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Appendix A. Figures of Individual-tree Relative Growth Rates versus Relative Size

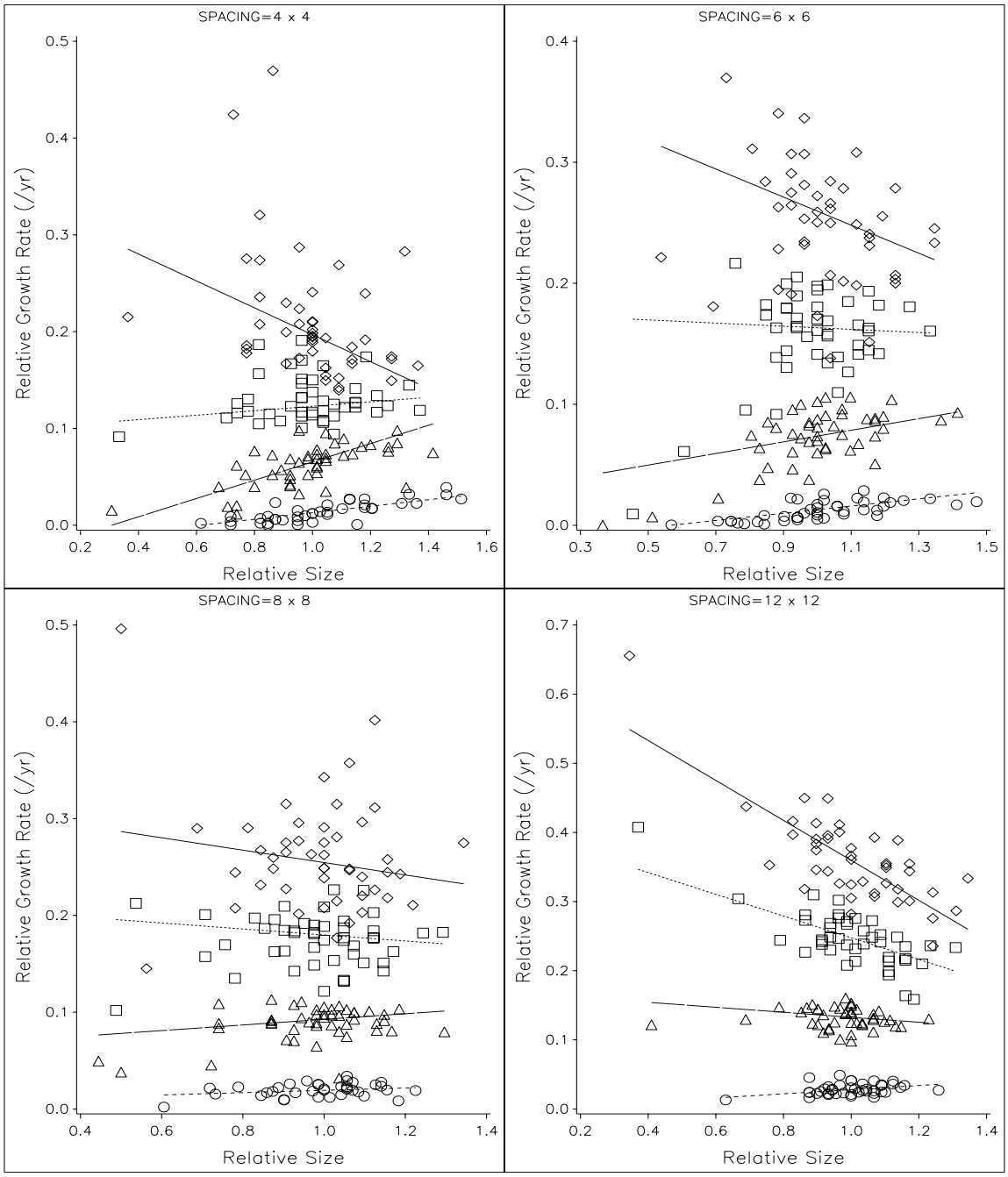
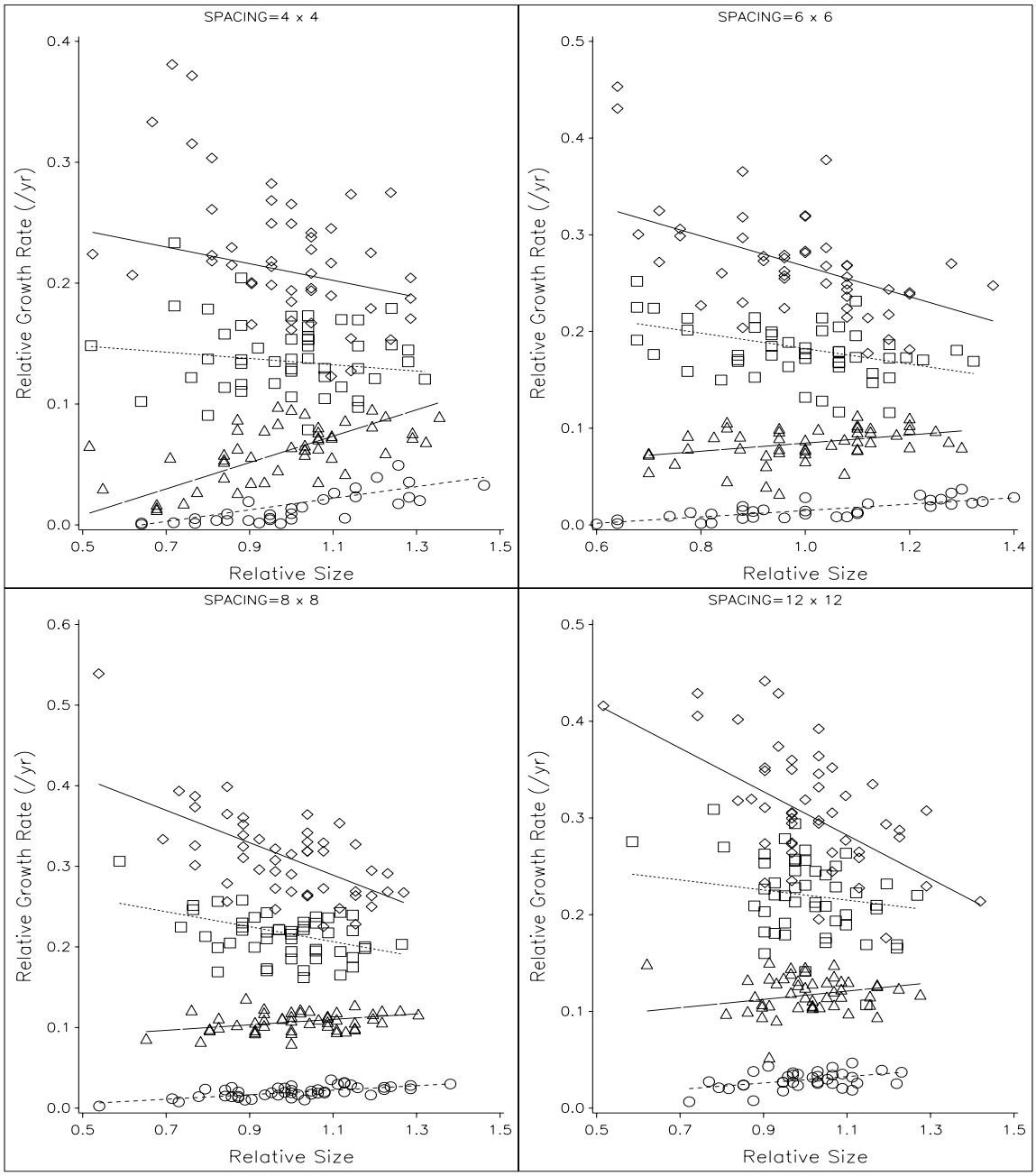


