

# Chapter 15: Regression III

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Computational Introduction to Statistics

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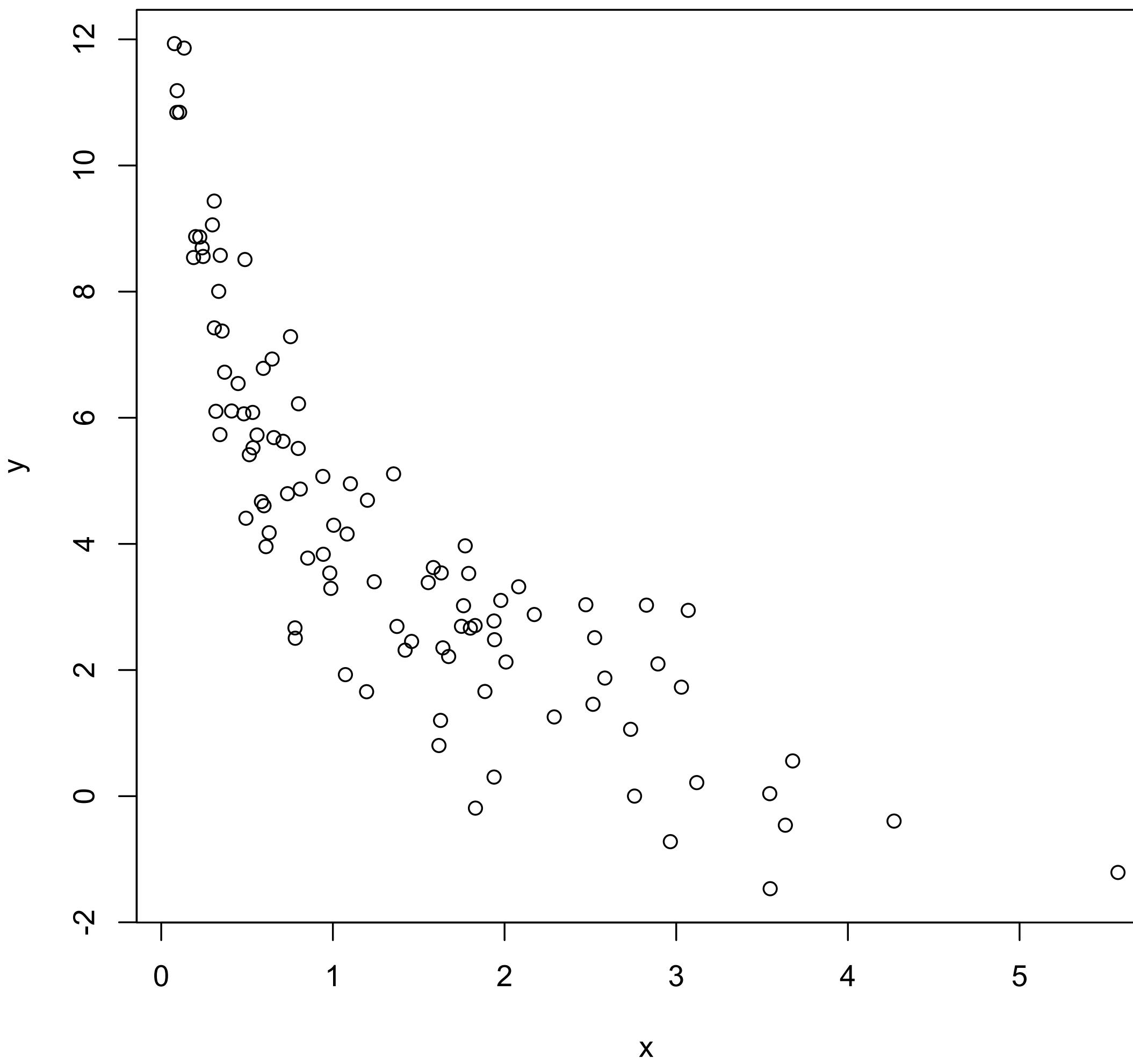
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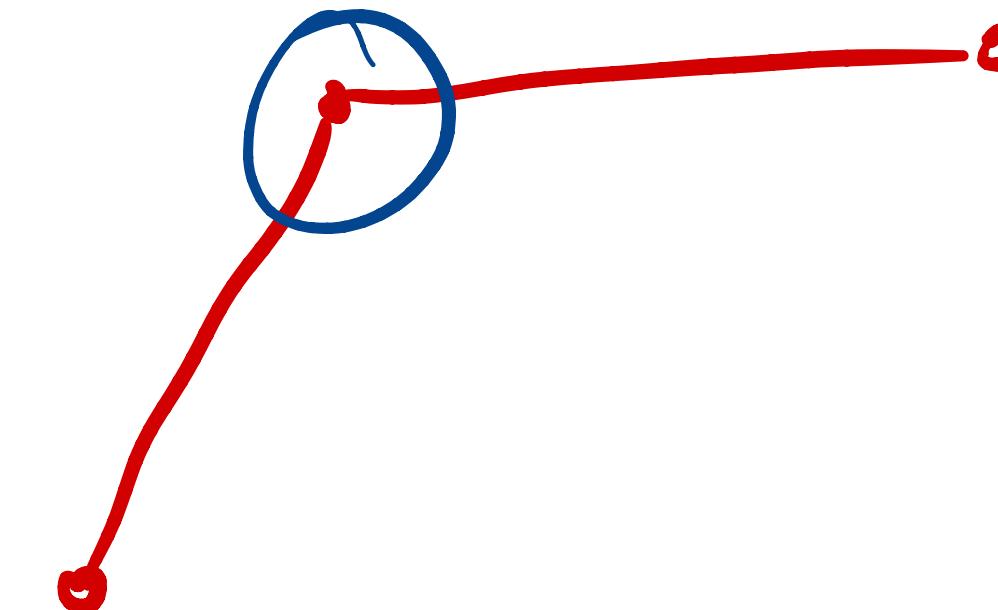
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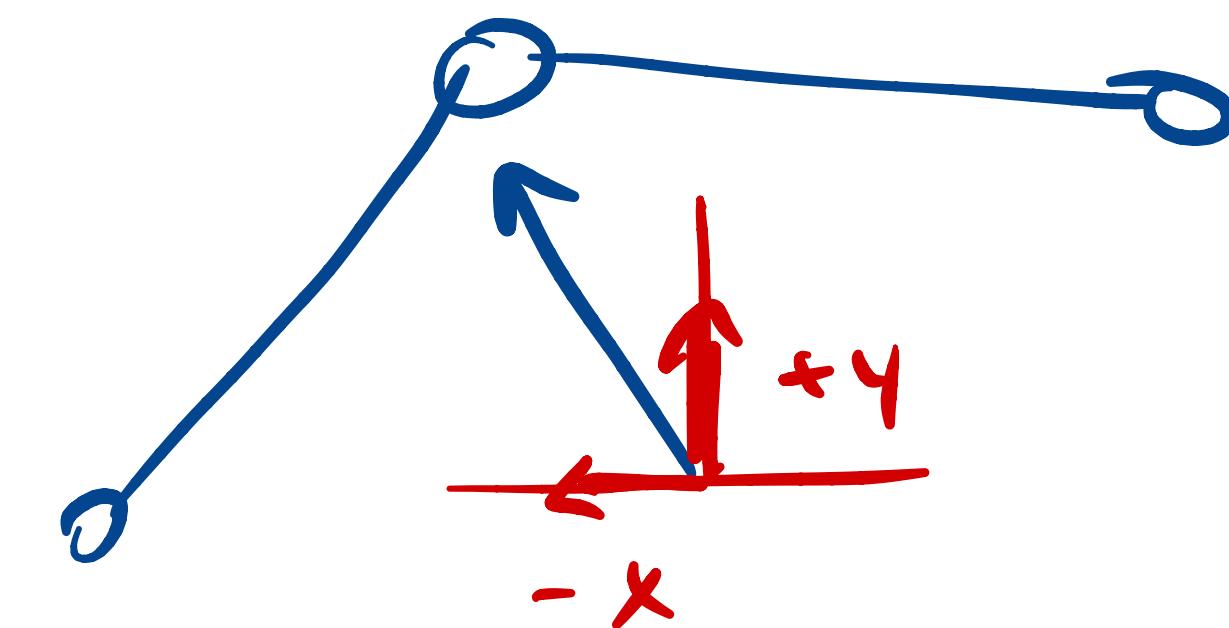


