

Factorial Designs & Interaction Effects

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Is the world additive?

- ▶ Until now, we have assumed factors combine additively
- ▶ BUT - what if the effect of one factor depends on another?
- ▶ This is an **INTERACTION** and is quite common
- ▶ Yet, challenging to think about, and visualize

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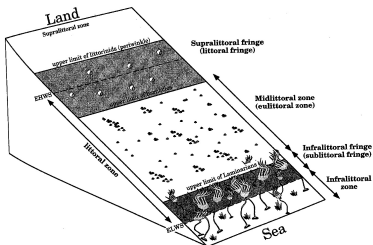
Intertidal Grazing!



Do grazers reduce algal cover in the intertidal?

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Experiment Replicated on Two Ends of a gradient



What happens if you fit this data using * instead of + in the linear model?

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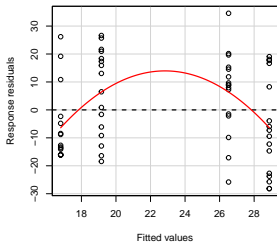
Humdrum Linear Model

```
graze_linear <- lm(sqrtarea ~ height + herbivores, data=algae)
Anova(graze_linear)
```

```
# Anova Table (Type II tests)
#
# Response: sqrtarea
#           Sum Sq Df F value Pr(>F)
# height      89  1  0.32  0.573
# herbivores 1512  1  5.46  0.023
# Residuals 16887 61
```

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Pattern in Fitted v. Residuals



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Nonlinearity!

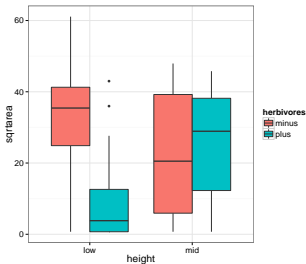
```
residualPlots(graze_linear, plot=F)
```

```
#           Test stat Pr(>|t|)
# height           NA      NA
# herbivores       NA      NA
# Tukey test     -3.317   0.001
```

(Note: This test is typically used when there is no replication within blocks)

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Problem: Categorical Predictors are Not Additive!



You can only see this if you have replication of treatments (grazing) within blocks (tide height)

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Fitting and evaluating interaction effects

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The General Linear Model

$$Y = \beta X + \epsilon$$

- ▶ X can have Nonlinear predictors
- ▶ e.g., It can encompass A, B, and A*B

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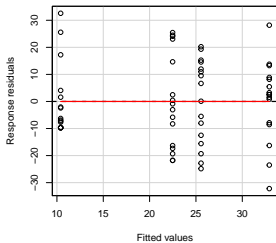
How do you Fit an Interaction Effect?

```
graze_int <- lm(sqrtarea ~ height + herbivores + herbivores:height,  
                data=algae)
```

```
#Or, more compact syntax  
graze_int <- lm(sqrtarea ~ height*herbivores, data=algae)
```

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No More Pattern in Fitted v. Residuals



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F-Tests for Interactions

$$SS_{Total} = SS_A + SS_B + SS_{AB} + SS_{Error}$$

$$SS_{AB} = n \sum_i \sum_j (\bar{Y}_{ij} - \bar{Y}_i - \bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2, \text{ df}=(i-1)(j-1)$$

$$MS = SS/DF, \text{ e.g. } MS_W = \frac{SS_W}{n-k}$$

$$F = \frac{MS_{AB}}{MS_{Error}} \text{ with } DF=(j-1)(k-1), n - 1 - (i-1) - (j-1) - (i-1)(j-1)$$

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ANOVA shows an Interaction Effect

```
# Anova Table (Type II tests)
#
# Response: sqrtarea
#           Sum Sq Df F value Pr(>F)
# height           89  1    0.37 0.5431
# herbivores      1512  1    6.36 0.0144
# height:herbivores 2617  1   11.00 0.0015
# Residuals      14271 60
```

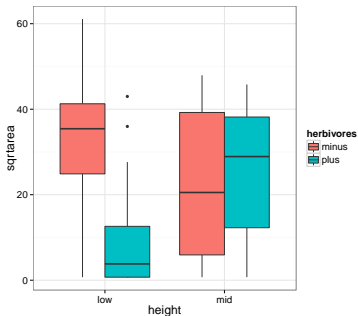
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What does the Interaction Coefficient Mean?

```
#           Estimate Std. Error t value
# (Intercept)      32.91      3.856   8.537
# heightmid       -10.43      5.453  -1.913
# herbivoresplus  -22.51      5.453  -4.128
# heightmid:herbivoresplus  25.58      7.711   3.317
#
#           Pr(>|t|)
# (Intercept)      5.980e-12
# heightmid         6.052e-02
# herbivoresplus    1.146e-04
# heightmid:herbivoresplus 1.549e-03
```

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Post-hoc Tests

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Posthocs and Factorial Designs

- ▶ Must look at simple effects first
 - ▶ The effects of individual treatment combinations
- ▶ Main effects describe effects of one variable in the complete absence of the other
 - ▶ Useful only if one treatment CAN be absent

