

Technical conditions for linear regression

INFERENCE FOR LINEAR REGRESSION IN R



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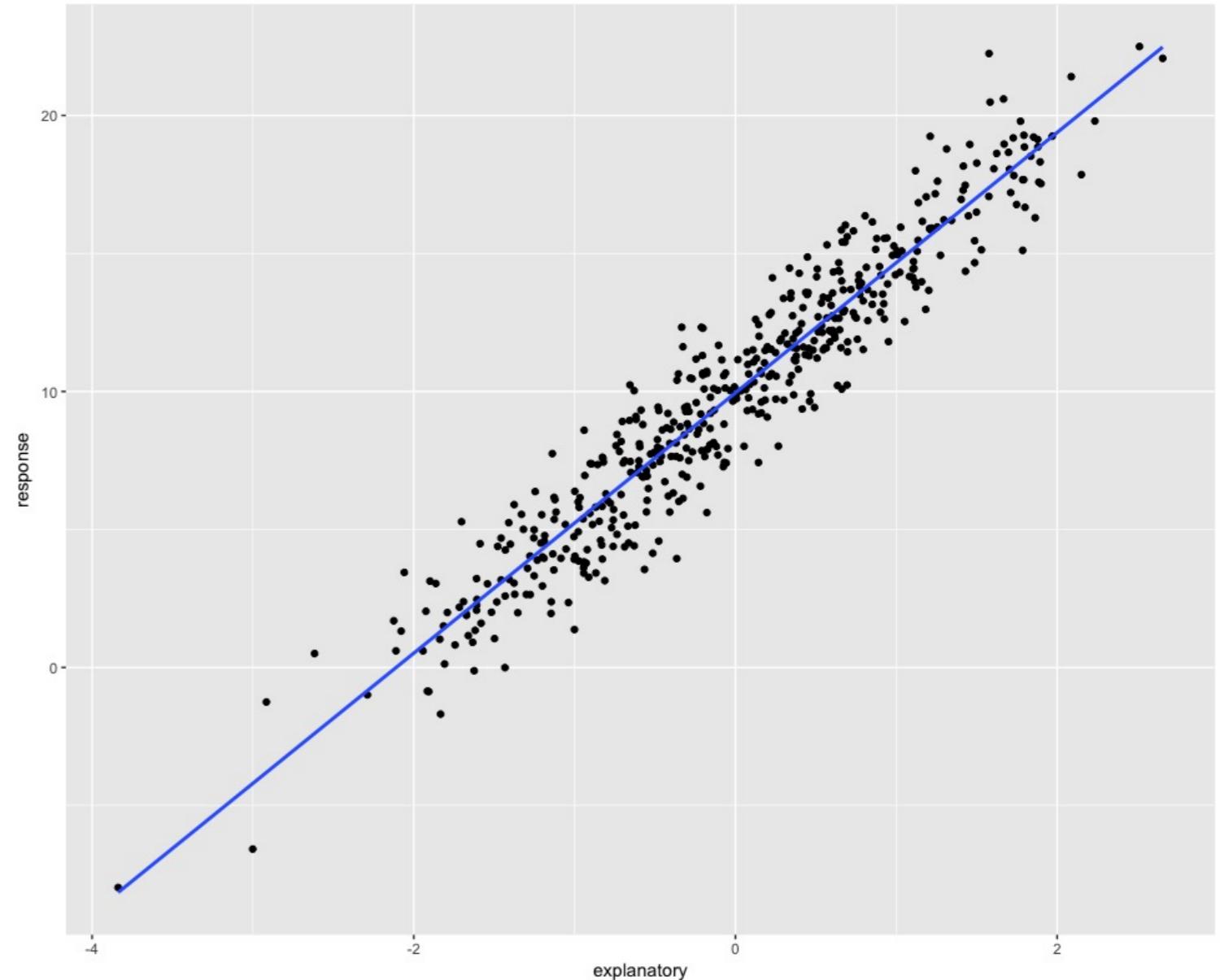
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What are the technical conditions?

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon$$

$$\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$$

- L: linear model
- I: independent observations
- N: points are normally distributed around the line
- E: equal variability around the line for all values of the explanatory variable

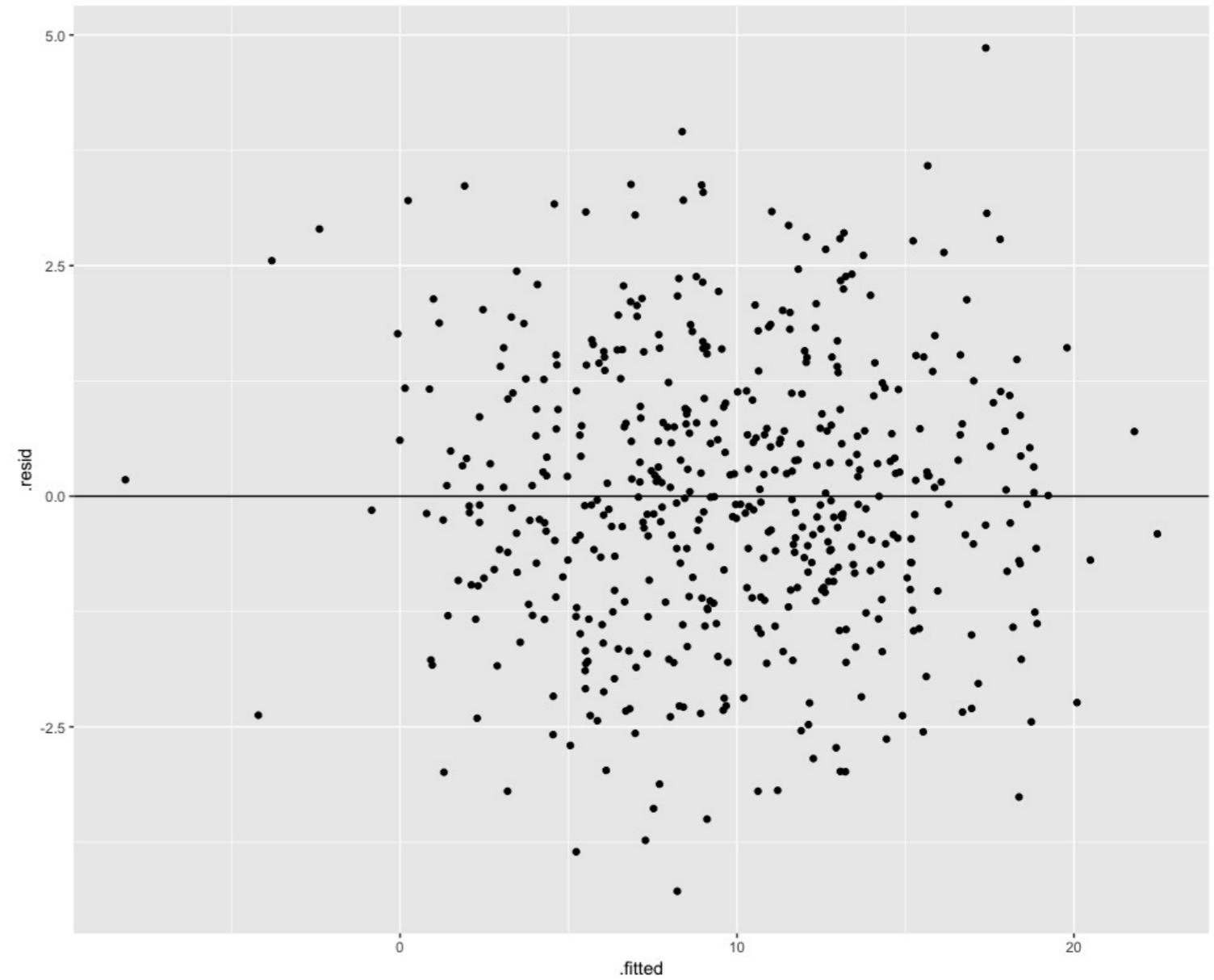


Linear model: residuals

```
linear_lm <- augment(  
  lm(response ~ explanatory,  
      data = lineardata)  
)  
  
ggplot(linear_lm,  
       aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_hline(yintercept=0)
```