Figure A.1. Individual tree relative growth rates by relative size and age (location 1, block 1) of the Coop spacing study. The line summarizes the linear trend. Diamonds denote 5-years, squares denote 6-years, triangles denote 8-years, and circles denote 14-years of age.



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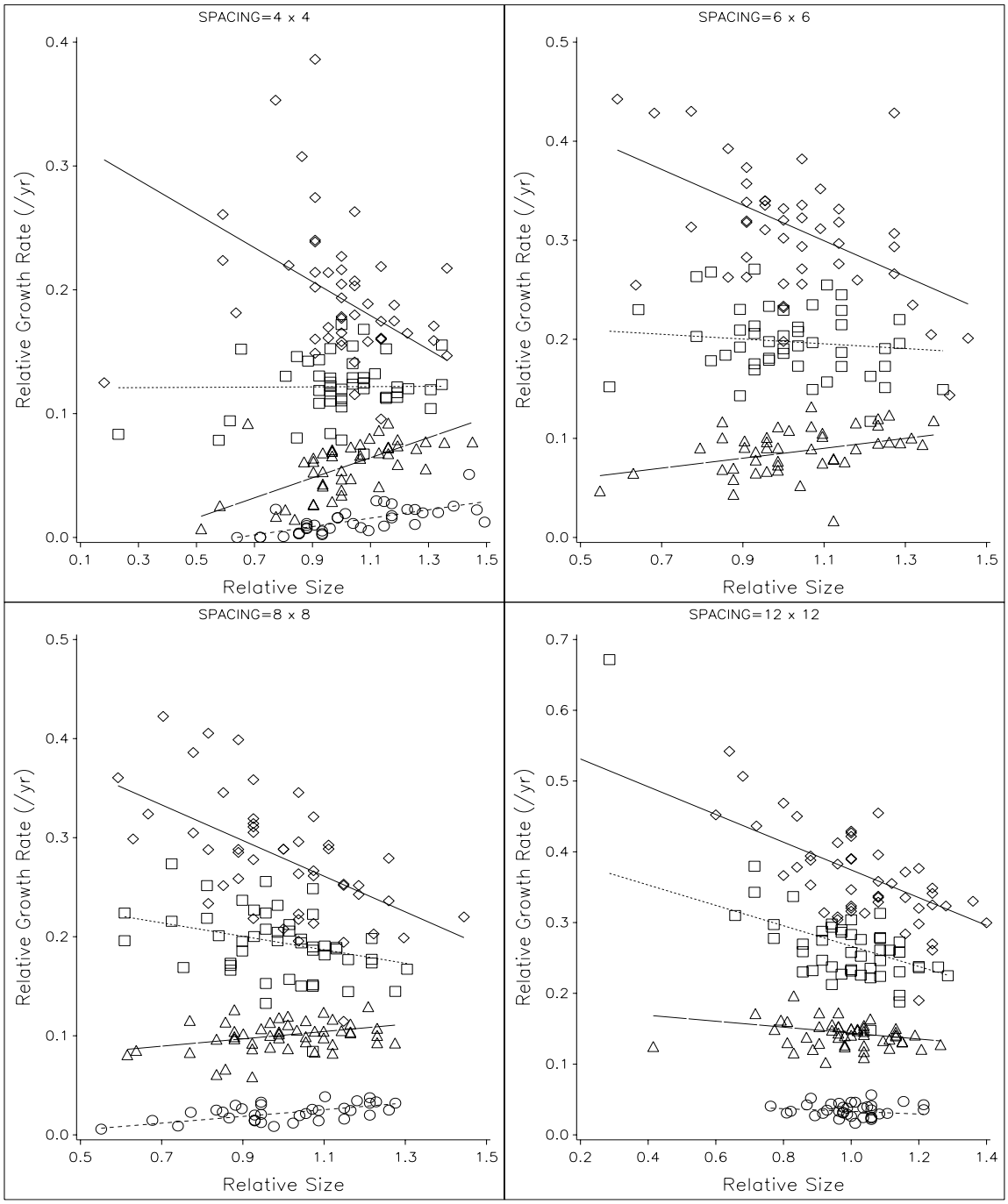

