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## MTO 28.1 Examples: London, A Bevy of Biases

(Note: audio, video, and other interactive examples are only available online)

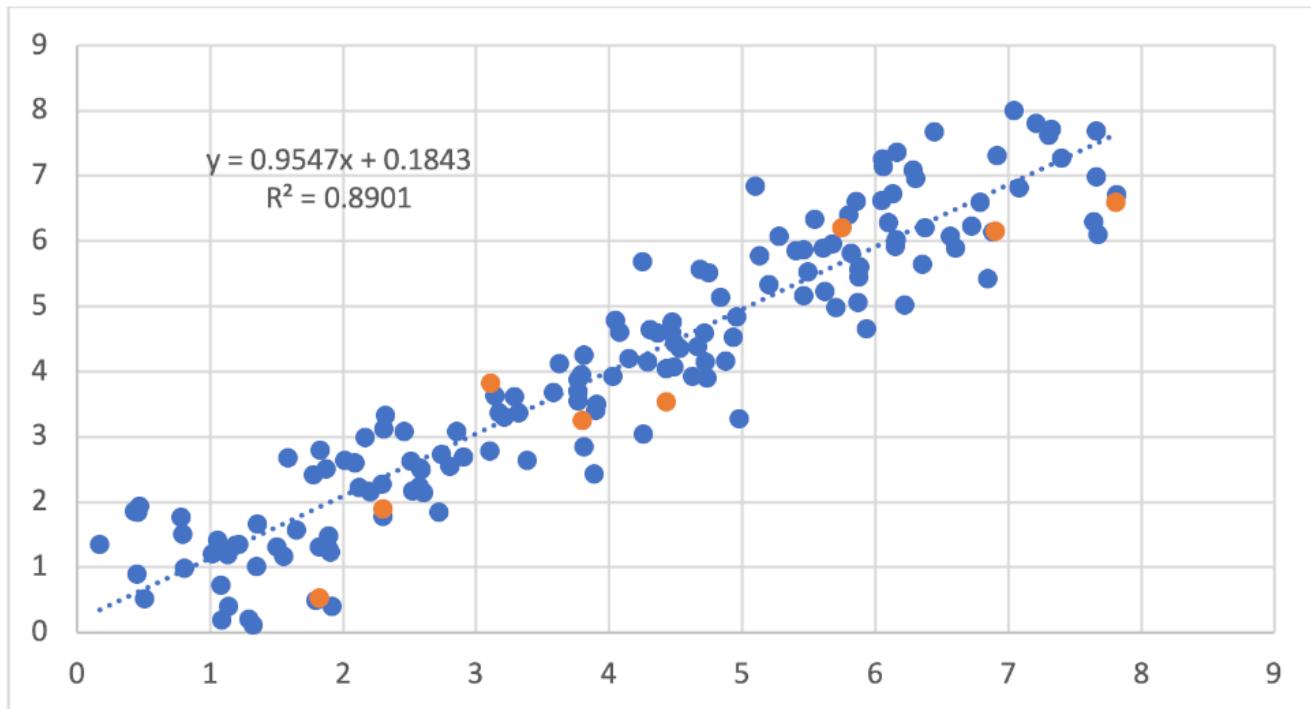
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### Example 1. BHMB Representation in current theory textbooks

