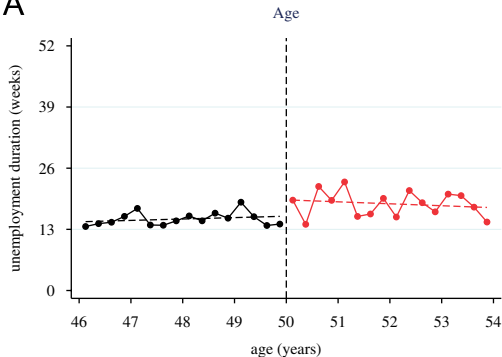
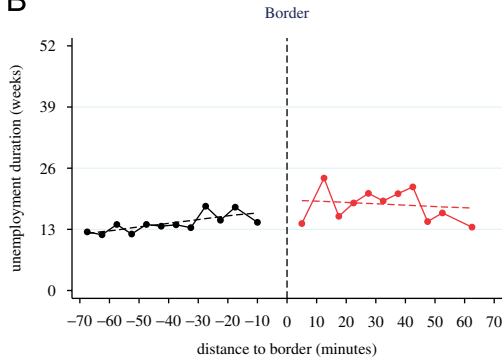


**A**

Discontinuity at threshold = 3.442; with std. err. = 1.416.

**B**

Discontinuity at threshold = 1.872; with std. err. = 2.518.

Fig. 4. The effects of age and distance before REBP: men. Sample restricted to inflow into unemployment in the period 1/1986 until 12/1987 (before REBP). Sample for age identification is restricted to treated region. Sample for border identification is restricted to individuals aged 50 years or older.