

R Notebook

```
data <- read_csv("SAT_School_Participation_and_Performance__2012-2013.csv")
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## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   `District Number` = col_double(),
##   District = col_character(),
##   School = col_character(),
##   `Test-takers: 2012` = col_double(),
##   `Test-takers: 2013` = col_double(),
##   `Test-takers: Change%` = col_double(),
##   `Participation Rate (estimate): 2012` = col_double(),
##   `Participation Rate (estimate): 2013` = col_double(),
##   `Participation Rate (estimate): Change%` = col_double(),
##   `Percent Meeting Benchmark: 2012` = col_double(),
##   `Percent Meeting Benchmark: 2013` = col_double(),
##   `Percent Meeting Benchmark: Change%` = col_double()
## )
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#Alex's contribution: Tidying up the data
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df <- data %>% select(-1, -6, -9, -12) %>% rename(district = "District", school = "School", t_takes2012 = "t_takes2012", t_takes2013 = "t_takes2013", part_rate2012 = "part_rate2012", part_rate2013 = "part_rate2013")
df <- df %>% dplyr::filter(!is.na(t_takes2012) | is.na(t_takes2013) | is.na(part_rate2012) | is.na(part_rate2013))
df
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## # A tibble: 187 x 8
##   district school t_takes2012 t_takes2013 part_rate2012 part_rate2013
##   <chr>    <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>          <dbl>          <dbl>
## 1 Ansonia  Anson~         118         104             67             61
## 2 Avon     Avon ~         254         243             90             89
## 3 Berlin   Berli~         216         220             81             82
## 4 Bethel   Bethe~         200         190             86             82
## 5 Bloomfi~ Bloom~         116         130             79             89
## 6 Bloomfi~ Big P~          14          30            100            100
## 7 Bolton   Bolto~          62          70             85             96
## 8 Branford Branf~         196         213             77             84
## 9 Bridgep~ Bassi~         105         122             52             60
## 10 Bridgep~ Centr~        346         305             78             69
## # ... with 177 more rows, and 2 more variables: perc_mb2012 <dbl>,
## #   perc_mb2013 <dbl>
```

Introduction In this project, the dataset provides Benchmark Meeting and participation rate, but it did not show what exactly how many people reach the Benchmark in that year, and the Percent Meeting Benchmark of the total number of test takers. Therefore, we created a new index call BMR(Benchmark Meeting Rate), we find all the seniors in a school list, then calculate BMR through Benchmark-meeting seniors divided by the number of total seniors. We use BMR to evaluate the quality of education in the districts. This report we will analyze the distribution of Benchmark Performance in 2012 and 2013.

$$\text{bmr} = \text{number of meeting Benchmark} / \text{number of total seniors} = (t_takes\text{perc_mb}) / (t_takes/part_rate)$$
$$= \text{perc_mb} / \text{part_rate}$$

We use bmr because it's a better measurement for comparing how well schools do. If 2 schools have the same percentage meeting benchmark, but one of them has a higher participation rate then the one with the higher participation rate is the better school.

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#Alex's contribution: creating BMR formula
#df1 is for testtakers for each school+year
df1 <- df %>%
  select(1:4) %>%
  rename(`2012` = t_takes2012, `2013` = t_takes2013) %>%
  gather(3,4,key = "year", value = "t_takes") %>%
  arrange(school)

#df2 is participation rate for each school+year
df2 <- df %>% select(1,2,5,6) %>%
  rename(`2012` = part_rate2012, `2013` = part_rate2013) %>%
  gather(3,4,key = "year", value = "part_rate")

#df3 is percentage meeting benchmark for each school+year
df3 <- df %>%
  select(1,2,7,8) %>%
  rename(`2012` = perc_mb2012, `2013` = perc_mb2013) %>%
  gather(3,4,key = "year", value = "perc_mb")

#df4 combines them all
df4 <- df1 %>%
  full_join(df2,by = c("district","school","year")) %>%
  full_join(df3,by = c("district","school","year"))
df4 <- df4 %>%
  mutate(bmr = perc_mb*part_rate*1e-4)

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First we'll get the senior population for each school (denoted as pop)

