ARE 212 Midterm

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Question One: "Linkages among climate change, crop yields and Mexico - US cross-border migration"

Load OLS functions

```
# Function to turn given data into matrix for use in OLS function
to_matrix <- function(the_df, vars) {</pre>
  # Create a matrix from variables in var
 new_mat <- the_df %>%
    # Select the columns given in 'vars'
    select_(.dots = vars) %>%
    # Convert to matrix
    as.matrix()
  # Return 'new_mat'
 return(new_mat)
# Function for OLS coefficient estimates and measures of fit
b_ols <- function(data, y_data, X_data, intercept=TRUE) {</pre>
 require(dplyr)
    # y matrix
    y <- to_matrix (the_df = data, vars = y_data)
    # X matrix
    X <- to_matrix (the_df = data, vars = X_data)</pre>
      # If 'intercept' is TRUE, then add a column of ones
      if (intercept == T) {
        X \leftarrow cbind(1,X)
        colnames(X) <- c("intercept", X_data)</pre>
      }
    # Calculate beta hat -----
    b <- solve( t(X) %*% X ) %*% t(X) %*% y
    # Change the name of 'ones' to 'intercept'
    if(intercept == T){
        rownames(b) <- c("intercept", X_data) }</pre>
    else
        rownames(b) <- c(X_data)</pre>
    y_hat <- X %*% b
    e <- y - y_hat
    # Useful transformations -----
    n <- nrow(X) # number of observations</pre>
    k <- ncol(X) # number of independent variables
    dof <- n - k # degrees of freedom
```

```
i <- rep(1,n) # column of ones for demeaning matrix
    A <- diag(i) - (1 / n) * i %*% t(i) # demeaning matrix
    y_star <- A %*% y # for SST</pre>
    X_star <- A %*% X # for SSM</pre>
    SST <- drop(t(y_star) %*% y_star)</pre>
    SSM <- drop(t(b) %*% t(X_star) %*% X_star %*% b)
    SSR <- drop(t(e) %*% e)
    # Measures of fit and estimated variance ----
    R2uc <- drop((t(y_hat) %*% y_hat)/(t(y) %*% y)) # Uncentered R^2
    R2 <- 1 - SSR/SST # Uncentered R^2
    R2adj \leftarrow 1 - (n-1)/dof * (1 - R2) # Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>
    AIC \leftarrow log(SSR/n) + 2*k/n # AIC
    SIC \leftarrow log(SSR/n) + k/n*log(n) # SIC
    s2 <- SSR/dof # s ~2
    results <- data.frame(
      # The rows have the coef. names
     x_{var} = rownames(b),
      # Estimated coefficients
      coef = as.vector(b) %>% round(3)
    res <<- e
    adjr2 <<- R2adj
    # Return beta_hat & adjusted r2
    #print(paste("Adj R2: ", R2adj))
    return(results)
}
Load Data (cleaned and prepared in Excel)
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     state = col_character(),
##
     cornyield = col_double(),
##
     cornwheatyield = col_double(),
##
    remi = col_double(),
    ppt = col_double(),
##
##
    mat = col_double(),
##
    mst = col_double(),
##
    y1995 = col_integer(),
    y2000 = col_integer()
## )
Inspect data
summary(feng_data)
##
       state
                         cornyield
                                          cornwheatyield
                                                                  remi
## Length:64
                       Min. :-0.9510
                                                             Min. :-4.900
                                         Min. :-0.9510
## Class:character 1st Qu.: 0.1767
                                          1st Qu.: 0.1777
                                                             1st Qu.: 3.200
## Mode :character Median : 0.5840 Median : 0.5860
                                                             Median : 5.000
##
                       Mean : 0.5463
                                        Mean : 0.5937
                                                            Mean : 4.928
```

```
##
                        3rd Qu.: 0.9185
                                           3rd Qu.: 0.9832
                                                              3rd Qu.: 7.125
##
                               : 1.9720
                                                  : 1.9230
                                                                      :12,000
                        Max.
                                           Max.
                                                              Max.
                                                            y1995
##
         ppt
                           mat.
                                            mst.
                             :14.37
                                              :15.90
                                                               :0.0
##
    Min.
           :0.1800
                      Min.
                                      Min.
                                                        Min.
##
    1st Qu.:0.5250
                      1st Qu.:17.70
                                       1st Qu.:21.24
                                                        1st Qu.:0.0
    Median :0.7600
                      Median :20.93
                                      Median :24.11
                                                        Median:0.5
##
                            :20.90
##
    Mean
           :0.8719
                      Mean
                                      Mean
                                              :23.77
                                                        Mean
                                                               :0.5
##
    3rd Qu.:1.0650
                      3rd Qu.:24.11
                                       3rd Qu.:27.12
                                                        3rd Qu.:1.0
           :2.3700
##
    Max.
                      Max.
                             :27.20
                                       Max.
                                              :29.37
                                                        Max.
                                                               :1.0
##
        y2000
##
   Min.
           :0.0
   1st Qu.:0.0
##
##
   Median:0.5
## Mean
           :0.5
## 3rd Qu.:1.0
## Max.
           :1.0
```

