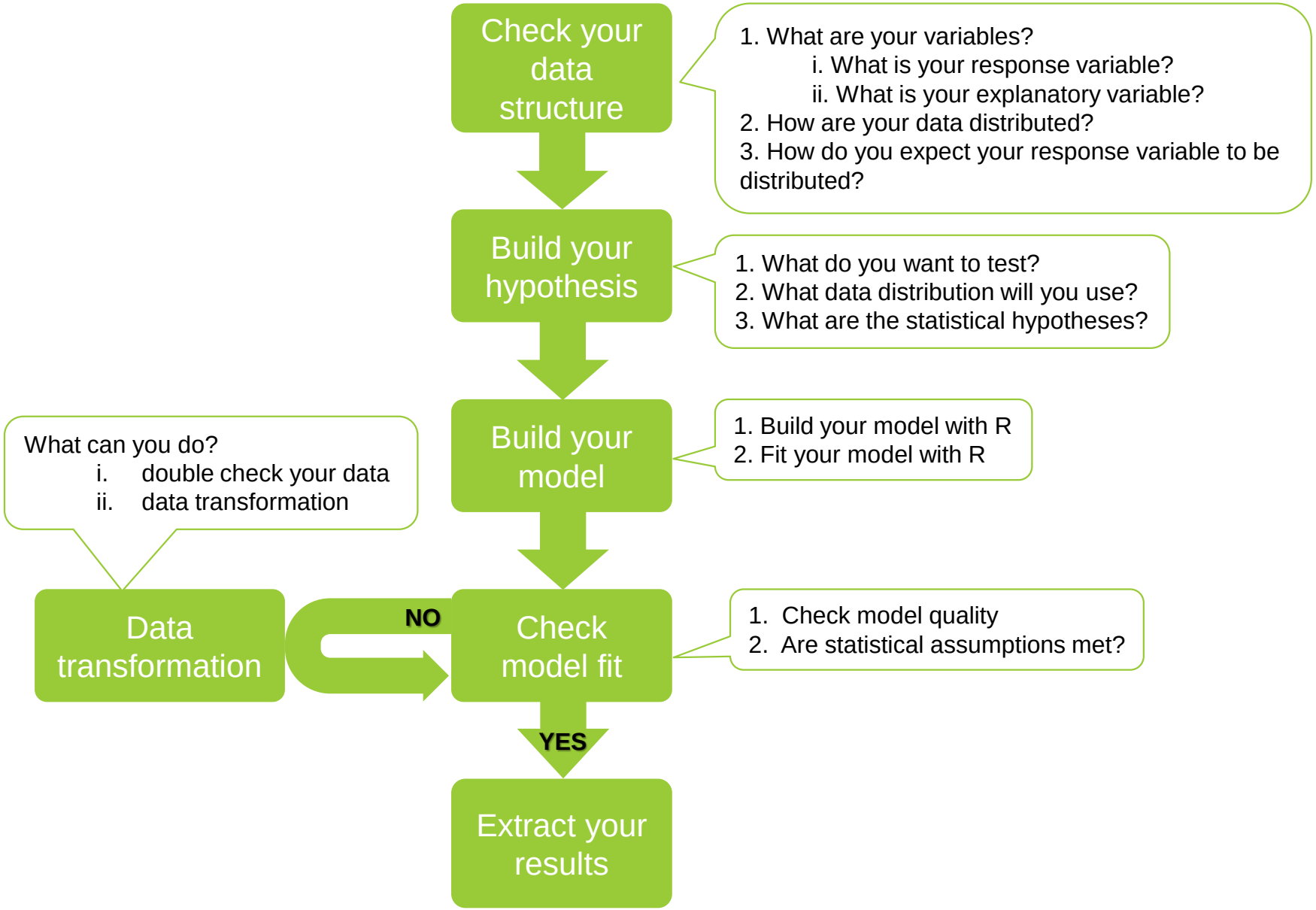

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Who to do that using RStudio

- **You need**
  - RStudio
  - R version 4.0 or higher
  - The following packages:
    - Data handling: **dplyr**
    - Model quality checks: **performance**
    - Extract your results: **ggeffects**
    - Plot: **ggplot2** (join the course from Steph for more details)
  - A dataset to analyze

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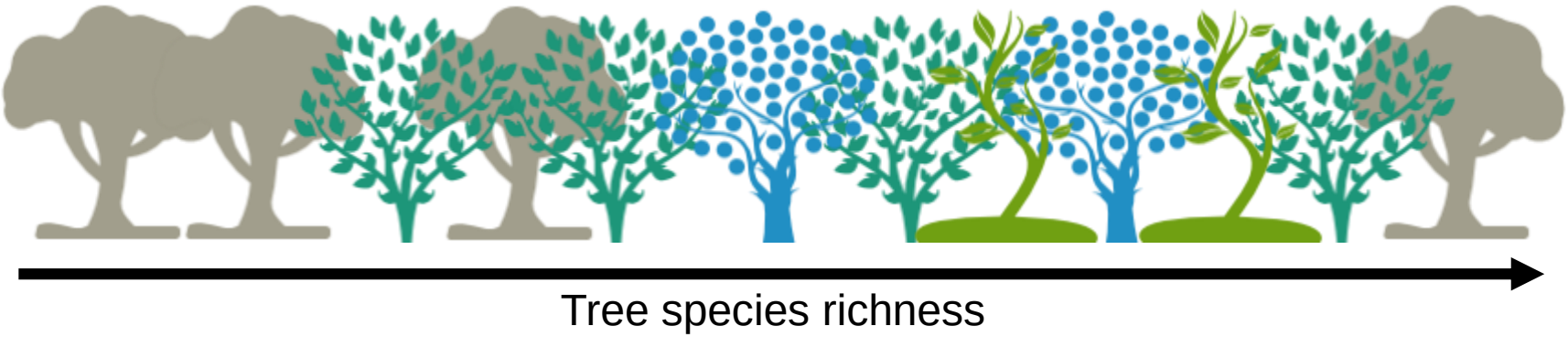

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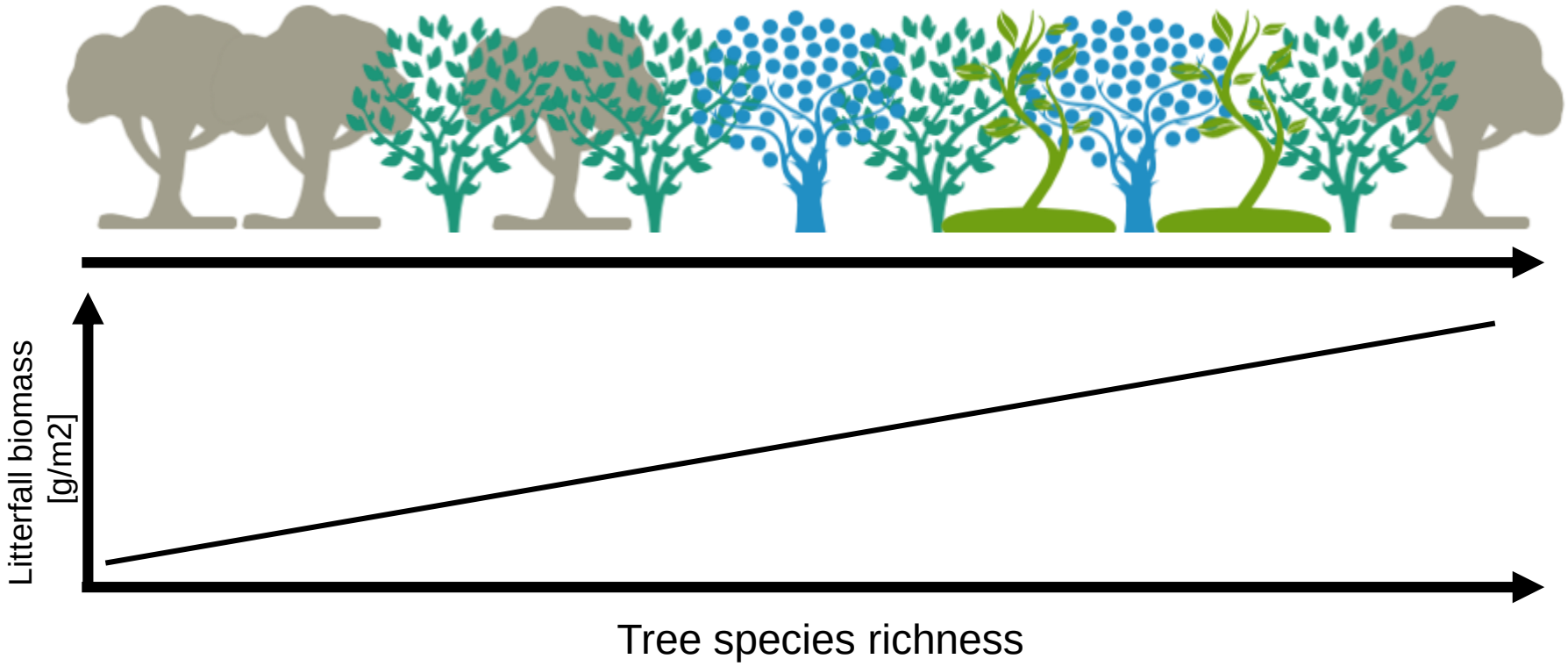