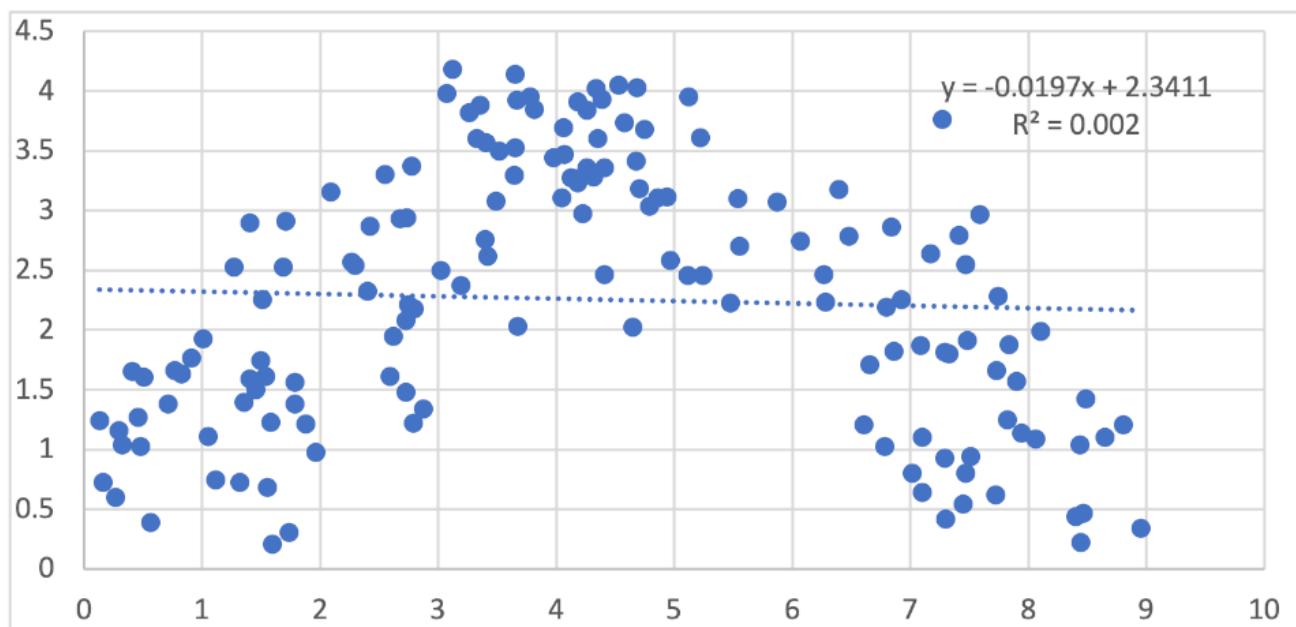
“CPP %” indicates the percentage of examples that were drawn from music between roughly 1700–1900, the “common practice period” of tonal harmony; as can be seen, some texts include earlier and later musical examples and styles, while others focused exclusively on CPP (or nearly so). BHMB % refers to the percentage of CPP examples that are by Bach, Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven; BHMB+ % adds examples by Chopin, Schubert, and Robert Schumann. Example counts are drawn from example indexes in each volume; Turek example counts are from the recorded example list. Examples that appear multiple times are only counted once, as per the indexing-note that counting every appearance of every example would inflate the BHMB %.

Author(s)	Date	CPP %	BHMB %	BHMB+ %
Burkhart & Rothstein	2011	63	46	65
Burstein & Straus	2016	100	52	69
Clendinning & Marvin	2005	52	57	79
Clendinning & Marvin	2021	NA	55	70
Kostka, Payne, & Almén	2004	80	56	78
Roig-Francoli	2003	97	40	60
Turek	2007	60	46	70
AVERAGES			50	70

