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

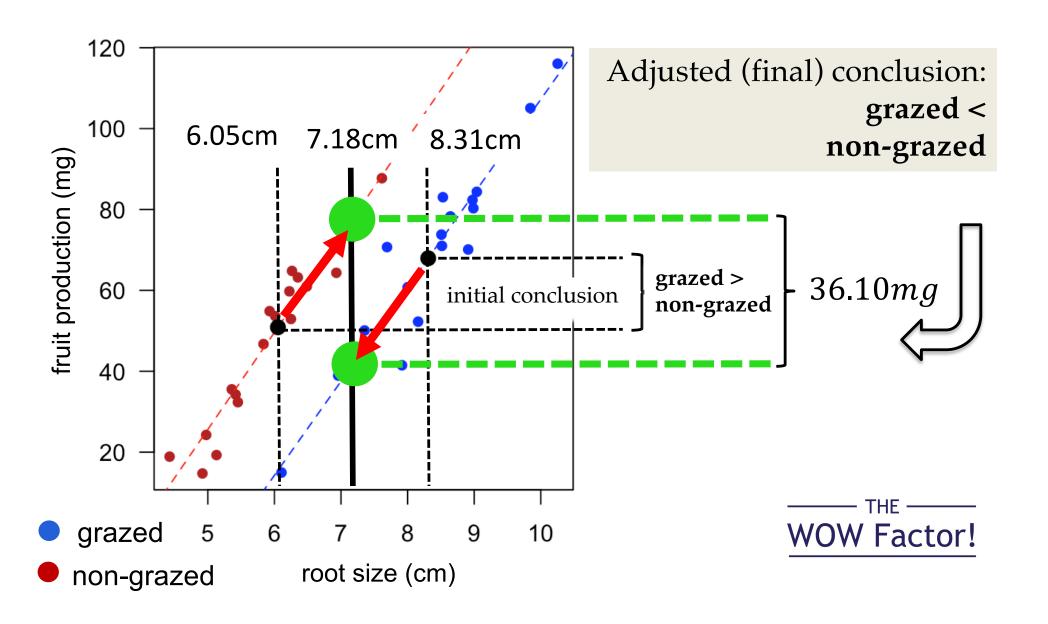
Critical statistical issues underlying General Linear Models (including ANCOVAs)

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

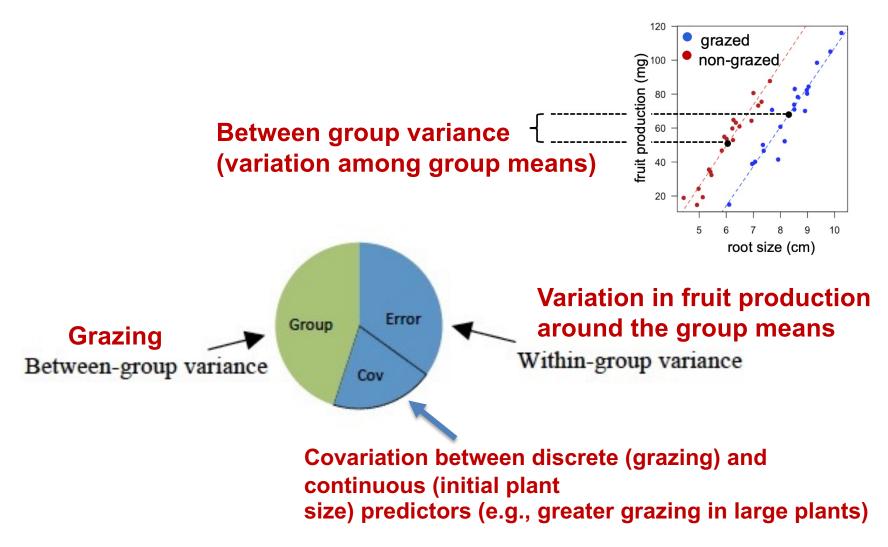
Initial conclusion: greater fruit production under grazing!

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> anova(lm(Fruit~Grazing))
 Analysis of Variance Table
 Response: Fruit
                Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
                2910.4 2910.44 5.3086 0.02678 *
 Grazing
 Residuals 38 20833.4 548.25
                                                   120
                                                           grazed
                                                           non-grazed
                                                fruit production (mg)
What's the conclusion?
