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## Introduction

These Notes provide a series of examples using R to work through issues that are likely to come up in PQHS/CRSP/MPHP 432.

While these Notes share some of the features of a textbook, they are neither comprehensive nor completely original. The main purpose is to give students in 432 a set of common materials on which to draw during the course. In class, we will sometimes:

- reiterate points made in this document,
- amplify what is here,
- simplify the presentation of things done here,
- use new examples to show some of the same techniques,
- refer to issues not mentioned in this document,

but what we don't (always) do is follow these notes very precisely. We assume instead that you will read the materials and try to learn from them, just as you will attend classes and try to learn from them. We welcome feedback of all kinds on this document or anything else via our Campuswire discussion forum.

What you will mostly find are brief explanations of a key idea or summary, accompanied (most of the time) by R code and a demonstration of the results of applying that code.

Everything you see here is available to you in this HTML document. You will also have access to the Quarto files, which contain the code which generates everything in the document, including all of the R results. We will demonstrate the use of Quarto and R Studio (the "program" which we use to interface with the R language) in class. At the end of the semester, I hope to be able to get the PDF version of this document posted, but that may be a challenge.

To download the data and R code related to these notes, visit the 432-data page.

# This is work in progress

These materials are not yet finalized, although they are close to complete. Additional materials may appear as the semester progresses. We thank you for your patience.

If you find any typographical or other errors, please let Dr. Love know about them, either through the Typos folder in Campuswire or by email to Thomas dot Love at case dot edu.

Thanks again.

# **R** Setup

Here, we'll show all of the R packages used in these notes. The list of R Packages we will use in 432 is even more extensive, and is available on our course website.

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA) ## Dr. Love always includes this
library(arm)
library(boot)
library(car)
library(caret)
library(countreg) # install via R-Forge
library(DescTools)
library(distributions3)
library(Epi)
library(GGally)
library(ggridges)
library(glue)
library(gmodels)
library(gt)
library(gtsummary)
library(Hmisc)
library(janitor)
library(knitr)
library(lmboot)
library(lmtest)
library(MASS)
library(mice)
library(MKinfer)
library(mosaic)
library(naniar)
library(nhanesA)
library(nnet)
library(patchwork)
library(pROC)
library(pscl)
```

```
library(rms)
library(ROCR)
library(rstatix)
library(sandwich)
library(simputation)
library(survival)
library(survminer)
library(tableone)
library(topmodels) # install via R-Forge
library(vcd)
library(VGAM)
library(visdat)
```

## General Theme for ggplot work

Dr. Love prefers theme\_bw() to the default choice.

theme\_set(theme\_bw())

## **1** Building the nh432 example

In this Chapter, we will extract and tidy a data set using pre-pandemic (2017 - March 2020) data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES). Then we'll save this data set (which I'll call **nh432** once it's built) so that we can use it again in subsequent work. Details on the data are available at this link to NHANES at CDC.

## 1.1 R Setup

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(gt)
library(gtsummary)
library(Hmisc)
library(naniar)
library(nhanesA)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

## 1.2 Selecting NHANES Variables

We'll focus on NHANES data describing

- participating adults ages 30-59 years who
- completed both an NHANES interview and medical examination, and who
- also completed an oral health examination, and who
- also reported their overall health as either Excellent, Very Good, Good, Fair, or Poor

We will pull the following NHANES data elements using the nhanesA package:

#### 1.2.1 Demographics and Sample Weights

From the Demographic Variables and Sample Weights database (P\_DEMO), we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
RIDSTATR	Interview and MEC exam status	<ul><li>1 = Interviewed only 2 = Interviewed</li><li>&amp; MEC examined</li></ul>
RIDAGEYR	Age at screening (years) We will require ages 30-59.	Top coded at $80^1$
RIDRETH3	Race/Hispanic origin	1 = Mexican American 2 = Other Hispanic 3 = Non-Hispanic White 4 = Non-Hispanic Black 6 = Non-Hispanic Asian 7 = Other Race, including Multi-Racial
DMDEDUC2	Education Level	1 = Less than 9th grade  2 = 9-11th grade $3 = \text{High school graduate } 4 =$ Some college or AA $5 = \text{College graduate}$ or above $7 = \text{Refused}$ ( <i>will treat as NA</i> ) 9 = Don't Know ( <i>will treat as NA</i> )
RIAGENDR	$\mathbf{Sex}$	1 = Male, 2 = Female
WTINTPRP	Full sample interview weight	Sampling weight
WTMECPRP	Full sample MEC examination weight	Sampling weight

**Note** As part of our inclusion criteria, we will require that all participants in our analytic data have RIDAGEYR values of 30-59 and thus drop the participants whose responses to that item are missing or outside that range.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_DEMO data.

# p\_demo <- nhanes('P\_DEMO', translate = FALSE) |> select(SEQN, RIDSTATR, RIDAGEYR, RIDRETH3, DMDEDUC2, RIAGENDR, WTINTPRP, WTMECPRP)

dim(p\_demo) # gives number of rows (participants) and columns (variables)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Those over 80 years of age are coded 80.

Do we have any duplicate SEQN values?

```
p_demo |> get_dupes(SEQN)
```

No duplicate combinations found of: SEQN

```
[1] SEQN dupe_count RIDSTATR RIDAGEYR RIDRETH3 DMDEDUC2 RIAGENDR
[8] WTINTPRP WTMECPRP
<0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

Good.

#### 1.2.2 Oral Health

From the Oral Health - Recommendation of Care (P\_OHXREF), we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
OHDEXSTS	Overall Oral Health Exam Status	1 = Complete $2 = $ Partial $3 = $ Not Done
OHAREC	Overall Recommendation for Dental Care	1 = See a dentist immediately  2 = See a dentist within the next 2 weeks $3 = \text{See a dentist}$ at your earliest convenience $4 = \text{Continue your}$ regular routine care

**Note** In addition to requiring that all participants in our analytic data have OHDEXSTS = 1, we will (later) collapse values 1 and 2 in OHAREC because there are only a few participants with code 1 in OHAREC.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_OHXREF data.

```
p_ohxref <- nhanes('P_OHXREF', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, OHDEXSTS, OHAREC)
dim(p_ohxref)
```

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#### 1.2.3 Hospital Utilization & Access to Care

From the Questionnaire on Hospital Utilization & Access to Care (P\_HUQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
HUQ010	General health condition we require a 1-5 response	1 = Excellent  2 = Very Good  3 = Good $4 = \text{Fair } 5 = \text{Poor } 7 = \text{Refused } (to \ be \ dropped) \ 9 = \text{Don't Know } (to \ be \ dropped)$
HUQ071	Overnight hospital patient in past 12 months	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>will treat</i> as $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>will treat as</i> NA)
HUQ090	Seen mental health professional in past 12 months	1 = Yes, $2 =$ No $7 =$ Refused (will treat as NA) $9 =$ Don't Know (will treat as NA)

Note As part of our inclusion criteria, we will require that all participants in our analytic data have HUQ010 values of 1-5 and drop participants whose responses are missing, Refused or Don't Know for that item.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_HUQ data.

```
p_huq <- nhanes('P_HUQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, HUQ010, HUQ071, HUQ090)
dim(p_huq)
```

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#### 1.2.4 Body Measures

From the Body Measures database (P\_BMX), we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number	link across databases
	(participant ID)	
BMXWT	Body weight $(kg)$	Measured in examination
BMXHT	Standing height (cm)	Measured in examination
DMATI	Standing height (cm)	Measured in examination

Variable	Description	Values	
BMXWAIST	Waist Circumference (cm)	Measured in examination	

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_BMX data.

```
p_bmx <- nhanes('P_BMX', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, BMXWT, BMXHT, BMXWAIST)
dim(p_bmx)
```

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#### 1.2.5 Blood Pressure

From the Blood Pressure - Oscillometric Measurement (P\_BPXO), we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
BPXOSY2	Systolic BP (2nd reading, in mm Hg)	Measured in examination
BPXODI2	Diastolic BP (2nd reading, in mm Hg)	Measured in examination
BPXOPLS1 BPXOPLS2	Pulse (1st reading, beats/minute) Pulse (2nd reading, beats/minute)	Measured in examination Measured in examination

• A "normal" blood pressure for most adults is < 120 systolic and < 80 diastolic.

• A "normal" resting pulse rate for most adults is between 60 and 100 beats/minute.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_BPXO data.

p\_bpxo <- nhanes('P\_BPXO', translate = FALSE) |>
select(SEQN, BPXOSY2, BPXODI2, BPXOPLS1, BPXOPLS2)

```
dim(p_bpxo)
```

[1] 11656 5

#### 1.2.6 Complete Blood Count

From the Complete Blood Count with 5-Part Differential in Whole Blood (P\_CBC), we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
LBXWBCSI	White blood cell count in 1000 cells/uL	normal range: 4.5 - 11
LBXPLTSI	Platelet count in 1000 cells/uL	normal range: 150-450

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_CBC data.

```
p_cbc <- nhanes('P_CBC', translate = FALSE) |>
    select(SEQN, LBXWBCSI, LBXPLTSI)
dim(p_cbc)
```

[1] 13772 3

#### 1.2.7 C-Reactive Protein

From the High-Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein (P\_HSCRP) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number	link across databases
LBXHSCRP	(participant ID) High-Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein (mg/L)	normal range: 1.0 - 3.0

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_HSCRP data.

```
p_hscrp <- nhanes('P_HSCRP', translate = FALSE) |>
    select(SEQN, LBXHSCRP)
    dim(p_hscrp)
[1] 13772 2
```

#### 1.2.8 Alcohol Use

From the Questionnaire on Alcohol Use (P\_ALQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
ALQ111	Ever had a drink of alcohol?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
ALQ130	Average drinks per day in past 12 months (Top coded at $15^2$ )	count ( <b>set to 0 if ALQ111 is No</b> ) 777 = Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) 999 = Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> )

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_ALQ data.

```
p_alq <- nhanes('P_ALQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, ALQ111, ALQ130)
dim(p_alq)
```

#### [1] 8965

3

As noted above, we set the value of ALQ130 to be 0 if the response to ALQ111 is 2 (No).

```
p_alq <- p_alq |>
    mutate(ALQ130 = ifelse(ALQ111 == 2, 0, ALQ130))
p_alq |> count(ALQ130, ALQ111)
```

	ALQ130	ALQ111	n
1	0	2	867
2	1	1	2126
3	2	1	1769
4	3	1	843
5	4	1	431
6	5	1	231
7	6	1	201
8	7	1	44

 $^2\mathrm{Those}$  who responded with 15 drinks or more are coded 15.

9	8	1	65
10	9	1	13
11	10	1	42
12	11	1	3
13	12	1	53
14	13	1	3
15	15	1	29
16	777	1	1
17	999	1	9
18	NA	1	1640
19	NA	NA	595

#### 1.2.9 Dermatology

From the Questionnaire on Dermatology (P\_DEQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
DEQ034D	Use sunscreen if outside on very sunny day?	1 = Always $2 =$ Most of the time $3 =Sometimes 4 = Rarely 5 = Never 7 =Refused (treat as NA) 9 = Don't Know(treat as NA)$

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_DEQ data.

```
p_deq <- nhanes('P_DEQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, DEQ034D)
dim(p_deq)
```

[1] 5810 2

#### 1.2.10 Depression Screener

From the Questionnaire on Mental Health - Depression Screener (P\_DPQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant	link across databases
	ID)	
DPQ010	Have little interest in doing things	0-3: codes below
DPQ020	Feeling down, depressed or hopeless	0-3: codes below
DPQ030	Trouble sleeping or sleeping too much	0-3: codes below
DPQ040	Feeling tired or having little energy	0-3: codes below
DPQ050	Poor appetite or overeating	0-3: codes below
DPQ060	Feeling bad about yourself	0-3: codes below
DPQ070	Trouble concentrating on things	0-3: codes below
DPQ080	Moving or speaking slowly or too fast	0-3: codes below
DPQ090	Thoughts you would be better off dead	0-3: codes below
DPQ100	Difficulty these problems have caused	0-3: codes below

- For DPQ010 DPQ090, the codes are 0 = Not at all, 1 = Several days in the past two weeks, 2 = More than half the days in the past two weeks, 3 = Nearly every day in the past two weeks, with 7 = Refused and 9 = Don't Know which we will treat as NA.
- For DPQ100, the codes are 0 = Not at all difficult, 1 = Somewhat difficult, 2 = Very difficult, 3 = Extremely difficult, with 7 = Refused and 9 = Don't Know which we will treat as NA. Also, the DPQ100 score should be 0 if the scores on DPQ010 through DPQ090 are all zero.

Later, we will sum the scores in DPQ010 - DPQ090 to produce a PHQ-9 score for each participant.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_DPQ data.

p\_dpq <- nhanes('P\_DPQ', translate = FALSE)
 # we're actually pulling all available variables</pre>

dim(p\_dpq)

[1] 8965 11

#### 1.2.11 Diet Behavior

From the Questionnaire on Diet Behavior and Nutrition (P\_DBQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
DBQ700	How healthy is your diet?	1 = Excellent  2 = Very Good  3 = Good $4 = \text{Fair } 5 = \text{Poor } 7 = \text{Refused } (treat \ as$ $NA) \ 9 = \text{Don't Know } (treat \ as \ NA)$

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_DBQ data.

```
p_dbq <- nhanes('P_DBQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, DBQ700)
dim(p_dbq)
```

[1] 15560 2

## 1.2.12 Food Security

From the Questionnaire on Food Security (P\_FSQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
FSDAD	Adult food security category for last 12m	1 = Full food security $2 =$ Marginal $3 =$ Low $4 =$ Very low

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_FSQ data.

```
p_fsq <- nhanes('P_FSQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, FSDAD)
```

dim(p\_fsq)

[1] 15560 2

### 1.2.13 Health Insurance

From the Questionnaire on Health Insurance (P\_HIQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
HIQ011	Covered by health insurance now?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
HIQ210	Time when no insurance in past year?	1 = Yes, 2 = No 7 = Refused (treat as NA) 9 = Don't Know (treat as NA) (set to Yes if HIQ011 is No.)

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_HIQ data.

```
p_hiq <- nhanes('P_HIQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, HIQ011, HIQ210)
dim(p_hiq)
```

### [1] 15560 3

As noted above, we set the value of HIQ210 to be 1 (Yes) if HIQ011 is 2 (No).

```
p_hiq <- p_hiq |>
mutate(HIQ210 = ifelse(HIQ011 == 2, 1, HIQ210))
p_hiq |> count(HIQ210, HIQ011)
```

	HIQ210	HIQ011	n
1	1	1	960
2	1	2	1852
3	2	1	12682
4	7	1	2
5	9	1	25
6	NA	1	2
7	NA	7	8
8	NA	9	29

### 1.2.14 Medical Conditions

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
MCQ366A	Doctor told you to control/lose weight in the past 12 months?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
MCQ366B	Doctor told you to exercise in the past 12 months?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
MCQ371A	Are you now controlling or losing weight?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
MCQ371B	Are you now increasing exercise?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> )

From the Questionnaire on Medical Conditions (P\_MCQ) we collect the following variables.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_MCQ data.

```
p_mcq <- nhanes('P_MCQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, MCQ366A, MCQ366B, MCQ371A, MCQ371B)
dim(p_mcq)
```

[1] 14986 5

### 1.2.15 Oral Health

From the Questionnaire on Oral Health (P\_OHQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number	link across databases
OHQ870	(participant ID) Days using dental floss (in the last week)	count (0-7) 9 = Unknown (treat as $NA$ ) 99 = Don't Know (treat as $NA$ )

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_OHQ data.

```
p_ohq <- nhanes('P_OHQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, OHQ870)
dim(p_ohq)
```

[1] 14986 2

### 1.2.16 Physical Activity

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
PAQ605	Vigorous work activity for 10 min/week?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
PAQ610	# of days of vigorous work activity in past week	count (1-7) $77 =$ Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> 99 = Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) (set t 0 if PAQ605 is No.)
PAQ650	Vigorous recreational activity for 10 min/week?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> )
PAQ655	# of days of vigorous recreational activity in past week	count (1-7) 77 = Refused (treat as $NA$ 99 = Don't Know (treat as $NA$ ) (set t 0 if PAQ650 is No.)
PAD680	Minutes of sedentary activity (min/day)	excludes sleeping $7777 =$ Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) 9999 = Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> )

From the Questionnaire on Physical Activity (P\_PAQ) we collect the following variables.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_PAQ data.

```
p_paq <- nhanes('P_PAQ', translate = FALSE) |>
    select(SEQN, PAQ605, PAQ610, PAQ650, PAQ655, PAD680)
dim(p_paq)
```

### [1] 9693 6

Now, let's set the value of PAQ610 to be 0 if PAQ605 is 2 (No).

```
p_paq <- p_paq |>
mutate(PAQ610 = ifelse(PAQ605 == 2, 0, PAQ610))
```

Finally, we set the value of PAQ655 to be 0 if PAQ650 is 2 (No).

```
p_paq <- p_paq |>
mutate(PAQ655 = ifelse(PAQ650 == 2, 0, PAQ655))
```

#### 1.2.17 Reproductive Health

From the Questionnaire on Reproductive Health (P\_RHQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
RHQ131	Ever been pregnant?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> )
RHQ160	How many times have you been pregnant?	count (1-11) 77 = Refused (treat as $NA$ ) 99 = Don't Know (treat as $NA$ ) (set to 0 if RHQ131 is No.)

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_RHQ data.

```
p_rhq <- nhanes('P_RHQ', translate = FALSE) |>
   select(SEQN, RHQ131, RHQ160)
dim(p_rhq)
```

### [1] 5314 3

Now, let's set the value of RHQ160 to be 0 if RHQ131 is 2 (No).

p\_rhq <- p\_rhq |>
mutate(RHQ160 = ifelse(RHQ131 == 2, 0, RHQ160))

## 1.2.18 Sleep Disorders

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
SLD012	Usual hours of sleep (weekdays)	hours <i>limited to 2-14</i>
SLD013	Usual hours of sleep (weekends)	hours <i>limited to 2-14</i>
SLQ030	How often do you snore in the	0 = Never $1 = $ Rarely (1-2 nights/week)
	past 12 months?	2 = Occasionally (3-4 nights/week)  3 =
		Frequently $(5 + nights/week)$ 7 =
		Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) $9 = \text{Don't Know}$
		(treat as NA)
SLQ050	Have you ever told a doctor you	1 = Yes, 2 = No  7 = Refused (treat as NA)
	had trouble sleeping?	NA) 9 = Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> )

From the Questionnaire on Sleep Disorders (P\_SLQ) we collect the following variables.

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_SLQ data.

```
p_slq <- nhanes('P_SLQ', translate = FALSE) |>
  select(SEQN, SLD012, SLD013, SLQ030, SLQ050)
dim(p_slq)
```

[1] 10195 5

### 1.2.19 Smoking Cigarettes

From the Questionnaire on Smoking - Cigarette Use (P\_SMQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
SMQ020	Smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as NA</i> ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as NA</i> )
SMD641	Days (in past 30) when you smoked a cigarette?	count (0-30) $77 = \text{Refused } (treat as NA)$ 99 = Don't Know  (treat as NA) (set to
		<b>0 if SMQ020 is No.</b> )

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_SMQ data.

```
p_smq <- nhanes('P_SMQ', translate = FALSE) |>
    select(SEQN, SMQ020, SMD641)
dim(p_smq)
```

[1] 11137 3

Now, let's set the value of SMD641 to be 0 if SMQ020 is 2 (No).

```
p_smq <- p_smq |>
mutate(SMD641 = ifelse(SMQ020 == 2, 0, SMD641))
```

### 1.2.20 Secondhand Smoke

From the Questionnaire on Smoking - Secondhand Smoke Exposure (P\_SMQSHS) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
SMQ856	Last 7 days worked at a job not at home?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
SMQ860	Last 7 days spent time in a restaurant?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )
SMQ866	Last 7 days spent time in a bar?	1 = Yes, $2 = $ No $7 = $ Refused ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ ) $9 = $ Don't Know ( <i>treat as</i> $NA$ )

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_SMQSHS data.

p\_smqshs <- nhanes('P\_SMQSHS', translate = FALSE) |>
 select(SEQN, SMQ856, SMQ860, SMQ866)
dim(p\_smqshs)

[1] 15560 4

### 1.2.21 Weight History

From the Questionnaire on Weight History (P\_WHQ) we collect the following variables.

