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(extra notes)

①

Bayesian  
non-  
identifiability  
for  $\theta$



not for  $\theta$   
has some  
uncertainty  
as prior for  $\theta$

structural non-identifiability: cannot  
learn about  $\theta$  from data no matter what

data set is non-structural non-identifiability  
can learn about  $\theta$  if  $n$  is large  
enough, cannot if  $n$  too small

heterogeneity between studies yielding confidence intervals that naive pooling is wrong is not the same thing as Simpson's Paradox (another setting in which naive pooling can be still?)

+ signs

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \epsilon_i$$

outcome  
supposedly (SEF)  
causal factor

iid  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

ex. regression with observational data (not controlled experiments)

naive

potential confounding factors

potential

$$y_i = \beta_0^* + \beta_1^* x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \epsilon_i$$

naive is Simpson's Paradox

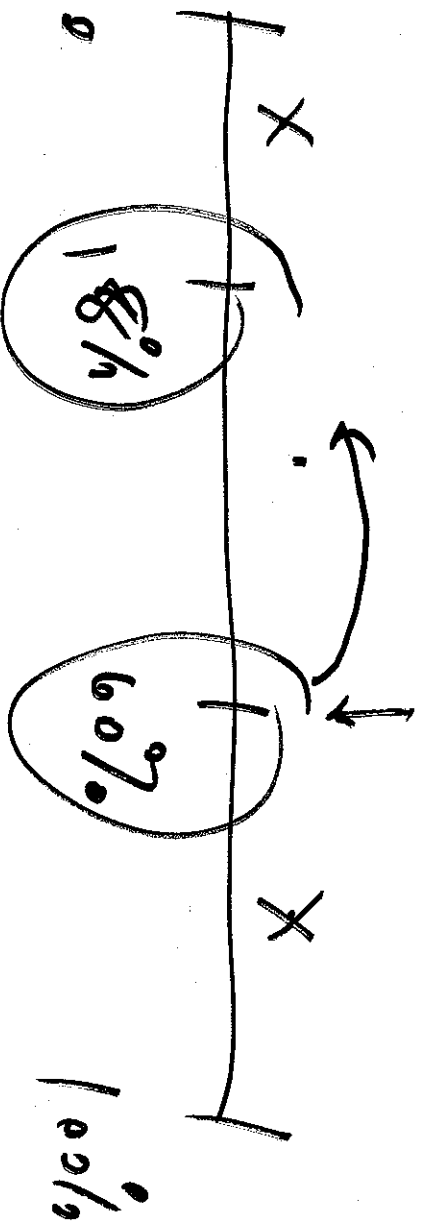
potential confounding factors (PCF)

I hospitalis : measure observed mortality <sup>③</sup>  
 rate  $\hat{p}_i$  for (eg.) heart attack at hosp.  $i$

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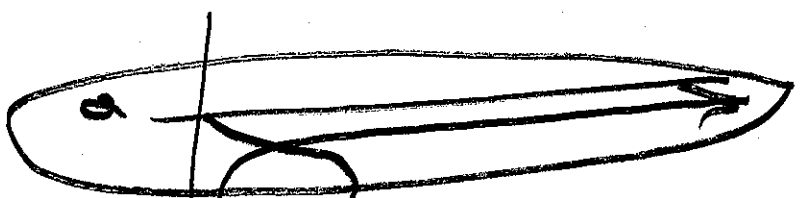
at hosp. 6  $n_6 = \textcircled{10}$   $\hat{p}_6 = \textcircled{60\%}$