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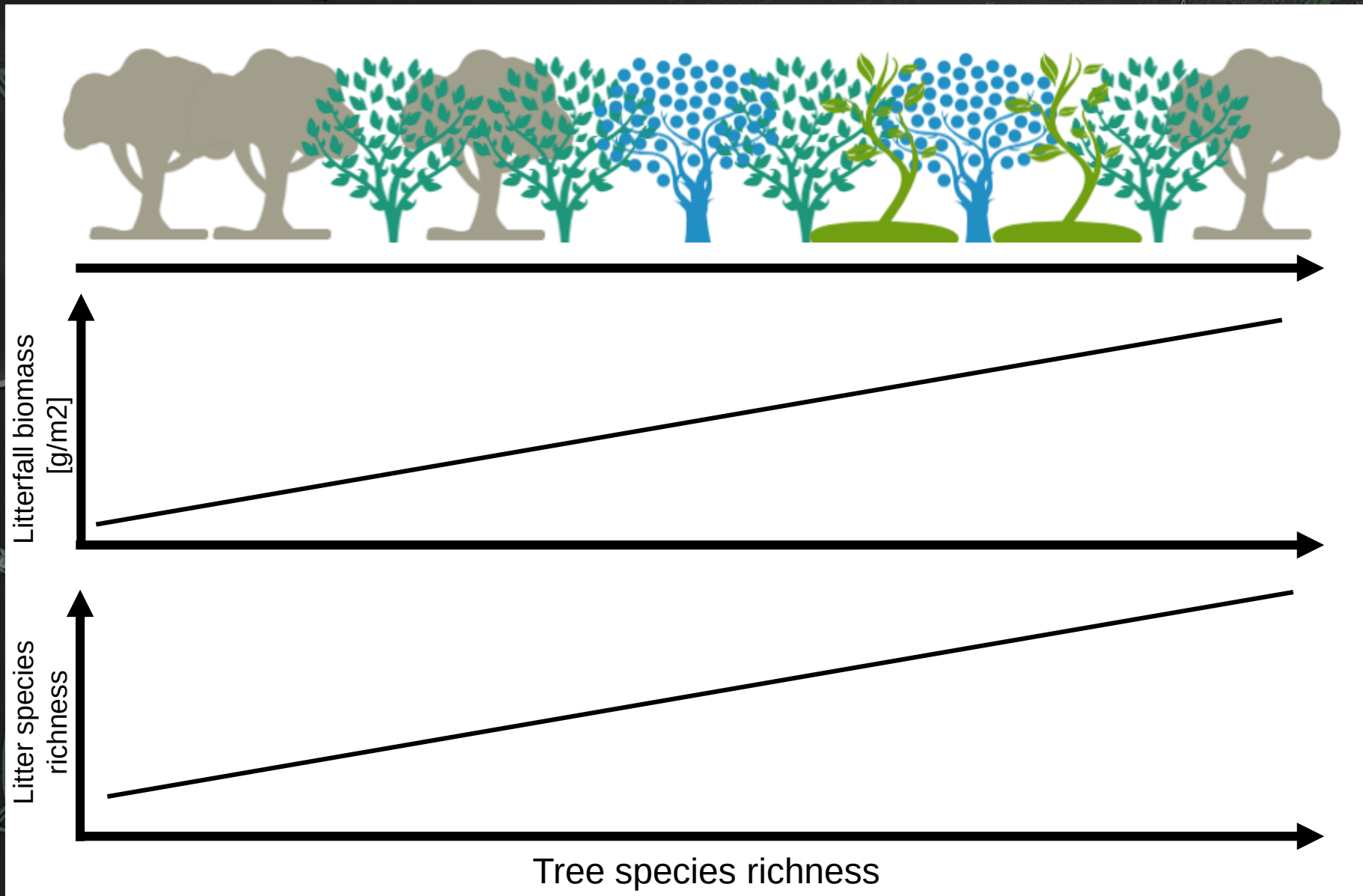

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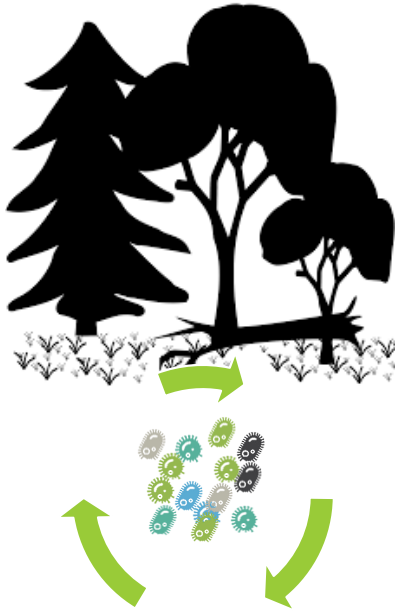

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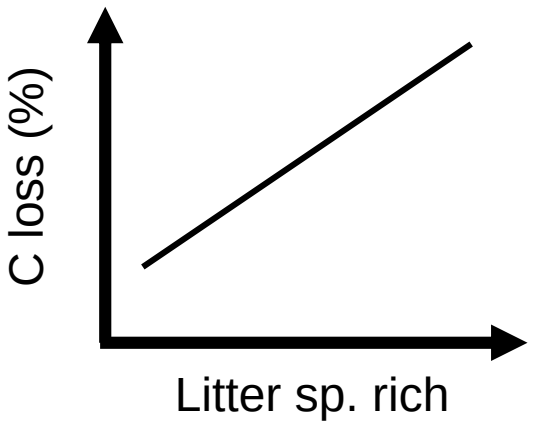

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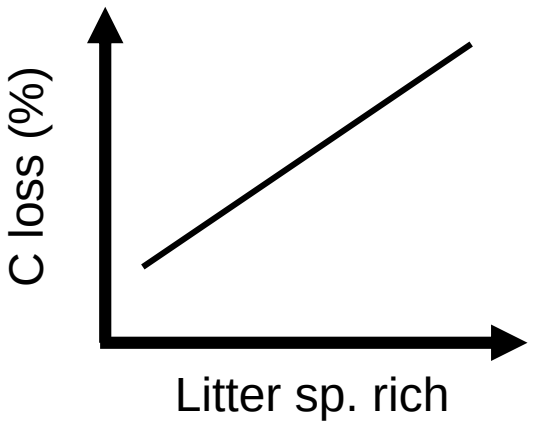

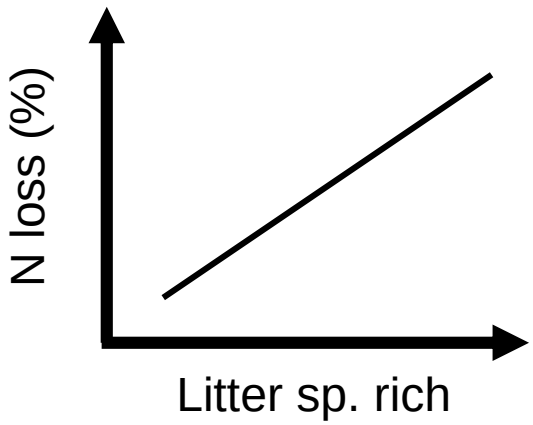

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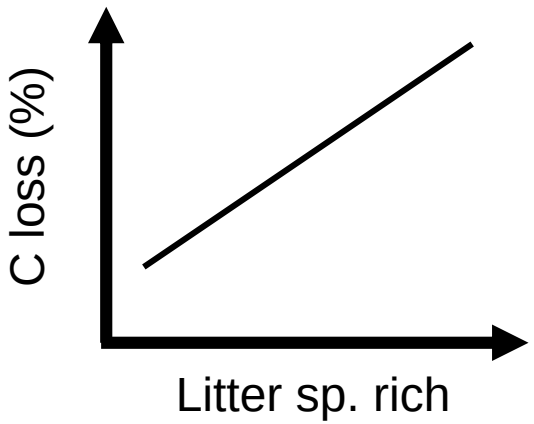

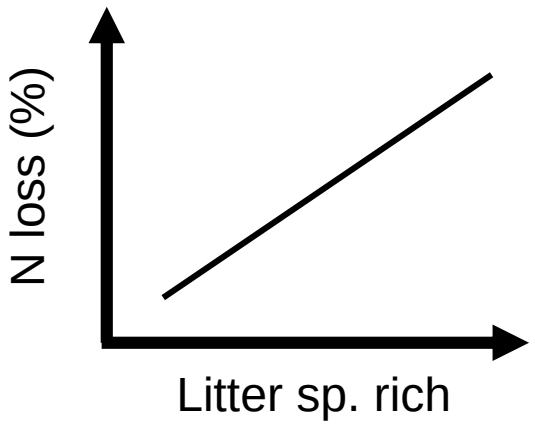

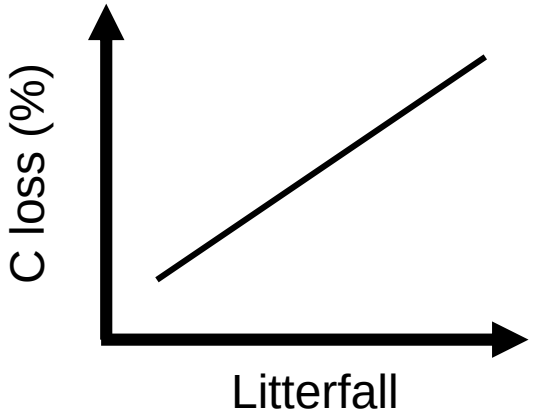

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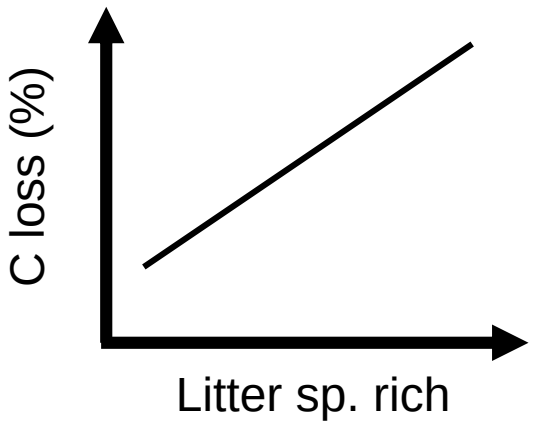