                                                    20
                                                          5
                                                                               10
                                                               root size (cm)
```

Grazing is significant - but in what direction? Does grazing increase or reduce fruit production?



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Adapted from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Analysis of covariance

Before we proceed in testing for differences in adjusted means - a few really important issues

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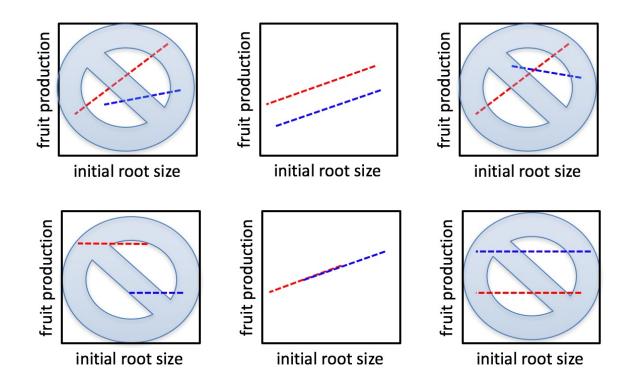
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BIOL 422 & 680, Pedro Peres-Neto, Biology, Concordia University ANOVA, Regression and types of sum-of-squares



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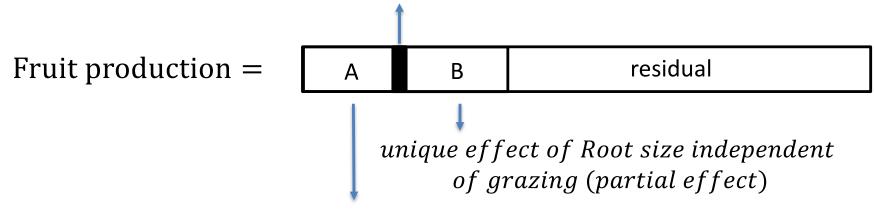
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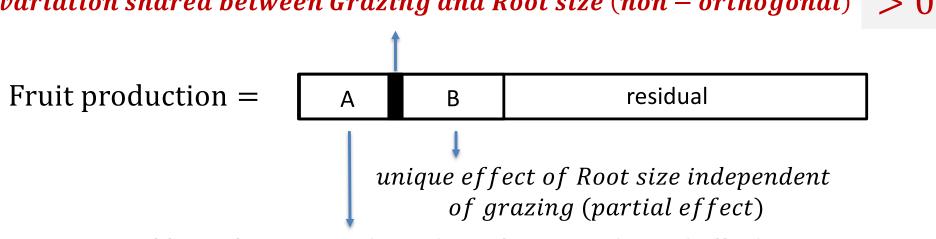
unique effect of Grazing independent of root size (partial effect)

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

Before we proceed in testing for differences in adjusted means a few really important issues

- 2) Remember that as in a regression model, partial effects are used, i.e., the total amount of variation explained by grazing once initial size (covariate) is controlled for (removed).
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grazing is a contrast (as seen in our last lecture)

> cor(as.numeric(Grazing),Root)
[1] -0.772087

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).