overall part rate =  $\hat{p}_i = \textcircled{18\%}$



~~18%~~  $n_9 = 4$

test-retest



BIGGER

prior

for

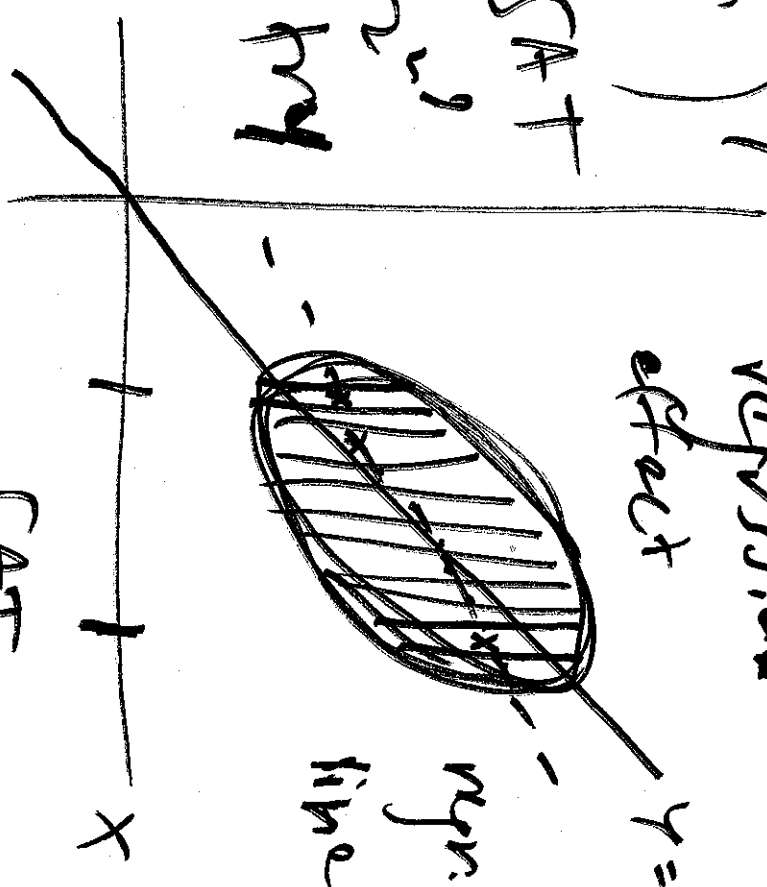
precision

variability

Gallton 1890

SAT

try



regression effect

regression line

SAT

1st try

try

dist of SAT



$$(Y_{i1}, \dots, Y_{ir}) \sim t_r(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$i=1, \dots, n$

$$V_{RS}(T_2) = \sigma^2$$

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{n-2}$$

bit  
vertical

df  $n$   
small

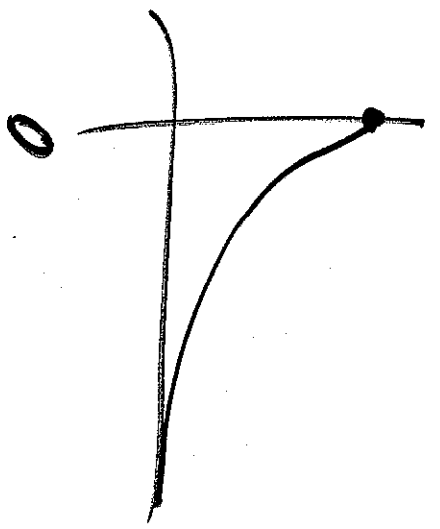
or  
SD bit

$$\theta_i = \alpha + \beta x_i + \epsilon_i \leftarrow \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \sigma^2) \quad (6)$$

Equivalent to  $\downarrow$  fixed known constants

$$(\theta_i | \alpha, \beta, \sigma^2, x_i) \text{ indep } N(\alpha + \beta x_i, \sigma^2)$$

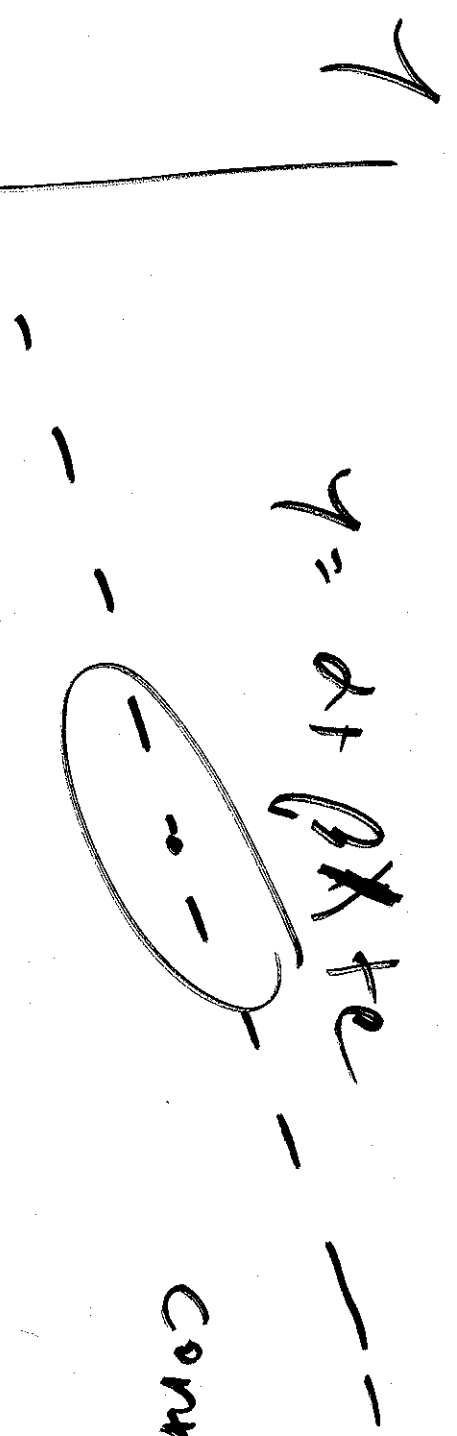

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$$p(\alpha^2 | \gamma) \doteq p(\sigma^2 | \gamma)$$