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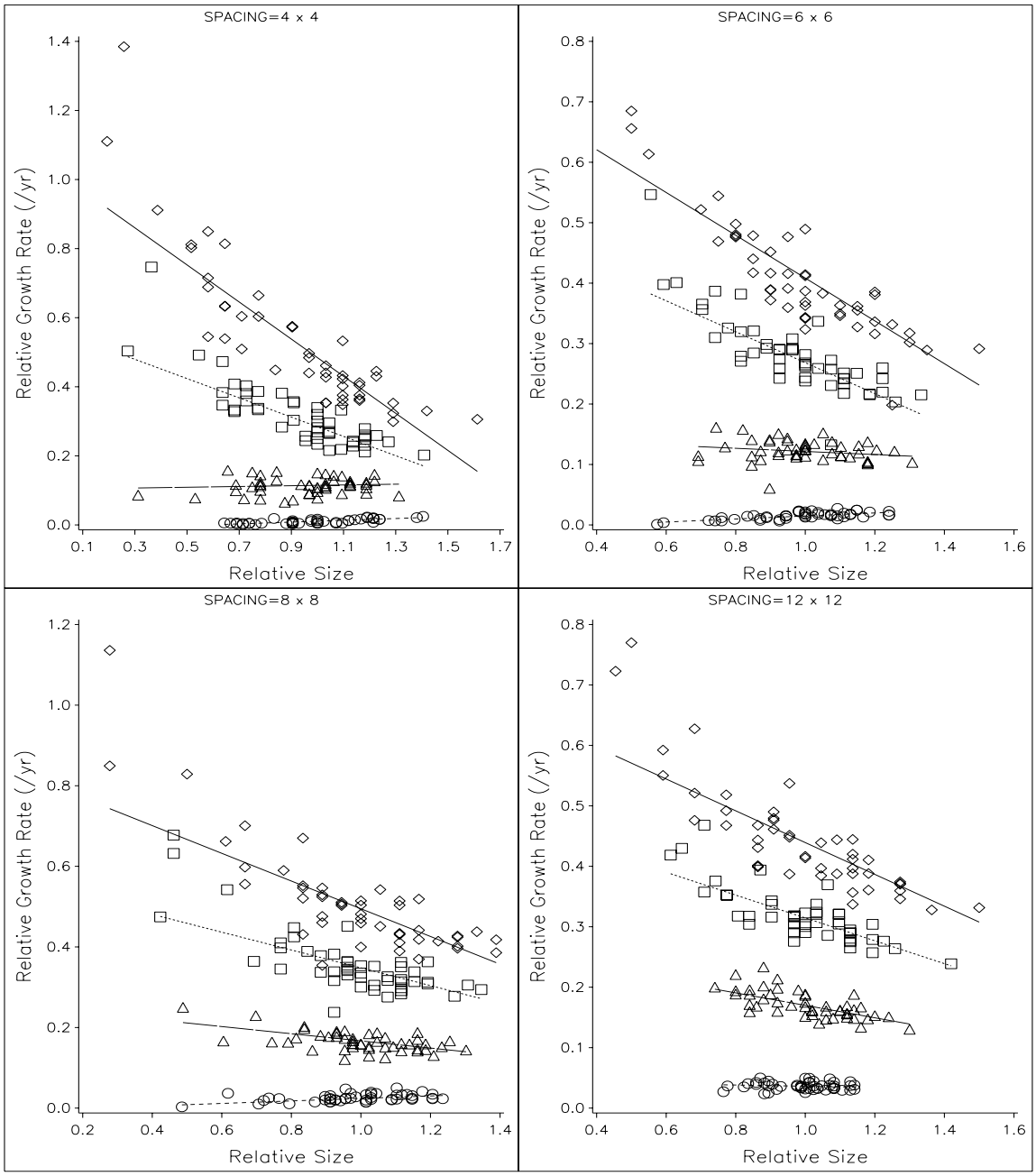

