# Problem set 7

### 2025-03-15

1. Load the **HistData** package. Create a galton\_height data with the father's height and one randomly selected daughter from each family. Exclude families with no female children. Set the seed at 2007 and use the function sample\_n to select the random child. You should end up with a heights dataset with two columns: father and daughter.

# library(HistData) Warning: package 'HistData' was built under R version 4.4.3 library(dplyr) Attaching package: 'dplyr' The following objects are masked from 'package:stats': filter, lag The following objects are masked from 'package:base': intersect, setdiff, setequal, union names(GaltonFamilies)

"mother"

"gender"

"midparentHeight"

"childHeight"

"father"

"childNum"

[1] "family"

[5] "children"

```
set.seed(2007)
heights <- GaltonFamilies %>%
  filter(gender == "female") %>%
  group_by(family) %>%
  sample_n(1) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  select(father, daughter = childHeight)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 2
 father daughter
   <dbl>
           <dbl>
   78.5
            69.2
1
2
  75.5
            65.5
3
  75
            68
            64.5
4
  75
5
  75
            62.5
  74
            69.5
```

2. Estimate the intercept and slope of the regression line for predicting daughter height Y using father height X. Use the following regression line formula:

$$\frac{\hat{Y} - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y} = \rho \frac{x - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}$$

```
mu_x <- mean(heights$father)
mu_y <- mean(heights$father)
sigma_x <- sd(heights$father)
sigma_y <- sd(heights$daughter)

# Calculate the correlation coefficient
rho <- cor(heights$father, heights$daughter)

# Calculate regression coefficients
beta_1 <- rho * (sigma_y / sigma_x)
beta_0 <- mu_y - beta_1 * mu_x

# Parameters of the output regression equation
cat("Intercept (0):", beta_0, "\n")</pre>
```

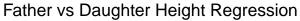
Intercept (0): 36.56251

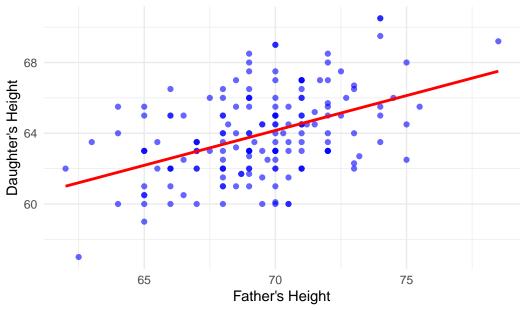
```
cat("Slope (1):", beta_1, "\n")
```

Slope (1): 0.394218

3. Make a plot to confirm the regression line goes through the data.

`geom\_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'





4. Recompute the slope and intercept coefficients, this time using lm and confirm you get the same answer as with the formula used in problem 2.

```
# Calculate the regression model using lm()
model <- lm(daughter ~ father, data = heights)</pre>
# Output the regression coefficients
summary(model)
Call:
lm(formula = daughter ~ father, data = heights)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             3Q
                                     Max
-4.3549 -1.5929 -0.1371 1.4937 4.8422
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 36.56251
                        4.09418 8.930 5.91e-16 ***
                                  6.689 2.95e-10 ***
father
             0.39422
                        0.05893
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 2.13 on 174 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.2046,
                                Adjusted R-squared:
F-statistic: 44.75 on 1 and 174 DF, p-value: 2.948e-10
beta_0_lm <- coef(model)[1]</pre>
beta_1_lm <- coef(model)[2]</pre>
cat("Intercept (0) from lm():", beta_0_lm, "\n")
Intercept (0) from lm(): 36.56251
```

```
cat("Slope (1) from lm():", beta_1_lm, "\n")
```

### Slope (1) from lm(): 0.394218

5. Note that the interpretation of the intercept is: the height prediction for the daughter whose father is 0 inches tall. This is not a very useful interpretation. Re-run the regression but instead of father height use inches above average for each father: instead of using the  $x_i$ s use  $x_i - \bar{x}$ . What is the interpretation of the intercept now? Does the slope estimate change?

```
heights <- heights %>%
  mutate(father_centered = father - mean(father))
model_centered <- lm(daughter ~ father_centered, data = heights)</pre>
summary(model_centered)
Call:
lm(formula = daughter ~ father_centered, data = heights)
Residuals:
   Min
            1Q Median
                            3Q
                                   Max
-4.3549 -1.5929 -0.1371 1.4937 4.8422
Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
               (Intercept)
father_centered 0.39422
                           0.05893 6.689 2.95e-10 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 2.13 on 174 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.2046,
                               Adjusted R-squared:
                                                     0.2
F-statistic: 44.75 on 1 and 174 DF, p-value: 2.948e-10
beta_0_centered <- coef(model_centered)[1]</pre>
beta_1_centered <- coef(model_centered)[2]</pre>
cat("Intercept (0) with centered father heights:", beta_0_centered, "\n")
Intercept (0) with centered father heights: 63.92841
cat("Slope (1) with centered father heights:", beta_1_centered, "\n")
```

