

# Visualizing multivariate linear models in R

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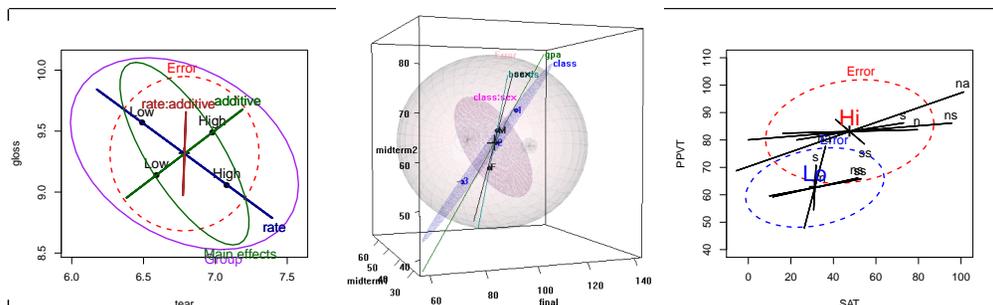
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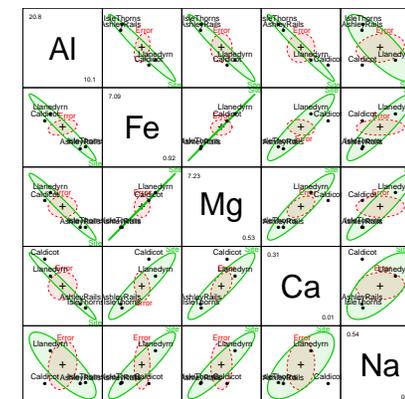
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## Overview: Research topics

Graphical methods for univariate response models well-developed. What about MLMs?

- This talk outlines research on graphical methods for **multivariate** linear models (MLMs)— extending visualization for multiple regression, ANOVA, and ANCOVA designs to those with several response variables.
- The topics addressed include:
  - Visualizing multivariate tests with **Hypothesis–Error (HE) plots** in 2D and 3D
  - Low-D views: Generalized canonical discriminant analysis → canonical HE plots
  - Visualization methods for tests of equality of covariance matrices in MANOVA designs
  - Extending these methods to **robust** MLMs
  - Developing multivariate analogs of **influence measures** and **diagnostic plots** for MLMs.

## Overview: R packages

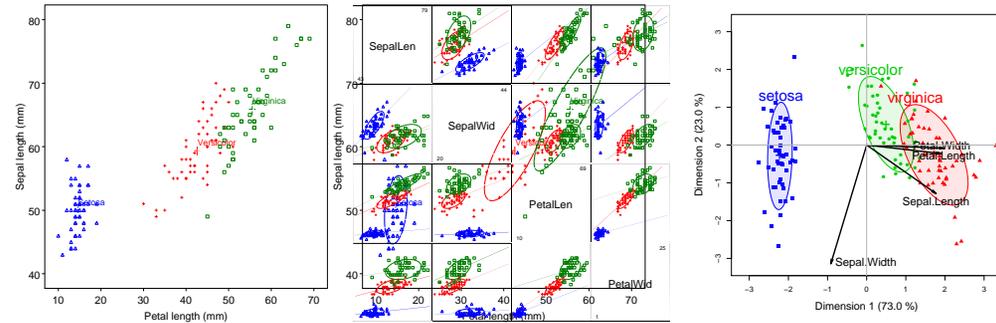
The following R packages implement these methods:

- **car** package: provides the infrastructure for hypothesis tests (**Anova()**) and tests of linear hypotheses (**linearHypothesis()**) in MLMs, including repeated measures designs.
- **heplots** package: implements the HE plot framework in 2D (**heplot()**), 3D (**heplot3d()**), and scatterplot matrix form (**pairs.mlm()**). Also provides:
  - **covEllipses()** for covariance ellipses, with optional robust estimation
  - **boxM()** and related methods for testing / visualizing equality of covariance matrices in MANOVA
  - Tutorial vignettes and many data set examples of use
- **candisc** package: generalized canonical discriminant analysis for an MLM, and associated plot methods.
- **mvinfluence** package: Multivariate extensions of leverage and influence (Cook's D) and **influencePlot.mlm()** in various forms.
- **genridge** package: Generalized 2D & 3D ridge regression plots.

# Visual overview: Multivariate data, $Y_{n \times p}$

## What we know how to do well (almost)

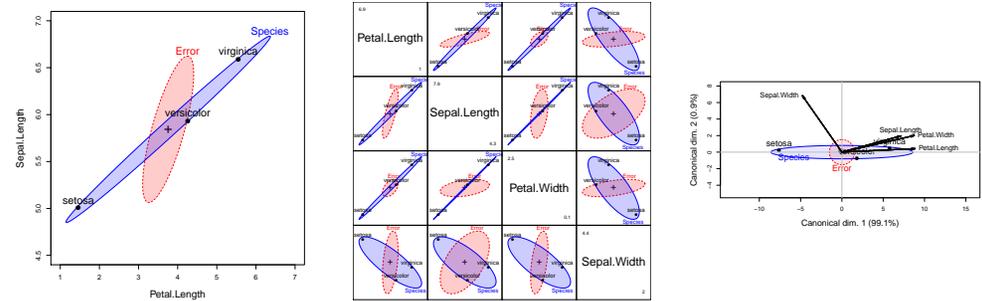
- 2 vars: Scatterplot + annotations (data ellipses, smoothers)
- $p$  vars: Scatterplot matrix (all pairs)
- $p$  vars: Reduced-rank display— show max. total variation  $\mapsto$  biplot