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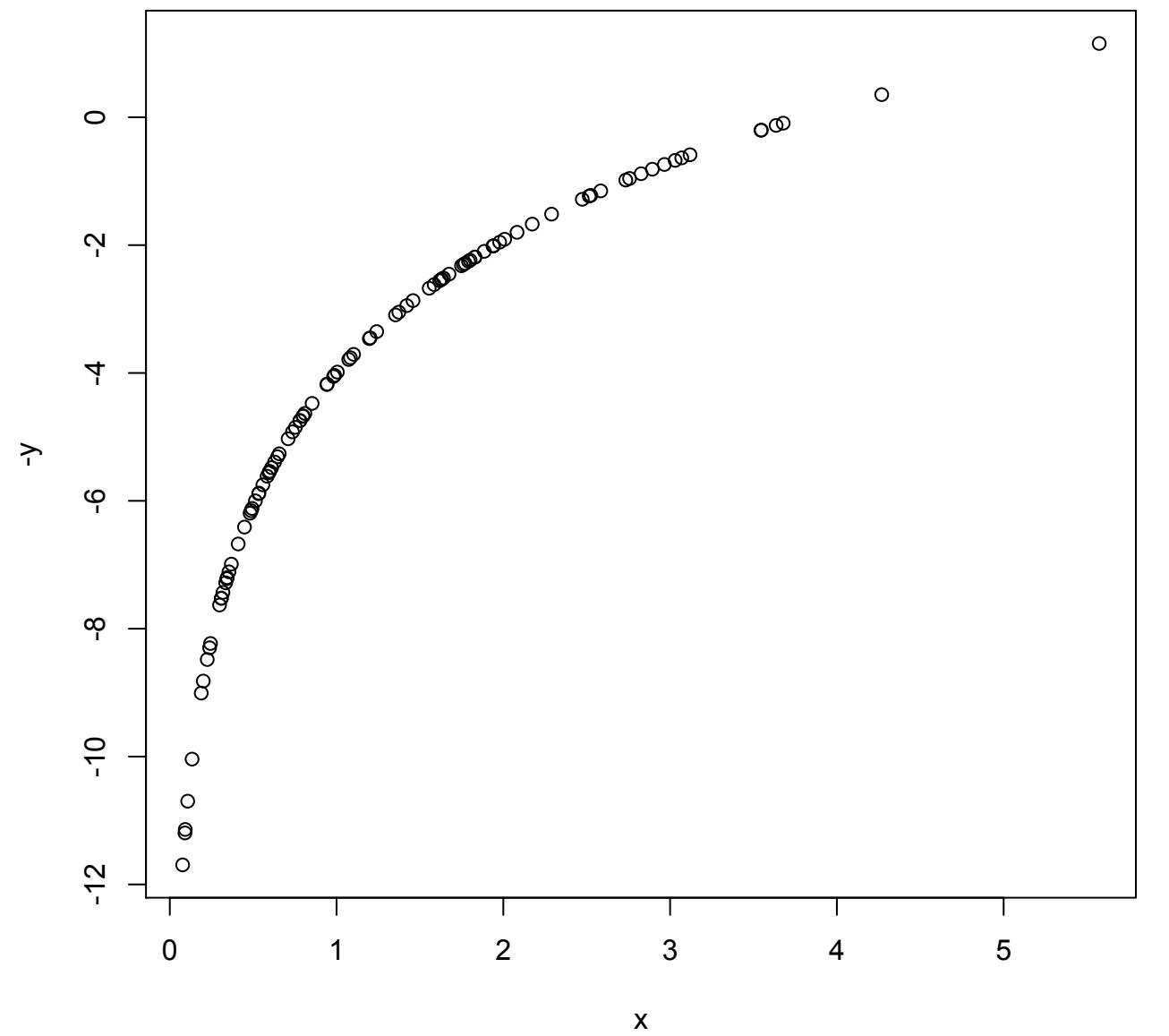
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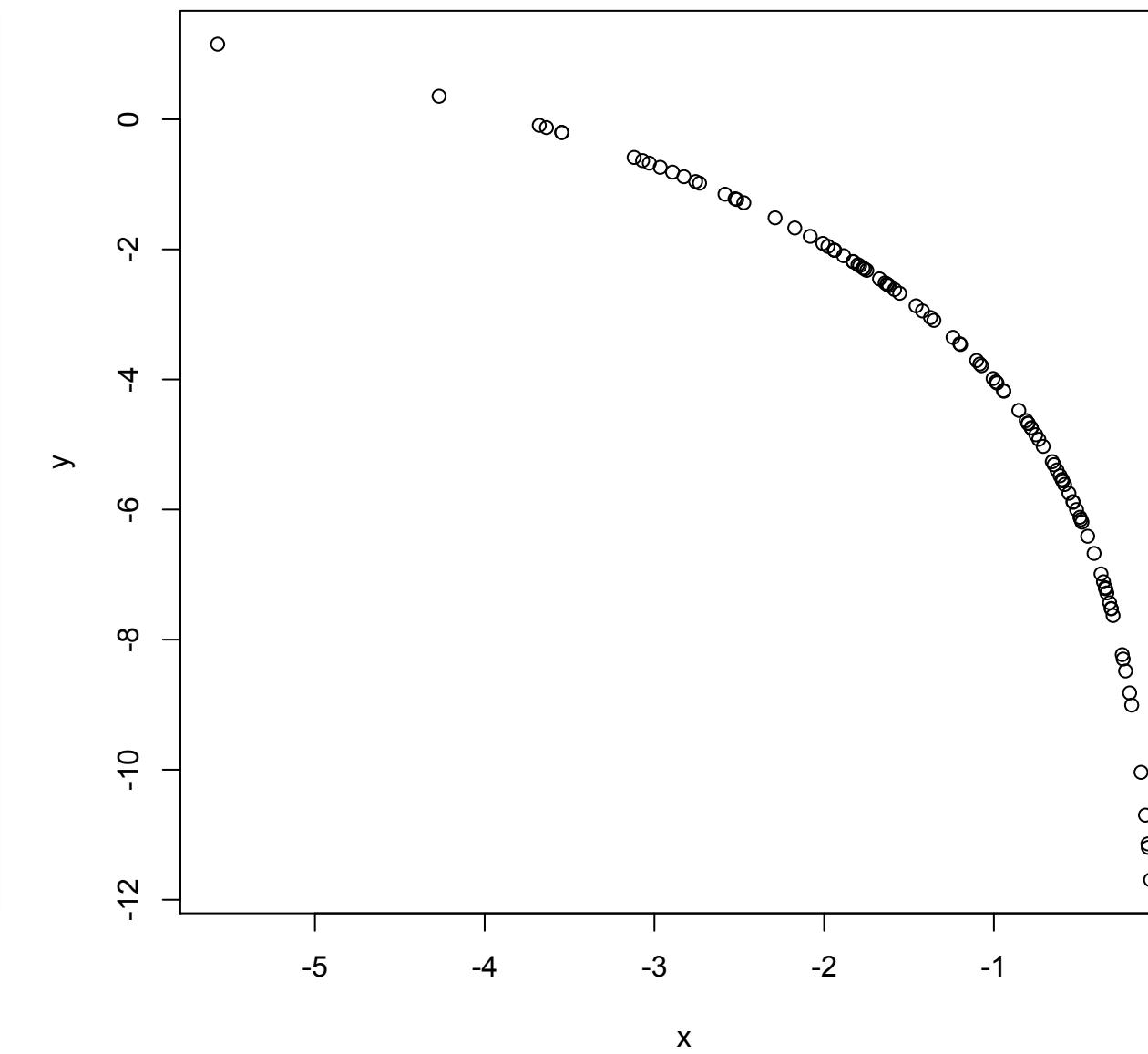
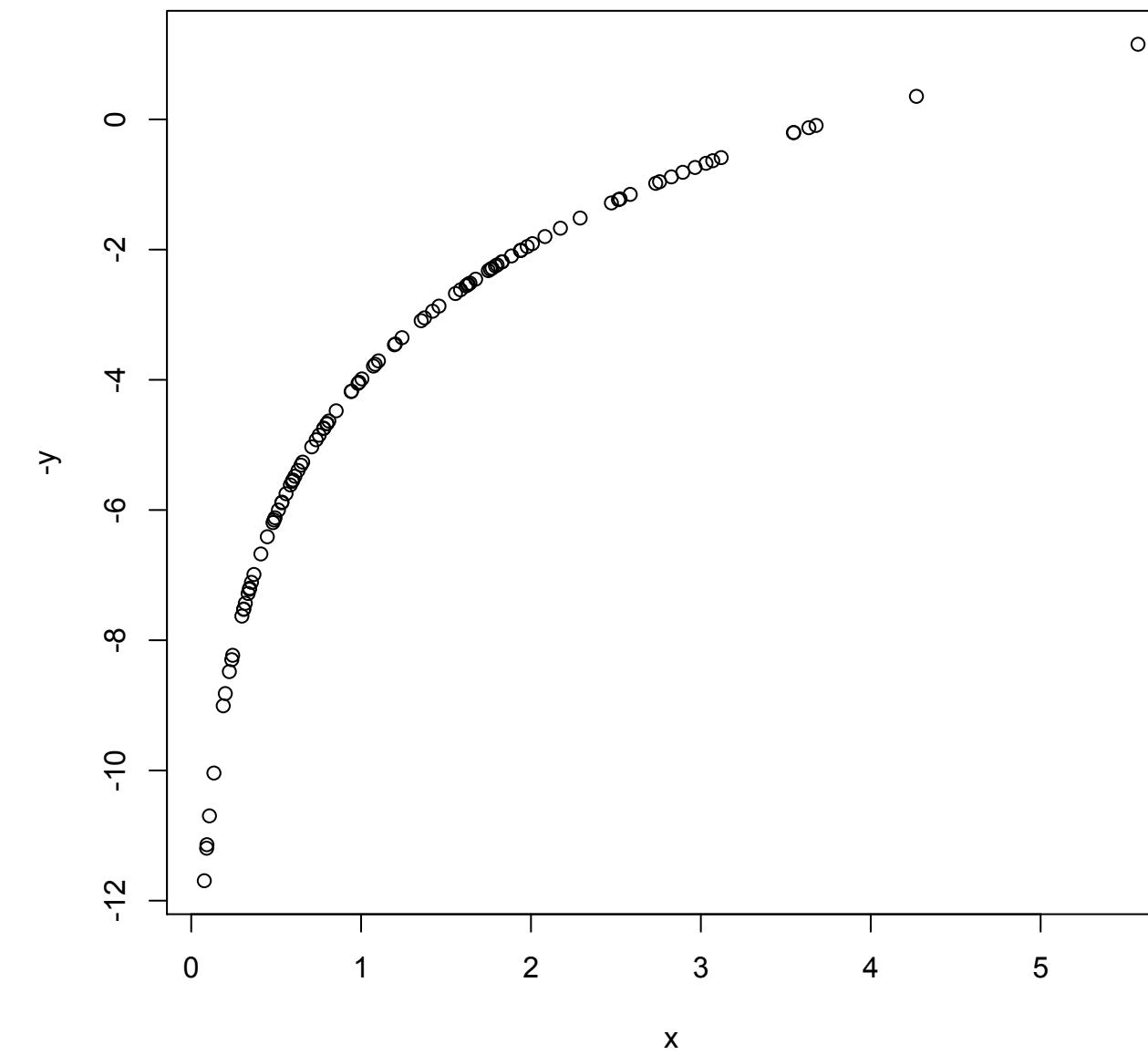


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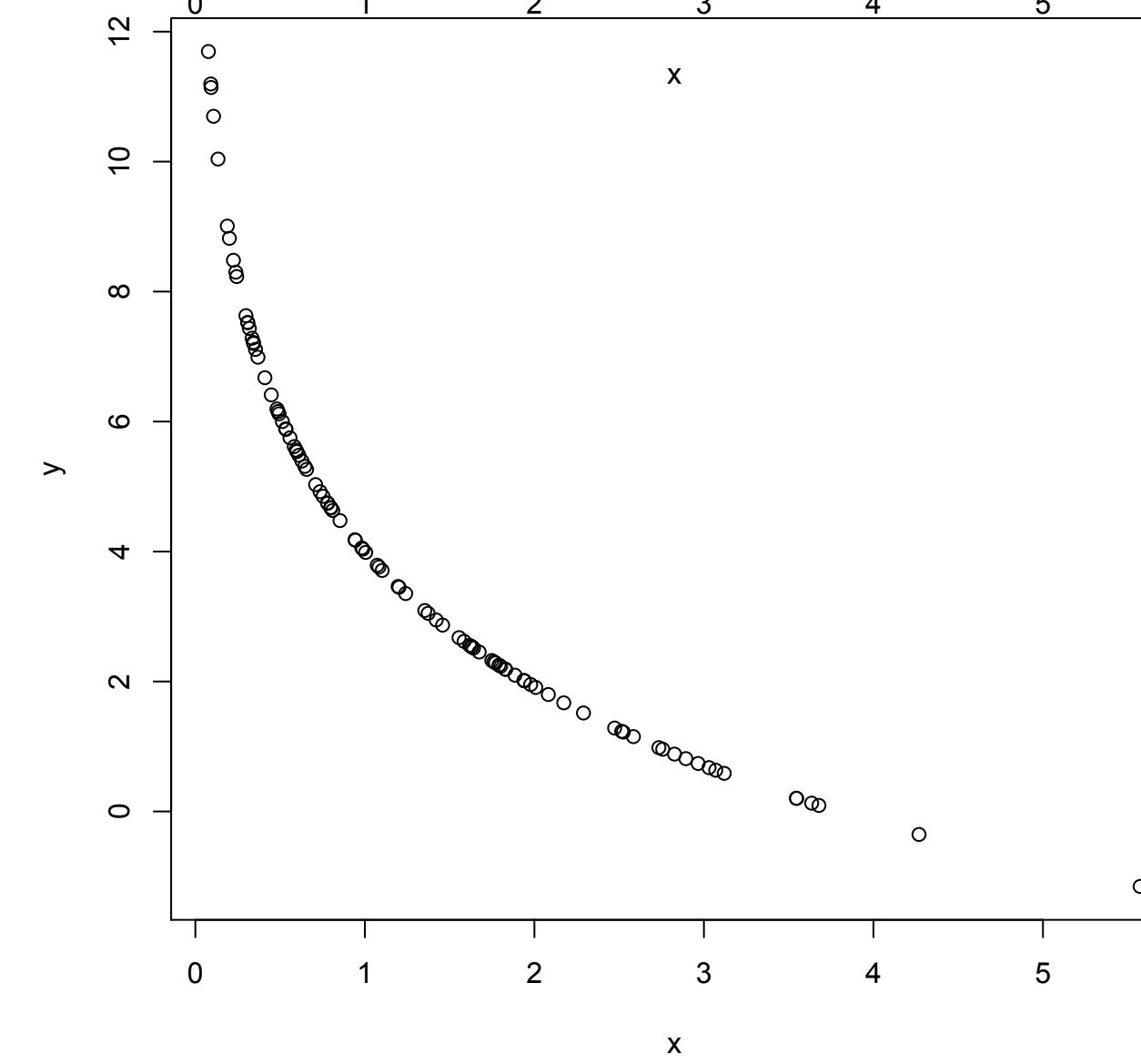
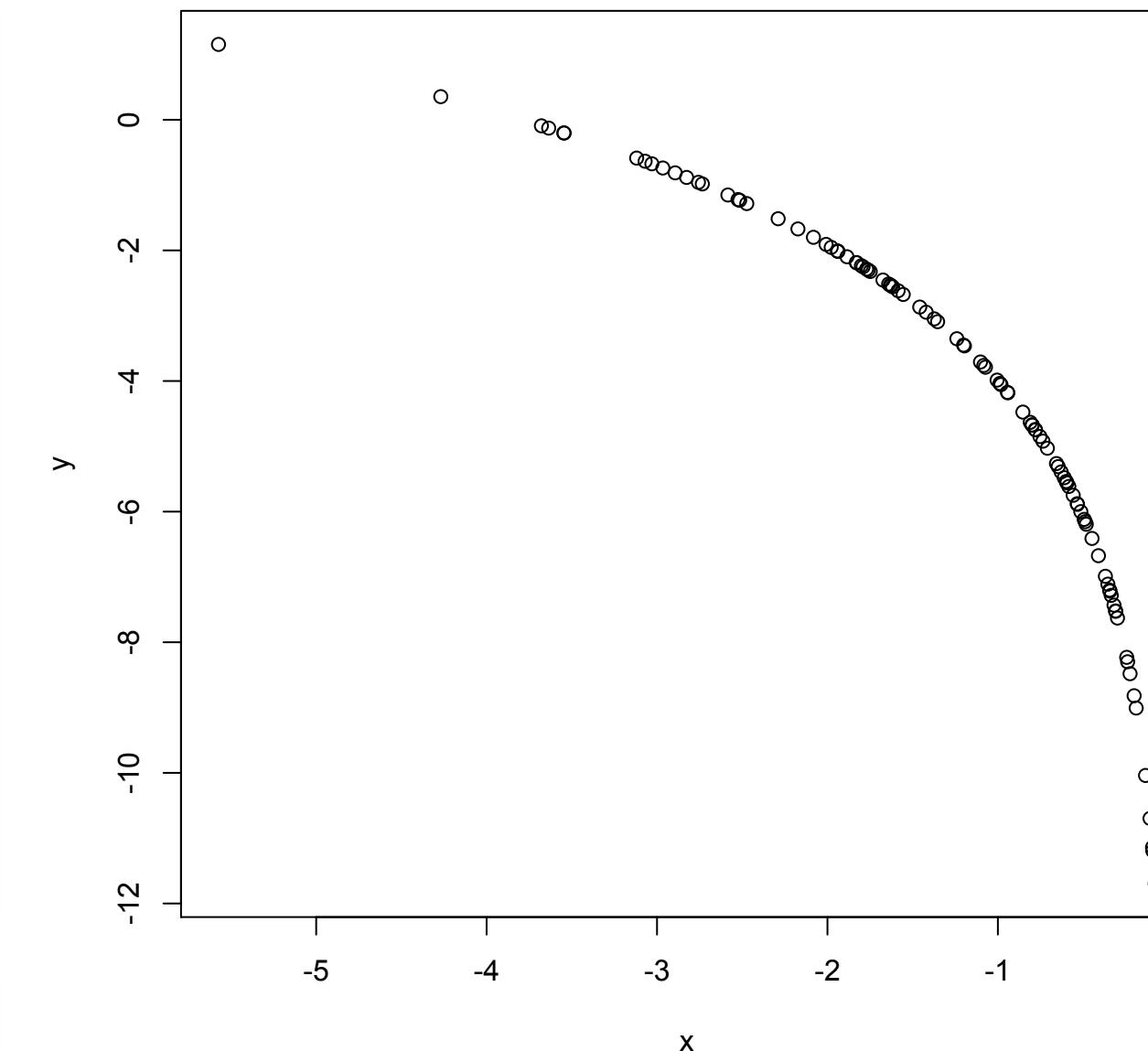