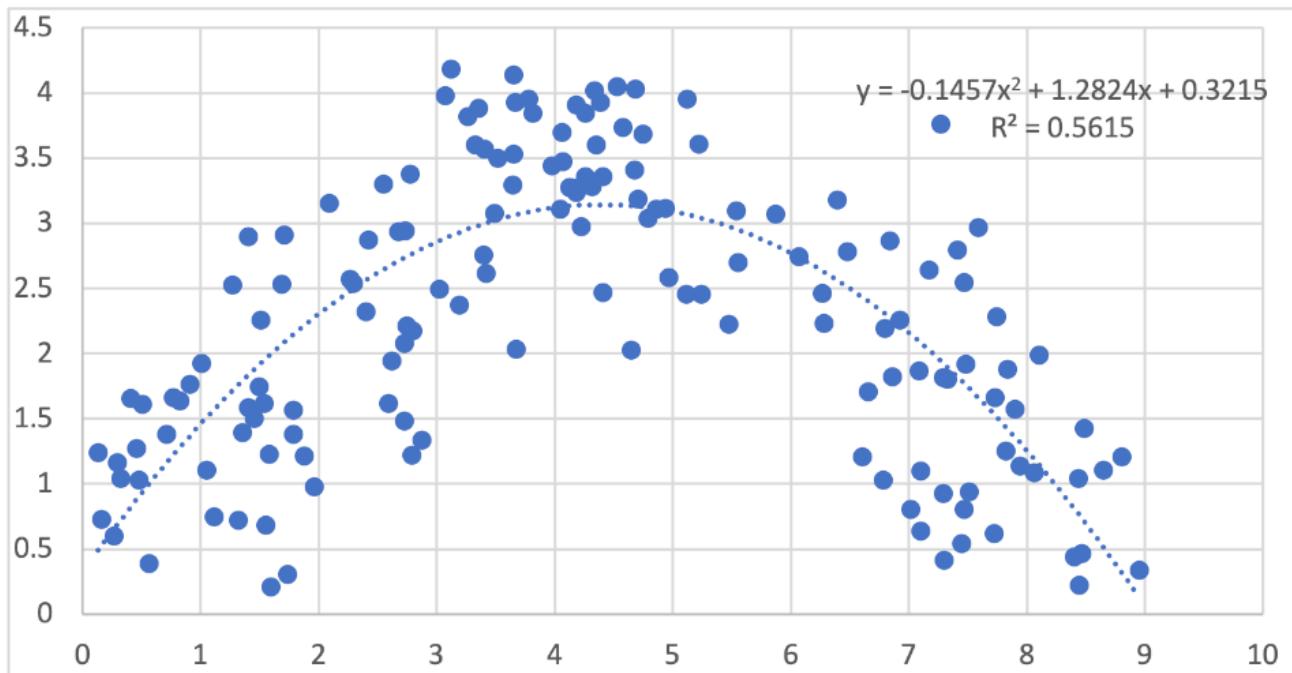
**Example 2.** Plot of data generated from  $Y = X$ , with random noise added to x and y values