# Visual overview: Multivariate linear model, $Y = XB + U$

## What is new here?

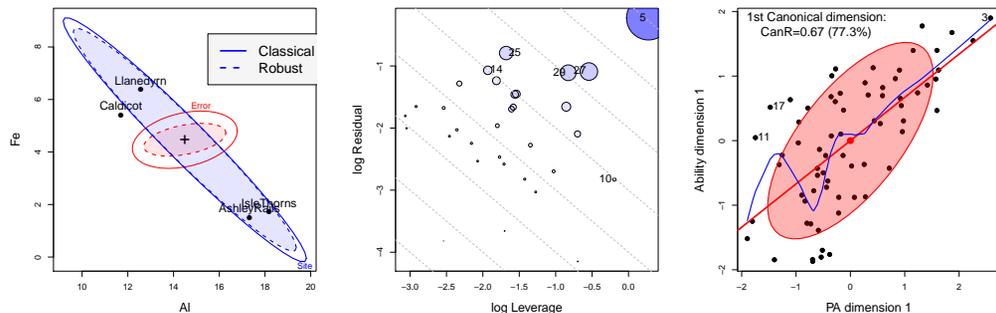
- 2 vars: HE plot— data ellipses of  $H$  (fitted) and  $E$  (residual) SSP matrices
- $p$  vars: HE plot matrix (all pairs)
- $p$  vars: Reduced-rank display— show max.  $H$  wrt.  $E \mapsto$  Canonical HE plot



# Visual overview: Recent extensions

## Extending univariate methods to MLMs:

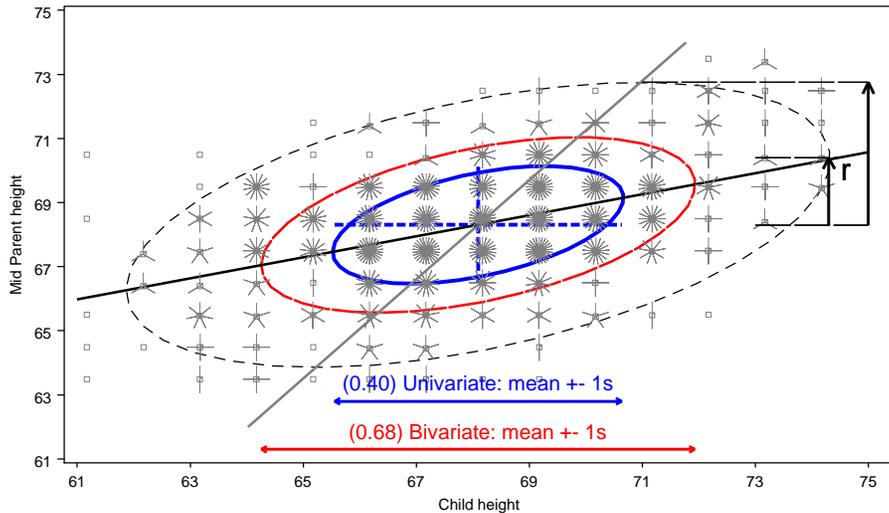
- Robust estimation for MLMs
- Influence measures and diagnostic plots for MLMs
- Visualizing canonical correlation analysis



# Data ellipsoids: Visually sufficient summaries

- For any  $p$ -variable, multivariate normal  $y \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ , the mean vector  $\bar{y}$  and sample covariance  $S$  are **sufficient statistics**
- Geometrically, contours of constant density are **ellipsoids** centered at  $\mu$  with size and shape determined by  $\Sigma$
- $\mapsto$  the **data** (concentration) ellipsoid,  $\mathcal{E}(\bar{y}, S)$  is a **sufficient visual summary**
- Easily robustified by using robust estimators of location and scatter

## Data Ellipses: Galton's data



Galton's data on Parent & Child height: 40%, 68% and 95% data ellipses

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## The Data Ellipse: Details

### Visual summary for bivariate relations

- **Shows:** means, standard deviations, correlation, regression line(s)
- **Defined:** set of points whose squared Mahalanobis distance  $\leq c^2$ ,

$$D^2(\mathbf{y}) \equiv (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}) \leq c^2$$

$\mathbf{S}$  = sample covariance matrix

- **Radius:** when  $\mathbf{y}$  is  $\approx$  bivariate normal,  $D^2(\mathbf{y})$  has a large-sample  $\chi_2^2$  distribution with 2 degrees of freedom.