> anova(lm(Fruit ~ Grazing+Root))
Analysis of Variance Table

```
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))
Analysis of Variance Table

```
Response: Fruit

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)

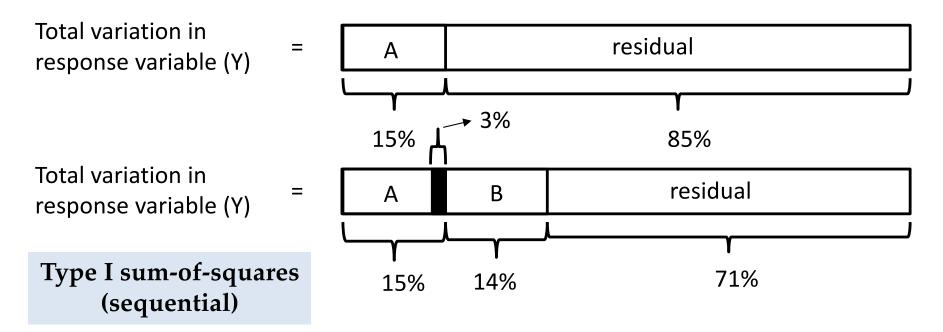


The Grazing treatment (A) is entered 1st into the model

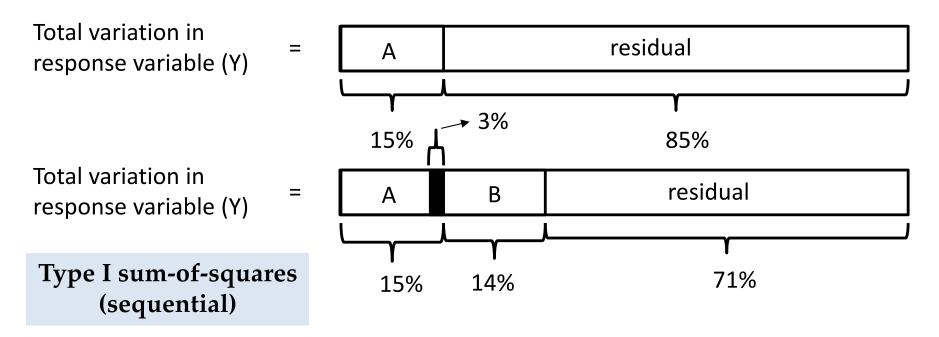


Type I sum-of-squares (sequential)

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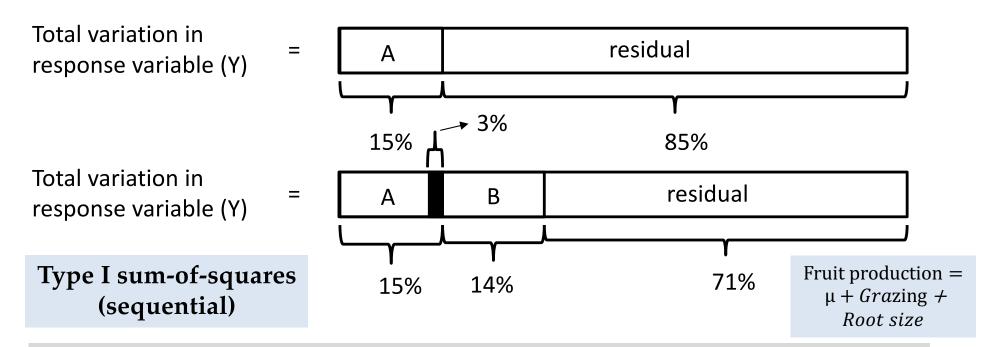


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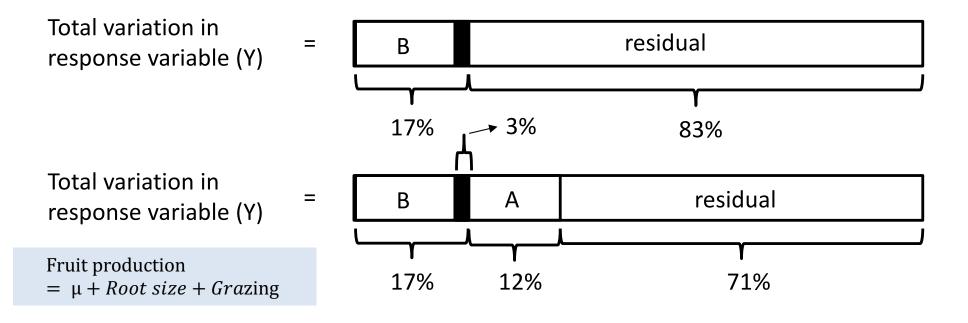


