

Linear Models

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2	3.565574	104	18	happy	4510	peter_k	57	1983
3	4.032787	101	21	grumpy	4511	ally_p	38	2006
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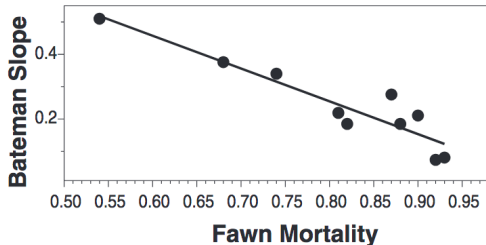
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Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-3.3639	-0.7954	-0.0344	0.7624	2.8804

Coefficients:

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Signif. codes:

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Residual standard error: 1.227 on 41 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.2281, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1904

F-statistic: 6.058 on 2 and 41 DF, p-value: 0.004954

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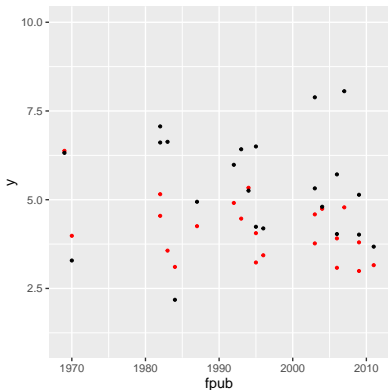
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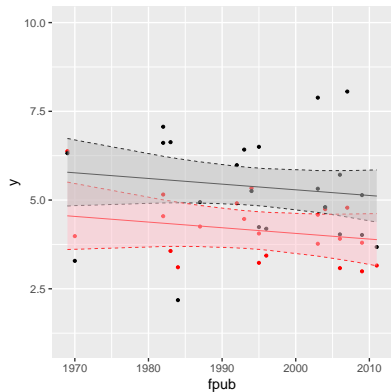
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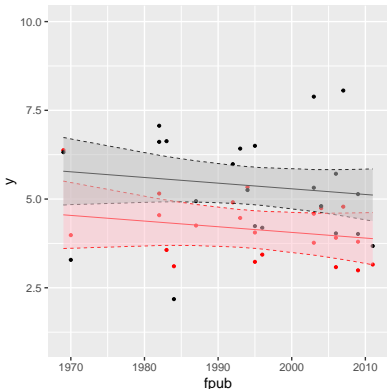
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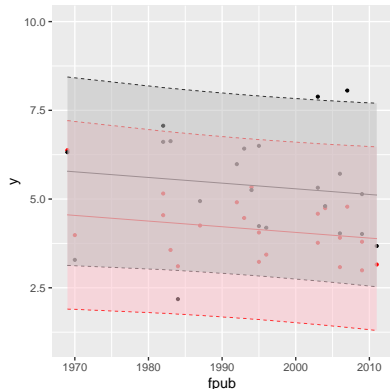
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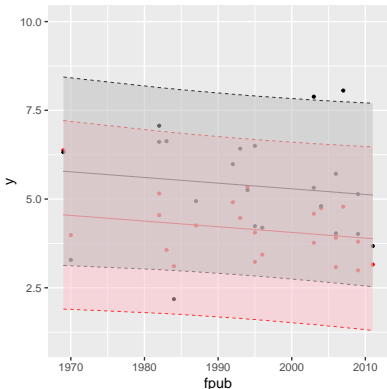
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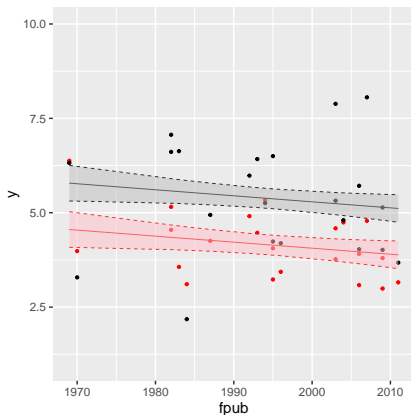
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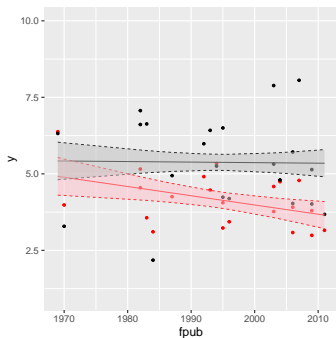
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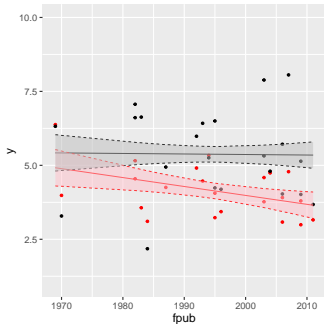
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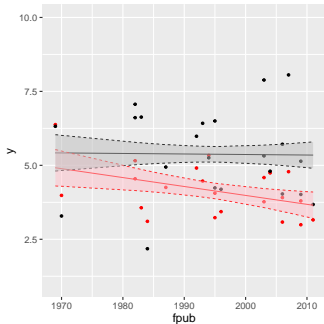