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Posthoc Comparisons Within Blocks

```
library(contrast)

#compare plus in each height to minus in each height
contrast(graze_int,
         a=list(height=levels(algae$height), herbivores="plus"),
         b=list(height=levels(algae$height), herbivores="minus"))
```

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Posthoc with Simple Effects Model

```
algae$int <- with(algae, interaction(height, herbivores))
graze_int2 <- lm(sqrtarea ~ int, data=algae)
#
library(multcomp)
summary(glht(graze_int2, linfct=mcp(int = "Tukey")))
```

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Posthoc with Simple Effects Model

```
#
# Simultaneous Tests for General Linear Hypotheses
#
# Multiple Comparisons of Means: Tukey Contrasts
#
# Fit: lm(formula = sqrtarea ~ int, data = algae)
#
# Linear Hypotheses:
#           Estimate Std. Error t value
# mid.minus - low.minus == 0    -10.43      5.45   -1.91
# low.plus - low.minus == 0    -22.51      5.45   -4.13
# mid.plus - low.minus == 0     -7.36      5.45   -1.35
# low.plus - mid.minus == 0    -12.08      5.45   -2.22
# mid.plus - mid.minus == 0      3.07      5.45    0.56
# mid.plus - low.plus == 0     15.15      5.45    2.78
#
#           Pr(>|t|)
# mid.minus - low.minus == 0    0.234
# low.plus - low.minus == 0    <0.001
# mid.plus - low.minus == 0    0.535
# low.plus - mid.minus == 0    0.131
# mid.plus - mid.minus == 0    0.943
# mid.plus - low.plus == 0     0.036
# (Adjusted p values reported -- single-step method)
```

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Unbalanced Designs

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Oh no! I lost a replicate (or two)

```
algae_unbalanced <- algae[-c(1:5), ]  
  
graze_int_unbalanced <- lm(sqrtarea ~ height*herbivores,  
                             data=algae_unbalanced)
```

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Type of Sums of Squares Matters

```
# Analysis of Variance Table  
#  
# Response: sqrtarea  
#           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)  
# height      1    152      152    0.64 0.4279  
# herbivores  1   1384     1384    5.82 0.0192  
# height:herbivores 1   2934     2934   12.33 0.0009  
# Residuals   55  13089      238  
# Anova Table (Type II tests)  
#  
# Response: sqrtarea  
#           Sum Sq Df F value Pr(>F)  
# height      78  1    0.33 0.5696  
# herbivores  1384 1    5.82 0.0192  
# height:herbivores 2934 1   12.33 0.0009  
# Residuals  13089 55
```

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Enter Type III

```
Anova(graze_int_unbalanced, type="III")

# Anova Table (Type III tests)
#
# Response: sqrtarea
#
#           Sum Sq Df F value Pr(>F)
# (Intercept) 14189  1  59.62 2.5e-10
# height      1176  1   4.94  3e-02
# herbivores  4242  1  17.83 9.2e-05
# height:herbivores 2934  1  12.33 9e-04
# Residuals  13089 55
```

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Type I, II, and III Sums of Squares

	Type I	Type II	Type III
Test for A	A v. 1	A + B v. B	A + B + A:B v. B + A:B
Test for B	A + B v. A	A + B v. A	A + B + A:B v. A + A:B
Test for A:B	A + B + A:B v. A + B	-	-

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Which SS to Use?

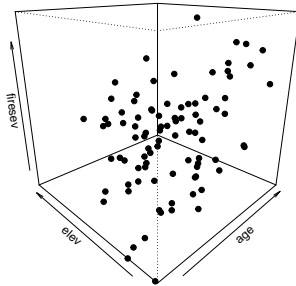
- ▶ Traditionally, urged to use Type III
- ▶ What do type III models mean?
 - ▶ $A + B + A:B$ v. $B + A:B$
- ▶ Interactions the same for all, and if $A:B$ is real, main effects not important
- ▶ Type III has lower power for main effects
- ▶ Type II produces more meaningful results if main effects are a concern - which they are!

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Interactions with Continuous Variable Models

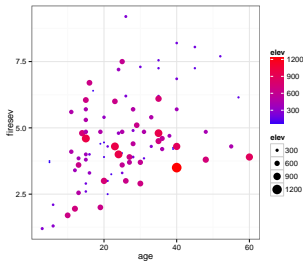
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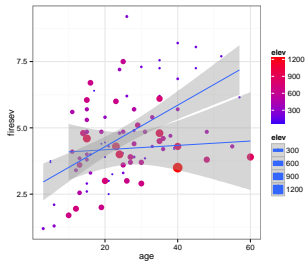
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Five year study of wildfires & recovery in Southern California shrublands in 1993. 90 plots (20 x 50m)
(data from Jon Keeley et al.)

Exercise: Fire!

