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Page 148, just below the equation in the middle of the page

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The interpretation of the bootstrap confidence interval is poorly worded. The text should read

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Page 218, Figure 7.4 caption

A visual representation of $b_1$, $b_2$, and $b_3$ in a model of the form $\hat{Y} = i_1 + b_1X + b_2M + b_3XM$. In this figure, $b_1 = 1.00$, $b_2 = 2.00$, and $b_3 = 1.50$. 
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Page 350, just under Table 10.3

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Appendix A, page 437, top of the page

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