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant ID)	link across databases
WHD010	Current self-reported height (in inches)	49 to 82 7777 = Refused (treat as $NA$ ) 9999 = Don't Know (treat as $NA$ )
WHD020	Current self-reported weight (in pounds)	$67 \text{ to } 578 \ 7777 = \text{Refused } (treat as NA)$ 9999 = Don't Know  (treat as NA)
WHQ040	Like to weigh more, less, or same	$1 = More \ 2 = Less \ 3 = Stay about the same 7 = Refused (treat as NA) 9 = Don't Know (treat as NA)$

Here's my code to select these variables from the P\_WHQ data.

```
p_whq <- nhanes('P_WHQ', translate = FALSE) |>
select(SEQN, WHD010, WHD020, WHQ040)
```

dim(p\_whq)

[1] 10195 4

# 1.3 Filtering for Inclusion

First, I'll filter the demographic data (p\_demo) to the participants with known ages (RIDAGEYR here) between 30 and 59 years (inclusive), and to those who were both interviewed and examined (so RIDSTATR is 2) to match our inclusion criteria.

[1] 4133 8

Second, I'll restrict the p\_ohxref sample to the participants who had a complete oral health exam (so OHDEXSTS is 1) which is also part of our inclusion criteria.

```
p_ohxref <- p_ohxref |>
filter(OHDEXSTS == 1)
dim(p_ohxref)
```

[1] 13271 3

Third, I'll restrict the p\_hug sample to the participants who gave one of our five available responses (codes 1-5) to the general health condition question in HUQ010, which is the final element of our inclusion criteria.

```
p_huq <- p_huq |>
filter(HUQ010 <= 5)
dim(p_huq)</pre>
```

[1] 15550 4

Subjects that meet all of these requirements will be included in our analytic data. To achieve that end, we'll begin merging the individual data bases.

# 1.4 Merging the Data

#### 1.4.1 Merging Two Data Frames at a Time

We have two ways to merge our data. We can merge data sets two at a time. In this case, we'll use inner\_join() from the dplyr package to include only those participants with data in each of the two data frames we're merging. For example, we'll create temp01 to include data from both p\_demo and p\_ohxref for all participants (identified by their SEQN) that appear in each of those two data frames. Then, we'll merge the resulting temp01 with p\_huq to create temp02 in a similar way.

```
temp01 <- inner_join(p_demo, p_ohxref, by = "SEQN")
temp02 <- inner_join(temp01, p_huq, by = "SEQN")
dim(temp02)</pre>
```

[1] 3931 13

Note that we now have 3931 participants in our data, and this should be the case after we merge in all of the other data sets, too. Rather than using inner\_join() we will switch now to using left\_join() many more times so that we always add new information only on those subjects who meet our inclusion criteria (as identified in temp02. For more on the various types of joins we can use from the dplyr package, visit <htps://dplyr.tidyverse.org/reference/mutatejoins.html. The problem is that that approach would force us to create lots of new temporary files as we add in each new variable.

#### 1.4.2 Merging Many Data Frames Together

A better approach is to use the reduce() function in the purrr package<sup>3</sup>, which will let us join this temp02 data frame with our remaining 17 data frames using left\_join() in a much more streamlined way. We'll also ensure that the final result (which we'll call nh\_raw) is a tibble, rather than just a data frame.

# 1.5 The "Raw" Data

What does the data in nh\_raw look like? Normally, I wouldn't include this sort of intermediate description in a published bit of work, but it may be helpful to compare this description to the one we'll generate at the end of the cleaning process in this case.

summary(nh\_raw)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>For more on the purrr package, visit https://purrr.tidyverse.org/

Min. :109271 1st Qu.:113103 Median :117059 Mean :117074	1st Qu.:2 1s Median :2 Mea Mean :2 Mea 3rd Qu.:2 3r	n. :30.00 Mi t Qu.:37.00 1s dian :45.00 Me an :44.79 Me d Qu.:53.00 3r	RIDRETH3 in. :1.000 st Qu.:3.000 edian :3.000 ean :3.561 cd Qu.:4.000 eax. :7.000	DMDEDUC2 Min. :1.00 1st Qu.:3.00 Median :4.00 Mean :3.64 3rd Qu.:5.00 Max. :7.00
RIAGENDR Min. :1.000 1st Qu.:1.000 Median :2.000 Mean :1.533 3rd Qu.:2.000 Max. :2.000	WTINTPRP Min. : 2467 1st Qu.: 10615 Median : 17358 Mean : 28434 3rd Qu.: 31476 Max. :311265	Min. : 2589 1st Qu.: 11369 Median : 18422 Mean : 30353	<ul> <li>Min. :1</li> <li>1st Qu.:1</li> <li>Median :1</li> <li>Mean :1</li> <li>3rd Qu.:1</li> </ul>	1st Qu.:3.000 Median :4.000 Mean :3.455 3rd Qu.:4.000
HUQ010 Min. :1.000 1st Qu.:2.000 Median :3.000 Mean :2.741 3rd Qu.:3.000 Max. :5.000	HUQ071 Min. :1.000 1st Qu.:2.000 Median :2.000 Mean :1.913 3rd Qu.:2.000 Max. :2.000	HUQ090 Min. :1.000 1st Qu.:2.000 Median :2.000 Mean :1.883 3rd Qu.:2.000 Max. :9.000	Min. : 36. 1st Qu.: 69. Median : 82. Mean : 86. 3rd Qu.: 99. Max. :254.	30 10 31 10
Max. :198.7 NA's :30 BPXOPLS1 Min. : 38.0 1st Qu.: 62.0	Min. : 37.00 1st Qu.: 63.00	Max. :222.0 NA's :346 LBXWBCSI Min. : 2.300 1st Qu.: 5.700	3rd Qu.: 84. Max. :136. NA's :346 LBXPLTS ) Min. : 4 ) 1st Qu.:21	00 00 03 00 00 00 91 .7.0 .0.0
	Median : 70.00 Mean : 70.96 3rd Qu.: 78.00 Max. :121.00 NA's :617 ALQ111 Min. :1.000 1st Qu.:1.000		Mean :25 3rd Qu.:29 Max. :81 NA's :17 DEQ034 00 Min. :1	3.3 0.0 8.0 6 .0 .000

Median : 2.090	Median :1.000	Median : 2.000	Median :4.000
Mean : 4.326			
3rd Qu.: 4.740			
Max. :182.820	Max. :2.000	Max. :15.000	Max. :5.000
NA's :267	NA's :205	NA's :789	NA's :19
DPQ010	DPQ020	DPQ030	DPQ040
Min. :0.0000	Min. :0.0000	Min. :0.0000	Min. :0.0000
1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :0.0000	Median :0.0000	Median :0.0000	Median :1.0000
Mean :0.3907	Mean :0.3732	Mean :0.6529	Mean :0.7612
3rd Qu.:1.0000	3rd Qu.:1.0000	3rd Qu.:1.0000	3rd Qu.:1.0000
Max. :9.0000	Max. :7.0000	Max. :9.0000	Max. :9.0000
NA's :212	NA's :212	NA's :212	NA's :212
DPQ050	DPQ060	DPQ070	DPQ080
Min. :0.0000	Min. :0.0000	Min. :0.0000	Min. :0.0000
1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :0.0000	Median :0.0000	Median :0.0000	Median :0.0000
Mean :0.4117	Mean :0.2504	Mean :0.2924	Mean :0.1622
3rd Qu.:1.0000	3rd Qu.:0.0000	3rd Qu.:0.0000	3rd Qu.:0.0000
Max. :9.0000	Max. :3.0000	Max. :3.0000	Max. :3.0000
NA's :212	NA's :213	NA's :213	NA's :213
DPQ090	DPQ100	DBQ700	FSDAD
Min. :0.000	Min. :0.0000	Min. :1.00	Min. :1.000
1st Qu.:0.000	1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:2.00	1st Qu.:1.000
Median :0.000	Median :0.0000	Median :3.00	Median :1.000
Mean :0.053	Mean :0.3447	Mean :3.11	Mean :1.737
3rd Qu.:0.000	3rd Qu.:1.0000	3rd Qu.:4.00	3rd Qu.:2.000
Max. :3.000	Max. :3.0000	Max. :9.00	Max. :4.000
NA's :214	NA's :1448		NA's :231
HIQ011	HIQ210	MCQ366A	MCQ366B
Min. :1.000	Min. :1.000	Min. :1.000	Min. :1.000
1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.:1.000
Median :1.000	Median :2.000	Median :2.000	Median :2.000
Mean :1.211	Mean :1.742	Mean :1.699	Mean :1.574
3rd Qu.:1.000	3rd Qu.:2.000	3rd Qu.:2.000	3rd Qu.:2.000
Max. :9.000	Max. :9.000	Max. :9.000	Max. :9.000
	NA's :12		
MCQ371A	MCQ371B	OHQ870	PAQ605
Min. :1.000	Min. :1.000	Min. : 0.000	Min. :1.000
1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.: 0.000	1st Qu.:1.000
Median :1.000	Median :1.000	Median : 3.000	Median :2.000
Mean :1.371	Mean :1.399	Mean : 3.503	Mean :1.723
3rd Qu.:2.000	3rd Qu.:2.000	3rd Qu.: 7.000	3rd Qu.:2.000

Max.	:9.000	Max. :9.				:9.00	0
٦٨d	1610	PAQ65		:1		DADGOO	
		Min. :1					
-		1st Qu.:1		-		-	
Median	: 0.000					lian : 30	
	: 1.244					an : 30	63.7
3rd Qu	.: 2.000	3rd Qu.:2	.000 3rd	Qu.: 1	.0000 3rd	1 Qu.: 48	30.0
Max.	:99.000	Max. :2	.000 Max	:. :99	.0000 Max	c. :99	99.0
NA's	:4				NA	s :11	
RHO	2131	RHQ160		SLD012		SLD013	
Min.	:1.000	Min. : 0	.000 Mir	. : 2	.000 Min.	: 2.0	000
1st Qu	.:1.000	1st Qu.: 2	.000 1st	Qu.: 6	.500 1st	Qu.: 7.0	000
Median	:1.000	Median : 3	.000 Med	lian : 7	.500 Medi	ian : 8.0	000
Mean	:1.114	Mean : 3	.159 Mea	n : 7	.359 Mear	n : 8.2	231
3rd Qu	.:1.000	3rd Qu.: 4	.000 3rd	Qu.: 8	.000 3rd	Qu.: 9.0	000
Max.	:7.000	Max. :77			.000 Max		
	:1970				NA's		
		SLQ050					
Min.	:0.000	Min. :1.	000 Min.	:1.0	00 Min.	:1.000	
1st Qu	.:1.000	1st Qu.:1.	000 1st	Qu.:1.0	00 1st Qi	1.:1.000	
	:2.000				00 Mediar		
Mean	:2.015	Mean :1.					
		3rd Qu.:2.					
-		Max. :9.		-	-		
SM	3866	SMQ020	SM	D641	WHI	0010	WHD020
							Min. : 86
							1st Qu.: 152

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Min. :	1.000	Min.	:1.0	Min.	: 0.000	Min.	: 50	Min.	: 86.0
1st Qu.:	2.000	1st Qu.	:1.0	1st Qu.	: 0.000	1st Qu.	: 63	1st Qu	: 152.0
Median :	2.000	Median	:2.0	Median	: 0.000	Median	: 66	Median	: 180.0
Mean :	1.846	Mean	:1.6	Mean	: 6.859	Mean	: 247	Mean	: 353.9
3rd Qu.:	2.000	3rd Qu.	:2.0	3rd Qu.	: 5.000	3rd Qu.	: 70	3rd Qu	: 220.0
Max. :	2.000	Max.	:7.0	Max.	:99.000	Max.	:9999	Max.	:9999.0
				NA's	:724	NA's	:24		

### WHQ040 Min. :1.00 1st Qu.:2.00 Median :2.00 Mean :2.18 3rd Qu.:2.00 Max. :9.00

## 1.6 Cleaning Tasks

We now have a tibble called nh\_raw containing 3931 NHANES participants in the rows and 64 variables in the columns. What must we do to clean up the data?

- 1. Check that every identifier (here, SEQN) is unique.
- 2. Ensure that all coded values for "Refused", "Don't Know" or "Missing" are interpreted as missing values by R.
- 3. Be sure all quantitative variables have plausible minimum and maximum values.
- 4. Replace the RIAGENDR variable with a new factor variable called SEX with levels Male and Female.
- 5. Convert all binary Yes/No variables to 1/0 numeric variables where 1 =Yes, 0 =No.
- 6. Create the PHQ-9 score from the nine relevant items in the depression screener (P\_DPQ).
- 7. Use meaningful level names for all multi-categorical variables, and be sure R uses factors to represent them.
- 8. Clean and adjust the names of the variables to something more useful, as desired. (Usually, I will do this first, but in this case, I've decided to do it last.)

Once we've accomplished these cleaning tasks, we'll save the resulting tibble as an R data set we can use later, and we'll summarize our final analytic variables in a proper codebook.

### 1.7 Our identifying variable

SEQN is meant to identify the rows (participants) in these data, with one row per SEQN. Is every SEQN unique?

nrow(nh\_raw)

[1] 3931

n\_distinct(nh\_raw\$SEQN)

[1] 3931

It looks like the number of rows in our tibble matches the number of unique (distinct) SEQN values, so we're OK. I prefer to specify that the SEQN be maintained by R as a character variable, which reduces the chance of my accidentally including it in a model as if it were something meaningful.

```
nh_fixing <- nh_raw |> mutate(SEQN = as.character(SEQN))
```

# 1.8 "Refused" & "Don't Know"

Some of our variables have "hidden" missing values coded as "Refused" or "Don't Know". We must ensure that R sees these values as missing.

- The following variables use code 7 for Refused and 9 for Don't Know:
  - DMDEDUC2, HUQ071, HUQ090, ALQ111, DEQ034D,
  - DPQ010, DPQ020, DPQ030, DPQ040, DPQ050,
  - DPQ060, DPQ070, DPQ080, DPQ090, DPQ100,
  - DBQ700, HIQ011, HIQ210, MCQ366A, MCQ366B,
  - MCQ371A, MCQ371B, PAQ605, PAQ650, RHQ131,
  - SLQ030, SLQ050, SMQ020, SMQ856, SMQ860,
  - SMQ866, WHQ040
- The following variables use code 9 for Unknown and 99 for Don't Know:
  - OHQ870
- The following variables use code 77 for Refused and 99 for Unknown:
  - PAQ610, PAQ655, RHQ160, SMD641
- The following variables use code 777 for Refused and 999 for Don't Know:
  - ALQ130
- The following variables use code 7777 for Refused and 9999 for Don't Know:

- PAD680, WHD010, WHD020

The replace\_with\_na() set of functions from the naniar package can be very helpful here<sup>4</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>For more on replace\_with\_na(), visit https://naniar.njtierney.com/articles/replace-with-na.html

# 1.9 Variables without Variation

Note first that we have two variables which now have the same value for all participants.

Variable	Description	Codes
RIDSTATR	Interview and examination status	2 = Both
OHDEXSTS	Complete oral health exam?	1 = Yes

nh\_fixing |> count(RIDSTATR, OHDEXSTS)

We won't use these variables in our analyses, now that we've verified them.

# 1.10 Quantitative Variables

Here are our quantitative variables, and some key information about the values we observe, along with their units of measurement. Our job here is to check the ranges of these variables, and be sure we have no unreasonable values. It's also helpful to keep an eye on how much missingness we might have to deal with.

We're also going to rename each of these variables, as indicated.

	NHANES				
New Name	Name	Description	Units	# NA	Range
AGE	RIDAGEYR	Age at screening	years	0	30, 59
WEIGHT	BMXWT	Body weight	$_{\rm kg}$	28	36.9, 254.3
HEIGHT	BMXHT	Standing height	$\mathrm{cm}$	30	135.3,198.7
WAIST	BMXWAIST	Waist Circumference	$\mathrm{cm}$	149	57.9, 178
$\operatorname{SBP}$	BPXOSY2	Systolic BP (2nd	m mm~Hg	346	69, 222
DDD	DDVODIA	reading)	TT	0.4.0	91 196
DBP	BPXODI2	Diastolic BP (2nd reading)	m mm~Hg	346	31, 136
PULSE1	BPXOPLS1	Pulse (1st reading)	beats	615	38, 126
PULSE2	BPXOPLS2	Pulse (2nd reading)	$\frac{\frac{minute}{beats}}{minute}$	617	37, 121
WBC	LBXWBCSI	White blood cell count	1000 cells	176	2.3, 22.8
PLATELET	LBXPLTSI	Platelet count	$\frac{1000^{uL}}{uL}$	176	47, 818
HSCRP	LBXHSCRP	High-Sensitivity	$m_g^{uL}/L$	267	0.11, 182.82
		C-Reactive Protein	- /		
DRINKS	ALQ130	Average daily Alcoholic drinks	drinks	789	0, 15
FLOSS	OHQ870	Days using dental floss in past week	days	4	0, 7
VIGWK_D	PAQ610	Average days per week with Vigorous work	days	5	0, 7
VIGREC_D	PAQ655	Average days per week	days	1	0, 7
		with Vigorous recreation			
SEDATE	PAD680	Average daily	minutes	24	2, 1320
SEDATE	I AD000	Sedentary activity	minutes	24	2, 1020
PREGNANT	RHQ160	Pregnancies	times	1975	0, 11
SLPWKDAY	SLD012	Usual sleep (weekdays)	hours	34	2, 14
SLPWKEND	SLD013	Usual sleep (weekends)	hours	34	2, 14
SMOKE30	SMD641	Days in past 30 when	days	726	0, 30
		you smoked a cigarette			
ESTHT	WHD010	Self-reported height	inches	95	50, 81
ESTWT	WHD020	Self-reported weight	pounds	68	86, 578

To insert the number of missing values and range (minimum, maximum among non-missing values) into the table, I used inline R code like this:

n\_miss(nh\_fixing\$BMXWT)

[1] 28

range(nh\_fixing\$BMXWT, na.rm = TRUE)

[1] 36.9 254.3

#### 1.10.1 Renaming the Quantities

Here's the renaming code:

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
rename(AGE = RIDAGEYR, WEIGHT = BMXWT, HEIGHT = BMXHT,
WAIST = BMXWAIST, SBP = BPXOSY2, DBP = BPXODI2,
PULSE1 = BPXOPLS1, PULSE2 = BPXOPLS2, WBC = LBXWBCSI,
PLATELET = LBXPLTSI, HSCRP = LBXHSCRP, DRINKS = ALQ130,
FLOSS = OHQ870, VIGWK_D = PAQ610, VIGREC_D = PAQ655,
SEDATE = PAD680, PREGS = RHQ160, SLPWKDAY = SLD012,
SLPWKEND = SLD013, SMOKE30 = SMD641,
ESTHT = WHD010, ESTWT = WHD020)
```

#### 1.10.2 Sampling Weights

Here are the sampling weights, which I think of as unitless, typically, though they represent people.

Variable	Description	# NA	Range
WTINTPRP	Sampling Weight (interviews)	0	2467.1, 311265.2
WTMECPRP	Sampling Weight (examinations)	0	2589.2, 321573.5

Note that to obtain these ranges formatted like this, I had to use some additional code in the table:

format(round\_half\_up(range(nh\_fixing\$WTINTPRP, na.rm = TRUE),1), scientific = FALSE)

[1] " 2467.1" "311265.2"

# 1.11 Binary Variables

#### 1.11.1 Sex (RIAGENDR)

To start, let's do something about the variable describing the participant's biological sex (so we'll rename it to a more useful name), and then we'll recode the values of the SEX variable to more useful choices.

New Name	NHANES Name	Description
SEX	RIAGENDR	Sex

Note that we have more female than male subjects, and no missing values, as it turns out.

```
nh_fixing |> count(RIAGENDR)
```

Now, let's convert the information in RIAGENDR to SEX.

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
rename(SEX = RIAGENDR) |>
mutate(SEX = factor(ifelse(SEX == 1, "Male", "Female")))
```

And we'll run a little "sanity check" here to ensure that we've recoded this variable properly<sup>5</sup>.

nh\_fixing |> count(SEX)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Sanity checks are a great idea while in the midst of coding, but can confuse the reader and thus should not be included in 432 submitted work.

#### 1.11.2 Yes/No variables

Now, let's tackle the variables with code 1 =Yes, and 2 =No, and (potentially) some missing values. I'll summarize each with the percentage of "Yes" responses (out of those with code 1 or 2) and the number of missing values.

