

Now we can test for differences in adjusted means; but before that:

## Critical statistical issues underlying General Linear Models (including ANCOVAs)

### Lecture 10 (Type I and III sum-of-square)

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Initial conclusion: greater fruit production under grazing!

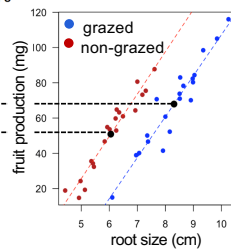
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Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Fruit

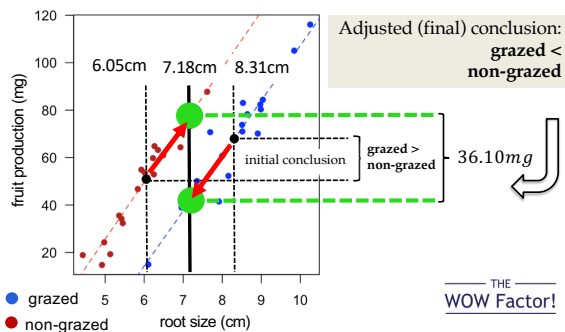
	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Grazing	1	2910.4	2910.44	5.3086	0.02678 *
Residuals	38	20833.4	548.25		

What's the conclusion?



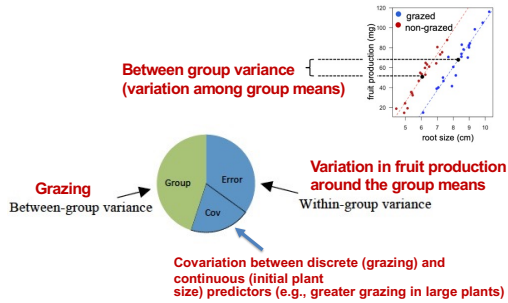
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Does grazing increase or reduce fruit production?



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**Analysis of covariance (ANCOVA)** evaluates whether the means of a dependent variable are equal across levels of a categorical independent variable (treatment), while statistically controlling for the effects of other continuous variables that are not of primary interest, known as covariates or nuisance variables.



Adapted from [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Analysis\\_of\\_covariance](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Analysis_of_covariance)

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1) Since the two main conditions hold (1) Covariate can predict the response; and 2) Groups share a common slope, i.e., interaction is not significant), we can proceed to test the effect of grazing (categorical predictor) while controlling for initial plant size (root size). Also, given that the slopes are similar, we can drop the interaction in the final analysis (though there are discussions about whether this is cautious or not).

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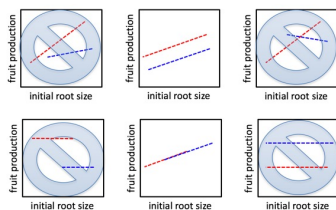
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ANOVA, Regression and types of sum-of-squares



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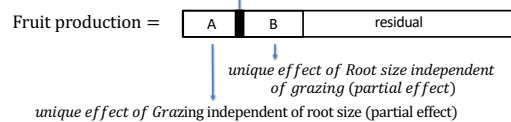
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*variation shared between Grazing and Root size (non – orthogonal)*



**Note that interaction can't be significant for adjustment; so assumed zero here**

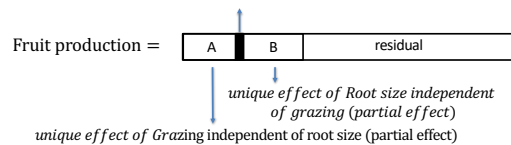
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**variation shared between Grazing and Root size (non – orthogonal) > 0**



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grazing is a contrast (as seen in our last lecture)

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> cor(as.numeric(Grazing),Root)
[1] -0.772087
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Because of lack of orthogonality between categorical (grazed/non-grazed) and covariate (initial root size), the order of the categorical and covariate change the results when using a common ANOVA (which is based on type I Sum of squares).

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> anova(lm(Fruit ~ Grazing+Root))
Analysis of Variance Table
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Response: Fruit					
	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Grazing	1	2910.4	2910.4	63.929	1.397e-09 ***
Root	1	19148.9	19148.9	420.616	< 2.2e-16 ***
Residuals	37	1684.5	45.5		

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> anova(lm(Fruit ~ Root+Grazing))
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	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Root	1	16795.0	16795.0	368.91	< 2.2e-16 ***
Grazing	1	5264.4	5264.4	115.63	6.107e-13 ***
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## Understanding the Type I sum-of-squares (sequential)