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Fruit production = $\mu + Root size$



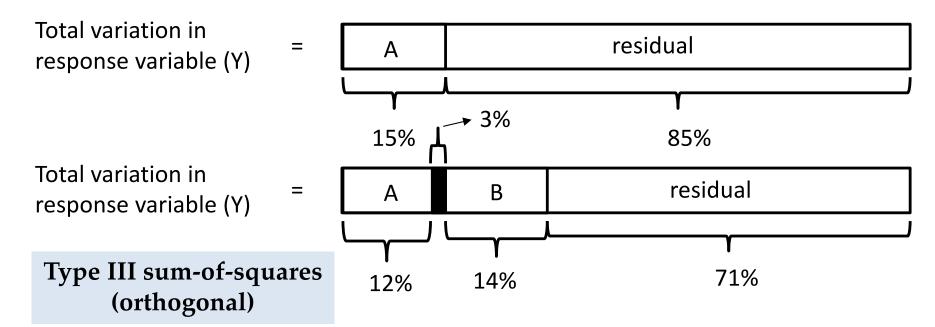
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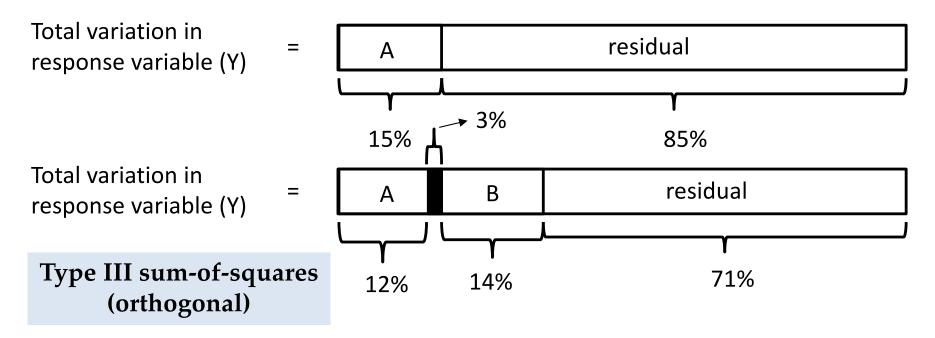


Understanding the Type III sum-of-squares (marginal or orthogonal)

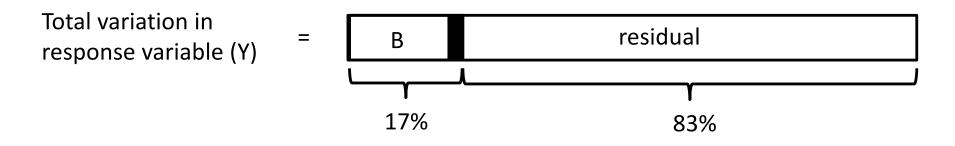


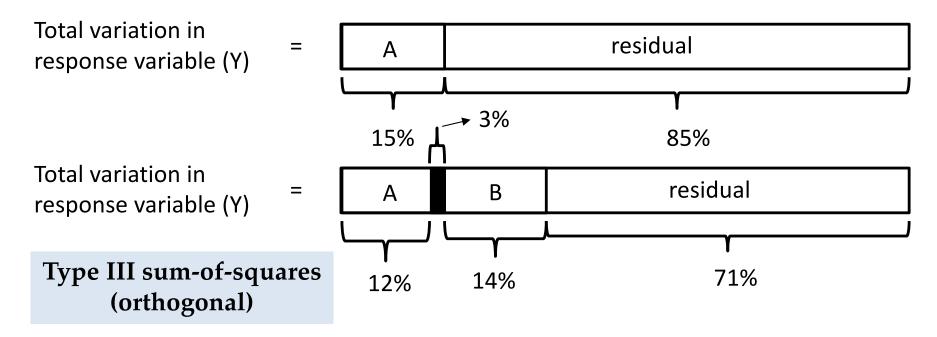
Type III sum-of-squares (orthogonal)



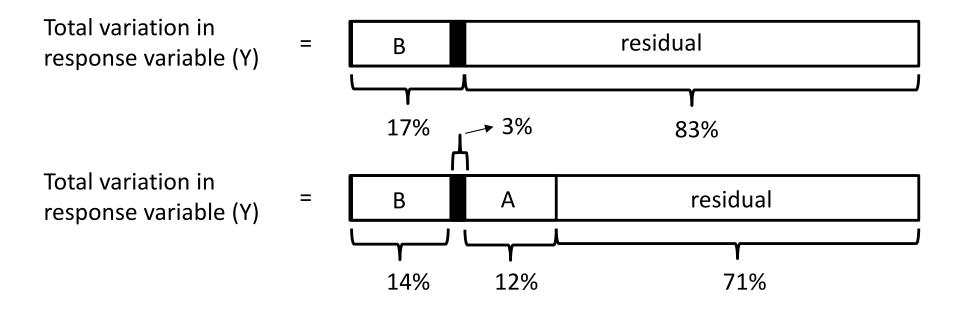


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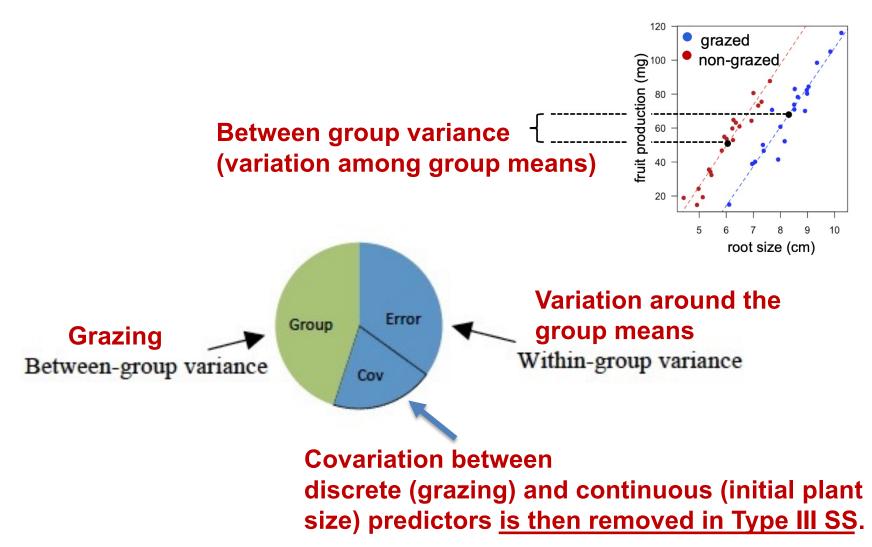