New	NHANES		%	#
NAME	NAME	Description	Yes	NA
HOSPITAL	HUQ071	Overnight hospital patient in past 12m?	8.7	0
MENTALH	HUQ090	Seen mental health professional past 12m?	12.1	2
EVERALC	ALQ111	Ever had a drink of alcohol?	91.1	205
INSURNOW	$^{\prime}$ HIQ011	Covered by health insurance now?	80.8	10
NOINSUR	HIQ210	Time when no insurance in past year?	26.6	16
DR_LOSE	MCQ366A	Doctor told you to control/lose weight in the past 12	30.3	1
		months?		
DR_EXER	MCQ366B	Doctor told you to exercise in the past 12 months?	42.7	1
NOW_LOSI	MCQ371A	Are you now controlling or losing weight?	63.2	2
NOW_EXE	MCQ371B	Are you now increasing exercise?	60.3	1
WORK_V	PAQ605	Vigorous work activity for 10 min/week?	28.4	4
$REC_V$	PAQ650	Vigorous recreational activity for 10 min/week?	26.9	0
EVERPREG	F RHQ131	Ever been pregnant?	89.2	1972
SLPTROUB	SLQ050	Ever told a doctor you had trouble sleeping?	29.5	3
CIG100	SMQ020	Smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life?	40.1	1
AWAYWOR	KSMQ856	Last 7 days worked at a job not at home?	67.7	0
AWAYREST	SMQ860	Last 7 days spent time in a restaurant?	58.1	2
AWAYBAR	SMQ866	Last 7 days spent time in a bar?	15.4	0

The inline code I used in the tables was, for example:

[1] 12.1

n\_miss(nh\_fixing\$HUQ090)

[1] 2

To clean these (1 = Yes, 2 = No) variables, I'll subtract the values from 2, to obtain variables where 1 = Yes and 0 = No. I'll use the across() function within my mutate() statement so as to avoid having to type out each change individually<sup>6</sup>.

Let's do just one of the relevant sanity checks here. In addition to verifying that our new variable has the values 0 and 1 (instead of 2 and 1), we want to be certain that we've maintained any missing values.

```
nh_fixing |> count(SLQ050)
```

# A tibble: 3 x 2
SLQ050 n
<dbl> <int>
1 0 2769
2 1 1159
3 NA 3

#### 1.11.3 Renaming Binary Variables

Here's the renaming code.

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
rename(HOSPITAL = HUQ071, MENTALH = HUQ090, EVERALC = ALQ111,
INSURNOW = HIQ011, NOINSUR = HIQ210, DR_LOSE = MCQ366A,
DR_EXER = MCQ366B, NOW_LOSE = MCQ371A, NOW_EXER = MCQ371B,
WORK_V = PAQ605, REC_V = PAQ650, EVERPREG = RHQ131,
SLPTROUB = SLQ050, CIG100 = SMQ020, AWAYWORK = SMQ856,
AWAYREST = SMQ860, AWAYBAR = SMQ866)
```

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>For more on the across() function and how it can be used, visit https://dplyr.tidyverse.org/reference/across. html.

# 1.12 Create PHQ-9 Scores

The questions below are asked to assess depression severity, following the prompt "Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems?"

Variable	Description	Values
SEQN	Respondent Sequence Number (participant	link across databases
	ID)	
DPQ010	Have little interest in doing things	0-3: see below
DPQ020	Feeling down, depressed or hopeless	0-3: see below
DPQ030	Trouble sleeping or sleeping too much	0-3: see below
DPQ040	Feeling tired or having little energy	0-3: see below
DPQ050	Poor appetite or overeating	0-3: see below
DPQ060	Feeling bad about yourself	0-3: see below
DPQ070	Trouble concentrating on things	0-3: see below
DPQ080	Moving or speaking slowly or too fast	0-3: see below
DPQ090	Thoughts you would be better off dead	0-3: see below

• For DPQ010 - DPQ090, the codes are 0 = Not at all, 1 = Several days in the past two weeks, 2 = More than half the days in the past two weeks, 3 = Nearly every day in the past two weeks.

### 1.12.1 Forming the PHQ-9 Score

One way to use this information is to sum the scores from items DPQ010 through DPQ090 to obtain a result on a scale from 0 - 27. Cutoffs of 5, 10, 15, and 20 then represent mild, moderate, moderately severe, and severe levels of depressive symptoms, respectively<sup>7</sup>. If we had no missing values in our responses, then this would be relatively straightforward.

 $<sup>^7\</sup>mathrm{See}$  Kroenke et al. 2010

2	23	5
3	24	2
4	25	2
5	26	3
6	NA	221

It turns out that this formulation of PHQ9 regards as missing the result for any participant who failed to answer all 9 questions. A common approach to dealing with missing data in creating PHQ-9 scores<sup>8</sup> is to score all questionnaires with up to two missing values, replacing any missing values with the average score of the completed items.

So how many of our subjects are missing only one or two of the 9 items?

```
temp2 <- temp |>
    select(SEQN, DPQ010, DPQ020, DPQ030, DPQ040, DPQ050, DPQ060,
            DPQ070, DPQ080, DPQ090)
  miss_case_table(temp2)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
 n_miss_in_case n_cases pct_cases
           <int>
                    <int>
                               <dbl>
                     3710
1
                0
                            94.4
2
                1
                        5
                             0.127
3
                2
                        3
                             0.0763
4
                4
                        1
                             0.0254
5
                9
                      212
                             5.39
```

With a little googling I found an R script online that will perform this task, and create three new variables:

- nvalid\_phq9 = Number of Valid Responses (out of 9) to the PHQ-9 items
- PHQ9 = PHQ-9 score (0-27 scale, higher values indicate more depression)
- $PHQ9\_CAT = factor describing PHQ-9 score$ 
  - PHQ9 > 20 means PHQ9\_CAT is "severe",
  - -15-19 = "moderately severe",
  - -10-14 = "moderate"
  - -5-9 = "mild"
  - -0-4 = "minimal"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Again, see Kroenke et al. (2010) at https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/20633738/.

```
scoring_phq9 <- function(data, items.phq9) {</pre>
  data %>%
    mutate(nvalid_phq9 = rowSums(!is.na(select(., items.phq9))),
           nvalid_phq9 = as.integer(nvalid_phq9),
           mean.temp = rowSums(select(., items.phq9), na.rm = TRUE)/nvalid phq9,
           phq.01.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[1]])),
           phq.02.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[2]])),
           phq.03.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[3]])),
           phq.04.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[4]])),
           phq.05.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[5]])),
           phq.06.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[6]])),
           phq.07.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[7]])),
           phq.08.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[8]])),
           phq.09.temp = as.integer(unlist(data[items.phq9[9]]))) %>%
    mutate_at(vars(phq.01.temp:phq.09.temp),
              funs(ifelse(is.na(.), round(mean.temp), .))) %>%
    mutate(score.temp = rowSums(select(., phq.01.temp:phq.09.temp), na.rm = TRUE),
           PHQ9 = ifelse(nvalid phq9 >= 7, as.integer(round(score.temp)), NA),
           PHQ9_CAT = case_when(
             PHQ9 >= 20 ~ 'severe',
             PHQ9 >= 15 ~ 'moderately severe',
             PHQ9 >= 10 \sim 'moderate',
             PHQ9 >= 5 ~ 'mild',
             PHQ9 < 5 ~ 'minimal'),</pre>
             PHQ9_CAT = factor(PHQ9_CAT, levels = c('minimal', 'mild',
                                                            'moderate', 'moderately severe',
                                                            'severe'))) %>%
    select(-ends_with("temp"))
}
```

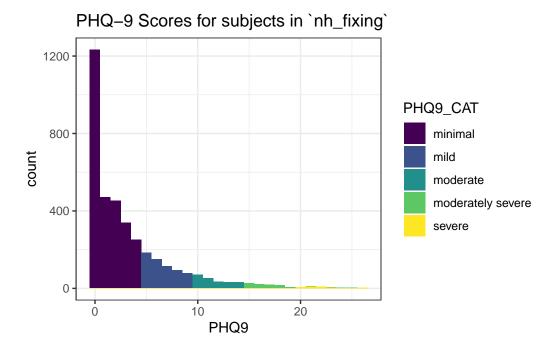
Applying this script to our nh\_fixing data, our result is:

1	0	NA	<na></na>	212
2	5	NA	<na></na>	1
3	7	1	minimal	1
4	7	2	minimal	1
5	7	7	mild	1
6	8	1	minimal	2
7	8	2	minimal	1
8	8	3	minimal	1
9	8	8	mild	1
10	9	0	minimal	1233
# i 26 mor	rows			

## 1.12.2 Distribution of PHQ-9 Score

Here's a quick look at the distribution of PHQ-9 scores in our nh\_fixing data.

```
nh_fixing |> filter(complete.cases(PHQ9, PHQ9_CAT)) %>%
ggplot(., aes(x = PHQ9, fill = PHQ9_CAT)) +
geom_histogram(binwidth = 1) +
scale_fill_viridis_d() +
labs(title = "PHQ-9 Scores for subjects in `nh_fixing`")
```



#### 1.12.3 Fixing the DPQ100 variable

The DPQ100 variable should be 0 (Not at all difficult) if the PHQ-9 score is zero. We need to fix this, because NHANES participants who answered 0 (Not at all) to each of the nine elements contained in the PHQ-9 were not asked the DPQ100 question. So, we set the value of DPQ100 to be 0 if PHQ9 is 0.

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
mutate(DPQ100 = ifelse(PHQ9 == 0, 0, DPQ100))
```

This will eliminate the "automatic missing" values in DPQ100.

```
nh_fixing |> tabyl(DPQ100)
```

DPQ100	n	percent	valid_percent
0	3039	0.77308573	0.81781485
1	541	0.13762401	0.14558665
2	93	0.02365810	0.02502691
3	43	0.01093869	0.01157158
NA	215	0.05469346	NA

# 1.13 Multi-Categorical Variables

Our remaining categorical variables with more than two levels are:

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
RIDRETH3	Race/Hispanic origin	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7	0
DMDEDUC2	Education Level	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	1
OHAREC	Overall Recommendation for Care	1, 2, 3, 4	0
HUQ010	General health condition	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	0
DEQ034D	Use sunscreen if outside on very	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	19
	sunny day?		
DPQ100	Difficulty depression problems have	0,1,2,3	215
	caused		
DBQ700	How healthy is your diet?	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	1
FSDAD	Adult food security in last 12m	1, 2, 3, 4	231
SLQ030	How often do you snore?	0,1,2,3	219
WHQ040	Like to weigh more, less, or same?	1,  2,  3	3

#### 1.13.1 Creating RACEETH from RIDRETH3

At the moment, our RIDRETH3 data look like this:

gt(t\_ridreth3)

RIDRETH3	n	percent	Code
1	500	12.7%	Mexican American
2	403	10.3%	Other Hispanic
3	1192	30.3%	Non-Hispanic White
4	1049	26.7%	Non-Hispanic Black
6	588	15.0%	Non-Hispanic Asian
7	199	5.1%	Other Race

Now, we'll turn this RIDRETH3 variable into a new **factor** called **RACEETH** with meaningful levels, and then sort those levels by their frequency in the data. We'll also collapse together the Mexican American and Other Hispanic levels, not because the distinction is irrelevant, but more to demonstrate how this might be done.

I'm using fct\_infreq() here to sort the (nominal) Race and Ethnicity data so that the most common column appears first, and will thus be treated as the "baseline" level in models. Here is the resulting order.

nh\_fixing |> count(RACEETH)

#	A tibble: 5	x 2
	RACEETH	n
	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	Non-H White	1192
2	Non-H Black	1049
3	Hispanic	903
4	Non-H Asian	588
5	Other Race	199

Now, let's check<sup>9</sup> to see if RACEETH and RIDRETH3 include the same information (after collapsing the Mexican American and Other Hispanic categories.)

nh\_fixing |> count(RACEETH, RIDRETH3)

#	A tibble: 6	х З	
	RACEETH	RIDRETH3	n
	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	Non-H White	3	1192
2	Non-H Black	4	1049
3	Hispanic	1	500
4	Hispanic	2	403
5	Non-H Asian	6	588
6	Other Race	7	199

#### 1.13.2 Creating EDUC from DMDEDUC2

At the moment, our DMDEDUC2 data look like this:

gt(t\_dmdeduc2)

DMDEDUC2	n	percent	$valid\_percent$	Code
1	272	6.9%	6.9%	Less than 9th grade
2	424	10.8%	10.8%	9th-11th grade
3	850	21.6%	21.6%	High School Grad

<sup>9</sup>Again, I wouldn't usually include this sort of coding check in published work, like either of your 432 Projects.

4	1287	32.7%	32.7%	Some College / AA
5	1097	27.9%	27.9%	College Grad
NA	1	0.0%	-	Missing

Now, we'll turn this DMDEDUC2 variable into a new factor called EDUC with meaningful levels.

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
mutate(EDUC =
    fct_recode(
    factor(DMDEDUC2),
    "Less than 9th Grade" = "1",
    "9th - 11th Grade" = "2",
    "High School Grad" = "3",
    "Some College / AA" = "4",
    "College Grad" = "5"))
```

Once again, checking our work...

```
nh_fixing |> tabyl(EDUC, DMDEDUC2) |> gt()
```

EDUC	1	2	3	4	5	NA_
Less than 9th Grade	272	0	0	0	0	0
9th - 11th Grade	0	424	0	0	0	0
High School Grad	0	0	850	0	0	0
Some College / AA	0	0	0	1287	0	0
College Grad	0	0	0	0	1097	0
NA	0	0	0	0	0	1

#### 1.13.3 Creating DENTAL from OHAREC

t\_oharec <- nh\_fixing |> tabyl(OHAREC) |> adorn\_pct\_formatting() |>
 mutate(Code = c("See a dentist immediately", "See a dentist within the next 2 weeks", "S

gt(t\_oharec)

OHAREC	n	percent	Code
1	4	0.1%	See a dentist immediately
2	230	5.9%	See a dentist within the next 2 weeks

3 1671 42.5% See a dentist at your earliest convenience
4 2026 51.5% Continue your regular routine care

We'll collapse categories 1 and 2 together since they are quite small.

Once again, checking our work...

```
nh_fixing |> tabyl(DENTAL, OHAREC) |> gt()
```

DENTAL	1	2	3	4
See dentist urgently	4	230	0	0
See dentist soon	0	0	1671	0
Regular Routine	0	0	0	2026

#### 1.13.4 Creating SROH from HUQ010

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
HUQ010	General health condition	1 = Excellent  2 = Very Good	0
		3 = Good  4 = Fair  5 = Poor	

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
mutate(SROH =
    fct_recode(
    factor(HUQ010),
    "Excellent" = "1",
    "Very Good" = "2",
    "Good" = "3",
    "Fair" = "4",
    "Poor" = "5"))
```

Checking our work...

```
nh_fixing |> tabyl(SROH, HUQ010) |> gt()
```

1	2	3	4	5
495	0	0	0	0
0	1071	0	0	0
0	0	1462	0	0
0	0	0	765	0
0	0	0	0	138
			495         0         0           0         1071         0	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

## 1.13.5 Creating SUNSCR from DEQ034D

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
DEQ034D	Use sunscreen if outside on very sunny day?	1 = Always $2 = $ Most of the time $3 =$ Sometimes $4 =$ Rarely $5 =$ Never	19

nh_fixing	> ta	abyl(	SUNSCR,	DEQ034D)	>	gt()

SUNSCR	1	2	3	4	5	NA_
Always	351	0	0	0	0	0
Most of the time	0	485	0	0	0	0
Sometimes	0	0	831	0	0	0
Rarely	0	0	0	662	0	0
Never	0	0	0	0	1583	0
NA	0	0	0	0	0	19

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
DPQ100	Difficulty depression problems have caused	0 = Not at all difficult 1 = Somewhat difficult 2 = Very difficult 3 = Extremely difficult	215

## 1.13.6 Creating DEPRDIFF from DPQ100

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
mutate(DEPRDIFF =
    fct_recode(
    factor(DPQ100),
    "Not at all" = "0",
    "Somewhat" = "1",
    "Very" = "2",
    "Extremely" = "3"))
```

nh\_fixing |> tabyl(DEPRDIFF, DPQ100) |> gt()

DEPRDIFF	0	1	2	3	NA_
Not at all	3039	0	0	0	0
Somewhat	0	541	0	0	0
Very	0	0	93	0	0
Extremely	0	0	0	43	0
NA	0	0	0	0	215

### 1.13.7 Creating DIETQUAL from DBQ700

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
DBQ700	How healthy is your diet?	1 = Excellent  2 = Very Good $3 = Good  4 = Fair  5 = Poor$	1

"Excellent" = "1", "Very Good" = "2", "Good" = "3", "Fair" = "4", "Poor" = "5"))

nh\_fixing |> tabyl(DIETQUAL, DBQ700) |> gt()

DIETQUAL	1	2	3	4	5	NA_
Excellent	260	0	0	0	0	0
Very Good	0	758	0	0	0	0
Good	0	0	1519	0	0	0
Fair	0	0	0	1082	0	0
Poor	0	0	0	0	311	0
NA	0	0	0	0	0	1

## 1.13.8 Creating FOODSEC from FSDAD

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
FSDAD	Adult food security category for last 12m	1 = Full food security 2 = Marginal food security 3 = Low food security 4 = Very low food security	231

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
 mutate(FOODSEC =
          fct_recode(
            factor(FSDAD),
            "Full" = "1",
            "Marginal" = "2",
            "Low" = "3",
            "Very Low" = "4"))
nh_fixing |> tabyl(FOODSEC, FSDAD) |> gt()
                  FOODSEC
                                    2
                                         3
                               1
                                              4 NA
```

Full	2247	0	0	0	0
Marginal	0	565	0	0	0
Low	0	0	503	0	0
Very Low	0	0	0	385	0
NA	0	0	0	0	231

## 1.13.9 Creating SNORE from SLQ030

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
SLQ030	How often do you snore?	0 = Never 1 = Rarely (1-2 nights/week) 2 = Occasionally (3-4 nights/week) 3 = Frequently (5+ nights/week)	219

```
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
mutate(SNORE =
    fct_recode(
    factor(SLQ030),
    "Never" = "0",
    "Rarely" = "1",
    "Occasionally" = "2",
    "Frequently" = "3"))
```

nh\_fixing |> tabyl(SNORE, SLQ030) |> gt()

SNORE	0	1	2	3	NA_
Never	855	0	0	0	0
Rarely	0	959	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	700	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	1198	0
NA	0	0	0	0	219

1.13.10 Creating WTGOAL from WHQ040

Variable	Description	Codes	# NAs
WHQ040	Like to weigh more, less,	1 = More 2 = Less 3 = Stay	3
	or same?	about the same	

Since there's a natural ordering here (more then same then less) I'll adapt it using the  $fct_relevel()$  function from the **forcats** package<sup>10</sup> for this variable.

nh\_fixing |> tabyl(WTGOAL, WHQ040) |> gt()

WTGOAL	1	2	3	NA_
More	289	0	0	0
Same	0	0	974	0
Less	0	2665	0	0
NA	0	0	0	3

# 1.14 Dropping Variables

We'll drop the following variables before saving an analytic tibble.

• Our two variables with no variation

- RIDSTATR, OHDEXSTS

- Elements of the PHQ-9 we no longer need
  - nvalid\_phq, DPQ010, DPQ020, DPQ030, DPQ040
  - DPQ050, DPQ060, DPQ070, DPQ080, DPQ090

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>https://forcats.tidyverse.org/ is the home of forcats, although the Factors chapter at https://r4ds.hadley.nz/ factors.html in R for Data Science, 2nd edition is also helpful.