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data <- df4 %>% mutate(pop = floor(1e2*t_takes / part_rate))
data

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## # A tibble: 374 x 8
##   district      school      year  t_takes part_rate perc_mb    bmr  pop
##   <chr>         <chr>    <chr>   <dbl>    <dbl>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Stamford     Academy of~ 2012     133      82     47 0.385  162
## 2 Stamford     Academy of~ 2013     142      88     51 0.449  161
## 3 Connecticut Te~ Albert I P~ 2012      92      58      1 0.0058  158
## 4 Connecticut Te~ Albert I P~ 2013      88      55      0 0       160
## 5 Amistad Academ~ Amistad Ac~ 2012      34     100     32 0.32    34
## 6 Amistad Academ~ Amistad Ac~ 2013      31     100     39 0.39    31
## 7 Regional 05     Amity Regi~ 2012     381      87     61 0.531  437
## 8 Regional 05     Amity Regi~ 2013     348      80     63 0.504  435
## 9 Ansonia        Ansonia Hi~ 2012     118      67     18 0.121  176
## 10 Ansonia       Ansonia Hi~ 2013     104      61     18 0.110  170
## # ... with 364 more rows

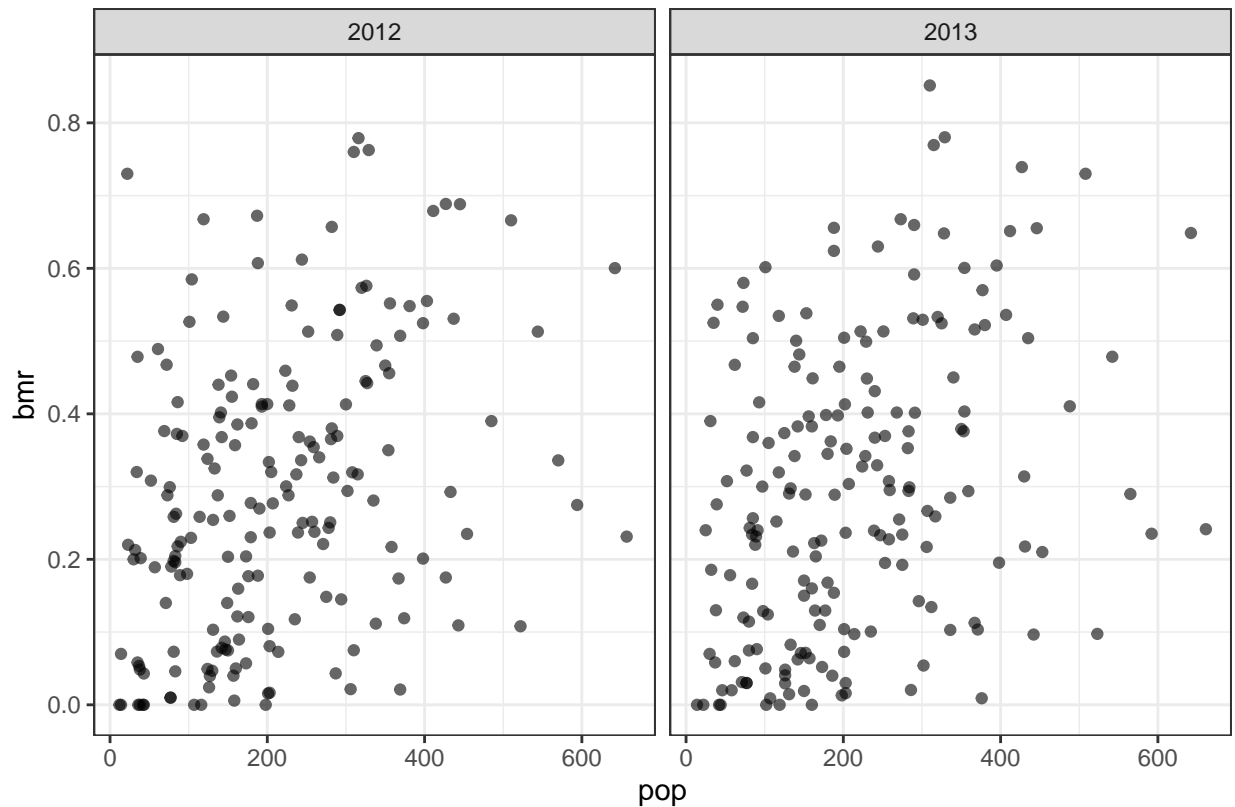
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Now lets plot it

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ggplot(data) +
  geom_point(aes(pop,bmr),alpha=3/5) +
  facet_wrap(~year) +
  theme_bw() +
  labs(caption="This shows the population vs bmr for each year.")

