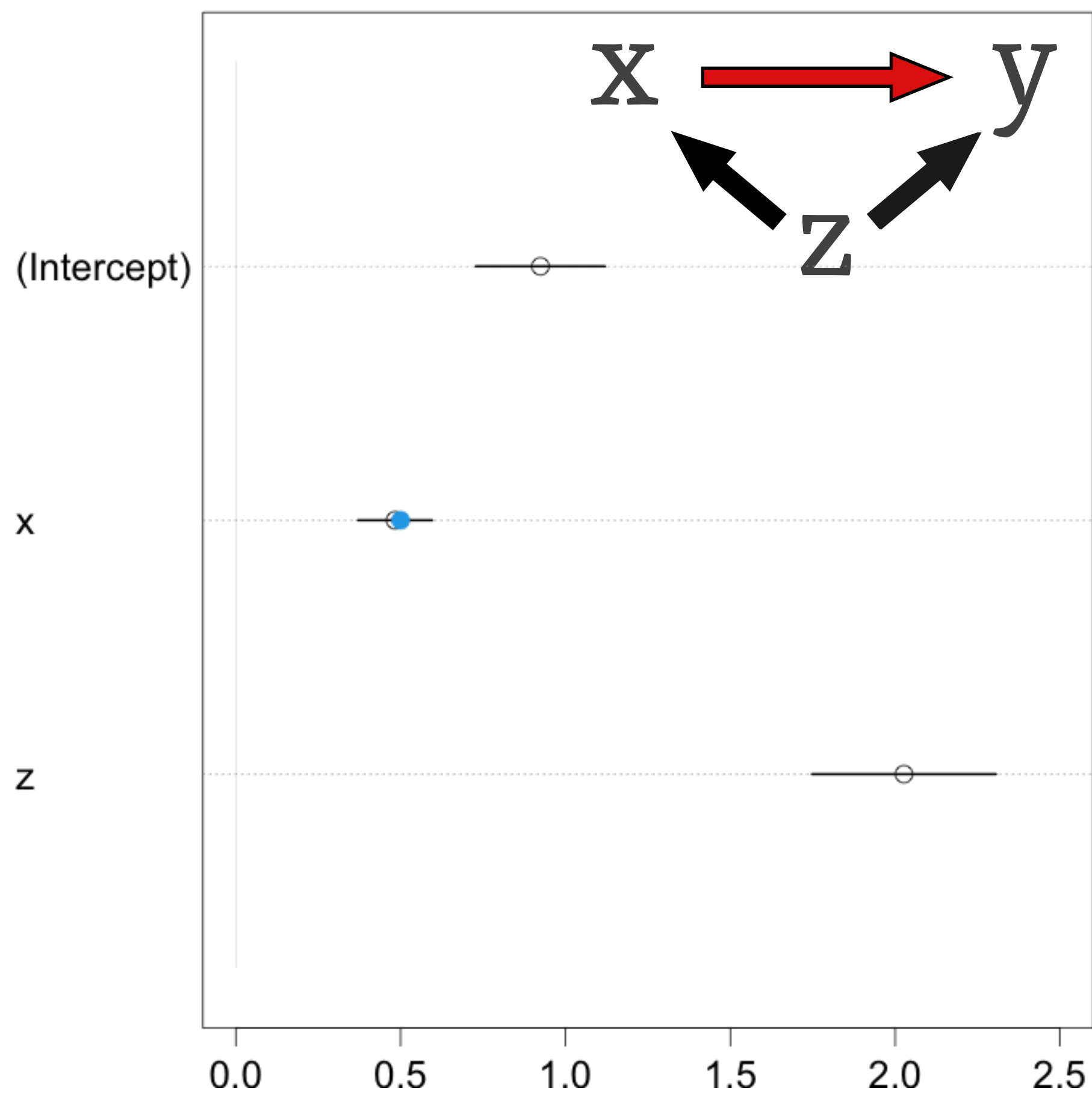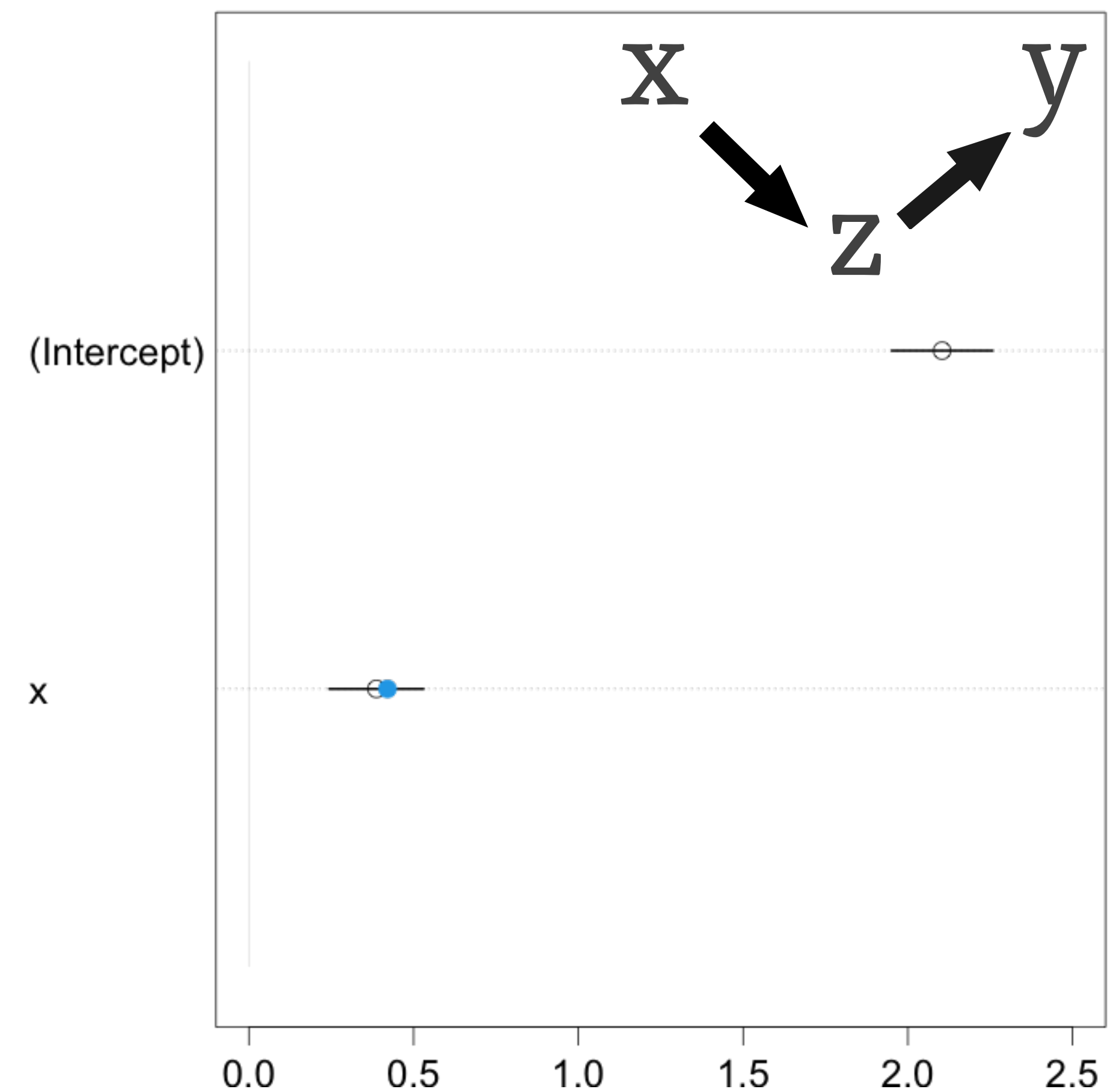# Fork vs. Pipe

Correct estimate with z

Correct estimate without z

Examples of pipes or mediators

Including a mediator in our models can have catastrophic effects

A common mistake is to include post-treatment variables