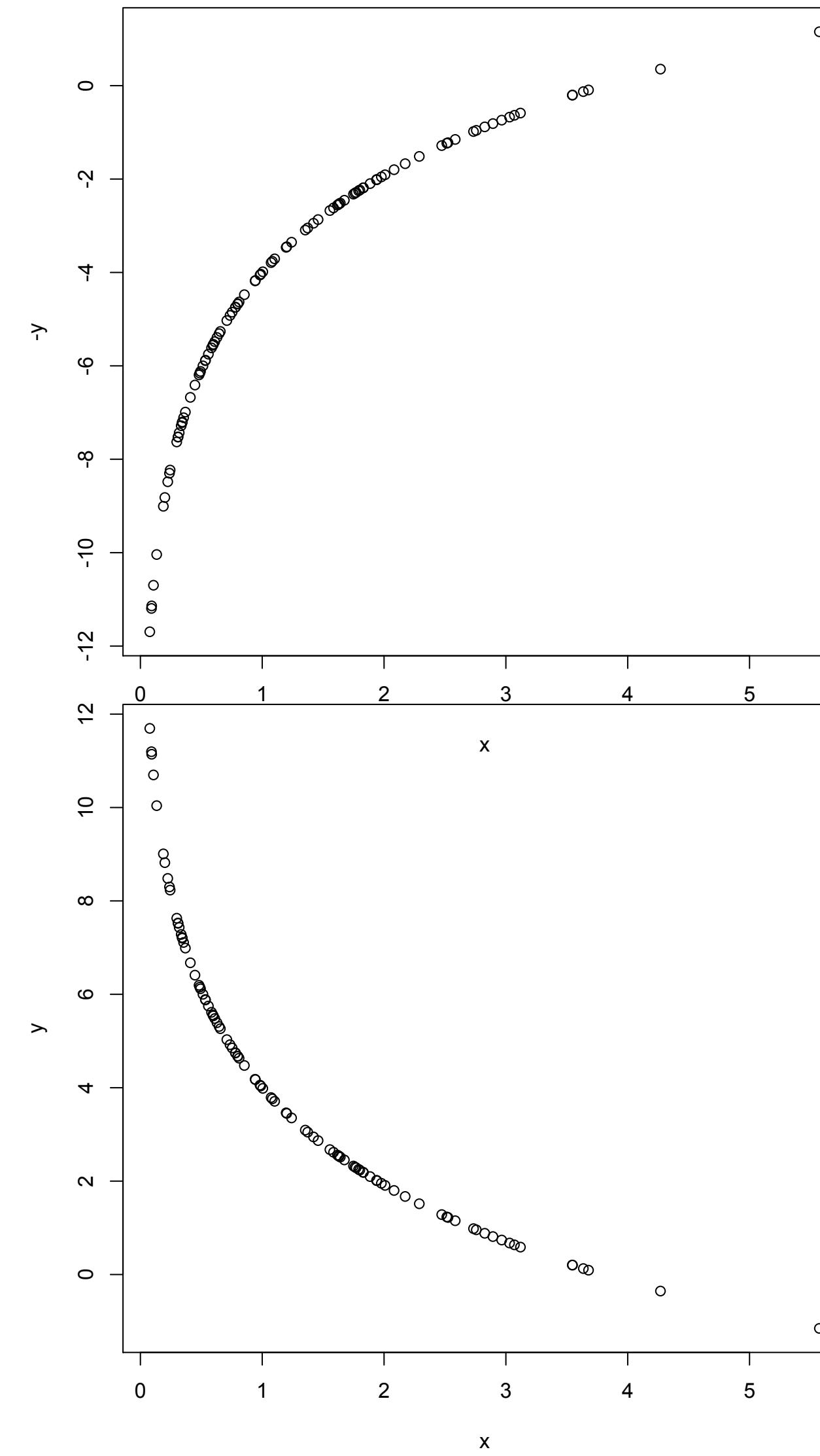
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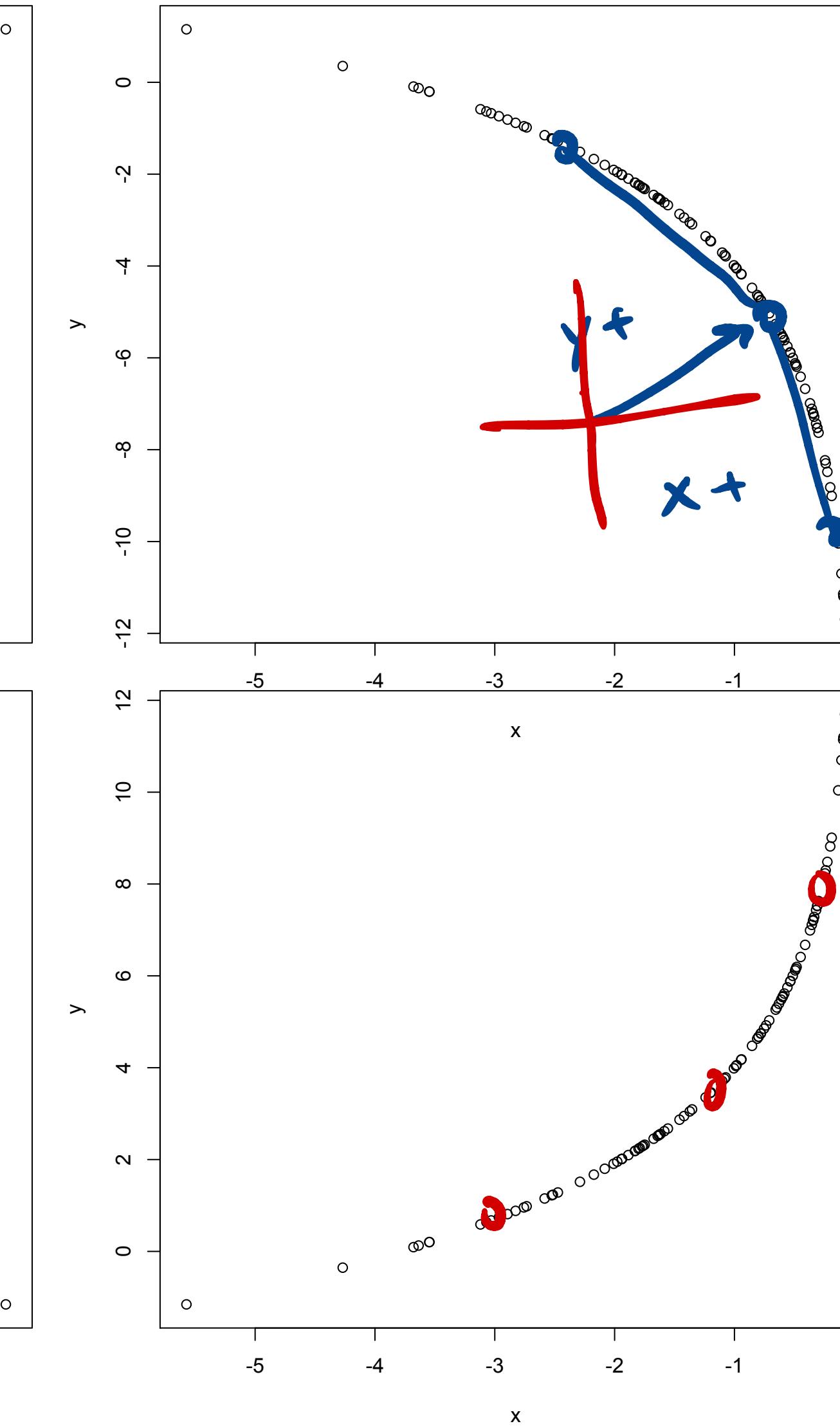
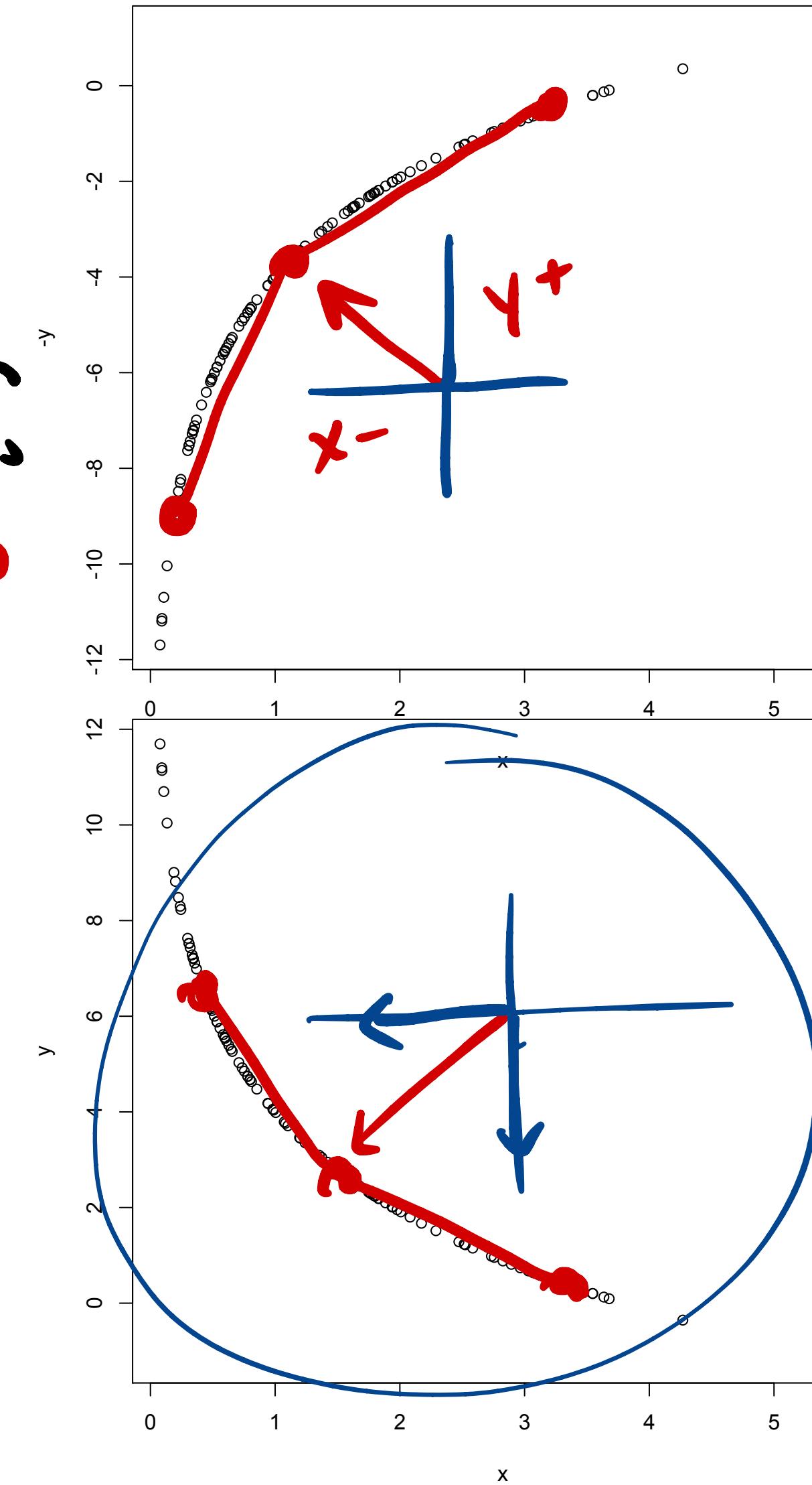
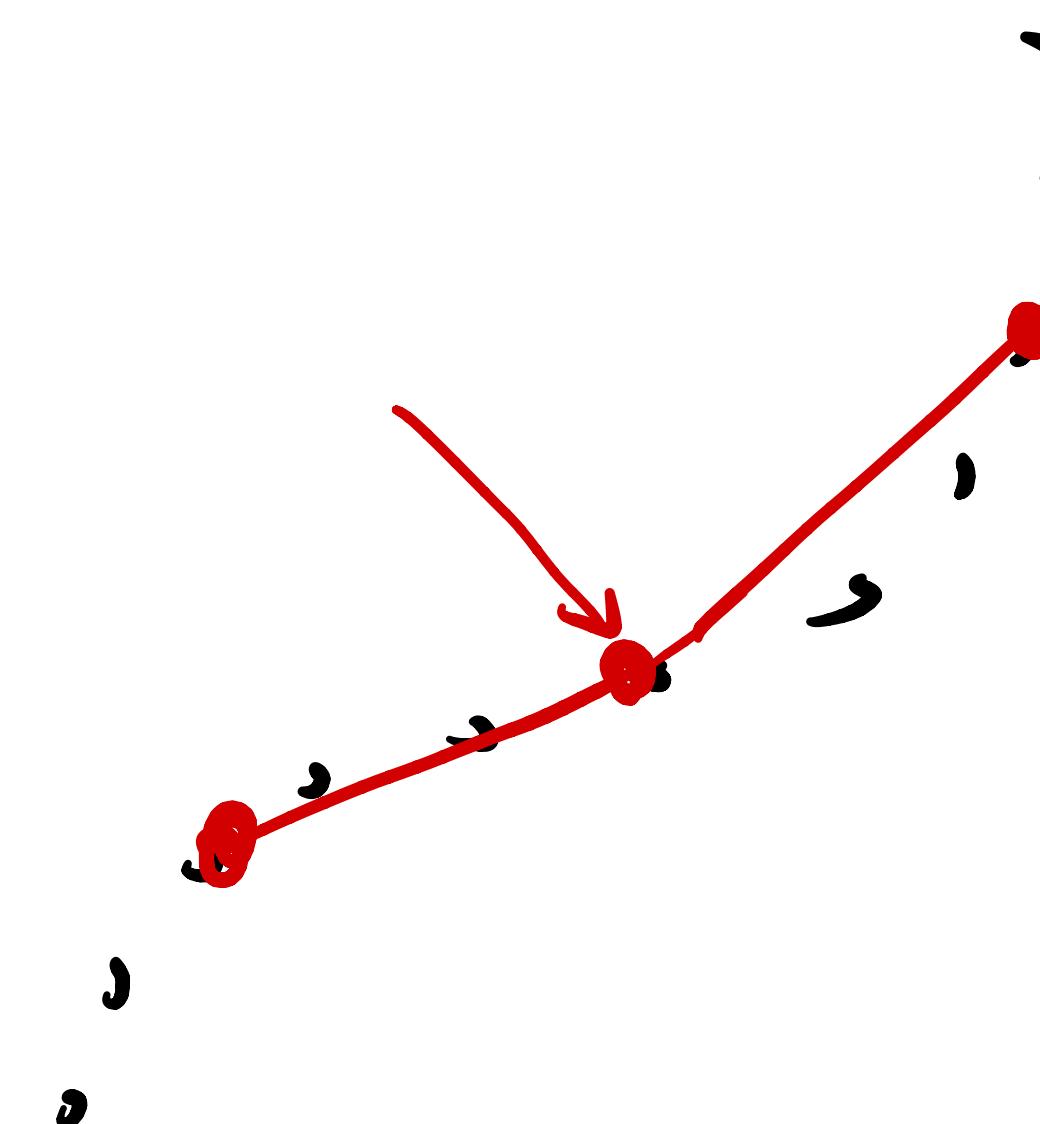
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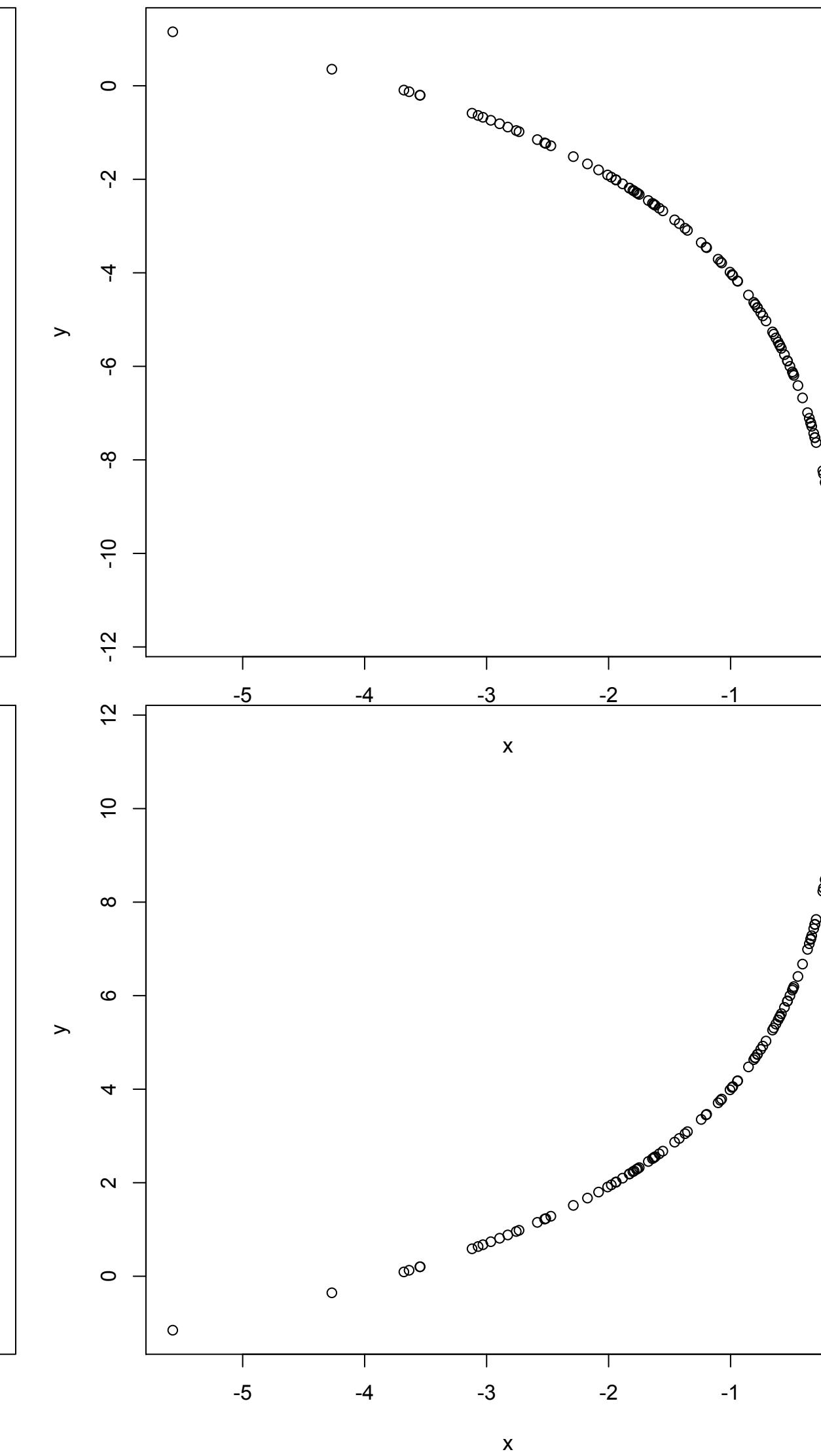
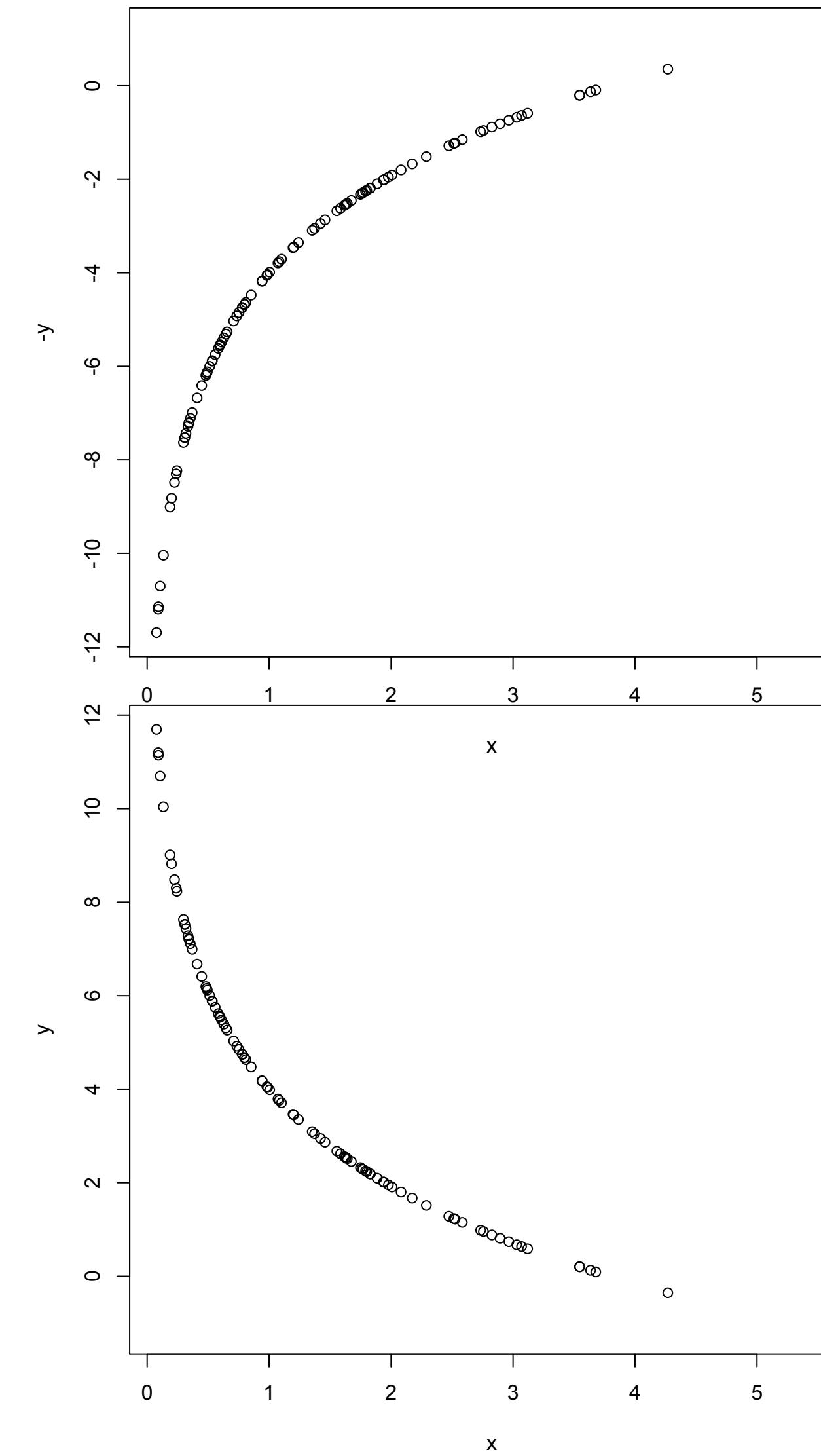