(Bayesianly)

$\sigma^2 = 0$  but active dist  
 $n$  is to right of  $\theta$



$\text{cov}(\alpha, \beta) < 0$

like

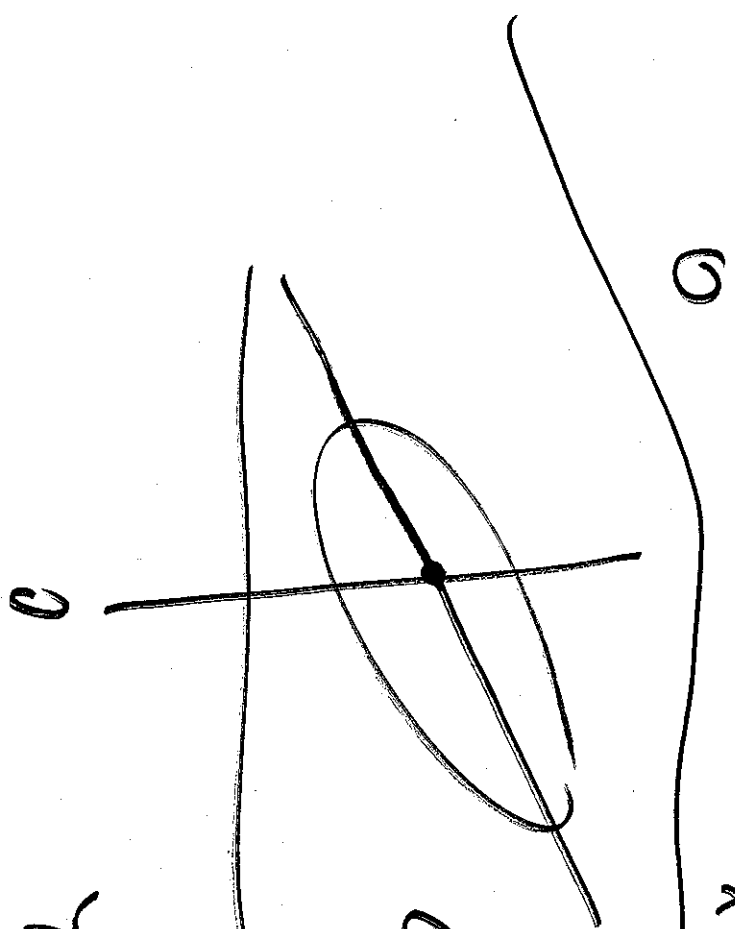
show

(show you

as  $\bar{x}$  gets

further

from 0)



$y = \alpha + \beta(x - \bar{x}) + \epsilon$

Model 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mu, \sigma^2) &\sim \text{diffuse} \\
 (\theta_i | \mu, \sigma^2) &\stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2) \\
 (y_i | \theta_i) &\stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\theta_i, \nu_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

have  $\theta_i$  get shrunken toward  $\mu$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha, \beta, \sigma_0^2) &\sim \text{d. flat} \\
 (\theta_i | \alpha, \beta, \sigma_0^2) &\stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\alpha + \beta(x_i - \bar{x}), \sigma_0^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(y_i | \theta_i) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\theta_i, \nu_i)$$

have  $\theta_i$  get shrunken toward the line

various priors

$N(0, c)$  prior on  $\sigma_0$  better

$$\alpha + \beta(x_i - \bar{x})$$

calibrated prior

$$E(\epsilon, \epsilon) \text{ prior on } \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} = \tau_\theta$$



simulation study: generate many  $(1, \text{day})$

data sets from model (331) with variables

choices of known

$(t, \rho, \sigma)$  ; construct

$n$  95% inferential intervals for  $(\alpha, \beta, \sigma)$

on each data set ; (see) score: what

actual % of time these intervals include

known data-generating parameters values?

actual coverage if nominal = actual, good calibration

model

$$\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2 \sim \text{②}$$

$$(\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2) \sim N(\beta_0 + \rho(x_i - \bar{x}), \sigma_0^2)$$

(33)

$$(y_i | x_i) \sim N(\alpha_i, \sigma_i^2)$$

$i=1, \dots, I$  known

② well-calibrated diffuse prior on  $(\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2)$

$\alpha \sim N(0, \text{huge variance})$

$\beta \sim N(0, \text{huge variance})$   $\leftarrow$  tiny precision  $\sigma^2$ .

