

Hierarchical Regression

Test name: Hierarchical Regression

Dataset: D:\DATA ANALYSIS\H Regression Tests and Models\Hierarchical Regression\dataset.csv

Rows in original dataset: 649

Columns in original dataset: 33

Rows used in hierarchical models: 649

Outcome variable: G3

Number of fitted blocks: 3

Final model predictors excluding intercept: 28

Final R squared: 0.8563

Final adjusted R squared: 0.8498

Final model F statistic: 131.9304

Final model p-value: 0.000000

Largest R squared change block: Block 2 (0.7297)

Final RMSE: 1.2238

Final MAE: 0.7700

Interpretation: hierarchical regression evaluates whether each added block explains extra variance beyond previous blocks.

Decision guide: a significant F-change p-value indicates that a block adds statistically meaningful explanatory power.

Reporting guide: report block order, R square, adjusted R square, R square change, F-change, p-value, and final coefficients.

Charts generated: 8

Hierarchical regression model fit and R-square change

block	model	n	predictor	r_square	adjusted	r_square	f_statistic	model_p	f_change	f_change	f_change	f_change	aic	bic	rmse	mae	purpose
1.0000	Block 1	649.0000	6.0000	0.1227	0.1145	0.1227	14.9603	0.0000		6.0000	642.0000		3291.99	3323.32	3.0237	2.2508	Controls for
2.0000	Block 2	649.0000	11.0000	0.8524	0.8498	0.7297	334.380	0.0000	629.772	5.0000	637.0000	0.0000	2145.30	2199.01	1.2403	0.7794	Tests whether
3.0000	Block 3	649.0000	28.0000	0.8563	0.8498	0.0039	131.930	0.0000	0.9902	17.0000	620.0000	0.4674	2161.92	2291.71	1.2238	0.7700	Tests whether