Fitted value: $\hat{Y}_i = b_0 + b_1 X_i$

Residual: $e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$

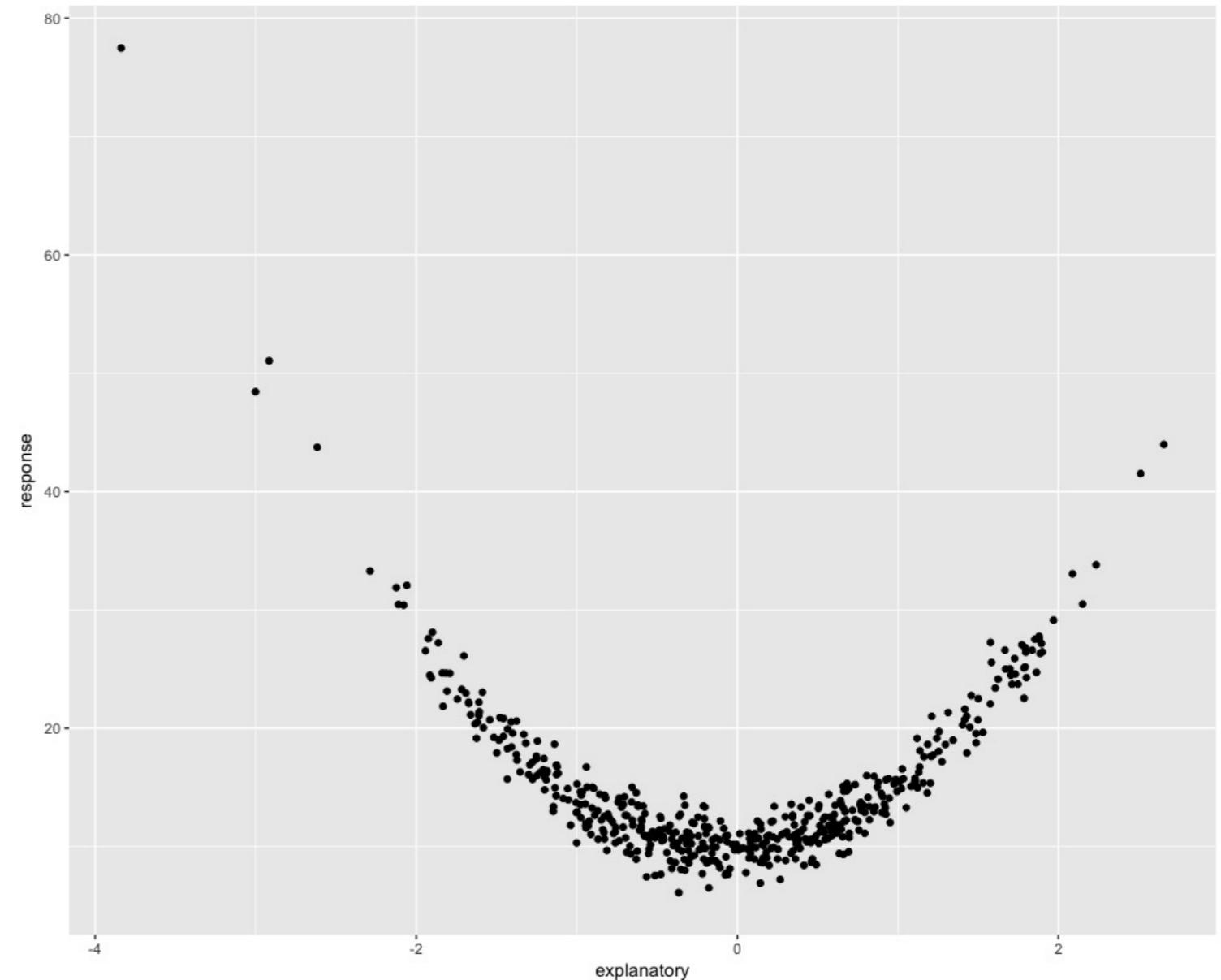


Not linear

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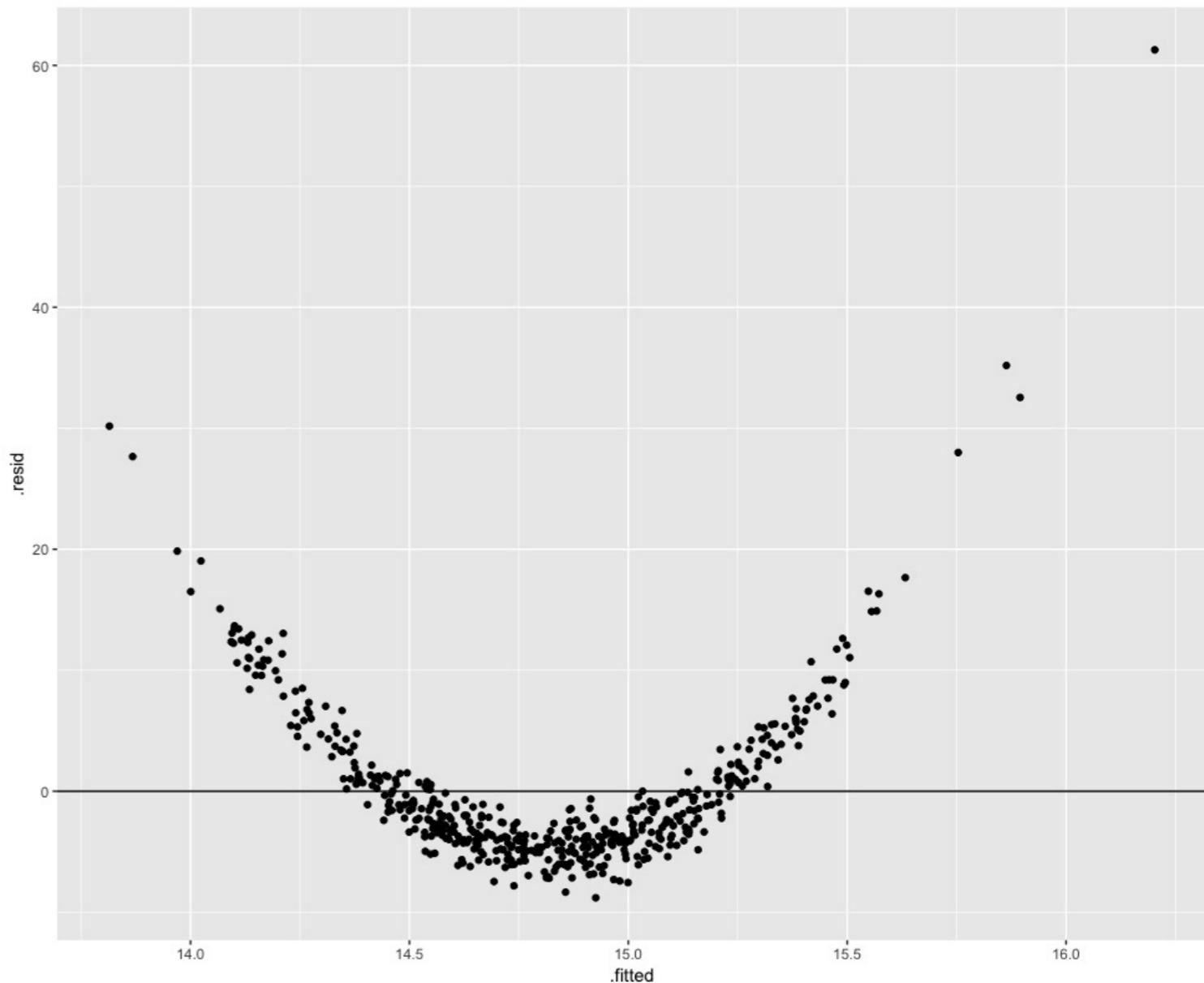