- $c^2 = \chi_2^2(0.40) \approx 1$ : 1 std. dev univariate ellipse– 1D shadows:  $\bar{y} \pm 1s$
- $c^2 = \chi_2^2(0.68) = 2.28$ : 1 std. dev bivariate ellipse
- $c^2 = \chi_2^2(0.95) \approx 6$ : 95% data ellipse, 1D shadows: Scheffé intervals

- **Construction:** Transform the unit circle,  $\mathcal{U} = (\sin \theta, \cos \theta)$ ,

$$\mathcal{E}_c = \bar{\mathbf{y}} + c\mathbf{S}^{1/2}\mathcal{U}$$

$\mathbf{S}^{1/2}$  = any “square root” of  $\mathbf{S}$  (e.g., Cholesky)

- **$p$  variables:** Extends naturally to  $p$ -dimensional ellipsoids

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## The univariate linear model

- **Model:**  $\mathbf{y}_{n \times 1} = \mathbf{X}_{n \times q} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{q \times 1} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{n \times 1}$ , with  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$
- **LS estimates:**  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$
- **General Linear Test:**  $H_0 : \mathbf{C}_{h \times q} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{q \times 1} = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $\mathbf{C}$  = matrix of constants; rows specify  $h$  linear combinations or contrasts of parameters.
- e.g., Test of  $H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$  in model  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \beta_2 x_{2i} + \epsilon_i$

$$\mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- All  $\rightarrow$  F-test: How big is  $SS_H$  relative to  $SS_E$ ?

$$F = \frac{SS_H/df_h}{SS_E/df_e} = \frac{MS_H}{MS_E} \rightarrow (MS_H - F MS_E) = 0$$

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## The multivariate linear model

- **Model:**  $\mathbf{Y}_{n \times p} = \mathbf{X}_{n \times q} \mathbf{B}_{q \times p} + \mathbf{U}$ , for  $p$  responses,  $\mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_p)$
- **General Linear Test:**  $H_0 : \mathbf{C}_{h \times q} \mathbf{B}_{q \times p} = \mathbf{0}_{h \times p}$
- Analogs of sums of squares,  $SS_H$  and  $SS_E$  are  $(p \times p)$  matrices,  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{C}\hat{\mathbf{B}})^T [\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^T]^{-1} (\mathbf{C}\hat{\mathbf{B}}),$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{Y}^T [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}] \mathbf{Y}.$$

- Analog of univariate  $F$  is

$$\det(\mathbf{H} - \lambda \mathbf{E}) = 0,$$

- How big is  $\mathbf{H}$  relative to  $\mathbf{E}$ ?

- Latent roots  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_s$  measure the “size” of  $\mathbf{H}$  relative to  $\mathbf{E}$  in  $s = \min(p, df_h)$  orthogonal directions.
- Test statistics (Wilks'  $\Lambda$ , Pillai trace criterion, Hotelling-Lawley trace criterion, Roy's maximum root) all combine info across these dimensions

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## Motivating Example: Romano-British Pottery

Tubb, Parker & Nicholson analyzed the chemical composition of 26 samples of Romano-British pottery found at four kiln sites in Britain.

- **Sites:** Ashley Rails, Caldicot, Isle of Thorns, Llanedryn
- **Variables:** aluminum (Al), iron (Fe), magnesium (Mg), calcium (Ca) and sodium (Na)
- → One-way MANOVA design, 4 groups, 5 responses

```
R> library(heplots)
R> Pottery
```

	Site	Al	Fe	Mg	Ca	Na
1	Llanedryn	14.4	7.00	4.30	0.15	0.51
2	Llanedryn	13.8	7.08	3.43	0.12	0.17
3	Llanedryn	14.6	7.09	3.88	0.13	0.20
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
25	AshleyRails	14.8	2.74	0.67	0.03	0.05
26	AshleyRails	19.1	1.64	0.60	0.10	0.03

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## Motivating Example: Romano-British Pottery

### Questions:

- **Can** the content of Al, Fe, Mg, Ca and Na differentiate the sites?
- **How to understand** the contributions of chemical elements to discrimination?