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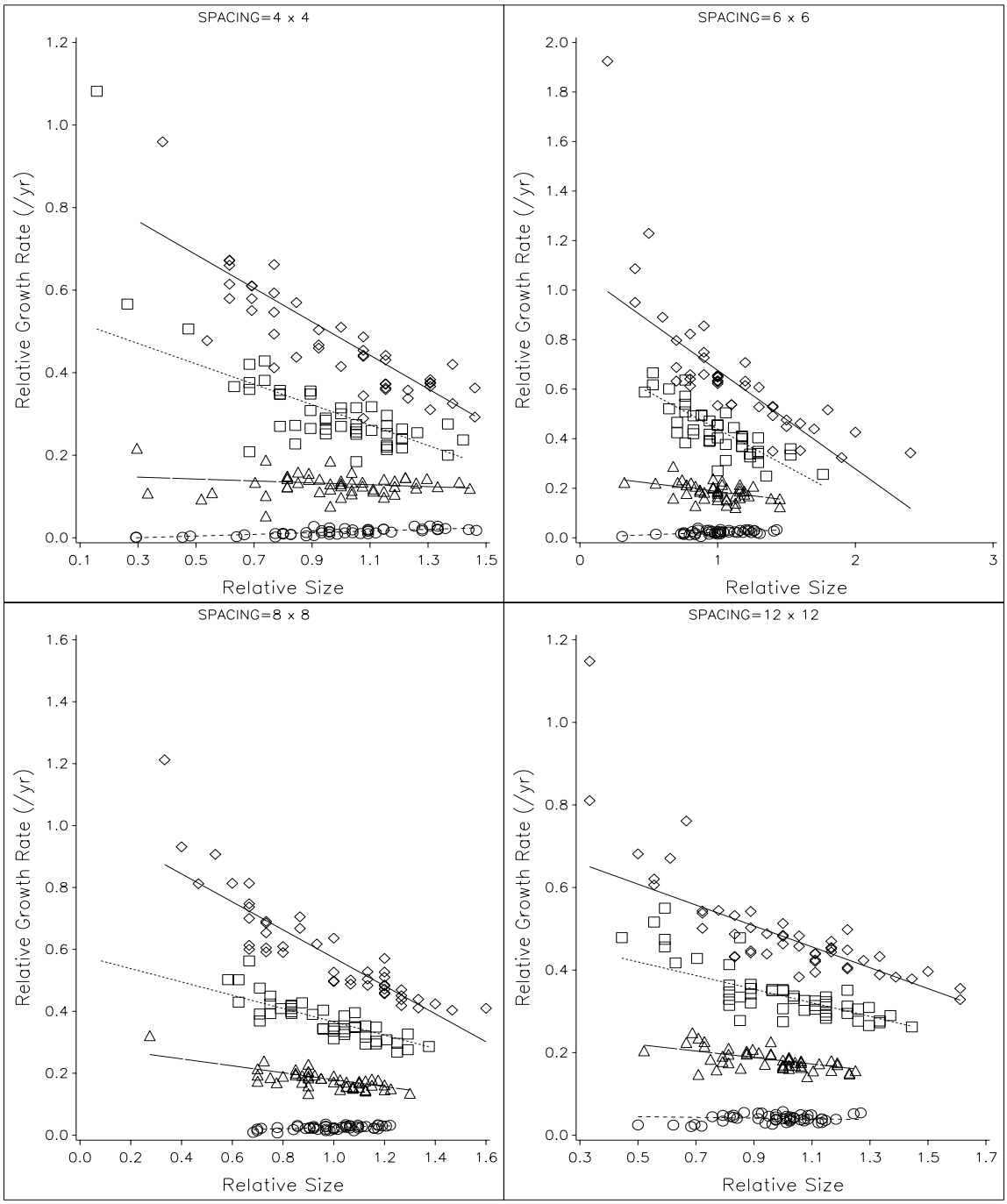

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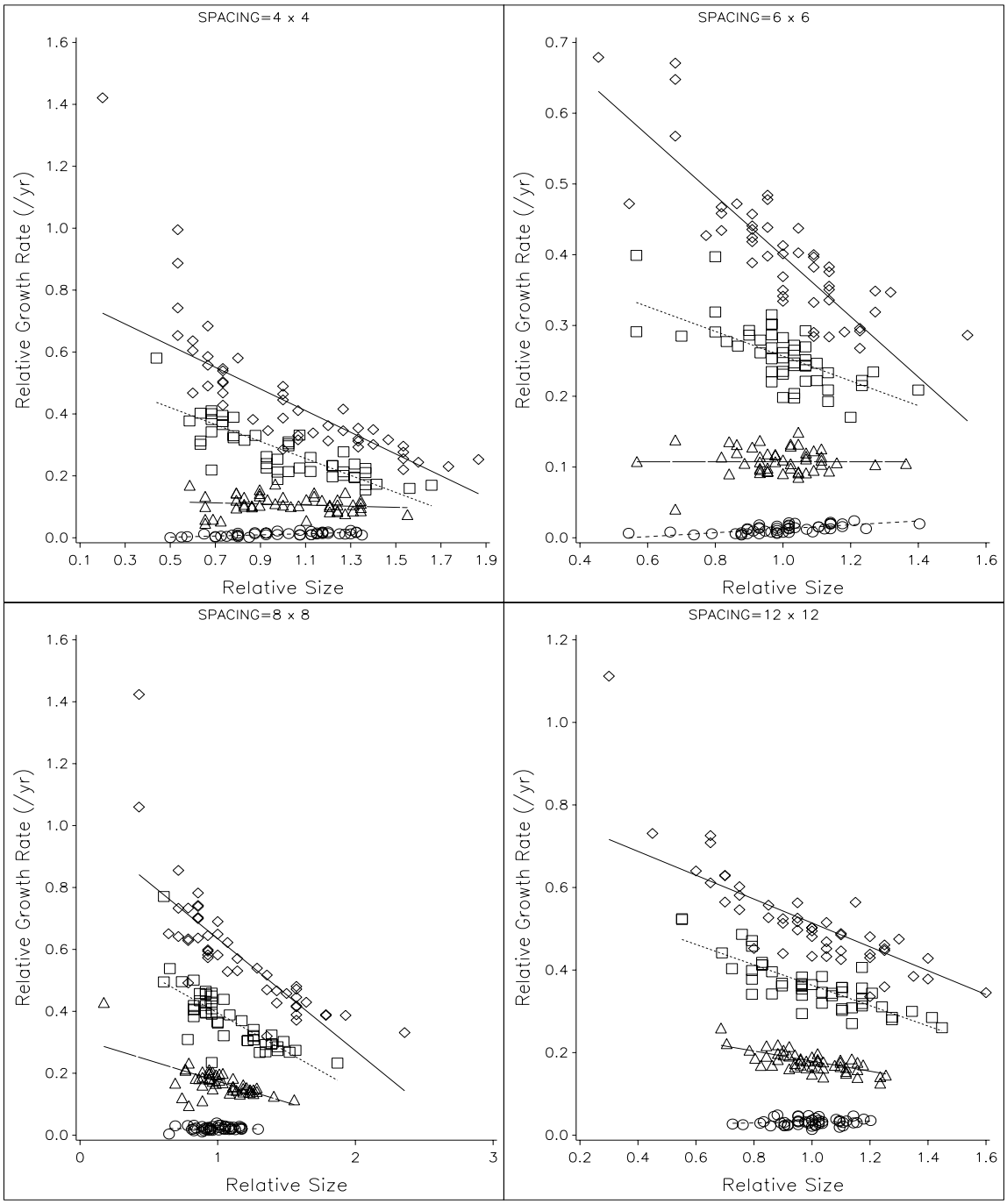