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This shows the population vs bmr for each year.

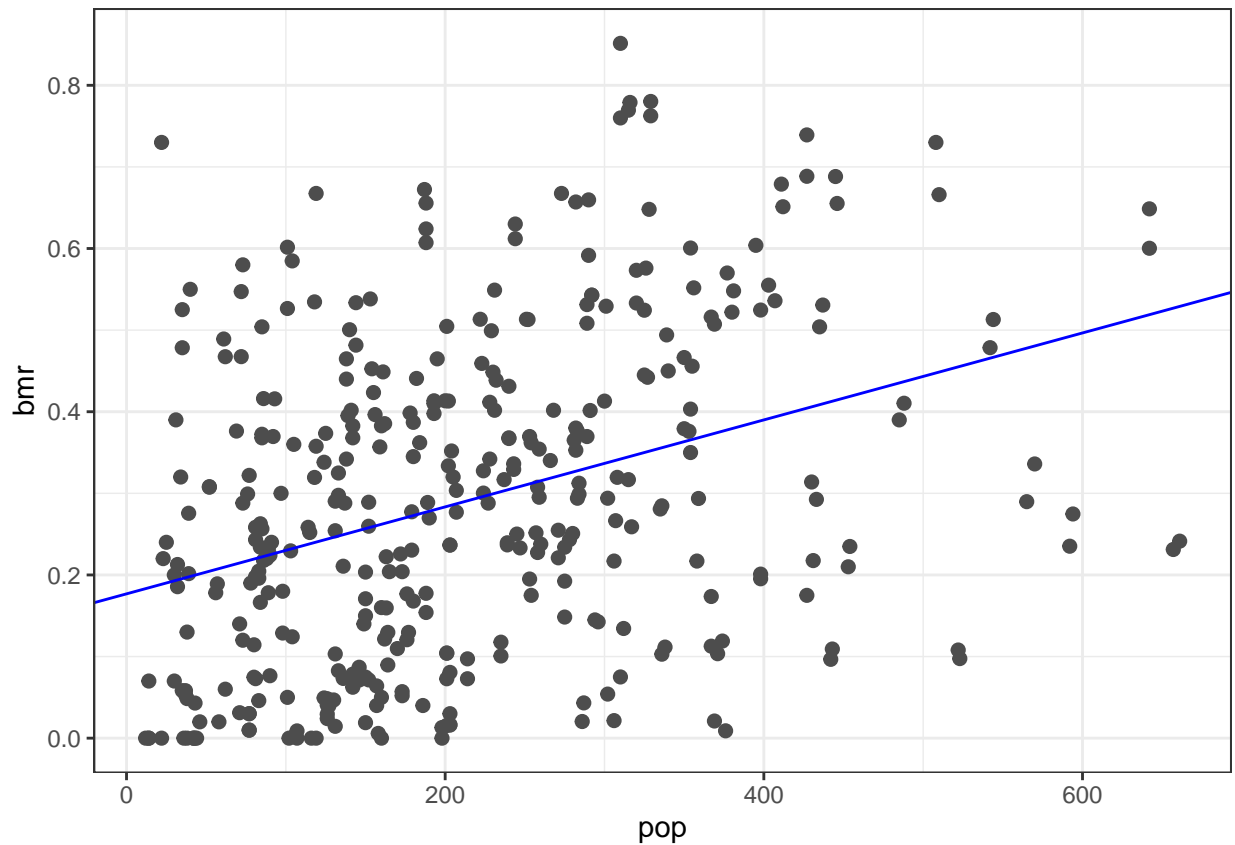
The data is relatively scattered, but we can see a weak positive linear trend.

