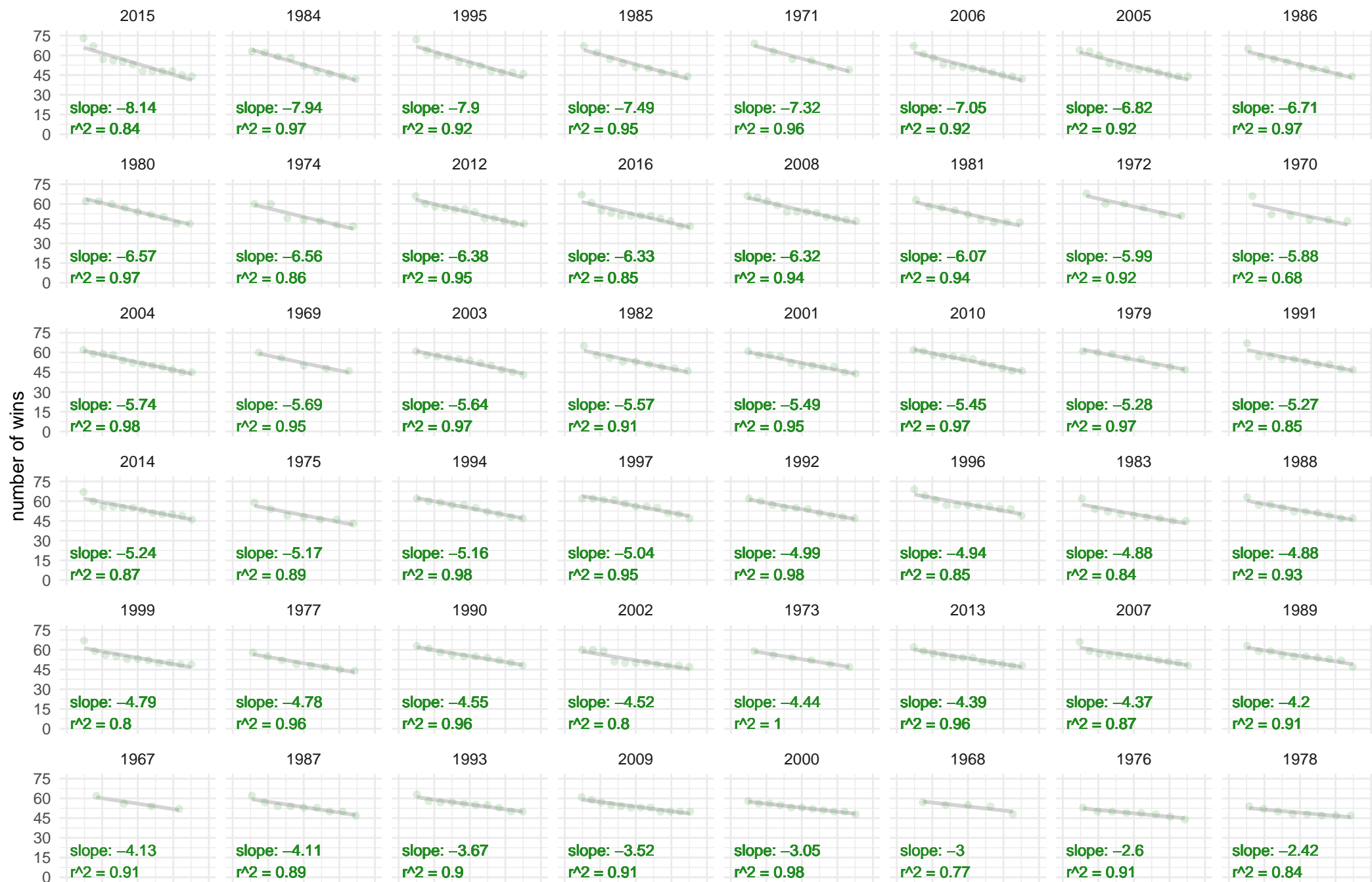


"Top-Heaviness" throughout NBA History

includes top 40% of teams from each year, seasons 1967–2016



league rank z-scores: further to the left means better record and higher rank

Individual data points represent a team's league rank and their win-total for the specified year.

Yearly plots are arranged by slope — years with the most extreme slopes appear first.

Ranks are z-scored because the number of teams has changed several times in NBA history.