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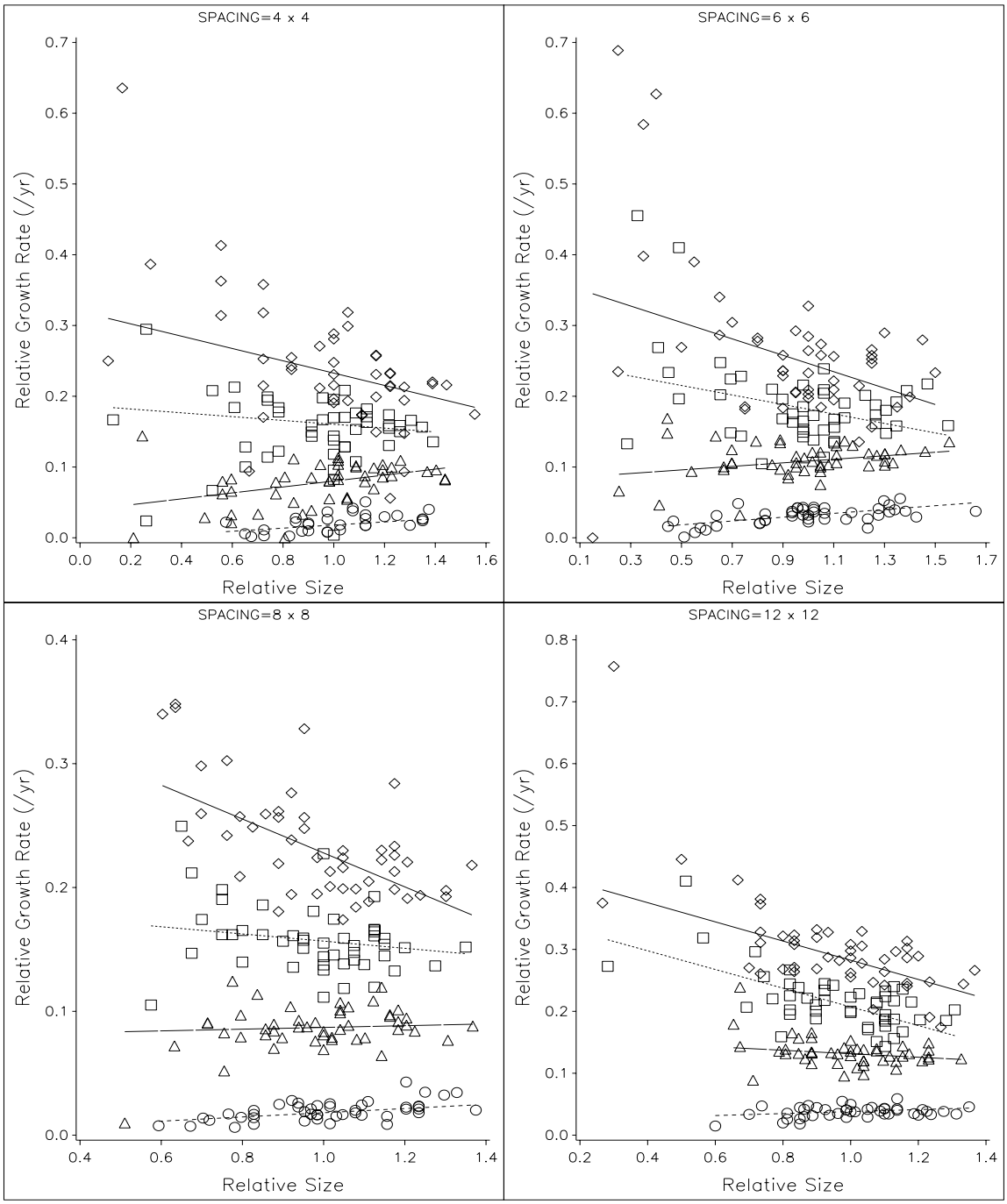

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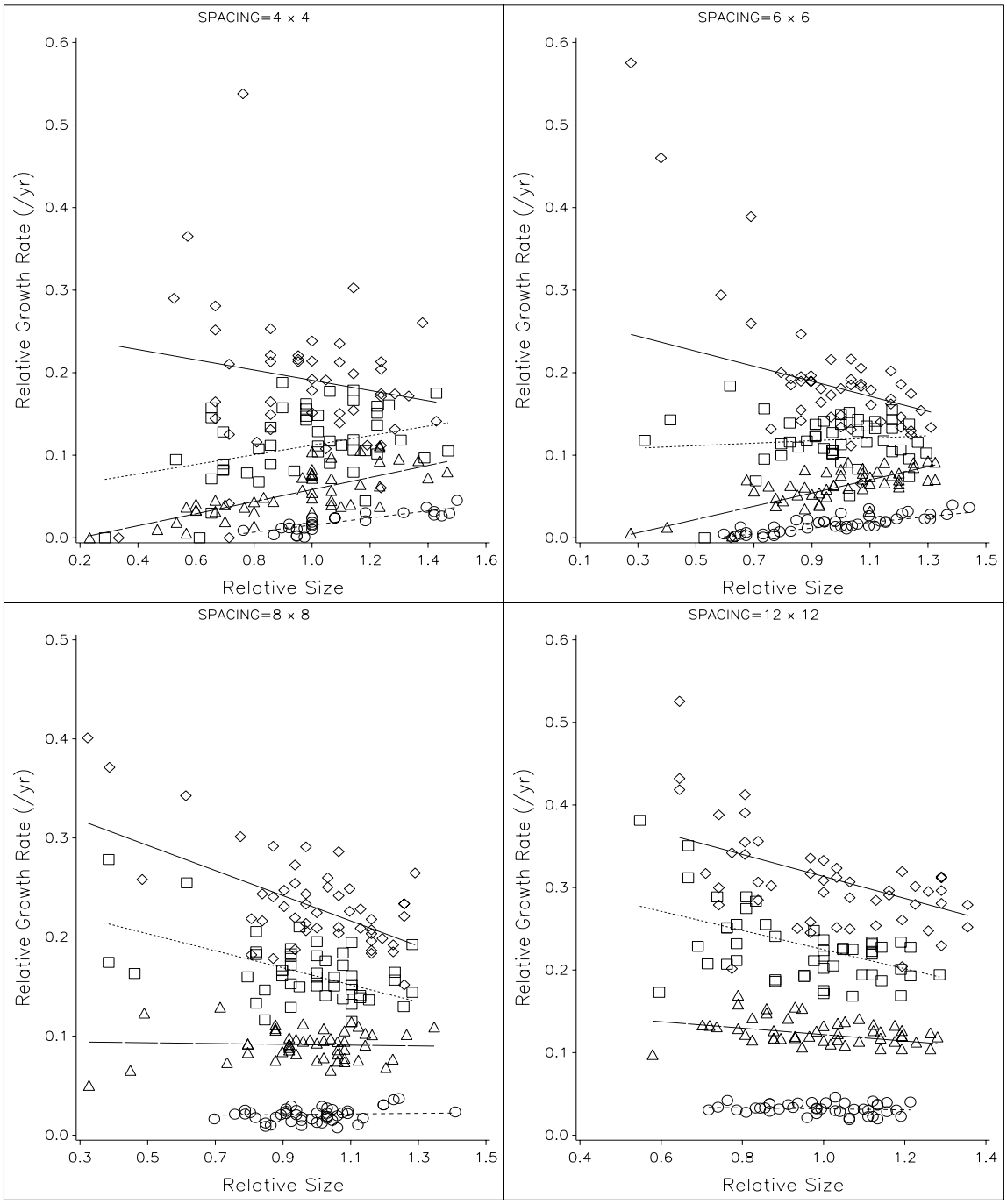