- ▶ Fit and evaluate a model that shows stand age and elevation interacting to impact fire severity
- ▶ Check Diagnostics
- ▶ Evaluate using type I, II, and III sums of squares

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An Interaction Model with Continuous Predictors

```
keeley_lm <- lm(firesev ~ age*elev, data=keeley)
Anova(keeley_lm)

# Anova Table (Type II tests)
#
# Response: firesev
#           Sum Sq Df F value  Pr(>F)
# age           53.0  1  27.71  1e-06
# elev           6.3  1   3.27 0.07399
# age:elev       22.3  1  11.67 0.00097
# Residuals    164.4 86
```

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Type II v. Type III Sums of Squares

```
Anova(keeley_lm)

# Anova Table (Type II tests)
#
# Response: firesev
#           Sum Sq Df F value  Pr(>F)
# age           53.0  1   27.71  1e-06
# elev           6.3  1    3.27 0.07399
# age:elev      22.3  1   11.67 0.00097
# Residuals    164.4 86
```

```
Anova(keeley_lm, type="III")

# Anova Table (Type III tests)
#
# Response: firesev
#           Sum Sq Df F value  Pr(>F)
# (Intercept)  16.6  1    8.68 0.00415
# age           63.9  1   33.43 1.2e-07
# elev          10.2  1    5.36 0.02302
# age:elev      22.3  1   11.67 0.00097
# Residuals    164.4 86
```

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Interpreting Continuous Interactions

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What does the Interaction Coefficient Mean?

```
#           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
# (Intercept) 1.8132153  0.6156070   2.945 4.148e-03
# age         0.1206292  0.0208618   5.782 1.161e-07
# elev        0.0030852  0.0013329   2.315 2.302e-02
# age:elev    -0.0001472  0.0000431  -3.416 9.722e-04
# [1] 0.3235
```

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Construct a Data Frame of Lines over Relevant Range

```
pred.df <- expand.grid(age = quantile(keeley$age),
                      elev = quantile(keeley$elev))
pred.df <- cbind(pred.df,
                 predict(keeley_lm, pred.df, interval="confidence"))
#
pred.df$firesev <- pred.df$fit
```

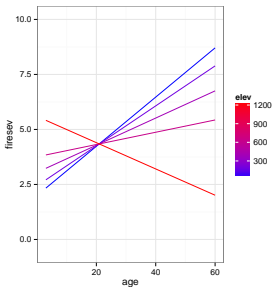
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Construct a Data Frame of Lines over Relevant Range

```
keeley_fit <- ggplot(data=pred.df, aes(x=age, y=firesev,
                                       ymin=lwr, ymax=upr,
                                       group=elev)) +
  geom_line(mapping=aes(color=elev)) +
  scale_color_continuous(low="blue", high="red") + theme_bw()
#
keeley_fit
```

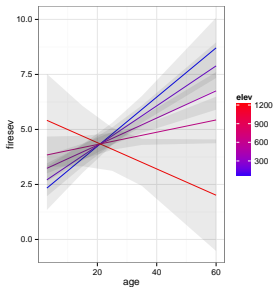
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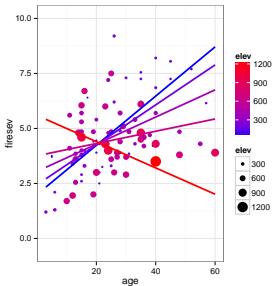
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Match Lines with Data Overlay

```
k_plot2 <- k_plot+geom_line(data=pred.df, aes(x=age, y=firesev,  
                                              ymin=lwr, ymax=upr,  
                                              group=elev), size=1)  
k_plot2
```

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Match Lines with Data Overlay



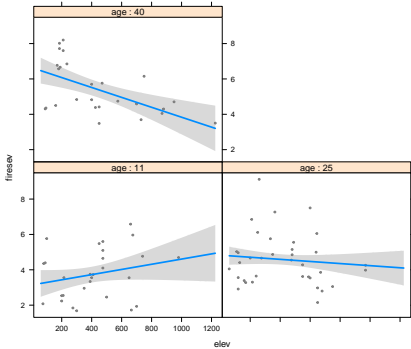
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Split Each Predictor into Bins

```
library(visreg)
visreg(keeley_lm, "elev", by="age")
```

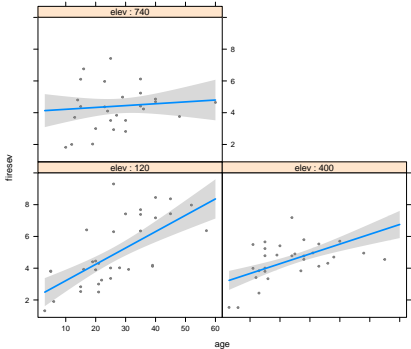
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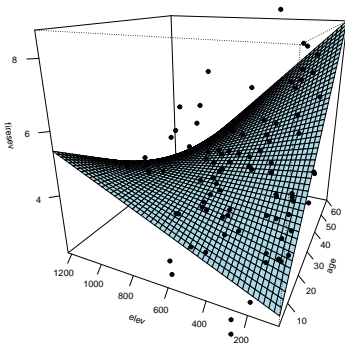
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Surfaces and Other 3d Objects

```
source("./3dplotting.R")
abcSurf(keeley_lm, phi=20, theta=-65, col="lightblue") -> p
with(keeley, scatterPlot3d(age,elev,firesev,
                           add=T, background=p, col="black", alpha=0.4))
```

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Surfaces and Other 3d Objects



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