### Numerical answers:

```
1 R> pottery.mod <- lm(cbind(Al, Fe, Mg, Ca, Na) ~ Site)
2 R> car::Manova(pottery.mod)

1 Type II MANOVA Tests: Pillai test statistic
2 Df test stat approx F num Df den Df Pr(>F)
3 Site 3 1.55 4.30 15 60 2.4e-05 ***
4 ---
5 Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

### What have we learned?

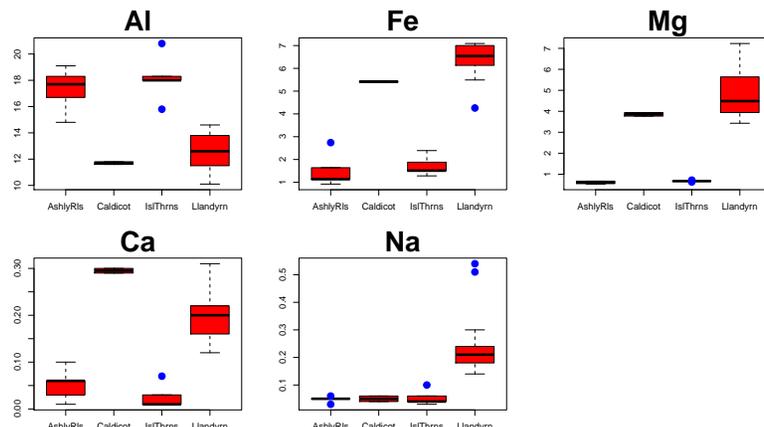
- **Can:** YES! We can discriminate sites.
- But: **How to understand** the pattern(s) of group differences: ???

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## Motivating Example: Romano-British Pottery

### Univariate plots are limited

- Do not show the *relations* of response variables to each other
- Do not show *how* variables contribute to multivariate tests



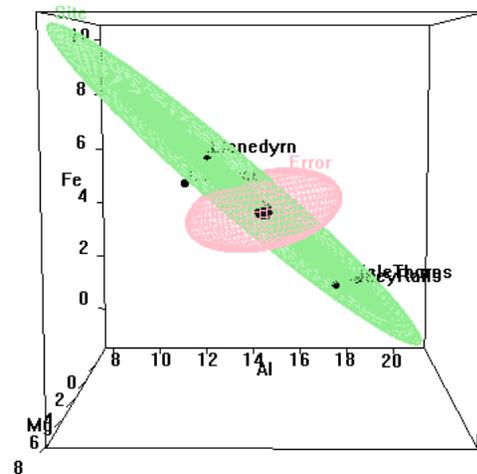
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## Motivating Example: Romano-British Pottery

### Visual answer: HE plot

- Shows variation of means ( $H$ ) relative to residual ( $E$ ) variation
- Size and orientation of  $H$  wrt  $E$ : *how much* and *how* variables contribute to discrimination
- Evidence scaling:  $H$  is scaled so that it projects outside  $E$  iff null hypothesis is rejected.

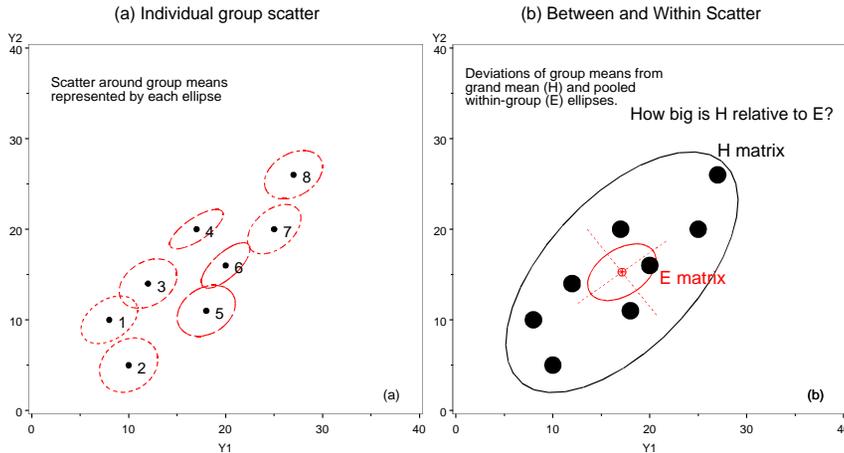
Run heplot-movie.ppt



```
1 R> heplot3d(pottery.mod)
```

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# HE plots: Visualizing $H$ and $E$ variation



Ideas behind multivariate tests: (a) Data ellipses; (b)  $H$  and  $E$  matrices

- $H$  ellipse: data ellipse for fitted values,  $\hat{y}_{ij} = \bar{y}_j$ .
- $E$  ellipse: data ellipse of residuals,  $\hat{y}_{ij} - \bar{y}_j$ .

# HE plot details: $H$ and $E$ matrices

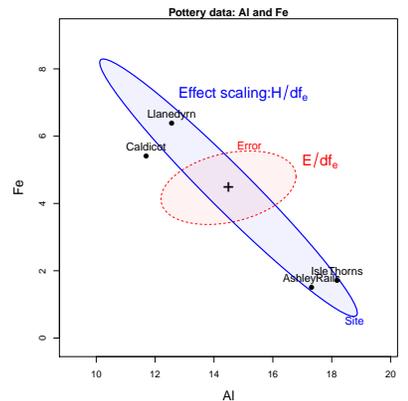
Recall the data on 5 chemical elements in samples of Romano-British pottery from 4 kiln sites:

```
R> summary(Manova(pottery.mod))
1 Sum of squares and products for error:
2   Al      Fe      Mg      Ca      Na
3 Al 48.29  7.080  0.608  0.106  0.589
4 Fe  7.08 10.951  0.527 -0.155  0.067
5 Mg  0.61  0.527 15.430  0.435  0.028
6 Ca  0.11 -0.155  0.435  0.051  0.010
7 Na  0.59  0.067  0.028  0.010  0.199
8 -----
9
10 Term: Site
11
12 Sum of squares and products for hypothesis:
13   Al      Fe      Mg      Ca      Na
14 Al 175.6 -149.3 -130.8 -5.89 -5.37
15 Fe -149.3 134.2 117.7  4.82  5.33
16 Mg -130.8 117.7 103.4  4.21  4.71
17 Ca  -5.9   4.8   4.2   0.20  0.15
18 Na  -5.4   5.3   4.7   0.15  0.26
```

- $E$  matrix: Within-group (co)variation of residuals
  - diag: SSE for each variable
  - off-diag:  $\sim$  partial correlations
- $H$  matrix: Between-group (co)variation of means
  - diag: SSH for each variable
  - off-diag:  $\sim$  correlations of means
- How big is  $H$  relative to  $E$ ?
- Ellipsoids:  $\dim(H) = \text{rank}(H) = \min(p, df_h)$

# HE plot details: Scaling $H$ and $E$

- The  $E$  ellipse is divided by  $df_e = (n - p) \rightarrow$  data ellipse of residuals
  - Centered at grand means  $\rightarrow$  show factor means in same plot.
- "Effect size" scaling-  $H/df_e \rightarrow$  data ellipse of fitted values.
- "Significance" scaling-  $H$  ellipse protrudes beyond  $E$  ellipse iff  $H_0$  can be rejected by Roy maximum root test
  - $H/(\lambda_\alpha df_e)$  where  $\lambda_\alpha$  is critical value of Roy's statistic at level  $\alpha$ .
  - direction of  $H$  wrt  $E \rightarrow$  linear combinations that depart from  $H_0$ .