Not linear: residuals

```
nonlinear_lm <- augment(  
  lm(response ~ explanatory,  
      data = nonlineardata))  
ggplot(nonlinear_lm,  
       aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_hline(yintercept=0)
```

fitted value: $\hat{Y}_i = b_0 + b_1 X_i$

residual: $e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$

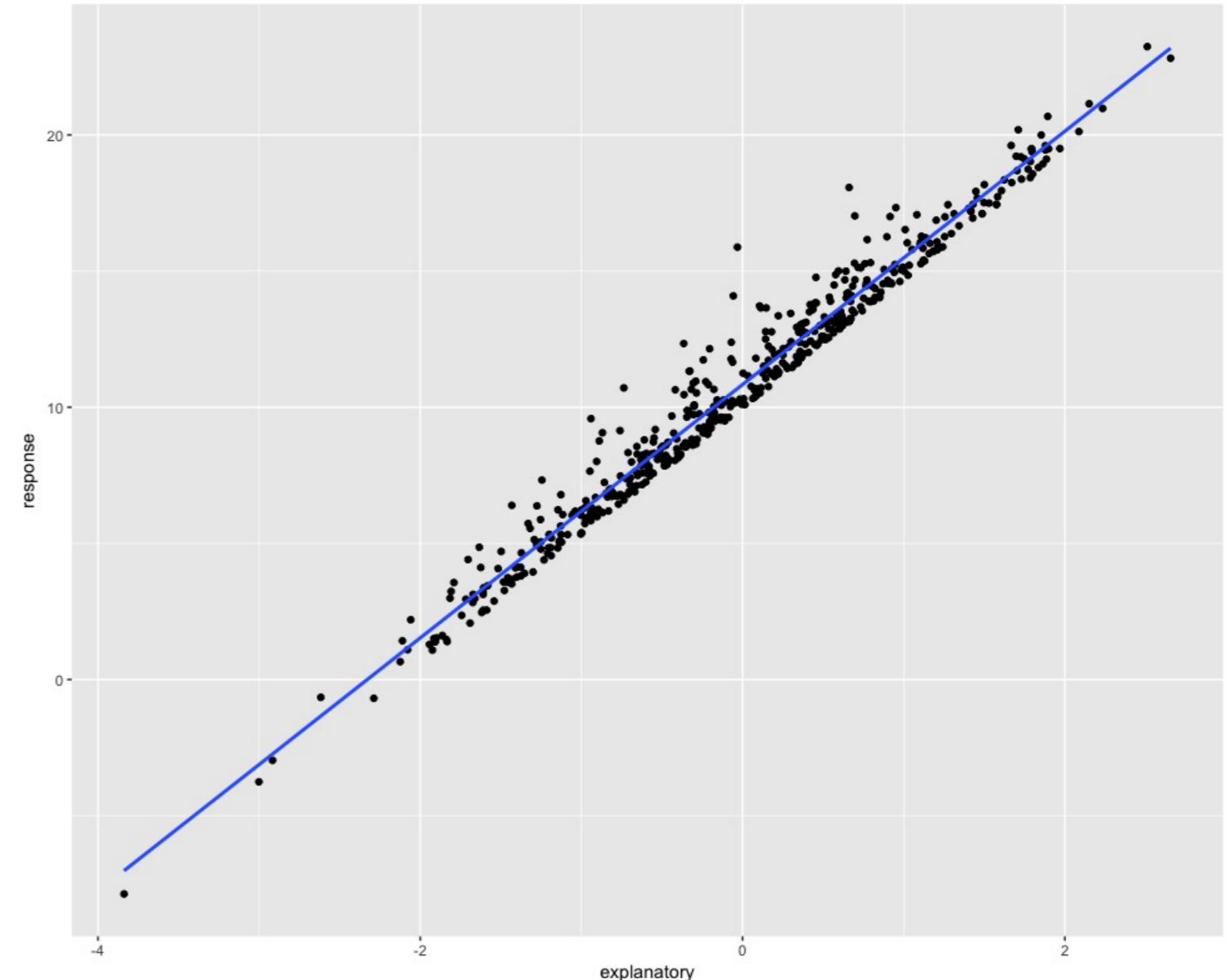


Not normal

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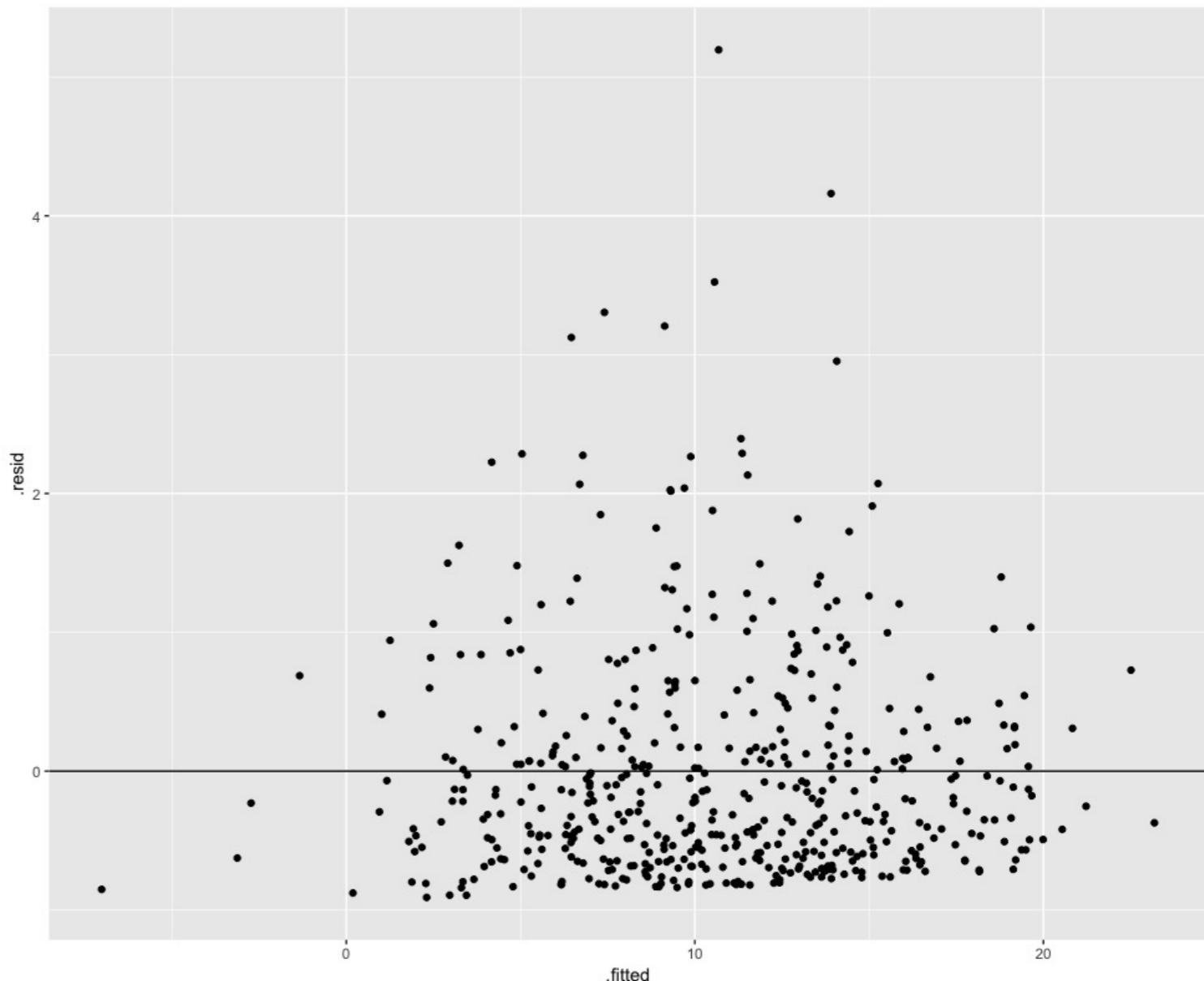