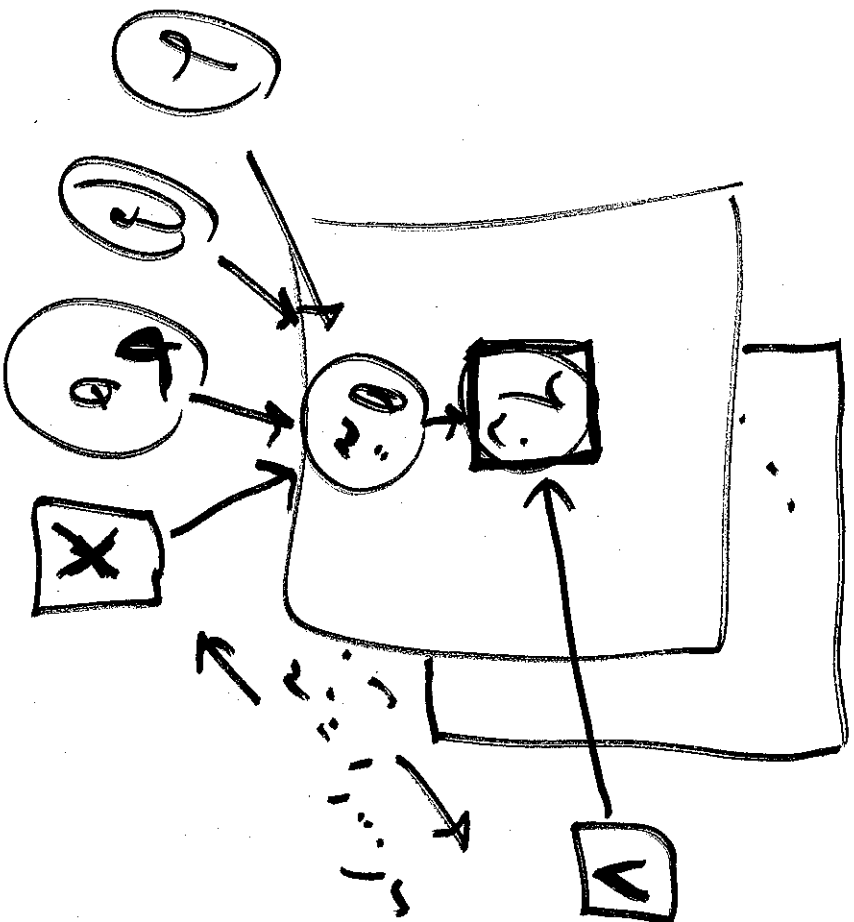
$\sigma^2 \sim U(0, c)$   $\leftarrow$  particularity important when  $I$  is small  $1.0 E-6$

$c$  just large enough to avoid truncation of likelihood for  $\sigma^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (d, \beta, \sigma^2) &\sim p(d, \beta, \sigma^2) \\
 (\theta_1, \alpha, \beta, \sigma_\theta) &\sim N(\alpha + \beta(x_1 - \bar{x}), \sigma_\theta^2) \\
 (y_i | \theta_i) &\sim N(\theta_i, V_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

(11)

known



graphical model

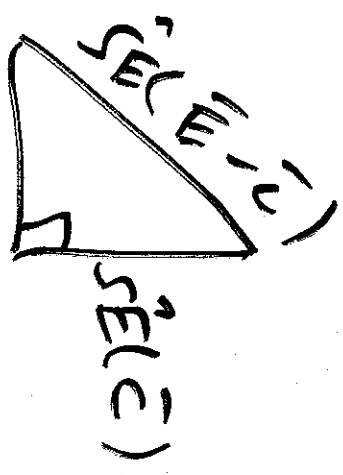
E sample var in E group

$$C = \frac{\sum (E_i - \bar{E})^2}{n_E - 1}$$

2 indep samples

$$SE(\hat{\Delta}) = SE(\bar{E} - \bar{C})$$

$$\hat{\Delta} = \bar{E} - \bar{C}$$



$$SE(\bar{E})$$

$$SE(\bar{E}) = \frac{S_E}{\sqrt{n_E}}$$

$$= \sqrt{SE(\bar{E})^2 + SE(\bar{C})^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{S_E^2}{n_E} + \frac{S_C^2}{n_C}}$$