Final model coefficients

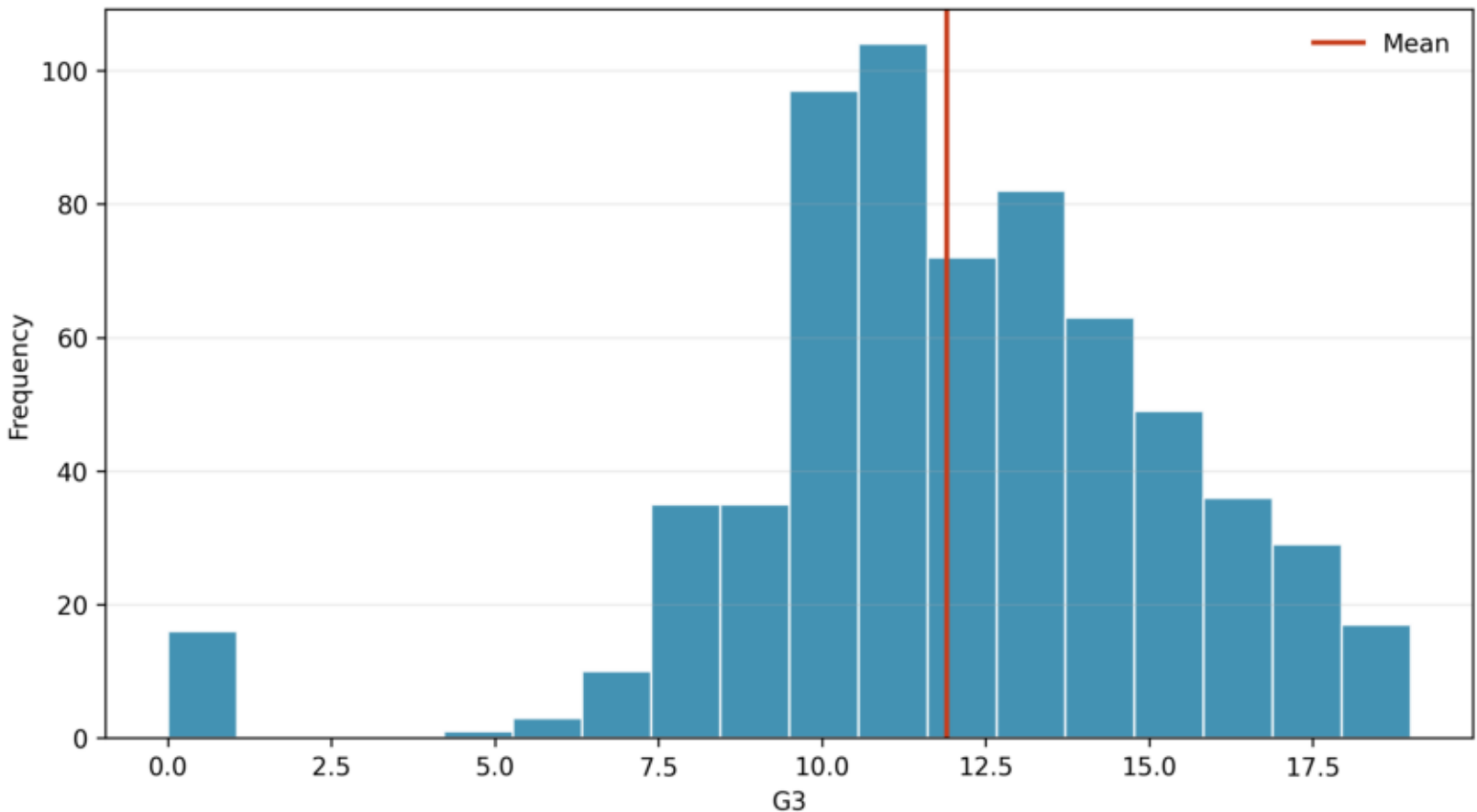
block	model	term	coefficient	standard_error	t_value	p_value	ci95_lower	ci95_upper	decision_alpha_0_05
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	const	-0.0704	0.9220	-0.0763	0.9392	-1.8809	1.7402	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	age	0.0399	0.0464	0.8608	0.3897	-0.0512	0.1311	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	school_MS	-0.2171	0.1237	-1.7553	0.0797	-0.4600	0.0258	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	sex_M	-0.1360	0.1168	-1.1647	0.2446	-0.3653	0.0933	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	address_U	0.1469	0.1211	1.2130	0.2256	-0.0909	0.3847	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	famsize_LE3	0.0496	0.1143	0.4341	0.6643	-0.1749	0.2741	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	Pstatus_T	-0.1076	0.1593	-0.6750	0.4999	-0.4205	0.2054	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	G1	0.1236	0.0375	3.2988	0.0010	0.0500	0.1972	Statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	G2	0.8749	0.0349	25.1010	0.0000	0.8064	0.9433	Statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	studytime	0.0436	0.0651	0.6700	0.5031	-0.0843	0.1715	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	failures	-0.2206	0.0975	-2.2628	0.0240	-0.4120	-0.0291	Statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	absences	0.0148	0.0116	1.2808	0.2007	-0.0079	0.0376	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	Medu	-0.0520	0.0612	-0.8489	0.3963	-0.1722	0.0683	Not statistically significant
3.0000	Block 3 - Family	Fedu	0.0311	0.0599	0.5183	0.6045	-0.0866	0.1487	Not statistically significant

Block definitions

block	block_name	numeric_variables_used	categorical_variables_used	encoded_terms_added	purpose
1.0000	Block 1 - Background and	age	school, sex, address, fams	age, school_MS, sex_M, ad	Controls for student backg
2.0000	Block 2 - Prior achievemen	G1, G2, studytime, failure		G1, G2, studytime, failure	Tests whether achievement
3.0000	Block 3 - Family, support,	Medu, Fedu, traveltime, fa	schoolsup, famsup, paid, a	Medu, Fedu, traveltime, fa	Tests whether additional fa

