

Problem Set 6

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Questions

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load('BaseEnvironment.Rdata')
```

Team level questions

Q1. It seems that players are getting better at making 3-pointers than 20 years ago (both on average and also top 3-pointer shooters vs. top 3-pointer shooters) Is it true?

```
fg3year <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 35:36], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason), sum)
colnames(fg3year)[1] <- "Year"
fg3year <- fg3year %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fg3year$pctfg3 <- fg3year$fg3mTeam / fg3year$fg3aTeam * 100

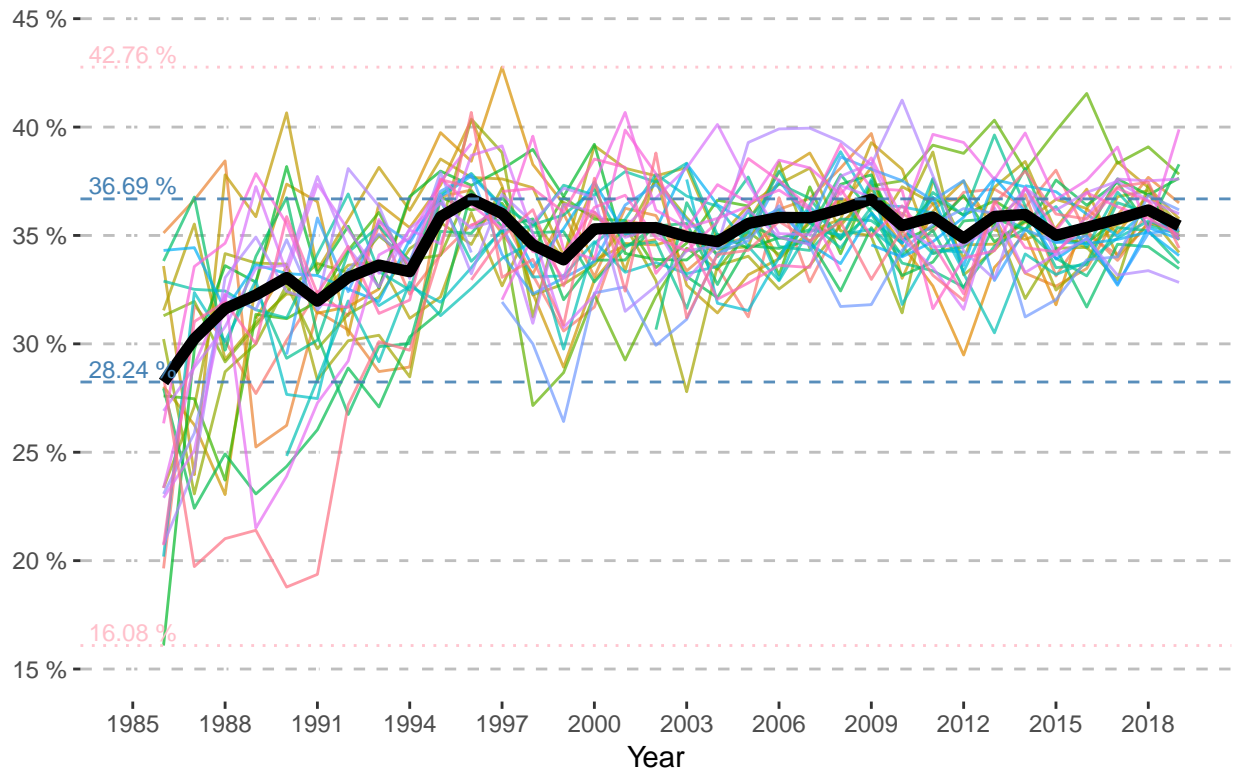
fg3yearteam <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 35:36], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason, dataGameLogsTeam$Team), sum)
colnames(fg3yearteam)[1] <- "Year"
colnames(fg3yearteam)[2] <- "Team"
fg3yearteam <- fg3yearteam %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fg3yearteam$pctfg3 <- fg3yearteam$fg3mTeam / fg3yearteam$fg3aTeam * 100

xaxisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(15, 45, by=5)

Q1 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fg3yearteam, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fg3year, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3), size=2, colour='black') +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 Pointer Field Goal Success Rate') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
    plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(15, 45), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=paste(yaxisbreaks,"%")) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks) +
  geom_hline(yintercept=min(fg3year$pctfg3), linetype=2, color="steelblue", size=0.5, alpha=0.9) +
  geom_hline(yintercept=max(fg3year$pctfg3), linetype=2, color="steelblue", size=0.5, alpha=0.9) +
  geom_hline(yintercept=min(fg3yearteam$pctfg3), linetype=3, color="pink", size=0.5, alpha=0.9) +
  geom_hline(yintercept=max(fg3yearteam$pctfg3), linetype=3, color="pink", size=0.5, alpha=0.9) +
  annotate("text", x=1985, y=min(fg3year$pctfg3)+0.6, label=paste(toString(round(min(fg3year$pctfg3), digits=2)), "%"), color="steelblue") +
  annotate("text", x=1985, y=max(fg3year$pctfg3)+0.6, label=paste(toString(round(max(fg3year$pctfg3), digits=2)), "%"), color="steelblue") +
  annotate("text", x=1985, y=min(fg3yearteam$pctfg3)+0.6, label=paste(toString(round(min(fg3yearteam$pctfg3), digits=2)), "%"), color="pink") +
  annotate("text", x=1985, y=max(fg3yearteam$pctfg3)+0.6, label=paste(toString(round(max(fg3yearteam$pctfg3), digits=2)), "%"), color="pink")
```

Q1

3 Pointer Field Goal Success Rate



```
fg3yearavg <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 35:36], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason), mean)
colnames(fg3yearavg)[1] <- "Year"
fg3yearavg <- fg3yearavg %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fg3yearavg$pctfg3 <- fg3yearavg$fg3mTeam / fg3yearavg$fg3aTeam * 100

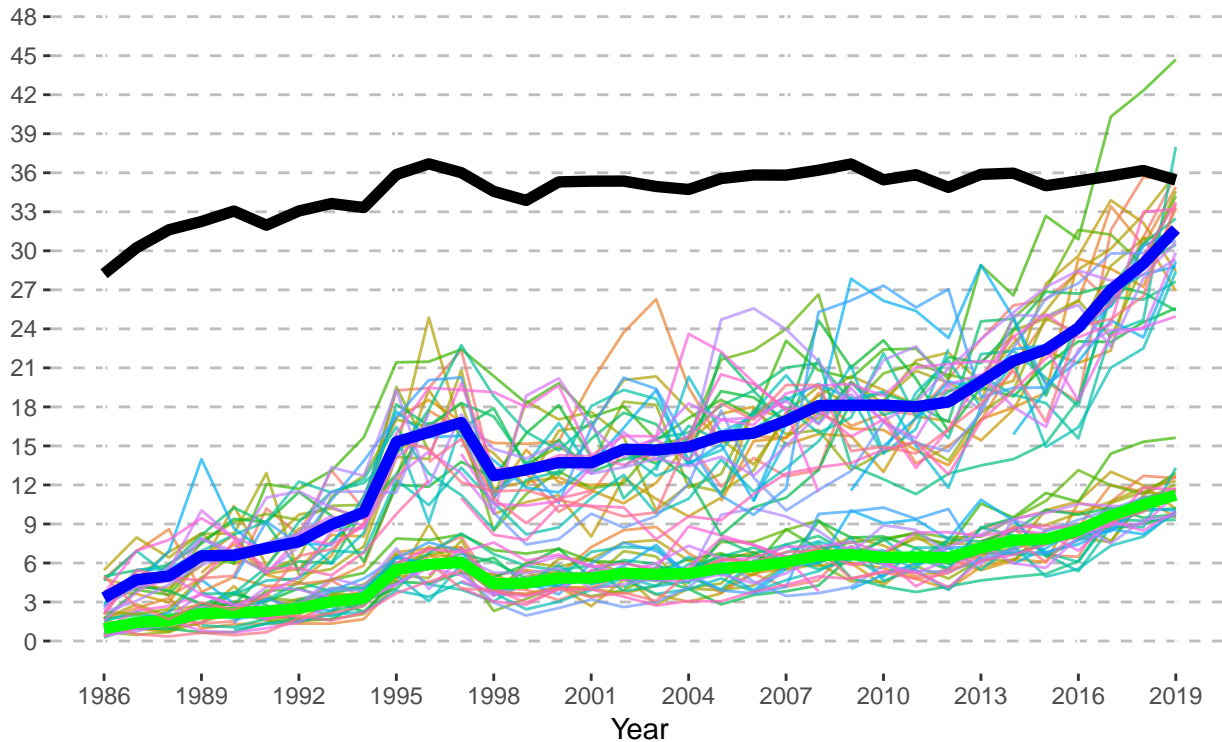
fg3yearteamavg <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 35:36], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason, dataGameLogsTeam$Team), mean)
colnames(fg3yearteamavg)[1] <- "Year"
colnames(fg3yearteamavg)[2] <- "Team"
fg3yearteamavg <- fg3yearteamavg %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fg3yearteamavg$pctfg3 <- fg3yearteamavg$fg3mTeam / fg3yearteamavg$fg3aTeam * 100

axisbreaks <- seq(1986, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(0, 50, by=3)

Q1_2 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fg3yearteamavg, aes(x=Year, y=fg3mTeam, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fg3yearavg, aes(x=Year, y=fg3mTeam), size=2, colour='green') +
  geom_line(data=fg3yearteamavg, aes(x=Year, y=fg3aTeam, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fg3yearavg, aes(x=Year, y=fg3aTeam), size=2, colour='blue') +
  geom_line(data=fg3year, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3), size=2, colour='black') +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 Pointer Field Goal made vs tries') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
    plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0, 50), breaks=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1986,2019), breaks=axisbreaks)