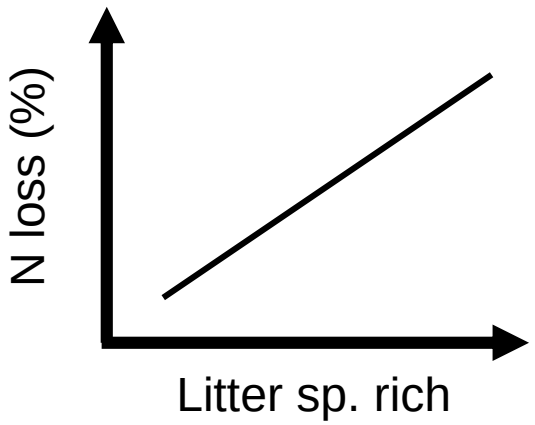

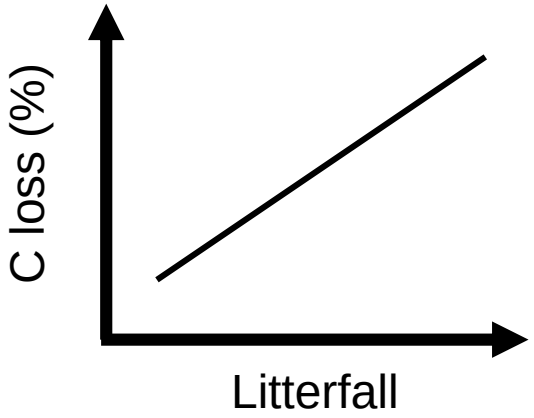

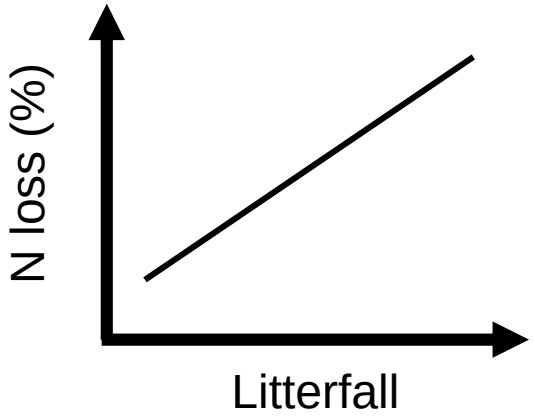

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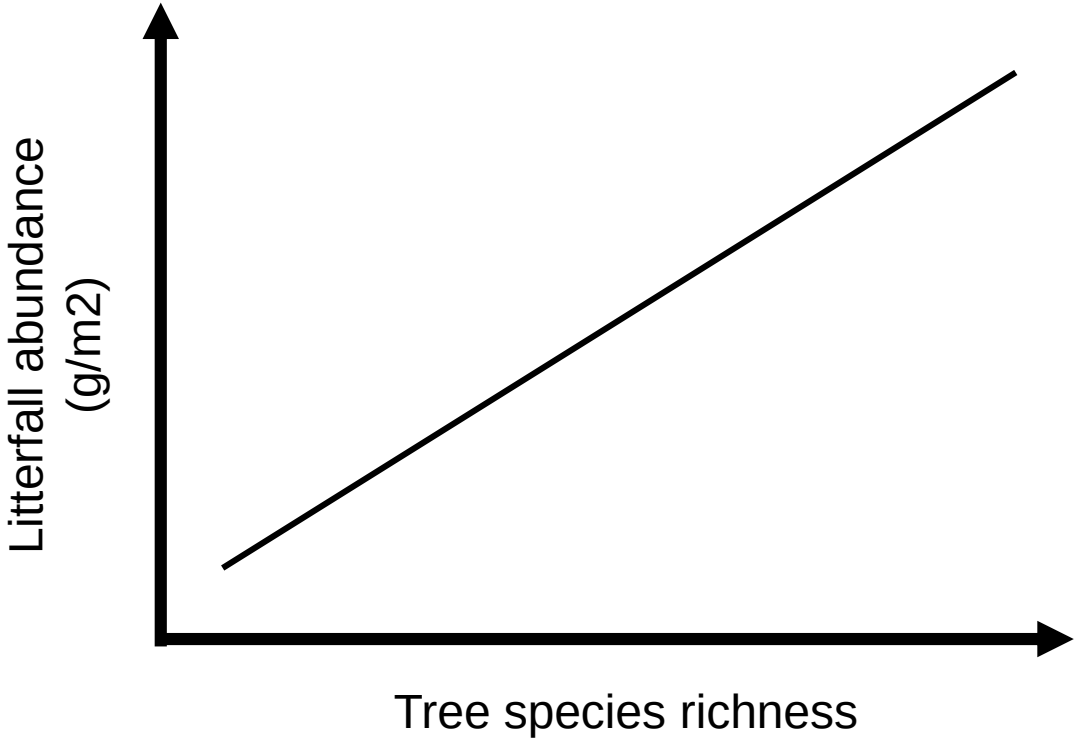

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.txt	read.delim(file = ‘name.txt’)	df = read.txt(file = “my-data.txt”)
.xlsx	read_xlsx(path = ‘name.xlsx’, sheet = “sheet.name”) [package: readxl]	df = read_xlsx(path = “my-data.xlsx”, sheet = “rawdata”)

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5	102-P26	66.06	2
6	103-P26	35.30	2
7	105-O6	22.71	3
8	11-O27	123.49	1
9	112-H31	147.98	2
10	113-H31	102.94	2
11	115-T17	292.50	2
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str(df)
```

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> str(df.fall)
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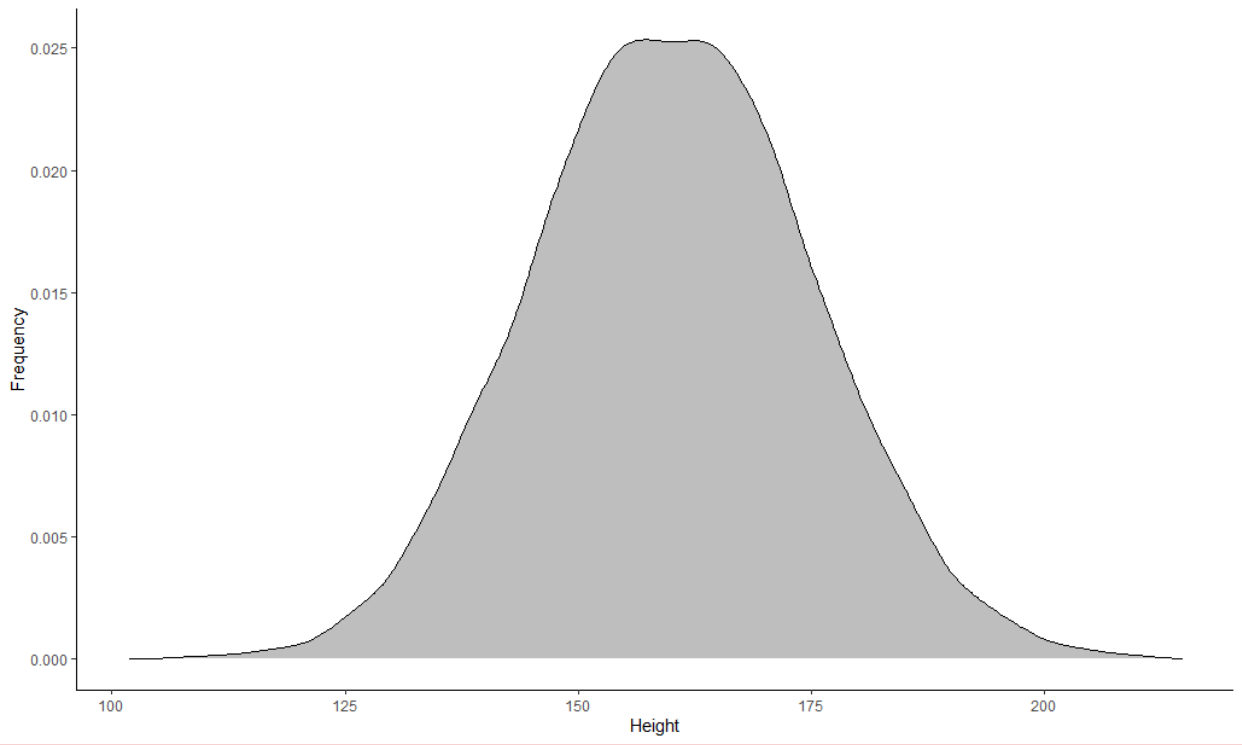

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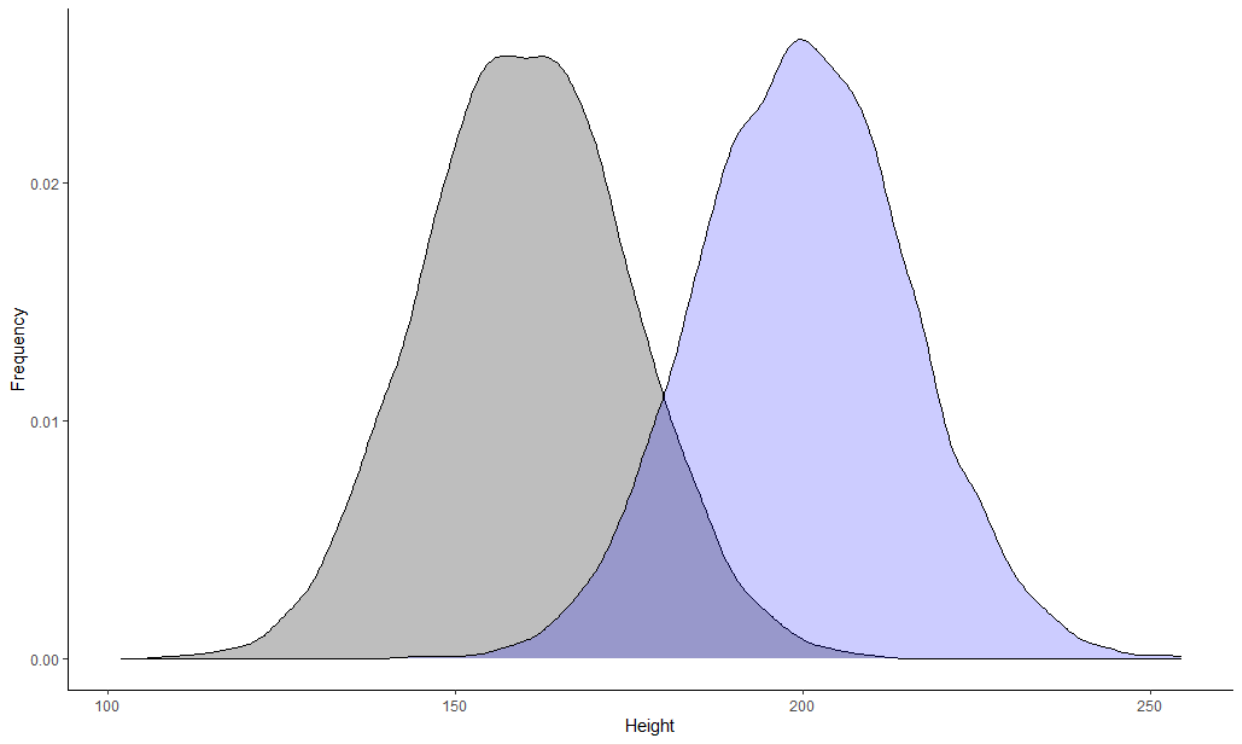

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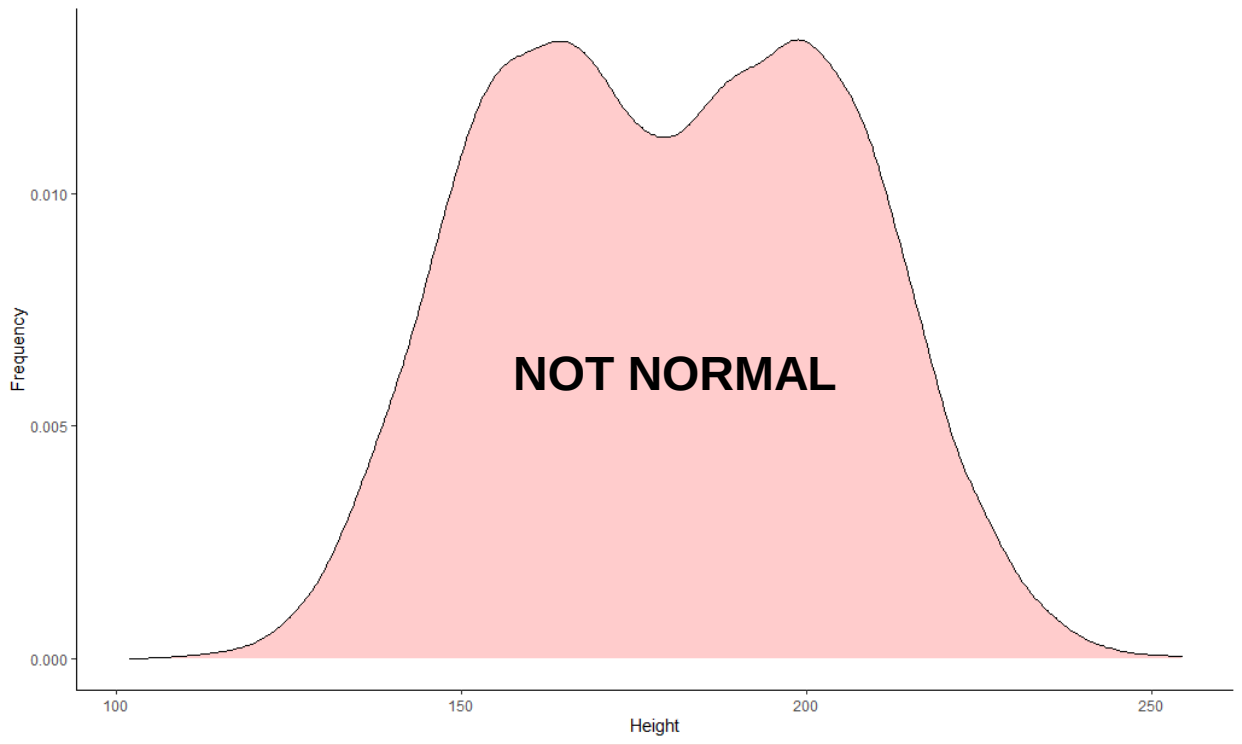

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Therefore, your residuals should follow a normal distribution
Your population **DOES NOT** follow a normal distribution

(Same goes with other distribution types!)

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    1. Missing values

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Only keep complete rows:

```
df = df[complete.cases(),]
```

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Quick and dirty

```
plot(df)
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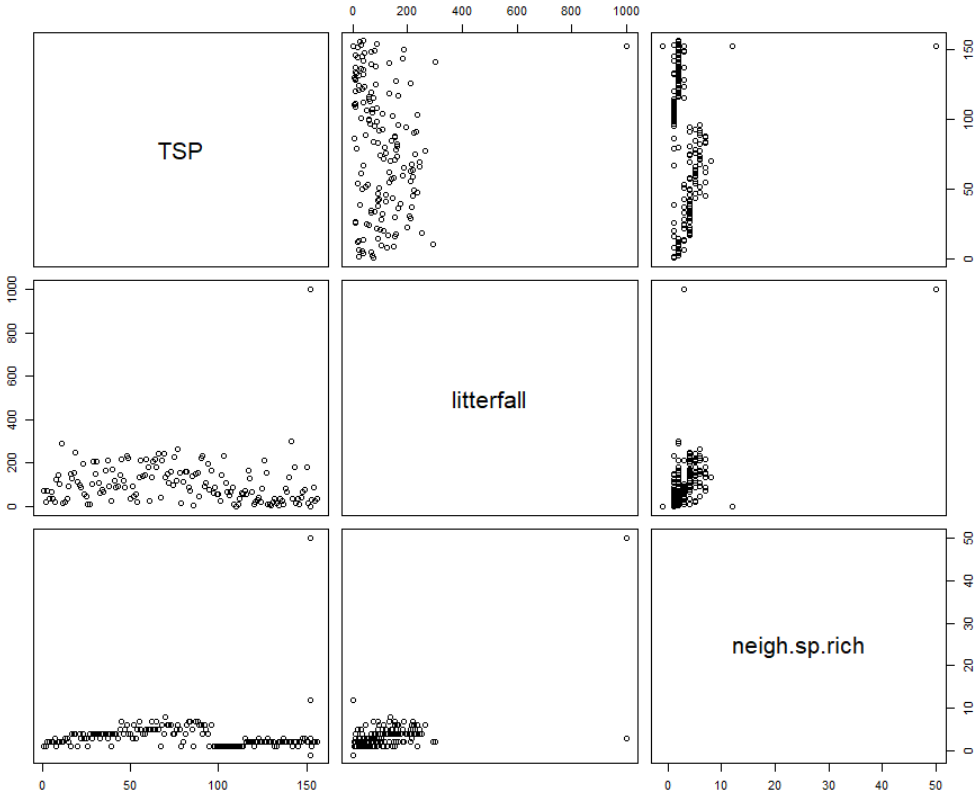

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boxplot(df$litterfall)
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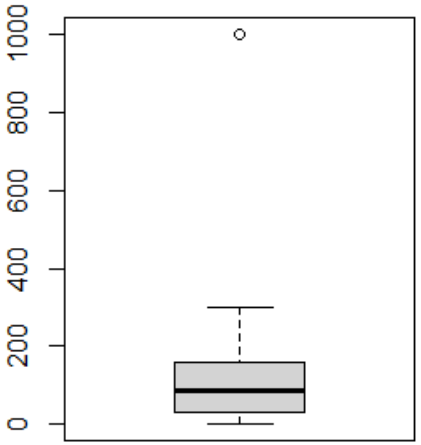

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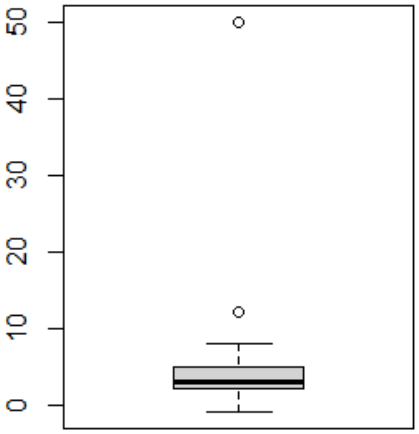

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Conditions on rows

All columns

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df[df$neigh.sp.rich<1 | df$neigh.sp.rich>12,]
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167	outliers	1	-1
168	outliers	1	-1
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Write the opposite conditional:

```
df[df$neigh.sp.rich>=1 & df$neigh.sp.rich<=12,]
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Leave R to do it for you:

```
df[!(df$neigh.sp.rich<1 | df$neigh.sp.rich>12),]
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You will overwrite your data in r keep a safe copy
df.raw = df

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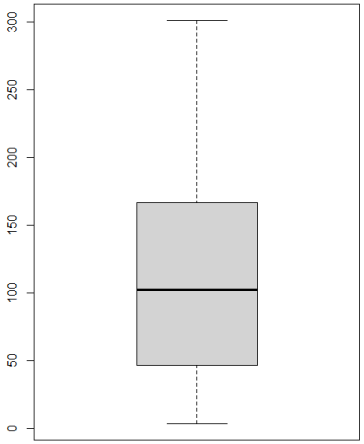

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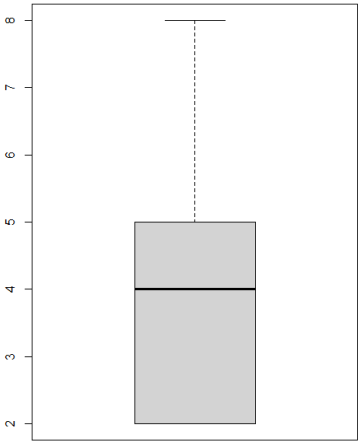

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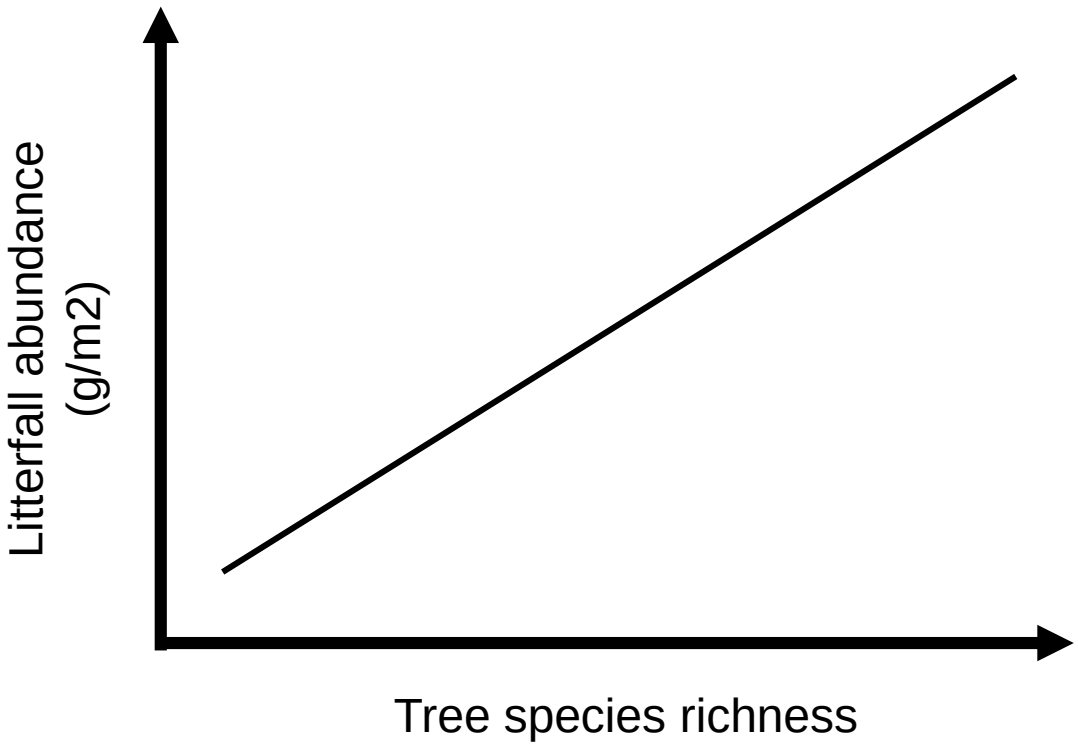

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H0: $\alpha = 0$, $litterfall \sim \mu + \varepsilon$

H1: $\alpha \neq 0$, $litterfall \sim \mu + \alpha \times neigh.sp.rich + \varepsilon$

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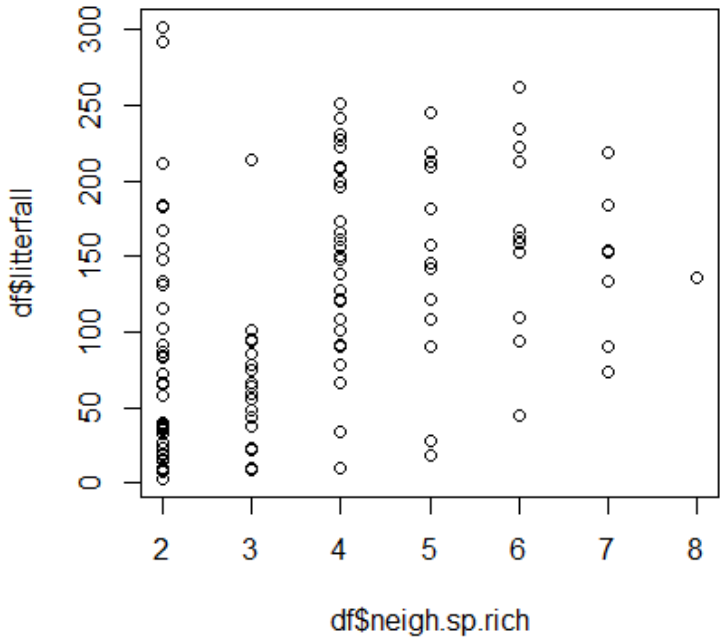
   take a look at your data: plot(df$litterfall ~ df$neigh.sp.rich)



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Together: `lm(formula = litterfall ~ neigh.sp.rich, data = df)`

2. fit the model to your data:

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mod = lm(formula = litterfall ~ neigh.sp.rich, data = df)
```

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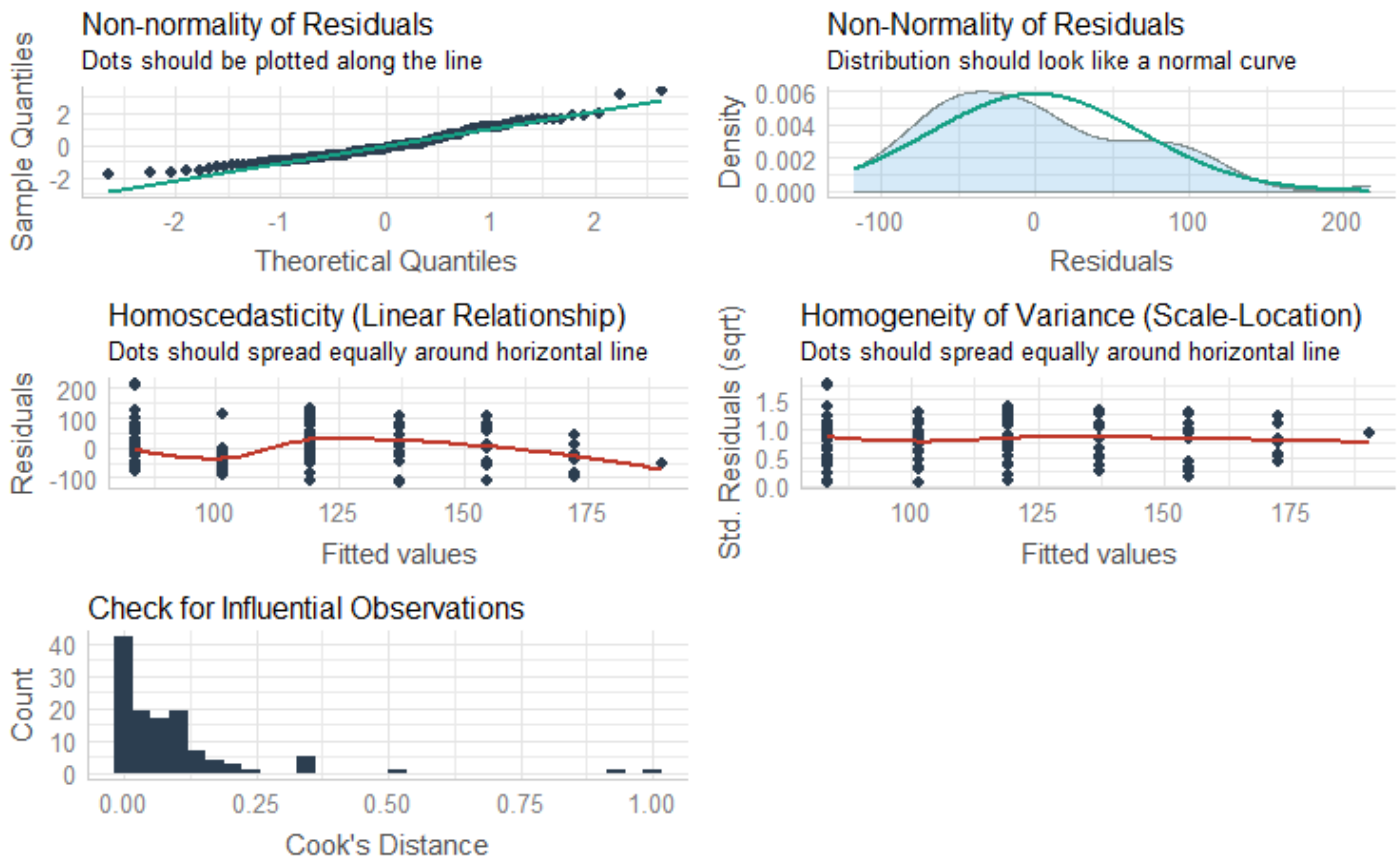

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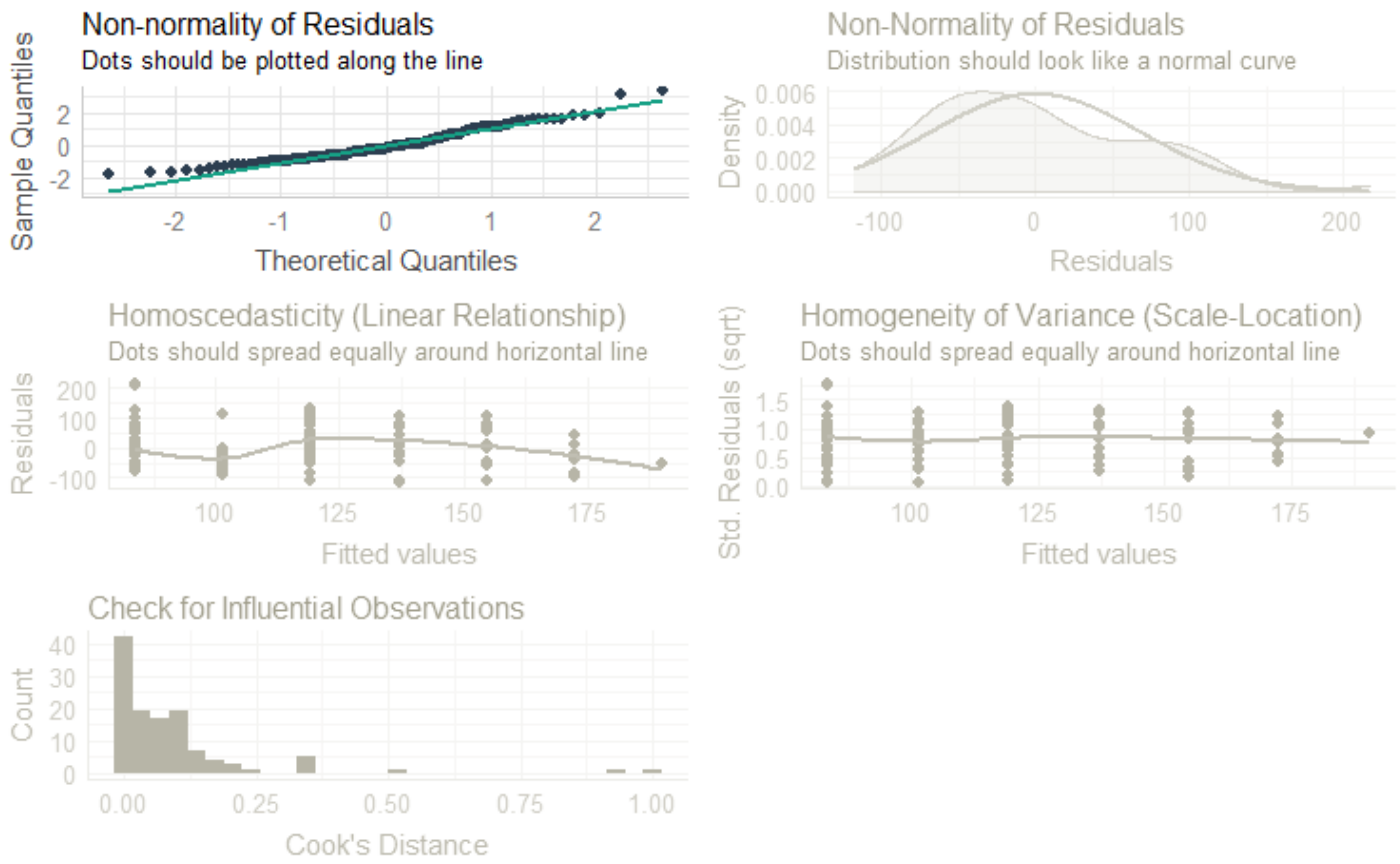

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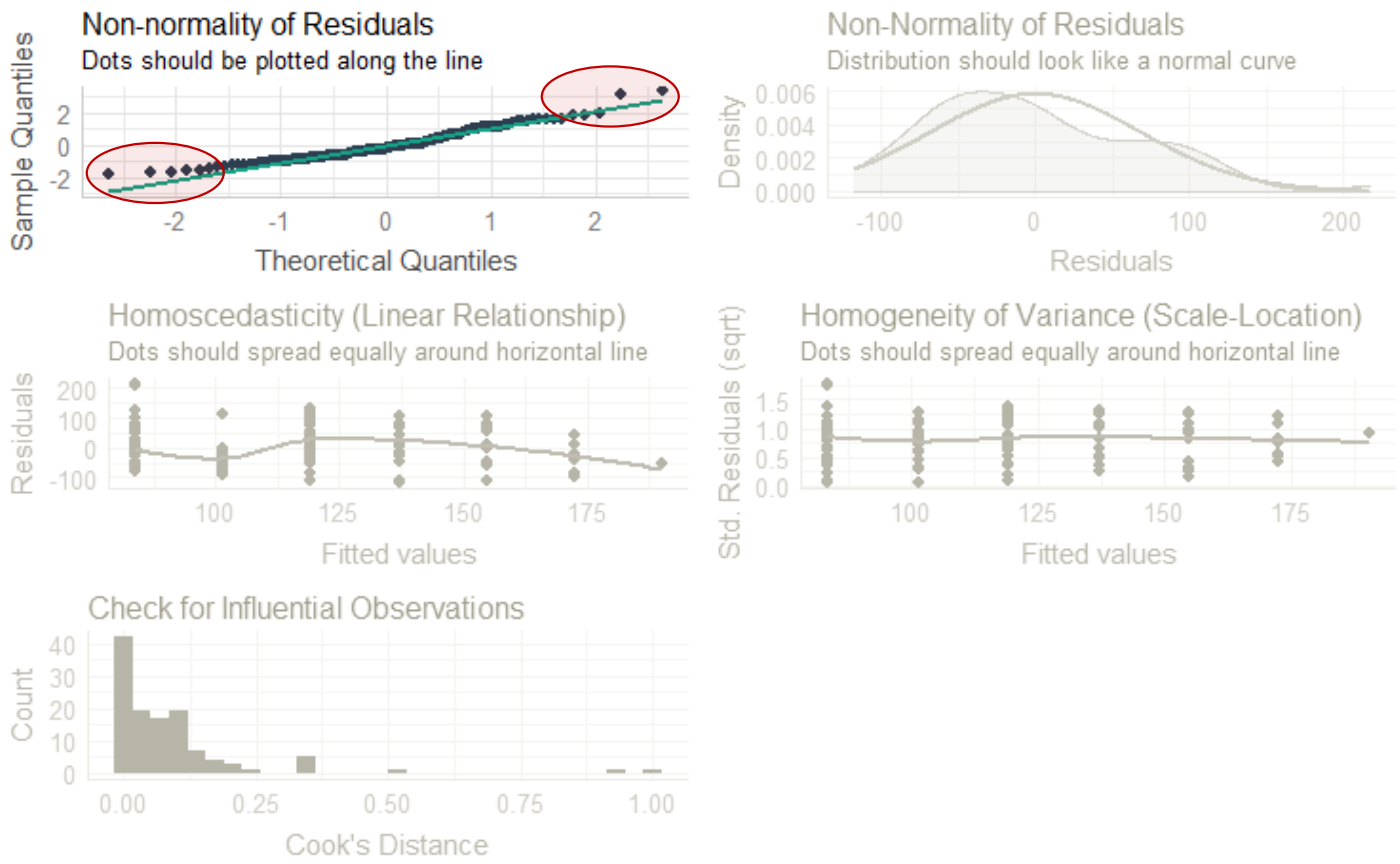

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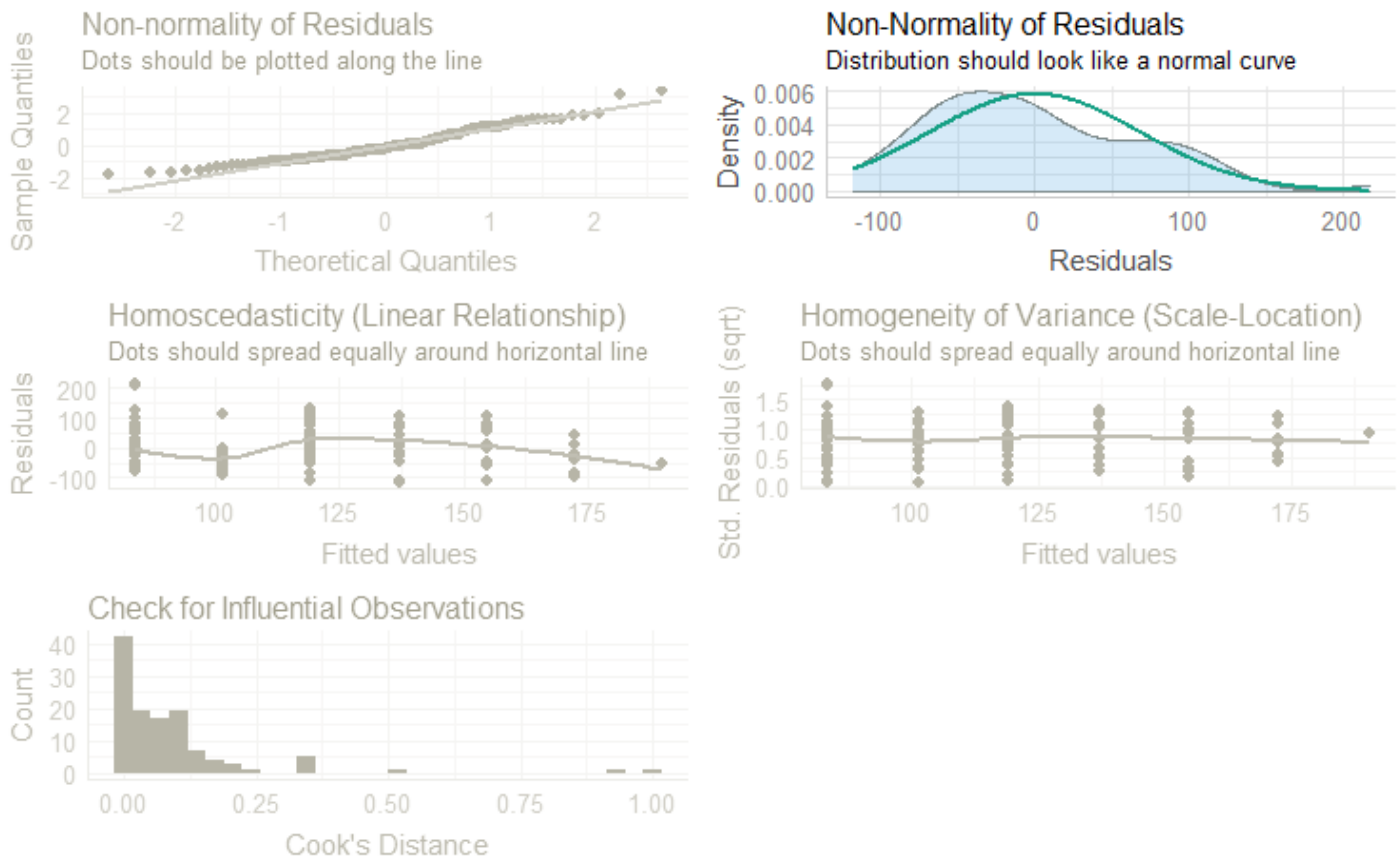

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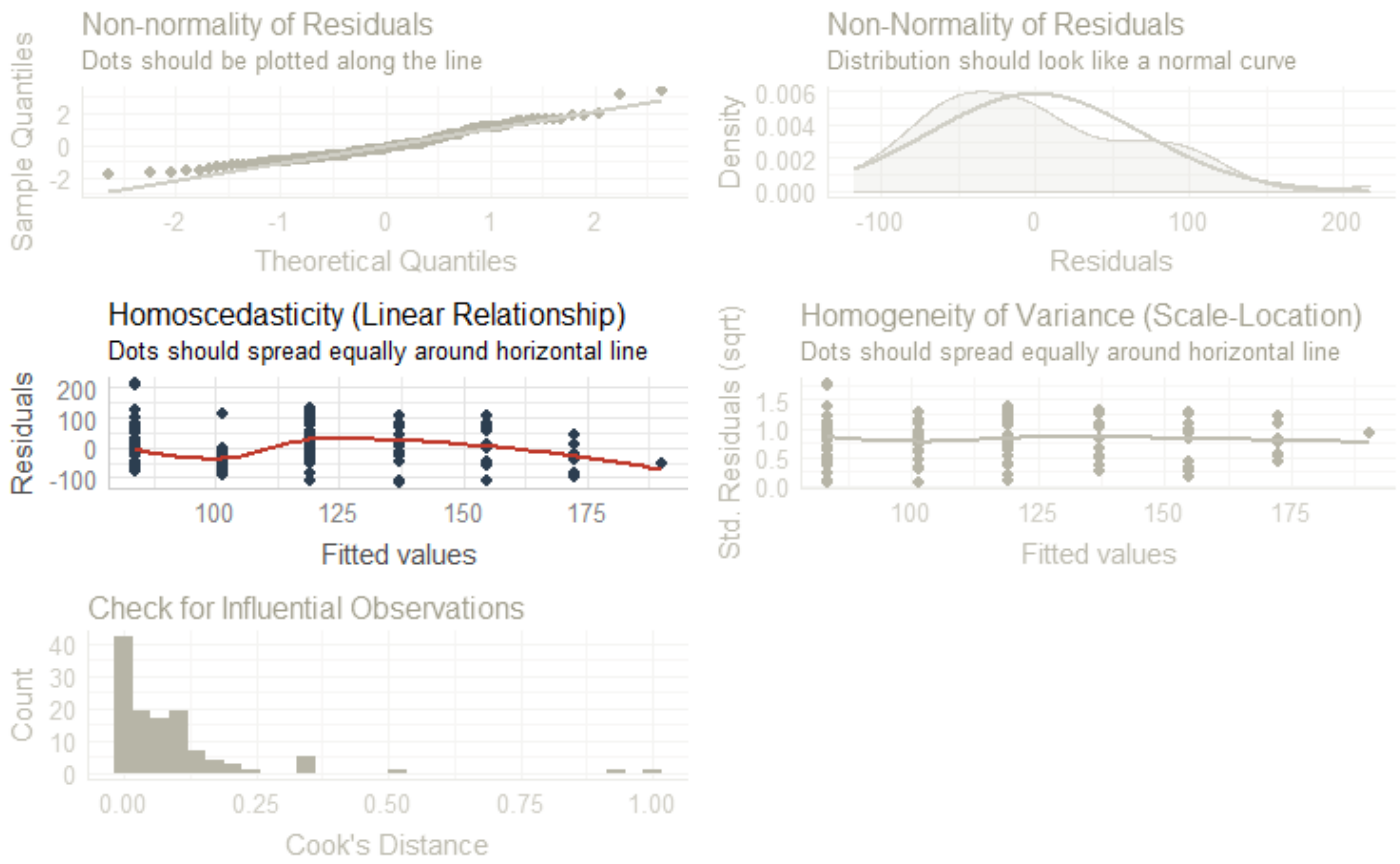

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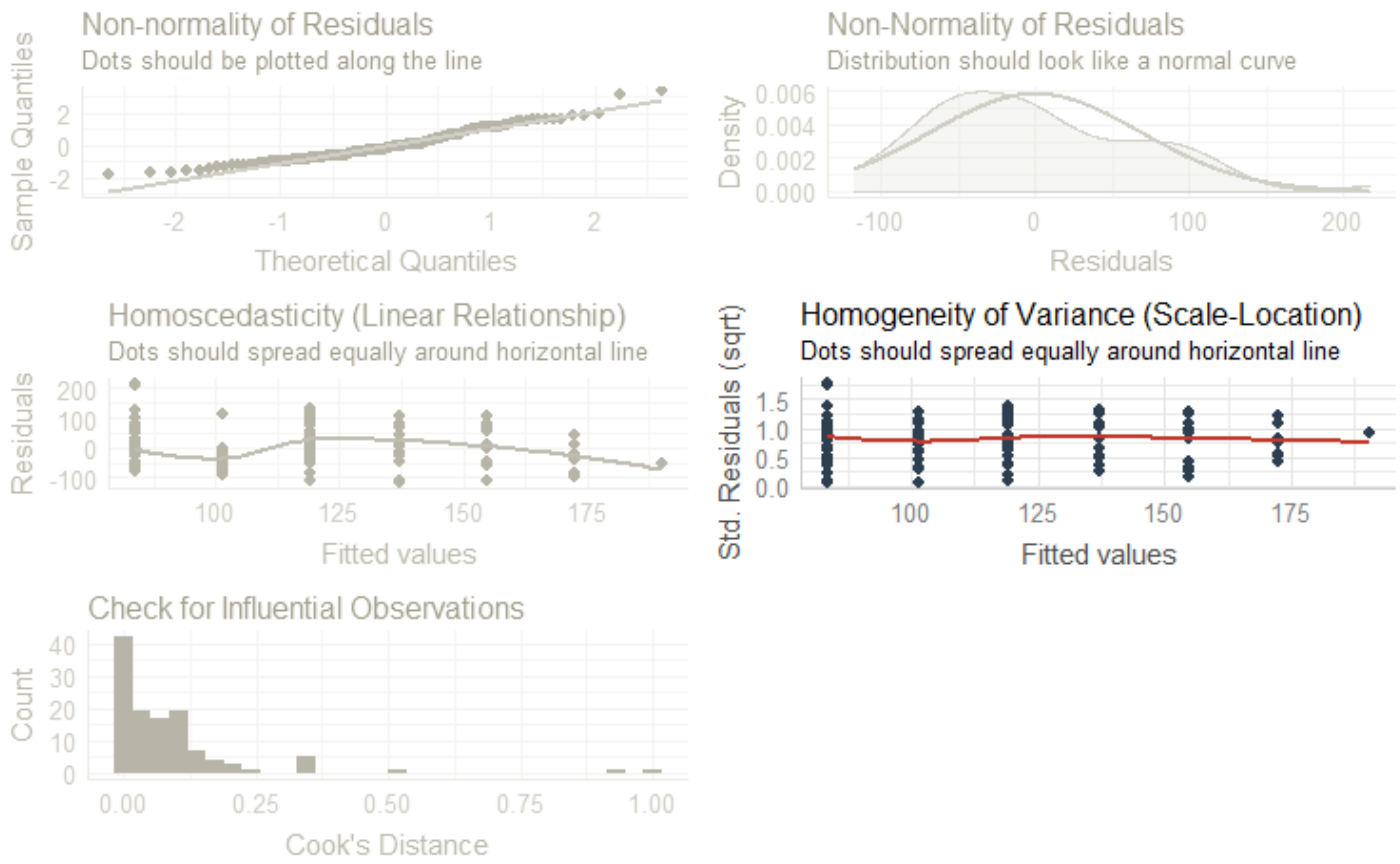