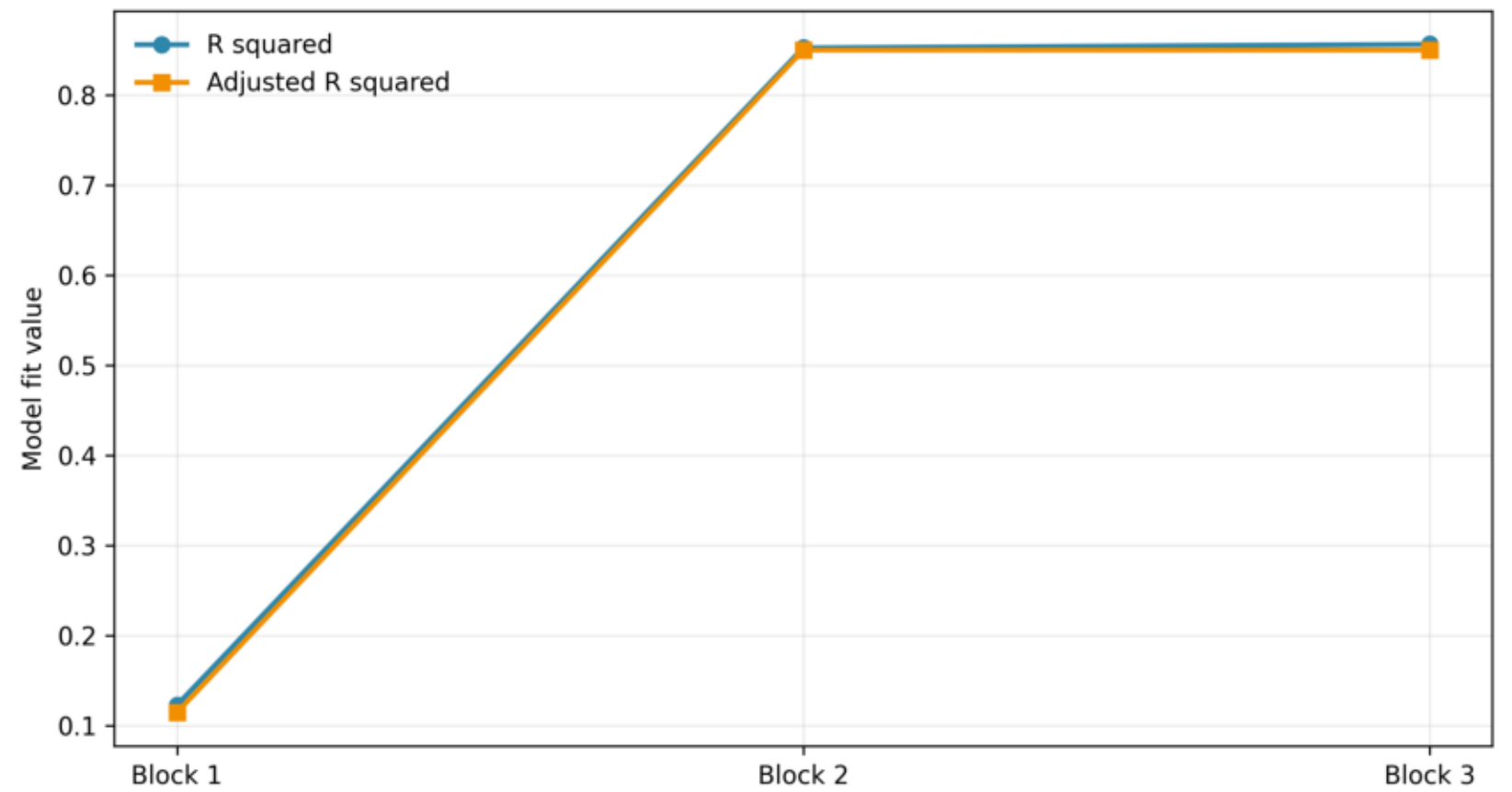
Outcome distribution for hierarchical regression

The dependent variable is checked before fitting nested regression blocks.