1. Estimate model (1) via OLS by regressing emigration rate on log of yields and a time period fixed effect. Report coefficient on yield and adjusted R^2 . Does this match the results in the first column of table #1?

```
## x_var coef
## 1 intercept 2.636
## 2 cornyield 0.829
## 3 y1995 3.679

Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>: 0.321155954568775

These don't really match the result
```

These don't really match the results in the paper

Adjusted R^2 : 0.32147846639082"

These don't really match the results in the paper

2. Estimate model (1) again via fixed effects and FWT. Report coefficient on yield and adjusted R^2 . Does this match the results in the third column of table #1?

```
resid_ols <- function(data, y_var, X_vars, intercept = T) {</pre>
  # Require the 'dplyr' package
  require(dplyr)
  \# Create the y matrix
  y <- to_matrix(the_df = data, vars = y_var)
  # Create the X matrix
  X <- to_matrix(the_df = data, vars = X_vars)</pre>
  # If 'intercept' is TRUE, then add a column of ones
  if (intercept == T) {
    \# Bind a column of ones to X
    X \leftarrow cbind(1, X)
    # Name the new column "intercept"
    colnames(X) <- c("intercept", X_vars)</pre>
  }
  # Calculate the sample size, n
  n \leftarrow nrow(X)
```

```
# Calculate the residuals
 resids <- (diag(n) - X %*% solve(t(X) %*% X) %*% t(X)) %*% y
  # Return 'resids'
 return(resids)
step1_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "remi", "cornyield", F)</pre>
feng_data %<>% mutate(ones = 1)
# Our two regressions
step2a_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "ones", "cornyield", F)</pre>
step2b_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "y1995", "cornyield", F)</pre>
df fwt <- data.frame(</pre>
 remi_resid = as.vector(step1_resid),
               = as.vector(step2a_resid),
 fe_resid = as.vector(step2b_resid)
 ) %>% tbl_df()
# The final regression
b_ols(df_fwt, "remi_resid", c("i_resid", "fe_resid"), F)
##
        x_var coef
## 1 i_resid 2.636
## 2 fe_resid 3.679
Adjusted R^2: 0.5573145
step1_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "remi", "cornwheatyield", F)</pre>
feng_data %<>% mutate(ones = 1)
# Our two regressions
step2a_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "ones", "cornwheatyield", F)</pre>
step2b_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "y1995", "cornwheatyield", F)</pre>
df_fwt <- data.frame(</pre>
 remi_resid = as.vector(step1_resid),
 i resid
           = as.vector(step2a_resid),
 fe_resid = as.vector(step2b_resid)
 ) %>% tbl df()
# The final regression
b_ols(df_fwt, "remi_resid", c("i_resid", "fe_resid"), F)
##
        x_var coef
## 1 i resid 2.611
## 2 fe_resid 3.662
Adjusted R^2: 0.5556311
```