```
R> heplot(pottery.mod, size="effect")
```

R>

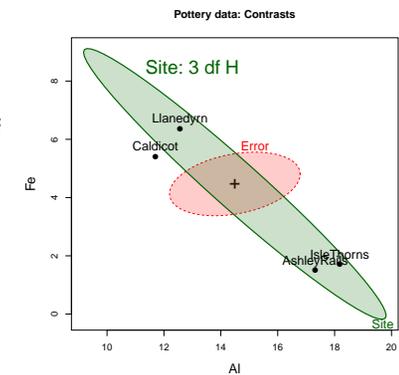
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heplot(pottery.mod, size="evidence")
```

# HE plot details: Contrasts and linear hypotheses

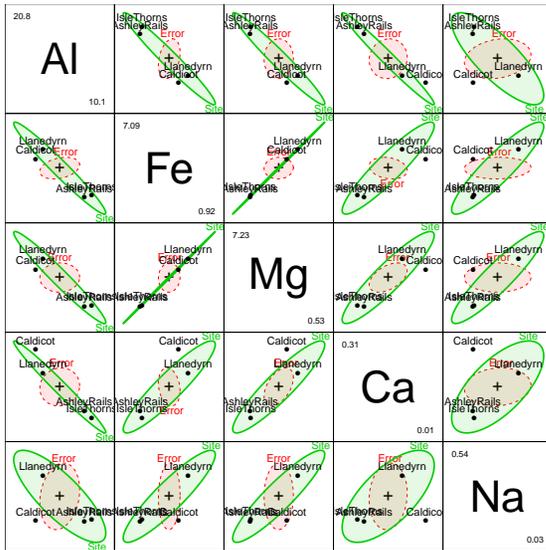
- An overall effect  $\mapsto$  an  $H$  ellipsoid of  $s = \min(p, df_h)$  dimensions
- Linear hypotheses, of rank  $h$ ,  $H_0 : C_{h \times q} B_{q \times p} = 0_{h \times p} \mapsto$  sub-ellipsoid of dimension  $h$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 1D tests and contrasts  $\mapsto$  degenerate 1D ellipses (lines)
- Beautiful geometry:
  - Sub-hypotheses are tangent to enclosing hypotheses
  - Orthogonal contrasts form conjugate axes



# HE plot matrices: All bivariate views



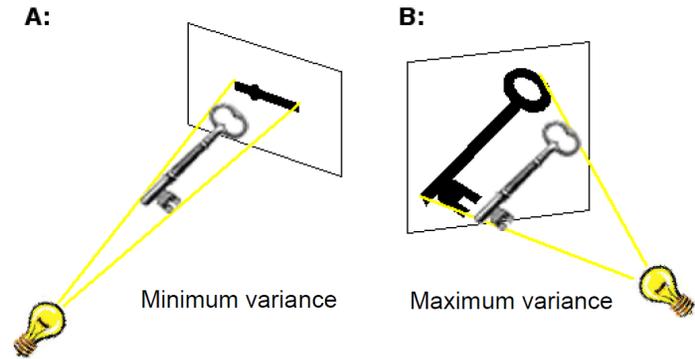
R> pairs (pottery.mod)

AL stands out – opposite pattern  $r(Fe, Mg) \approx 1$

▶ Jump to low-D

# Low-D displays of high-D data

- High-D data often shown in 2D (or 3D) views— orthogonal projections in variable space— **scatterplot**
- **Dimension-reduction** techniques: project the data into subspace that has the largest **shadow**— e.g., accounts for largest variance.
- → low-D approximation to high-D data