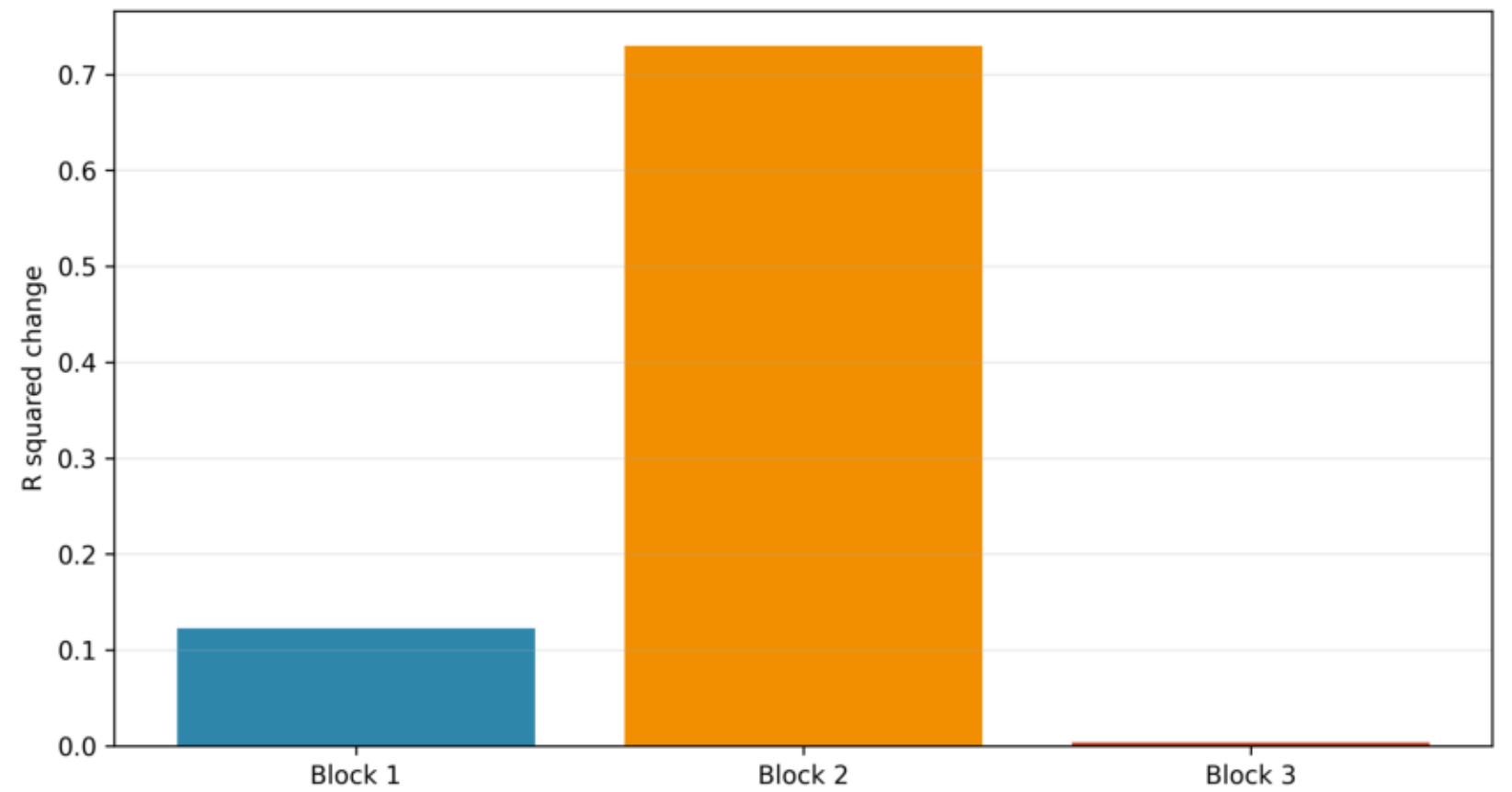
R squared and adjusted R squared by block

Hierarchical regression should improve fit as theoretically ordered predictors are added.