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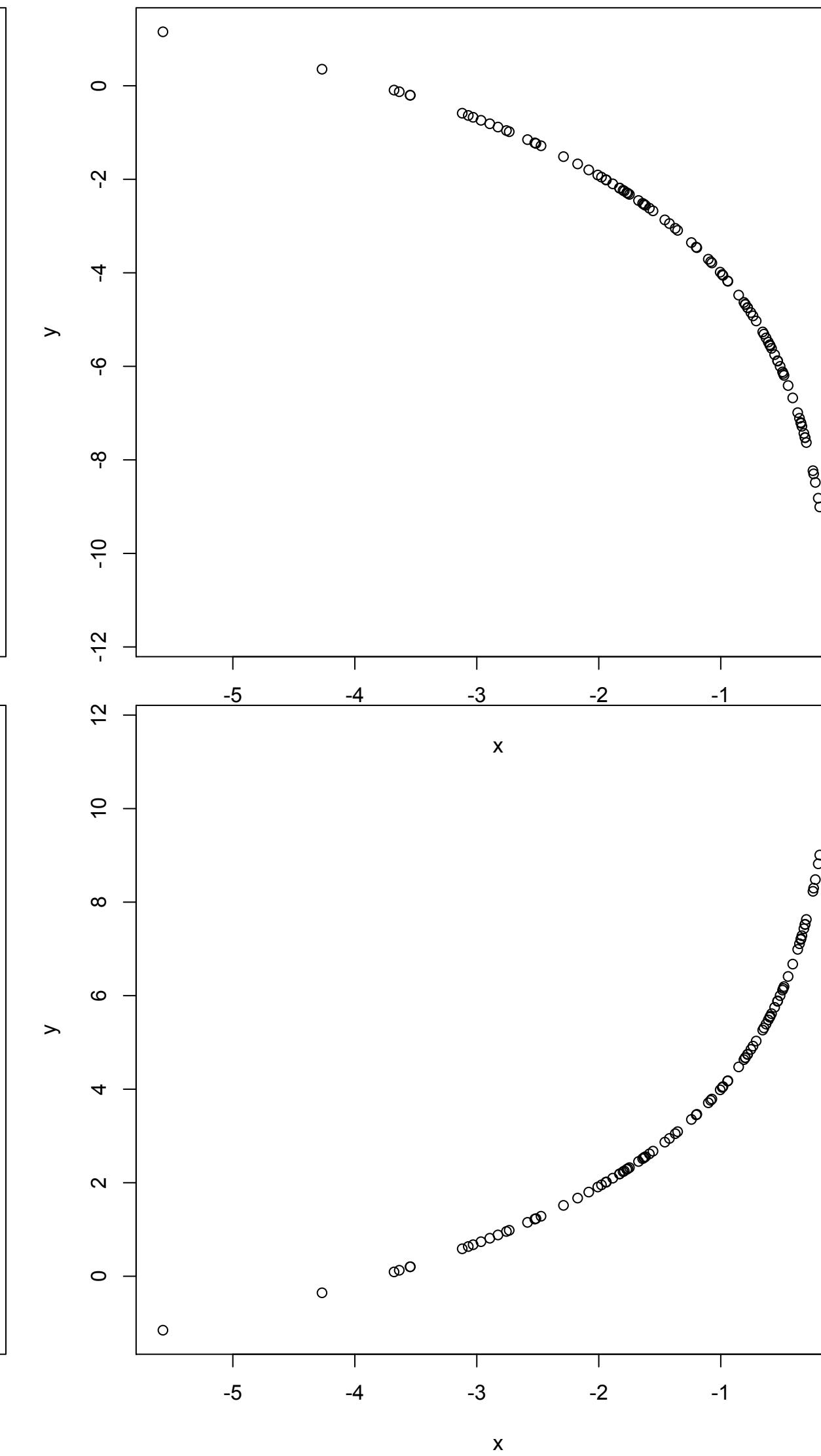
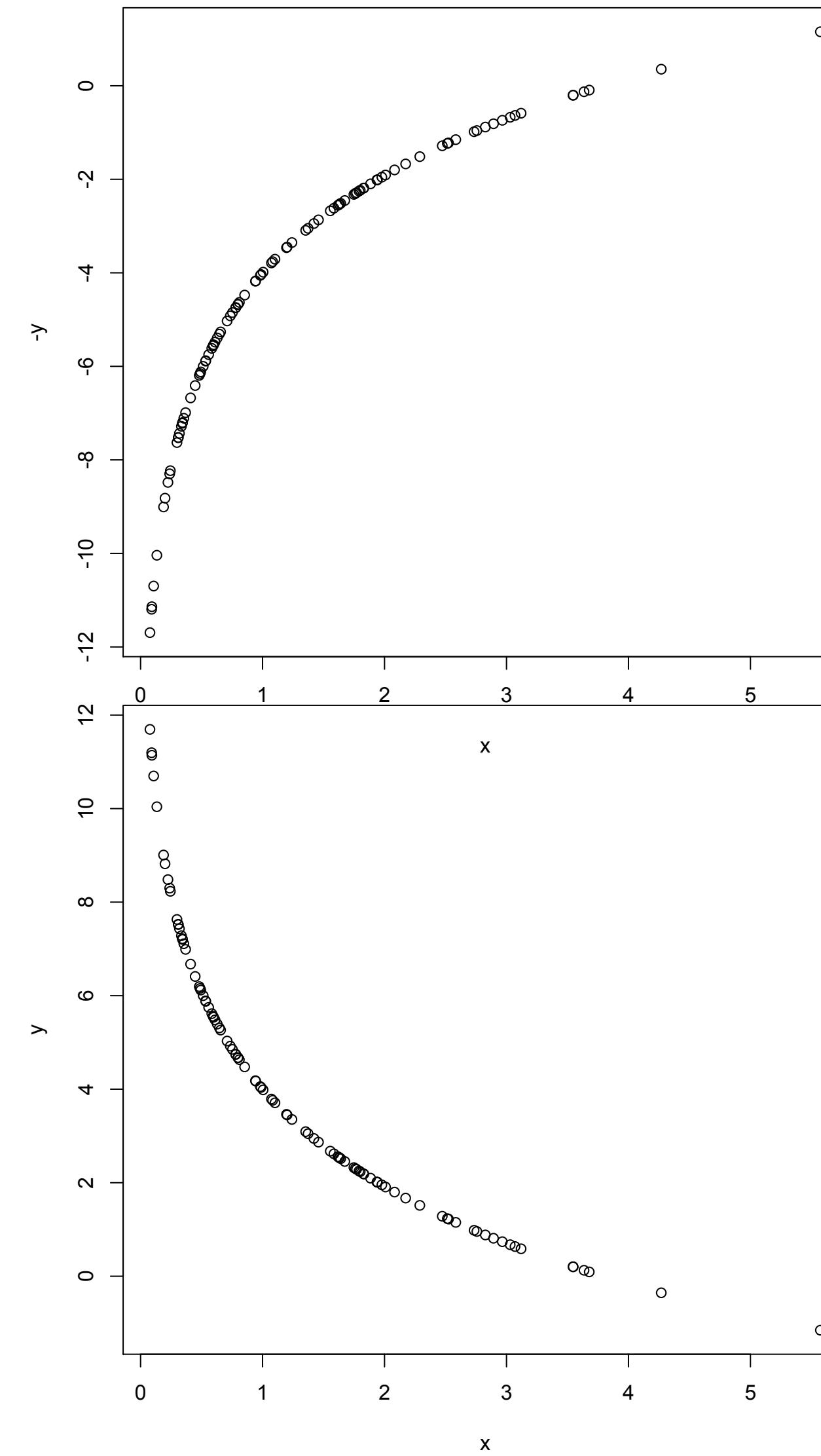
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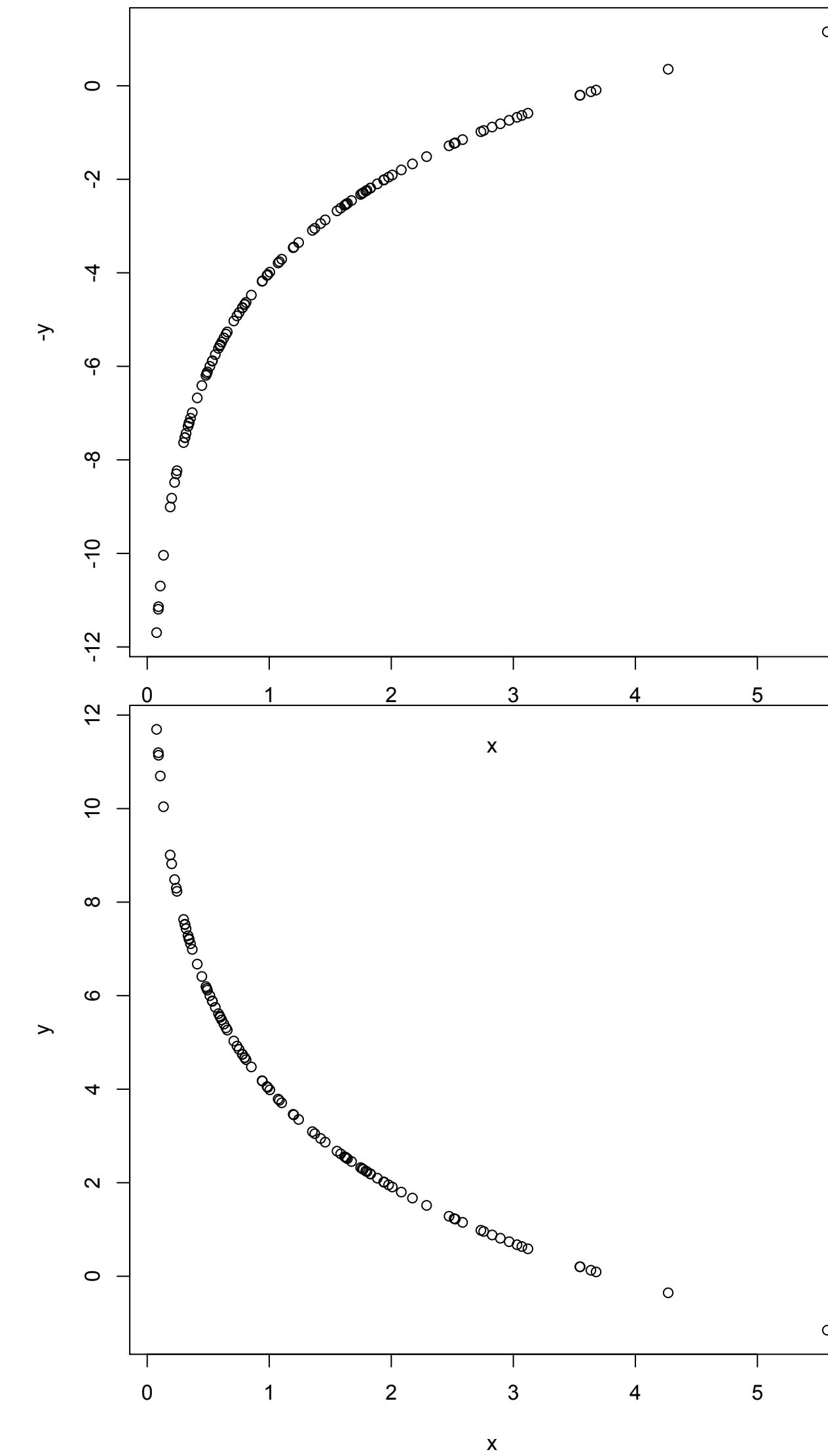
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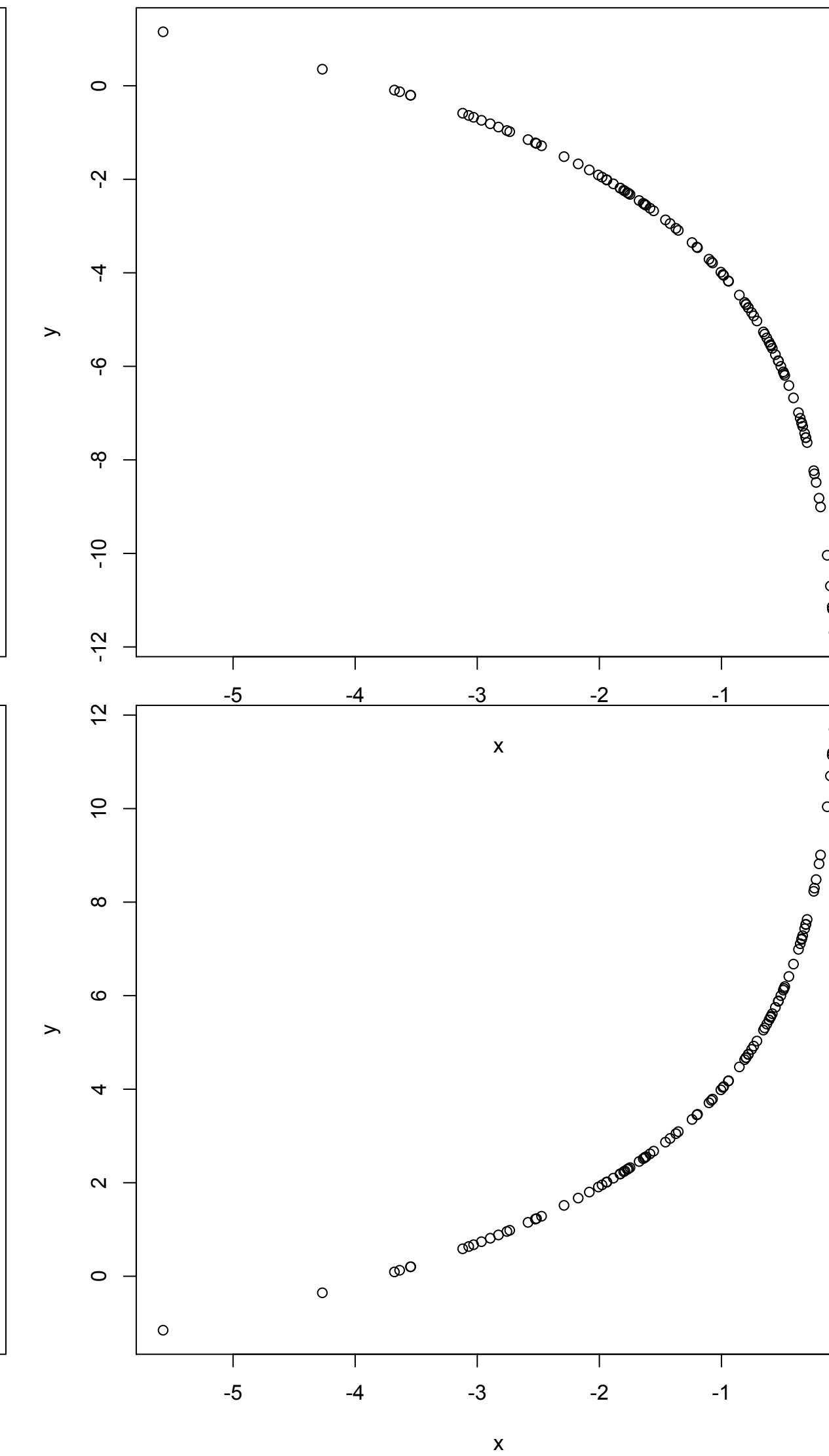
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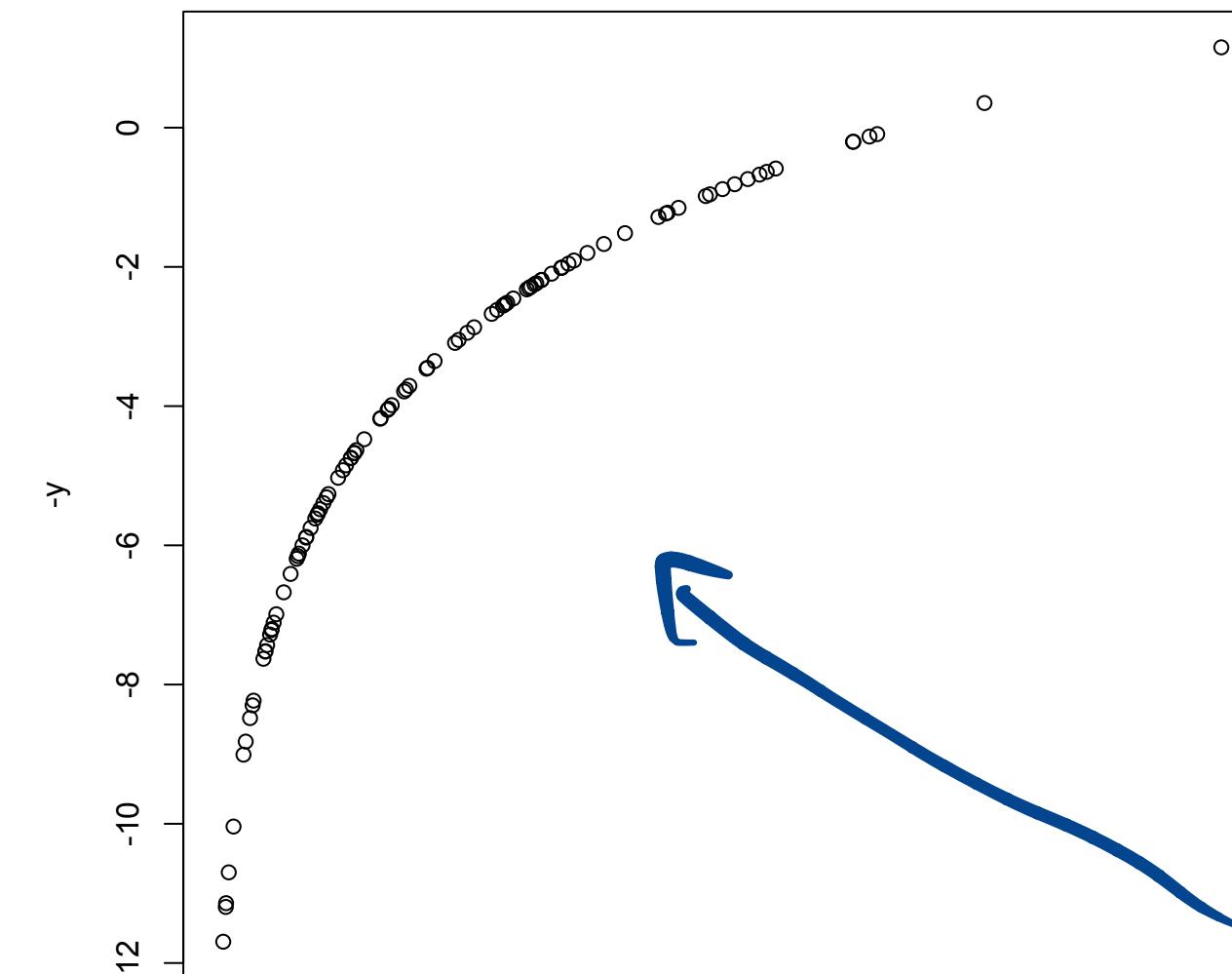