Not normal: residuals

```
nonnormal_lm <- augment(  
  lm(response ~ explanatory,  
      data = nonnormaldata))  
ggplot(nonnormal_lm,  
       aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_hline(yintercept = 0)
```

fitted value: $\hat{Y}_i = b_0 + b_1 X_i$

residual: $e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$

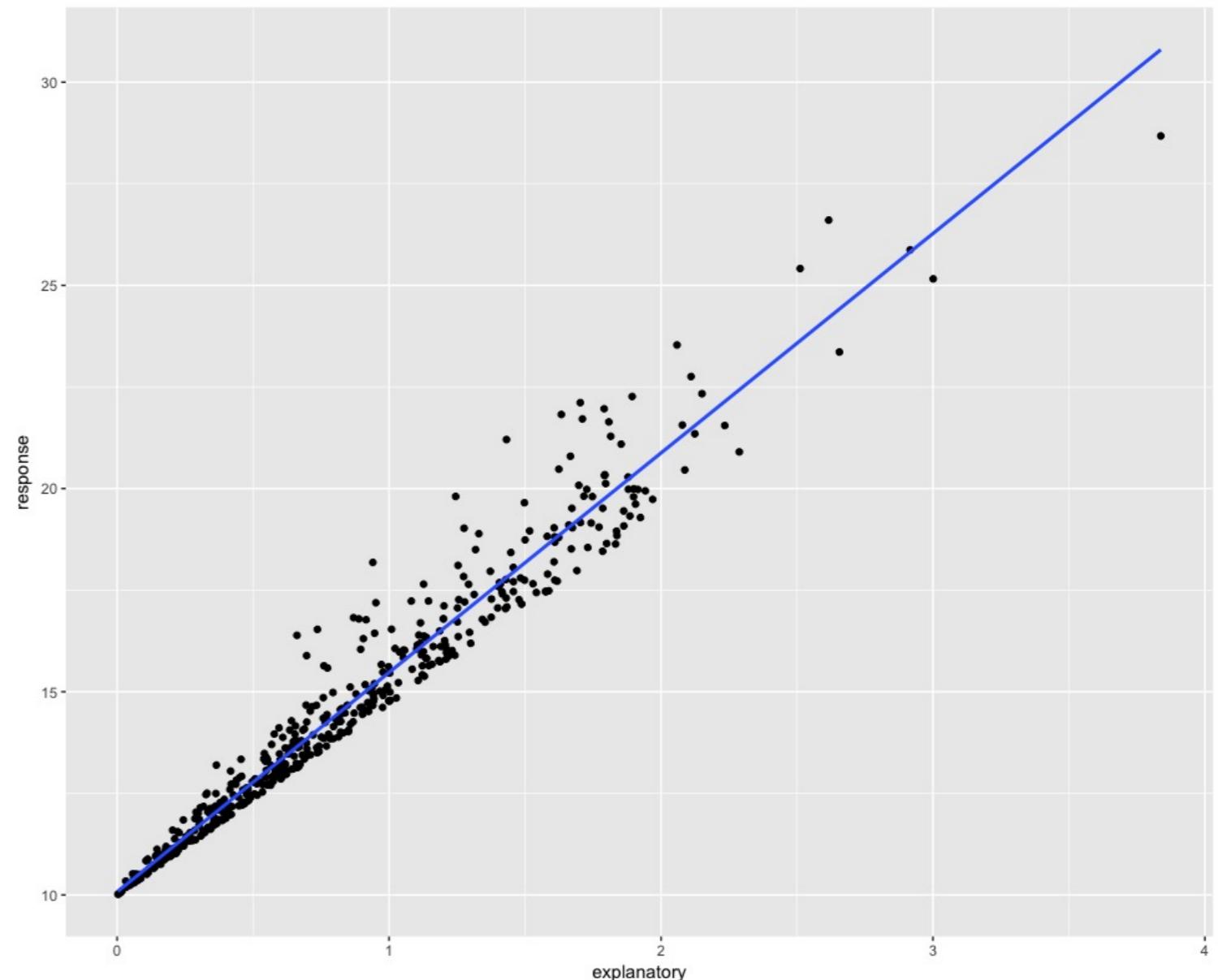


Not equal variance

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon$$

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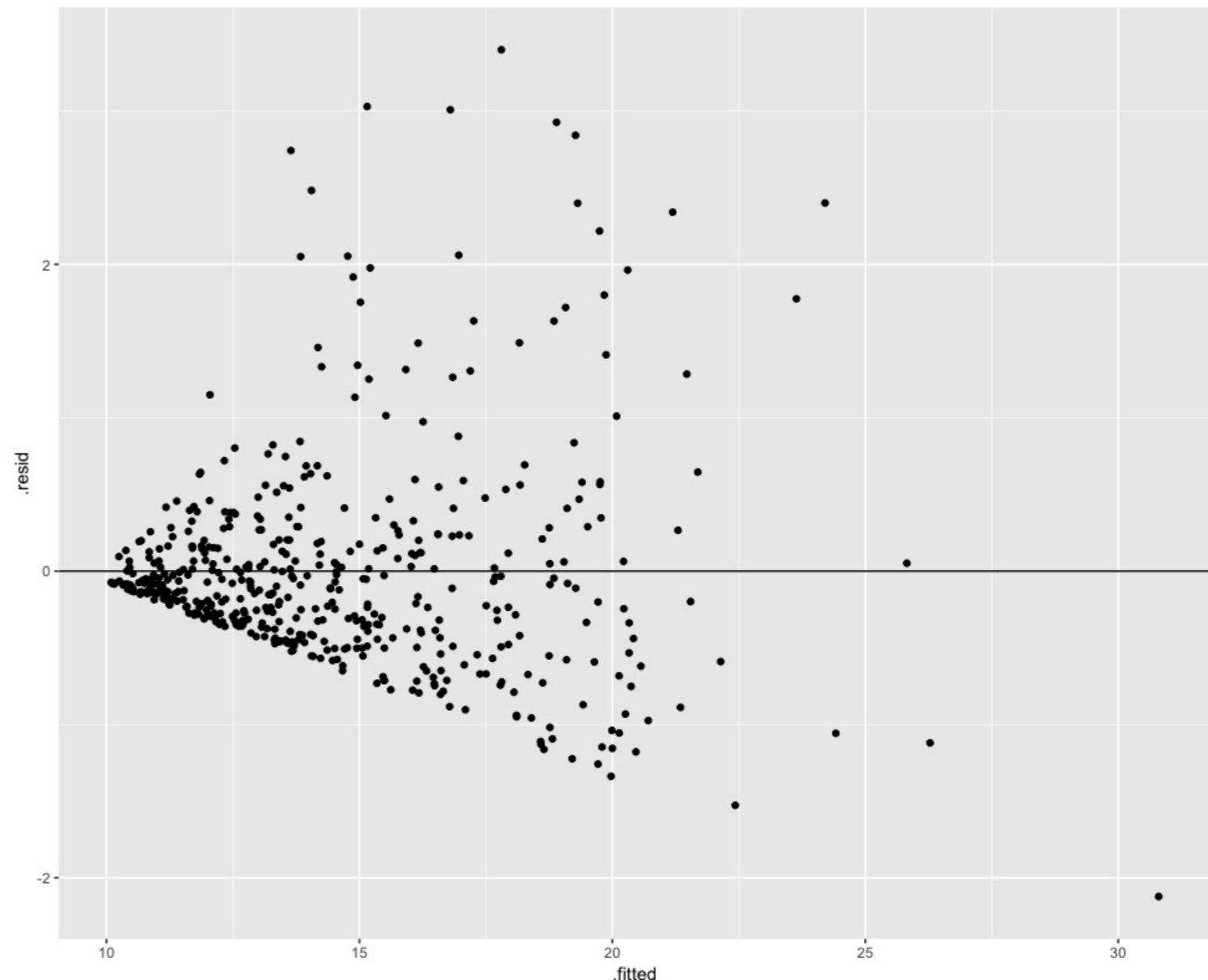