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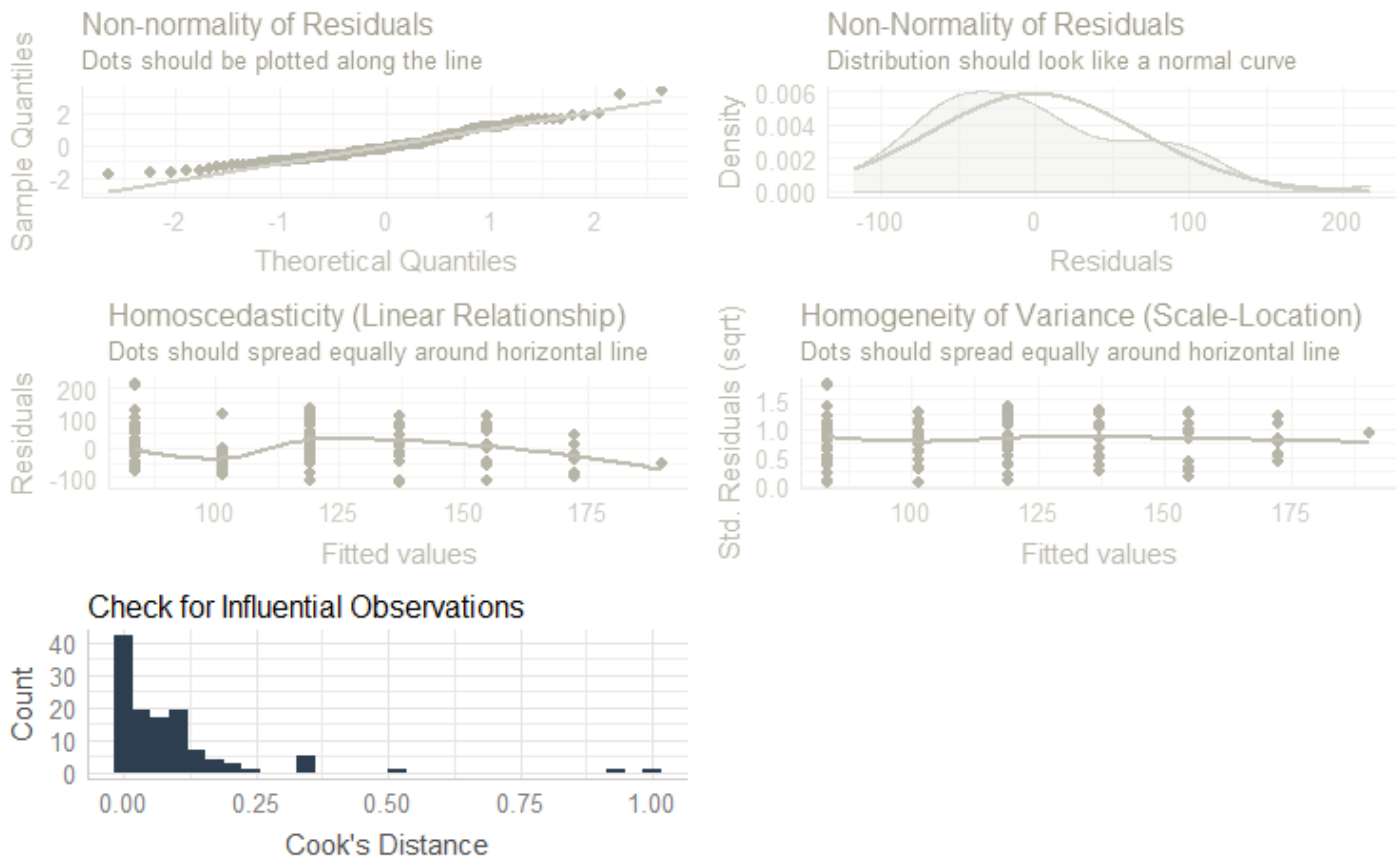

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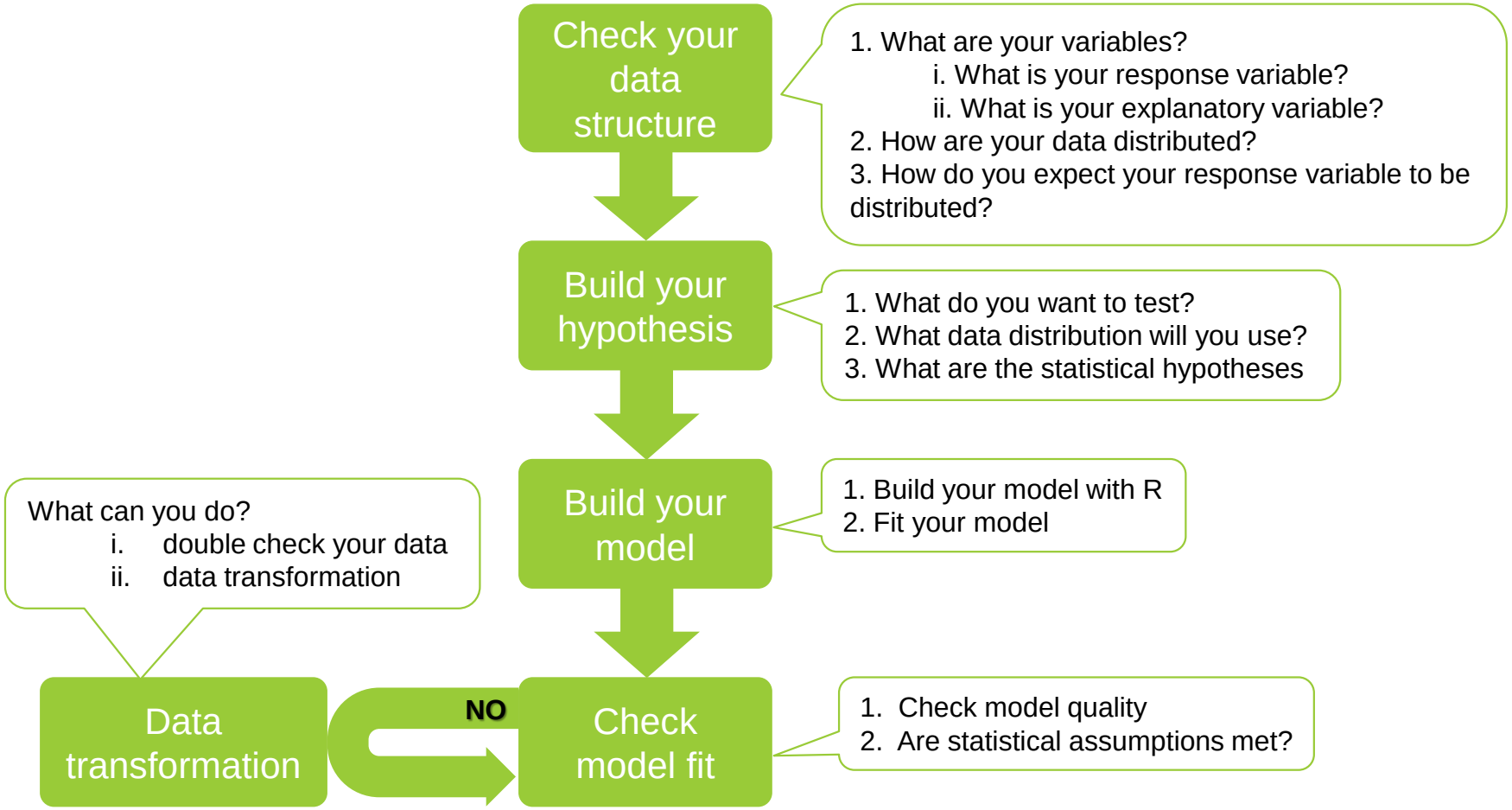

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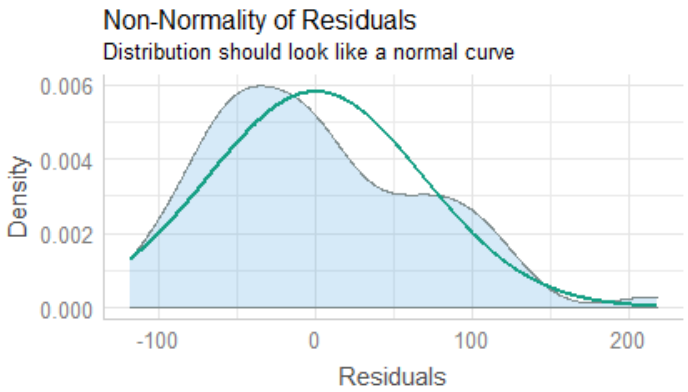

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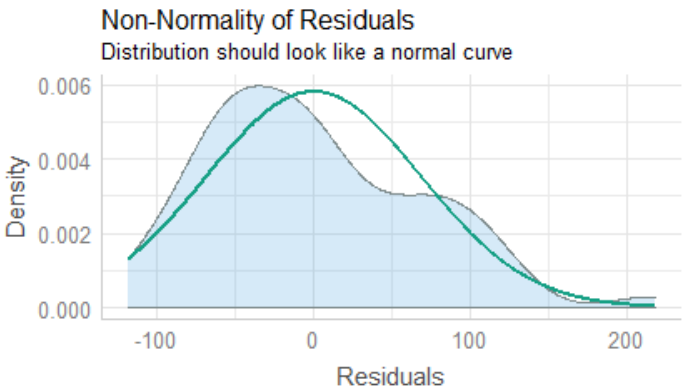

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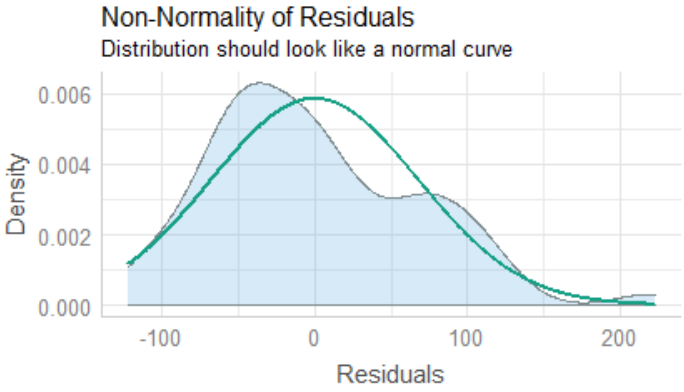

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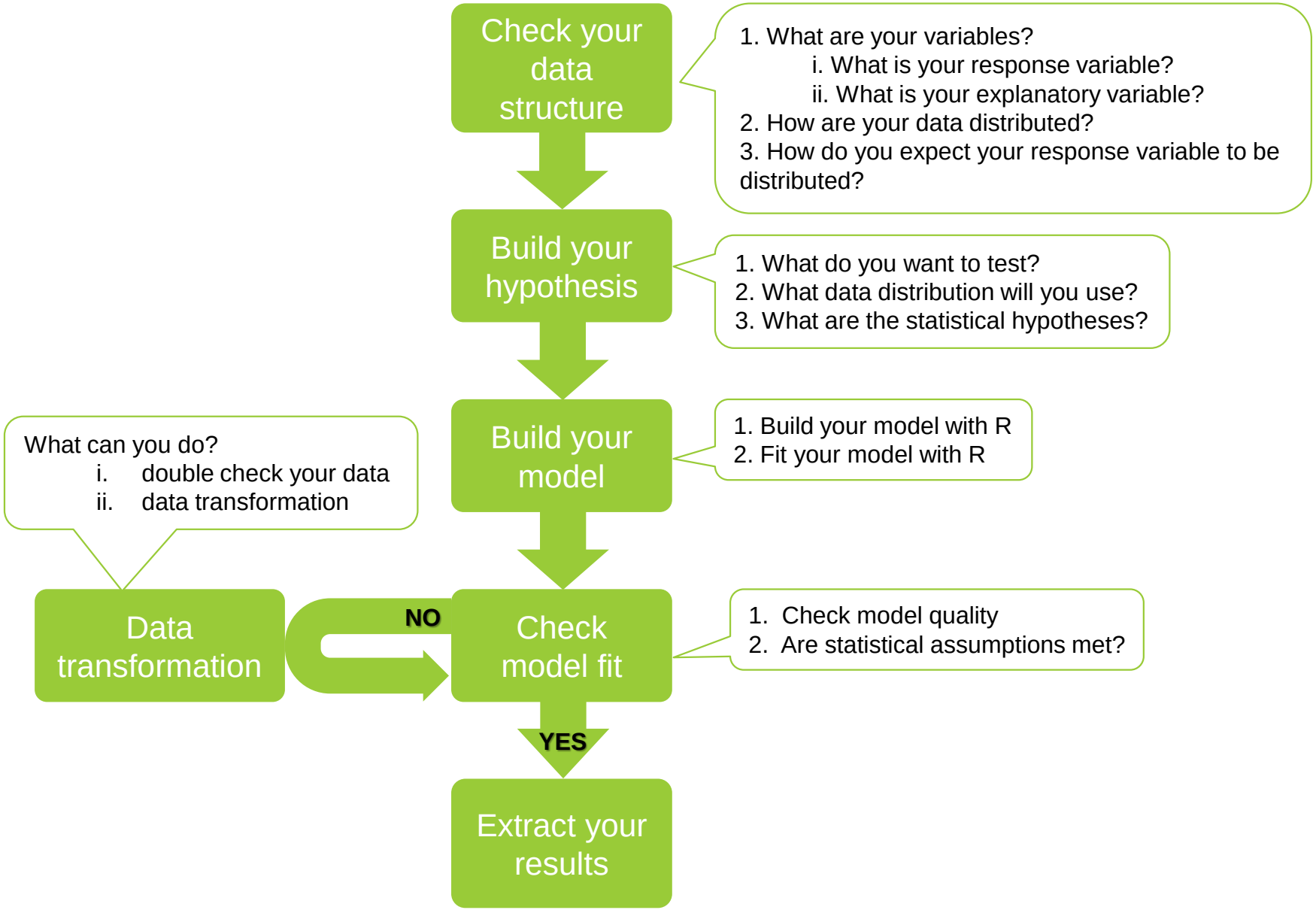

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μ

α