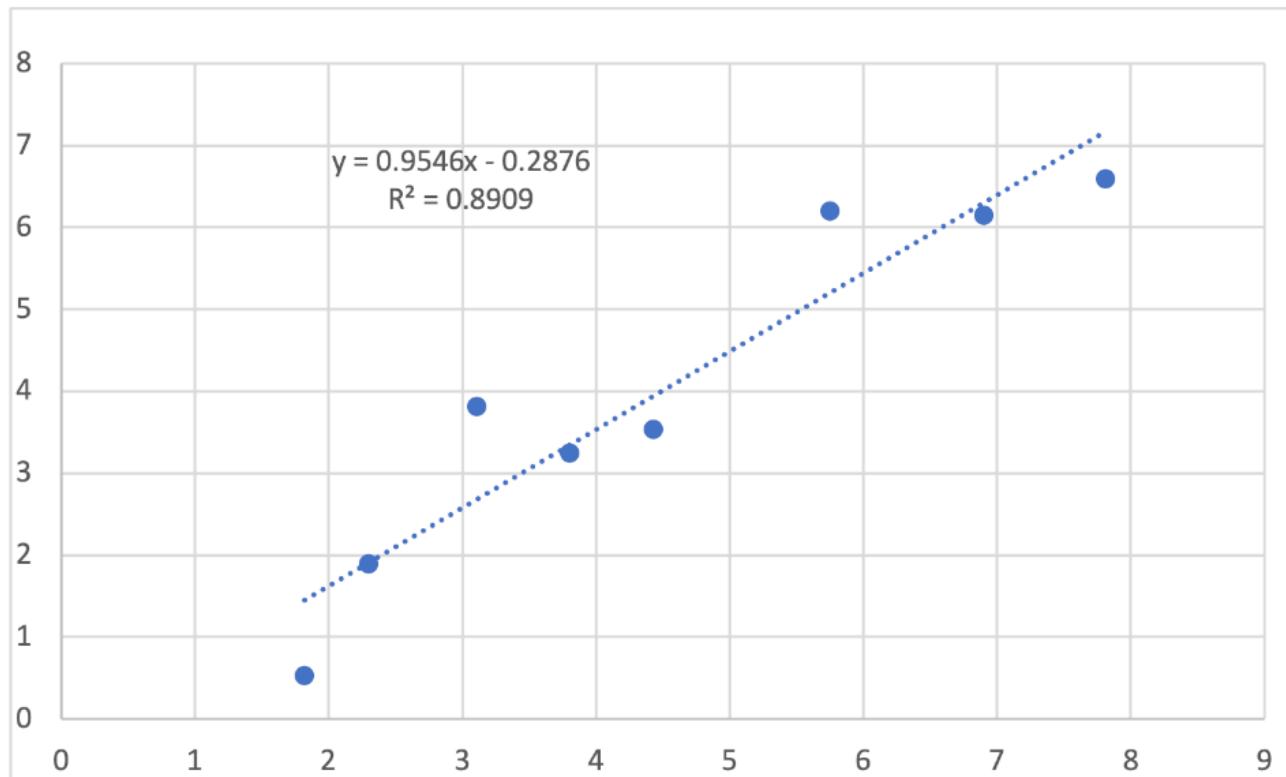
**Example 3.** Plot of data generated from equations  $Y = X$  (for  $X = 0$  to  $X = 4.5$ ) and  $Y = X-9$  (for  $X = 4.5$  to  $X = 9$ ), with random noise added to X and Y values, with linear trendline



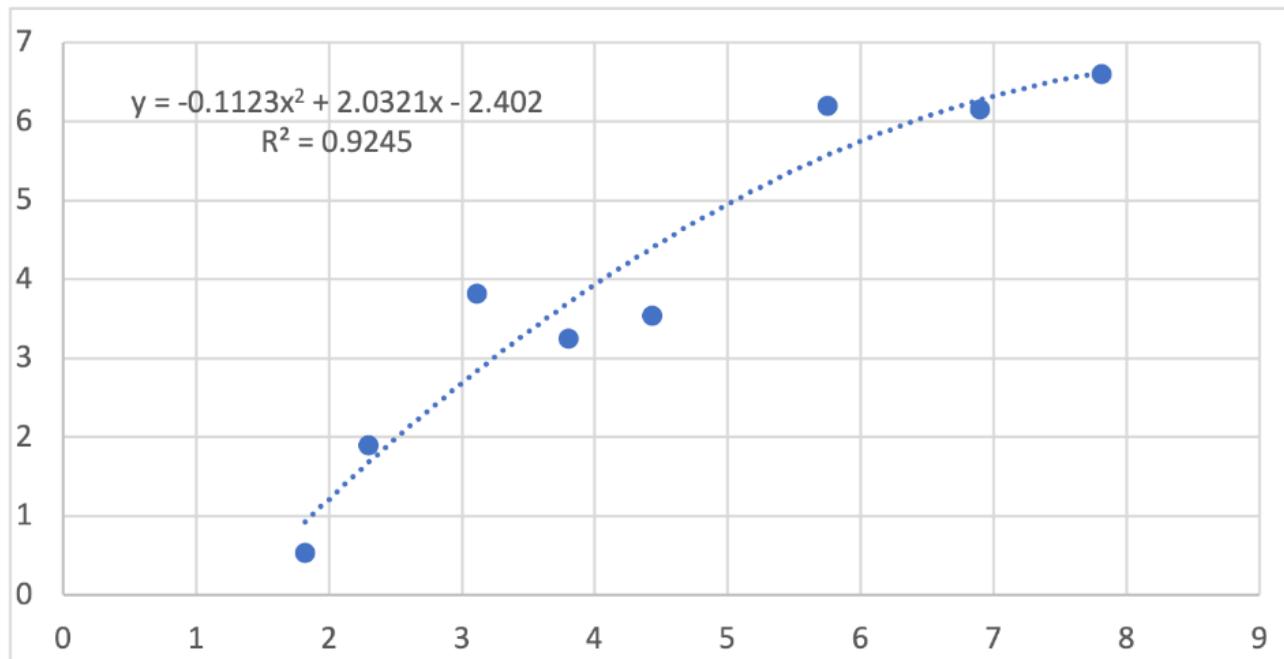
**Example 4.** Plot of data generated from equations  $Y = X$  (for  $X = 0$  to  $X = 4.5$ ) and  $Y = X-9$  (for  $X = 4.5$  to  $X = 9$ ), with random noise added to X and Y values., with quadratic trendline