Slope (1) with centered father heights: 0.394218

6. When using the centered father heights as a predictor, is the intercept the same as the average daughter height? Check if this is the case with the values you computed and then show that mathematically this has to be the case.

```
mu_y <- mean(heights$daughter)</pre>
cat("Mean daughter height:", mu_y, "\n")
Mean daughter height: 63.92841
cat("Intercept from centered regression:", beta_0_centered, "\n")
Intercept from centered regression: 63.92841
all.equal(beta_0_centered, mu_y)
[1] "names for target but not for current"
For the next exercises install the excessmort package. For the latest version use
library(devtools)
install_github("rafalab/excessmort")
  7. Define an object counts by wrangling puerto_rico_counts to 1) include data only from
     2002-2017 and counts for people 60 or over. We will focus in this older subset throughout
     the rest of the problem set.
library(excessmort)
Warning: package 'excessmort' was built under R version 4.4.3
library(dplyr)
library(lubridate)
Attaching package: 'lubridate'
The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
    date, intersect, setdiff, union
```

### head(puerto\_rico\_counts)

head(filtered\_counts)

```
date
                         sex population outcome
  agegroup
1
       0-4 1985-01-01 female
                               158843.0
2
       0-4 1985-01-01
                        male
                               164476.6
3
      0-4 1985-01-02 female
                              158837.8
                                              0
4
      0-4 1985-01-02
                                              0
                       \mathtt{male}
                              164471.2
5
      0-4 1985-01-03 female
                               158832.6
                                              1
      0-4 1985-01-03
                       male
                               164465.9
                                              0
puerto_rico_counts <- puerto_rico_counts %>%
  mutate(year = year(date))
unique(puerto_rico_counts$agegroup)
 [1] 0-4
                   10-14 15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49
[11] 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79 80-84 85-Inf
18 Levels: 0-4 5-9 10-14 15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 ... 85-Inf
filtered_counts <- puerto_rico_counts %>%
  filter(year >= 2002 & year <= 2017,
         agegroup %in% c("60-64", "65-69", "70-74", "75-79", "80-84", "85-Inf"))
```

```
agegroup
                 date
                         sex population outcome year
1
     60-64 2002-01-01 female
                               89850.74
                                              3 2002
2
     60-64 2002-01-01
                       male
                              76586.25
                                              4 2002
3
    60-64 2002-01-02 female
                              89858.23
                                              3 2002
    60-64 2002-01-02
                                              7 2002
                       male
                              76591.41
    60-64 2002-01-03 female
                               89865.73
                                              1 2002
     60-64 2002-01-03
                       male
                              76596.58
                                              2 2002
```

8. Use R to determine what day of the week María made landfall in PR (September 20, 2017).

```
landfall_date <- as.Date("2017-09-20")

day_of_week <- weekdays(landfall_date)
cat("Hurricane Maria made landfall in Puerto Rico on a", day_of_week, "\n")</pre>
```

### Hurricane Maria made landfall in Puerto Rico on a Wednesday

10. Redefine the date column to be the start of the week that date is part of: in other words, round the date down to the nearest week. Use the day of the week María made landfall as the first day. So, for example, 2017-09-20, 2017-09-21, 2017-09-22 should all be rounded down to 2017-09-20, while 2017-09-19 should be rounded down to 2017-09-13. Save the resulting table in weekly\_counts.

```
library(lubridate)
library(dplyr)

weekly_counts <- puerto_rico_counts %>%
   mutate(week_start = date - (wday(date) - 4) %% 7)

head(weekly_counts)
```

```
sex population outcome year week_start
  agegroup
                 date
1
       0-4 1985-01-01 female
                               158843.0
                                               2 1985 1984-12-26
2
       0-4 1985-01-01
                        male
                               164476.6
                                               0 1985 1984-12-26
3
       0-4 1985-01-02 female
                               158837.8
                                               0 1985 1985-01-02
4
       0-4 1985-01-02
                        male
                               164471.2
                                               0 1985 1985-01-02
5
       0-4 1985-01-03 female
                               158832.6
                                               1 1985 1985-01-02
6
       0-4 1985-01-03
                                               0 1985 1985-01-02
                        male
                               164465.9
```