Q1_2
```

3 Pointer Field Goal made vs tries



```
fgallyearavg <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 29:38], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason), mean)
colnames(fgallyearavg)[1] <- "Year"
fgallyearavg["plusminusTeam"] = NULL
fgallyearavg["urlTeamSeasonLogo"] = NULL
fgallyearavg["pfTeam"] = NULL
fgallyearavg <- fgallyearavg %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fgallyearavg$pctpts3 <- fgallyearavg$fg3mTeam / fgallyearavg$ptsTeam * 100
fgallyearavg$pctpts2 <- fgallyearavg$fg2mTeam / fgallyearavg$ptsTeam * 100
fgallyearavg$pctptsft <- fgallyearavg$ftmTeam / fgallyearavg$ptsTeam * 100

fgallyearteamavg <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 29:38], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason, dataGameLogsTeam$Team), mean)
colnames(fgallyearteamavg)[1] <- "Year"
colnames(fgallyearteamavg)[2] <- "Team"
fgallyearteamavg["plusminusTeam"] = NULL
fgallyearteamavg["urlTeamSeasonLogo"] = NULL
fgallyearteamavg["pfTeam"] = NULL
fgallyearteamavg <- fgallyearteamavg %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fgallyearteamavg$pctpts3 <- fgallyearteamavg$fg3mTeam / fgallyearteamavg$ptsTeam * 100
fgallyearteamavg$pctpts2 <- fgallyearteamavg$fg2mTeam / fgallyearteamavg$ptsTeam * 100
fgallyearteamavg$pctptsft <- fgallyearteamavg$ftmTeam / fgallyearteamavg$ptsTeam * 100

xaxisbreaks <- seq(1986, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(0, 45, by=5)

Q1_3 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fgallyearteamavg, aes(x=Year, y=pctpts2, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fgallyearteamavg, aes(x=Year, y=pctpts3, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fgallyearteamavg, aes(x=Year, y=pctptsft, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fgallyearavg, aes(x=Year, y=pctpts3), size=2, colour='red') +
  geom_line(data=fgallyearavg, aes(x=Year, y=pctpts2), size=2, colour='green') +
  geom_line(data=fgallyearavg, aes(x=Year, y=pctptsft), size=2, colour='blue') +
```

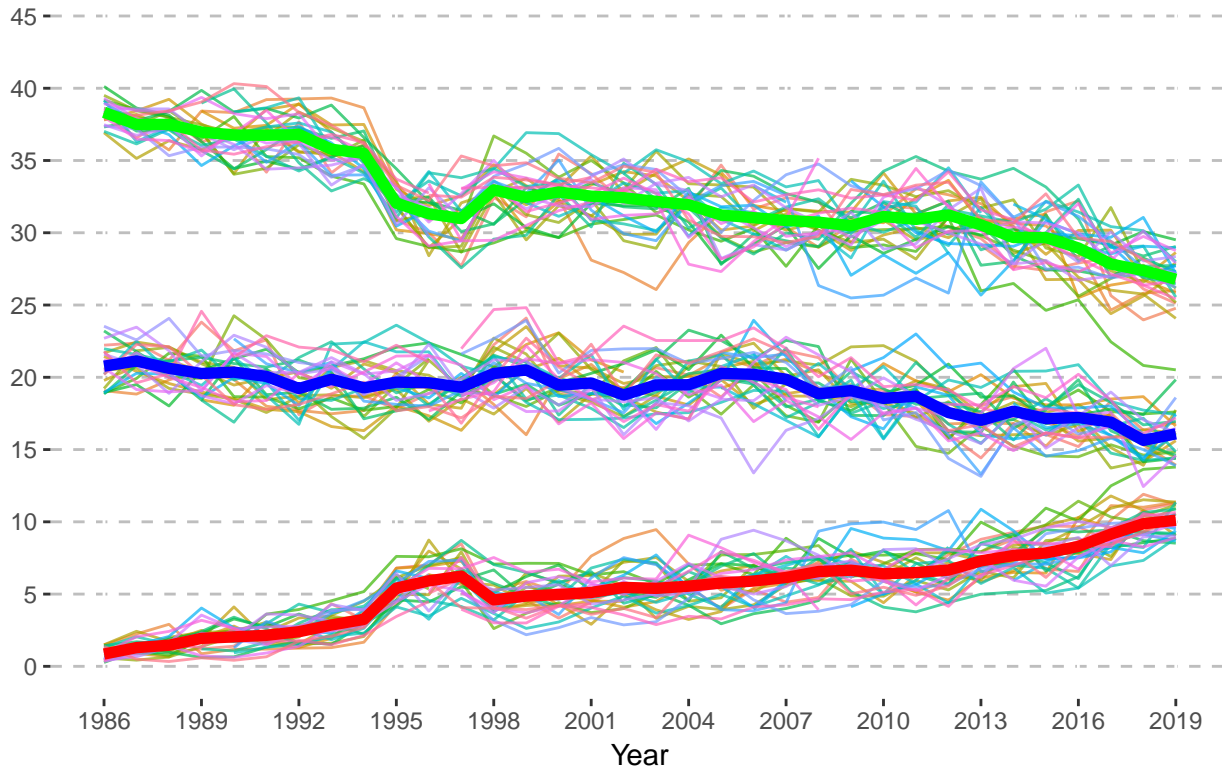
```

xlab('Year') +
ylab(NULL) +
ggtitle('Field Goal Percentage / all Points red:3, green: 2, blue: free throws') +
theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
      plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0, 45), breaks=yaxisbreaks) +
scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1986,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)

```

Q1_3

Field Goal Percentage / all Points red:3, green: 2, blue: free throws



Yes, the success rate of 3 point field goal has been increased by about 9% since 1986.

Q2. If true, what could be the reasons for that? - What are the expected average points of 3-pointers and 2-pointers? Show the historical data. - If the expected average point from 3-pointers is getting higher than that of 2-pointers, how should each team's strategy changes

<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/01/21/sports/basketball/how-the-nba-3-point-shot-went-from-gimmick-to-game-changer.html>

Its debut, in the 1979-80 season, was inauspicious.

There are many reasons for the rise of the 3-point shot, but one may simply be math. It took a while, but coaches finally stopped listening to the traditionalist naysayers and realized that a shot that is worth 50 percent more pays off, even if that shot is a little harder to make.

"Teams have all caught on to the whole points-per-possession argument," Lawrence Frank, the Nets' coach at the time, said in 2009 as the 3 rate began to rapidly increase.

```

fgyear <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 35:38], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason), sum)
colnames(fgyear)[1] <- "Year"
fgyear <- fgyear %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fgyear$pctfg3 <- fgyear$fg3mTeam / fgyear$fg3aTeam * 100
fgyear$pctfg2 <- fgyear$fg2mTeam / fgyear$fg2aTeam * 100

```

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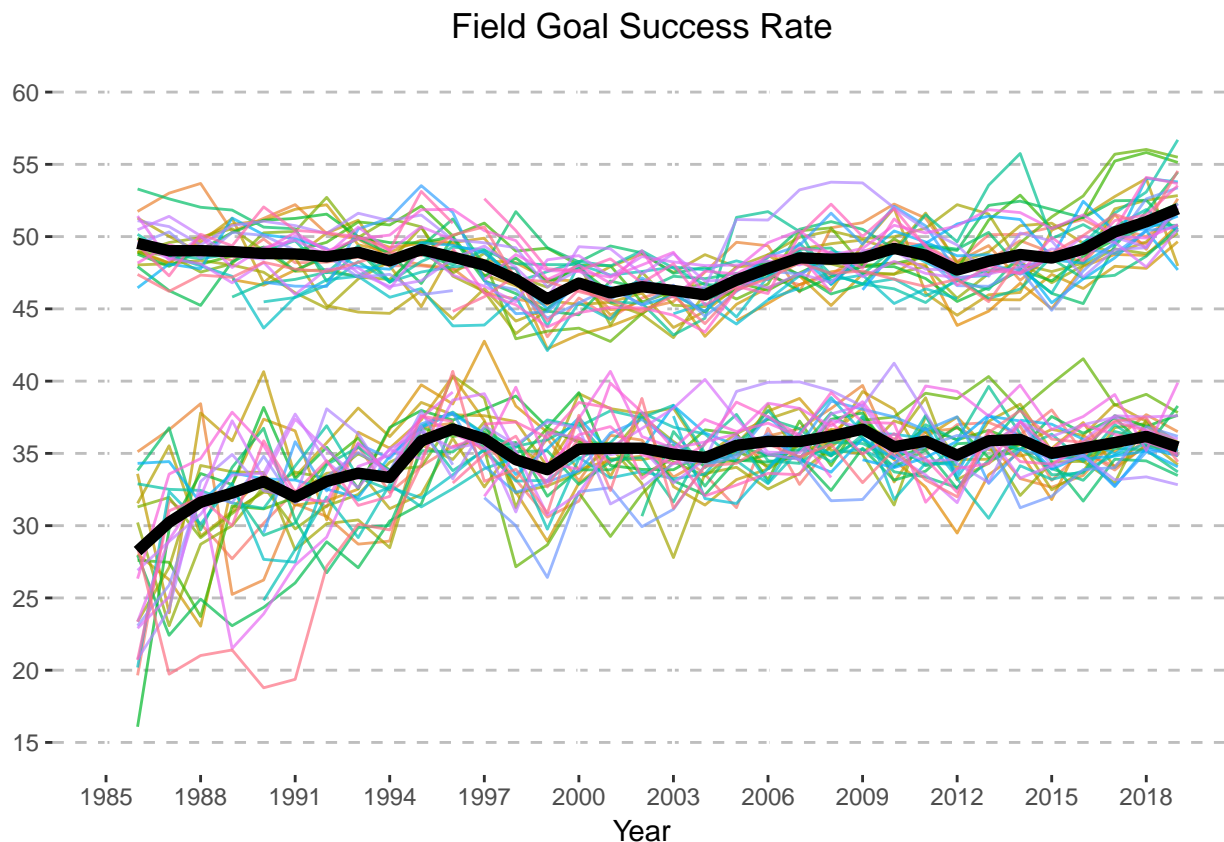
fgyearteam <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 35:38], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason, dataGameLogsTeam$Team), sum)
colnames(fgyearteam)[1] <- "Year"
colnames(fgyearteam)[2] <- "Team"
fgyearteam <- fgyearteam %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fgyearteam$pctfg3 <- fgyearteam$fg3mTeam / fgyearteam$fg3aTeam * 100
fgyearteam$pctfg2 <- fgyearteam$fg2mTeam / fgyearteam$fg2aTeam * 100

axisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(15, 60, by=5)

Q2_1 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fgyearteam, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fgyearteam, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg2, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fgyearteam, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  geom_line(data=fgyearteam, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg2, colour=Team), size=0.5, show.legend=FALSE, alpha=0.7) +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('Field Goal Success Rate') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(15, 60), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)# +

Q2_1