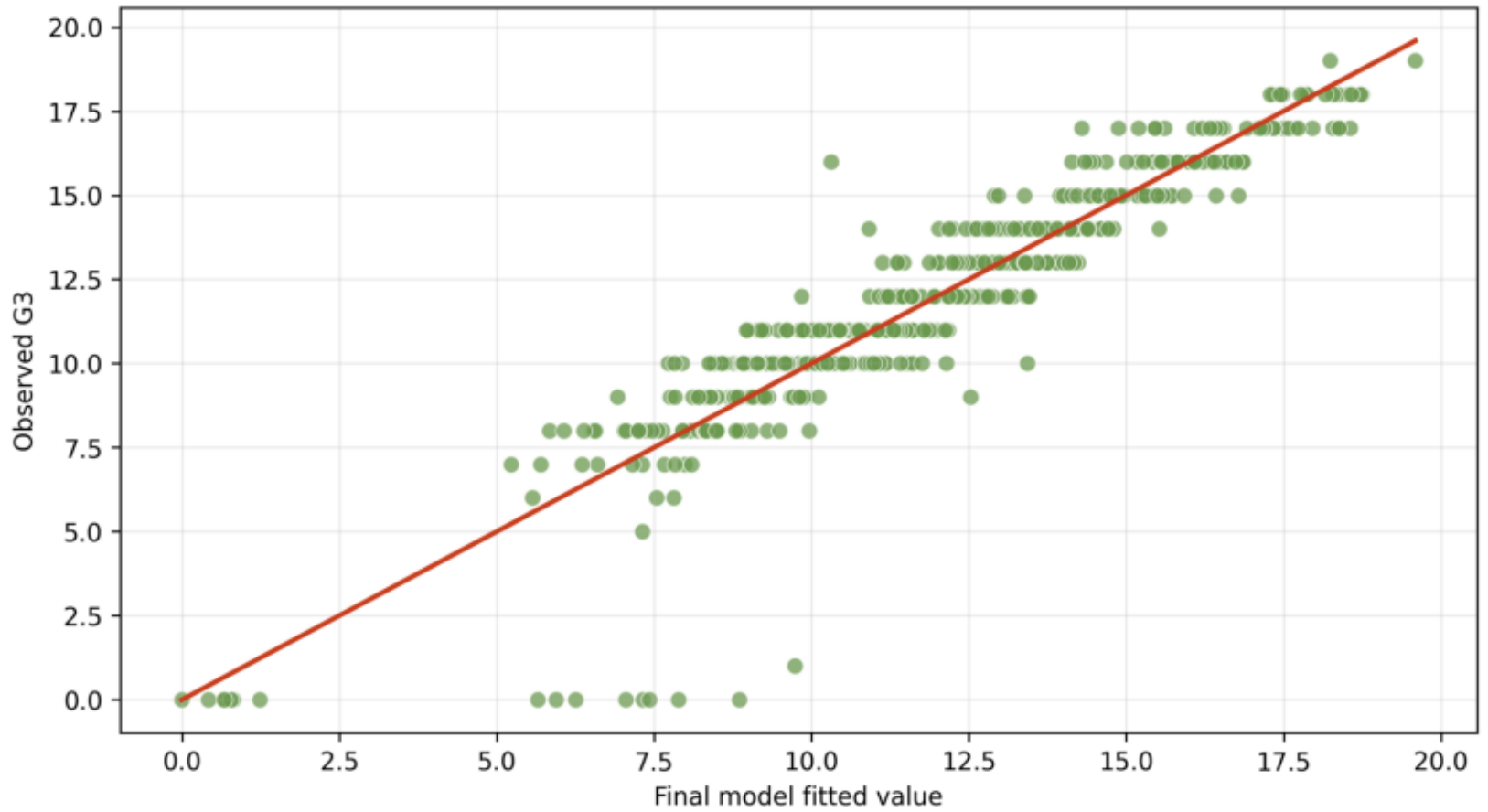
R squared change from each hierarchical block

Larger bars show blocks that add more explanatory value beyond earlier predictors.