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H₀: Grazing treatments do not differ in fruit production.

H_A: Grazing treatments differ in fruit production.

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

Response: Fruit

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Sum Sq Df F value Pr(>F)
(Intercept) 7965.2 1 174.96 1.350e-15 ***

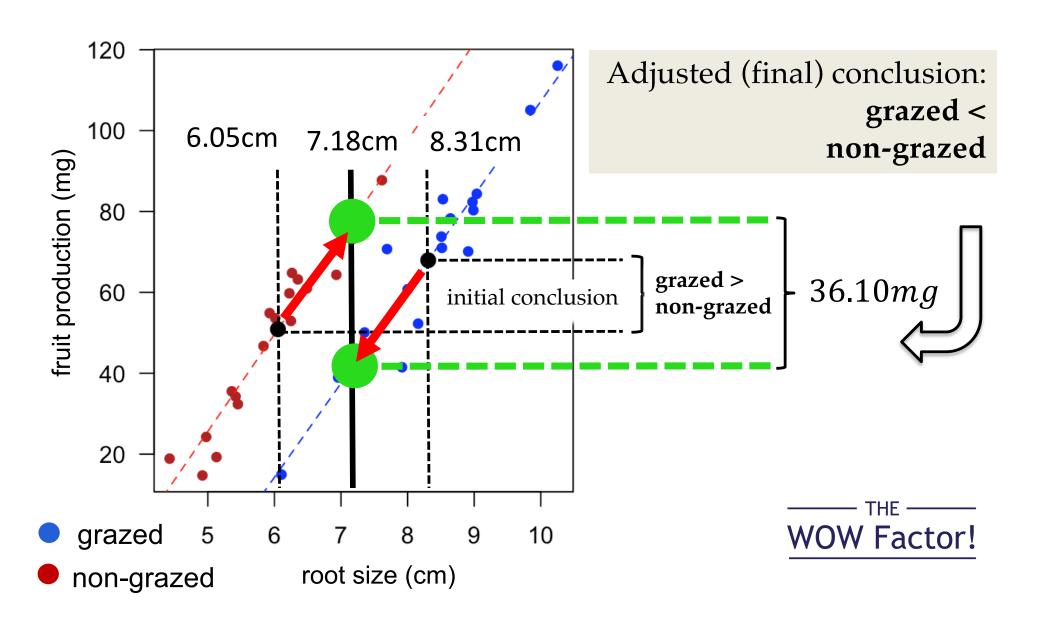
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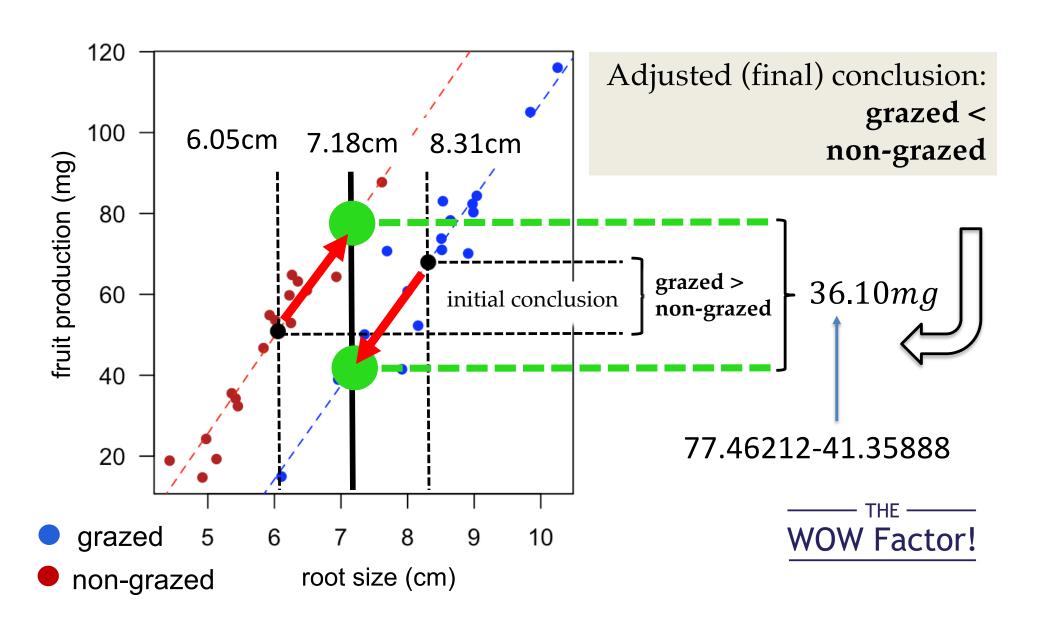
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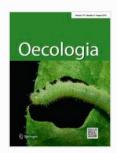