These both match the output from my first regressions, but they do not match the results in the paper

3. Repeat step 1 without the fixed effects. Report coefficient on yield and adjusted R^2 . Do the results look different from what you estimated before? From what is in the paper?

```
b_ols(data = feng_data, y_data = "remi", X_data = c("cornyield"))
## x_var coef
```

```
feng_data %<>% mutate(ones = 1)
# Our two regressions
step2a_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "ones", "cornyield", F)</pre>
df_fwt <- data.frame(</pre>
 remi_resid = as.vector(step1_resid),
               = as.vector(step2a_resid)
  i resid
 ) %>% tbl_df()
# The final regression
b_ols(df_fwt, "remi_resid", c("i_resid"), F)
       x_var coef
## 1 i_resid 4.632
Adjusted R^2: 0.3447634
step1_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "remi", "cornwheatyield", F)</pre>
feng_data %<>% mutate(ones = 1)
# Our two regressions
step2a_resid <- resid_ols(feng_data, "ones", "cornwheatyield", F)</pre>
df fwt <- data.frame(</pre>
 remi_resid = as.vector(step1_resid),
  i resid
              = as.vector(step2a_resid)
 ) %>% tbl_df()
# The final regression
b_ols(df_fwt, "remi_resid", c("i_resid"), F)
```

```
## x_var coef
## 1 i_resid 4.581
```

Adjusted R^2 : 0.3435078

The results still do not match the output...

5. What happened here? What are the consequences?

Our regressions here do not replicate the results from the Feng et al paper. Although we included period fixed effects, we did not control for any state-level fixed effects. This could be hugely influential on emigration ratio, considering that local policies and other cultural on-goings could be arguably more impactful on citizen's

immigration choices. We therefore could be missing a lot of the explanatory power of emigration in Mexican states.

Question Two: Normality of OLS

```
Model: y_i = \beta_o + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \beta_2 x_{2i} + \epsilon_i
Truth: \beta_0 = 3, \beta_1 = 1, \beta_2 = -2
```

Load functions for use in simulation

Generate data function (given a sample size, n)

 $X2 = rnorm(n = sample_size, sd = 5),$

e = rnorm(sample_size, sd = 5),

```
# Skinny version of OLS function without all the measures of fit
slim_ols <- function(data, y_data, X_data, intercept=TRUE) {</pre>
 require(dplyr)
    # y matrix
    y <- to_matrix (the_df = data, vars = y_data)
    # X matrix
    X <- to_matrix (the_df = data, vars = X_data)</pre>
      # If 'intercept' is TRUE, then add a column of ones
      if (intercept == T) {
        X \leftarrow cbind(1,X)
        colnames(X) <- c("intercept", X_data)</pre>
      }
    # Calculate beta hat -----
    b <- solve( t(X) %*% X ) %*% t(X) %*% y
    # Change the name of 'ones' to 'intercept'
    if(intercept == T){
        rownames(b) <- c("intercept", X_data) }</pre>
    else
        rownames(b) <- c(X_data)</pre>
    results <- data.frame(
      # The rows have the coef. names
      x_var = rownames(b),
      # Estimated coefficients
      coef = as.vector(b) %>% round(3)
    )
    return(results)
}
#ADD SWEEP TO FIX COVARIANCE OF X1 & X2 (Should be 0, but isn't right now)
gen_data <- function(sample_size) {</pre>
  \# Create data.frame with random x and error
 data_df <- data.frame(</pre>
   X1 = rnorm(n = sample_size, sd = 5),
```

 $\# X \leftarrow rnorm(n = sample_size, sd = 5) \% > \% matrix(sample_size, 2),$

Function for a single simulation of OLS

```
one_sim <- function(sample_size, depvar) {
    # Estimate via OLS
    ols_est <- slim_ols(data = gen_data(sample_size),
        y_data = depvar, X_data = c("X1", "X2"))
    # Grab the estimated coefficient on x
    # (the second element of 'coef')
    b2 <- ols_est %$% coef[3]
    # Return a data.frame with b2
    return(data.frame(b2))
}</pre>
```