```



The expected points of 2-point shots in 1986 was $r \text{ fgyearpctfg2}[1986 - 1985] / 100' * 2 = r \text{ fgyearpctfg2}[1986-1985] / 1002'$ The expected points of 3-point shots in 1986 was $r \text{ fgyearpctfg3}[1986 - 1985] / 100' * 3 = r \text{ fgyearpctfg3}[1986-1985] / 1003'$

The expected points of 2-point shots in 2019 was $r \text{ fgyearpctfg2}[2019 - 1985] / 100' * 2 = r \text{ fgyearpctfg2}[2019-1985] / 1002'$ The expected points of 3-point shots in 2019 was $r \text{ fgyearpctfg3}[2019 - 1985] / 100' * 3 = r \text{ fgyearpctfg3}[2019-1985] / 1003'$

Teams started to focus on 3-point shots after its first introduction in 1979, because the expected points of 3-point shots are higher than that of 2-point shots since early 90's.

```

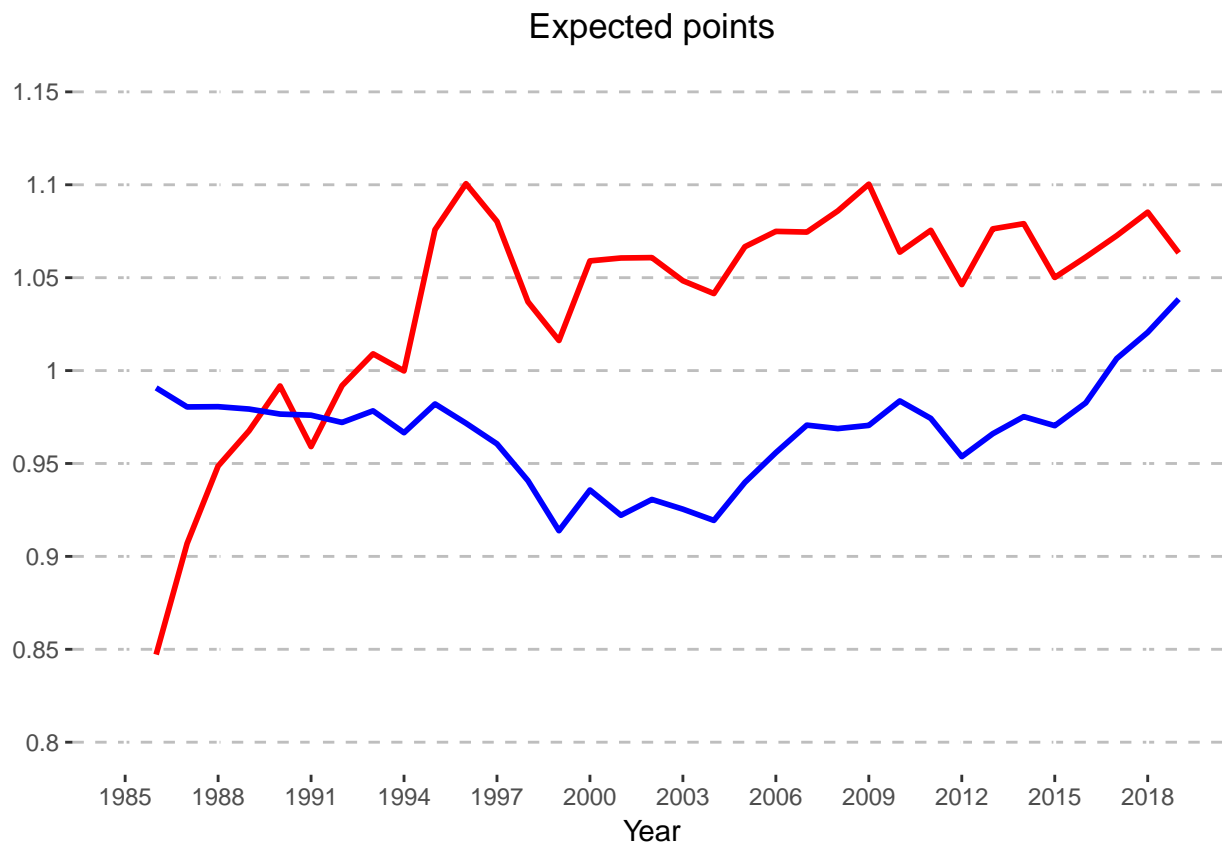
fgyear$e2 = fgyear$pctfg2 / 100 * 2
fgyear$e3 = fgyear$pctfg3 / 100 * 3

xaxisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(0.8, 1.15, by=0.05)

Q2_2 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fgyear, aes(x=Year, y=e3), size=1, colour='red') +
  geom_line(data=fgyear, aes(x=Year, y=e2), size=1, colour='blue') +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('Expected points') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0.8, 1.15), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)

```

Q2_2



Q3. Teams with more 3-pointers tend to be the better performing teams? - Any insights between standings and 3-pointers?

```

standings <- read_csv("standings.csv")

fgyearteam <- aggregate(dataGameLogsTeam[, 35:38], list(dataGameLogsTeam$yearSeason, dataGameLogsTeam$nameTeam), sum)
colnames(fgyearteam)[1] <- "Year"
colnames(fgyearteam)[2] <- "nameTeam"
fgyearteam <- fgyearteam %>% filter (Year >= 1986)
fgyearteam$pctfg3 <- fgyearteam$fg3mTeam / fgyearteam$fg3aTeam * 100
fgyearteam$pctfg2 <- fgyearteam$fg2mTeam / fgyearteam$fg2aTeam * 100

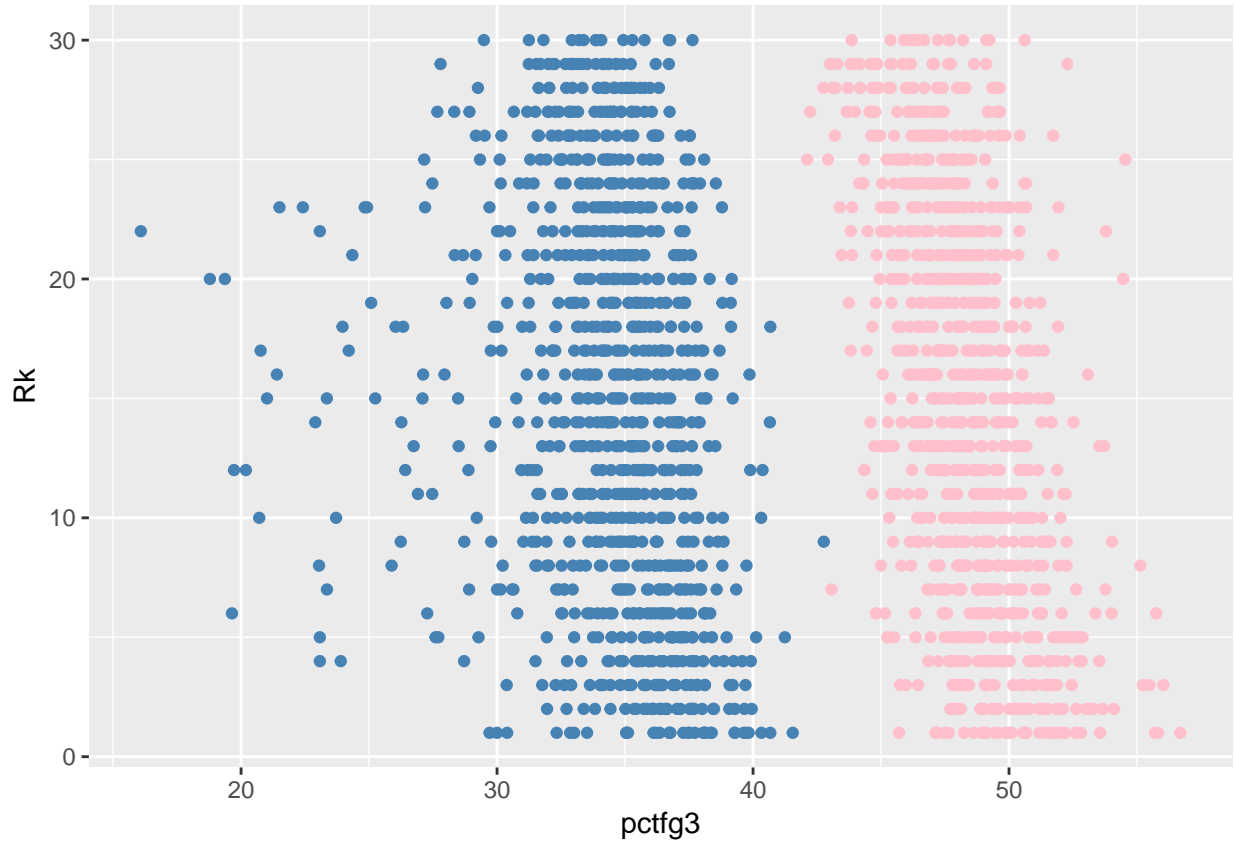
standings2 <- left_join(standings, fgyearteam, by=c("Year" = "Year", "Team" = "nameTeam"))

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```
Q3 <- ggplot(standings2) +
  geom_point(aes(x=pctfg3, y=Rk), color="steelblue") +
  geom_point(aes(x=pctfg2, y=Rk), color="pink")
```