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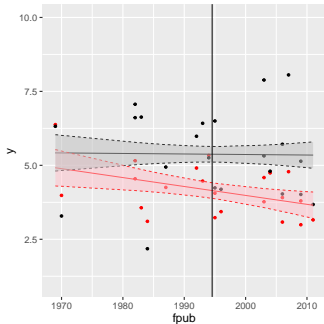
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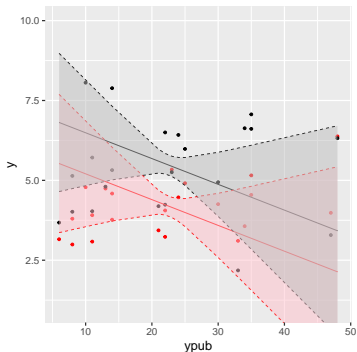
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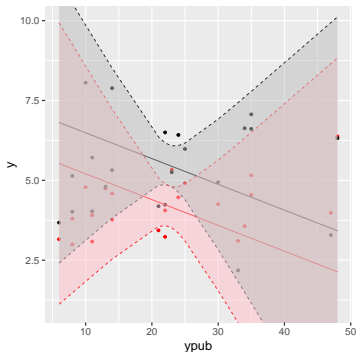
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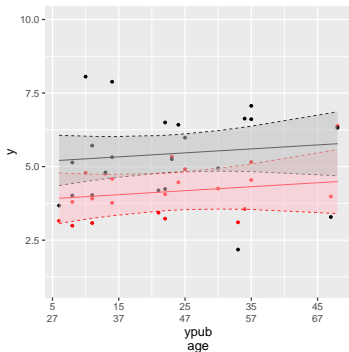
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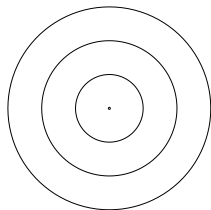
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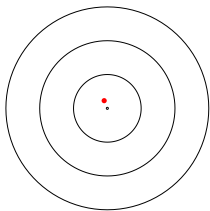


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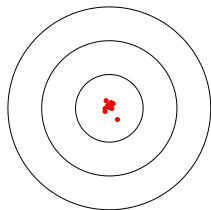
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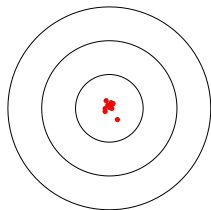
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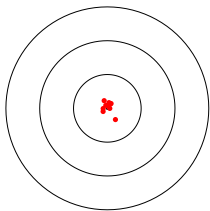


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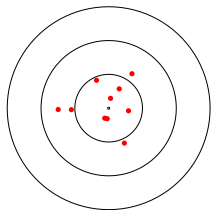


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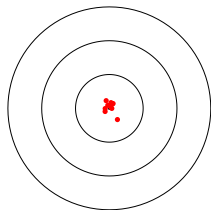


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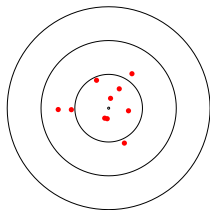