Not equal variance: residuals

```
nonequal_lm <- augment(  
  lm(response ~ explanatory,  
      data = nonequaldata))  
ggplot(nonequal_lm,  
       aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_hline(yintercept = 0)
```

fitted value: $\hat{Y}_i = b_0 + b_1 X_i$

residual: $e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$



Let's practice!

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Effect of an outlier

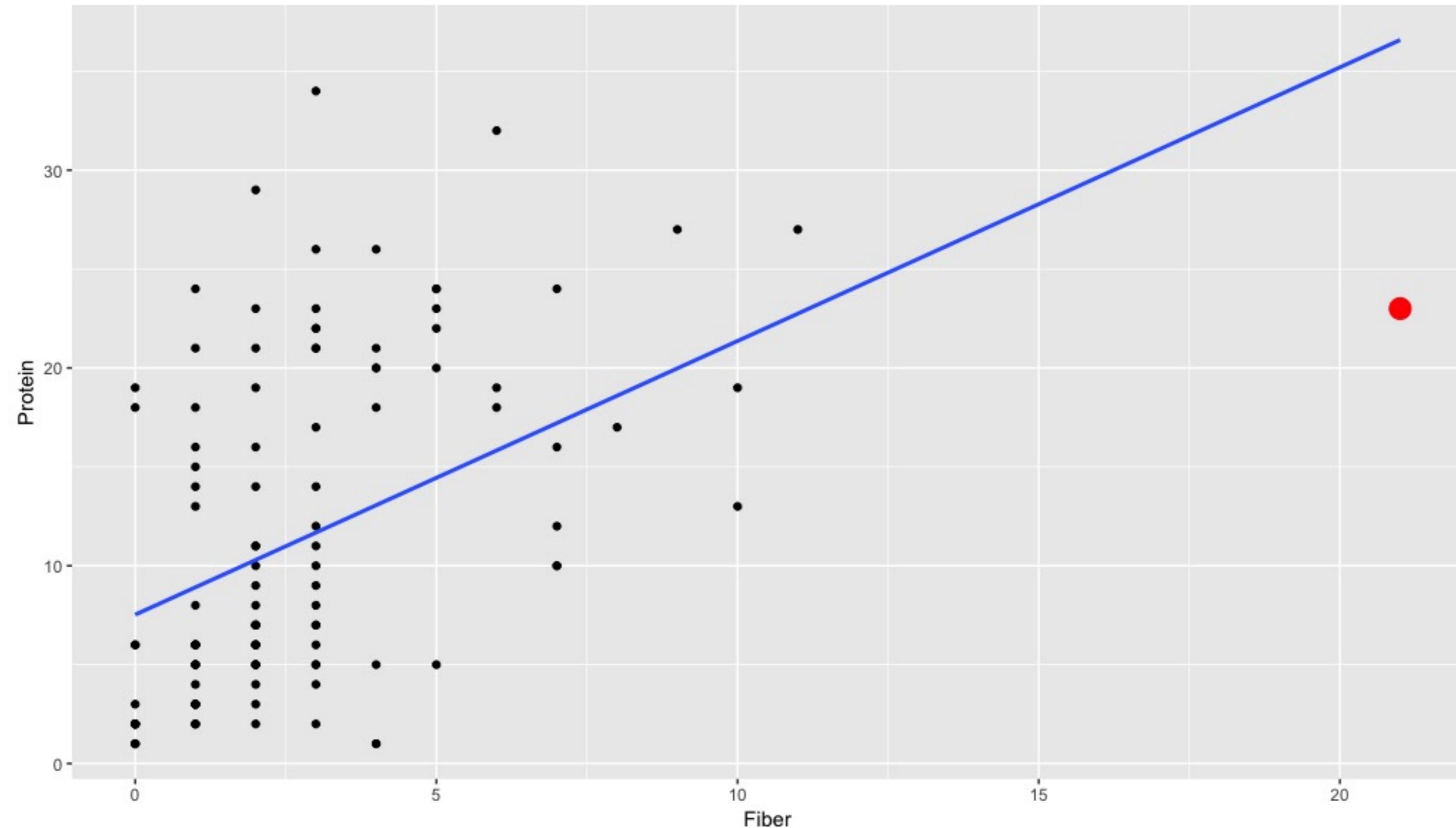
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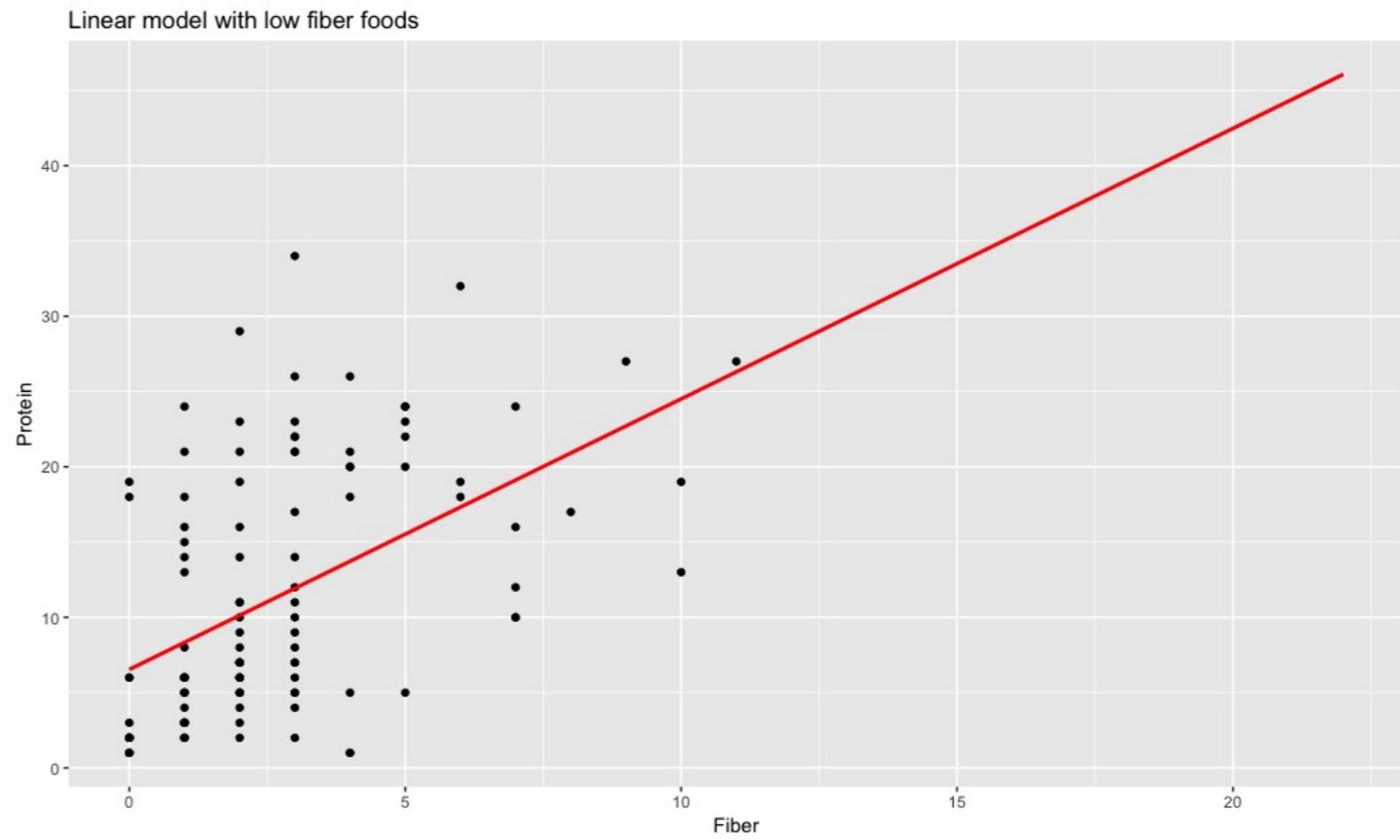
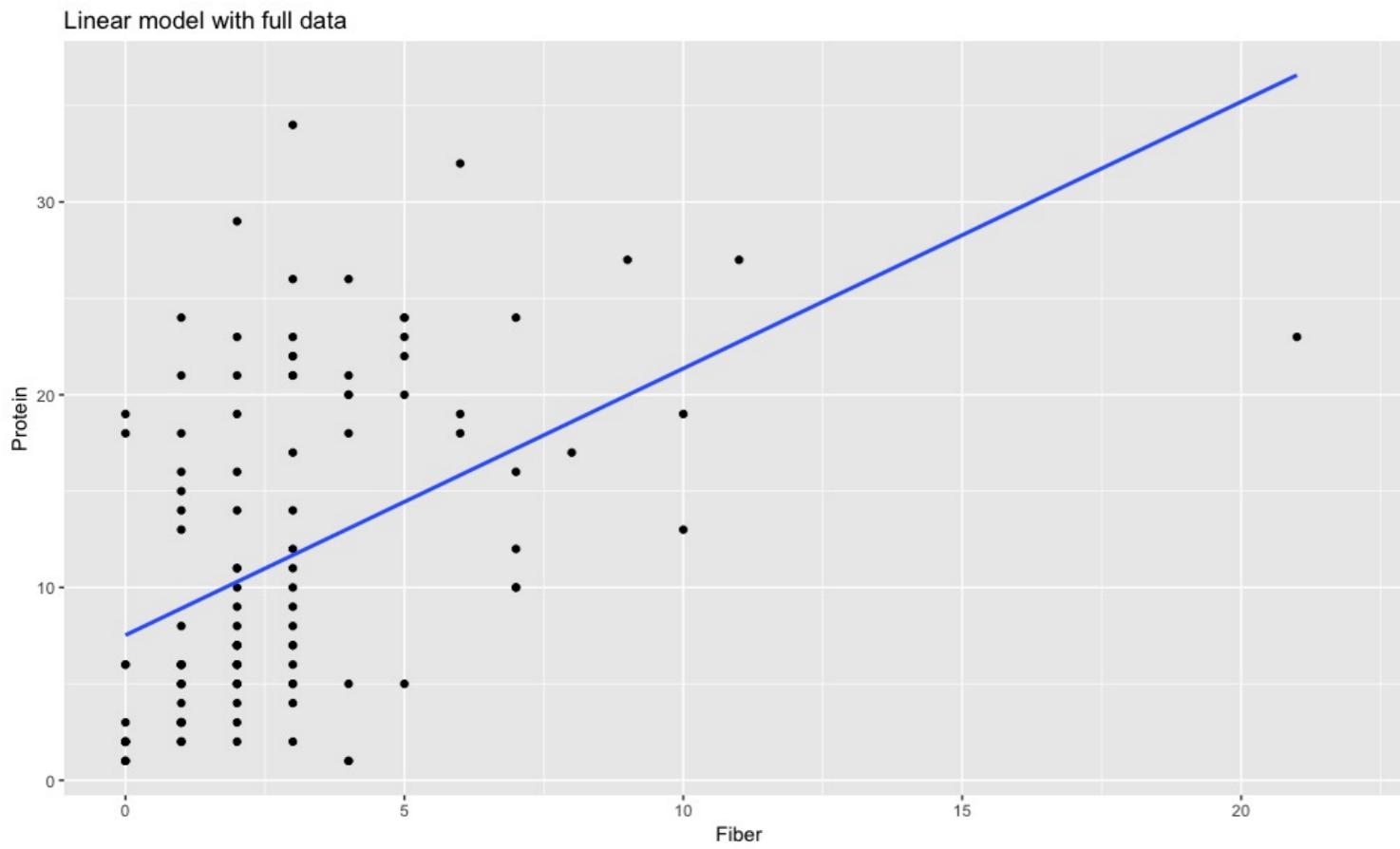
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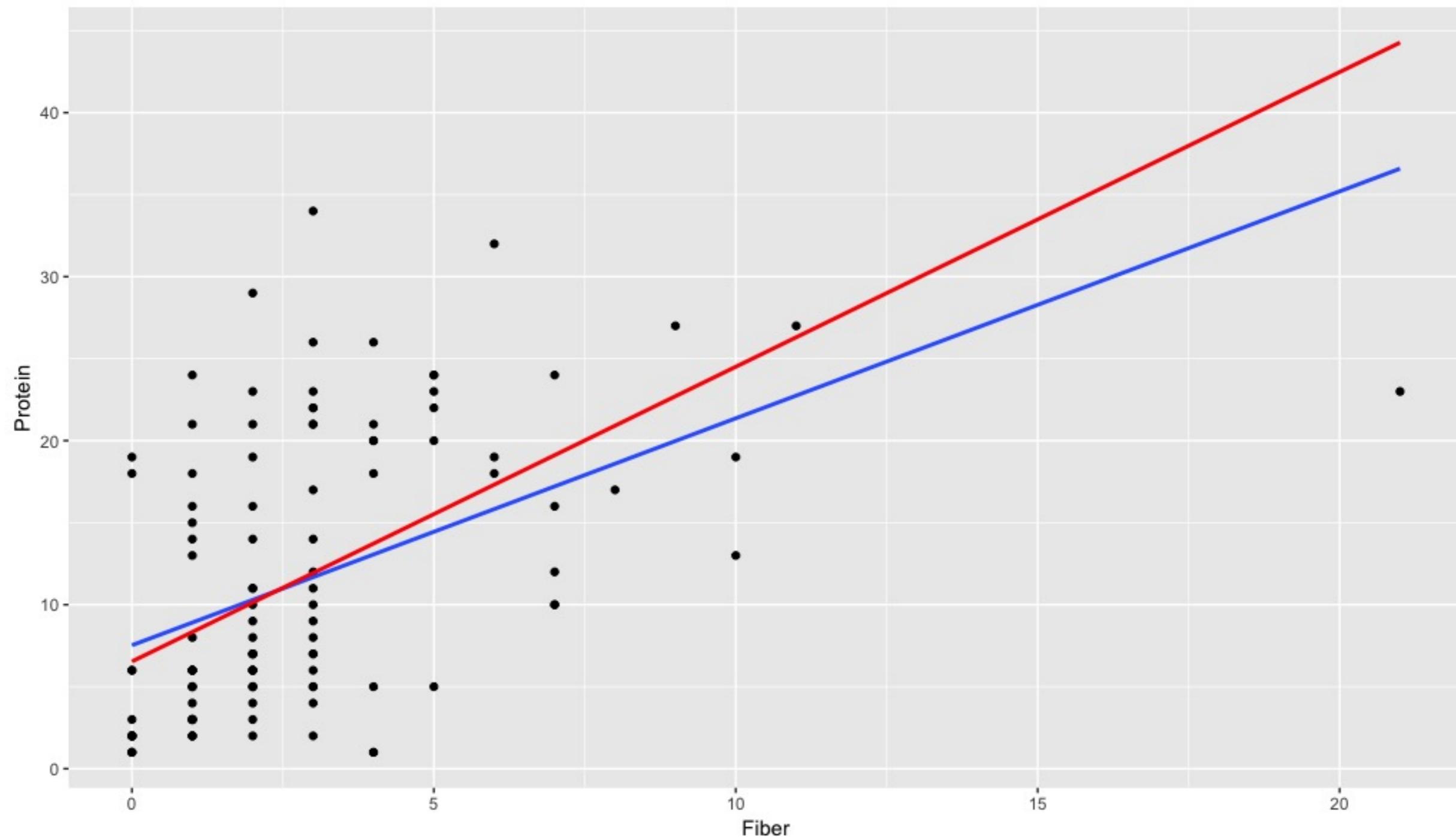
Fiber vs. protein