Q3



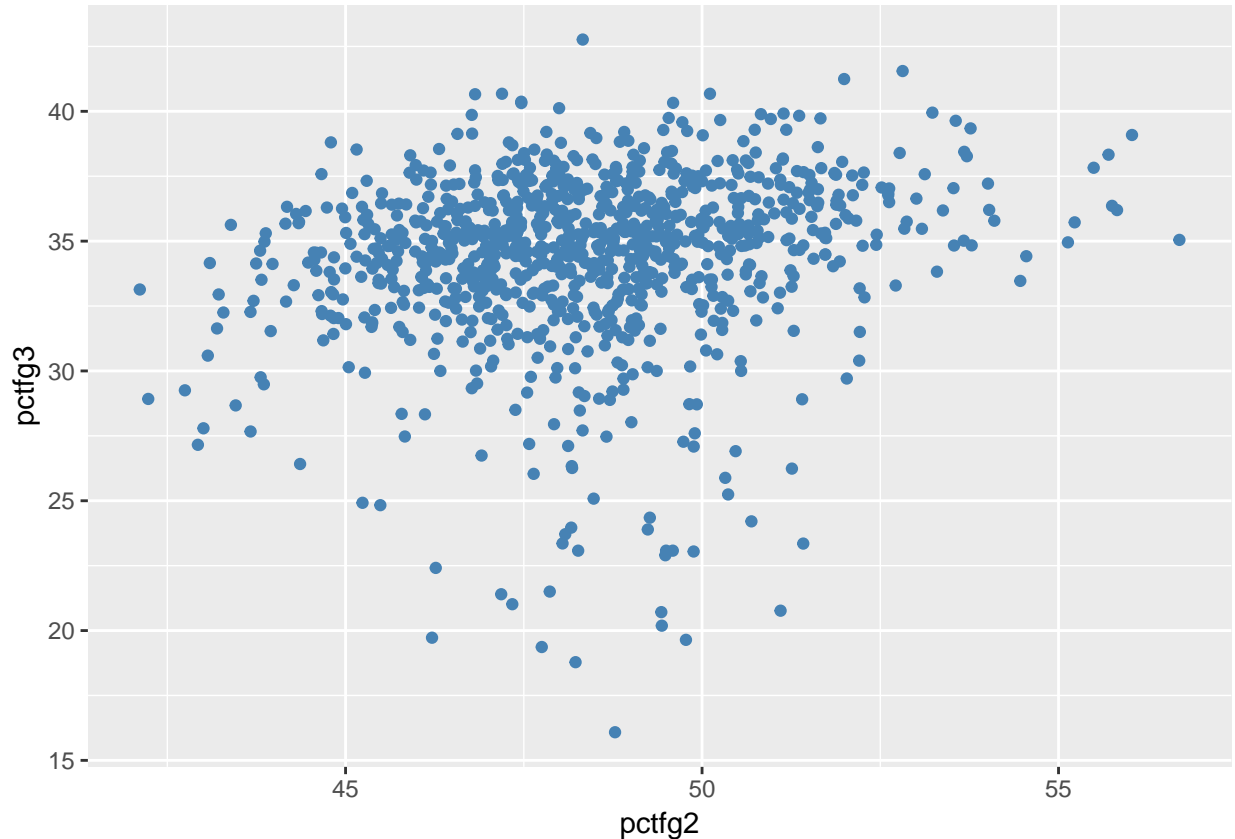
```
linearModel <- lm(Rk ~ pctfg3, data=standings2)
tidy(linearModel)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  32.6      2.72      12.0  5.33e-31
2 pctfg3      -0.518    0.0787     -6.58  7.74e-11
```

```
linearModel2 <- lm(Rk ~ pctfg2, data=standings2)
tidy(linearModel2)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  107.      4.97      21.6  2.14e-84
2 pctfg2      -1.91    0.103     -18.6  3.69e-66
```

```
linearModel3 <- lm(Rk ~ pctfg3 + pctfg2, data=standings2)
tidy(linearModel3)
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  114.      5.15      22.1  9.52e-88
2 pctfg3      -0.305    0.0694     -4.40  1.23e- 5
3 pctfg2      -1.83    0.103     -17.7  4.80e-61
```

```
linearModel4 <- lm(pctfg3 ~ pctfg2, data=standings2)
tidy(linearModel4)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  22.0        2.29      9.60 6.40e-21
2 pctfg2       0.257      0.0472     5.45 6.57e- 8

Q3_2 <- ggplot(standings2) +
  geom_point(aes(x=pctfg2, y=pctfg3), color="steelblue")
Q3_2
```



Yes. However, pctfg2 is more relevant than pctfg3

- Focus on three point shooting is a strategy that started fairly recently, we can create a map to show where this strategy initially emerged and how fast it spreaded across the entire country.

Player level questions

```
dataGameLogsPlayer1986 <- dataGameLogsPlayer %>% filter(yearSeason >= 1986)

fgyearplayer <- aggregate(dataGameLogsPlayer1986[, 19:26], list(dataGameLogsPlayer1986$yearSeason, dataGameLogsPlayer1986$nameP1),
  colnames(fgyearplayer)[1] <- "Year"
  colnames(fgyearplayer)[2] <- "Player"
  fgyearplayer$pctFG = NULL
  fgyearplayer$pctFG3 = NULL

fgyearplayer$pctfg3 <- fgyearplayer$fg3m / fgyearplayer$fg3a * 100
```

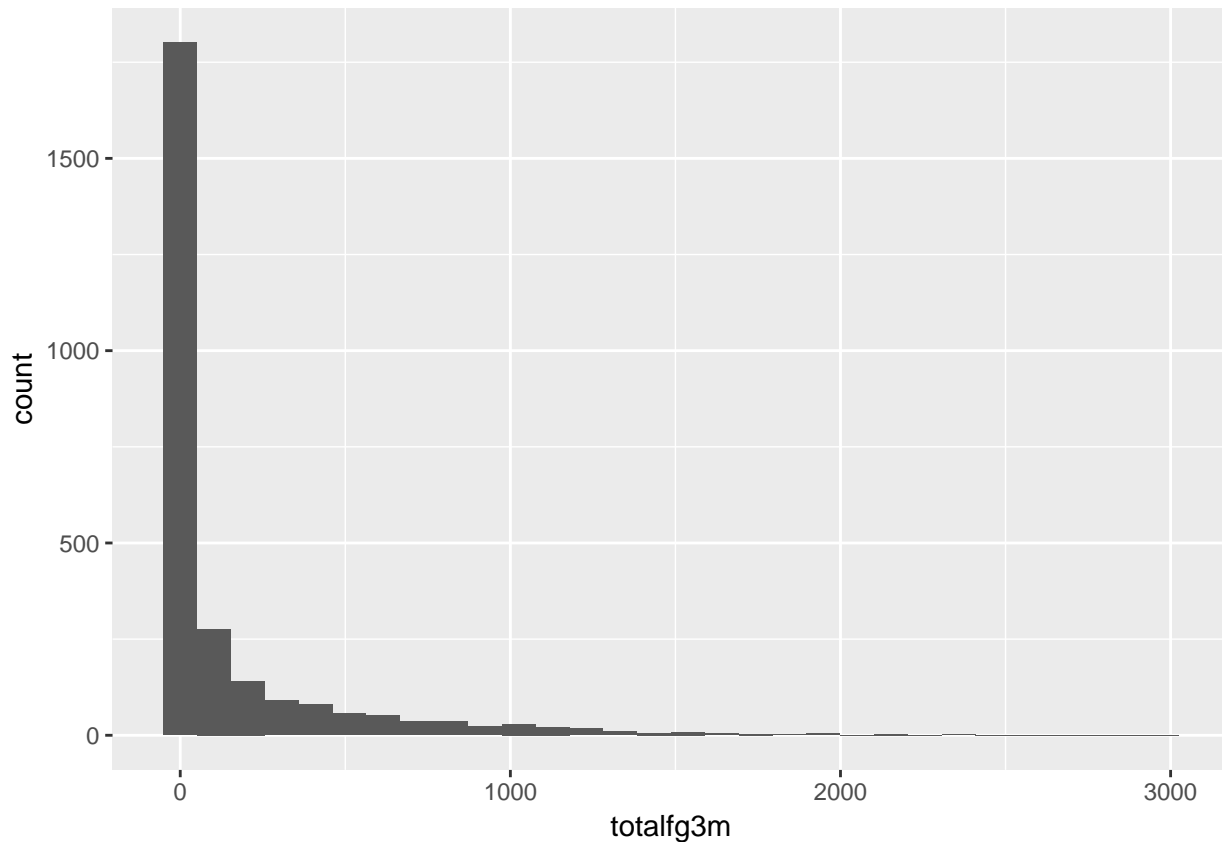


```

fgyearplayer$pctfg2 <- fgyearplayer$fgm / fgyearplayer$fga * 100
fgyearplayer$pctft <- fgyearplayer$ftm / fgyearplayer$fta * 100

# Meaningless...
yearplayer <- aggregate(fgyearplayer[,5], list(fgyearplayer$Player), sum)
colnames(yearplayer)[1] <- "Player"
colnames(yearplayer)[2] <- "totalfg3m"
ggplot(yearplayer, aes(totalfg3m)) + geom_histogram()

```



```

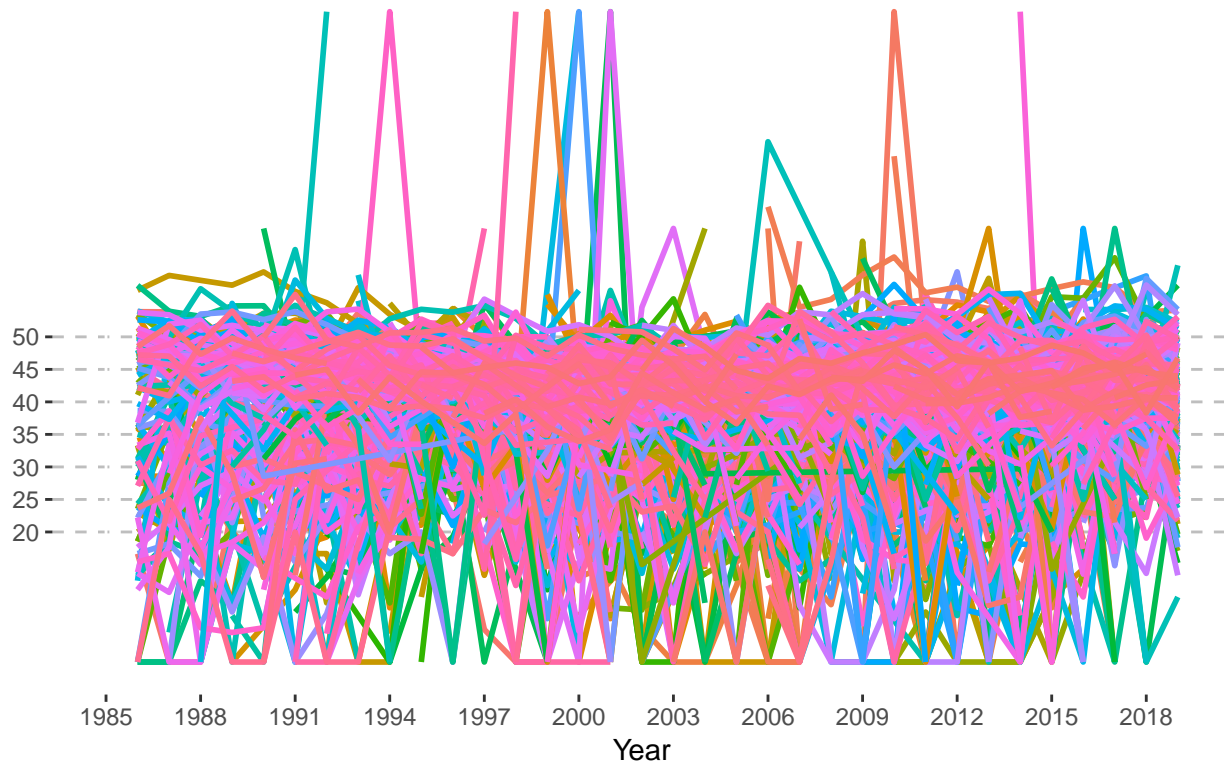
yearplayer100 <- yearplayer %>% filter (totalfg3m>=100)

xaxisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(20, 50, by=5)

fgyearplayer100 <- fgyearplayer %>% filter(Player %in% yearplayer100$Player)
plotYearPlayer <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer100, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer100, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg2, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point shot success rate by player') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
    plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0, 100), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotYearPlayer

```

3 point shot success rate by player



Meaningless...

```
fgplayer <- aggregate(dataGameLogsPlayer1986[, 19:26], list(dataGameLogsPlayer1986$namePlayer), sum)
colnames(fgplayer)[1] <- "Player"
fgplayer$pctFG = NULL
fgplayer$pctFG3 = NULL

fgplayer$pctfg3 <- fgplayer$fg3m / fgplayer$fg3a * 100
fgplayer$pctfg2 <- fgplayer$fgm / fgplayer$fga * 100
fgplayer$pctft <- fgplayer$ftm / fgplayer$fta * 100

fgplayer <- fgplayer[order(-fgplayer$pctfg3),]
fgplayer100 <- fgplayer %>% filter(fg3m >= 100)
```

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
fgplayer = r.fgplayer
```

```
fgplayer['firstYear'] = 2019
```

```
fgplayer['lastYear'] = 1986
```

```
print(fgplayer.head(5))
```

	Player	fgm	fga	...	pctft	firstYear	lastYear
0	Alvin Sims	4.0	10.0	...	40.000000	2019	1986
1	Coty Clarke	2.0	4.0	...	NaN	2019	1986
2	David Pope	9.0	19.0	...	50.000000	2019	1986
3	Eddy Curry	2578.0	4734.0	...	64.219474	2019	1986
4	Eric Anderson	12.0	35.0	...	59.259259	2019	1986

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```
print(fgplayer.tail(5))
```

	Player	fgm	fga	...	pctft	firstYear	lastYear
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2720 Winston Crite 34.0 71.0 ... 76.000000 2019 1986
2721 Yinka Dare 86.0 217.0 ... 57.009346 2019 1986
2722 Yvon Joseph 0.0 0.0 ... 100.000000 2019 1986
2723 Zeljko Rebraca 488.0 926.0 ... 79.155673 2019 1986
2724 Zendon Hamilton 176.0 400.0 ... 66.005666 2019 1986

```

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[5 rows x 12 columns]
i=0

```

```

for player in fgplayer.values:
    min = player[-2]
    max = player[-1]
    for yp in r.fgyearplayer.values:
        if player[0] == yp[1]:
            if max < yp[0]: max = yp[0]
            if min > yp[0]: min = yp[0]
    fgplayer.iloc[i,-1]=max
    fgplayer.iloc[i,-2]=min
    i += 1

```

```

print(fgplayer.head(5))

```

	Player	fgm	fga	...	pctft	firstYear	lastYear
0	Alvin Sims	4.0	10.0	...	40.000000	1999	1999
1	Coty Clarke	2.0	4.0	...	NaN	2016	2016
2	David Pope	9.0	19.0	...	50.000000	1986	1986
3	Eddy Curry	2578.0	4734.0	...	64.219474	2002	2013
4	Eric Anderson	12.0	35.0	...	59.259259	1993	1994

```

[5 rows x 12 columns]
print(fgplayer.tail(5))

```

	Player	fgm	fga	...	pctft	firstYear	lastYear
2720	Winston Crite	34.0	71.0	...	76.000000	1988	1989
2721	Yinka Dare	86.0	217.0	...	57.009346	1995	1998
2722	Yvon Joseph	0.0	0.0	...	100.000000	1986	1986
2723	Zeljko Rebraca	488.0	926.0	...	79.155673	2002	2006
2724	Zendon Hamilton	176.0	400.0	...	66.005666	2001	2006

```

[5 rows x 12 columns]

```

```

fgplayer <- py$fgplayer
fgplayer100 <- fgplayer %>% filter(fg3m >= 100)
fgplayer1000 <- fgplayer100 %>% filter(fg3m >= 1000)
fgplayer2000 <- fgplayer1000 %>% filter(fg3m >= 2000)

```

```

xaxisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(20, 50, by=5)

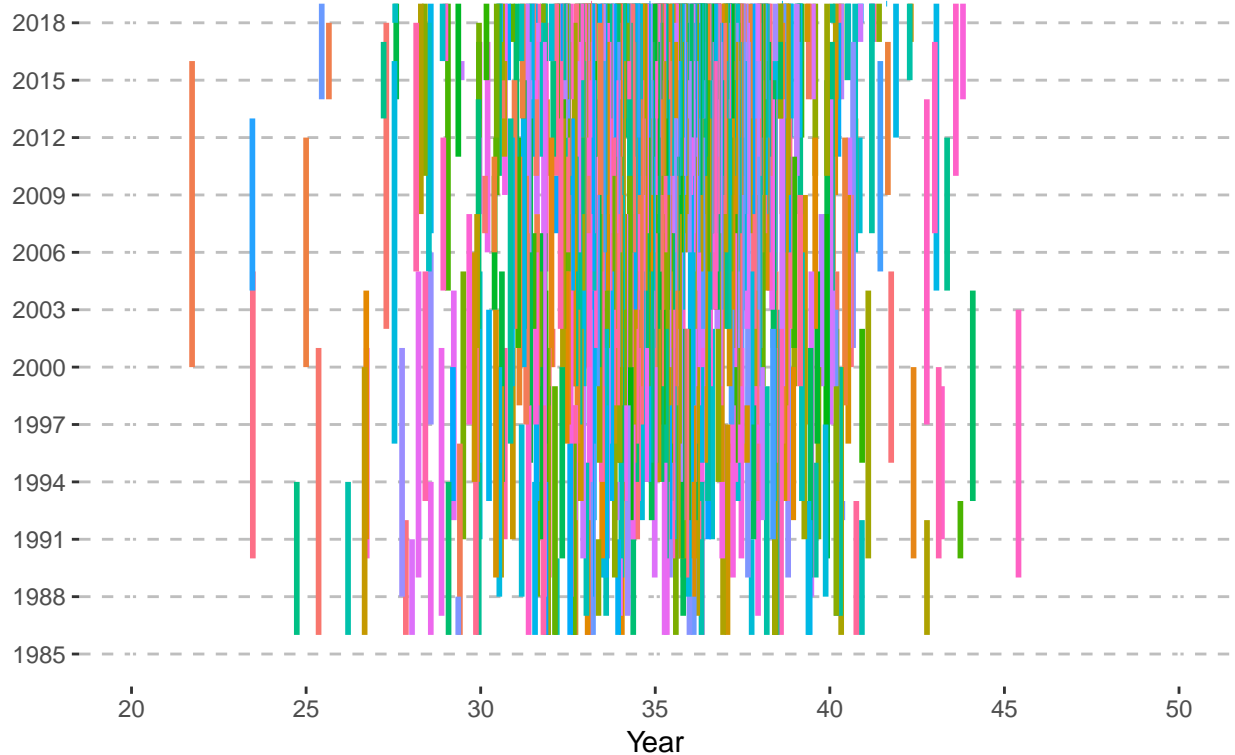
```

```

plotPlayer100 <- ggplot() +
  geom_linerange(data=fgplayer100, aes(x=pctfg3, y=lastYear, ymin=firstYear, ymax=lastYear, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend=
  # geom_point(data=fgplayer100, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_line
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point success rate by player and year') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
  plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(20, 50), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotPlayer100

```

3 point success rate by player and year



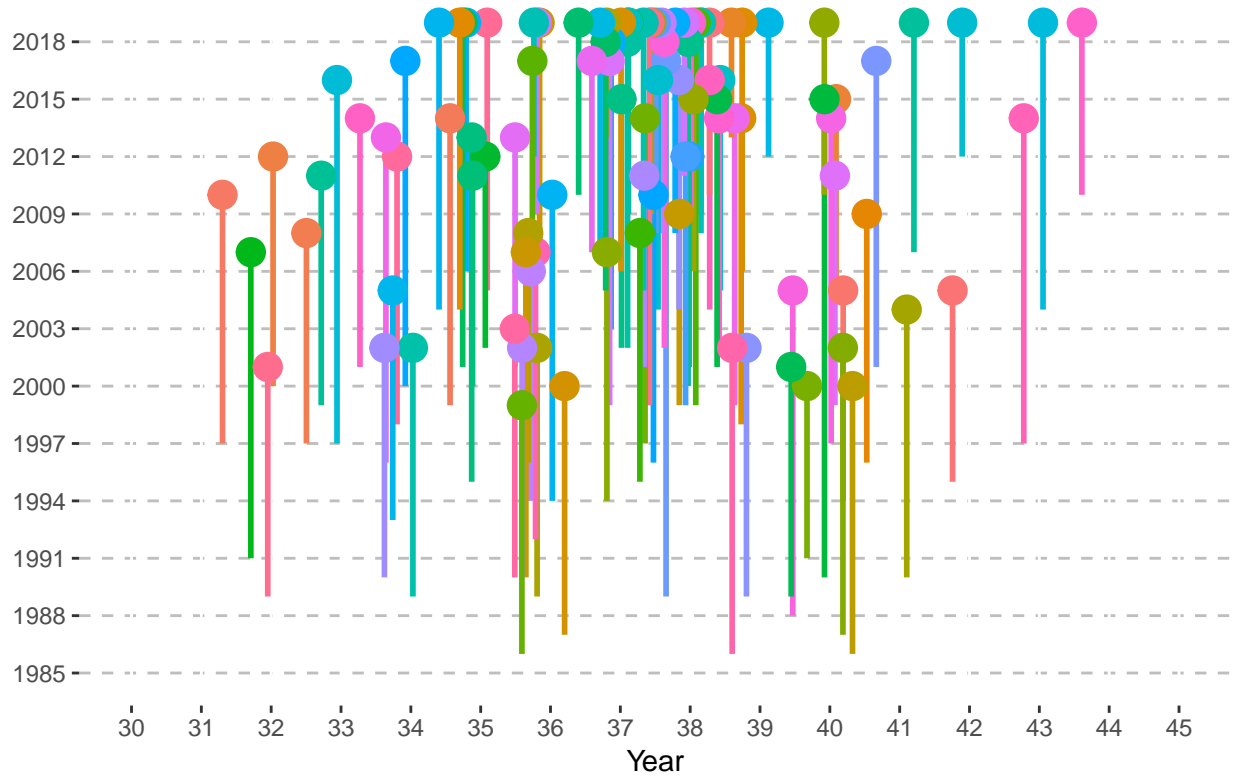
```

axisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(30, 45, by=1)

fgplayer1000 <- fgplayer100 %>% filter (fg3m >= 1000)
plotPlayer1000 <- ggplot() +
  geom_pointrange(data=fgplayer1000, aes(x=pctfg3, y=lastYear, ymin=firstYear, ymax=lastYear, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend=TRUE) +
  # geom_point(data=fgplayer100, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_line
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point success rate by player and year') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(30, 45), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotPlayer1000