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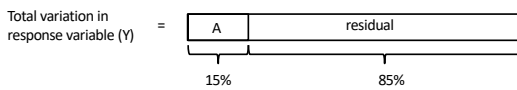
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Type I sum-of-squares  
(sequential)

$$\text{Fruit production} = \mu + \text{Grazing}$$

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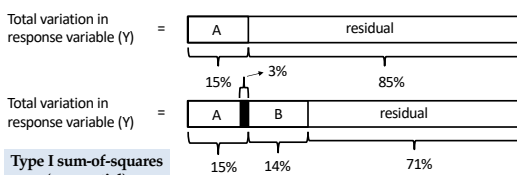
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The Grazing treatment (A) is entered 1<sup>st</sup> into the model and then initial root size (B)



$$\text{Fruit production} = \mu + \text{Grazing} + \text{Root size}$$

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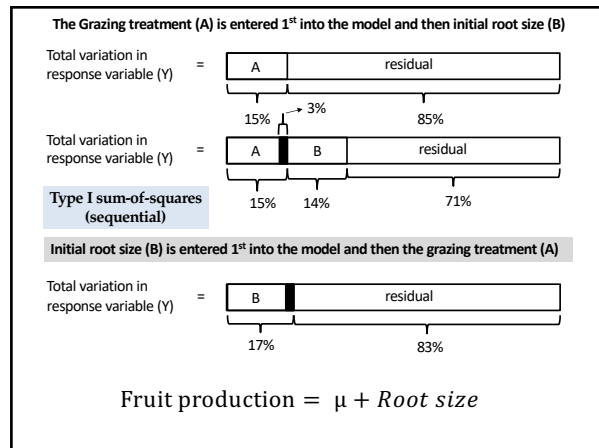
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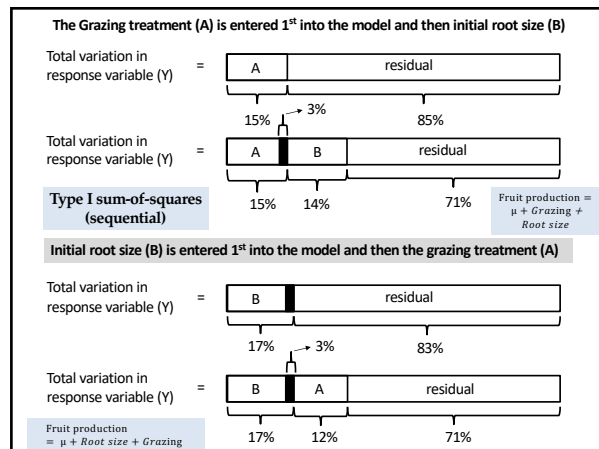
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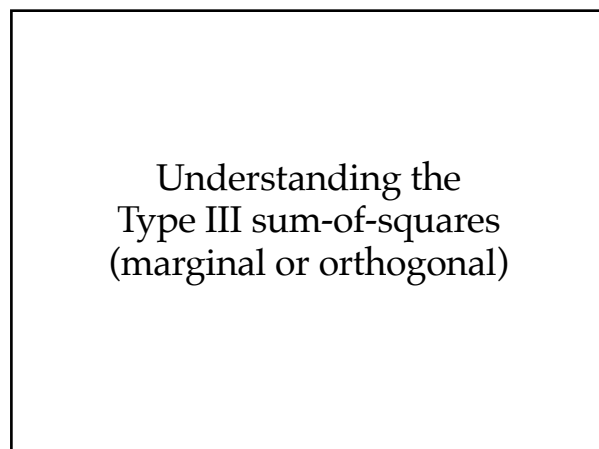