```
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Call:
lm(formula = "litterfall ~ log(neigh.sp.rich)", data = df.fall)

Residuals:
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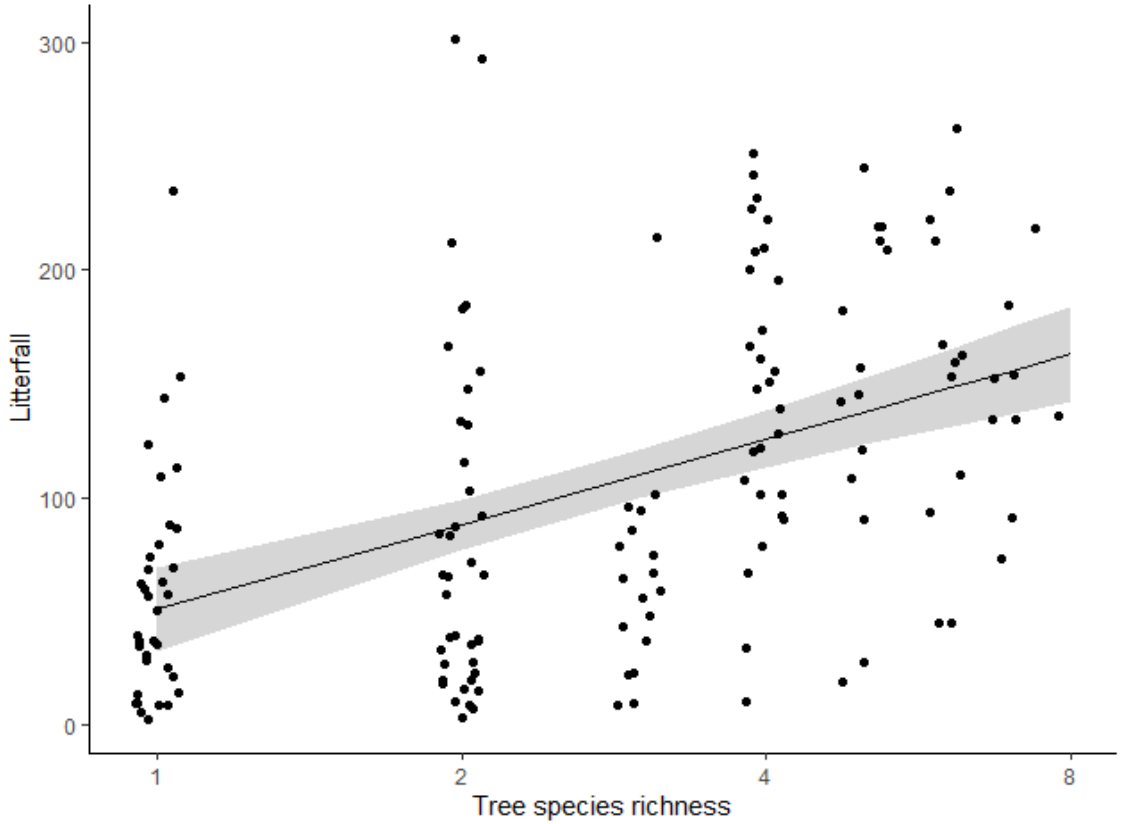