11. Now collapse the weekly\_count data frame to store only one mortality value for each week, for each sex and agegroup. To this by by redefining outcome to have the total deaths that week for each sex and agegroup. Remove weeks that have less the 7 days of data. Finally, add a column with the MMWR week. Name the resulting data frame weekly\_counts.

```
library(MMWRweek)
```

Warning: package 'MMWRweek' was built under R version 4.4.3

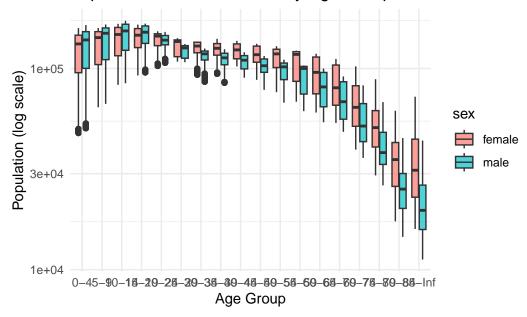
```
colnames(weekly_counts)
```

```
[1] "agegroup" "date" "sex" "population" "outcome"
[6] "year" "week_start"
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 7
  week start sex
                    agegroup weekly_outcome days_counted MMWR_year MMWR_week
  <date>
             <chr> <fct>
                                       <dbl>
                                                     <int>
                                                               <dbl>
                                                                          <dbl>
1 1985-01-02 female 0-4
                                            6
                                                         7
                                                                 1985
                                                                              1
2 1985-01-02 female 5-9
                                            0
                                                         7
                                                                1985
                                                                              1
3 1985-01-02 female 10-14
                                           0
                                                         7
                                                                1985
                                                                              1
4 1985-01-02 female 15-19
                                           2
                                                         7
                                                                1985
                                                                              1
5 1985-01-02 female 20-24
                                           2
                                                         7
                                                                              1
                                                                 1985
6 1985-01-02 female 25-29
                                            3
                                                         7
                                                                 1985
                                                                              1
```

12. Comparing mortality totals is often unfair because the two groups begin compared have different population sizes. It is particularly important we consider rates rather than totals in this dataset because the demographics in Puerto Rico changed dramatically in the last 20 years. To see this use puerto\_rico\_counts to plot the population sizes by age group and gender. Provide a two sentence description of what you see.

# Population Size Distribution by Age Group and Gender



13. Make a boxplot for each MMWR week's mortality rate based on the 2002-2016 data. Each week has 15 data points, one for each year. Then add the 2017 data as red points.

```
[1] "week_start" "sex" "agegroup" "weekly_outcome" [5] "population" "days_counted" "MMWR_year" "MMWR_week"
```

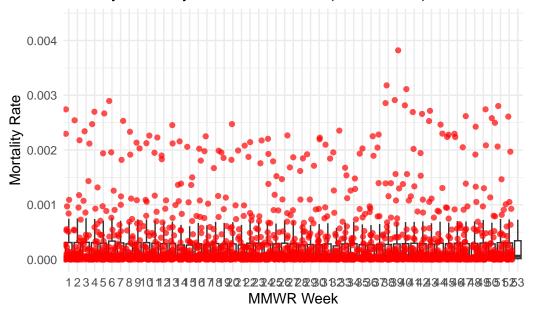
### head(weekly\_counts)