Different regression lines



Both linear models



Different regression models

```
starbucks_lowFib <- starbucks %>% filter(Fiber < 15)  
lm(Protein ~ Fiber, data = starbucks) %>% tidy()
```

```
term estimate std.error statistic      p.value  
1 (Intercept) 7.526138 0.9924180 7.583637 1.101756e-11  
2     Fiber 1.383684 0.2451395 5.644476 1.286752e-07
```

```
lm(Protein ~ Fiber, data = starbucks_lowFib) %>% tidy()
```

```
term estimate std.error statistic      p.value  
1 (Intercept) 6.537053 1.0633640 6.147521 1.292803e-08  
2     Fiber 1.796844 0.2995901 5.997675 2.600224e-08
```

Different regression randomization tests

Full dataset

```
perm_slope %>% mutate(  
  abs_perm_slope = abs(stat)) %>%  
summarize(  
  p_value = mean(  
    abs_perm_slope > abs(obs_slope))  
)  
)
```

```
A tibble: 1 x 1  
p_value  
<dbl>  
1      0
```

Low fiber dataset

```
perm_slope_lowFib %>% mutate(  
  abs_perm_slope = abs(stat)) %>%  
summarize(  
  p_value = mean(  
    abs_perm_slope > abs(obs_slope_lowFib))  
)  
)
```

```
A tibble: 1 x 1  
p_value  
<dbl>  
1      0
```

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Moving forward when model assumptions are violated

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Linear model

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon$$

where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$

Transforming the explanatory variable

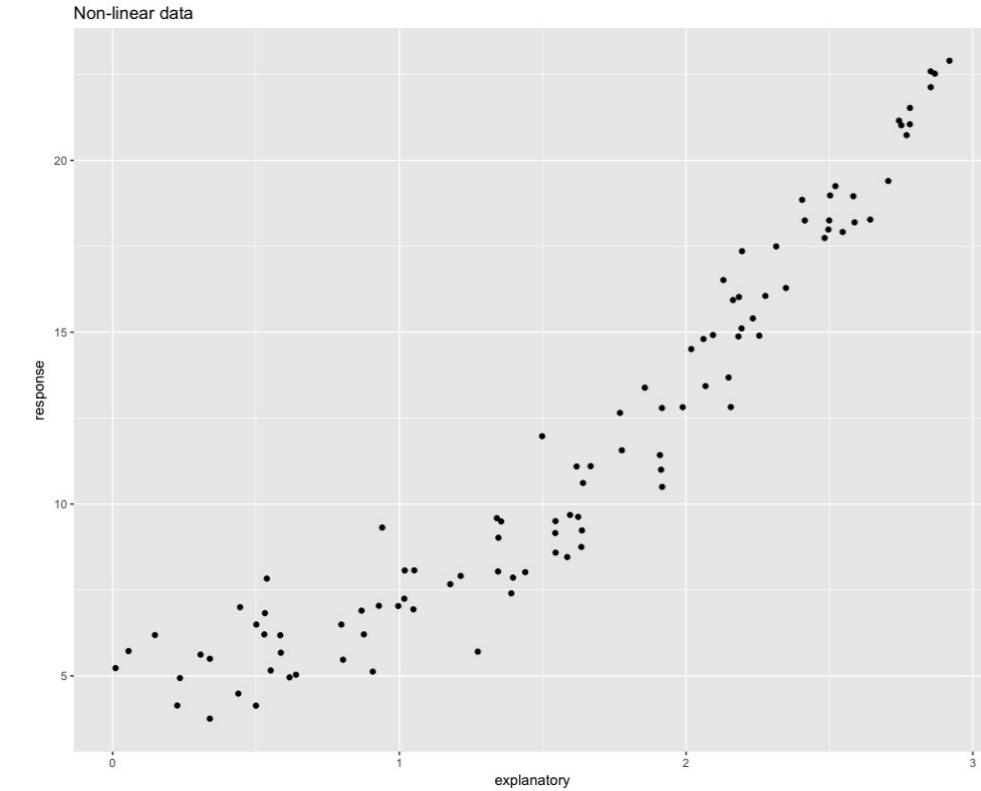
$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \beta_2 \cdot X^2 + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$

$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \ln(X) + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$

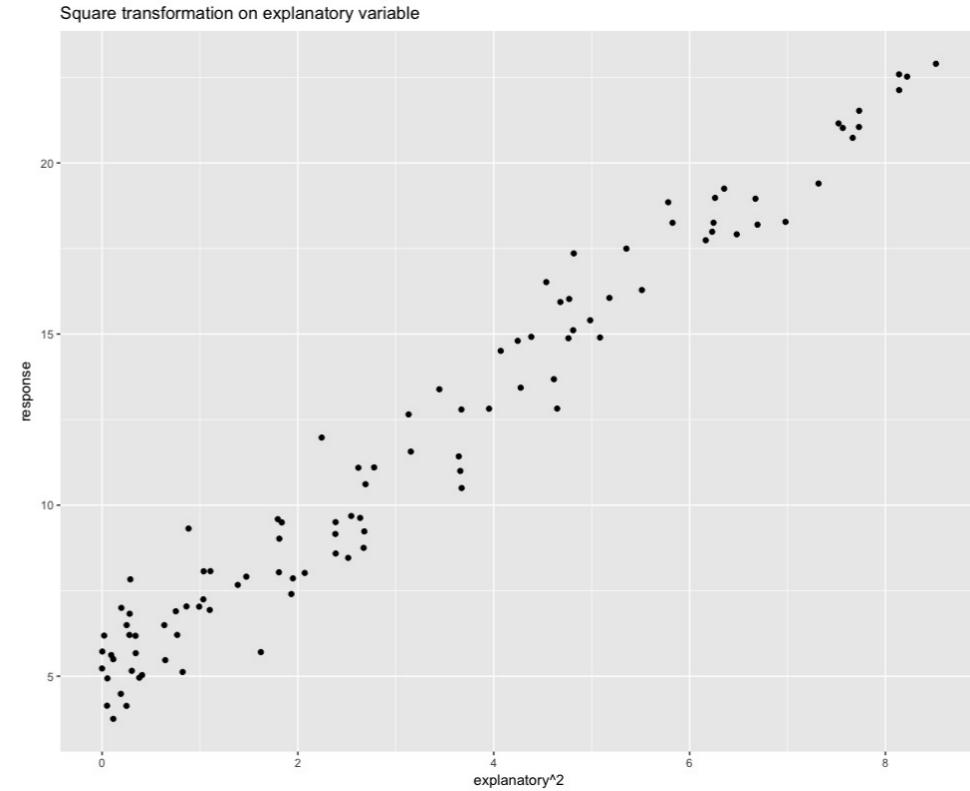
$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \sqrt{X} + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$