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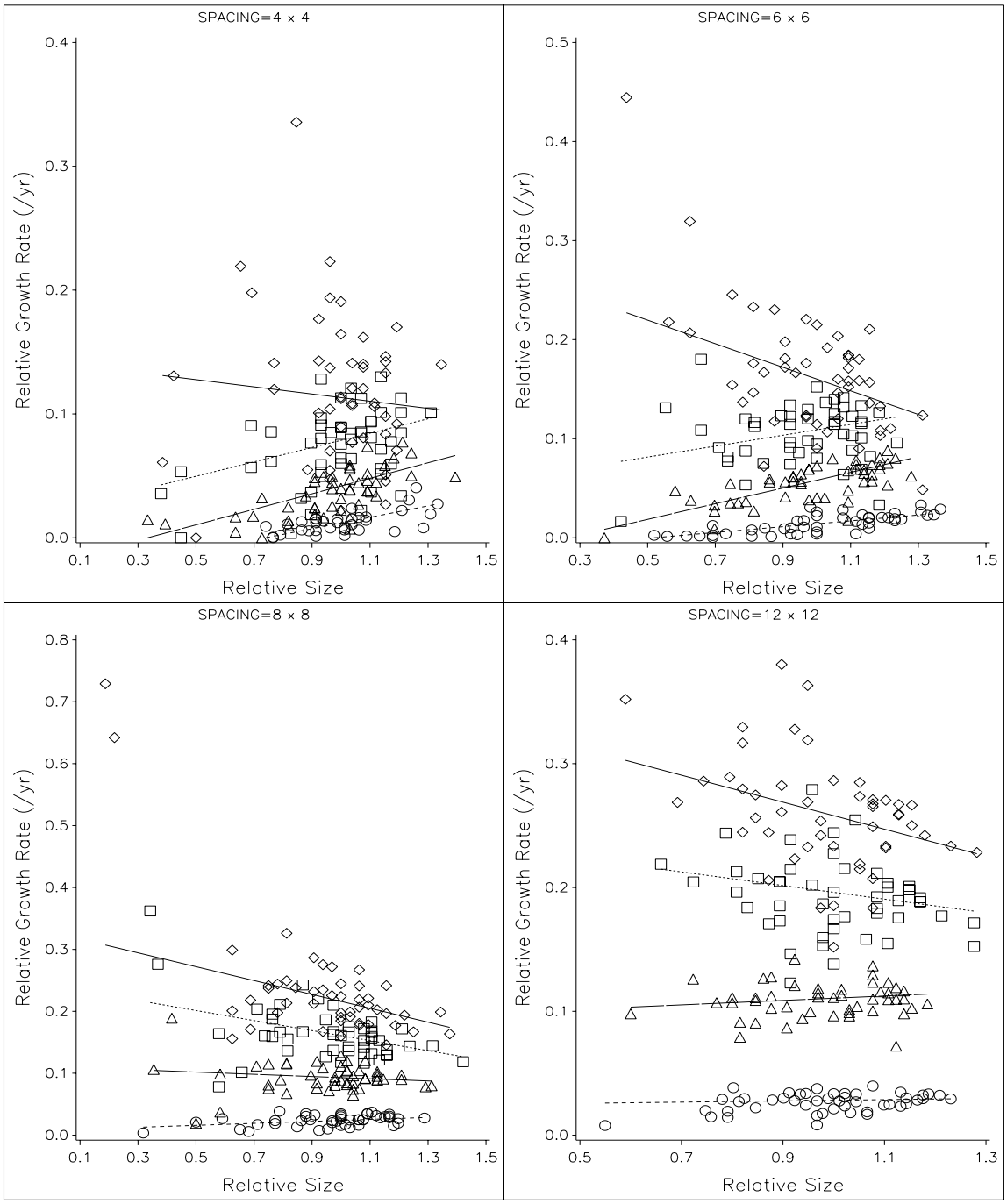