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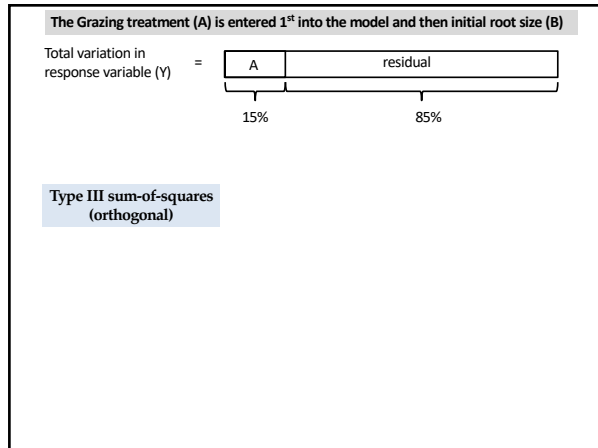
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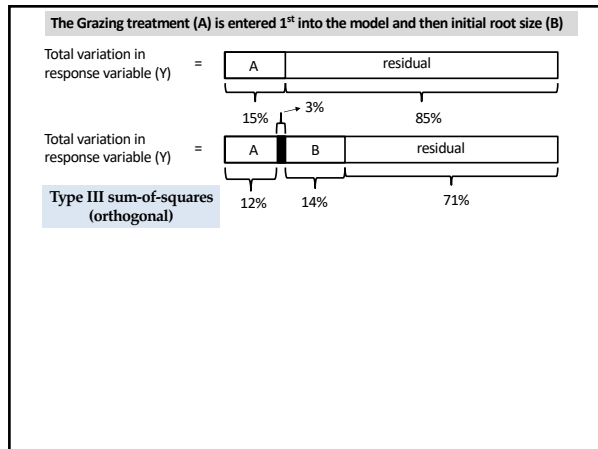
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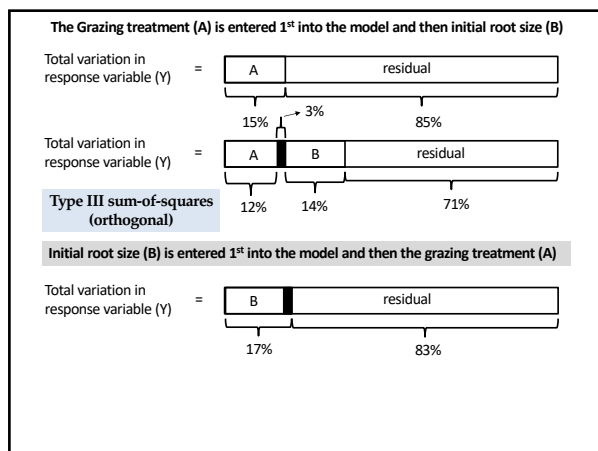
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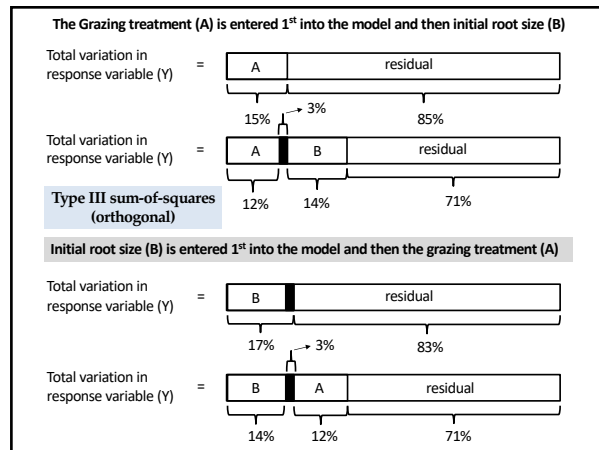
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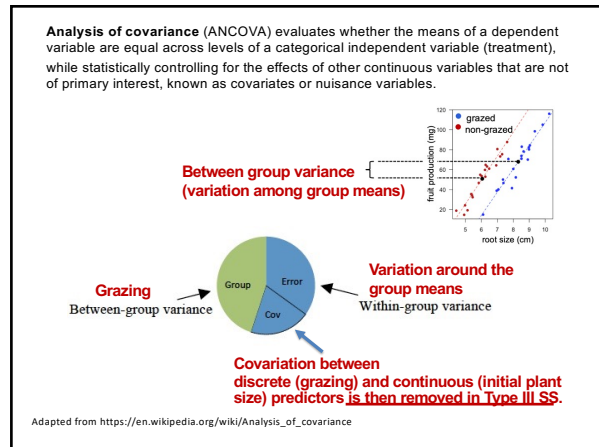
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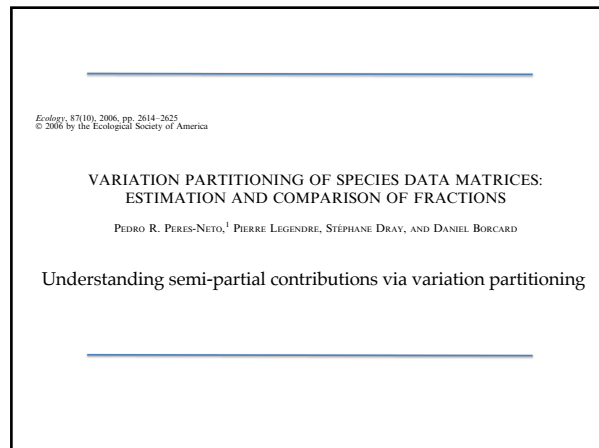
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Final test: Does grazing affect fruit production once controlled for initial root size?



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**H<sub>0</sub>:** Grazing treatments do not differ in fruit production.

