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Dear Ms Robinson:

Thank you for submitting the manuscript "Eye Fitting Straight Lines in the Modern Era" for possible publication in the Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics.

Two referees, an Associate Editor, and I have reviewed your paper. Our overall assessment is that it is interesting, but there are a number of issues to resolve concerning the novelty of the findings and the appropriateness of the analysis methods. The reviewers also make quite a few suggestions concerning presentation. Given the paper's potential, I would consider a revision that adequately addresses all of the reviewer's comments, but note that this is not a guarantee of eventual publication in JCGS.

Please also keep the following in mind for your revision:

- 1- Your revision should not increase the length of the manuscript.
- 2- I will download and run your code as part of the next round of reviews. I ask that you submit code that is documented and as user-friendly as possible. Before resubmitting please run your code in a "clean" environment as issues such as required packages that aren't loaded or calls to files that don't exist are common and can delay publication (I'm not saying these exist in your case, just asking you to be aware!).
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Once again, thank you for submitting your manuscript to Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics. I look forward to receiving your revision.

Sincerely,

Galin Jones

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Reviewer(s)' Comments to Author:

Reviewer: 1

Comments to the Author
The review is provided in the attached pdf file.

Reviewer: 2

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Editor's Comments to Author:

Associate Editor

Comments to the Author:

Thank you for your submission and interesting work. Two reviewers have provided feedback and suggestions on your manuscript. There are a few points I would like to emphasize and request clarification:

- 1. In your manuscript, it would be helpful if you could clarify and emphasize the novelty of your experiment, data collection, and analysis. In particular, how does your work differ from Ciccione and Dehaene (2021)? (Ciccione, L. and Dehaene, S., 2021. Can humans perform mental regression on a graph? Accuracy and bias in the perception of scatterplots. Cognitive Psychology, 128, p.101406.)
- 2. In Section 3, it is helpful to note the R functions used as comments or footnotes, but you should also clearly describe the method of estimation. In other words, what are the R functions doing to estimate the model?
- 3. Could you clarify if the participants were known to be experts in statistics or related fields?
- 4. Throughout the manuscript, references to "principle components" should be "principal components."

SW - Major Revision