Let's use mean-square residuals

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#mean-square residuals
measure_distance <- function(mod,data){
  diff <- data$bmr - (mod[1] + data$pop*mod[2])
  sqrt(mean(diff^2))
}

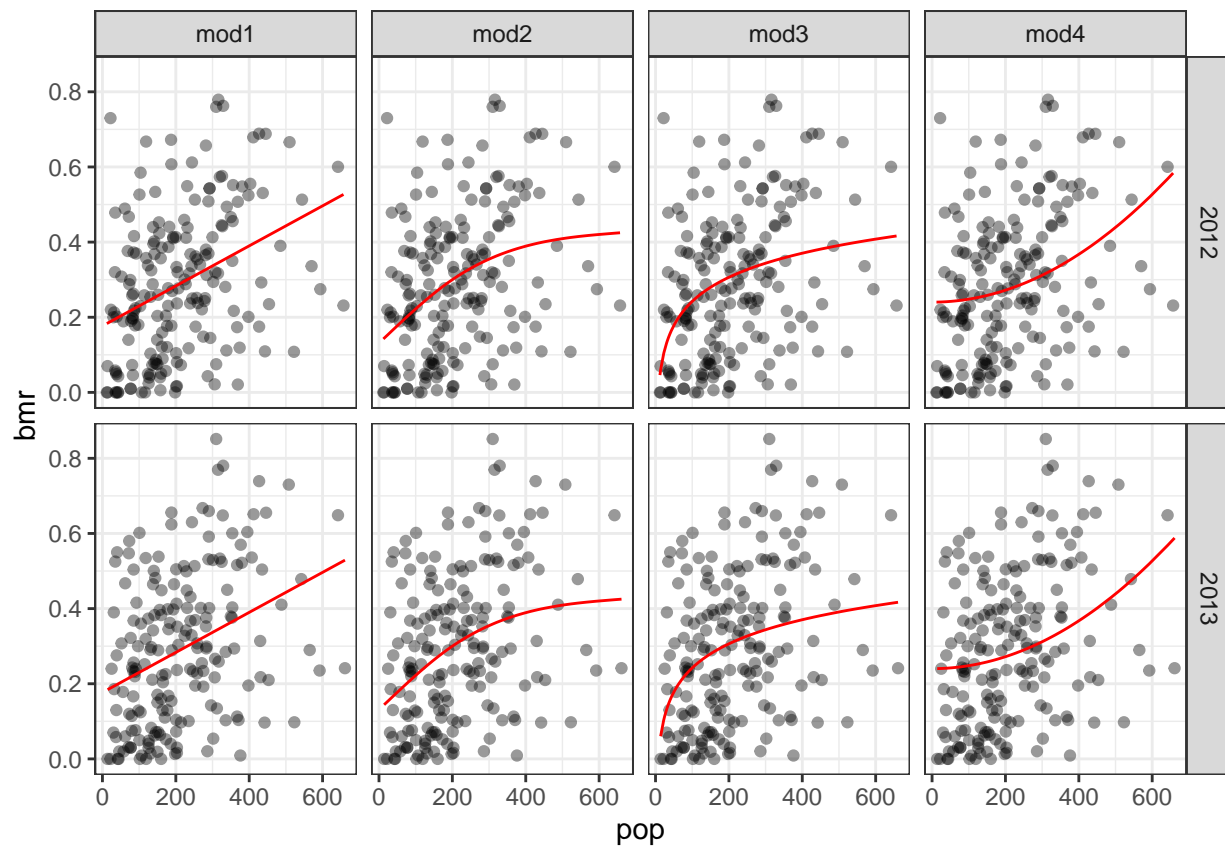
best <- optim(c(0, 0), measure_distance, data = data)