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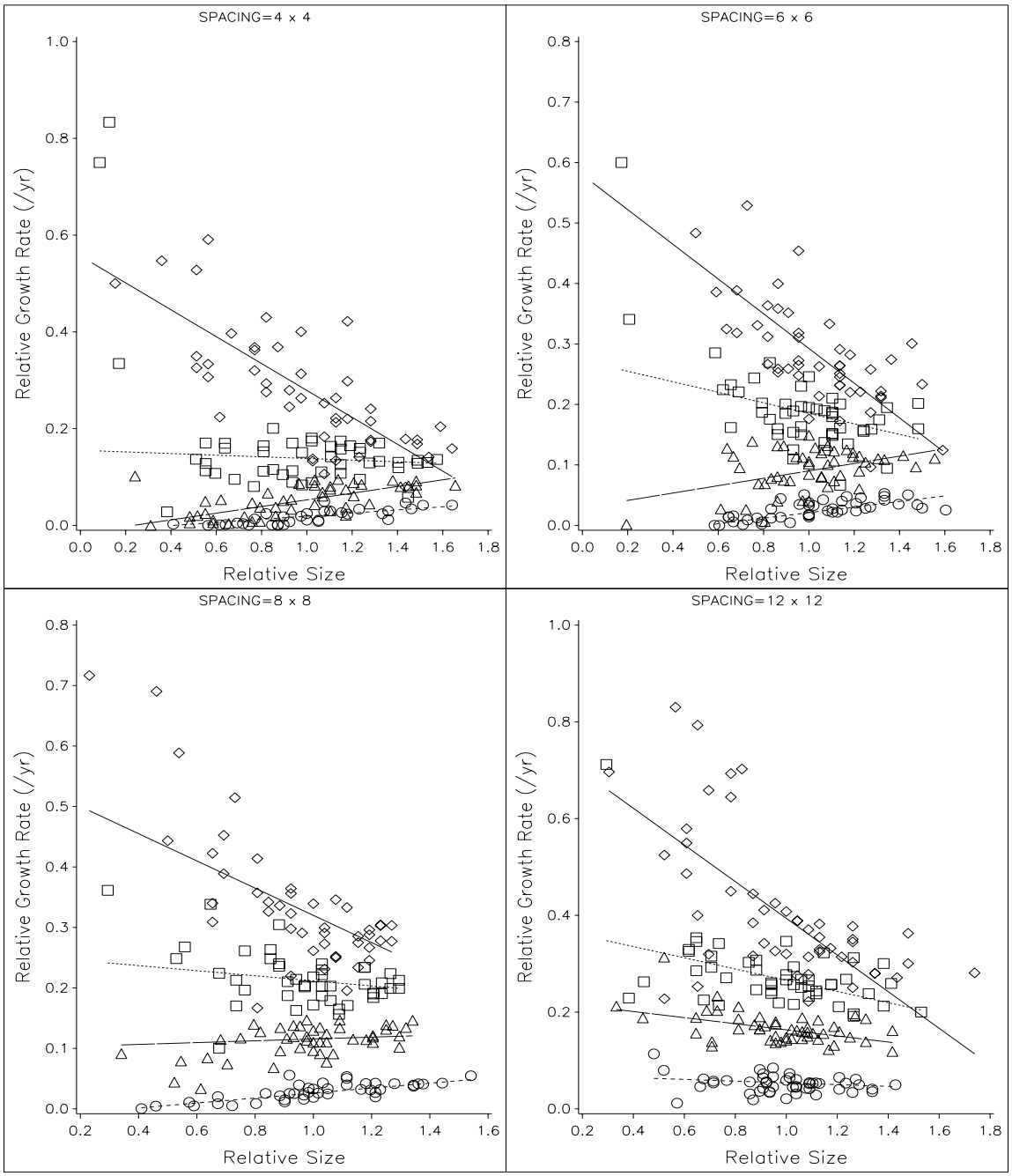

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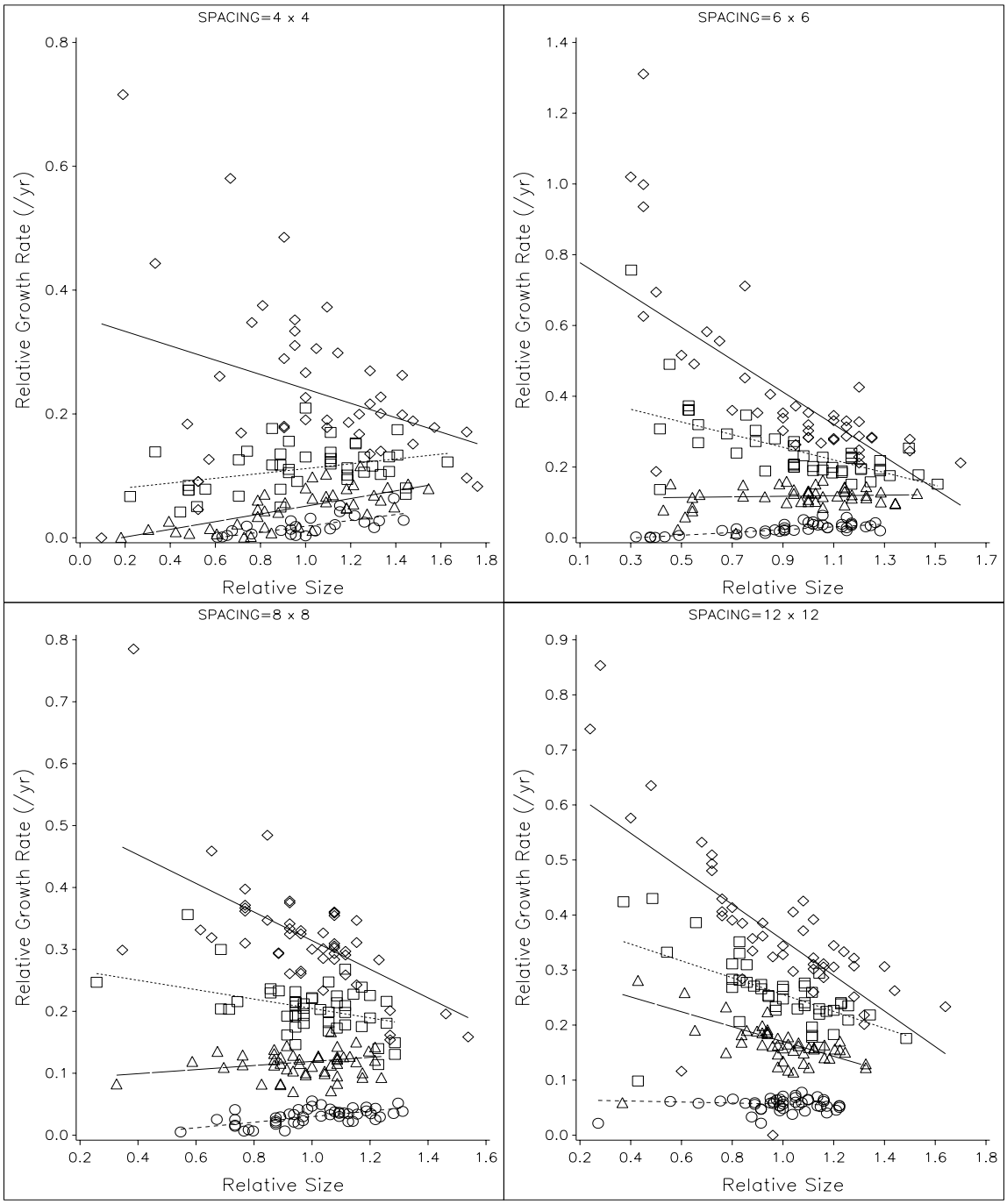