Type II and III Sum of squares so that order of entrance of categorical (grazing treatment) and continuous (covariate = initial root size).

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Assessing if assumptions hold!



$$Y = \mu + A_1 + X_1 + (A_1 \times X_1)$$
 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!



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.

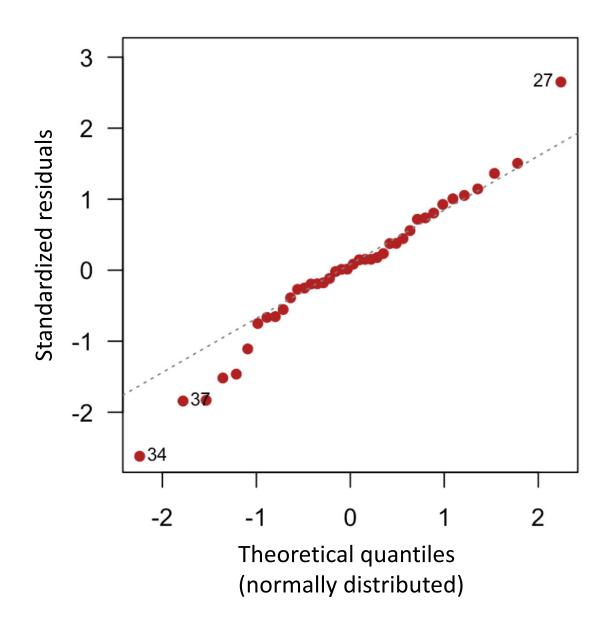
Assumption 4: normality of error terms (Q-Q plot)

The residuals (errors) should be normally distributed.