Function for multiple simulations of OLS

```
ols_sim <- function(depvar, n_sims = 1e4, sample_size, seed = 22092008) {
  # require parallel
  require(parallel)
  # Set the seed
  set.seed(seed)
  \# Run one_sim n_sims times; convert results to data.frame
  sim_df <- replicate(</pre>
   n = n_sims,
    expr = one_sim(sample_size, depvar),
    simplify = F
    ) %>% bind_rows()
   # TRY TO PARALLELIZE TO SPEED UP! ---- get error with bind rows though...
   # sim_df <- mclapply(</pre>
  # X = rep(x = sample_size, times = n_sims),
  # FUN = one sim,
  # # Specify that we want 4 cores
  \# mc.cores = 4
  # ) %>% bind_rows()
  # Return sim_df
  return(sim_df)
```

For each part, repeat for sample sizes: n=[10, 100, 1000, 1000, 20000] and run 1e4 simulations

Part A:

Regress y^a on intercept, x_1 and x_2 . Record β_2

```
N <- c(10, 100, 1000, 10000, 20000)

# sim_A <- matrix("list", 5)
# for (n in N){
# print(n)
# sim_A[[n]] <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_a", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = n)
#
# }

# Run for sample sizes: n=[10, 100, 1000, 10000, 20000]
# Run ols_sim for sample size of 10
sima10 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_a", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 10)</pre>
```

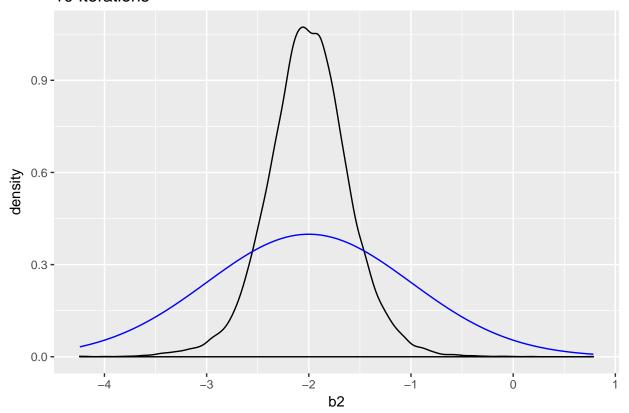
Loading required package: parallel

```
# Run ols_sim for sample size of 100
sima100 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_a", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 100)
# Run ols_sim for sample size of 1000
sima1000 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_a", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 1000)
# # Run ols_sim for sample size of 10000
sima10000 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_a", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 10000)
# # Run ols_sim for sample size of 20000
sima20000 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_a", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 20000)</pre>
```

Plot histograms

ggplot(sima10, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="blue")

10 Iterations



 ${\tt ggplot(sima100, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="blue list$

100 Iterations 4 3 1 1-

-2.25

-2.50

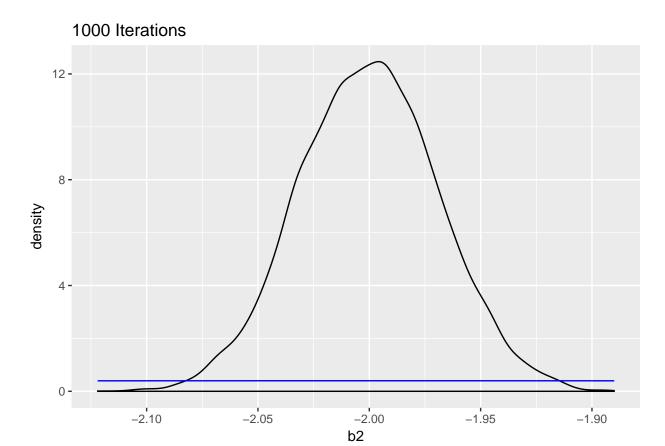
 ${\tt ggplot(sima1000, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="blue" | blue | color="blue" | color$