```

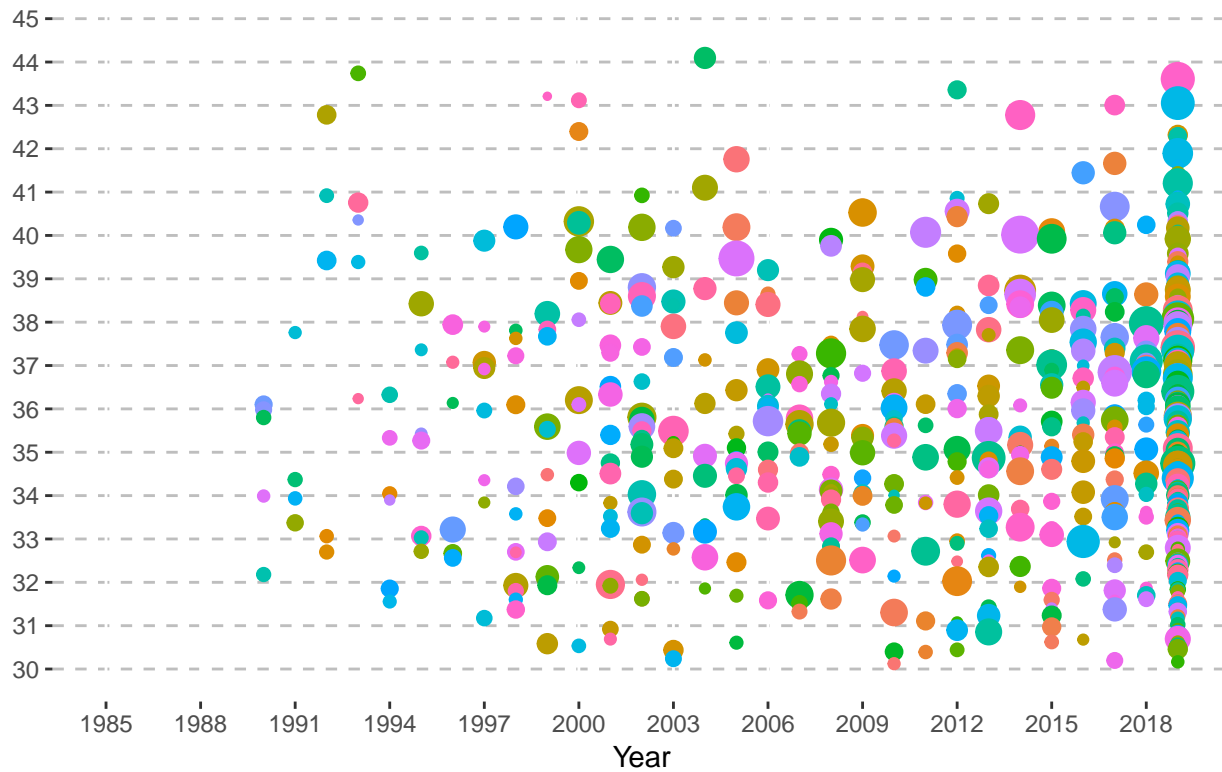
3 point success rate by player and year



```
axisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(30, 45, by=1)

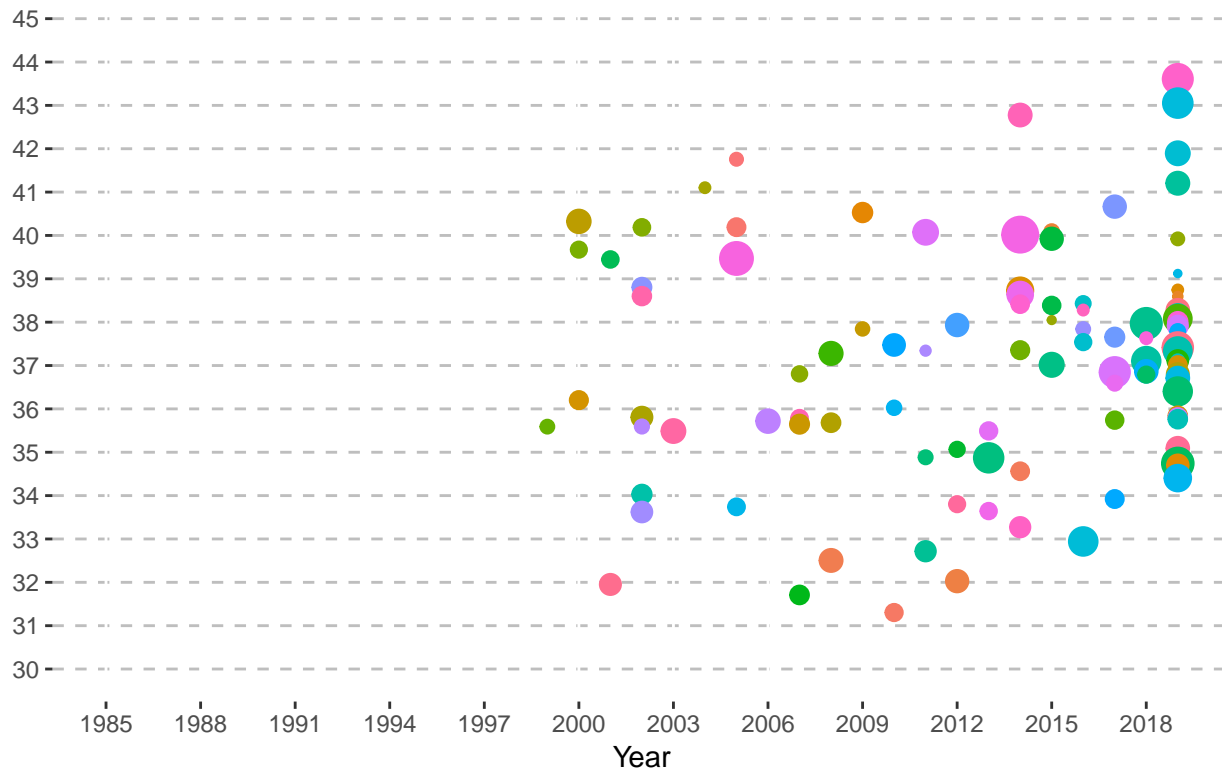
plotPlayer100 <- ggplot() +
  geom_point(data=fgplayer100, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, size=fg3m+fg3a, colour=Player), show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_point(data=fgplayer100, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_line
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point success rate by player and year') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(30, 45), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotPlayer100
```

3 point success rate by player and year



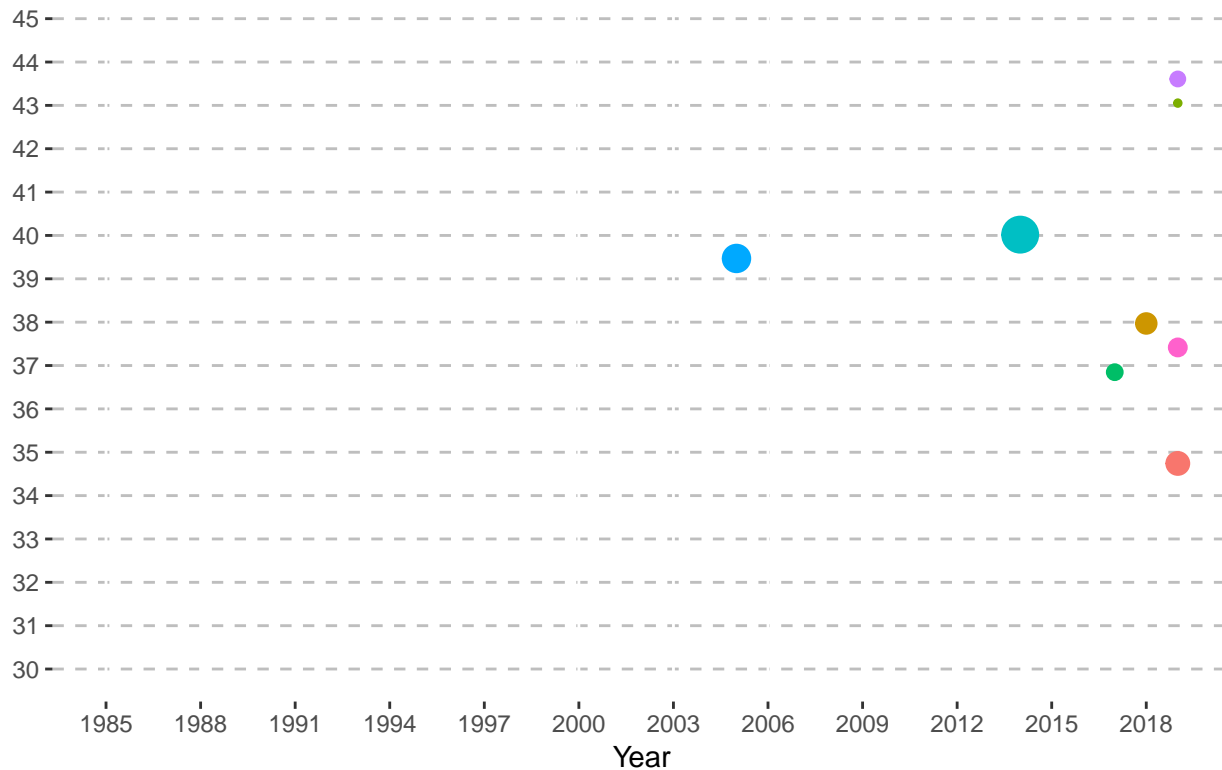
```
plotPlayer1000 <- ggplot() +
  geom_point(data=fgplayer1000, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, size=fg3m+fg3a, colour=Player), show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_point(data=fgplayer100, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_line
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point success rate by player and year') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(30, 45), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotPlayer1000
```

3 point success rate by player and year



```
plotPlayer2000 <- ggplot() +
  geom_point(data=fgplayer2000, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, size=fg3m+fg3a, colour=Player), show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_point(data=fgplayer100, aes(x=lastYear, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  # geom_line
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point success rate by player and year') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(30, 45), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotPlayer2000
```


3 point success rate by player and year



Above graph shows more players are trying 3 point shots than before. even though the average success rate is similar.