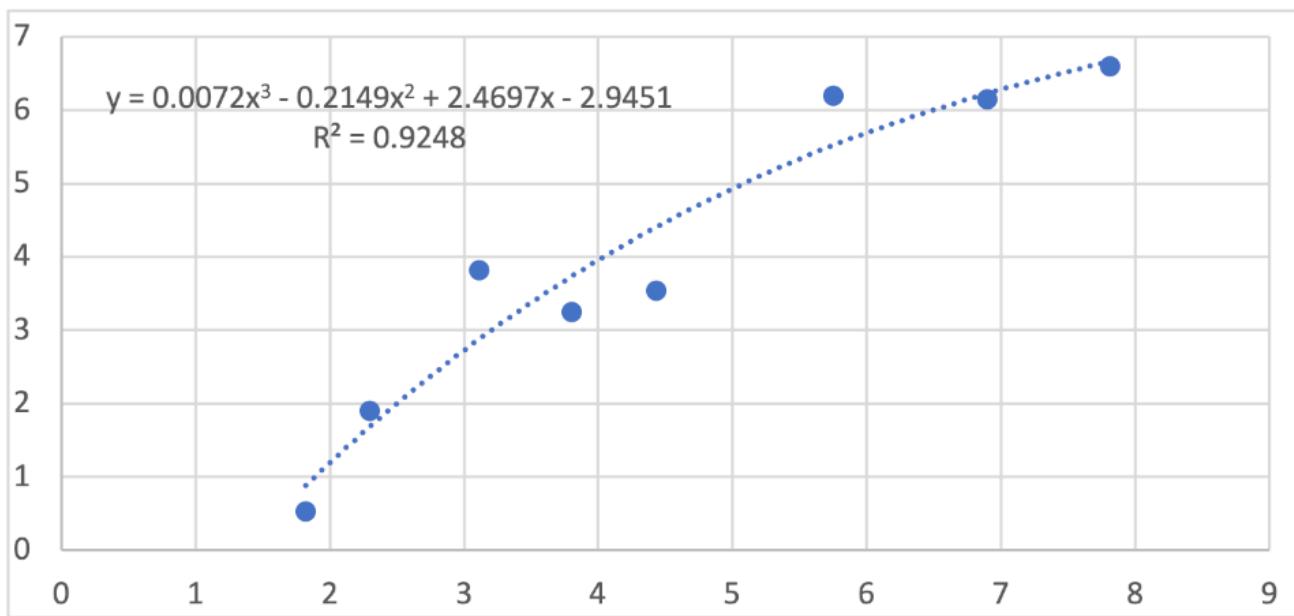
**Example 5.** Sparse subset of data from Example 2; linear trendline added



**Example 6.** Quadratic fit of data from Example 5



**Example 7.** Cubic fit of data from Example 5



**Example 8.** Polynomial of degree 6 fitted to data from Example 5