-1.75

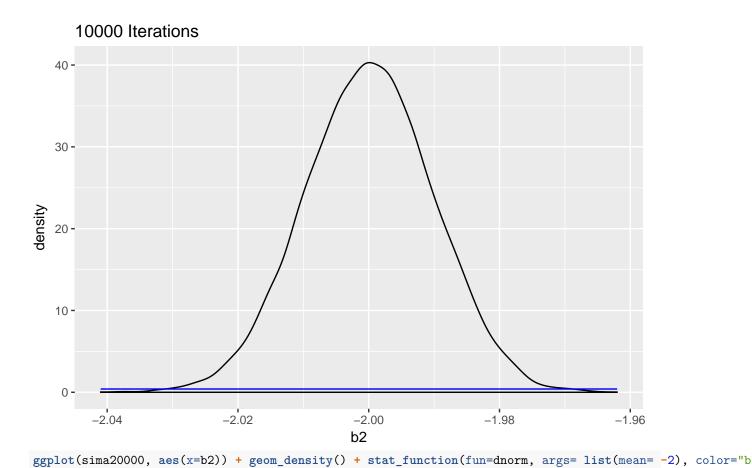
-1.50

-2.00

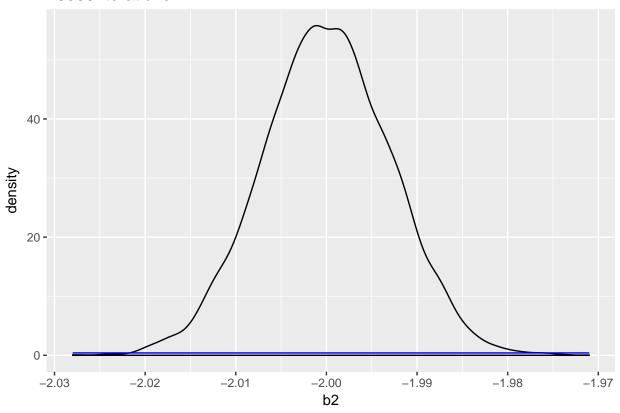
b2



ggplot(sima10000, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="b



20000 Iterations



Part B:

Regress y^b on x_1 and x_2 . Record β_2

```
# Run for sample sizes: n=[10, 100, 1000, 10000, 20000]

# Run ols_sim for sample size of 10

simb10 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_b", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 10)

# Run ols_sim for sample size of 100

simb100 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_b", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 100)

# # Run ols_sim for sample size of 1000

simb1000 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_b", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 1000)

# # Run ols_sim for sample size of 10000

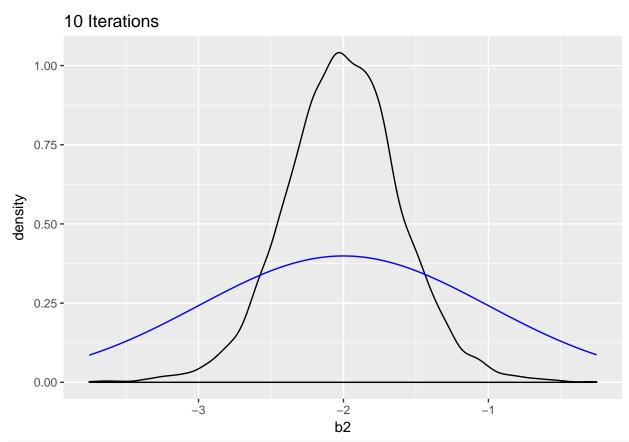
simb10000 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_b", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 10000)

# # Run ols_sim for sample size of 20000

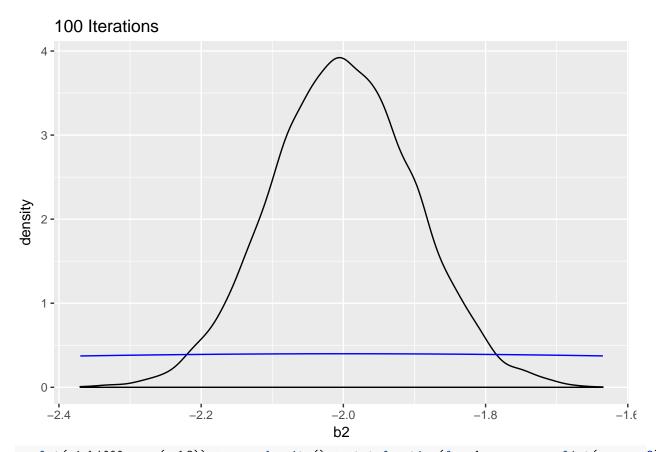
simb20000 <- ols_sim(depvar = "y_b", n_sims = 1e4, sample_size = 20000)
```