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

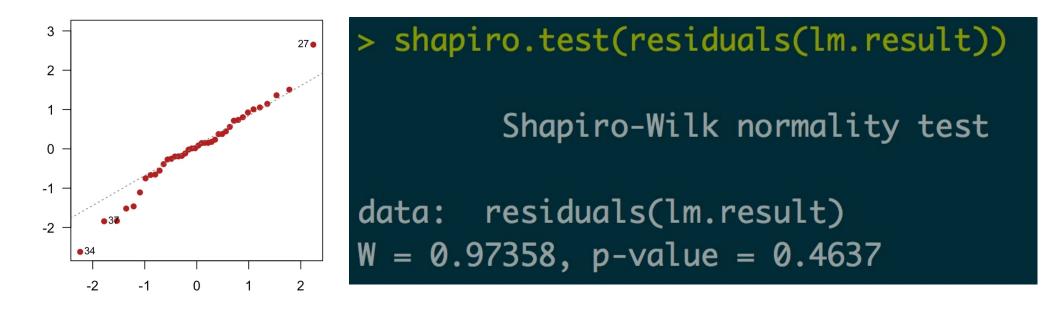
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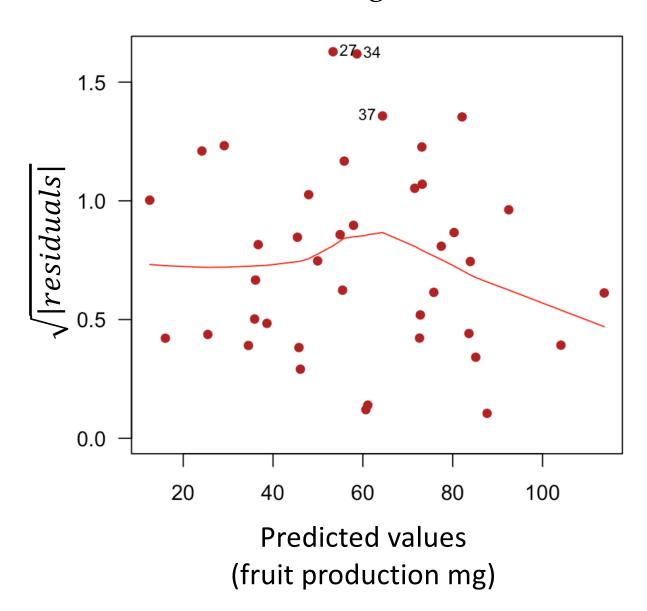
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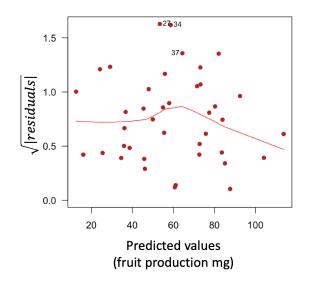
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Testing for homoscedasticity



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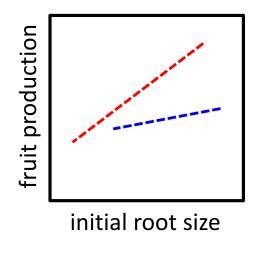
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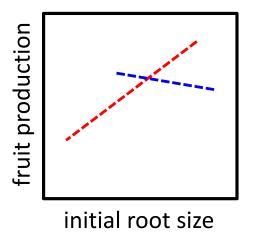


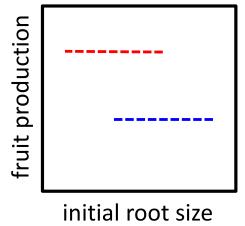
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What to do in more complex cases?



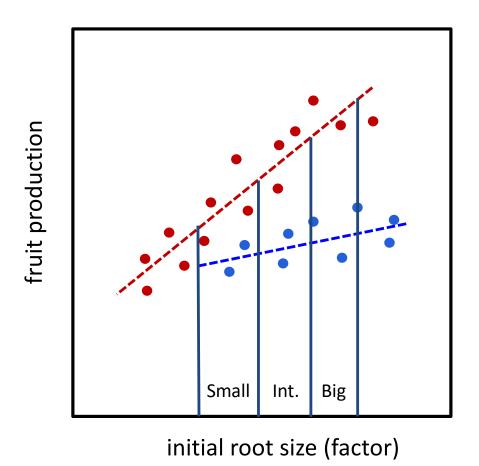






- grazed
- non-grazed

When there is an interaction, then the differences in mean values between treatments vary as a function of the covariate, so we can't generalize to all initial root sizes.