• Multi-categorical variables that we renamed

```
- RIDRETH3, DMDEDUC2, OHAREC, HUQ010, DEQ034D
- DPQ100, DBQ700, FSDAD, SLQ030, WHQ040
nh_fixing <- nh_fixing |>
select(-c(RIDSTATR, OHDEXSTS, nvalid_phq9, DPQ010,
DPQ020, DPQ030, DPQ040, DPQ050, DPQ060,
DPQ070, DPQ080, DPQ090, RIDRETH3, DMDEDUC2,
OHAREC, HUQ010, DEQ034D, DPQ100, DBQ700,
FSDAD, SLQ030, WHQ040))
```

# 1.15 Resorting Variables

I'd like to have the variables in the following order:

```
nh432 <- nh_fixing |>
select(SEQN, AGE, RACEETH, EDUC, SEX, INSURNOW,
NOINSUR, SROH, WEIGHT, HEIGHT, WAIST,
SBP, DBP, PULSE1, PULSE2, WBC, PLATELET, HSCRP,
DR_LOSE, DR_EXER, NOW_LOSE, NOW_EXER,
ESTHT, ESTWT, WTGOAL, DIETQUAL, FOODSEC,
WORK_V, VIGWK_D, REC_V, VIGREC_D, SEDATE,
PHQ9, PHQ9_CAT, DEPRDIFF, MENTALH,
SLPWKDAY, SLPWKEND, SLPTROUB, SNORE,
HOSPITAL, EVERALC, DRINKS, CIG100, SMOKE30,
AWAYWORK, AWAYREST, AWAYBAR, DENTAL, FLOSS,
EVERPREG, PREGS, SUNSCR, WTINTPRP, WTMECPRP)
```

# 1.16 nh432 analytic tibble

nh432

# A tibble: 3,931 x 55												
	SEQN	AGE	RACEETH	EDUC	SEX	INSURNOW	NOINSUR	SROH	WEIGHT	HEIGHT	WAIST	
	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	
1	109271	49	Non-H Wh	9th ~	Male	1	0	Fair	98.8	182.	120.	
2	109273	36	Non-H Wh	Some~	Male	1	1	Good	74.3	184.	86.8	

```
3 109284
             44 Hispanic 9th ~ Fema~
                                             0
                                                     1 Fair
                                                               91.1
                                                                      153. 103.
4 109291
             42 Non-H As~ Coll~ Fema~
                                                               81.4
                                             1
                                                     0 Fair
                                                                      161. NA
5 109292
             58 Hispanic High~ Male
                                             1
                                                     0 Very~
                                                               86
                                                                      168. 108.
6 109293
             44 Non-H Wh~ High~ Male
                                                     0 Good
                                                               99.4
                                                                      182. 107
                                             1
7 109295
             54 Hispanic Less~ Fema~
                                             1
                                                     0 Good
                                                               61.7
                                                                      157. 90.5
8 109297
             30 Non-H As~ Some~ Fema~
                                             1
                                                     0 Very~
                                                               55.4
                                                                      155.
                                                                            73.2
9 109300
             54 Non-H As~ Coll~ Fema~
                                             1
                                                     0 Exce~
                                                               62
                                                                      145.
                                                                            84.8
10 109305
             55 Non-H As~ Coll~ Male
                                             1
                                                     0 Good
                                                               64
                                                                      175. 82.5
# i 3,921 more rows
# i 44 more variables: SBP <dbl>, DBP <dbl>, PULSE1 <dbl>, PULSE2 <dbl>,
   WBC <dbl>, PLATELET <dbl>, HSCRP <dbl>, DR LOSE <dbl>, DR_EXER <dbl>,
#
#
   NOW_LOSE <dbl>, NOW_EXER <dbl>, ESTHT <dbl>, ESTWT <dbl>, WTGOAL <fct>,
   DIETQUAL <fct>, FOODSEC <fct>, WORK_V <dbl>, VIGWK_D <dbl>, REC_V <dbl>,
#
   VIGREC_D <dbl>, SEDATE <dbl>, PHQ9 <int>, PHQ9_CAT <fct>, DEPRDIFF <fct>,
#
   MENTALH <dbl>, SLPWKDAY <dbl>, SLPWKEND <dbl>, SLPTROUB <dbl>, ...
#
```

#### 1.16.1 Saving the tibble as nh432.Rds

write\_rds(nh432, "data/nh432.Rds")

# 2 Codebook for nh432

## 2.1 R Setup

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
```

```
library(janitor)
library(gt)
library(gtsummary)
library(Hmisc)
library(mosaic)
library(naniar)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 2.1.1 Data Load

```
nh432 <- read_rds("data/nh432.Rds")</pre>
```

## 2.2 Quantitative Variables in nh432

```
t1_quantitative |>
 mutate(description =
           c("Age (years)", "Weight (kg)", "Height (cm)",
             "Waist circumference (cm)", "Systolic BP (mm Hg)",
            "Diastolic BP (mm Hg)", "1st Pulse (beats/min)",
             "2nd Pulse (beats/min)", "White Blood Cell Count (1000 cells/uL)",
            "Platelets (1000 cells/uL)",
            "High-Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein (mg/L)",
            "Self Estimate: Height (in)", "Self-Estimate: Weight (lb)",
            "Vigorous Work per week (days)",
            "Vigorous Recreation per week (days)",
            "Sedentary Activity per day (minutes)",
             "PHQ-9 Depression Screener Score (points)",
            "Average weekday sleep (hours)", "Average weekend sleep (hours)",
            "Average Alcohol per day (drinks)",
            "Days smoked cigarette in last 30",
            "Days Flossed in last 7", "Pregnancies")) |>
 select(response, description, everything()) |>
 gt() |>
 tab_header(title = "Quantitative Variables in nh432")
```

response	description	$\min$	Q1	med	Q3	$\max$	mean
AGE	Age (years)	30.0	37.0	45.0	53.0	59.0	44.8
WEIGHT	Weight (kg)	36.9	69.3	82.1	99.1	254.3	86.3
HEIGHT	Height (cm)	135.3	160.0	166.9	174.7	198.7	167.4
WAIST	Waist circumference (cm)	57.9	89.1	99.2	111.7	178.0	101.5
SBP	Systolic BP (mm Hg)	69.0	110.0	120.0	131.0	222.0	121.5
DBP	Diastolic BP (mm Hg)	31.0	69.0	76.0	84.0	136.0	77.0
PULSE1	1st Pulse (beats/min)	38.0	62.0	69.0	77.0	126.0	70.3
PULSE2	2nd Pulse (beats/min)	37.0	63.0	70.0	78.0	121.0	71.0
WBC	White Blood Cell Count (1000 cells/uL)	2.3	5.7	6.9	8.4	22.8	7.3
PLATELET	Platelets (1000 cells/uL)	47.0	210.0	246.0	290.0	818.0	253.3
HSCRP	High-Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein (mg/L)	0.1	0.9	2.1	4.7	182.8	4.3
ESTHT	Self Estimate: Height (in)	50.0	63.0	66.0	69.0	81.0	66.5
ESTWT	Self-Estimate: Weight (lb)	86.0	150.0	180.0	216.0	578.0	188.1
VIGWK_D	Vigorous Work per week (days)	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	7.0	1.2
VIGREC_D	Vigorous Recreation per week (days)	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	7.0	0.9
SEDATE	Sedentary Activity per day (minutes)	2.0	180.0	300.0	480.0	1320.0	332.7
PHQ9	PHQ-9 Depression Screener Score (points)	0.0	0.0	2.0	5.0	26.0	3.3

Quantitative Variables in nh432

SLPWKDAY	Average weekday sleep (hours)	2.0	6.5	7.5	8.0	14.0	7.4
SLPWKEND	Average weekend sleep (hours)	2.0	7.0	8.0	9.0	14.0	8.2
DRINKS	Average Alcohol per day (drinks)	0.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	15.0	2.3
SMOKE30	Days smoked cigarette in last 30	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	30.0	6.8
FLOSS	Days Flossed in last 7	0.0	0.0	3.0	7.0	7.0	3.5
PREGS	Pregnancies	0.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	11.0	3.0

## 2.3 Two-Category (1/0) Variables in nh432

```
nh_dich_vars <- nh432 |>
  select(HOSPITAL, MENTALH, EVERALC, INSURNOW, NOINSUR, DR_LOSE,
         DR_EXER, NOW_LOSE, NOW_EXER, WORK_V, REC_V, EVERPREG,
         SLPTROUB, CIG100, AWAYWORK, AWAYREST, AWAYBAR)
temp1 <- nh_dich_vars |> summarise(across(.cols = everything(),
                                           ~ sum(.x, na.rm = TRUE)))
temp2 <- nh dich vars |> summarise(across(.cols = everything(),
                           ~ round_half_up(100*mean(.x, na.rm = TRUE), 1)))
temp3 <- nh_dich_vars |> summarise(across(.cols = everything(),
                                           ~ n_miss(.x)))
nh_dichotomous_summary <- bind_rows(temp1, temp2, temp3) |>
  mutate(summary = c("Yes", "% Yes", "# NA")) |>
 relocate(summary) |>
  pivot_longer(!summary, names_to = "variable") |>
 pivot_wider(names_from = summary) |>
  mutate(Description =
           c("Overnight hospital patient in past 12m?",
             "Seen mental health professional past 12m?",
             "Ever had a drink of alcohol?",
             "Covered by health insurance now?",
             "Time when no insurance in past year?",
             "Doctor said to control/lose weight past 12m?",
             "Doctor said to exercise in past 12m?",
             "Are you now controlling or losing weight?",
             "Are you now increasing exercise?",
             "Vigorous work activity for 10 min/week?",
             "Vigorous recreational activity for 10 min/week?",
```

```
"Ever been pregnant?",
"Ever told a doctor you had trouble sleeping?",
"Smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life?",
"Last 7 days worked at a job not at home?",
"Last 7 days spent time in a restaurant?",
"Last 7 days spent time in a bar?"))
```

```
nh_dichotomous_summary |>
```

```
gt()
```

variable	Yes	%Yes	# NA	Description
HOSPITAL	343	8.7	0	Overnight hospital patient in past 12m?
MENTALH	475	12.1	2	Seen mental health professional past 12m?
EVERALC	3393	91.1	205	Ever had a drink of alcohol?
INSURNOW	3169	80.8	10	Covered by health insurance now?
NOINSUR	1041	26.6	16	Time when no insurance in past year?
DR_LOSE	1189	30.3	1	Doctor said to control/lose weight past 12m?
DR_EXER	1680	42.7	1	Doctor said to exercise in past 12m?
NOW_LOSE	2485	63.2	2	Are you now controlling or losing weight?
NOW_EXER	2369	60.3	1	Are you now increasing exercise?
WORK_V	1116	28.4	4	Vigorous work activity for 10 min/week?
$REC_V$	1056	26.9	0	Vigorous recreational activity for 10 min/week?
EVERPREG	1747	89.2	1972	Ever been pregnant?
SLPTROUB	1159	29.5	3	Ever told a doctor you had trouble sleeping?
CIG100	1576	40.1	1	Smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life?
AWAYWORK	2663	67.7	0	Last 7 days worked at a job not at home?
AWAYREST	2283	58.1	2	Last 7 days spent time in a restaurant?
AWAYBAR	605	15.4	0	Last 7 days spent time in a bar?

## 2.4 Factor Variables in nh432

DIETQUAL = "DIETQUAL: How healthy is your diet?", FOODSEC = "FOODSEC: Adult food security (last 12m)", PHQ9\_CAT = "PHQ9\_CAT: Depression Screen Category", DEPRDIFF = "DEPRDIFF: Difficulty with Depression?", SNORE = "SNORE: How often do you snore?", DENTAL = "DENTAL: Recommendation for Dental Care?", SUNSCR = "SUNSCR: Use sunscreen on very sunny day?"), missing\_text = "(# NA)")

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Characteristic	N = 3,931
RACEETH: Race/Ethnicity	
Non-H White	1,192 (30%)
Non-H Black	1,049 (27%)
Hispanic	903 (23%)
Non-H Asian	588 (15%)
Other Race	199~(5.1%)
EDUC: Educational Attainment	
Less than 9th Grade	272~(6.9%)
9th - 11th Grade	424 (11%)
High School Grad	850~(22%)
Some College / AA	1,287~(33%)
College Grad	1,097~(28%)
(# NA)	1
SEX	
Female	2,094~(53%)
Male	1,837~(47%)
SROH: Self-reported Overall Health	
Excellent	495~(13%)
Very Good	1,071~(27%)
Good	1,462~(37%)
Fair	765~(19%)
Poor	138~(3.5%)
WTGOAL: Like to weigh more/less/the same?	
More	289~(7.4%)
Same	974~(25%)
Less	2,665~(68%)

Characteristic	N = 3,931
(# NA)	3
DIETQUAL: How healthy is your diet?	
Excellent	260~(6.6%)
Very Good	758~(19%)
Good	1,519(39%)
Fair	1,082 (28%)
Poor	311 (7.9%)
(# NA)	1
FOODSEC: Adult food security (last 12m)	
Full	2,247~(61%)
Marginal	565(15%)
Low	503 (14%)
Very Low	385(10%)
(# NA)	231
PHQ9_CAT: Depression Screen Category	
minimal	2,748~(74%)
mild	621 (17%)
moderate	220(5.9%)
moderately severe	91~(2.4%)
severe	38(1.0%)
(# NA)	213
DEPRDIFF: Difficulty with Depression?	
Not at all	3,039~(82%)
Somewhat	541 (15%)
Very	93~(2.5%)
Extremely	43~(1.2%)
(# NA)	215
SNORE: How often do you snore?	
Never	855~(23%)
Rarely	959~(26%)
Occasionally	700~(19%)
Frequently	1,198~(32%)
(# NA)	219
DENTAL: Recommendation for Dental Care?	
See dentist urgently	234~(6.0%)
See dentist soon	$1,\!671~(43\%)$
Regular Routine	2,026~(52%)
SUNSCR: Use sunscreen on very sunny day?	
Always	351~(9.0%)
Most of the time	485~(12%)
Sometimes	831~(21%)

Characteristic	N = 3,931
Rarely	662~(17%)
Never	1,583~(40%)
(# NA)	19

# 2.5 Detailed Numerical Description for nh432

describe(nh432)

### nh432

55 Var	iables	3931	Observatio	ns						
	missing 0									
lowest :	109271 10	09273 109	284 109291	109292,	0		124810	124813	124815	124818
AGE										
n	missing	distinct	Info	Mean	Gmd		05	.10		
3931	0	30	0.999	44.79	10.09		31	33		
			.90							
37	45	53	57	58						
			ighest: 55							
RACEETH										
n	missing	distinct								
	0									
Value	Non-H V	√hite Non	-H Black	Hispani	c Non-H A	sian	Other Ra	ace		
			1049	-						
-	-		0.267							
EDUC n	missing 1	distinct								

Value Frequency Proportion			Grade 272 ).069	9th	- 11th	Grade 424 0.108	High School	l Grad 850 0.216
Value Frequency Proportion		(	1287 ).327		-	e Grad 1097 0.279		
SEX								
	missing O	distinct 2						
Value Frequency Proportion	2094	1837						
INSURNOW								
n 3921	-					Mean 0.8082		
NOINSUR	missing	distinct	: 1	nfo	Sum	Mean	Gmd	
3915						0.2659		
 SROH								
n 3931	missing O	distinct {						
Value Frequency Proportion	4	195	1071	14		Fair 765 0.195	Poor 138 0.035	
WEIGHT								
	-						.05	
	28 .50	969 .78				26.59	54.20	50.02
		99.10						
lowest : 3	6.9 39	.4 39.6	39.8	39.9	, highe	est: 204.4	ł 204.6 210	.8 242.6 254.3
HEIGHT								

n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 4841167.411.45152.0154.8.75.90.95 3901 30 484 .25 .50 160.0 166.9 174.7 180.8 184.6 lowest : 135.3 138.3 139.7 141.4 141.9, highest: 195.8 195.9 196.6 198.3 198.7 \_\_\_\_\_ WAIST n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 782 149 781 1 101.5 19.68 75.9 80.4 3782 149 781 
 .25
 .50
 .75
 .90
 .95

 89.1
 99.2
 111.7
 125.4
 134.5
 lowest : 57.9 62.7 63.2 64.5 64.9 , highest: 166 167.1 170.8 173.1 178 \_\_\_\_\_ SBP n missing distinctInfoMeanGmd.05.105853461161121.518.6198102.25.50.75.90.95 3585 .25 120 131 143 152 110 lowest : 69 72 77 79 80, highest: 199 200 211 219 222 \_\_\_\_\_ DBP n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 3585 346 81 0.999 77.03 13.01 59.2 63.0 3585 .25.50.75.90.9569.076.084.092.097.0 lowest : 31 44 45 46 47, highest: 121 122 126 127 136 \_\_\_\_\_ PULSE1 n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 
 3316
 615
 76
 0.999
 70.3
 12.92
 53

 .25
 .50
 .75
 .90
 .95

 62
 69
 77
 86
 91
 57 lowest : 38 40 41 42 44, highest: 114 115 120 121 126 \_\_\_\_\_ PULSE2 
 n missing distinct
 Info
 Mean
 Gmd
 .05
 .10

 3314
 617
 80
 0.999
 70.96
 12.92
 54
 57
 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95

63 70 78 86 91 lowest : 37 39 40 41 42, highest: 117 118 119 120 121 \_\_\_\_\_ WBC Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 1 7.254 2.387 4.3 4.8 .90 .95 n missing distinct Info Mean 755 176 136 1 7.254 3755 .50 .25 .75 6.9 8.4 10.1 5.7 11.3 lowest : 2.3 2.5 2.6 2.7 2.8 , highest: 17.2 17.4 17.6 20.6 22.8 \_\_\_\_\_ PLATELET n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 755 176 372 1 253.3 72.04 159 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95 .10 3755 179 .25 246 290 337 371 210 lowest : 47 48 54 57 61, highest: 583 602 638 662 818 \_\_\_\_\_ HSCRP n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 106514.3265.2710.3500.470.75.90.95 3664 267 1065 .25 .50 0.890 2.090 4.740 9.217 13.630 lowest : 0.11 0.16 0.17 0.18 0.19 , highest: 102.94 104.48 109.81 138.81 182.82 \_\_\_\_\_ DR LOSE n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 2 3930 1 0.633 1189 0.3025 0.4221 \_\_\_\_\_ DR EXER n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 1 2 3930 0.734 1680 0.4275 0.4896 \_\_\_\_\_ NOW\_LOSE n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 2 2 0.697 2485 0.6325 0.465 3929 \_\_\_\_\_

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NOW\_EXER n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 2 0.718 0.479 2369 0.6028 3930 1 \_\_\_\_\_ ESTHT n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 95 29 66.46 4.722 60 0.995 3836 61 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95 63 66 69 72 74 lowest : 50 53 54 55 56, highest: 76 77 78 79 81 \_\_\_\_\_ ESTWT n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 1 188.1 56.51 120.0 130.0 3863 68 255 .90 .25 .50 .75 .95 150.0 180.0 216.0 258.0 281.9 lowest : 86 88 90 93 95, highest: 416 434 450 457 578 \_\_\_\_\_ WTGOAL n missing distinct 3928 3 3 More Same Less Value Frequency 289 974 2665 Proportion 0.074 0.248 0.678 \_\_\_\_\_ DIETQUAL n missing distinct 3930 1 5 
 Value
 Excellent Very Good
 Good
 Fair

 Frequency
 260
 758
 1519
 1082

 Proportion
 0.066
 0.193
 0.387
 0.275
 Poor 311 0.079 FOODSEC n missing distinct 3700 231 4 Value Full Marginal Low Very Low Frequency 2247 565 503 385

Proportion 0.607 0.153 0.136 0.104 \_\_\_\_\_ WORK\_V n missing distinct Info Sum Mean 3927 4 2 0.61 1116 0.2842 Gmd 0.407 \_\_\_\_\_ VIGWK D n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd 3926 5 8 0.632 1.22 1.904 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 Value 7 Frequency 2811 79 127 184 112 352 132 129 Proportion 0.716 0.020 0.032 0.047 0.029 0.090 0.034 0.033 For the frequency table, variable is rounded to the nearest 0 \_\_\_\_\_ REC V n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 2 0.589 1056 0.2686 0.393 0 3931 \_\_\_\_\_ VIGREC D n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd 3930 1 8 0.608 0.8952 1.436 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Value Frequency 2875 126 211 301 166 154 46 51 Proportion 0.732 0.032 0.054 0.077 0.042 0.039 0.012 0.013 For the frequency table, variable is rounded to the nearest 0 \_\_\_\_\_ SEDATE n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 207 24 44 0.99 332.7 232.2 60 120 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95 180 300 480 600 720 3907 .25 180 lowest : 2 3 5 8 9, highest: 960 1020 1080 1200 1320 \_\_\_\_\_ PHQ9 n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 3718 213 27 0.958 3.324 4.201 0 0

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		3 4, hig						
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	missing	distinct						
3718	213	5						
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		tely severe						
Frequency		91		38				
Proportio		0.024		0.010				
DEPRDIFF		distinct						
	-	4						
		all Some		•	•			
		3039						
Proportio	on O	.818 0	.146	0.025	0.012			
MENTALH								
n	missing	distinct	Info	Sum	Mean	Gmd		
3929	2	2	0.319	475	0.1209	0.2126		
SLPWKDAY		1:	Τ	M	0	05	10	
		distinct 22					.10 5.5	
		.75			1.755	5.0	0.0	
		8.0						
lowest :	2 3	3.5 4	4.5 , h	ighest: 11	11.5 1	.2 13	14	
SLPWKEND								
n		distinct	Info	Mean	Gmd	.05	.10	
3897				8.231	1.928	5	6	
		.75						
7	8	9	10	11				

lowest : 2 3 3.5 4 4.5 , highest: 12 12.5 13 13.5 14 \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ SLPTROUB n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 2 0.624 1159 0.2951 0.4161 3928 3 \_\_\_\_\_ SNORE n missing distinct 3712 219 4 Never Rarely Occasionally Frequently Value 959 700 Frequency 855 1198 0.230 0.258 0.189 0.323 Proportion \_\_\_\_\_ HOSPITAL n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 31 0 2 0.239 343 0.08726 0.1593 3931 0 2 \_\_\_\_\_ EVERALC n missing distinct Info Sum Mean Gmd 3726 205 2 0.244 3393 0.9106 0.1628 \_\_\_\_\_ DRINKS n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 3142 789 15 0.948 2.345 2.051 0 0 .50 .75 .90 .95 2 3 5 .50 .25 1 Value 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Frequency 333 912 903 412 228 123 105 21 37 4 19 Proportion 0.106 0.290 0.287 0.131 0.073 0.039 0.033 0.007 0.012 0.001 0.006 Value 11 12 13 15 26 Frequency 1 2 16 Proportion 0.000 0.008 0.001 0.005 For the frequency table, variable is rounded to the nearest 0 \_\_\_\_\_ CIG100

		distinct 2						
SMOKE30								
3205	726 .50	26 .75	0.594	6.808 .95		.05 0		
lowest :	0 1 2	3 4, hig	ghest: 26	27 28 29	30			
AWAYWORK								
	-	distinct 2						
AWAYREST								
		distinct 2						
AWAYBAR								
	-	distinct 2						
DENTAL								
	•	distinct						
Value	See dei m	3 ntist urgen 0	234 .060	See denti	st soon 1671 0.425	Regular	2026 0.515	
FLOSS								
n 3927	missing 4	distinct 8		Mean 3.476				
Frequency	1104	1 288 399 0.073 0.103	5 329	230 17	9 44			