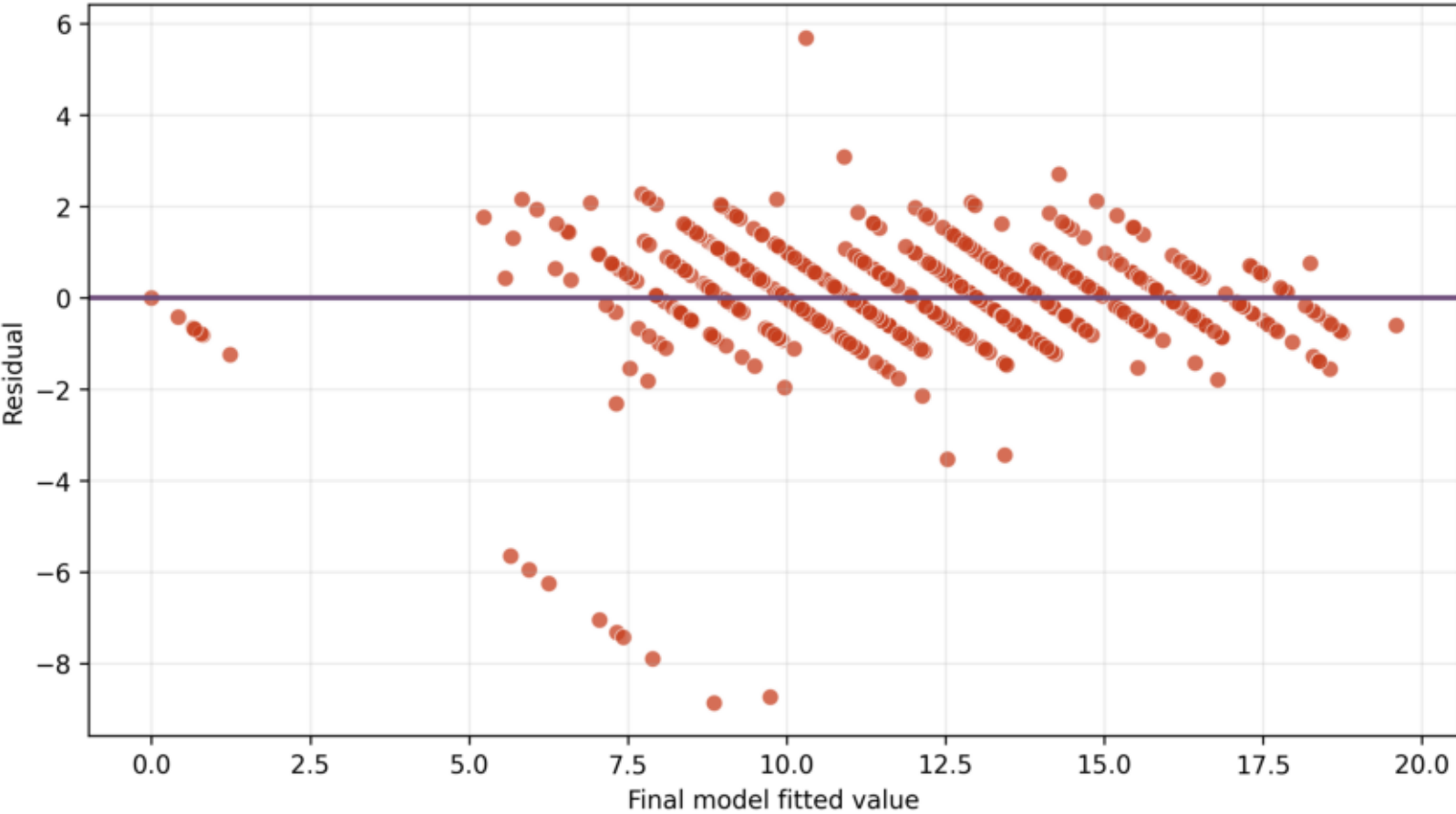
Observed vs fitted values for final hierarchical model

Points near the diagonal indicate stronger prediction agreement.