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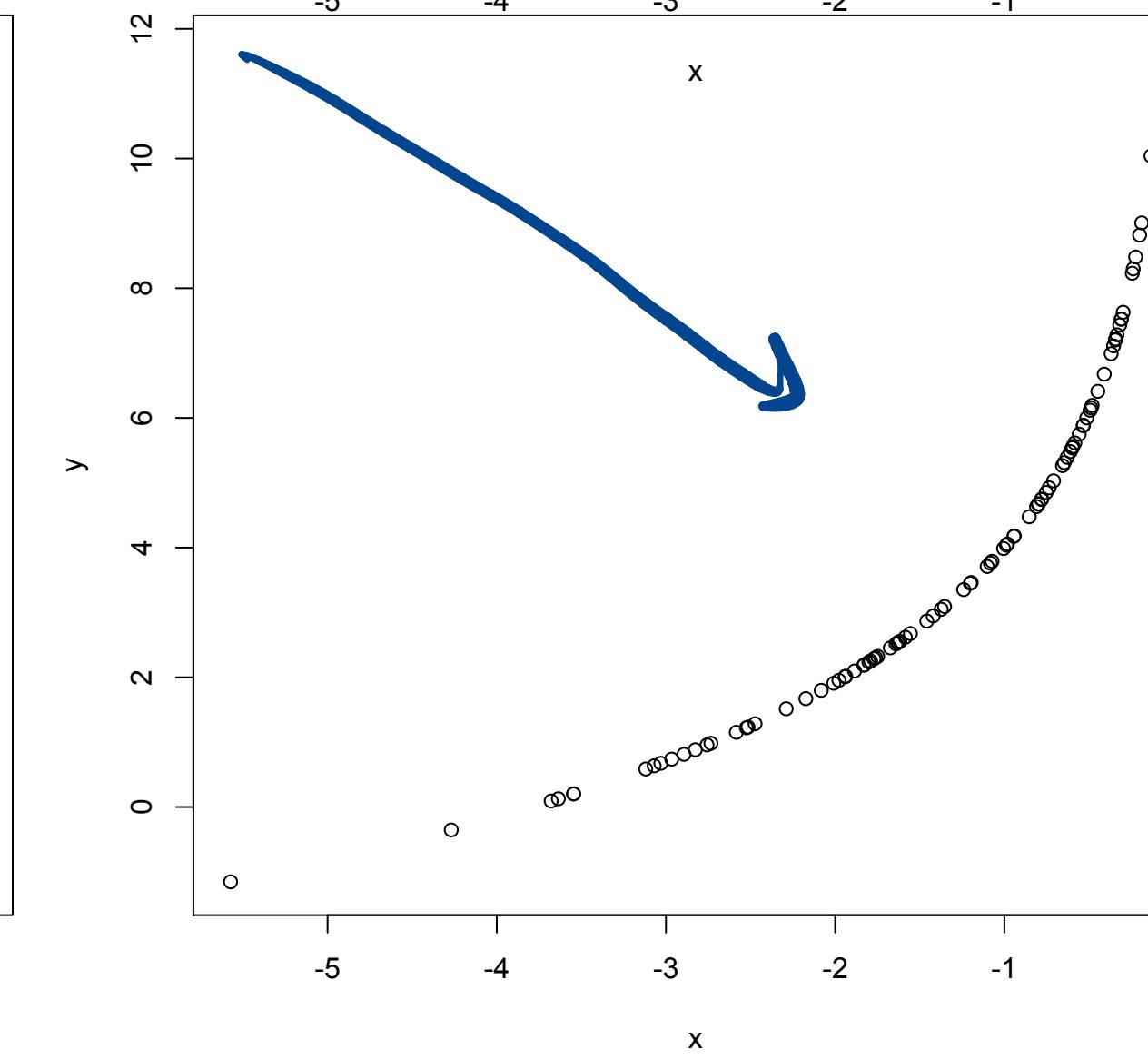
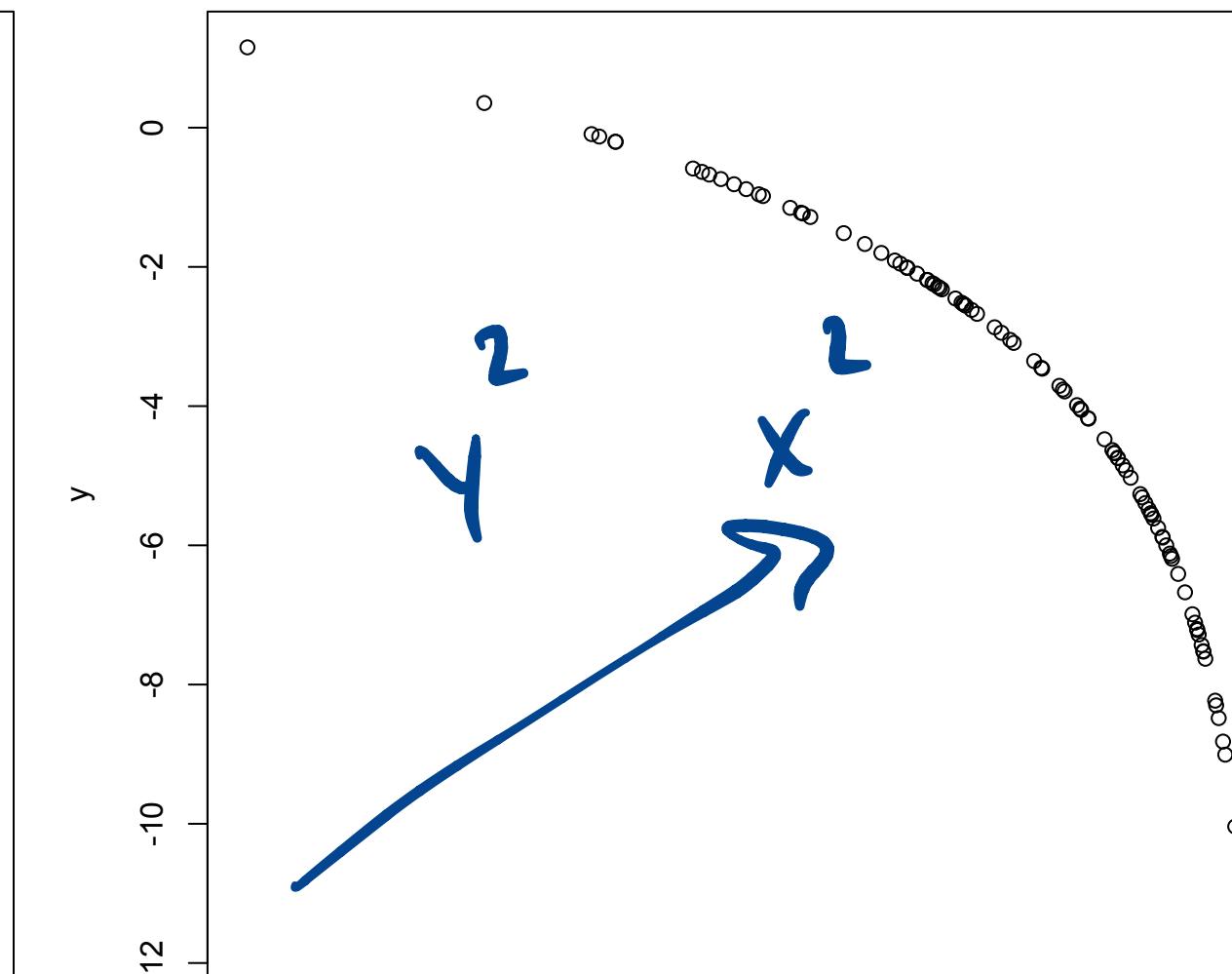
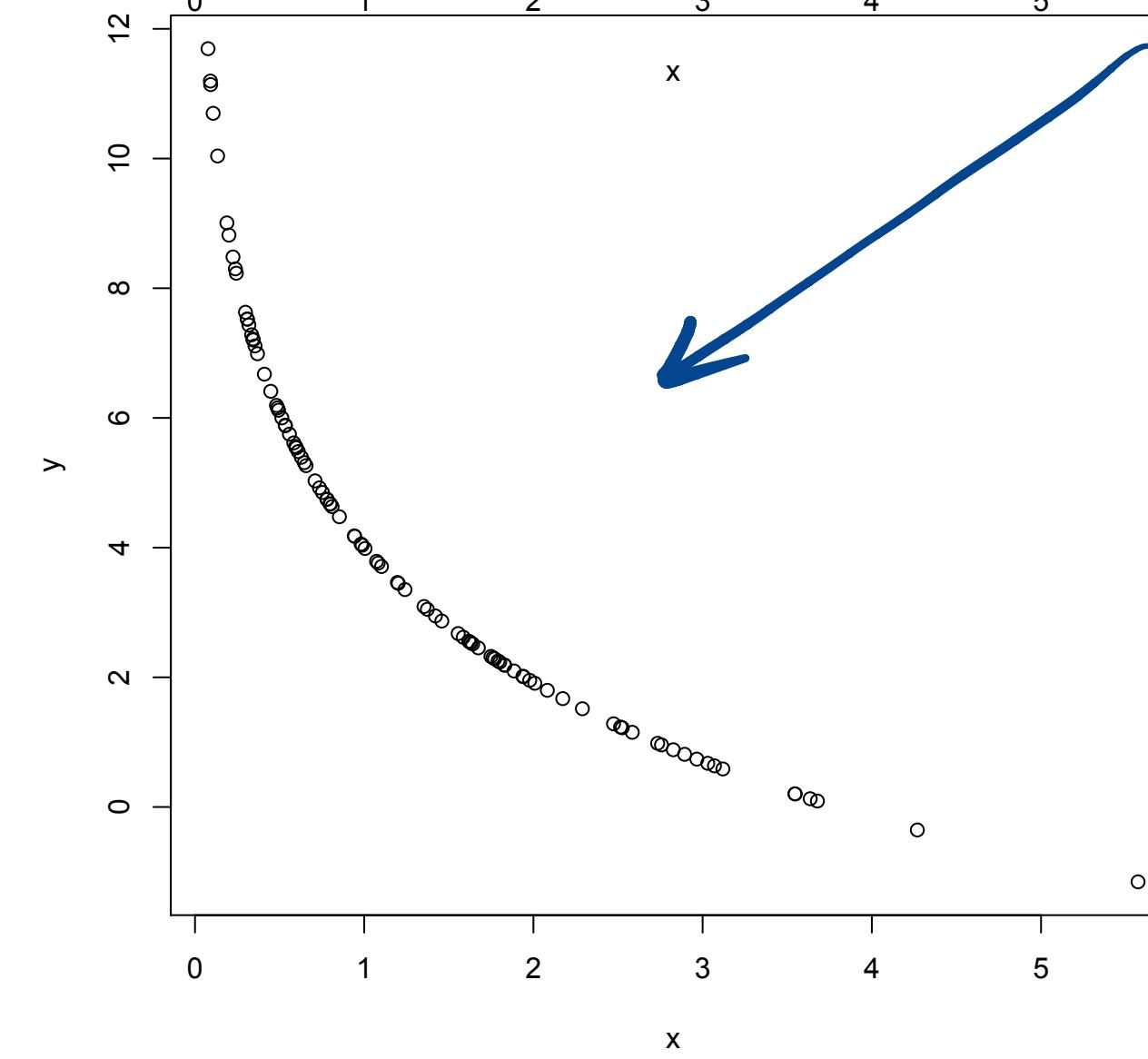
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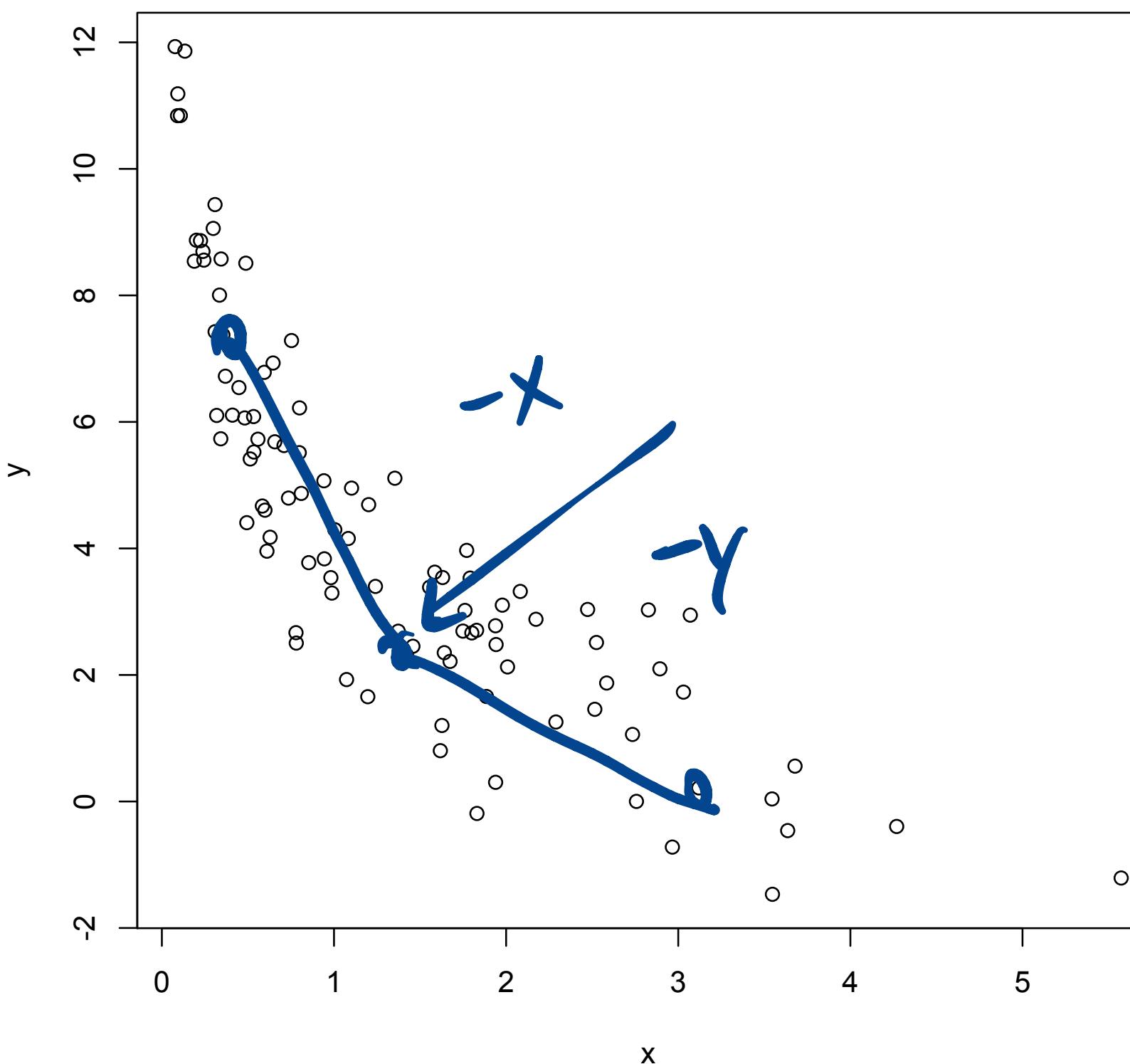
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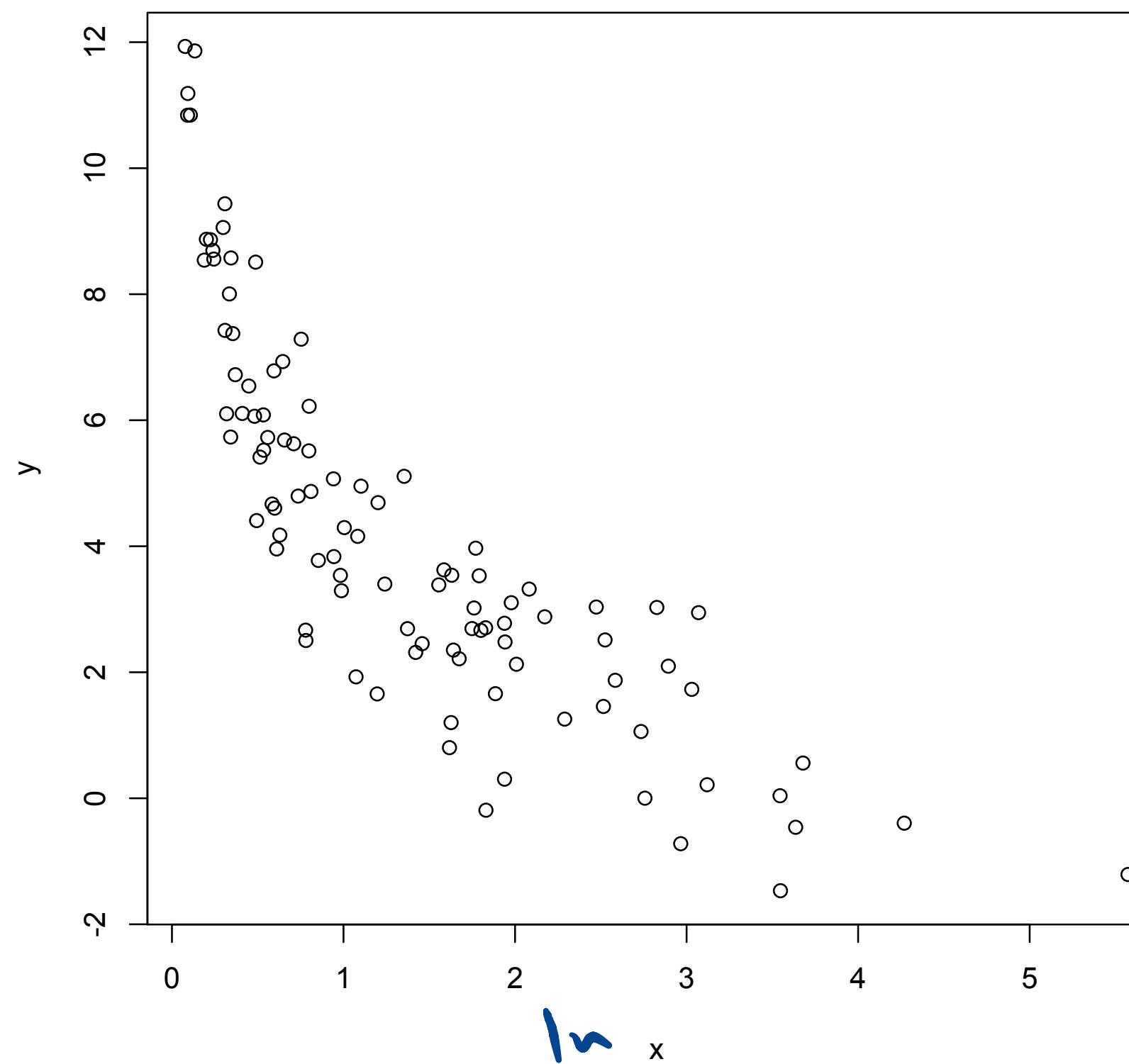