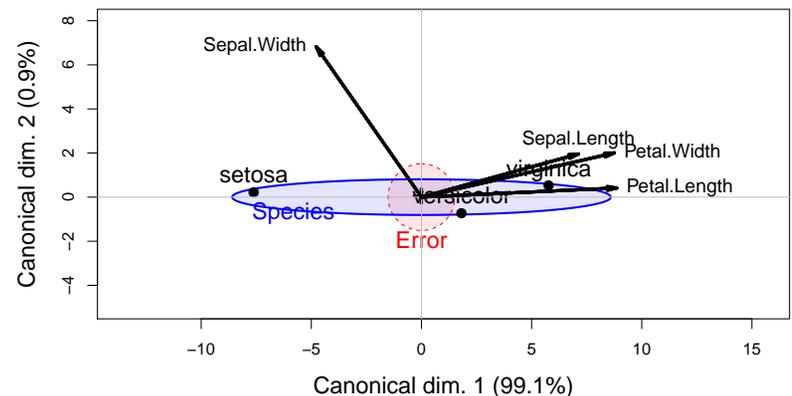
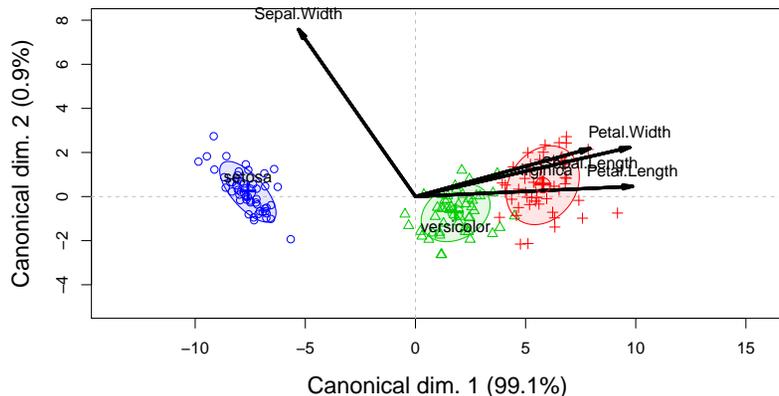


# Canonical discriminant HE plots

- As with biplot, we can visualize MLM hypothesis variation for **all** responses by projecting **H** and **E** into low-rank space.
- **Canonical projection**:  $Y_{n \times p} \mapsto Z_{n \times s} = YE^{-1/2}V$ , where **V** = eigenvectors of  $HE^{-1}$ .
- This is the view that maximally discriminates among groups, ie max. **H** wrt **E** !

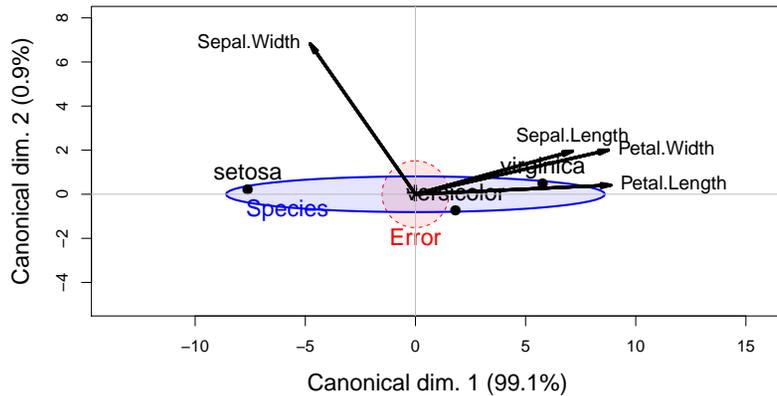
# Canonical discriminant HE plots

- Canonical HE plot is just the HE plot of canonical scores,  $(z_1, z_2)$  in 2D, or  $z_1, z_2, z_3$ , in 3D.
- As in biplot, we add vectors to show relations of the  $y_i$  response variables to the canonical variates.
- variable vectors here are **structure coefficients** = correlations of variables with canonical scores.



## Canonical discriminant HE plots: Properties

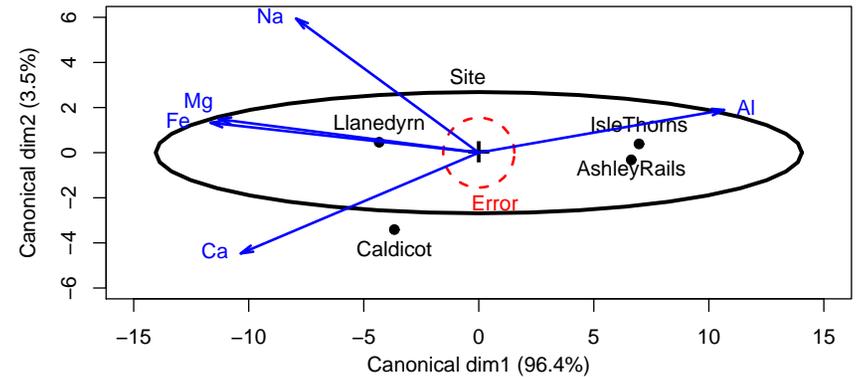
- Canonical variates are uncorrelated:  $\mathbf{E}$  ellipse is spherical
- $\mapsto$  axes must be equated to preserve geometry
- Variable vectors show how variables discriminate among groups
- Lengths of variable vectors  $\sim$  contribution to discrimination



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## Canonical discriminant HE plots: Pottery data

- Canonical HE plots provide 2D (3D) visual summary of  $\mathbf{H}$  vs.  $\mathbf{E}$  variation
- Pottery data:  $p = 5$  variables, 4 groups  $\mapsto df_H = 3$
- Variable vectors: Fe, Mg and Al contribute to distinguishing (Caldicot, Llanedryn) from (Isle Thorns, Ashley Rails): 96.4% of mean variation
- Na and Ca contribute an additional 3.5%. **End of story!**



Run heplot-movie.ppt

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## Robust MLMs

- R has a large collection of packages dealing with robust estimation:
  - `robust::lmrob()`, `MASS::rlm()`, for *univariate* LMs
  - `robust::glmrob()` for univariate *generalized* LMs
  - **High breakdown-bound** methods for robust *PCA* and robust covariance estimation
  - However, none of these handle the **fully general MLM**
- `heplots` now provides `robmlm()` for robust MLMs:
  - Uses a simple M-estimator via iteratively re-weighted LS.
  - Weights: calculated from Mahalanobis squared distances, using a simple robust covariance estimator, `MASS::cov.trob()` and a weight function,  $\psi(D^2)$ .