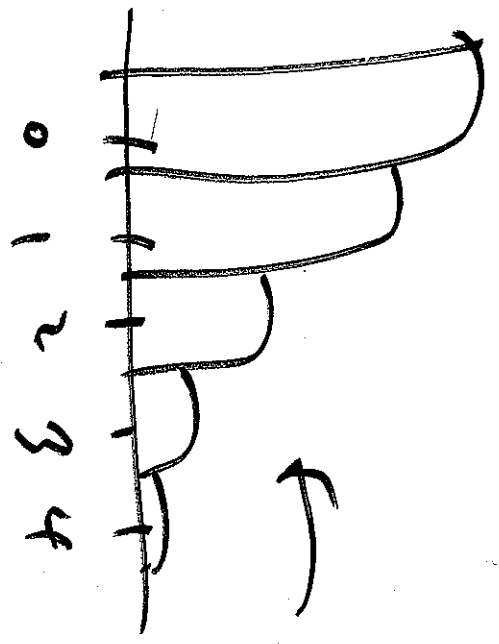
95% CI for  $\Delta$

$$-3.6 - 1.8 \pm 0.1$$

$$H_0: \Delta = 0$$

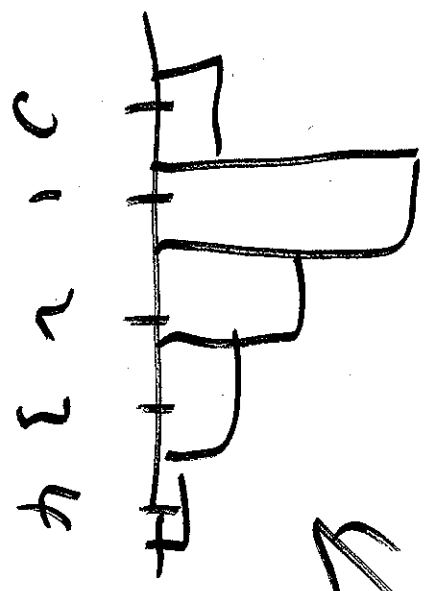
$$H_A: \Delta \neq 0$$

← could be Poisson



$$(C_2 | \alpha_c) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} P(\alpha_c)$$

$$(E_1 | \alpha_E) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} P(\alpha_E)$$