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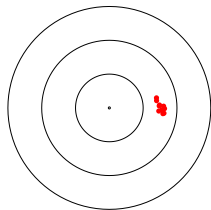
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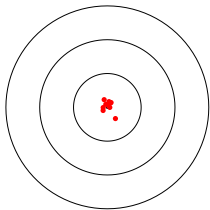


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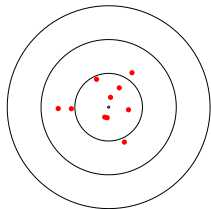


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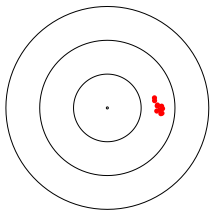
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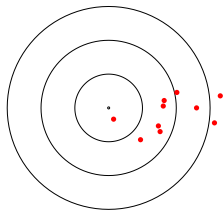
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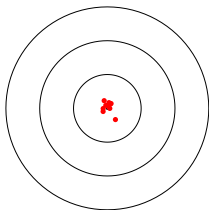


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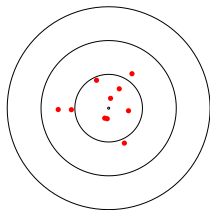


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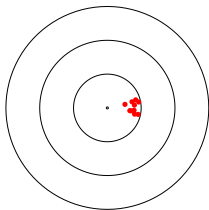
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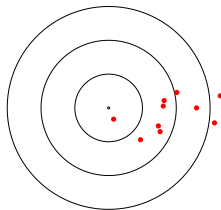
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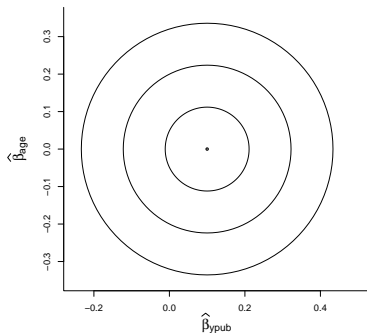
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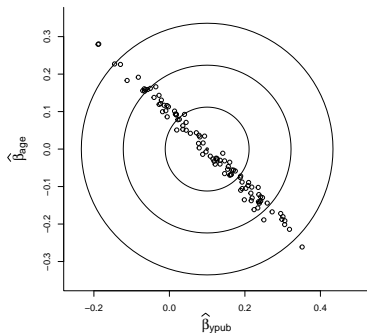
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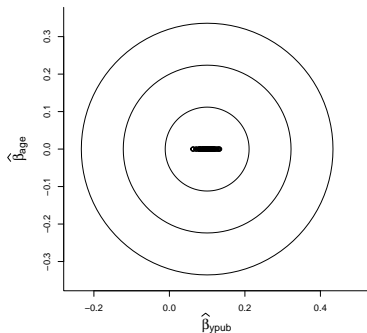