EVERPREG							
n mis	sing	distinct	Info	Sum	Mean	Gmd	
1959	1972	2	0.29	1747	0.8918	0.1931	
PREGS							
n mis	sing	distinct	Info	Mean	Gmd	.05	.10
				3.046	2.24	0	0
		.75					
2	3	4	6	7			
Value	0	1 2	2 3	4 5	6	7 8	9 10
Frequency	212	205 421	420	297 191	95	58 22	10 9
Proportion 0.	108 0	.105 0.215	0.215 0	0.152 0.098	0.049 0	.030 0.011	0.005 0.005
Value	11						
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riequency	16						
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highest: 246250 248091 264719 282884 311265

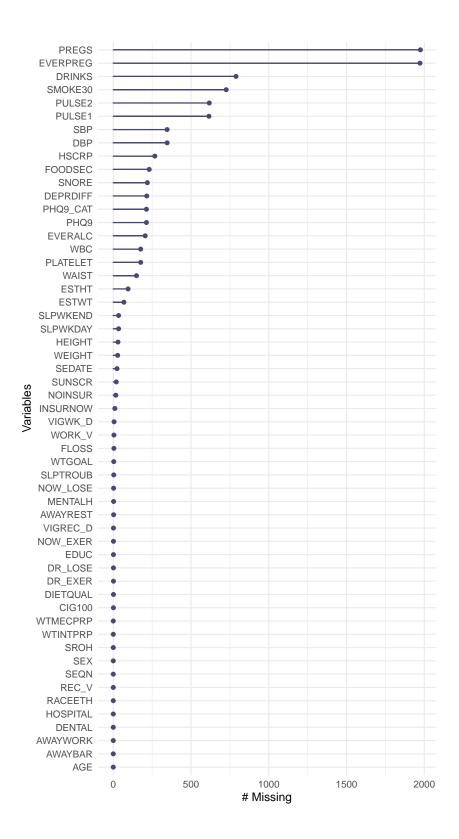
WTMECPRP								
n	missing	distinct	Info	Mean	Gmd	.05	.10	
3931	0	3701	1	30353	29409	6217	7634	
.25	.50	.75	.90	.95				
11365	18422	33155	68569	102038				
lowest :	2589.17 2	2782.74 300	3.52 3009	.53 3016.	64			
highest:	267064 2	268879 273	958 3080	15 32157	4			

# 2.6 Missingness in nh432

miss\_case\_table(nh432) |> gt()

n_miss_in_case	n_cases	pct_cases
0	907	23.0730094
1	533	13.5588909
2	1030	26.2019842
3	591	15.0343424
4	307	7.8097176
5	161	4.0956500
6	87	2.2131773
7	106	2.6965149
8	68	1.7298397
9	18	0.4578988
10	20	0.5087764
11	39	0.9921140
12	27	0.6868481
13	14	0.3561435
14	9	0.2289494
15	14	0.3561435

gg\_miss\_var(nh432)



## miss\_var\_summary(nh432) |> gt()

variable	n_miss	pct_miss
PREGS	1975	50.2
EVERPREG	1972	50.2
DRINKS	789	20.1
SMOKE30	726	18.5
PULSE2	617	15.7
PULSE1	615	15.6
SBP	346	8.80
DBP	346	8.80
HSCRP	267	6.79
FOODSEC	231	5.88
SNORE	219	5.57
DEPRDIFF	215	5.47
PHQ9	213	5.42
PHQ9_CAT	213	5.42
EVERALC	205	5.21
WBC	176	4.48
PLATELET	176	4.48
WAIST	149	3.79
ESTHT	95	2.42
ESTWT	68	1.73
SLPWKDAY	34	0.865
SLPWKEND	34	0.865
HEIGHT	30	0.763
WEIGHT	28	0.712
SEDATE	24	0.611
SUNSCR	19	0.483
NOINSUR	16	0.407
INSURNOW	10	0.254
VIGWK_D	5	0.127
WORK_V	4	0.102
FLOSS	4	0.102
WTGOAL	3	0.0763
SLPTROUB	3	0.0763
NOW_LOSE	2	0.0509
MENTALH	2	0.0509
AWAYREST	2	0.0509
EDUC	1	0.0254
DR_LOSE	1	0.0254

DR_EXER	1	0.0254
NOW_EXER	1	0.0254
DIETQUAL	1	0.0254
VIGREC_D	1	0.0254
CIG100	1	0.0254
SEQN	0	0
AGE	0	0
RACEETH	0	0
SEX	0	0
SROH	0	0
REC_V	0	0
HOSPITAL	0	0
AWAYWORK	0	0
AWAYBAR	0	0
DENTAL	0	0
WTINTPRP	0	0
WTMECPRP	0	0

## miss\_var\_table(nh432) |> gt()

$n_{miss_in_var}$	n_vars	$pct\_vars$
0	12	21.818182
1	7	12.727273
2	3	5.454545
3	2	3.636364
4	2	3.636364
5	1	1.818182
10	1	1.818182
16	1	1.818182
19	1	1.818182
24	1	1.818182
28	1	1.818182
30	1	1.818182
34	2	3.636364
68	1	1.818182
95	1	1.818182
149	1	1.818182
176	2	3.636364
205	1	1.818182
213	2	3.636364

915	1	1 010109
215	1	1.818182
219	1	1.818182
231	1	1.818182
267	1	1.818182
346	2	3.636364
615	1	1.818182
617	1	1.818182
726	1	1.818182
789	1	1.818182
1972	1	1.818182
1975	1	1.818182

# 3 431 Review: Comparing Means

In this Chapter, we will review some key issues about comparing means, mostly drawn from the 431 course. This and the other Chapters labeled "431 Review" show elements of the two studies involved in a "431 Project B" using the pre-pandemic (2017 - March 2020) data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) called **nh432** that we developed in Chapter 1 and then summarized in Chapter 2. Note that we'll ignore the issue of sampling weights and assume a "missing completely at random" (MCAR) mechanism in these "431 Review" chapters, so that we can work with complete cases.

The 431 course notes are at https://thomaselove.github.io/431-notes/ and will remain there until June 1.

### 3.1 R Setup

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(gtoue)
library(gtue)
library(gtsummary)
library(lmboot)
library(MKinfer)
library(mosaic)
library(naniar)
library(patchwork)
library(rstatix)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

## 3.2 Data Ingest

Since we've already got the nh432 file formatted as an R data set, we'll use that.

```
nh432 <- read_rds("data/nh432.Rds")</pre>
```

## 3.3 Testing or Summarizing Normality?

As we'll see, the two most useful strategies for dealing with problematic non-Normality when comparing means are (1) transformation of the outcome to make the assumption of Normality more tenable, and (2) alternate inference approaches (for example, using a bootstrap or rankbased procedure instead of a t test.)

While it is possible to obtain numerical summaries of deviations from Normality, perhaps a measure of skewness (asymmetry) or kurtosis (heavy-tailed behavior), in practical work, I **never** use such summaries to overrule my assessment of the plots. It's critical instead to focus on the **pictures** of a distribution, most especially Normal Q-Q plots.

Perhaps the simplest skewness summary is  $skew_1 = (\text{mean-median})/(\text{standard deviation})$ , where values below -0.2 are meant to indicate (meaningful) left skew, and values above +0.2 indicate (meaningful) right skew. Unfortunately, this approach works poorly with many distributions (for example, multimodal distributions) and so do many other (more sophisticated) measures<sup>1</sup>.

It is also possible to develop hypothesis tests of whether a particular batch of data follows a Normal distribution, for example, the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test<sup>2</sup>, or the Shapiro-Wilk test<sup>3</sup>, but again, I find these to be without value in practical work and cannot recommend their use.

### 3.4 Comparing Two Means using Paired Samples

Now, we'll demonstrate some approaches to comparing two means coming from paired samples. This will include:

• a paired t test (one-sample t test on the paired differences), which we can obtain from a linear model, or from t.test()

 $<sup>^1{\</sup>rm The}~{\tt e1071}$  package in R provides several such measures of skewness and kurtosis if you really want to see them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Kolmogorov-Smirnov test is available in R: see ks.test()

 $<sup>^3\</sup>mathrm{See}$  shapiro.test() in R

These procedures based on the t distribution for paired samples require that the distribution of the sample paired differences is well-approximated by a Normal model. As an alternative without that requirement, we'll focus primarily on a bootstrap comparison (not assuming Normality) from boot.t.test(), which comes from the MKinfer package. It is also possible to generate rank-based inference, such as using the Wilcoxon signed rank approach, but this introduces the major weakness of not estimating the population mean (or even the population median.)

We'll assume a Missing Completely at Random (MCAR) mechanism for missing data, so that a complete case analysis makes sense, and we'll also use functions from the **broom** package to tidy our output, and from the **gt** package to help present it in an attractive table.

## 3.5 Comparing PULSE1 to PULSE2

We have two measurements of pulse rate (in beats per minute) in nh432 for each participant. Let's compare the two for all participants with two PULSE readings. Since we have a value of PULSE1 and PULSE2 for each participant, it makes sense to treat these as paired samples, and study the paired differences in pulse rate.

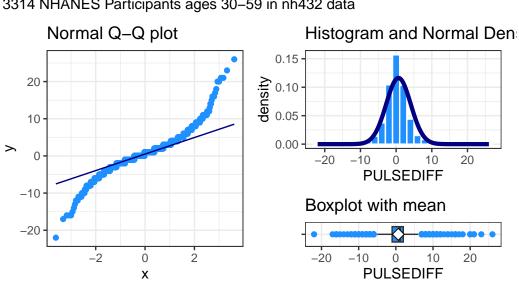
```
dat1 <- nh432 |> select(SEQN, PULSE1, PULSE2) |>
   drop_na() |>
   mutate(PULSEDIFF = PULSE2 - PULSE1)
 summary(dat1 |> select(-SEQN))
    PULSE1
                    PULSE2
                                    PULSEDIFF
Min.
       : 38.0
                Min.
                        : 37.00
                                          :-22.0000
                                  Min.
1st Qu.: 62.0
                1st Qu.: 63.00
                                  1st Qu.: -1.0000
Median : 69.0
                Median : 70.00
                                  Median : 1.0000
       : 70.3
                        : 70.96
                                            0.6533
Mean
                Mean
                                  Mean
                                          :
                3rd Qu.: 78.00
3rd Qu.: 77.0
                                  3rd Qu.:
                                             2.0000
Max.
       :126.0
                        :121.00
                                  Max.
                                          : 26.0000
                Max.
 df stats(~ PULSE1 + PULSE2 + PULSEDIFF, data = dat1) |>
   mutate(across(.cols = c(mean, sd), \(x) num(x, digits = 2))) |>
   gt()
```

response	$\min$	Q1	median	Q3	$\max$	mean	$\operatorname{sd}$	n	missing
PULSE1	38	62	69	77	126	70.30	11.61	3314	0

PULSE2	37	63	70	78	121	70.96	11.57	3314	0
PULSEDIFF	-22	-1	1	2	26	0.65	3.43	3314	0

#### 3.5.1 Distribution of Paired Differences

```
p1 <- ggplot(dat1, aes(sample = PULSEDIFF)) +</pre>
  geom_qq(col = "dodgerblue") + geom_qq_line(col = "navy") +
  theme(aspect.ratio = 1) +
  labs(title = "Normal Q-Q plot")
p2 <- ggplot(dat1, aes(x = PULSEDIFF)) +</pre>
  geom_histogram(aes(y = after_stat(density)),
                 bins = 25, fill = "dodgerblue", col = "white") +
  stat_function(fun = dnorm,
                args = list(mean = mean(dat1$PULSEDIFF),
                             sd = sd(dat1$PULSEDIFF)),
                col = "navy", linewidth = 1.5) +
  labs(title = "Histogram and Normal Density")
p3 <- ggplot(dat1, aes(x = PULSEDIFF, y = "")) +</pre>
  geom_boxplot(fill = "dodgerblue", outlier.color = "dodgerblue") +
  stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = "point",
               shape = 23, size = 3, fill = "white") +
  labs(title = "Boxplot with mean", y = "")
p1 + (p2 / p3 + plot_layout(heights = c(4,1))) +
  plot_annotation(title = "Pulse 2 - Pulse 1 difference in nh432",
                  subtitle = glue(nrow(dat1), " NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 da
```



Pulse 2 – Pulse 1 difference in nh432 3314 NHANES Participants ages 30–59 in nh432 data

These data appear to come from a distribution that is essentially symmetric, but extremely heavy-tailed, with many outlier candidates on both the low and high end of the distribution. It seems unwise to assume a Normal distribution for these differences in pulse rate.

#### 3.5.2 Using t.test to obtain a 90% CI for the mean pulse difference

Note that I use 90% as my confidence level here, mostly to make sure that we don't always simply default to 95% without engaging our brains.

```
tt1 <- t.test(dat1$PULSEDIFF, conf.level = 0.90)
tt1
One Sample t-test
data: dat1$PULSEDIFF
t = 10.98, df = 3313, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
90 percent confidence interval:
0.5553989 0.7511792</pre>
```

Pulse 2 - Pulse 1 Difference Estimate with 90% T-based CI 3314 NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Paired t	p.value	method
0.653	0.555	0.751	10.980	0.000	One Sample t-test

#### 3.5.3 Using linear regression to obtain a 90% CI for the mean pulse difference

A linear regression model predicting the paired differences with an intercept alone produces the same result as the paired t test.

```
lm1 <- lm(PULSEDIFF ~ 1, data = dat1)</pre>
  summary(lm1)
Call:
lm(formula = PULSEDIFF ~ 1, data = dat1)
Residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                    Median
                                  ЗQ
                                          Max
-22.6533 -1.6533
                    0.3467
                              1.3467 25.3467
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 0.6533
                         0.0595
                                   10.98
                                           <2e-16 ***
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Residual standard error: 3.425 on 3313 degrees of freedom

```
tidy(lm1, conf.int = TRUE, conf = 0.90) |>
mutate(method = c("Linear Model")) |>
select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
        "Paired t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "Pulse 2 - Pulse 1 Difference Estimate with 90% T-based CI",
        subtitle = glue(nrow(dat1), " NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data"))
```

Pulse 2 - Pulse 1 Difference Estimate with 90% T-based CI 3314 NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Paired t	p.value	method
0.653	0.555	0.751	10.980	0.000	Linear Model

#### 3.5.4 Using the bootstrap to obtain a 90% CI for the mean pulse difference

This is a better choice than the t test if the distribution of the paired differences veer far away from a Normal distribution, but you are still interested in making inferences about the population mean. This is a different approach to obtaining a bootstrap than I have used in the past, but I prefer it because it works well with the tidy() function in the **broom** package.

```
Results without bootstrap:
t = 10.98, df = 3313, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
90 percent confidence interval:
0.5553989 0.7511792
sample estimates:
mean of x
0.6532891
tidy(bs1, conf.int = TRUE, conf = 0.90) |>
select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
        "Bootstrap t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "Pulse 2 - Pulse 1 Difference Estimate with 90% Bootstrap CI",
        subtitle = glue(nrow(dat1), " NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data"))
```

```
Pulse 2 - Pulse 1 Difference Estimate with 90% Bootstrap CI 3314 NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data
```

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Bootstrap t	p.value	method
0.653	0.555	0.751	10.980	0.000	Bootstrap One Sample t-test

Given our large sample size, it is perhaps not overly surprising that even a small difference in mean pulse rate (0.653 beats per minute) turns out to have a 90% confidence interval well above the value (0) that would occur if there were no difference at all between the groups.

#### 3.5.5 Wilcoxon signed rank approach to comparing pulse rates

We can obtain a 90% confidence interval for the pseudo-median of our paired differences in pulse rate with the Wilcoxon signed rank approach.

```
wt1 <- wilcox.test(dat1$PULSEDIFF, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)</pre>
```

wt1

Wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity correction

```
data: dat1$PULSEDIFF
V = 2449203, p-value < 2.2e-16
alternative hypothesis: true location is not equal to 0
90 percent confidence interval:
0.5000466 0.9999290
sample estimates:
(pseudo)median
0.9999809
```

But this is of limited value, even though it doesn't assume Normality of the distribution of paired differences, because the summary statistic is a pseudo-median<sup>4</sup>, which isn't straightforward to interpret, unless the true distribution of the paired differences is **symmetric**, in which case the pseudo-median and the median have the same value.

Let's consider another example using two paired samples to compare means, this time with a somewhat smaller sample size.

## 3.6 Comparing WEIGHT to ESTWT

We have two assessments of each participant's weight in nh432: their WEIGHT (as measured using a scale, in kilograms) and their ESTWT (self-reported weight via questionnaire, in pounds.) First, let's create a data set containing those values, and converting pounds to kilograms for the ESTWT results so that we can compare the two assessments fairly. To shrink the sample size a bit, let's only look at people whose age is 43, and who describe their overall health as either Good or Fair.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The pseudomedian of a distribution F is the median of the distribution of (u + v)/2, where u and v are independent and each have distribution F.

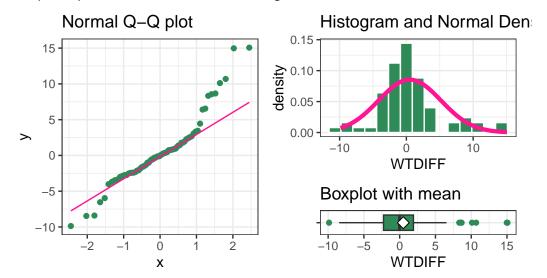
\$ SROH <fct> Good, Good, Good, Fair, Good, Good, Good, Good, Good, Fair, Go~ \$ WEIGHT <dbl> 92.1, 76.5, 133.0, 86.8, 119.3, 74.1, 75.8, 106.8, 102.1, 77.0~ \$ ESTWT <dbl> 200, 167, 260, 198, 230, 145, 167, 240, 223, 172, 150, 265, 22~ \$ ESTWTKG <dbl> 90.71800, 75.74953, 117.93340, 89.81082, 104.32570, 65.77055, ~ \$ WTDIFF <dbl> 1.38200, 0.75047, 15.06660, -3.01082, 14.97430, 8.32945, 0.050~

```
df_stats(~ WEIGHT + ESTWTKG + WTDIFF, data = dat2) |>
  mutate(across(.cols = -c(response, n, missing), \(x) num(x , digits = 3))) |>
  gt()
```

response	$\min$	Q1	median	Q3	max	mean	sd	n	missing
WEIGHT	36.900	74.525	89.400	106.175	204.600	93.040	29.211	70	0
ESTWTKG	45.359	74.842	89.130	103.759	204.115	92.532	27.869	70	0
WTDIFF	-9.871	-2.256	-0.028	1.923	15.067	0.508	4.671	70	0

#### 3.6.1 Plotting The Paired Difference in Weight

```
p1 <- ggplot(dat2, aes(sample = WTDIFF)) +</pre>
  geom_qq(col = "seagreen") + geom_qq_line(col = "deeppink") +
  theme(aspect.ratio = 1) +
  labs(title = "Normal Q-Q plot")
p2 \leftarrow ggplot(dat2, aes(x = WTDIFF)) +
  geom_histogram(aes(y = after_stat(density)),
                    bins = 15, fill = "seagreen", col = "white") +
  stat_function(fun = dnorm,
                args = list(mean = mean(dat2$WTDIFF),
                             sd = sd(dat2$WTDIFF)),
                col = "deeppink", linewidth = 1.5) +
  labs(title = "Histogram and Normal Density")
p3 \leftarrow ggplot(dat2, aes(x = WTDIFF, y = "")) +
  geom_boxplot(fill = "seagreen", outlier.color = "seagreen") +
  stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = "point",
               shape = 23, size = 3, fill = "white") +
  labs(title = "Boxplot with mean", y = "")
p1 + (p2 / p3 + plot_layout(heights = c(4,1))) +
  plot_annotation(title = "Measured - Self-reported Weight (in kilograms)",
```



Measured – Self–reported Weight (in kilograms) 70 participants in Good or Fair Health aged 43 in nh432

As we saw with the differences in pulse rate, the differences in weight for this sample appear to come from a distribution that might be symmetric, but that still has several outlier candidates, especially on the high end of the distribution. We may want to consider whether the assumption of a t-based confidence interval is reasonable here, and whether we might be better off using a bootstrap approach.

#### 3.6.2 t.test 90% CI for the mean weight difference

```
tt2 <- t.test(dat2$WTDIFF, conf.level = 0.90)
tidy(tt2, conf.int = TRUE, conf = 0.90) |>
select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
        "Paired t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "Measured - Self-reported Weight with 90% T-based CI",
        subtitle = glue(nrow(dat2), " NHANES Participants aged 43 in Good or Fair Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Header(Head
```

Measured - Self-reported Weight with 90% T-based CI 70 NHANES Participants aged 43 in Good or Fair Health in nh432 data

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Paired t	p.value	method
0.508	-0.423	1.438	0.909	0.366	One Sample t-test

#### 3.6.3 Linear Regression: 90% CI for mean weight difference

```
lm2 <- lm(WTDIFF ~ 1, data = dat2)
tidy(lm2, conf.int = TRUE, conf = 0.90) |>
mutate(method = c("Linear Model")) |>
select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
        "Paired t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "Measured - Self-reported Weight with 90% T-based CI",
        subtitle = glue(nrow(dat2), " NHANES Participants aged 43 in Good or Fair Header Header(Header Header Header), "NHANES Participants aged 43 in Good or Fair Header Header
```

Measured - Self-reported Weight with 90% T-based CI 70 NHANES Participants aged 43 in Good or Fair Health in nh432 data

estimate		low.90	hi.90	Paired t	p.value	method
0.	508	-0.423	1.438	0.909	0.366	Linear Model

#### 3.6.4 Bootstrap 90% CI for the mean weight difference

tab\_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat1), " NHANES Participants age 43 in Good or Fair He

Measured	- Self-reported Weight
with	90% Bootstrap CI

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Bootstrap t	p.value	method
0.508	-0.423	1.438	0.909	0.366	Bootstrap One Sample t-test

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In light of the clear issue with outliers in the plots of the weight differences, I think I would choose the bootstrap confidence interval, which clearly includes both negative and positive values as plausible estimates of the population mean difference.

#### 3.6.5 Wilcoxon signed rank approach to comparing weight estimates

We can obtain a 90% confidence interval for the pseudo-median of our paired differences in weight with the Wilcoxon signed rank approach.