y = "Mortality Rate") +

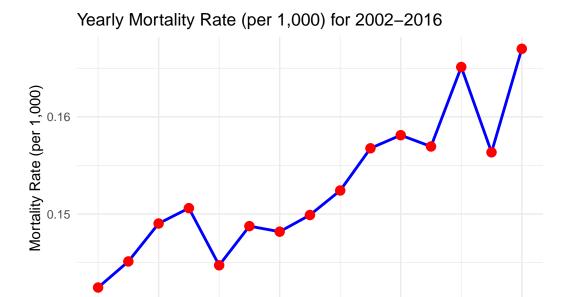
theme minimal()

```
# A tibble: 6 x 8
 week_start sex
                    agegroup weekly_outcome population days_counted MMWR_year
  <date>
             <chr> <fct>
                                      <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
                                                              <int>
                                                                         <dbl>
1 1985-01-02 female 0-4
                                                                  7
                                               158822.
                                                                          1985
2 1985-01-02 female 5-9
                                          0
                                               159044.
                                                                  7
                                                                          1985
3 1985-01-02 female 10-14
                                                                  7
                                          0
                                               166233.
                                                                          1985
4 1985-01-02 female 15-19
                                                                  7
                                          2 165288.
                                                                          1985
5 1985-01-02 female 20-24
                                          2
                                             144553.
                                                                  7
                                                                          1985
6 1985-01-02 female 25-29
                                          3
                                             132613.
                                                                  7
                                                                          1985
# i 1 more variable: MMWR_week <dbl>
weekly_counts <- weekly_counts %>%
  mutate(mortality_rate = weekly_outcome / population)
weekly_counts_pre2017 <- weekly_counts %>%
  filter(MMWR_year >= 2002 & MMWR_year <= 2016)</pre>
weekly_counts_2017 <- weekly_counts %>%
  filter(MMWR_year == 2017)
ggplot(weekly\_counts\_pre2017, aes(x = as.factor(MMWR\_week), y = mortality\_rate)) +
  geom_boxplot(outlier.shape = NA, alpha = 0.7) +
  geom_jitter(data = weekly_counts_2017, aes(x = as.factor(MMWR_week), y = mortality_rate),
              color = "red", size = 1.5, alpha = 0.7) +
  labs(title = "Weekly Mortality Rate Distribution (2002-2016) with 2017 Data",
       x = "MMWR Week",
```

# Weekly Mortality Rate Distribution (2002–2016) with 2017 Da



14. Note two things: 1) there is a strong week effect and 2) 2017 is lower than expected. Plot the yearly rates (per 1,000) for 2002-2016:



2008

15. The plot made in 14 explains why 2017 is below what is expected: there appears to be a general decrease in mortality with time. A possible explanation is that medical care is improving and people are living more healthy lives.

Year

2012

2016

Fit a linear model to the weekly data for the 65 and older to the 2002-2016 data that accounts for:

- A changing population.
- The trend observed in 12.

2004

- The week effect.
- Age effect.
- A sex effect.

Use rate as the outcome in the model.

```
weekly_counts_65plus <- weekly_counts %>%
  filter(MMWR_year >= 2002 & MMWR_year <= 2016, agegroup %in% c("65-69", "70-74", "75-79", "amutate(
    mortality_rate = weekly_outcome / population,
    MMWR_week = as.factor(MMWR_week),
    sex = as.factor(sex),
    agegroup = as.factor(agegroup)
)</pre>
```

```
model <- lm(mortality_rate ~ MMWR_year + MMWR_week + agegroup + sex, data = weekly_counts_65;
summary(model)</pre>
```

### Call:

lm(formula = mortality\_rate ~ MMWR\_year + MMWR\_week + agegroup +
sex, data = weekly\_counts\_65plus)

### Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -9.897e-04 -1.076e-04 -3.660e-06 9.799e-05 1.603e-03

### Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
               3.626e-02 1.106e-03 32.780 < 2e-16 ***
              -1.795e-05 5.505e-07 -32.608 < 2e-16 ***
MMWR_year
MMWR_week2
               3.953e-05 2.431e-05
                                      1.626 0.103888
              -1.901e-06 2.431e-05 -0.078 0.937675
MMWR_week3
MMWR_week4
              -4.742e-05 2.431e-05 -1.951 0.051117 .
               5.360e-05 2.431e-05
MMWR_week5
                                      2.205 0.027463 *
MMWR_week6
               1.490e-05 2.431e-05 0.613 0.539876
MMWR_week7
              -2.124e-06 2.431e-05 -0.087 0.930375
              -2.004e-05 2.431e-05 -0.825 0.409581
MMWR_week8
MMWR_week9
              -5.075e-07 2.431e-05 -0.021 0.983343
{\tt MMWR\_week10}
              -2.358e-05 2.431e-05 -0.970 0.332107
MMWR_week11
              -1.434e-05 2.431e-05 -0.590 0.555091
              -4.792e-06 2.431e-05 -0.197 0.843715
MMWR_week12
              -4.504e-05 2.431e-05 -1.853 0.063899 .
MMWR_week13
MMWR_week14
              -4.629e-05 2.431e-05 -1.904 0.056902 .
              -7.246e-05 2.431e-05 -2.981 0.002879 **
MMWR_week15
MMWR_week16
              -6.808e-05 2.431e-05 -2.801 0.005106 **
MMWR_week17
              -5.190e-05 2.431e-05 -2.135 0.032781 *
MMWR_week18
              -8.338e-05 2.431e-05 -3.431 0.000605 ***
              -9.207e-05 2.431e-05 -3.788 0.000153 ***
MMWR_week19
MMWR_week20
              -5.910e-05 2.431e-05 -2.431 0.015065 *
MMWR_week21
              -4.835e-05 2.431e-05 -1.989 0.046709 *
MMWR_week22
              -7.125e-05 2.431e-05 -2.931 0.003386 **
              -7.426e-05 2.431e-05 -3.055 0.002255 **
MMWR_week23
MMWR_week24
              -5.534e-05 2.431e-05 -2.277 0.022826 *
MMWR_week25
              -8.410e-05 2.431e-05 -3.460 0.000543 ***
MMWR_week26
              -5.782e-05 2.431e-05 -2.379 0.017394 *
```

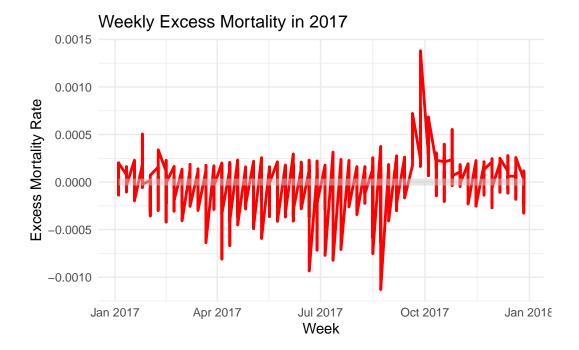
```
2.431e-05
                                       -3.642 0.000272 ***
MMWR_week27
               -8.853e-05
MMWR_week28
               -1.026e-04
                            2.431e-05
                                       -4.221 2.46e-05 ***
MMWR_week29
                                       -4.936 8.12e-07 ***
               -1.200e-04
                            2.431e-05
MMWR week30
               -8.438e-05
                            2.431e-05
                                       -3.471 0.000520 ***
MMWR week31
               -1.010e-04
                            2.431e-05
                                       -4.156 3.27e-05 ***
MMWR week32
               -6.238e-05
                           2.431e-05
                                       -2.567 0.010289 *
MMWR week33
               -1.138e-04
                           2.431e-05
                                       -4.680 2.92e-06 ***
MMWR_week34
               -1.241e-04
                           2.431e-05
                                       -5.105 3.38e-07 ***
MMWR_week35
               -1.056e-04
                           2.431e-05
                                       -4.344 1.42e-05 ***
               -6.045e-05
MMWR_week36
                            2.431e-05
                                       -2.487 0.012895 *
MMWR_week37
                                       -3.793 0.000150 ***
               -9.220e-05
                            2.431e-05
MMWR_week38
               -8.363e-05
                            2.431e-05
                                       -3.441 0.000583 ***
                                       -4.207 2.61e-05 ***
MMWR_week39
               -1.023e-04
                            2.431e-05
MMWR_week40
               -1.093e-04
                            2.431e-05
                                       -4.497 6.99e-06 ***
MMWR_week41
               -7.848e-05
                            2.431e-05
                                       -3.229 0.001248 **
                                       -3.910 9.30e-05 ***
MMWR_week42
               -9.504e-05
                           2.431e-05
MMWR_week43
               -7.835e-05
                           2.431e-05
                                       -3.223 0.001273 **
MMWR_week44
               -6.464e-05
                           2.431e-05
                                       -2.659 0.007847 **
MMWR_week45
                                       -3.014 0.002585 **
               -7.326e-05
                           2.431e-05
MMWR week46
                                       -2.432 0.015043 *
               -5.911e-05
                            2.431e-05
MMWR week47
               -5.445e-05
                            2.431e-05
                                       -2.240 0.025096 *
MMWR week48
               -5.402e-05
                           2.431e-05
                                       -2.223 0.026269 *
                           2.431e-05
MMWR_week49
               -4.982e-05
                                       -2.050 0.040417 *
MMWR_week50
               -2.266e-05
                           2.431e-05
                                       -0.932 0.351145
MMWR_week51
                2.479e-06
                           2.431e-05
                                        0.102 0.918761
MMWR_week52
                            2.431e-05
                5.228e-05
                                        2.151 0.031528 *
MMWR_week53
                7.910e-05
                           4.210e-05
                                        1.879 0.060304 .
agegroup70-74
                1.470e-04
                           7.523e-06
                                       19.546
                                               < 2e-16 ***
agegroup75-79
                4.053e-04
                           7.523e-06
                                       53.880
                                               < 2e-16 ***
agegroup80-84
                8.754e-04
                            7.523e-06 116.373
                                               < 2e-16 ***
                2.190e-03
agegroup85-Inf
                                               < 2e-16 ***
                           7.523e-06 291.188
sexmale
                3.003e-04
                           4.758e-06
                                       63.110
                                               < 2e-16 ***
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