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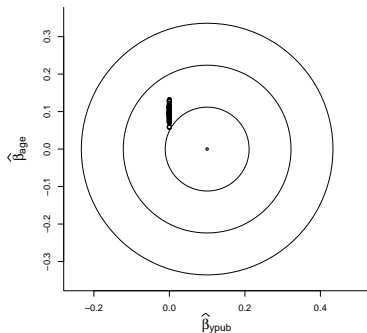
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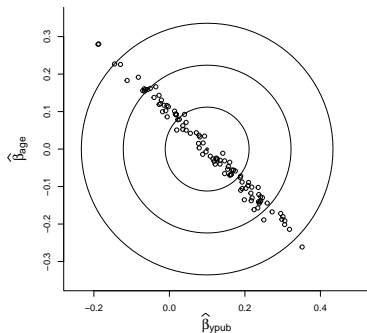
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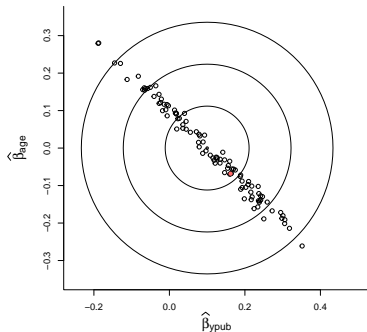
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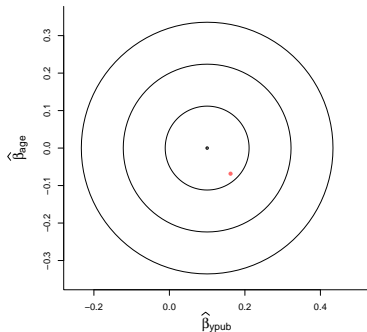
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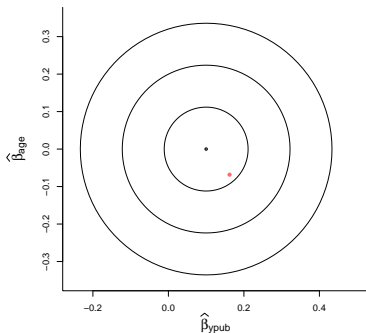
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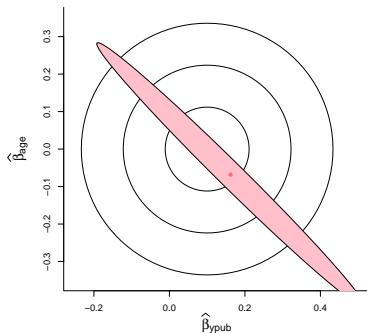
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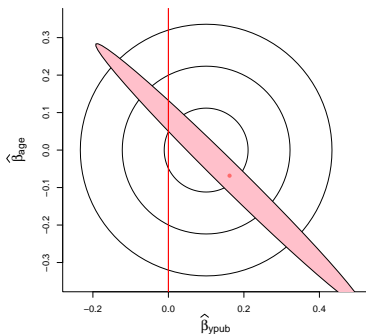
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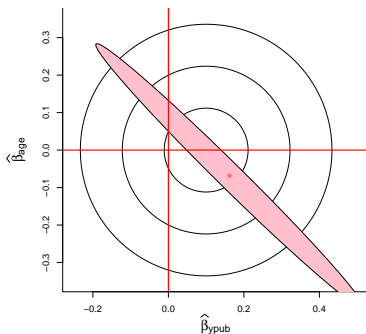
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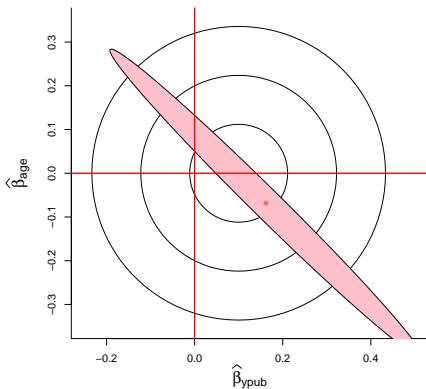
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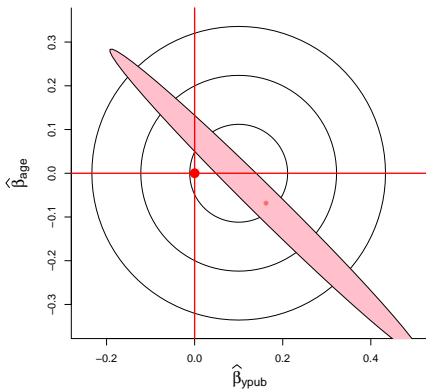
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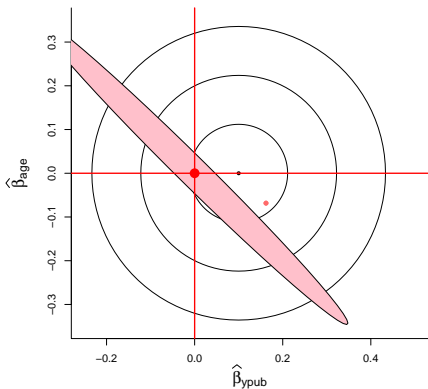
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