```
wt2 <- wilcox.test(dat2$WTDIFF, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)
wt2
Wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity correction
data: dat2$WTDIFF
V = 1262, p-value = 0.9115
alternative hypothesis: true location is not equal to 0
90 percent confidence interval:
-0.6347756 0.7941699
sample estimates:
(pseudo)median
        0.06155979</pre>
```

But this is of limited value, even though it doesn't assume Normality of the distribution of paired differences, because the summary statistic is a pseudo-median<sup>5</sup>, which isn't straightforward to interpret, unless the true distribution of the paired differences is **symmetric**, in which case the pseudo-median and the median have the same value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>The pseudomedian of a distribution F is the median of the distribution of (u + v)/2, where u and v are independent and each have distribution F.

### 3.7 Comparing Two Means using Independent Samples

Now, we'll demonstrate some approaches to comparing two means coming from independent samples. This will include:

- a pooled t test (t test assuming equal population variances), which we can obtain from a linear model, or from t.test()
- a Welch t test (t test not assuming equal population variances), from t.test()

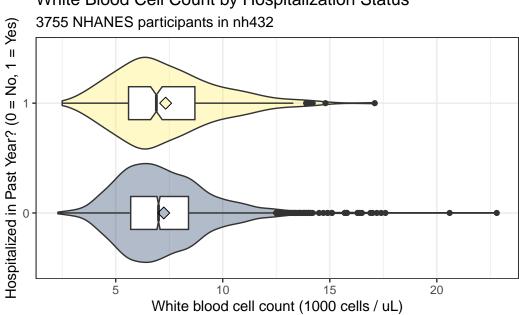
Each of these t tests requires the distribution of each of our two independent samples to be well-approximated by a Normal model. As an alternative without that requirement, we'll focus on a bootstrap comparison (not assuming equal variances or Normality) from boot.t.test() (again from the MKinfer package.) Once more, it is also possible to generate rank-based inference, such as using the Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney rank sum approach, but again this does not provide us with estimates of either the difference in population means or medians, which limits its utility.

## 3.8 Comparing White Blood Cell Count by Hospitalization Status

Now, we'll use independent samples to compare subjects who were hospitalized in the past year to those who were not, in terms of their white blood cell count. The normal range of WBCs in the blood is 4.5 to 11 on the scale (1000 cells per microliter) our data is available.

#### 3.8.1 Exploring the Data

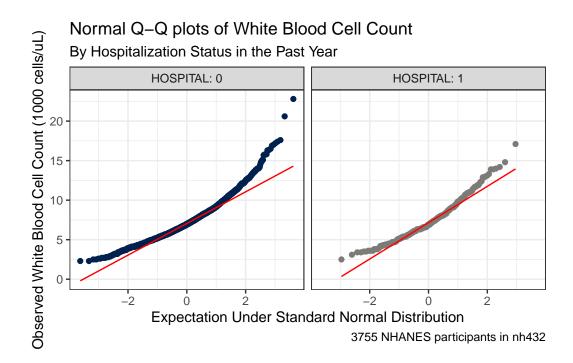




White Blood Cell Count by Hospitalization Status

Each of these distributions shows some signs of right skew, or at least more than a few outlier candidates on the upper end of the white blood cell count's distribution, according to the boxplot. A pair of Normal Q-Q plots should help clarify issues for us.

```
ggplot(dat3, aes(sample = WBC)) +
 geom_qq(aes(col = factor(HOSPITAL))) + geom_qq_line(col = "red") +
 facet_wrap(~ HOSPITAL, labeller = "label_both") +
 guides(col = "none") +
 scale_color_viridis_d(option = "cividis", end = 0.5) +
 labs(x = "Expectation Under Standard Normal Distribution",
      y = "Observed White Blood Cell Count (1000 cells/uL)",
      title = "Normal Q-Q plots of White Blood Cell Count",
      subtitle = "By Hospitalization Status in the Past Year",
      caption = glue(nrow(dat3), " NHANES participants in nh432"))
```



It seems unreasonable to assume that each of these samples comes from a distribution that is well-approximated by the Normal. There's just too much skew here. Here are some key numerical summaries of the data in each sample.

```
favstats(WBC ~ HOSPITAL, data = dat3) |>
mutate(across(.cols = c(mean, sd), \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt()
```

HOSPITAL	$\min$	Q1	median	Q3	max	mean	$\operatorname{sd}$	n	missing
0	2.3	5.7	7.0	8.4	22.8	7.246	2.170	3430	0
1	2.5	5.6	6.9	8.7	17.1	7.332	2.392	325	0

#### 3.8.2 Pooled t test (assumes equal variances) via linear model

The pooled t test for comparison of two population means using independent samples assumes:

- that the WBC (outcome) in each of the two HOSPITAL (exposure) groups follows a Normal distribution, and
- that the population variances are equal in the two groups

The "equal population variances" assumption can be relaxed and a pooled t test used if we have a balanced design, with the same number of subjects in each exposure group.

In our setting, we shouldn't be particularly comfortable with the assumption of Normality, as mentioned above. Were we able to get past that, though, we can see that the two distributions have fairly similar sample variances (remember this is just the square of the standard deviation.) The sample sizes are wildly different, with many more non-hospitalized subjects than hospitalized ones.

For completeness, though, we'll start by running the pooled t test.

```
lm3 <- lm(WBC ~ HOSPITAL, data = dat3)</pre>
  summary(lm3)
Call:
lm(formula = WBC ~ HOSPITAL, data = dat3)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                              ЗQ
                                     Max
-4.9463 -1.5463 -0.3463 1.1537 15.5537
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
             7.24633
                        0.03740 193.760
                                           <2e-16 ***
HOSPITAL
             0.08567
                        0.12712
                                  0.674
                                              0.5
Signif. codes:
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 2.19 on 3753 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.000121, Adjusted R-squared: -0.0001454
F-statistic: 0.4542 on 1 and 3753 DF, p-value: 0.5004
  confint(lm3, level = 0.90)
                   5 %
                            95 %
             7.1847964 7.3078567
(Intercept)
HOSPITAL
            -0.1234734 0.2948204
```

```
tidy(lm3, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
filter(term == "HOSPITAL") |>
mutate(method = "Pooled t") |>
select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
        "Pooled t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "White Blood Cell Count (Hospitalized - Non-Hospitalized)",
        subtitle = "with 90% Pooled t-based CI via Linear Model") |>
tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat3), " NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data"
```

White Blood Cell Count (Hospitalized - Non-Hospitalized) with 90% Pooled t-based CI via Linear Model

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Pooled t	p.value	method
0.086	-0.123	0.295	0.674	0.500	Pooled t

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#### 3.8.3 Pooled t test (assumes equal variances) via t.test

Note that this approach estimates the difference with Not Hospitalized - Hospitalized, as opposed to the approach used in the linear model. Be careful to check the sample estimates provided in your output against the original summary of the sample data to avoid making a mistake.

```
tt3p <- t.test(WBC ~ HOSPITAL, data = dat3, var.equal = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)
tt3p
Two Sample t-test
data: WBC by HOSPITAL
t = -0.67395, df = 3753, p-value = 0.5004
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group 0 and group 1 is not equal to
90 percent confidence interval:
-0.2948204 0.1234734
sample estimates:
mean in group 0 mean in group 1</pre>
```

```
tidy(tt3p, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
        "Pooled t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "White Blood Cell Count (Non-Hospitalized minus Hospitalized)",
        subtitle = "with 90% Pooled t-based Confidence Interval") |>
tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat3), " NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data"
```

White Blood Cell Count (Non-Hospitalized minus Hospitalized) with 90% Pooled t-based Confidence Interval

7.332000

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Pooled t	p.value	method
-0.086	-0.295	0.123	-0.674	0.500	Two Sample t-test

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7.246327

Again, note that the t.test() approach estimates Non-Hospitalized - Hospitalized (so that the sample mean is negative.)

#### 3.8.4 Welch t test (doesn't assume equal variance) via t.test

The Welch t test (which is actually the default t.test in R) assumes that the two groups each follow a Normal distribution, but does not require that those distributions have the same population variance.

```
tt3w <- t.test(WBC ~ HOSPITAL, data = dat3, conf.level = 0.90)
tt3w
Welch Two Sample t-test
data: WBC by HOSPITAL
t = -0.6218, df = 376.28, p-value = 0.5345
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group 0 and group 1 is not equal to
90 percent confidence interval:
-0.3128672 0.1415202</pre>
```

```
sample estimates:
mean in group 0 mean in group 1
7.246327 7.332000
tidy(tt3w, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
        "Welch t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "White Blood Cell Count (Non-Hospitalized minus Hospitalized)",
        subtitle = "with 90% Welch t-based Confidence Interval") |>
tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat3), " NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data"
```

White Blood Cell Count (Non-Hospitalized minus Hospitalized) with 90% Welch t-based Confidence Interval

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Welch t	p.value	method
-0.086	-0.313	0.142	-0.622	0.534	Welch Two Sample t-test

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#### 3.8.5 Bootstrap comparison of WBC by HOSPITAL

The bootstrap approach is appealing in part because it neither assumes Normality or equal population variances.

bootstrap difference of means (SE) = -0.08734076 (0.1376246)
90 percent bootstrap percentile confidence interval:

```
-0.3137606 0.1414317
Results without bootstrap:
t = -0.6218, df = 376.28, p-value = 0.5345
```

```
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
90 percent confidence interval:
-0.3128672 0.1415202
sample estimates:
mean in group 0 mean in group 1
7.246327 7.332000
```

```
tidy(bs3, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
mutate(diff = estimate1 - estimate2) |>
select(est1 = estimate1, est2 = estimate2, diff,
            low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
            p.value, method) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt() |>
tab_header(title = "White Blood Cell Count (Non-Hospitalized minus Hospitalized)",
            subtitle = "with 90% Bootstrap Confidence Interval") |>
tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat3), " NHANES Participants ages 30-59 in nh432 data"
```

White Blood Cell Count (Non-Hospitalized minus Hospitalized) with 90% Bootstrap Confidence Interval

est1	est2	diff	low.90	hi.90	p.value	method
7.246	7.332	-0.086	-0.313	0.142	0.534	Bootstrap Welch Two Sample t-test

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In any case, though, we come to the same basic conclusion - both positive and negative differences in WBC count are plausible.

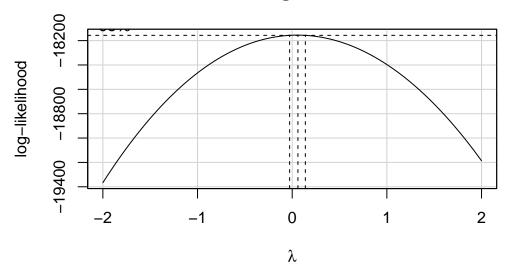
Given the huge imbalance between the two groups in terms of sample size, and the apparent skew in the distribution of each sample, I would probably be most comfortable with the bootstrap approach here than the t-based intervals.

#### 3.8.6 Transforming the WBC Counts

Since the White Blood Cell counts are far from Normally distributed, and in fact appear to be substantially skewed (asymmetric) we might want to consider a transformation of the data. The Box-Cox approach can be used to suggest potential transformations even in a simple case like this. We can use the boxCox() function from the **car** package, for example.

```
m3 <- lm(WBC ~ HOSPITAL, data = dat3)
```

boxCox(m3)



# Profile Log-likelihood

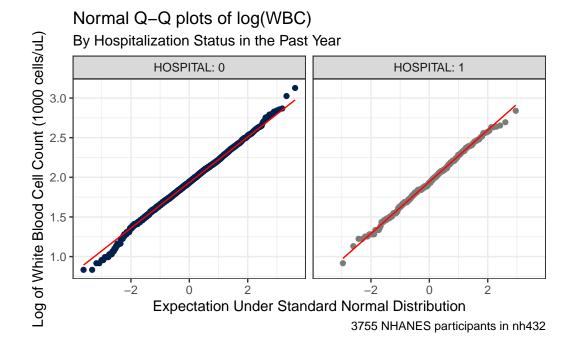
The estimated power  $(\lambda)$  shown in the plot is close to 0. The **ladder of power transforma**tions looks like this:

\$	Transformation	Formula
-2	inverse square	$1/y^{2}$
-1	inverse	1/y
-0.5	inverse square root	$1/\sqrt{y}$
0	logarithm	logy
0.5	square root	$\sqrt{y}$
1	no transformation	У
2	square	$y^2$
3	cube	$y^3$

So in this case, the Box-Cox approach is suggesting we try the logarithm (we use the natural logarithm, with base e, here) of WBC.

Let's redraw our Normal Q-Q plots with this transformation applied.

```
ggplot(dat3, aes(sample = log(WBC))) +
geom_qq(aes(col = factor(HOSPITAL))) + geom_qq_line(col = "red") +
facet_wrap(~ HOSPITAL, labeller = "label_both") +
guides(col = "none") +
scale_color_viridis_d(option = "cividis", end = 0.5) +
labs(x = "Expectation Under Standard Normal Distribution",
    y = "Log of White Blood Cell Count (1000 cells/uL)",
    title = "Normal Q-Q plots of log(WBC)",
    subtitle = "By Hospitalization Status in the Past Year",
    caption = glue(nrow(dat3), " NHANES participants in nh432"))
```



The assumption of Normality now looks much more plausible for each of our samples. So we might try building a 90% confidence interval for the mean of log(WBC), as follows:

HOSPITAL	min	Q1	median	Q3	max	mean	sd	n	missing
0	0.833	1.740	1.946	2.128	3.127	1.938	0.293	3430	0
1	0.916	1.723	1.932	2.163	2.839	1.941	0.322	325	0

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We see that there's essentially no difference at all in the means of the log(WBC) values across the two levels of hospitalization status.

```
tt3log <- t.test(log(WBC) ~ HOSPITAL, data = dat3, var.equal = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)
  tidy(tt3log, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
    select(estimate1, estimate2, estimate, conf.low, conf.high, p.value)
# A tibble: 1 x 6
  estimate1 estimate2 estimate conf.low conf.high p.value
      <dbl>
                <dbl>
                         <dbl>
                                  <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
                                                    <dbl>
1
      1.94
                 1.94 -0.00320 -0.0314
                                           0.0250
                                                    0.852
```

Let's consider a second example for comparing means from independent samples.

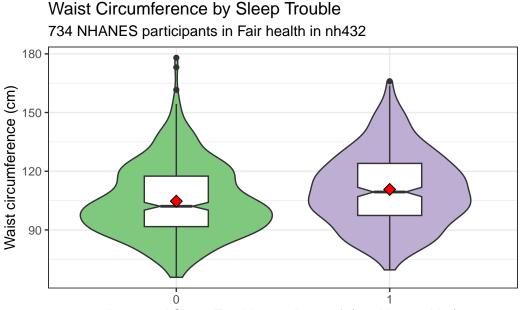
# 3.9 Comparing Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble

Now, we'll restrict ourselves to NHANES participants who rated their overall health as "Fair", and we'll compare the mean waist circumference (WAIST, in cm) of people in that group who responded Yes (vs. No) to the question of whether they had told a doctor that they had trouble sleeping (gathered in the SLPTROUB variable.)

#### 3.9.1 Summarizing the Data

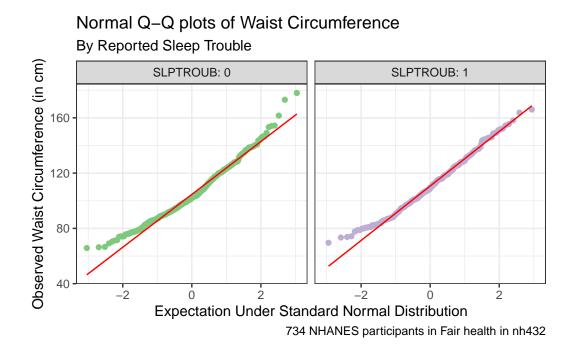
```
dat4 <- nh432 |>
  select(SEQN, SROH, SLPTROUB, WAIST) |>
  filter(SROH == "Fair") |>
  drop_na()

ggplot(dat4, aes(x = factor(SLPTROUB), y = WAIST)) +
  geom_violin(aes(fill = factor(SLPTROUB))) +
  geom_boxplot(width = 0.3, notch = TRUE) +
```



Reported Sleep Trouble to a Doctor? (0 = No, 1 = Yes)

```
ggplot(dat4, aes(sample = WAIST)) +
geom_qq(aes(col = factor(SLPTROUB))) + geom_qq_line(col = "red") +
facet_wrap(~ SLPTROUB, labeller = "label_both") +
guides(col = "none") +
scale_color_brewer(palette = "Accent") +
labs(x = "Expectation Under Standard Normal Distribution",
    y = "Observed Waist Circumference (in cm)",
    title = "Normal Q-Q plots of Waist Circumference",
    subtitle = "By Reported Sleep Trouble",
    caption = glue(nrow(dat4), " NHANES participants in Fair health in nh432"))
```



Here's a situation where we might be willing to consider a t test, since a Normal distribution is a much better fit for the data in each of our two samples. Let's look at some brief numerical summaries, too.