Plot histogram

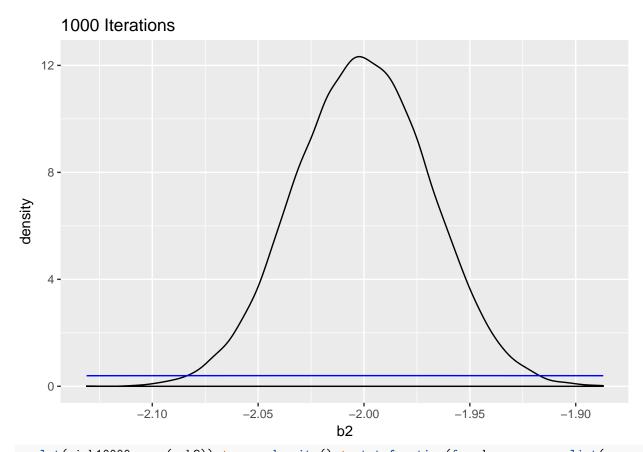
```
ggplot(simb10, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="blue")
```



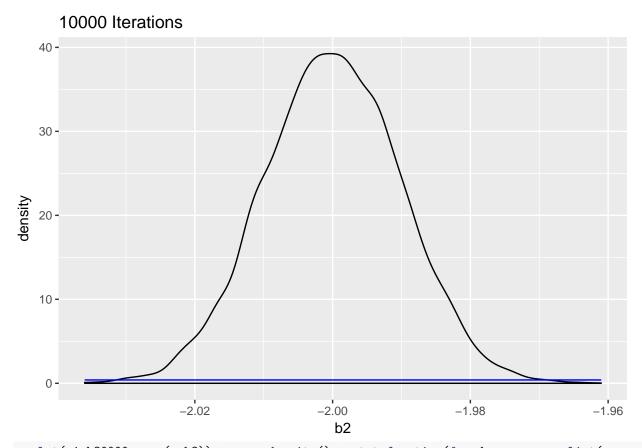
ggplot(simb100, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="blu



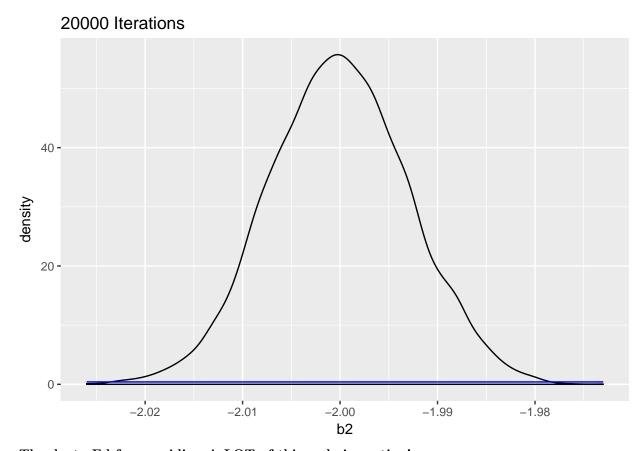
ggplot(simb1000, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="bl



ggplot(simb10000, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="b



ggplot(simb20000, aes(x=b2)) + geom_density() + stat_function(fun=dnorm, args= list(mean= -2), color="b



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