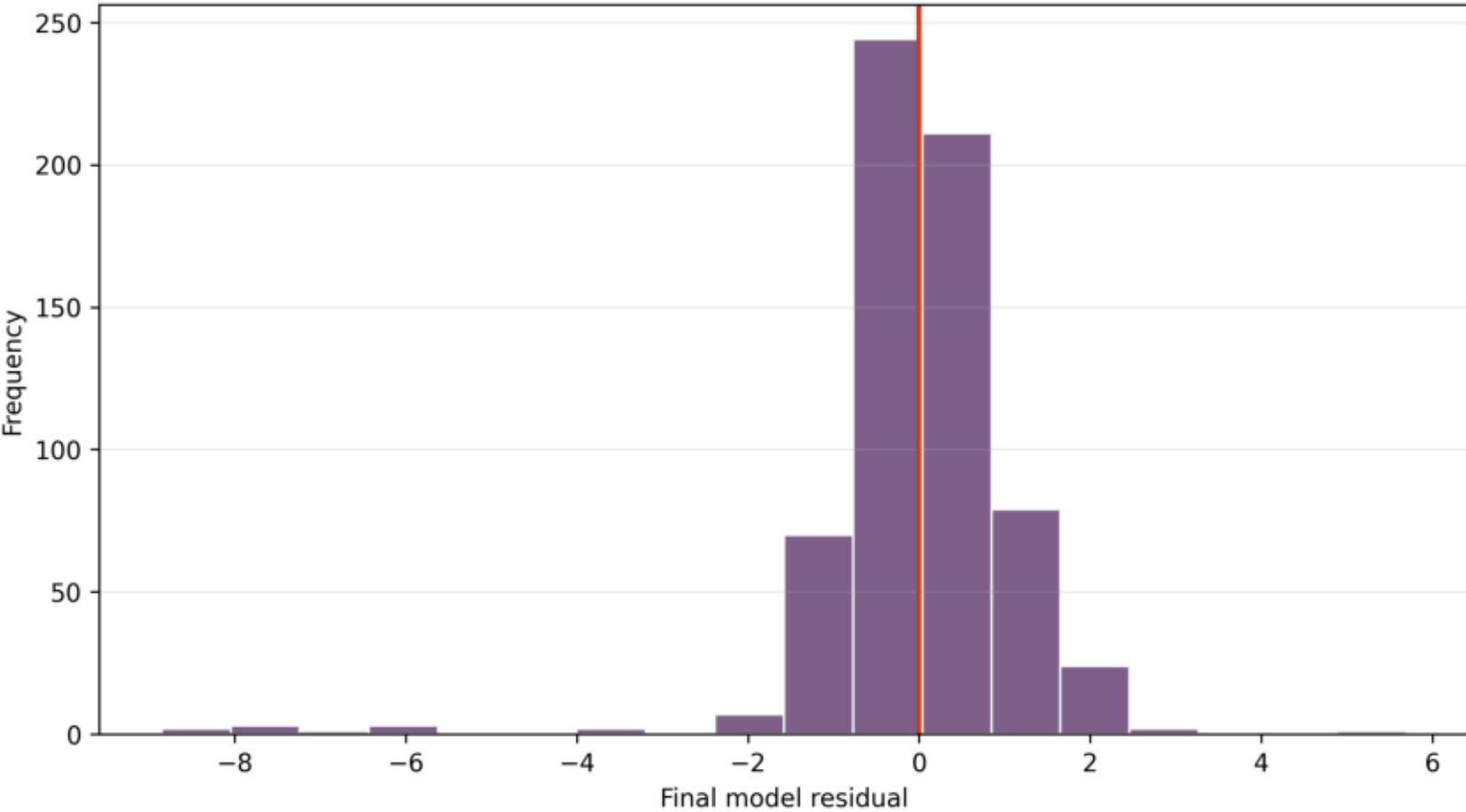
Residuals vs fitted values

Random scatter around zero supports the linear regression fit assumption.