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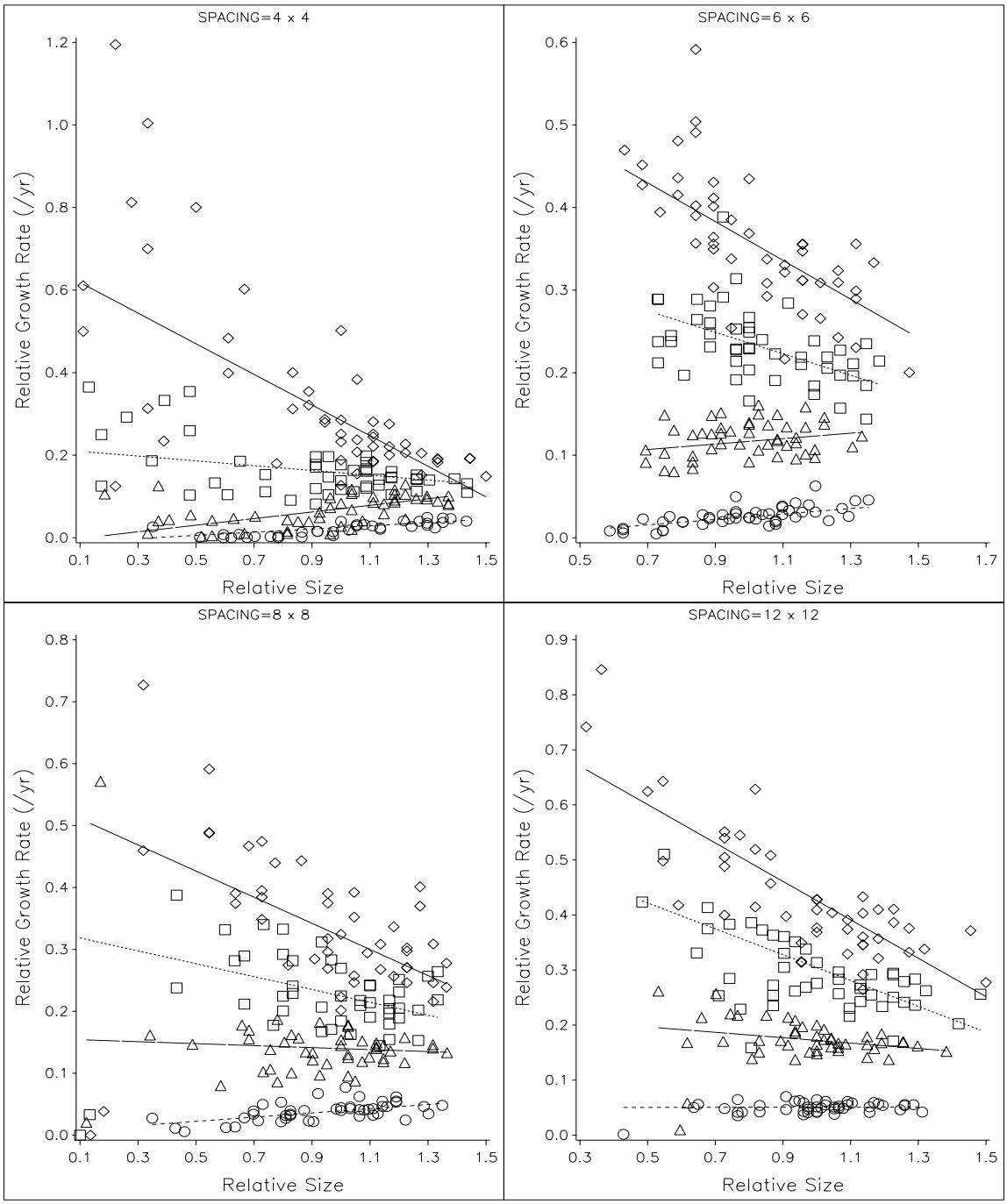

Figure A.12. Individual tree relative growth rates by relative size and age (location 4, block 3) of the Coop spacing study. The line summarizes the linear trend. Diamonds denote 5-years, squares denote 6-years, triangles denote 8-years, and circles denote 13-years of age.

Vita

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