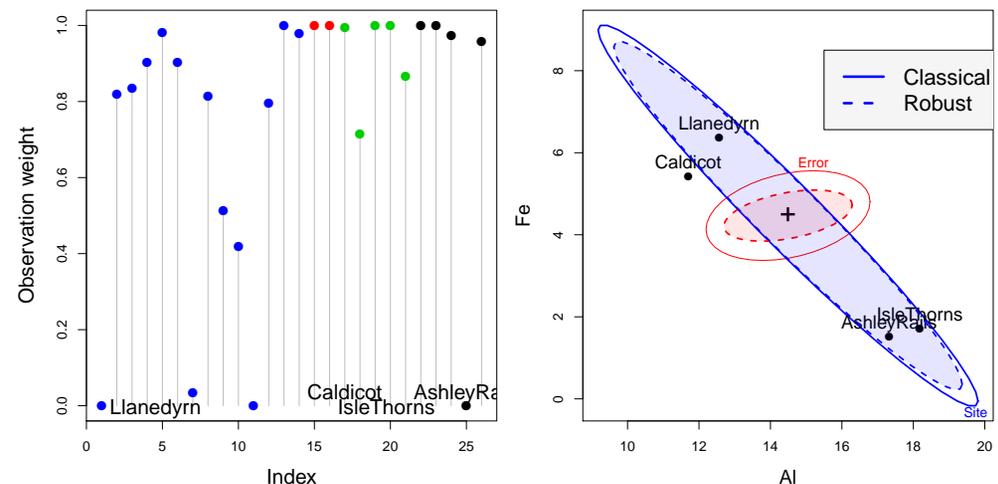
$$D^2 = (\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}})^T \mathbf{S}_{\text{trob}}^{-1} (\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}) \sim \chi_p^2 \quad (1)$$

- This fully extends the "mlm" class
- Compatible with other `mlm` extensions: `car::Anova()` and `heplot()`.

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## Robust MLMs: Example

For the Pottery data:



- Some observations are given weights  $\sim 0$
- The  $\mathbf{E}$  ellipse is considerably reduced, enhancing apparent significance

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# Influence diagnostics for MLMs

- Influence measures & diagnostic plots well-developed for *univariate* LMs
  - Influence measures: Cook's D, DFFITS, dfbetas, etc.
  - Diagnostic plots: Index plots, `car::influencePlot()` for LMs
  - However, these are have been unavailable for MLMs
- The `mvinfluence` package now provides:
  - Calculation for multivariate analogs of univariate influence measures (following Barrett & Ling, 1992), e.g., Hat values & Cook's *D*:

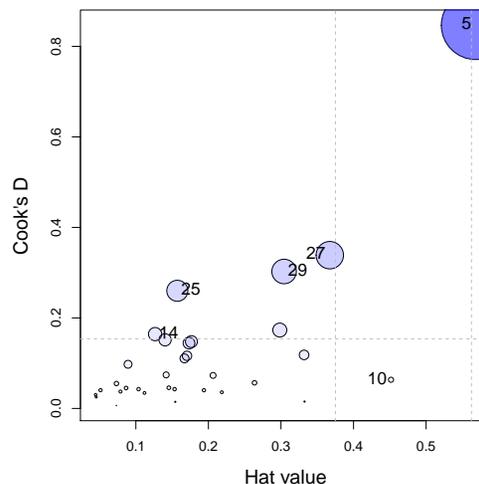
$$H_I = \mathbf{X}_I(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_I^T \tag{2}$$

$$D_I = [\text{vec}(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}_{(I)})]^T [\mathbf{S}^{-1} \otimes (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})] [\text{vec}(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B}_{(I)})] \tag{3}$$

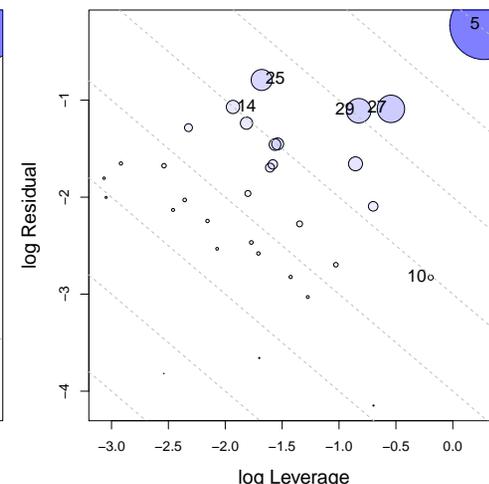
- Provides deletion diagnostics for *subsets* (*I*) of size  $m \geq 1$ .
- e.g.,  $m = 2$  can reveal cases of **masking** or **joint influence**.
- Extension of `influencePlot()` to the multivariate case.
- A new plot format: **leverage-residual (LR) plots** (McCulloch & Meeter, 1983)