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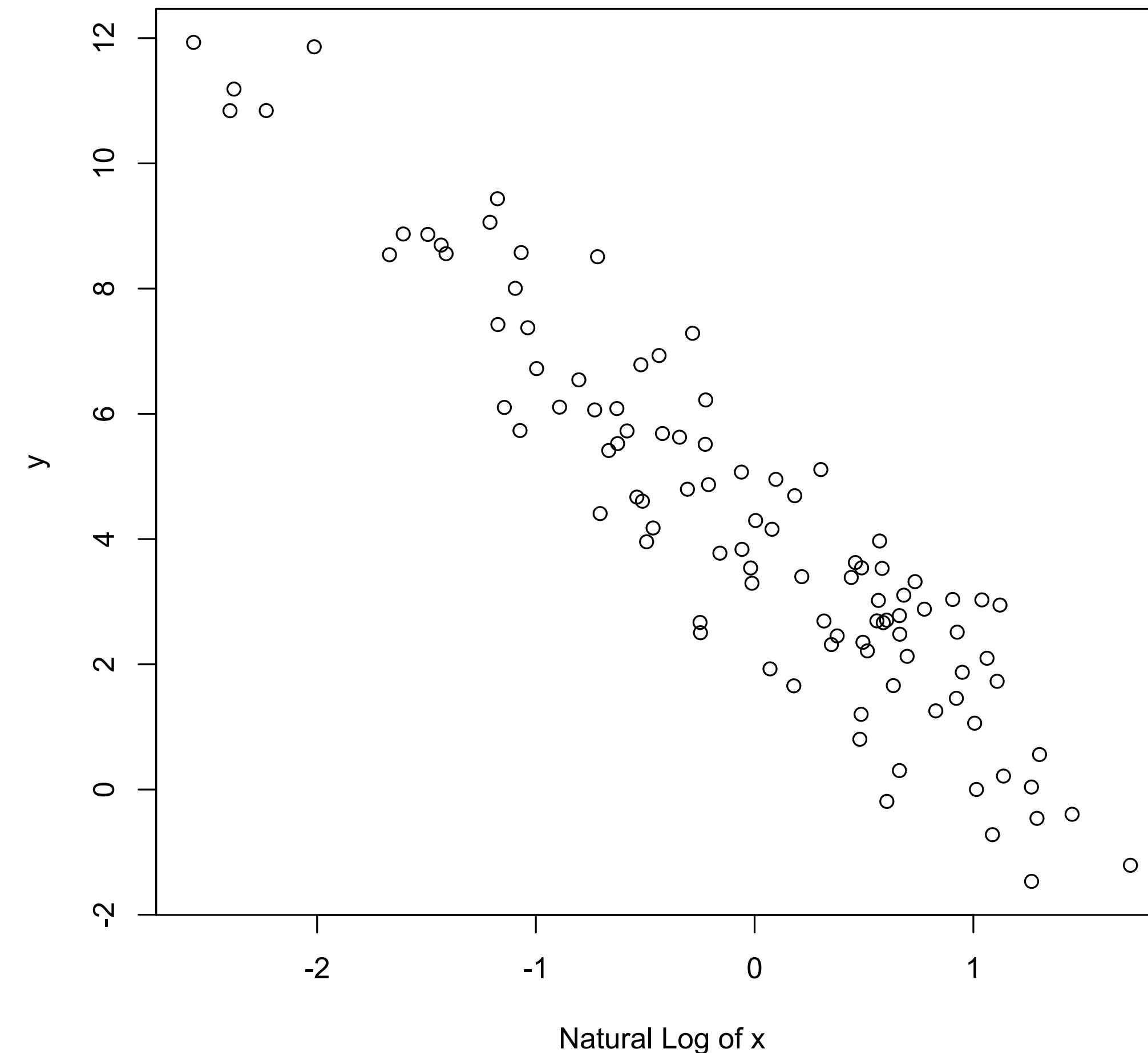
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- A natural log transformation of  $x$  may be appropriate, since we need to decrease the exponent



# Transformed Data

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_1 \cdot \ln x + \hat{\beta}_0$$