ggplot(data, aes(pop, bmr)) +
  geom_point(size = 2, colour = "grey30") +
  geom_abline(color="blue",intercept = best$par[1], slope = best$par[2]) +
  theme_bw()
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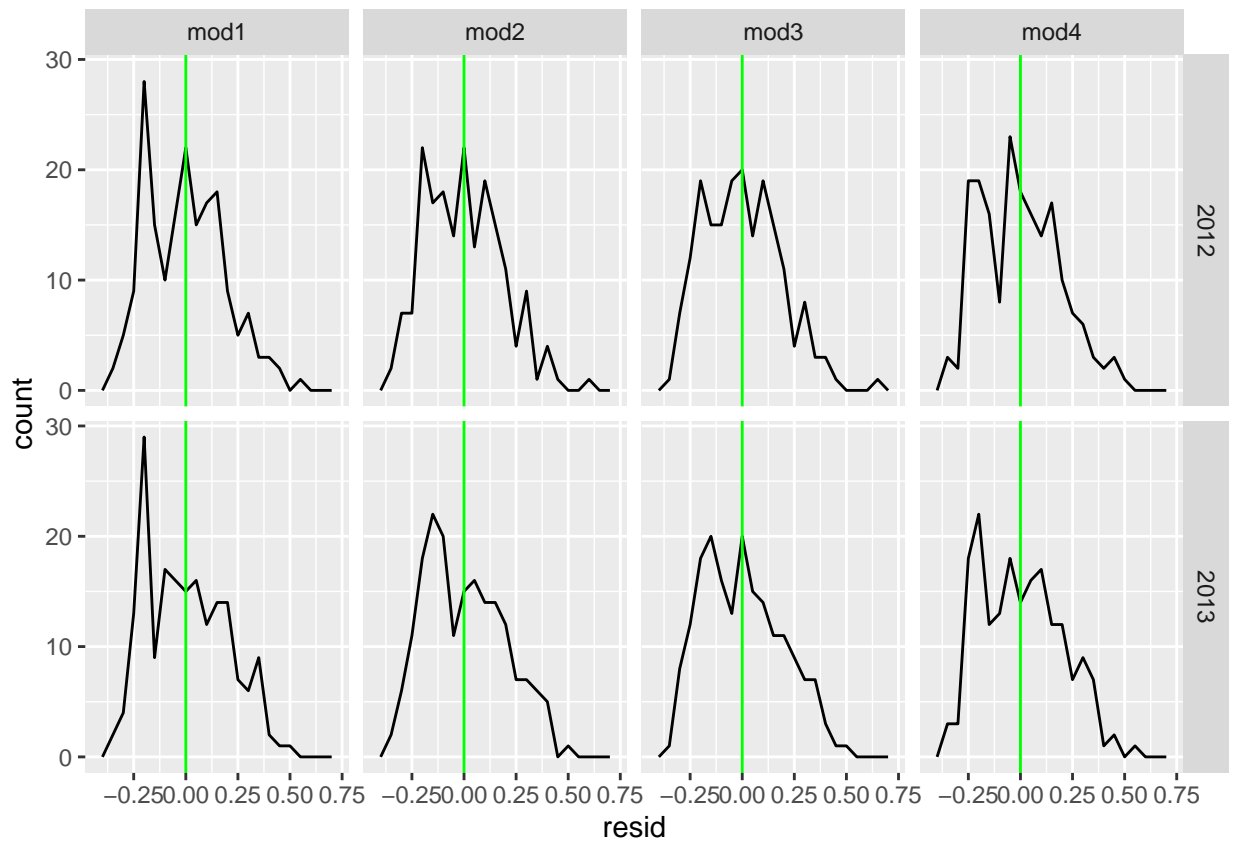
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mod1 <- lm(bmr ~ ns(pop, 1), data = data)
mod2 <- lm(bmr ~ ns(pop, 2), data = data)
mod3 <- lm(bmr ~ log(pop, base = exp(1)), data = data)
mod4 <- lm(bmr ~ I(pop^2), data = data)