```
favstats(WAIST ~ SLPTROUB, data = dat4) |>
mutate(across(.cols = c(mean, sd), \(x) num(x, digits = 2))) |>
gt()
```

SLPTROUB	$\min$	Q1	median	Q3	$\max$	mean	$\operatorname{sd}$	n	missing
0	65.8	91.7	102.1	117.5	178	104.71	18.35	425	0
1	69.6	97.4	109.4	124.0	166	110.69	18.86	309	0

#### 3.9.2 Pooled t test (assumes equal variances) via linear model

Here's the pooled t test via linear model.

lm4 <- lm(WAIST ~ SLPTROUB, data = dat4)
summary(lm4)</pre>

Call: lm(formula = WAIST ~ SLPTROUB, data = dat4) Residuals: Min 1Q Median ЗQ Max -41.093 -13.293 -2.293 12.790 73.290 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 104.7099 0.9006 116.27 < 2e-16 \*\*\* SLPTROUB 5.9830 1.3881 4.31 1.85e-05 \*\*\* \_\_\_ Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Residual standard error: 18.57 on 732 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.02475, Adjusted R-squared: 0.02342 F-statistic: 18.58 on 1 and 732 DF, p-value: 1.853e-05 confint(lm4, level = 0.90)5 % 95 % (Intercept) 103.226621 106.193144 SLPTROUB 3.696944 8.269052 tidy(lm4, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |> filter(term == "SLPTROUB") |> mutate(method = "Pooled t") |> select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high, "Pooled t" = statistic, p.value, method) |> mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 2))) |> gt() |> tab\_header(title = "Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble", subtitle = "with 90% Pooled t-based CI via Linear Model") |> tab\_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat4), " NHANES Participants in Fair Health in nh432 d

> Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble with 90% Pooled t-based CI via Linear Model

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Pooled t	p.value	method
5.98	3.70	8.27	4.31	0.00	Pooled t

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#### 3.9.3 Pooled t test (assumes equal variances) via t.test

```
tt4p <- t.test(WAIST ~ SLPTROUB, data = dat4, var.equal = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)
  tt4p
    Two Sample t-test
data: WAIST by SLPTROUB
t = -4.3103, df = 732, p-value = 1.853e-05
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group 0 and group 1 is not equal to
90 percent confidence interval:
 -8.269052 -3.696944
sample estimates:
mean in group 0 mean in group 1
       104.7099
                       110.6929
  tidy(tt4p, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
    select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
           "Pooled t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
    mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x , digits = 2))) |>
    gt() |>
    tab_header(title = "Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble",
               subtitle = "with 90% Pooled t-based Confidence Interval") |>
    tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat4), " NHANES Participants in Fair Health in nh432 d
```

Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble with 90% Pooled t-based Confidence Interval

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Pooled t	p.value	method
-5.98	-8.27	-3.70	-4.31	0.00	Two Sample t-test

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3.9.4 Welch t test (doesn't assume equal variance) via t.test

```
tt4w <- t.test(WAIST ~ SLPTROUB, data = dat4, conf.level = 0.90)</pre>
  tt4w
    Welch Two Sample t-test
data: WAIST by SLPTROUB
t = -4.2919, df = 653.24, p-value = 2.04e-05
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group 0 and group 1 is not equal to
90 percent confidence interval:
 -8.279237 -3.686759
sample estimates:
mean in group 0 mean in group 1
       104.7099
                       110.6929
  tidy(tt4w, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
    select(estimate, low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
            "Welch t" = statistic, p.value, method) |>
    mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 2))) |>
    gt() |>
    tab_header(title = "Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble",
               subtitle = "with 90% Welch t-based Confidence Interval") |>
    tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat4), " NHANES Participants in Fair Health in nh432 d
```

Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble with 90% Welch t-based Confidence Interval

estimate	low.90	hi.90	Welch t	p.value	method
-5.98	-8.28	-3.69	-4.29	0.00	Welch Two Sample t-test

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#### 3.9.5 Bootstrap comparison of WAIST by SLPTROUB

```
set.seed(4324)
  bs4 <- boot.t.test(WAIST ~ SLPTROUB, data = dat4,</pre>
                      R = 999, conf.level = 0.90)
  bs4
    Bootstrap Welch Two Sample t-test
data: WAIST by SLPTROUB
number of bootstrap samples: 999
bootstrap p-value < 0.001001</pre>
bootstrap difference of means (SE) = -5.991814 (1.389937)
90 percent bootstrap percentile confidence interval:
-8.207833 -3.747965
Results without bootstrap:
t = -4.2919, df = 653.24, p-value = 2.04e-05
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
90 percent confidence interval:
 -8.279237 -3.686759
sample estimates:
mean in group 0 mean in group 1
       104.7099
                       110.6929
  tidy(bs4, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
    mutate(diff = estimate1 - estimate2) |>
    select(est1 = estimate1, est2 = estimate2, diff,
           low.90 = conf.low, hi.90 = conf.high,
           p.value, method) |>
    mutate(across(.cols = -method, \(x) num(x, digits = 2))) |>
    gt() |>
    tab_header(title = "Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble",
               subtitle = "with 90% Bootstrap Confidence Interval") |>
    tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(dat4), " NHANES Participants in Fair Health in nh432 d
```

#### Waist Circumference by Sleep Trouble with 90% Bootstrap Confidence Interval

est1	est2	diff	low.90	hi.90	p.value	method
104.71	110.69	-5.98	-8.28	-3.69	0.00	Bootstrap Welch Two Sample t-test

734 NHANES Participants in Fair Health in nh432 data

#### 3.9.6 Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney Rank Sum Approach

The Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney rank sum approach also allows us (like the bootstrap) to avoid the assumptions of Normality and equal population variances, but at the cost of no longer yielding direct inference about the population mean.

Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction

Note that the estimated "difference in location" here is **not** the difference in the medians across the two groups, but instead the median of the difference between a sample from the SLPTROUB = Yes group and a sample from the SLPTROUB = No group.

Just to prove my point, here are the sample median WAIST results in the two SLPTROUB groups. You can see that the difference between these medians does not match the "difference in location" estimate from the Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney rank sum output.

dat4 |> group\_by(SLPTROUB) |> summarise(median(WAIST))

In conclusion, the confidence intervals (from any of these approaches) suggest that plausible means of waist circumference are around 3-8 centimeters larger in the "told Dr. about sleep problems" group, which I suppose isn't especially surprising, at least in terms of its direction.

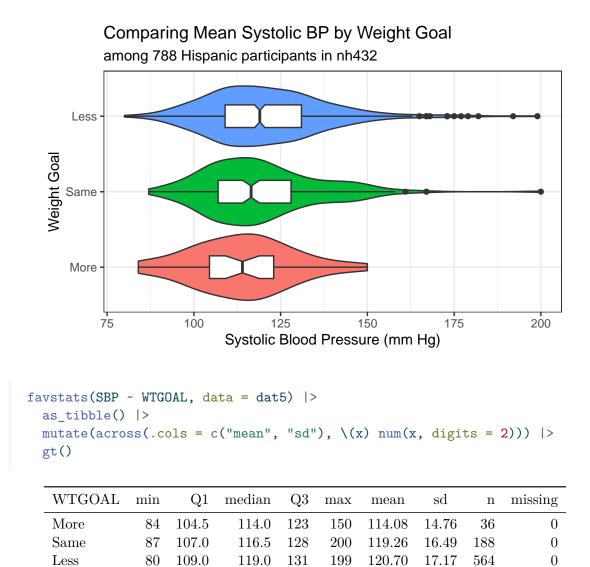
# 3.10 Comparing 3 Means using Independent Samples: Systolic BP by Weight Goal

We'll compare systolic blood pressure means across the three samples defined by WTGOAL (goal is to weigh more, less or stay about the same), restricting to our participants of Hispanic or Latinx ethnicity in **nh432**.

```
dat5 <- nh432 |>
  select(SEQN, RACEETH, SBP, WTGOAL) |>
  filter(RACEETH == "Hispanic") |>
  drop_na()
```

#### 3.10.1 Summarizing SBP by WTGOAL

```
ggplot(dat5, aes(x = SBP, y = WTGOAL)) +
geom_violin(aes(fill = WTGOAL)) +
geom_boxplot(width = 0.3, notch = TRUE) +
guides(fill = "none") +
labs(title = "Comparing Mean Systolic BP by Weight Goal",
        subtitle = glue("among ", nrow(dat5), " Hispanic participants in nh432"),
x = "Systolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg)", y = "Weight Goal")
```



The analysis of variance is our primary tool for comparing more than two means (this is the extension of the pooled t test, with similar assumptions.) So the assumptions we might want to think about here are:

- SBP in each Weight Goal group is assumed to follow a Normal distribution
- SBP in each Weight Goal group is assumed to have the same population variance

The ANOVA, however, is far more robust to minor violations of these assumptions than is the pooled t test. So we might go ahead and fit the ANOVA model anyway, despite the apparent right skew in the "Less" group.

A small p value (remember we are using 90% confidence in our 432 work) like this isn't really very important - usually it simply steers us towards trying to identify confidence intervals for differences between pairs of SBP means defined by WTGOAL.

#### 3.10.2.1 ANOVA without assuming Equal Variances?

R will also fit an ANOVA-style model and produce a p value without the assumption of equal population SBP variance across the three groups of WTGOAL.

```
oneway.test(SBP ~ WTGOAL, data = dat5)
```

One-way analysis of means (not assuming equal variances)

```
data: SBP and WTGOAL
F = 3.5255, num df = 2.000, denom df = 93.753, p-value = 0.0334
```

I don't use this approach much, as ANOVA is pretty robust to the assumption of equal variance. The huge differences in sample size in this study (many more participants are in the Less group than the More, for instance) are most of the cause of the difference we see here.

#### 3.10.2.2 Testing for Equal Population Variance?

Some people like to perform tests for equal population variance to help choose between ANOVA and the **oneway.test()** approach, but I do not. If I'm happy with the assumption of Normality, I virtually always just use ANOVA. There are many such tests of "equal variance", including:

- Bartlett's test
- Levene's test (which in R comes from the **car** package)
- Fligner-Killeen test

Bartlett's test is the least reliable of these when the data in at least one sample appear to be poorly described by the Normal distribution. Either Levene or Fligner-Killeen is a better choice in that setting, but again, I don't use any of these in my work.

```
bartlett.test(SBP ~ WTGOAL, data = dat5)
Bartlett test of homogeneity of variances
data: SBP by WTGOAL
Bartlett's K-squared = 1.6722, df = 2, p-value = 0.4334
leveneTest(SBP ~ WTGOAL, data = dat5)
Levene's Test for Homogeneity of Variance (center = median)
        Df F value Pr(>F)
group 2 0.6557 0.5193
        785
fligner.test(SBP ~ WTGOAL, data = dat5)
Fligner-Killeen test of homogeneity of variances
```

data: SBP by WTGOAL
Fligner-Killeen:med chi-squared = 1.26, df = 2, p-value = 0.5326

#### 3.10.2.3 Is there a bootstrap one-way ANOVA approach?

If all you are looking for is a p value for the ANOVA model, then yes, there is a bootstrap approach available to perform one-way ANOVA testing. But I don't actually use it, again usually preferring the usual ANOVA if the data seem reasonably likely to have been drawn from a Normal distribution, and the Kruskal-Wallis rank-based test otherwise. If you are willing to install the lmboot package, and use its ANOVA.boot() function, you can do so, like this.

```
bs5 <- ANOVA.boot(SBP ~ WTGOAL, B = 1000, seed = 4325, data = dat5)
bs5$`p-value`</pre>
```

[1] 0.052

In this case, it doesn't seem that we have a wildly different result than we got from the original ANOVA. That is often the case, and I have never actually used ANOVA.boot() in practical work.

#### 3.10.3 Tukey HSD Pairwise Comparisons

When pairwise comparisons are pre-planned, especially when the design is close to balanced, my favorite choice for generating adjusted inferences about the means is Tukey's Honestly Significant Differences (HSD) approach.

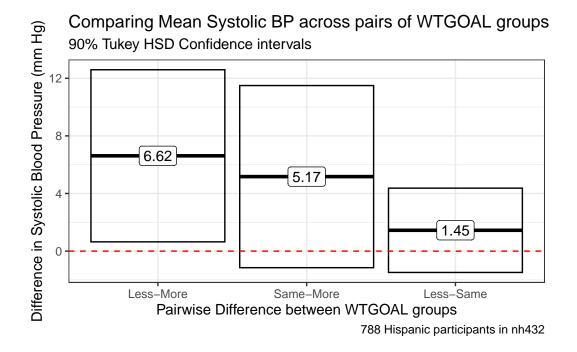
Here, we generate confidence intervals for the pairwise differences in the SBP means by WT-GOAL group with a 90% family-wise confidence level.

contrast	estimate	conf.low	$\operatorname{conf.high}$	adj.p.value
Less-More	6.617	0.642	12.592	0.060
Same-More	5.172	-1.151	11.495	0.213
Less-Same	1.445	-1.482	4.372	0.568

Comparing Mean Systolic BP across pairs of WTGOAL groups 90% Tukey HSD Confidence Intervals

788 Hispanic participants in nh432

```
tidy(th5) |>
mutate(contrast = fct_reorder(contrast, estimate, .desc = TRUE)) %>%
ggplot(., aes(x = contrast, y = estimate, ymin = conf.low, ymax = conf.high)) +
geom_crossbar() +
geom_hline(yintercept = 0, col = "red", linetype = "dashed") +
geom_label(aes(label = round_half_up(estimate, 2))) +
labs(title = "Comparing Mean Systolic BP across pairs of WTGOAL groups",
    subtitle = "90% Tukey HSD Confidence intervals",
    caption = glue(nrow(dat5), " Hispanic participants in nh432"),
    x = "Pairwise Difference between WTGOAL groups",
    y = "Difference in Systolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg)")
```



The main problems here are that:

- the sample sizes in the various levels of WTGOAL are very different from one another, and
- the SBP data are not especially well-described by a Normal distribution, at least in the "Less" group.

#### 3.10.4 Holm pairwise comparisons of means

Another approach to developing pairwise inferences would be to use either Bonferroni or (my preference) Holm-adjusted p values for the relevant t tests. First, we'll run the appropriate Holm comparison of means assuming equal population variances of SBP across all three WTGOAL groups.

```
ht5 <- pairwise.t.test(dat5$SBP, dat5$WTGOAL, pool.sd = TRUE, p.adjust.method = "holm")
tidy(ht5) |>
gt()
```

```
        group1
        group2
        p.value

        Same
        More
        0.18625400

        Less
        More
        0.06929224

        Less
        Same
        0.31056211
```

The results are merely p-values, and not confidence intervals. There's nothing being estimated here of interest. We can also perform these Holm comparisons without assuming equal population variances, as shown below.

group1	$\operatorname{group2}$	p.value
Same	More	0.12866665
Less	More	0.04046259
Less	Same	0.30396220

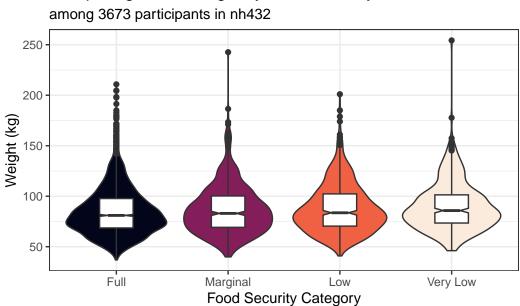
Again, the problem with this approach is that it's only producing a p value, which tempts us into talking about useless things like "statistical significance." This is part of the reason I prefer Tukey HSD approaches when appropriate.

# 3.11 Comparing 4 Means using Independent Samples: Weight by Food Security

```
dat6 <- nh432 |>
   select(SEQN, WEIGHT, FOODSEC) |>
   drop_na()
```

# 3.11.1 Summarizing the Data

```
ggplot(dat6, aes(x = FOODSEC, y = WEIGHT)) +
geom_violin(aes(fill = FOODSEC)) +
geom_boxplot(width = 0.3, notch = TRUE) +
guides(fill = "none") +
scale_fill_viridis_d(option = "rocket") +
labs(title = "Comparing Mean Weight by Food Security",
    subtitle = glue("among ", nrow(dat6), " participants in nh432"),
x = "Food Security Category", y = "Weight (kg)")
```



Comparing Mean Weight by Food Security

```
favstats(WEIGHT ~ FOODSEC, data = dat6) |>
    as_tibble() |>
    mutate(across(.cols = -c("FOODSEC", "n", "missing"), \(x) num(x, digits = 1))) |>
    gt()
```

FOODSEC	$\min$	Q1	median	Q3	max	mean	$\operatorname{sd}$	n	missing
Full	36.9	68.6	81.0	97.7	210.8	85.2	24.5	2233	0
Marginal	39.9	69.2	83.0	100.2	242.6	87.0	25.0	560	0
Low	40.9	70.4	83.6	102.3	201.0	88.2	24.6	501	0
Very Low	46.1	73.4	85.8	101.3	254.3	90.1	24.4	379	0

#### 3.11.2 Fitting the ANOVA model

m6 <- lm(WEIGHT ~ FOODSEC, data = dat6)
anova(m6)
Analysis of Variance Table</pre>

Response: WEIGHT Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F) FOODSEC 3 10021 3340.3 5.525 0.0008786 \*\*\* Residuals 3669 2218162 604.6 ---Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Does the bootstrap ANOVA give a meaningfully different result? No.

```
bs6 <- ANOVA.boot(WEIGHT ~ FOODSEC, B = 5000, seed = 4326, data = dat6)
bs6$`p-value`</pre>
```

[1] 8e-04

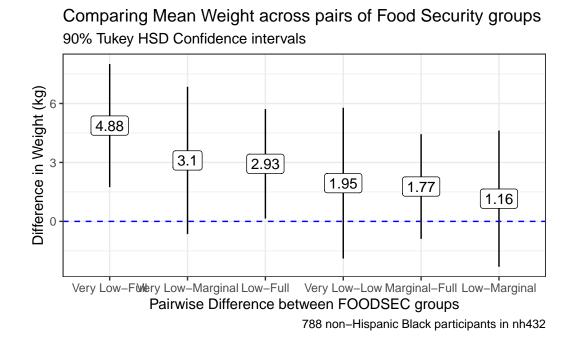
#### 3.11.3 Tukey HSD Pairwise Comparisons

Comparing Mean Weight across pairs of Food Security groups 90% Tukey HSD Confidence Intervals

contrast	estimate	conf.low	$\operatorname{conf.high}$	adj.p.value
Very Low-Full	4.877	1.746	8.008	0.002
Very Low-Marginal	3.103	-0.646	6.851	0.229
Low-Full	2.930	0.144	5.717	0.075
Very Low-Low	1.946	-1.891	5.783	0.650
Marginal-Full	1.774	-0.889	4.438	0.422
Low-Marginal	1.156	-2.310	4.622	0.870

3673 participants in nh432

```
tidy(th6) |>
mutate(contrast = fct_reorder(contrast, estimate, .desc = TRUE)) %>%
ggplot(., aes(x = contrast, y = estimate, ymin = conf.low, ymax = conf.high)) +
geom_pointrange() +
geom_hline(yintercept = 0, col = "blue", linetype = "dashed") +
geom_label(aes(label = round_half_up(estimate, 2))) +
labs(title = "Comparing Mean Weight across pairs of Food Security groups",
    subtitle = "90% Tukey HSD Confidence intervals",
    caption = glue(nrow(dat5), " non-Hispanic Black participants in nh432"),
    x = "Pairwise Difference between FOODSEC groups",
    y = "Difference in Weight (kg)")
```



#### 3.11.4 Kruskal-Wallis Test

When the assumption of Normality is really unreasonable, many people (including me) will instead use a rank-based method, called the Kruskal-Wallis test to compare the locations of WEIGHT across levels of FOODSEC.

kruskal.test(WEIGHT ~ FOODSEC, data = dat6)

Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test

data: WEIGHT by FOODSEC
Kruskal-Wallis chi-squared = 21.102, df = 3, p-value = 0.0001003

#### 3.11.5 Dunn Test for Pairwise Comparisons after Kruskal-Wallis Test

Should you develop a Kruskal-Wallis test result which implies that running a set of pairwise comparisons is important, I would suggest the use of the Dunn test, available in the dunn\_test() function from the rstatix package.

Dunn Tests comparing WEIGHT by FOODSEC Pairwise Comparisons after Kruskal-Wallis test

group1	group2	p.adj	n1	n2	estimate1	estimate2	estimate
Full	Marginal	0.269	2233	560	1780.595	1865.621	85.026
Full	Low	0.049	2233	501	1780.595	1916.147	135.551
Full	Very Low	0.000	2233	379	1780.595	2022.412	241.816
Marginal	Low	0.438	560	501	1865.621	1916.147	50.525
Marginal	Very Low	0.105	560	379	1865.621	2022.412	156.790
Low	Very Low	0.282	501	379	1916.147	2022.412	106.265

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Again, a problem with this approach is that all it provides is a set of adjusted p values for these comparisons, but if we're not willing to assume even very approximate Normality (and thus use an ANOVA approach) this is what we'll have to cope with.

# 4 431 Review: Comparing Rates

In this Chapter, we will review some key issues about comparing proportions or rates, mostly drawn from the 431 course. This and the other Chapters labeled "431 Review" show elements of the two studies involved in a "431 Project B" using the pre-pandemic (2017 - March 2020) data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) called **nh432** that we developed in Chapter 1 and then summarized in Chapter 2. Note that we'll ignore the issue of sampling weights and assume a "missing completely at random" (MCAR) mechanism in these "431 Review" chapters, so that we can work with complete cases.

The 431 course notes are at https://thomaselove.github.io/431-notes/ and will remain there until June 1.

## 4.1 R Setup

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(DescTools)
library(Epi)
library(gt)
library(Hmisc)
library(vcd)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 4.1.1 Data Load

nh432 <- read\_rds("data/nh432.Rds")</pre>

# 4.2 2x2 Contingency Table: DR\_LOSE and NOWLOSE

Let's compare the probability that NOWLOSE is 1 (The subject is currently working on losing or controlling their body weight) between NHANES participants who have (vs. who have not) been told by a doctor to lose or control their weight in the past 12 months (DR\_LOSE). Each of these (DR\_LOSE and NOWLOSE) is stored in R as a numeric variable with non-missing values equal to 0 or 1.