Weyman  
counterfactual  
model for  
causal inference

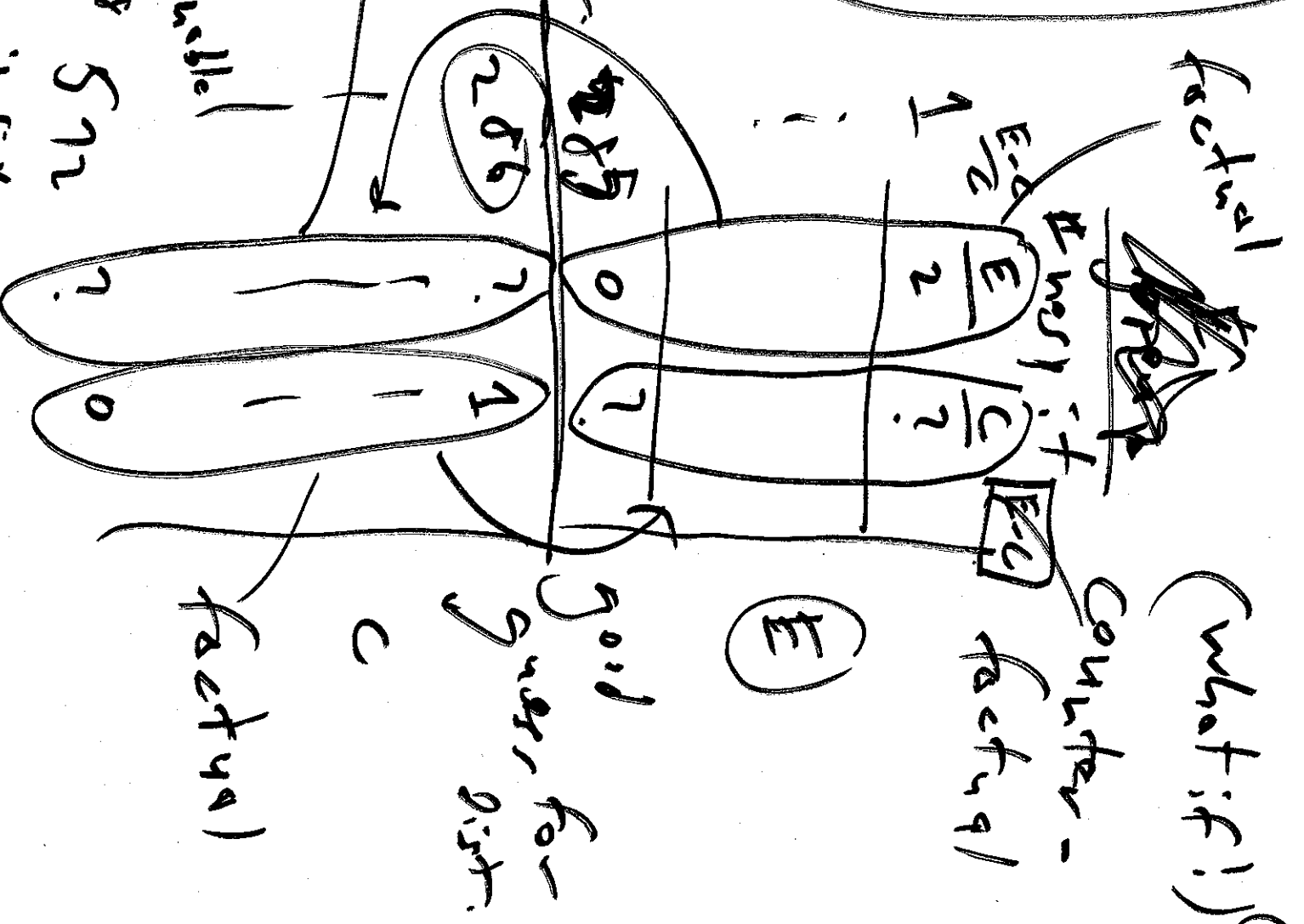
causal inference

causal counterfactual

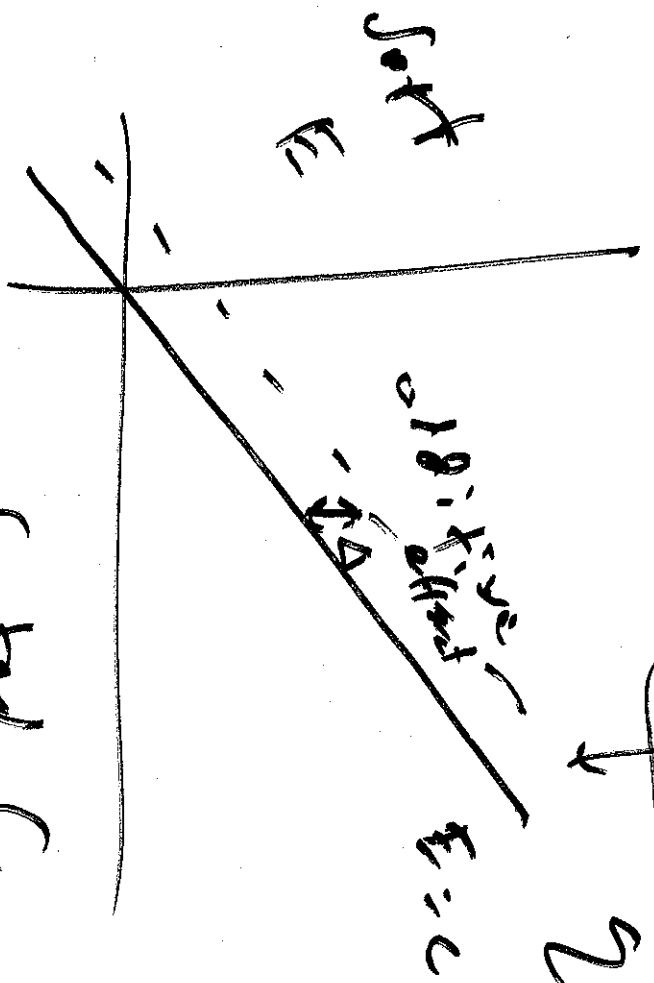
$$Y_{it} = \alpha + \beta_1 X_{it} + \beta_2 D_{it} + \epsilon_{it}$$

$$Y_{it} = \alpha + \beta_1 X_{it} + \beta_2 D_{it} + \beta_3 D_{it} X_{it} + \epsilon_{it}$$

of risk  
 not reasonable  
 $\epsilon_{it}$   
 $\beta_3$   
 $\beta_2$   
 $\beta_1$   
 $\alpha$   
 $X_{it}$   
 $D_{it}$   
 $Y_{it}$   
 $\epsilon_{it}$