data %>%
  gather_predictions(mod1, mod2, mod3, mod4) %>%
  ggplot(aes(pop, bmr)) +
  geom_point(alpha=2/5) +
  geom_line(aes(pop, pred), colour = "red") +
  facet_grid(year ~ model) +
  theme_bw()
```



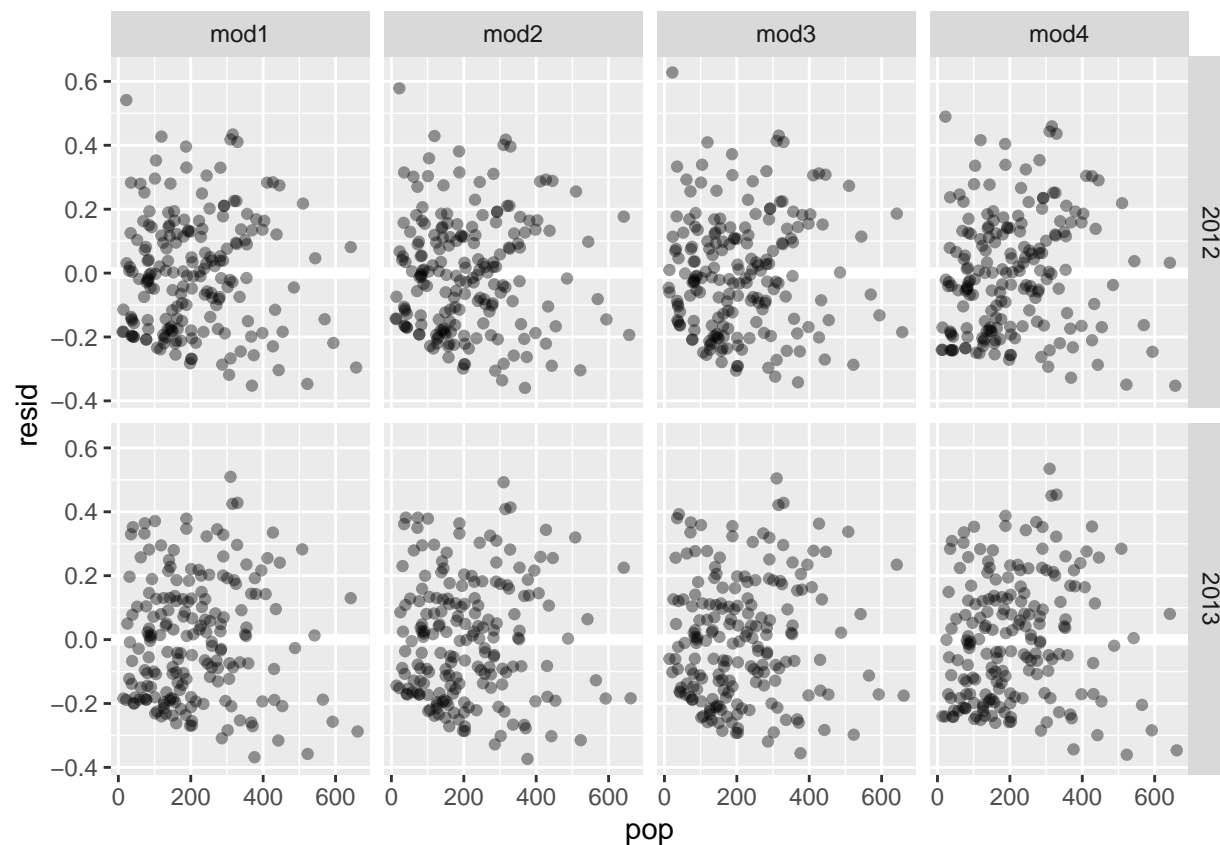
Let's check the residuals for any patterns

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data %>%
  gather_residuals(mod1,mod2,mod3,mod4) %>%
  ggplot(aes(resid)) +
  geom_freqpoly(binwidth = 0.05) +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0, colour = "Green", size=0.5) +
  facet_grid(year ~ model)
```



Looks approximately normal for all.