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$$\ln(1.01) \approx 0.01$$

$$\hat{y}^* = \hat{\beta}_1 [\ln(x) + \ln(1+p)] + \hat{\beta}_0$$

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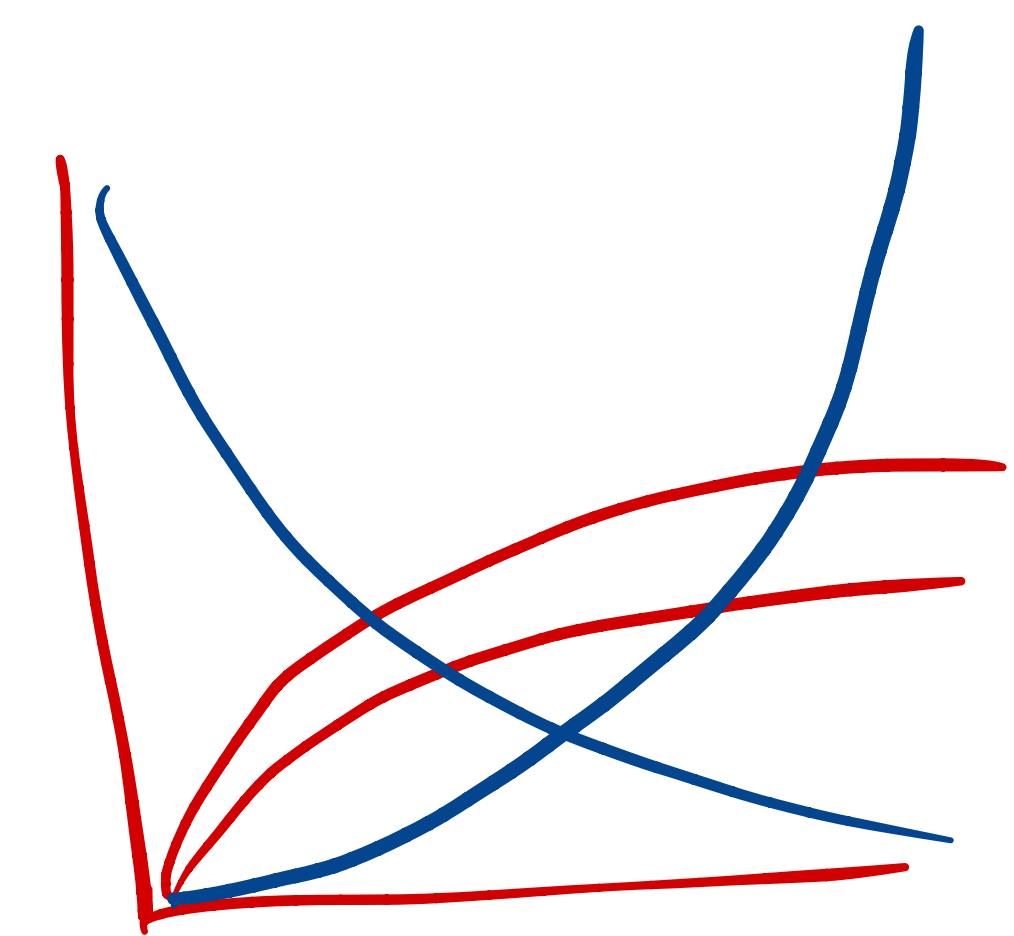
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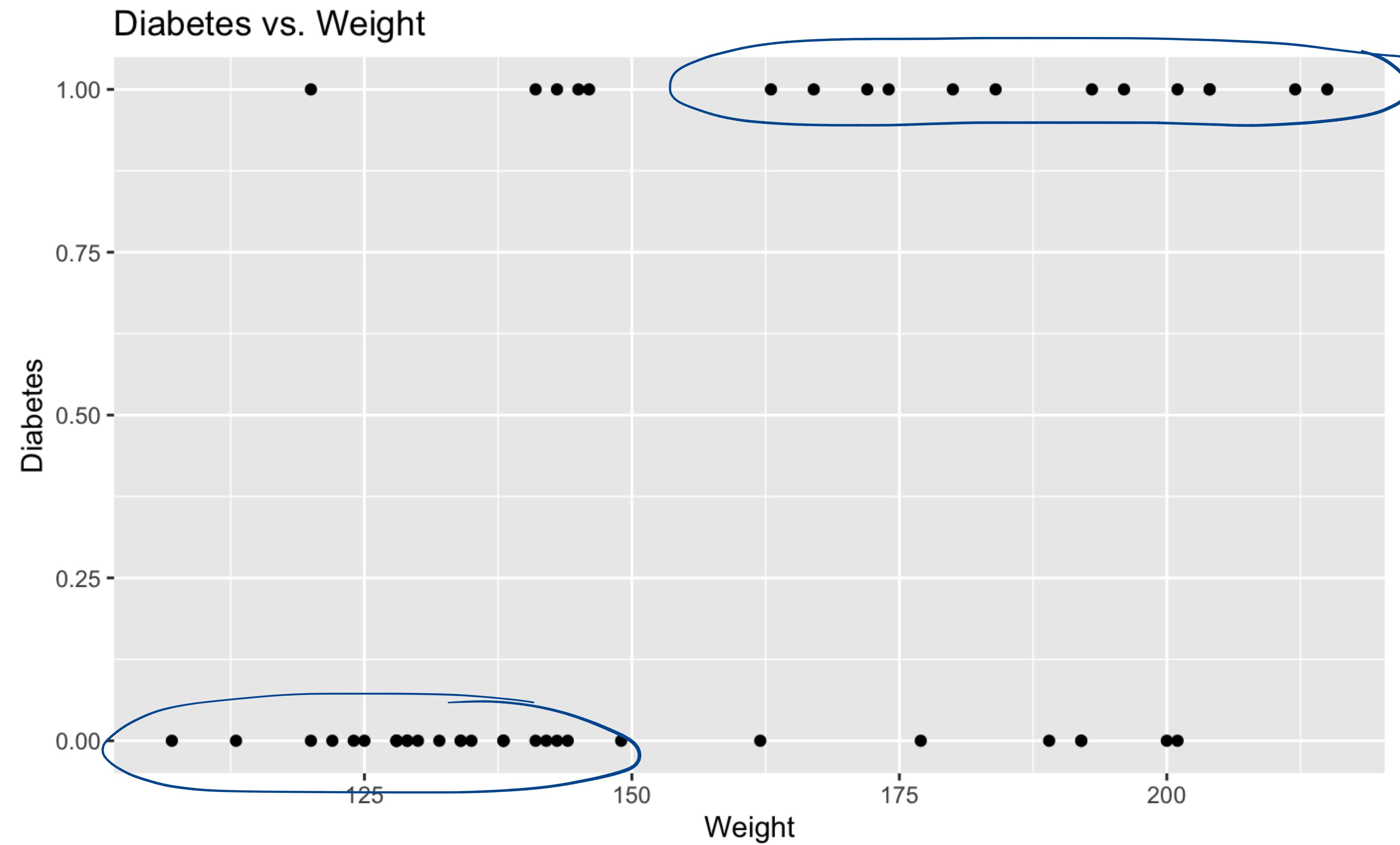
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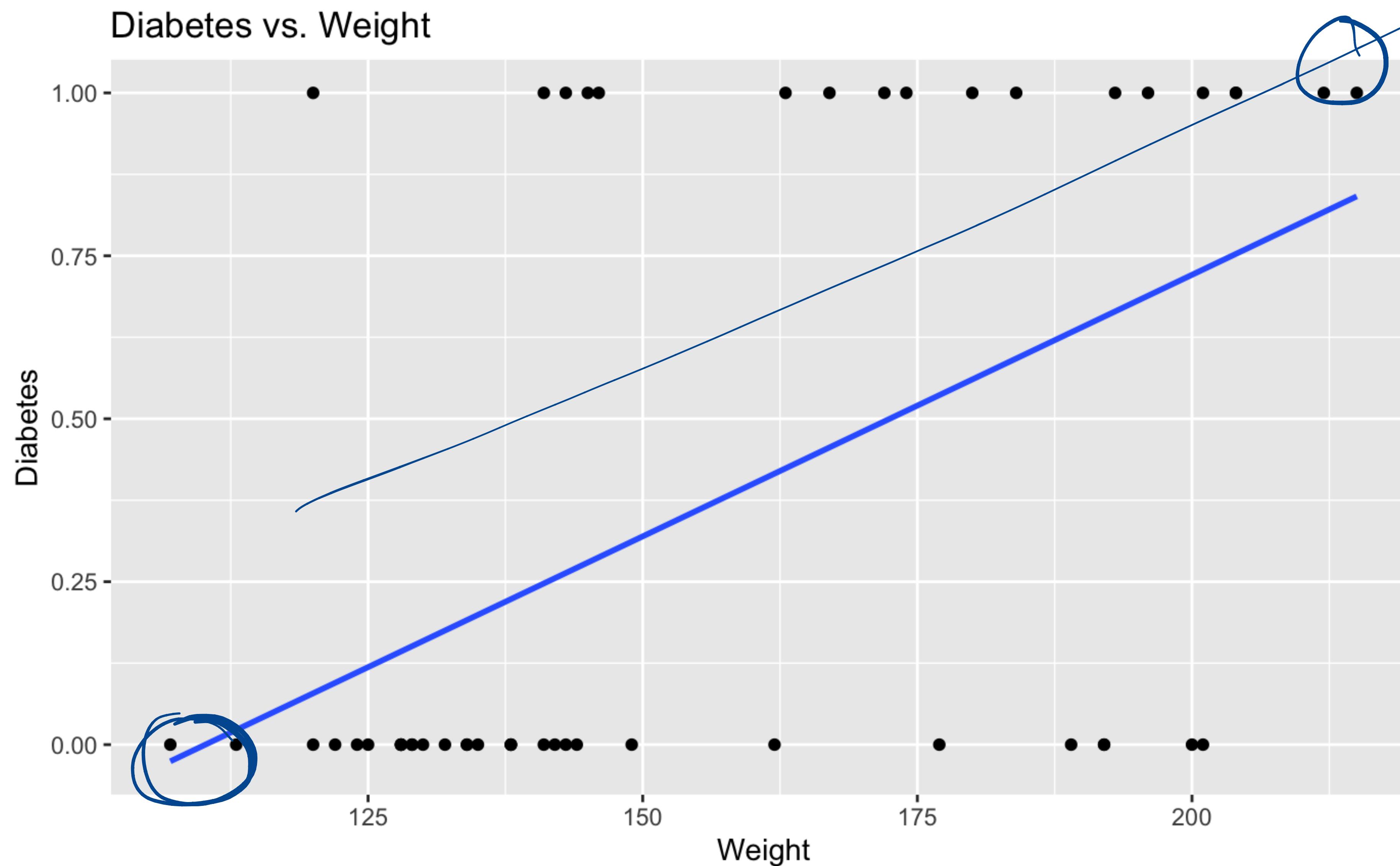