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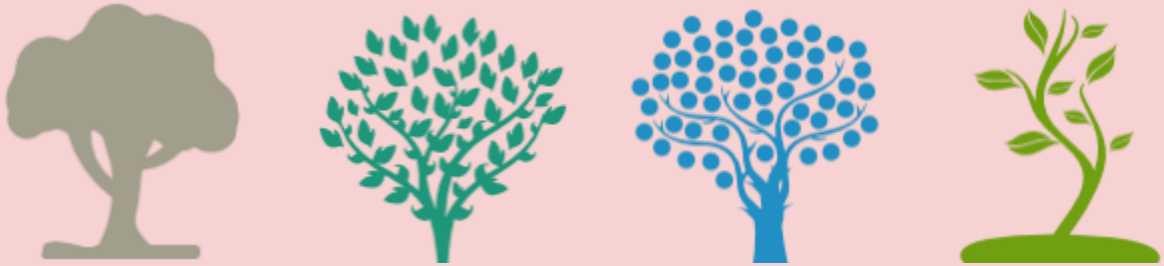

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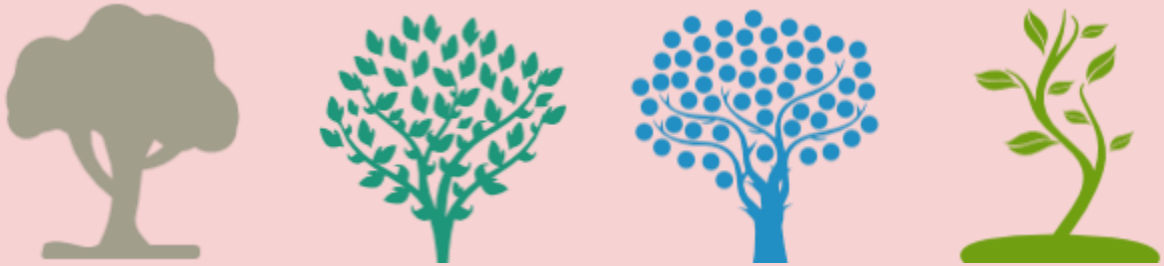

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$specie_i$ is 0 or 1

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α_A

$\alpha_B - \alpha_A$

$\alpha_C - \alpha_A$

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```
Call:
lm(formula = "litterfall ~ specie", data = d.2)

Residuals:
    Min      1Q  Median      3Q     Max 
-137.34  -46.82  -10.53   31.08  218.85 

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
(Intercept)    58.75      10.95   5.367 5.27e-07 ***
specieB        23.76      15.08   1.576    0.118    
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specieD        76.77      65.68   1.169    0.245    
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```
mod = lm(formula = litterfall ~ species, data = df)
mod.aov = aov(mod)
TukeyHSD(mod.aov)
```

```
  Tukey multiple comparisons of means
    95% family-wise confidence level

Fit: aov(formula = .)

$specie
         diff        lwr      upr     p adj
B-A  23.76082  -15.64056  63.1622 0.3970308
C-A  88.83229   45.92617 131.7384 0.0000026
D-A  76.76800  -94.85645 248.3924 0.6477987
C-B  65.07147   23.15468 106.9883 0.0005684
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log(neigh.sp.rich) 53.95982   8.146519 6.623666 5.613835e-10
```

To extract the predictions from your models: ggeffect package

```
pred = ggpredict(model = mod, terms = 'neigh.sp.rich’)
```

```
# Predicted values of litterfall
# x = neigh.sp.rich

x | Predicted |          95% CI
--------------------------------
1 |     50.85 | [ 32.55,  69.16]
2 |     88.25 | [ 77.23,  99.28]
3 |    110.13 | [ 99.63, 120.64]
4 |    125.66 | [113.28, 138.03]
5 |    137.70 | [123.02, 152.38]
6 |    147.54 | [130.65, 164.42]
7 |    155.85 | [136.95, 174.76]
8 |    163.06 | [142.33, 183.79]
```

Summary

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Your time to play