**H<sub>A</sub>:** Grazing treatments differ in fruit production.

```
> Anova(lm.Fruit, type = "III") # note "A" in Anova is capitalized
Anova Table (Type III tests)
```

```
Response: Fruit
          Sum Sq Df F value    Pr(>F)
(Intercept) 7965.2  1  174.96 1.350e-15 ***
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Type II and III Sum of squares so that order of entrance of categorical (grazing treatment) and continuous (covariate = initial root size).

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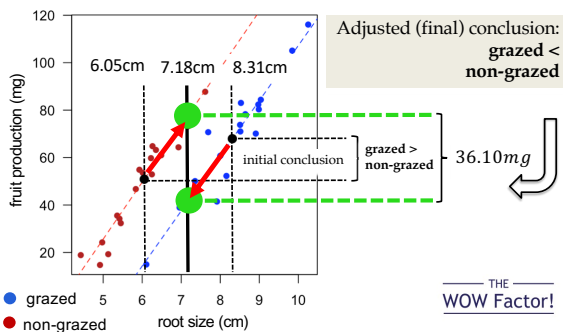
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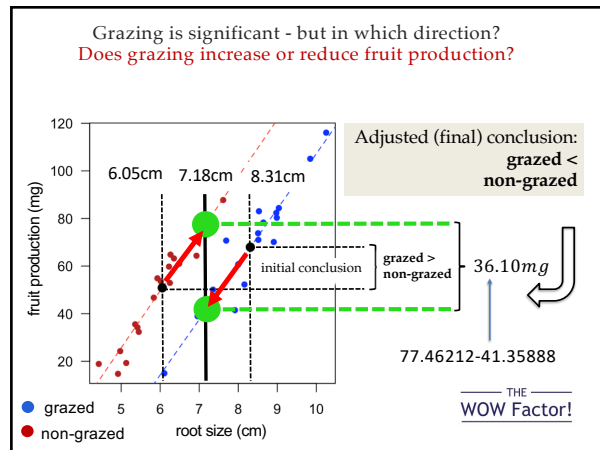
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**Oecologia**  
June 1992, Volume 90, Issue 3, pp 435-444 | [Cite as](#)

**The effects of grazers on the performance of individuals and populations of scarlet gilia, *Ipomopsis aggregata***

Authors: Joy Bergelson, Michael J. Crawley

*I. aggregata* exhibits considerable powers of regrowth following removal of its primary shoot by herbivores, but we found no evidence of overcompensation (i.e. of significantly higher plant performance where plants were exposed to ungulate herbivory) in a comparison between individuals on grazed and ungrazed sides of exclosure fences

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Assessing if assumptions hold!



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$$Y = \mu + A_1 + X_1 + (A_1 \times X_1) \quad \text{Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA)}$$

Testing for assumptions should be performed before reporting results – we did not do it here so that we paid attention to the problem first!



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## Assumptions

### **Assumption 1: linearity (more in the regression module)**

The regression relationship between the dependent variable and concomitant variables must be linear.

### **Assumption 2: homogeneity of error variances (residual plot or the Breusch-Pagan test)**

Equal variances for different treatment classes and observations.

### **Assumption 3: independence of error terms (more in mixed models)**

The errors are uncorrelated. That is, the error covariance matrix is diagonal.

### **Assumption 4: normality of error terms (Q-Q plot)**

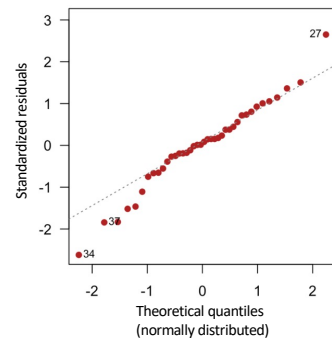
The residuals (errors) should be normally distributed.

### **Assumption 5: homogeneity of regression slopes (tested already).**

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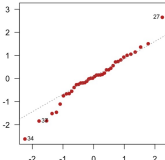
Testing for normality assumptions (Q-Q normal residual plot)



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> shapiro.test(residuals(lm.result))
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Shapiro-Wilk normality test

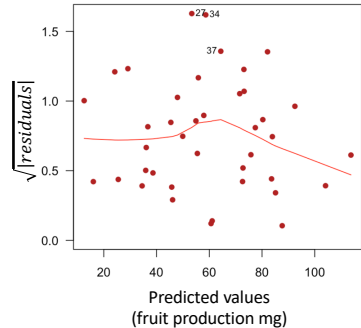
data: residuals(lm.result)  
W = 0.97358, p-value = 0.4637

In doubt, resort to a formal test, though General Linear models (ANOVAs and regressions) are quite robust against non-normality.

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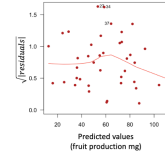
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```
> bptest(lm.result)
```

studentized Breusch-Pagan test

data: lm.result  
BP = 1.7063, df = 2, p-value = 0.4261

In doubt, resort to a formal test, General Linear models are sensitive to heteroscedasticity.