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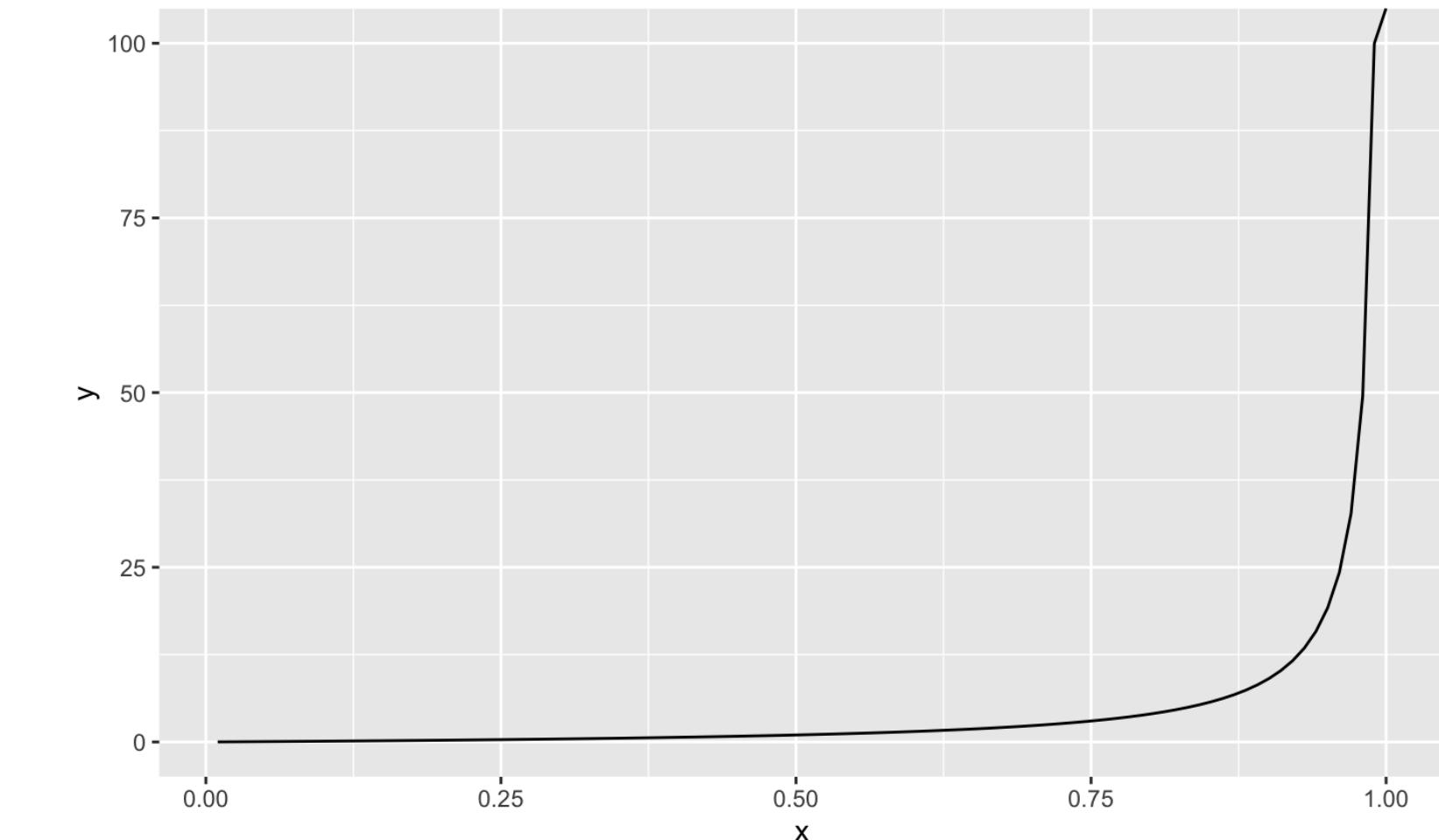
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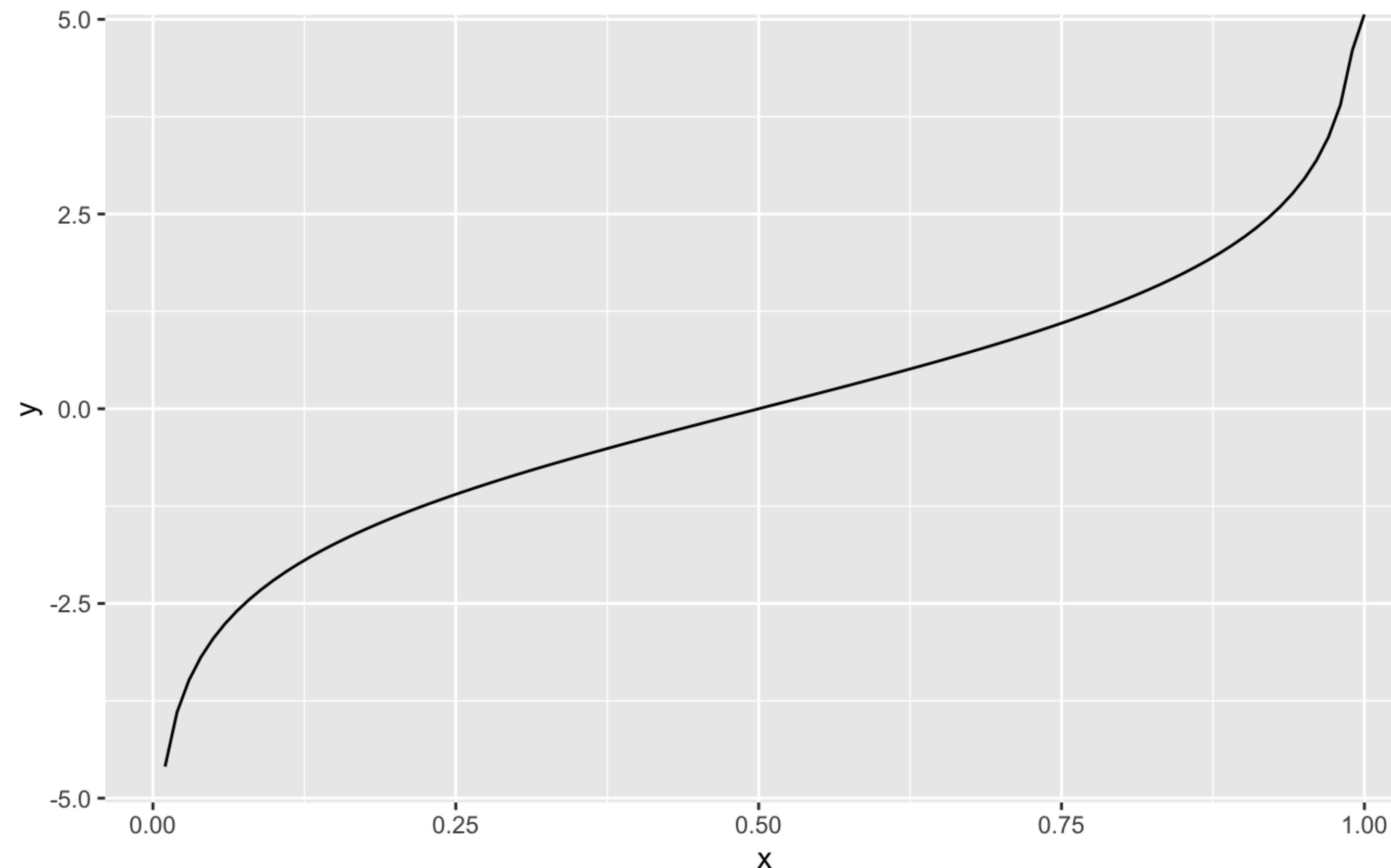
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- With the log-odds function, we can run “normal” regression now

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