Q4. Players who are good at 3-pointers are also good at 2-pointers or free throws?

By regression.

Players who are good at free throws tend to be good at 3-pointers. However, 2-point field goal success rate is not related with 3-point field goal success rate!!! Why?

```
linearModel1 <- lm(pctfg3 ~ pctfg2, data=fgplayer100)
tidy(linearModel1)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  33.7      1.75      19.2  2.81e-67
2 pctfg2       0.0330   0.0400    0.823  4.11e- 1

linearModel2 <- lm(fg3m ~ fgm, data=fgplayer100)
tidy(linearModel2)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  184.      19.6      9.41  6.19e-20
2 fgm          0.143   0.00618   23.1  2.24e-89

linearModel3 <- lm(fg3a ~ fga, data=fgplayer100)
tidy(linearModel3)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  404.      48.0      8.42  1.98e- 16
2 fga          0.197   0.00687   28.6  3.67e-122

linearModel4 <- lm(fg3a ~ fga + fta, data=fgplayer100)
```

```
tidy(linearModel4)
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 276.      47.4      5.82 8.67e- 9
2 fga         0.347    0.0172    20.2 7.38e-73
3 fta        -0.455    0.0481    -9.47 3.52e-20

linearModel5 <- lm(pctfg3 ~ pctft, data=fgplayer100)
tidy(linearModel5)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 18.2      1.42     12.8 3.40e-34
2 pctft       0.216    0.0181     11.9 4.54e-30

linearModel6 <- lm(pctfg2 ~ pctft, data=fgplayer100)
tidy(linearModel6)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 41.9      1.42     29.6 4.07e-128
2 pctft       0.0219   0.0180      1.21 2.25e- 1

linearModel7 <- lm(pctfg3 ~ pctfg2 + pctft, data=fgplayer100)
tidy(linearModel7)
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 17.7      2.10      8.42 1.86e-16
2 pctfg2       0.0136   0.0368     0.370 7.12e- 1
3 pctft       0.216    0.0182     11.9 6.51e-30
```

When we look at all the players, 2-pointers and 3-pointers are reverse-related. Maybe because of dunk shots?

```
linearModel7 <- lm(pctfg3 ~ pctfg2 + pctft, data=fgplayer)
tidy(linearModel7)
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 3.65      2.52      1.45 1.48e- 1
2 pctfg2     -0.0441   0.0415    -1.06 2.88e- 1
3 pctft      0.329    0.0237     13.9 3.19e-42
```

Best players (more than 1,000 career 3-point field goals) are good at 2-pointers as well!!!

```
linearModel7 <- lm(pctfg3 ~ pctfg2 + pctft, data=fgplayer1000)
tidy(linearModel7)
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 3.76      4.06      0.926 0.356
2 pctfg2      0.345    0.0843     4.09 0.0000841
3 pctft      0.226    0.0344     6.58 0.00000000197

linearModel8 <- lm(pctfg3 ~ pctfg2 + pctft, data=fgplayer2000)
tidy(linearModel8)
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) -21.5     20.1     -1.07 0.334
2 pctfg2      0.799    0.442      1.81 0.131
3 pctft      0.290    0.231      1.26 0.264
```

-. Are there any relationship between players' ages and 3-pointers? Both total and average.

```

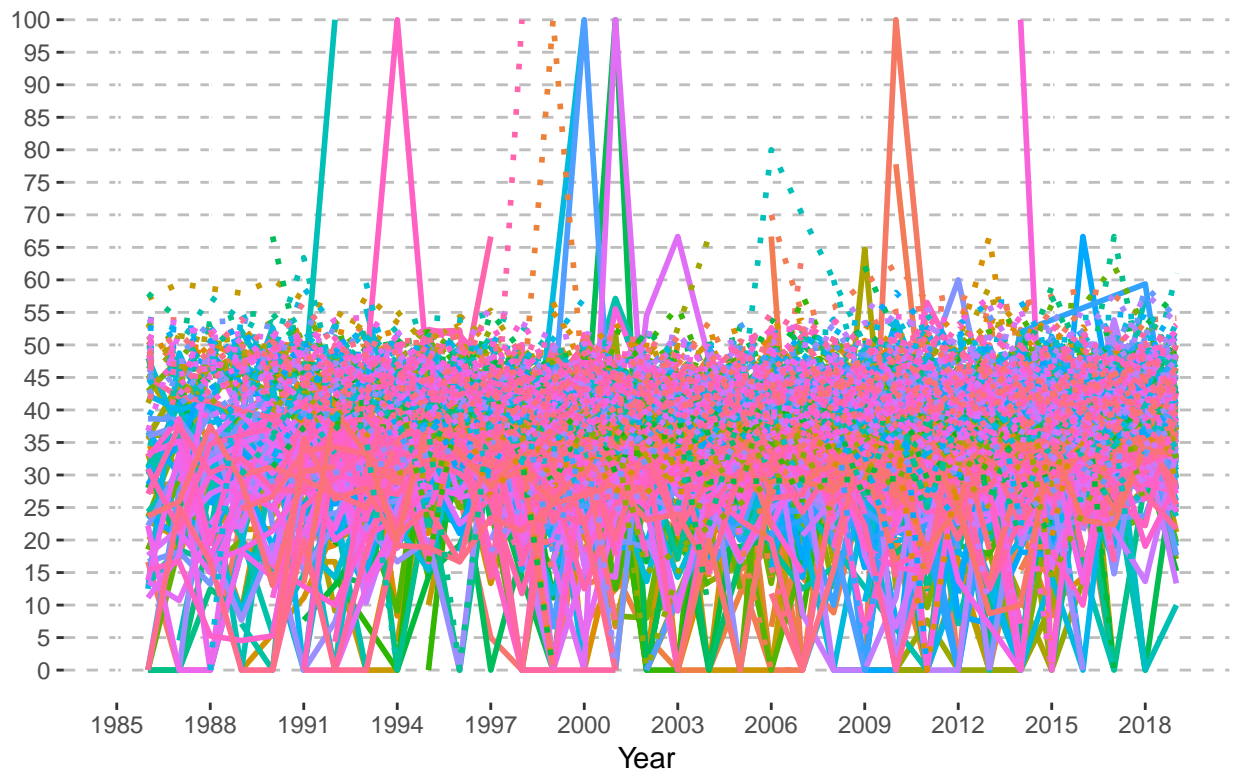
fgyearplayer100 <- fgyearplayer %>% filter(Player %in% fgplayer100$Player)
fgyearplayer1000 <- fgyearplayer100 %>% filter(Player %in% fgplayer1000$Player)
fgyearplayer2000 <- fgyearplayer1000 %>% filter(Player %in% fgplayer2000$Player)

xaxisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(0, 100, by=5)

plotYearPlayer100 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer100, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer100, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg2, colour=Player), size=1, linetype="dotted", show.legend = FALSE) +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point shot success rate by player') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0, 100), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotYearPlayer100

```

3 point shot success rate by player



```

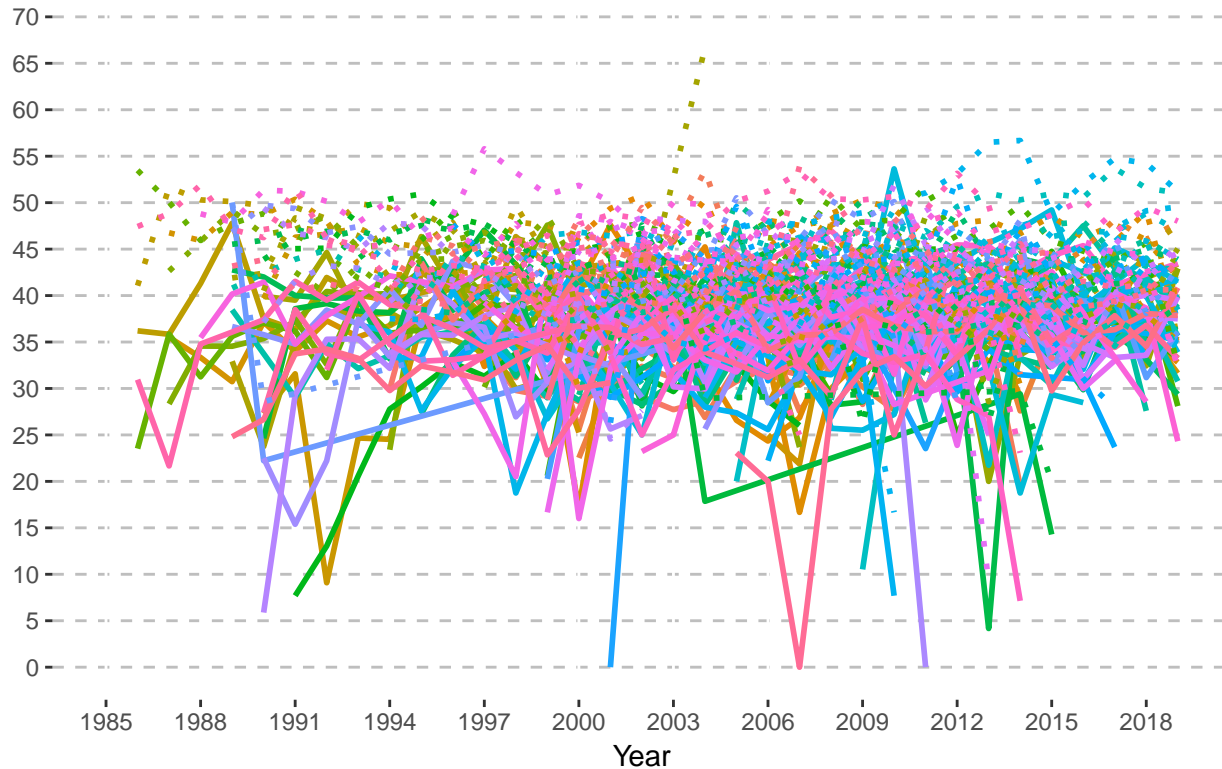
xaxisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(0, 70, by=5)

plotYearPlayer1000 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer1000, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer1000, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg2, colour=Player), size=1, linetype="dotted", show.legend = FALSE) +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point shot success rate by player') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +

```

```
scale_y_continuous(limits=c(0, 70), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotYearPlayer1000
```

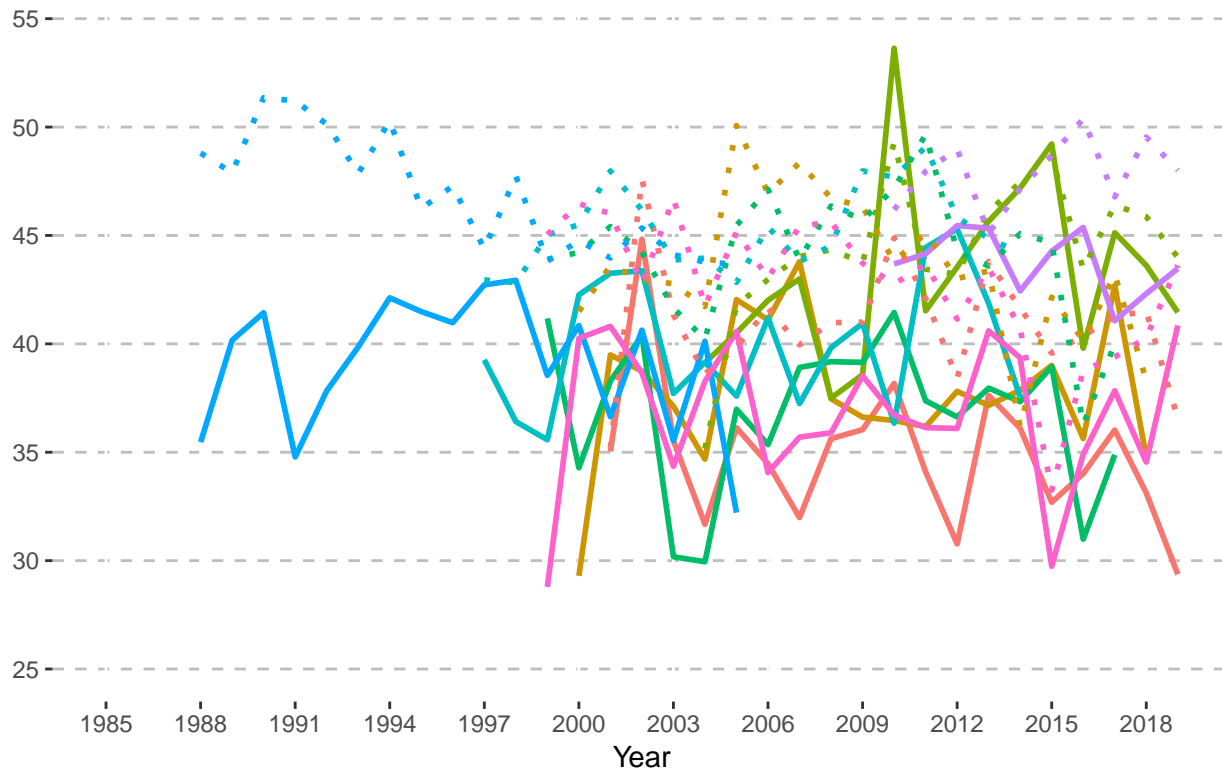
3 point shot success rate by player



```
xaxisbreaks <- seq(1985, 2019, by=3)
yaxisbreaks <- seq(25, 55, by=5)

plotYearPlayer2000 <- ggplot() +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer2000, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg3, colour=Player), size=1, show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_line(data=fgyearplayer2000, aes(x=Year, y=pctfg2, colour=Player), size=1, linetype="dotted", show.legend = FALSE) +
  xlab('Year') +
  ylab(NULL) +
  ggtitle('3 point shot success rate by player') +
  theme(panel.background=element_rect(fill=NA), panel.grid.major.y=element_line(color="grey", linetype=2),
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits=c(25, 55), breaks=yaxisbreaks, labels=yaxisbreaks) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(1985,2019), breaks=xaxisbreaks)
plotYearPlayer2000
```

3 point shot success rate by player



Let's regress.

```
fgyearplayerjoined <- left_join(fgyearplayer, fgplayer, by=c("Player" = "Player"))
fgyearplayerjoined$career = fgyearplayerjoined$Year - fgyearplayerjoined$firstYear + 1

fgyearplayerjoined100 <- fgyearplayerjoined %>% filter(Player %in% fgplayer100$Player)
fgyearplayerjoined1000 <- fgyearplayerjoined100 %>% filter(Player %in% fgplayer1000$Player)
fgyearplayerjoined2000 <- fgyearplayerjoined1000 %>% filter(Player %in% fgplayer2000$Player)

linearModel <- lm(pctfg3.x ~ career, data=fgyearplayerjoined2000)
tidy(linearModel)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 39.6       0.720      55.0 1.01e-95
2 career     -0.0994    0.0656     -1.51 1.32e- 1

linearModel2 <- lm(pctfg3.x ~ career, data=fgyearplayerjoined1000)
tidy(linearModel2)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 35.4       0.281     126.      0
2 career      0.0730    0.0306      2.38 0.0173

linearModel3 <- lm(pctfg3.x ~ career, data=fgyearplayerjoined100)
tidy(linearModel3)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>      <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) 31.7       0.208     153.      0
2 career      0.186    0.0280      6.63 3.63e-11

linearModel4 <- lm(pctfg3.x ~ career, data=fgyearplayerjoined)
tidy(linearModel4)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
```

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1 (Intercept)	24.1	0.252	95.5	0.
2 career	0.414	0.0378	11.0	7.90e-28

Really good players are not related with ages/career. Average players' success rate is increased by 0.4% in one year. Not bad...?

- Players with high salaries are good at 3-pointers?

2018-2019 season data only

```
nbaInsiderSalaries <- nba_insider_salaries(assume_player_opt_out = T, assume_team_doesnt_exercise = T, return_message = TRUE)
You got salary data for the Atlanta Hawks
You got salary data for the Boston Celtics
You got salary data for the Brooklyn Nets
You got salary data for the Charlotte Hornets
You got salary data for the Chicago Bulls
You got salary data for the Cleveland Cavaliers
You got salary data for the Dallas Mavericks
You got salary data for the Denver Nuggets
You got salary data for the Detroit Pistons
You got salary data for the Golden State Warriors
You got salary data for the Houston Rockets
You got salary data for the Indiana Pacers
You got salary data for the Los Angeles Clippers
You got salary data for the Los Angeles Lakers
You got salary data for the Memphis Grizzlies
You got salary data for the Miami Heat
You got salary data for the Milwaukee Bucks
You got salary data for the Minnesota Timberwolves
You got salary data for the New Orleans Pelicans
You got salary data for the New York Knicks
You got salary data for the Oklahoma City Thunder
You got salary data for the Orlando Magic
You got salary data for the Philadelphia 76ers
You got salary data for the Phoenix Suns
You got salary data for the Portland Trail Blazers
You got salary data for the Sacramento Kings
You got salary data for the San Antonio Spurs
You got salary data for the Toronto Raptors
You got salary data for the Utah Jazz
You got salary data for the Washington Wizards

fgplayersalary <- left_join(fgplayer, nbaInsiderSalaries, by=c("Player"="namePlayer"))

fgplayersalary2 <- na.omit(fgplayersalary)
fgplayersalary2$salaryinK = fgplayersalary2$value / 1000
fgplayersalary2$salaryinM = fgplayersalary2$value / 1000000

linearModel <- lm(pctfg3 ~ salaryinM, data=fgplayersalary2)
tidy(linearModel)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term          estimate std.error statistic p.value
<chr>          <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  29.7      0.450    65.9     0
2 salaryinM    0.0931   0.0343    2.72 0.00671
linearModel2 <- lm(fg3m ~ salaryinM, data=fgplayersalary2)
tidy(linearModel2)
# A tibble: 2 x 5
  term          estimate std.error statistic p.value
<chr>          <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  94.5     14.7     6.42 2.10e-10
2 salaryinM    23.1     1.12    20.6 1.38e-79
```

When the salary increases by a million dollar, career success rate of 3-point shots increases by 0.09% only. It's difficult to say that 3-pointer success rate is the most important factor for one's salary.

- We would like to explore the importance of three point shooters in a given team by measuring the share of the team's total salary over time.
- We want to analyze whether players can drastically improve their three point shooting skills over time or the skill is rather something people are born with.

There is no dramatic increase in 3-pointer success rate. Maybe if we can check the players' data from NCAA or high school league, there might be different insight. However, based on NBA data, no big changes.

- Show the 3-pointer statistics geographically based on players' hometowns. Maybe this help illustrates the different basketball playing style across different regions, both domestic and international.

```
playerHometown <- read_csv("PlayerHometown.csv")

fgplayerhometown <- left_join(fgplayer, playerHometown, by=c("Player"="Player"))
fgplayerhometown <- fgplayerhometown %>% filter(not(is.na(State)))
fgplayerhometown <- na.omit(fgplayerhometown)

fgplayerhometownState <- aggregate(fgplayerhometown[, 2:7], list(fgplayerhometown$State), sum)
colnames(fgplayerhometownState)[1] <- "State"
fgplayerhometownState$pctfg3 <- fgplayerhometownState$fg3m / fgplayerhometownState$fg3a * 100
fgplayerhometownState$pctfg2 <- fgplayerhometownState$fgm / fgplayerhometownState$fga * 100
fgplayerhometownState$pctft <- fgplayerhometownState$ftm / fgplayerhometownState$fta * 100

plotState <- ggplot() +
  geom_point(data=fgplayerhometownState, aes(x=State, y=pctfg3, colour=State)) +
  xlab(NULL) +
  ylab(NULL)
plotState
```