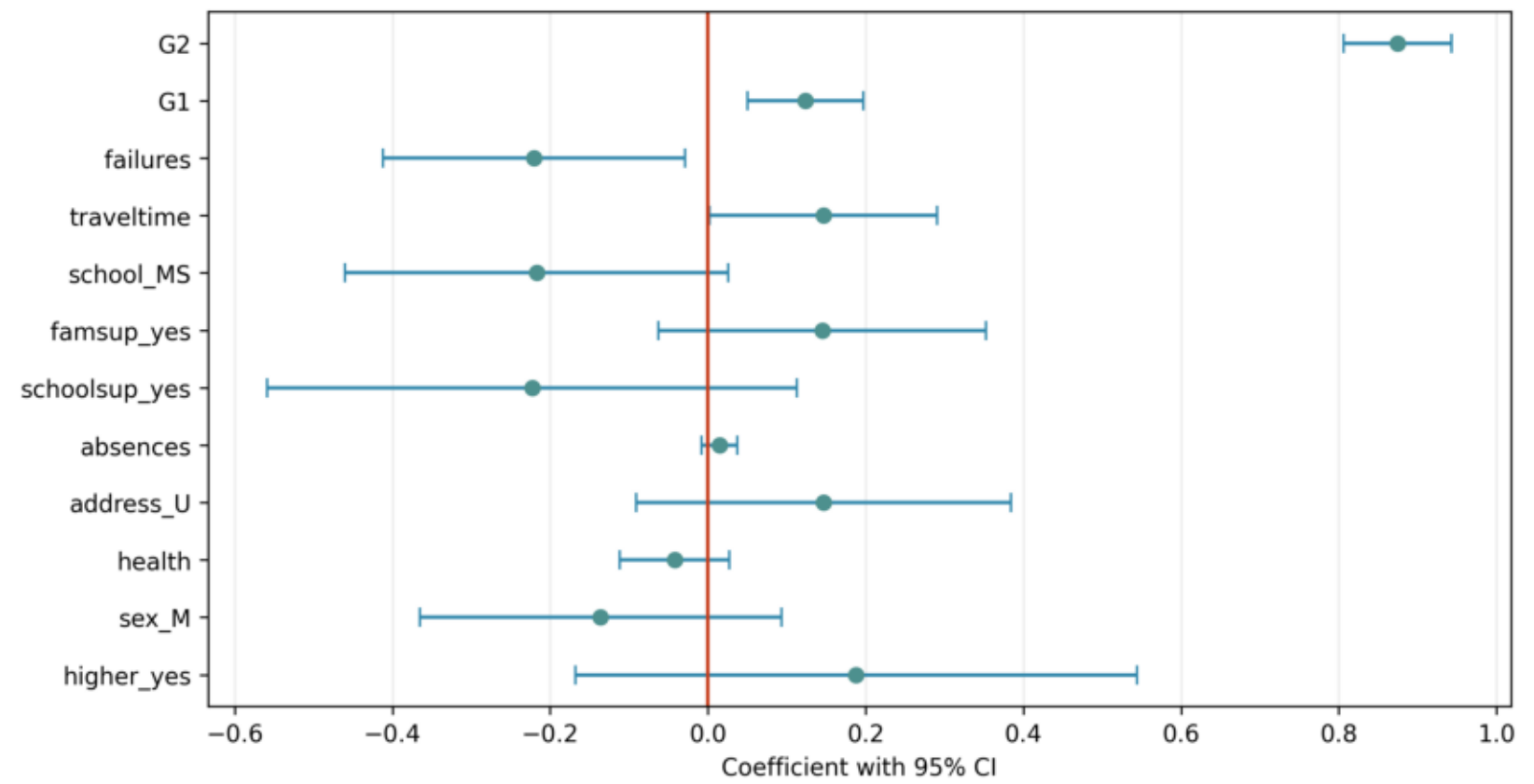
Residual distribution

This chart checks whether final model residuals are centered around zero.



Final hierarchical model coefficient plot

Intervals not crossing zero indicate stronger predictor evidence in the final block model.



Prediction error by hierarchical block

Lower error values indicate improved prediction after adding blocks.