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## What to do in more complex cases?



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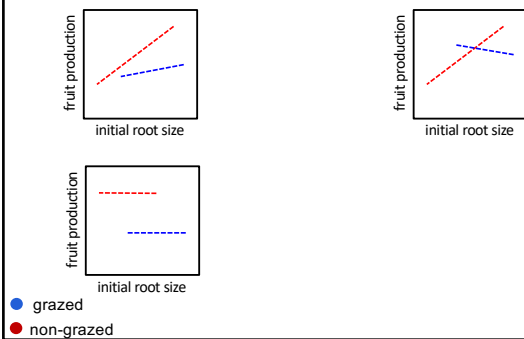
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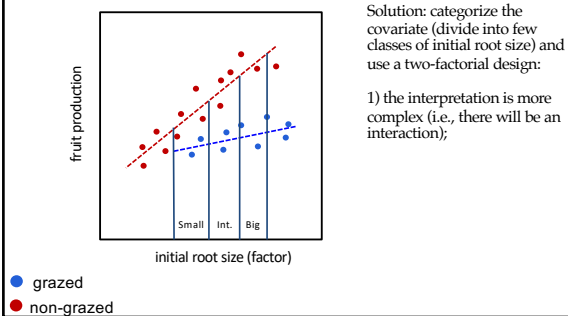
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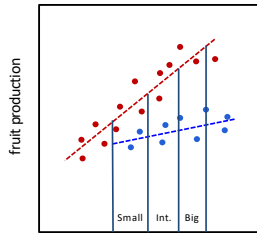
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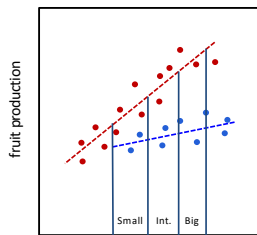
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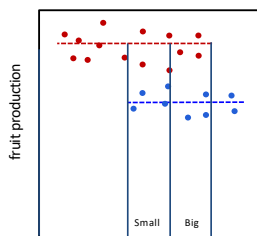
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When response variable (fruit production) is independent of continuous predictor (initial root size), but continuous differ in average between treatments.



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$$Y = \mu + A_1 + X_1 + (A_1 \times X_1)$$
 Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA)

- It is not always possible to randomize factors completely independent of each other. In the case of the fruit productivity, ideally the researchers should have made sure that the plants in grazing and no grazing plots should have had the same size.
- Confounding or nuisance (non-random) factors can often be the case, particularly in non-experimental studies.
- The terminology and some of the theory underlying "Type I, II & III" sum of squares seems to have been generated by SAS (Statistical Analysis System).

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Doctor Tyrano, look for a covariate



Doctor Tyrano, stewed in the realization that he would win no accolades for finding the world's most medium-sized dinosaur!

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#### General linear models (not Generalized linear model)

Linear Model	Common name
✓ $Y = \mu + X$	Simple linear regression
✓ $Y = \mu + A_1$	One-factorial (one-way) ANOVA
✓ $Y = \mu + A_1 + A_2 + A_1 \times A_2$	Two-factorial (two-way) ANOVA
✓ $Y = \mu + A_1 + X (+A_1 \times X)$	Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA)
$Y = \mu + X_1 + X_2 + X_3$	Multiple regression
$Y = \mu + A_1 + g + A_1 \times g$	Mixed model ANOVA
$Y_1 + Y_2$ $= \mu + A_1 + A_2 + A_1 \times A_2$	Multivariate ANOVA (MANOVA)

A represents categorical predictors (factors)

g represents groups of data (more on this later)

(+A<sub>1</sub> × X) - step 1 on an ANCOVA, but not in the final analysis

Multiple factors A<sub>1</sub> + A<sub>2</sub> + etc (and their interactions)

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$$\begin{aligned} \hat{Y}_{\text{non-grazed (adjusted mean)}} \\ &= -125.17mg + 36.1mg + \\ &\quad 23.56mg/cm \times 7.18cm = \\ &\quad 77.46212 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{Y}_{\text{grazed (adjusted mean)}} \\ &= -125.17mg + 0.00mg + \\ &\quad 23.56mg/cm \times 7.18cm = \\ &\quad 43.35888 \end{aligned}$$

**Adjusted (final) inference:**  
 grazed fruit production <  
 non-grazed fruit production

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