Residual standard error: 0.0002105 on 7771 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.9373, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9368 F-statistic: 2001 on 58 and 7771 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

16. Now obtain expected counts for the entire dataset, including 2017. Compute the difference between the observed count and expected count and plot the total excess death for each week. Construct a confidence interval for the excess mortality estimate for each week. Hint: use the predict function.

```
weekly_counts_2017 <- weekly_counts %>%
  filter(MMWR_year == 2017) %>%
  filter(agegroup %in% c("65-69", "70-74", "75-79", "80-84", "85-Inf")) %>%
 mutate(
    agegroup = factor(agegroup, levels = levels(weekly_counts$agegroup)),
   MMWR_week = factor(MMWR_week)
predictions_2017 <- predict(model, newdata = weekly_counts_2017, interval = "confidence", le</pre>
weekly_counts_2017 <- weekly_counts_2017 %>%
 mutate(
   predicted_rate = predictions_2017[, "fit"],
   lower_CI = predictions_2017[, "lwr"],
   upper_CI = predictions_2017[, "upr"],
   excess_mortality = mortality_rate - predicted_rate
  )
weekly_counts_2017 <- weekly_counts_2017 %>%
  filter(!is.na(excess_mortality))
ggplot(weekly_counts_2017, aes(x = week_start, y = excess_mortality)) +
  geom_line(color = "red", size = 1) +
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = lower_CI - predicted_rate, ymax = upper_CI - predicted_rate),
              fill = "gray80", alpha = 0.5) +
 labs(title = "Weekly Excess Mortality in 2017",
       x = "Week",
       y = "Excess Mortality Rate") +
  theme_minimal()
```

Warning: Using `size` aesthetic for lines was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0. i Please use `linewidth` instead.

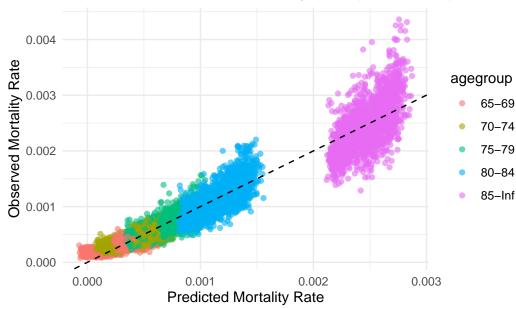


17. Finally, plot the observed rates and predicted rates from the model for each agegroup and sex. Comment on how well the model fits and what you might do differently.

```
weekly_counts_pre2017 <- weekly_counts %>%
    filter(MMWR_year >= 2002 & MMWR_year <= 2016) %>%
    filter(agegroup %in% c("65-69", "70-74", "75-79", "80-84", "85-Inf")) %>%
    mutate(
        agegroup = factor(agegroup, levels = levels(weekly_counts$agegroup)),
        MMWR_week = factor(MMWR_week)
    )
predictions_pre2017 <- predict(model, newdata = weekly_counts_pre2017, interval = "confidenc")
weekly_counts_pre2017 <- weekly_counts_pre2017 %>%
    mutate(predicted_rate = predictions_pre2017[, "fit"])
all_data <- bind_rows(weekly_counts_pre2017, weekly_counts_2017)
all_data <- all_data %>%
    filter(!is.na(predicted_rate) & !is.na(mortality_rate))
ggplot(all_data, aes(x = predicted_rate, y = mortality_rate, color = agegroup)) +
        geom_point(alpha = 0.6) +
        geom_abline(slope = 1, intercept = 0, linetype = "dashed") +
```

```
labs(title = "Observed vs Predicted Mortality Rate (2002-2017)",
    x = "Predicted Mortality Rate",
    y = "Observed Mortality Rate") +
theme_minimal()
```

# Observed vs Predicted Mortality Rate (2002–2017)



# Observed vs Predicted Mortality Rate by Sex (2002–2017)