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data %>%
  gather_residuals(mod1,mod2,mod3,mod4) %>%
  ggplot(aes(pop, resid)) +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 0, colour = "white", size = 2) +
  geom_point(alpha=2/5) +
  facet_grid(year ~ model)
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Coefficient of Determination (r^2)

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summary(mod1)$r.squared
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## [1] 0.1260082
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summary(mod2)$r.squared
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## [1] 0.137638
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summary(mod3)$r.squared
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## [1] 0.1248974
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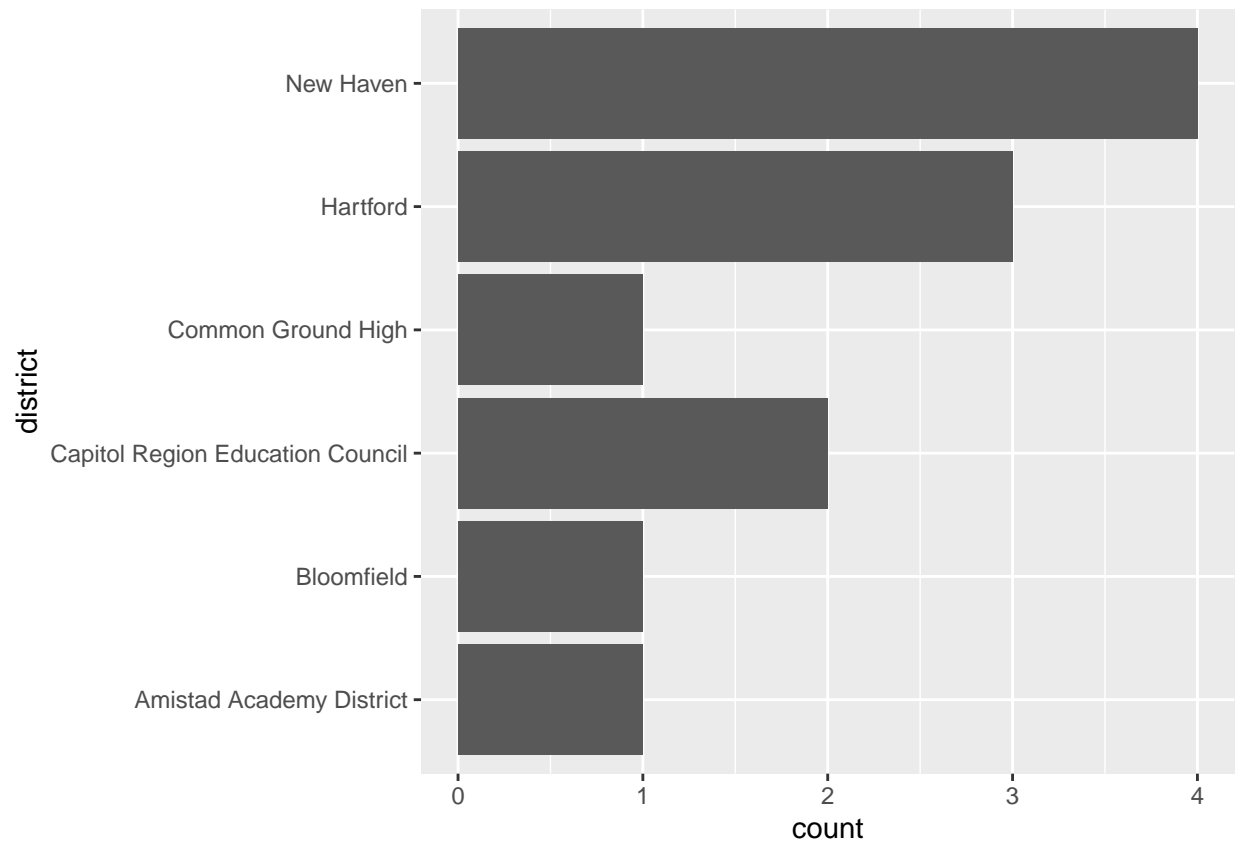
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summary(mod4)$r.squared
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## [1] 0.09041305
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These coefficients SUCK

We find the highest participation rate of 2012 and 2013.

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pr2012_highest <- data %>%
  dplyr::filter(part_rate == 100, year == 2012) %>%
  select(district)
ggplot(pr2012_highest) +
  geom_bar(aes(district)) +
  coord_flip()
```



```
pr2013_highest <- data %>%
  dplyr::filter(part_rate == 100, year == 2013) %>%
  select(district)
ggplot(pr2013_highest) +
  geom_bar(aes(district)) +
  coord_flip()
```