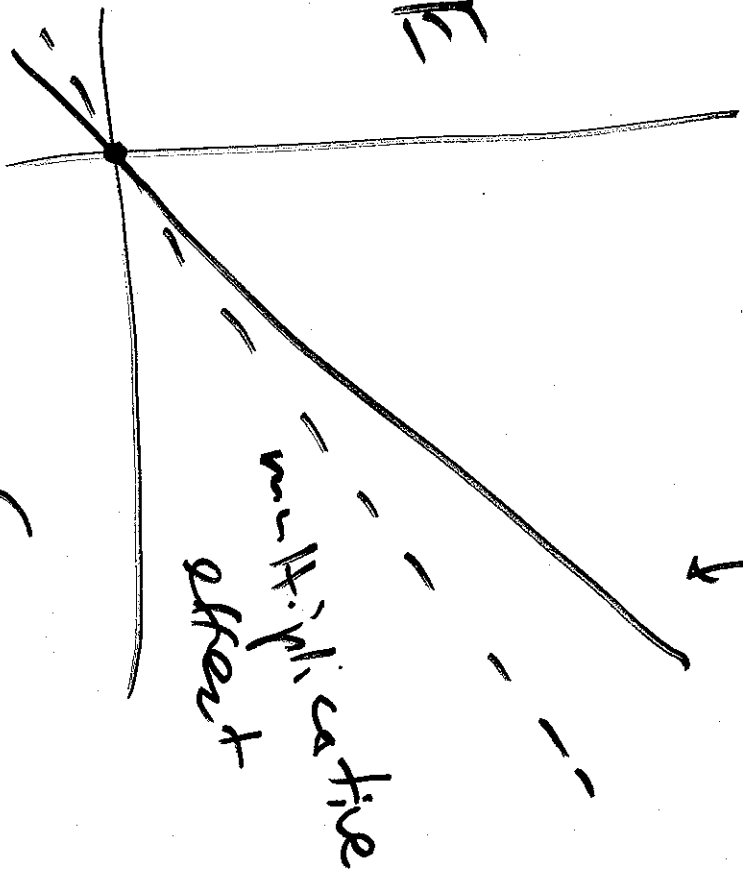


no effect  
↓  
29 plot

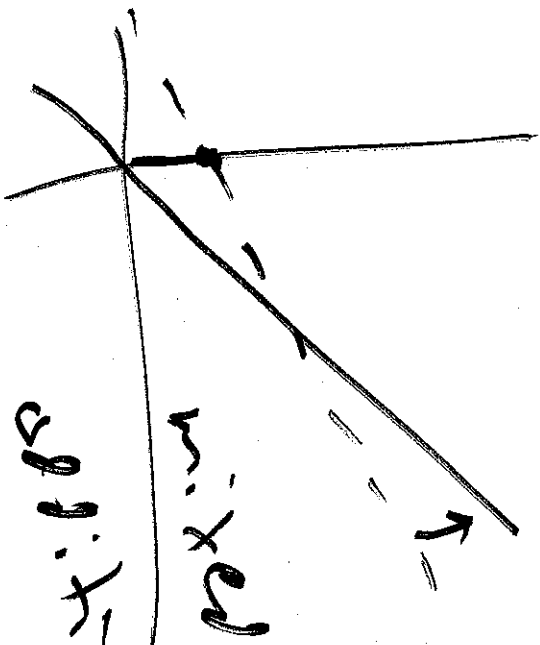


soft and C

no effect  
↓



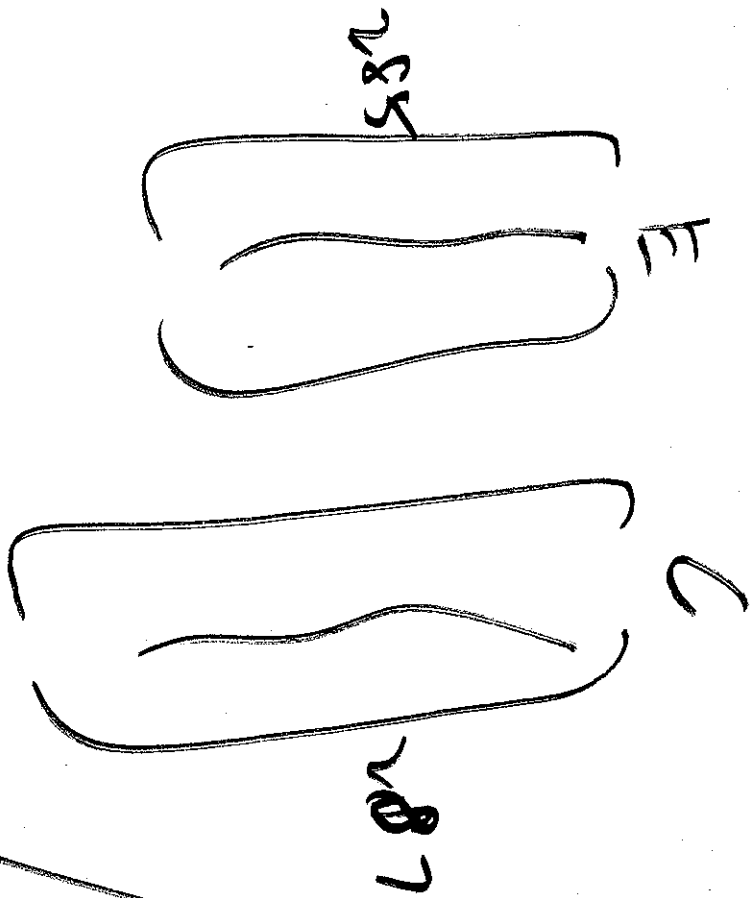
multiplicative effect



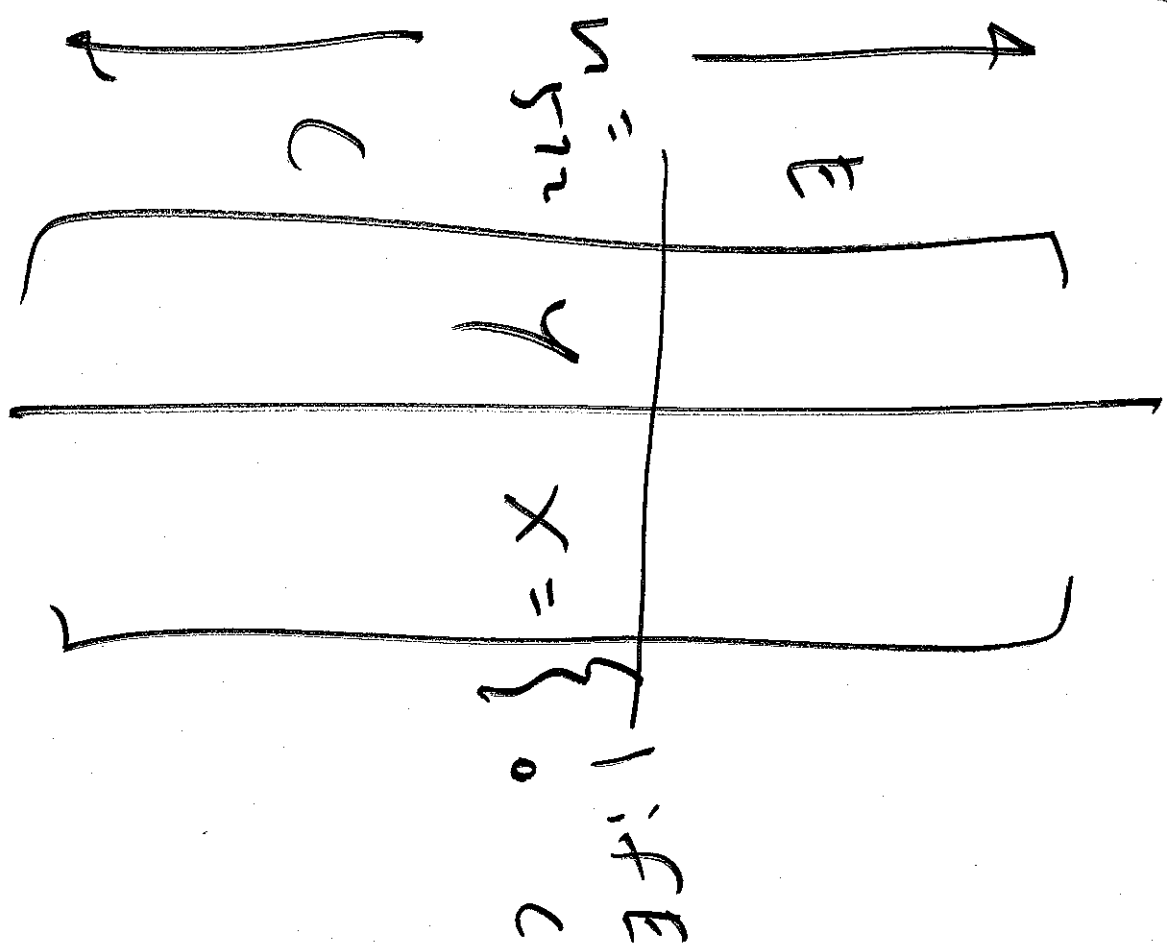
mixed

additive /  
multiplicative effect

2-indy samples data



$y = (x_i)_{i=1}^{285}$   
 $(y, x_i)_{i=1}^{285} \sim \text{Lot } B(x_i)$





$(y_i | \lambda_i)$  index  $\mu(\lambda_i)$

fixed effects  $(\beta)$

sickness scores

$$\log(\lambda_i) \sim \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \beta_3 x_{i3}$$

model expression

intercept  $\{0, c\}$

$(\beta_0, \beta_1) \sim \text{diffuse}$

(hierarchical)

mixture of parameters

latent variables

$$+ e_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

if this model  $\beta_k$   $x_{ik}$  age + ...

lognormal mixture of Poissons

random effects

get  $\beta$  model