Squaring the explanatory variable

```
ggplot(data=data_nonlinear,  
       aes(x=explanatory, y=response)) +  
       geom_point()
```



```
ggplot(data=data_nonlinear,  
       aes(x=explanatory^2, y=response)) +  
       geom_point()
```



Transforming the response variable

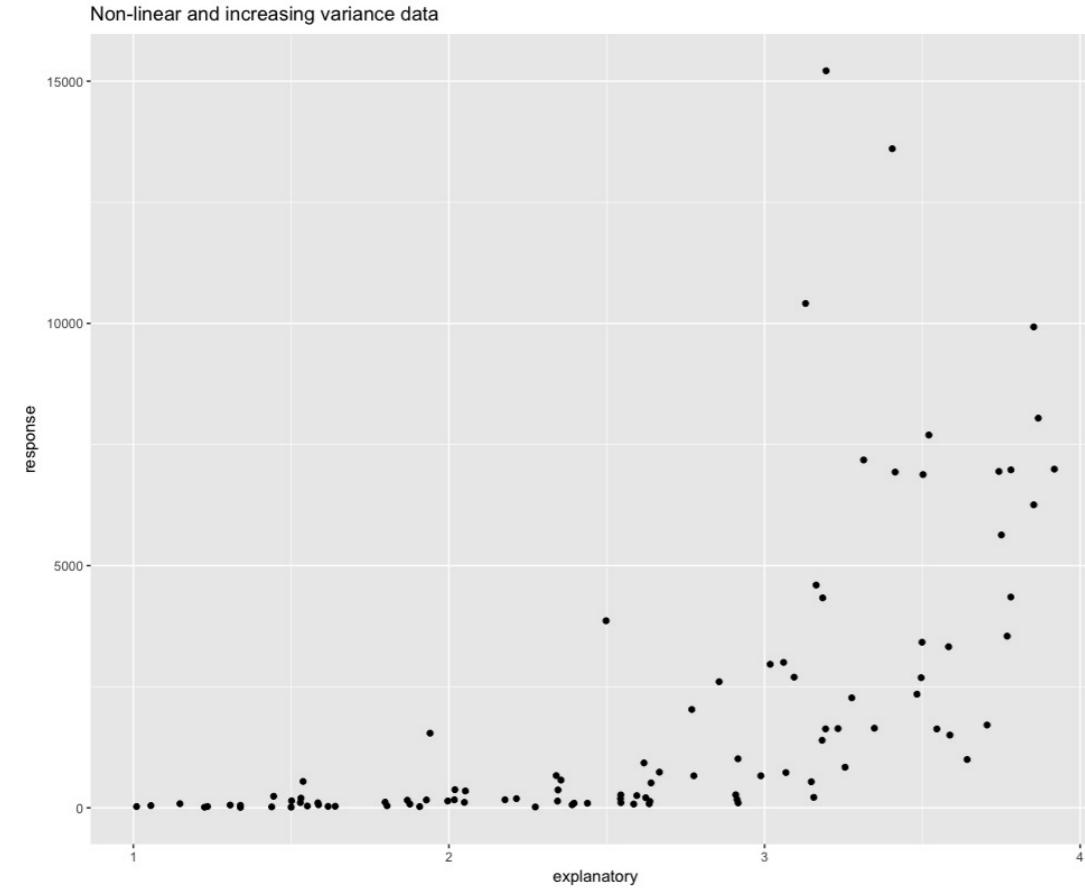
$Y^2 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$

$\ln(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$

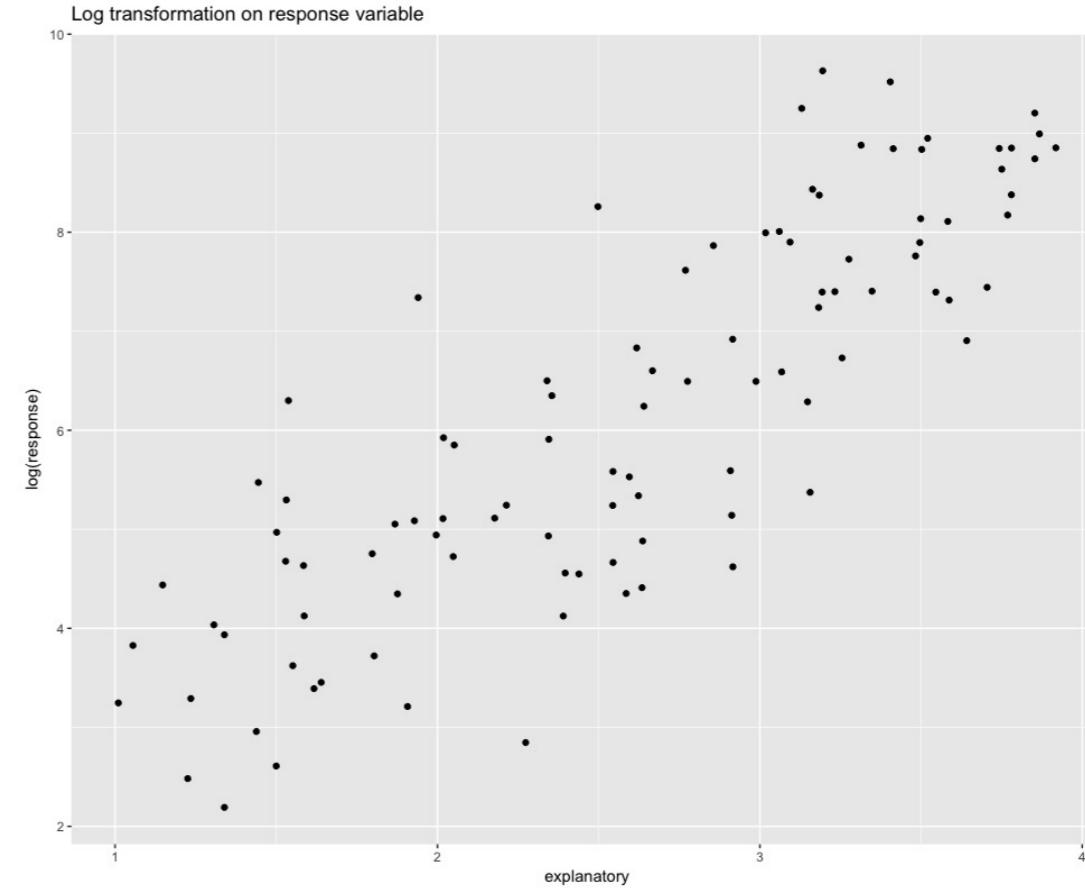
$\sqrt{Y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$

A natural log transformation

```
ggplot(data = data_nonnaorm,  
       aes(x = explanatory, y = response)) +  
       geom_point()
```



```
ggplot(data = data_nonnaorm,  
       aes(x = explanatory, y = log(response))) +  
       geom_point()
```



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