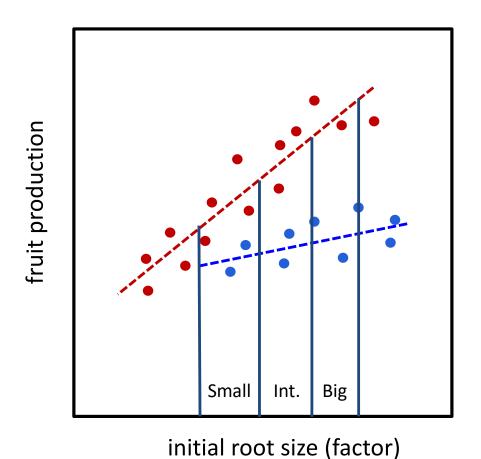


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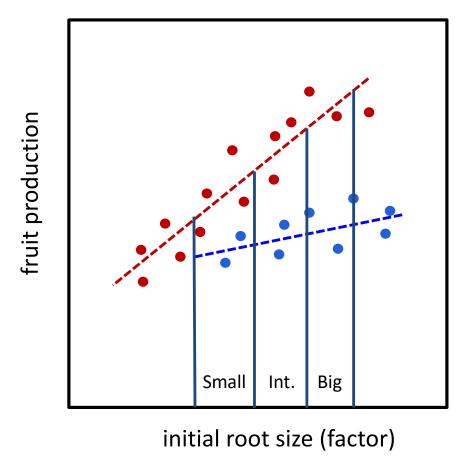


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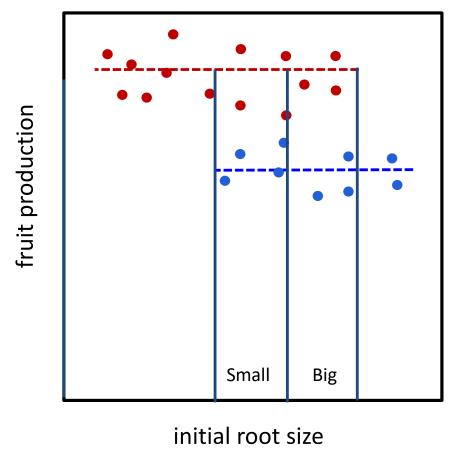
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When response variable (fruit production) is independent of continuous predictor (initial root size), but continuous differ in average between treatments.



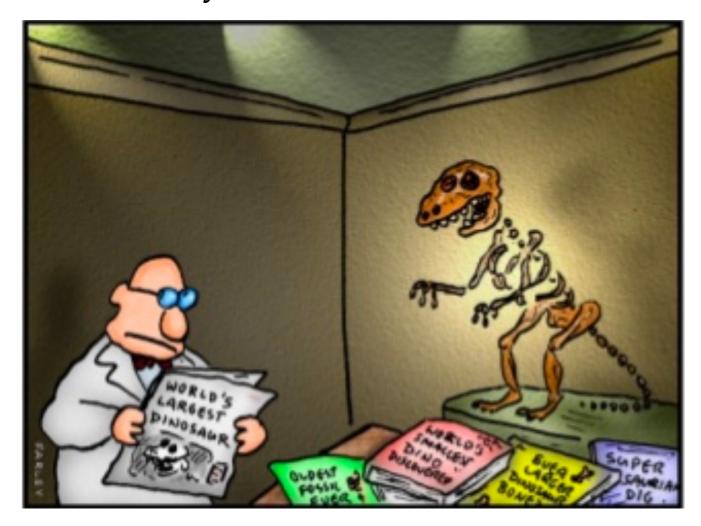
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 Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA)

- 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).

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!

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)

 $(+A_1 \times X)$ - step 1 on an ANCOVA, but not in the final analysis Multiple factors $A_1 + A_2 + \text{etc}$ (and their interactions)

Grazing is significant - but in which direction? Does grazing increase or reduce fruit production?

$$\hat{Y}_{non-grazed(adjusted\ mean)}$$
= -125.17mg + 36.1mg +
23.56mg/cm × 7.18cm =
77.46212
 $\hat{Y}_{grazed\ (adjusted\ mean)}$
= -125.17mg + 0.00mg +
23.56mg/cm × 7.18cm =
43.35888

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