# Influence diagnostics for MLMs: Example

For the Rohwer data:



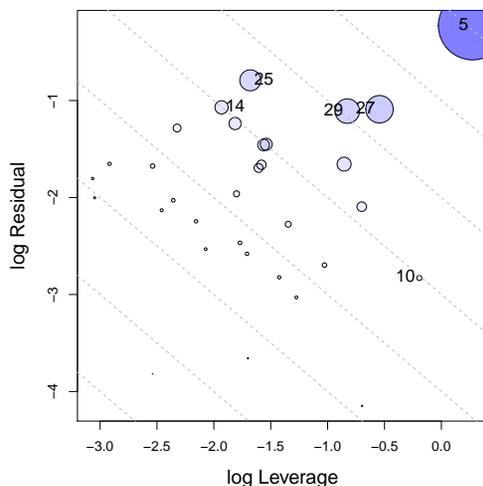
Cook's *D* vs. generalized Hat value



Leverage - Residual (LR) plot

# Influence diagnostics for MLMs: LR plots

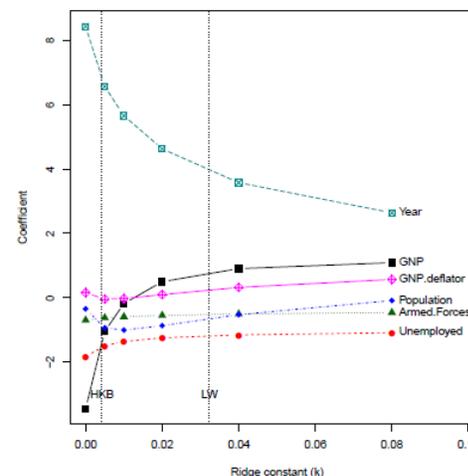
- Main idea: Influence  $\sim$  Leverage (L)  $\times$  Residual (R)
- $\mapsto \log(\text{Infl}) = \log(L) + \log(R)$
- $\mapsto$  contours of constant influence lie on lines with slope = -1.
- Bubble size  $\sim$  influence (Cook's *D*)
- This simplifies interpretation of influence measures



# Ridge regression plots

Shrinkage methods often use **ridge trace plots** to visualize effects

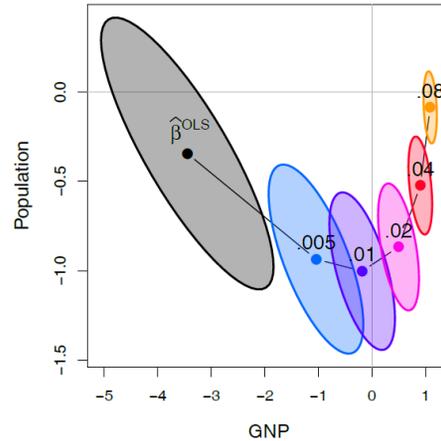
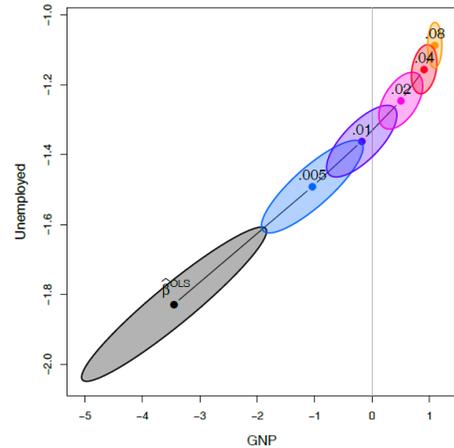
- Typical: univariate line plot of  $\beta_k$  vs. shrinkage,  $k$
- What can you see here regarding bias vs. precision?
- This is the **wrong graphic form**, for a **multivariate** problem!
- Goal: visualize  $\hat{\beta}_k$  vs.  $\widehat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta}_k)$



## Generalized ridge trace plots

Rather than plotting just the univariate trajectories of  $\beta_k$  vs.  $K$ , plot the 2D (3D) confidence **ellipsoids** over the same range of  $k$ .

- Centers of the ellipsoids are  $\widehat{\beta}_k$  – same info as in univariate plot.
- Can see how change in one coefficient is related to changes in others.
- Relative size & shape of ellipsoids show **directly** effect on precision.



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## Conclusions: Graphical methods for MLMs

### Summary & Opportunities

- **Data ellipse:** visual summary of bivariate relations
  - Useful for multiple-group, MANOVA data
  - Embed in scatterplot matrix: pairwise, bivariate relations
  - Easily extend to show partial relations, robust estimators, etc.
- **HE plots:** visual summary of multivariate tests for MANOVA and MMRA
  - Group means (MANOVA) or 1-df H vectors (MMRA) aid interpretation
  - Embed in HE plot matrix: all pairwise, bivariate relations
  - Extend to show partial relations: HE plot of “adjusted responses”
- **Dimension-reduction techniques:** low-rank (2D) visual summaries
  - Biplot: Observations, group means, biplot data ellipses, variable vectors
  - Canonical HE plots: Similar, but for dimensions of maximal discrimination
- **Beautiful and useful geometries:**
  - Ellipses everywhere; eigenvector–ellipse geometries!
  - Visual representation of significance in MLM
  - Opportunities for other extensions

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