```
temp <- nh432 |>
  select(SEQN, DR_LOSE, NOW_LOSE) |>
  drop_na()
```

As with any categorical variable, we start by counting, and the natural way to display the counts of these two variables (DR\_LOSE and NOW\_LOSE) is in a table, rather than a graph, I think.

```
temp |>
  tabyl(DR_LOSE, NOW_LOSE) |>
  adorn_totals(where = c("row", "col")) |>
  adorn_title()
```

	NOW_LOSE		
DR_LOSE	0	1	Total
0	1198	1541	2739
1	246	943	1189
Total	1444	2484	3928

Now that we have a 2x2 table, we could consider obtaining some more detailed summary statistics, with a tool like the twoby2() function in the **Epi** package. There is a problem with this, though.

twoby2(temp\$DR\_LOSE, temp\$NOW\_LOSE)

 1 246 943 0.2069 0.1848 0.2309

95% conf. interval Relative Risk: 2.1140 1.8766 2.3815 Sample Odds Ratio: 2.9801 2.5412 3.4949 Conditional MLE Odds Ratio: 2.9793 2.5350 3.5096 Probability difference: 0.2305 0.2002 0.2594 Exact P-value: 0.0000 Asymptotic P-value: 0.0000 \_\_\_\_\_

The code runs fine, but the table isn't really in a useful format. This table shows the probability that NOWLOSE = 0 ("No") comparing  $DR\_LOSE = 0$  ("No") to  $DR\_LOSE = 1$  ("Yes"), and that's just confusing.

It would be much better if we did two things:

- 1. used factors with meaningful labels to represent the 1/0 variables for this table
- 2. set up the table in standard epidemiological format, and then made a better choice as to what combination should be in the top left of the 2x2 table.

So let's do that.

#### 4.2.1 Standard Epidemiological Format

Standard Epidemiological Format for a 2x2 table places the exposure in the rows, and the outcome in the columns, with the top left representing the combination of interest when we obtain things like an odds ratio or probability difference. Typically this means we want to put the "Yes" and "Yes" combination in the top left.

First, let's create factor versions (with more meaningful labels than 1 and 0) out of the two variables of interest: DR\_LOSE and NOW\_LOSE.

```
dat1 <- nh432 |>
select(SEQN, DR_LOSE, NOW_LOSE) |>
drop_na() |>
mutate(DR_LOSE_f = fct_recode(factor(DR_LOSE), "Dr_said_Lose_Wt" = "1", No = "0"),
DR_LOSE_f = fct_relevel(DR_LOSE_f, "Dr_said_Lose_Wt", "No"),
NOW_LOSE_f = fct_recode(factor(NOW_LOSE), "Now_losing_Wt" = "1", No = "0"),
NOW_LOSE_f = fct_relevel(NOW_LOSE_f, "Now_losing_Wt", "No"))
```

Note that after recoding the levels to more meaningful labels, we also re-leveled the factors so that the "Yes" result comes first rather than last.

This produces the following table, which is now in standard epidemiological format, where we are using the DR\_LOSE\_f information to predict NOW\_LOSE\_f.

```
dat1 |>
  tabyl(DR_LOSE_f, NOW_LOSE_f) |>
  adorn_totals(where = c("row", "col")) |>
  adorn_title()
```

	NOW_LOSE_f					
DR_LOSE_f	Now_losing_Wt	No	Total			
Dr_said_Lose_Wt	943	246	1189			
No	1541	1198	2739			
Total	2484	1444	3928			

We could, I suppose, make the table even prettier.

```
DR_LOSE vs. NOW_LOSE
Standard Epidemiological Format
```

	Currently Losing		
Dr said Lose Weight?	Now_losing_Wt	No	Total
Dr_said_Lose_Wt	943	246	1189
No	1541	1198	2739
Total	2484	1444	3928

#### 4.2.2 Obtaining Key Summaries with twoby2()

And, finally, we can obtain necessary summaries (including estimates and confidence intervals) using the twoby2() function.

twoby2(dat1\$DR\_LOSE\_f, dat1\$NOW\_LOSE\_f, conf.level = 0.90)

2 by 2 table analysis: -------: Now\_losing\_Wt Outcome Comparing : Dr\_said\_Lose\_Wt vs. No Now\_losing\_Wt P(Now\_losing\_Wt) 90% conf. interval No 943 246 Dr\_said\_Lose\_Wt 0.7931 0.7731 0.8118 1541 1198 No 0.5626 0.5470 0.5781 90% conf. interval Relative Risk: 1.4097 1.3586 1.4627 2.6071 3.4065 Sample Odds Ratio: 2.9801 Conditional MLE Odds Ratio: 2.9793 2.5998 3.4195 Probability difference: 0.2305 0.2052 0.2548 Exact P-value: 0.0000 Asymptotic P-value: 0.0000

Some brief descriptions of these results:

- The probability that a participant is now losing weight (NOW\_LOSE is 1) is estimated to be 0.79 (with 90% CI 0.77, 0.81) if the participant has been told to lose weight by a doctor in the past 12 months (DR\_LOSE = 1), but only 0.56 (with 90% CI 0.55, 0.58) if the participant has not been told this.
- The relative risk of a participant now losing weight is estimated to be  $\frac{0.7931}{0.5626} = 1.41$  (with 90% CI 1.36, 1.46) for a participant who has been told to lose weight vs. a participant who has not.
- The odds of a participant now losing weight are  $\frac{0.7931(1-0.5626)}{0.5626(1-0.7931)} = 2.98$  times as high for a participant who has been told to lose weight than for one who has not, with 90% CI (2.61, 3.41).
- The difference in probability is estimated to be 0.7931 0.5626 = 0.2305 (90% CI: 0.21, 0.25), indicating again that the true probability of now losing weight is higher in participants who have been told to lose weight than in those who have not.

The "exact" p-value listed comes from the Fisher exact test, while the "asymptotic" p-value comes from a Pearson  $\chi^2$  (chi-squared) test. I would focus on the meaningful estimates (those with confidence intervals) in making comparisons, rather than on trying to determine "statistical significance" with the p-values.

## 4.3 2x2 Table: SEDATE category and NOW\_EXER

Let's now look at another example, where we compare the probability that a participant is "now exercising" (NOW\_EXER = 1) on the basis of their level of sedentary activity in a typical day (collected in the SEDATE variable, in minutes.)

```
dat2 <- nh432 |>
   select(SEQN, SEDATE, NOW_EXER) |>
   drop_na()
 summary(dat2 |> select(-SEQN))
    SEDATE
                    NOW_EXER
Min. :
          2.0
                 Min.
                        :0.0000
1st Qu.: 180.0
                 1st Qu.:0.0000
                Median :1.0000
Median : 300.0
                        :0.6019
Mean
     : 332.8
                 Mean
```

Max.

3rd Qu.: 480.0

Max.

:1320.0

As you can see above, the information in SEDATE is quantitative, and suppose we want to compare a High SEDATE group vs. a Low SEDATE group.

#### 4.3.1 Creating a Low and High Group on SEDATE

3rd Qu.:1.0000

:1.0000

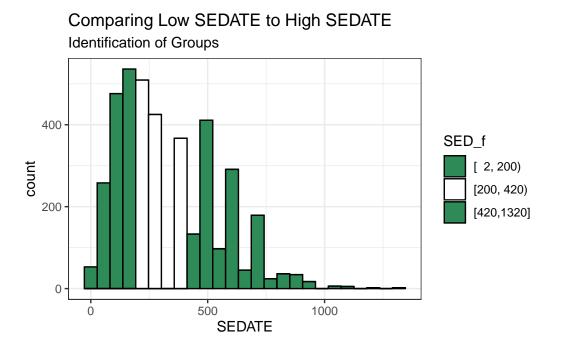
We can use the cut2() function from the **Hmisc** package to partition the data by the SEDATE variable into three groups of equal sample size. At the same time, we'll make NOW\_EXER into a more useful (for tabulation) factor with more meaningful level descriptions.

As you can see, we now have three groups defined by their SEDATE values, of roughly equal sample sizes.

dat2 |> tabyl(SED\_f)
 SED\_f n percent
[ 2, 200) 1323 0.3387097
[200, 420) 1301 0.3330773
[420,1320] 1282 0.3282130

The group labeled [2, 200) contains the 1323 subjects who had SEDATE values ranging from 2 up to (but not including) 200 minutes, for example.

```
ggplot(dat2, aes(x = SEDATE)) +
geom_histogram(aes(fill = SED_f), col = "black", bins = 25) +
scale_fill_manual(values = c("seagreen", "white", "seagreen")) +
labs(title = "Comparing Low SEDATE to High SEDATE",
            subtitle = "Identification of Groups")
```



Now, we want to compare the Lowest SEDATE group (SED\_F = [2, 200)) to the Highest SEDATE group (SED\_F = [420, 1320]). To do that, we'll drop the middle group, and then look

at the cross-tabulation of our two remaining SEDATE groups with our outcome: NOW\_EXER (in factor form.)

```
dat2 <- dat2 |>
  filter(SED_f != "[200, 420)") |>
  mutate(SED_f = fct_drop(SED_f))

dat2 |> tabyl(SED_f, NOW_EXER_f)

  SED_f Now_exercising No
[ 2, 200) 776 547
[420,1320] 789 493
```

#### 4.3.2 Two-by-Two Table Summaries

Let's look at the analytic results for this table.

```
twoby2(dat2$SED_f, dat2$NOW_EXER_f)
```

```
2 by 2 table analysis:
_____
                      ------
Outcome : Now_exercising
Comparing : [ 2, 200) vs. [420,1320]
          Now_exercising No
                              P(Now_exercising) 95% conf. interval
[ 2, 200)
                   776 547
                                        0.5865
                                                 0.5598
                                                          0.6128
[420, 1320]
                    789 493
                                        0.6154
                                                 0.5885
                                                          0.6417
                                 95% conf. interval
           Relative Risk: 0.9530
                                   0.8952
                                            1.0146
        Sample Odds Ratio: 0.8864
                                   0.7577
                                            1.0371
Conditional MLE Odds Ratio: 0.8865
                                   0.7553
                                            1.0403
   Probability difference: -0.0289
                                   -0.0664
                                            0.0087
           Exact P-value: 0.1388
       Asymptotic P-value: 0.1322
                                      _____
```

Uh, oh. There's a bit of a problem here now. We have the right rows and the right columns, but they're not in the best possible order, since the estimated probability of Now Exercising

for the group on top (SED = [2, 200)) is smaller than it is for the people in the high group in terms of sedentary activity As a result of this problem with ordering, our relative risk and odds ratio estimates are less than 1, and our probability difference is negative.

#### 4.3.3 Flipping Levels

Since which exposure goes at the top is an arbitrary decision, let's switch the factor levels in SED\_f, so that the people with high sedentary activity and who are now exercising are shown in the top left cell of the table. This should flip the point estimates of the relative risk and odds ratio above 1, and the estimated probability difference to a positive number. Note the use of the fct\_rev() function from the forcats package to accomplish this.

```
dat2 <- dat2 |>
    mutate(SED_f = fct_rev(SED_f))
  dat2 |> tabyl(SED_f, NOW_EXER_f) |>
    adorn_totals(where = c("row", "col")) |>
    adorn_title()
               NOW_EXER_f
     SED f Now exercising
                           No Total
 [420,1320]
                      789
                           493
                               1282
 [ 2, 200)
                      776 547
                               1323
                     1565 1040
     Total
                                2605
  twoby2(dat2$SED f, dat2$NOW EXER f, conf.level = 0.90)
2 by 2 table analysis:
_____
                        Outcome
       : Now_exercising
Comparing : [420,1320] vs. [ 2, 200)
          Now_exercising No
                                P(Now_exercising) 90% conf. interval
[420,1320]
                     789 493
                                          0.6154
                                                    0.5929
                                                             0.6375
[ 2, 200)
                     776 547
                                          0.5865
                                                    0.5641
                                                             0.6086
                                 90% conf. interval
            Relative Risk: 1.0493
                                    0.9956
                                             1.1059
        Sample Odds Ratio: 1.1281
                                    0.9889
                                             1.2869
Conditional MLE Odds Ratio: 1.1281
                                    0.9858
                                             1.2910
```

```
Probability difference: 0.0289 -0.0027 0.0604
Exact P-value: 0.1388
Asymptotic P-value: 0.1322
```

We conclude now that the participants who were in the high SEDATION group (as compared to those in the low SEDATION group) had:

- a relative risk of 1.05 (90% CI: 0.995, 1.106) for Now exercising,
- a sample odds ratio of 1.13 (90% CI: 0.989, 1.287) for Now exercising,
- and probability for Now exercising that was 0.029 higher (-0.003, 0.060) than for those in the low SEDATION group.

# 4.4 A Larger (5x3) 2-Way Table: DIETQUAL and WTGOAL in Lighter Men

Here, we'll look at Male participants who weighed less than 100 kg (approximately 220 pounds) and ask whether their DIETQUAL (diet quality: self-rated as Excellent to poor in 5 categories) response is associated with their response to WTGOAL (would you like to weigh more, about the same, or less than you do now: 3 categories.)

The resulting two-way contingency table includes 5 rows and 3 columns. We are interested in evaluating the relationship between the rows and the columns. It's called a two-way table because there are two categorical variables (DIETQUAL and WTGOAL) under study.

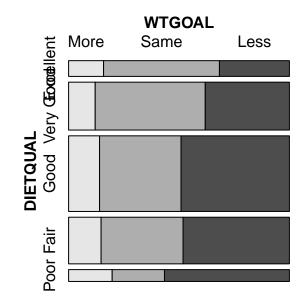
If the rows and columns were found to be *independent* of one another, this would mean that the probabilities of falling in each column do not change, regardless of what row of the table we look at.

If the rows and columns are *associated*, then the probabilities of falling in each column do depend on which row we're looking at.

```
dat3 <- nh432 |>
  select(SEQN, DIETQUAL, WTGOAL, WEIGHT, SEX) |>
  filter(WEIGHT < 100 & SEX == "Male") |>
  drop_na()
dat3 |>
  tabyl(DIETQUAL, WTGOAL)
```

DIEI	DIETQUAL		Same	Less
Excel	lent	16	53	32
Very	Good	37	153	117
	Good	68	179	238
	Fair	44	111	144
	Poor	15	18	43

If we want a graphical representation of a two-way table, the most common choice is probably a **mosaic plot**.

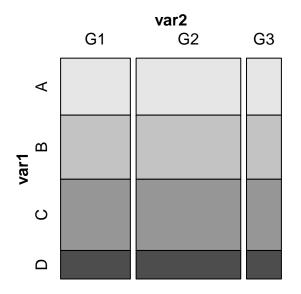


Larger observed frequencies in the contingency table show up with larger tile areas in the in the mosaic plot. So, for instance, we see the larger proportion of "less" WTGOAL in the "Poor" DIETQUAL category, as compared to most of the other DIETQUAL categories.

#### 4.4.1 What would independence look like?

A mosaic plot displaying perfect independence (using simulated data) might look something like this:

```
var1 <- c(rep("A", 48), rep("B", 54), rep("C", 60), rep("D", 24) )
var2 <- c( rep(c("G1", "G1", "G2", "G2", "G2", "G3"), 31) )
temp_tab <- tibble(var1, var2); rm(var1, var2)
vcd::mosaic(~ var1 + var2, data = temp_tab, highlighting = "var1")</pre>
```



Here's the table for our simulated data, where independence holds perfectly.

```
xtabs(~ var1 + var2, data = temp_tab)
var2
var1 G1 G2 G3
```

A 16 24 8 B 18 27 9 C 20 30 10 D 8 12 4

Note that in these simulated data, we have the same fraction of people in each of the four var1 categories (A, B, C, and D) regardless of which of the three var2 categories (G1, G2 and G3) we are in, and vice versa. That's what it means for rows and columns to be independent.

#### 4.4.2 Back to the DIETQUAL and WTGOAL table

Now, returning to our problem, to obtain detailed results from the Pearson  $\chi^2$  test, I use the xtabs() function and then the chisq.test() function, like this:

```
chi3 <- chisq.test(xtabs(~ DIETQUAL + WTGOAL, data = dat3))
chi3</pre>
```

Pearson's Chi-squared test

```
data: xtabs(~DIETQUAL + WTGOAL, data = dat3)
X-squared = 32.603, df = 8, p-value = 7.261e-05
```

The null hypothesis being tested here is that DIETQUAL and WTGOAL are independent of each other. A small p value like this is indicative of an association between the two variables.

The chi3 object we have created also contains:

- the observed frequencies in each cell, as well as
- the expected frequencies under the hypothesis of independence of the rows and the columns<sup>1</sup>, and
- the Pearson residuals (observed expected)/ $\sqrt{\text{expected}}$  for each cell, among other things.

chi3\$observed

WTGOAL						
DIETQUAL	More	Same	Less			
Excellent	16	53	32			
Very Good	37	153	117			
Good	68	179	238			
Fair	44	111	144			
Poor	15	18	43			

chi3\$expected

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The expected frequency for a call under independence is the total for the cell's row multiplied by the total for the cell's column, divided by the grand total for the whole table.

WTGOAL

DIETQUAL	More	Same	Less
Excellent	14.33754	40.94164	45.72082
Very Good	43.58044	124.44637	138.97319
Good	68.84858	196.60095	219.55047
Fair	42.44479	121.20347	135.35174
Poor	10.78864	30.80757	34.40379

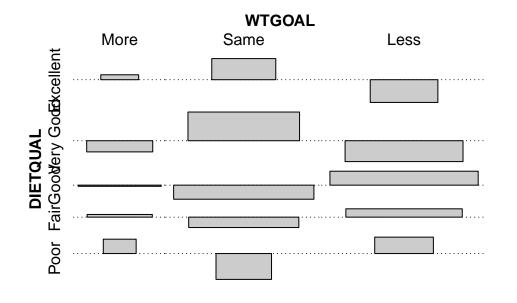
chi3\$residuals # Pearson residuals

Ţ	<b>J</b> TGOAL		
DIETQUAL	More	Same	Less
Excellent	0.4390501	1.8845411	-2.0291917
Very Good	-0.9968028	2.5595886	-1.8639211
Good	-0.1022694	-1.2552875	1.2451396
Fair	0.2387127	-0.9268093	0.7433564
Poor	1.2821492	-2.3074805	1.4655618

An **association plot** presents a graphical description of the Pearson residuals, with the area of each box shown proportional to the difference between the observed and expected frequencies.

- If the observed frequency of a cell is greater than the expectation under the hypothesis of independence, then the box rises above the baseline.
  - An example here is the (DIETQUAL = Very Good, WTGOAL = Same) which had an observed frequency of 153 but an expected frequency of 124.4, yielding the largest positive Pearson residual at 2.56.
- Boxes shown below the baseline indicate that the observed frequency was less than the expectation under the independence hypothesis.
  - The largest negative Pearson residual is the (DIETQUAL = Poor, WTGOAL = Same) cell, where we observed 18 observations but the independence model would predict 30.8, yielding a Pearson residual of -2.31.

vcd::assoc(~ DIETQUAL + WTGOAL, data = dat3)



Some people also like to calculate a correlation between categorical variables. If each of your categorical variables is ordinal (as in this case) then Kendall's tau (version b) is probably the best choice. As with a Pearson correlation for quantities, the value for this measure ranges from -1 to 1, with -1 indicating a strong negative correlation, and +1 a strong positive correlation, with 0 indicating no correlation.

To use this approach, though, we first have to be willing to treat our multi-categorical variables as if they were numeric, which may or may not be reasonable.

```
dat3 <- dat3 |>
   mutate(DIETQUAL_num = as.numeric(DIETQUAL))
 dat3 |> tabyl(DIETQUAL_num, DIETQUAL)
DIETQUAL_num Excellent Very Good Good Fair Poor
            1
                     101
                                  0
                                        0
                                             0
                                                   0
            2
                       0
                                307
                                             0
                                                   0
                                        0
            3
                       0
                                  0
                                     485
                                             0
                                                   0
            4
                       0
                                  0
                                        0
                                           299
                                                   0
            5
                       0
                                  0
                                        0
                                             0
                                                  76
```

```
dat3 <- dat3 |>
    mutate(WTGOAL_num = as.numeric(WTGOAL))
  dat3 |> tabyl(WTGOAL_num, WTGOAL)
WTGOAL_num More Same Less
          1
             180
                    0
                          0
          2
               0
                  514
                         0
          З
               0
                    0 574
  cor(dat3$DIETQUAL_num, dat3$WTGOAL_num, method = "kendall")
[1] 0.07193663
```

If you want to obtain a confidence interval for this correlation coefficient, then you would need to use the KendallTauB() function from the **DescTools** package.

KendallTauB(dat3\$DIETQUAL\_num, dat3\$WTGOAL\_num, conf.level = 0.90)

tau\_b lwr.ci upr.ci 0.07193663 0.03147130 0.11240196

Again, it's just a number, and not especially valuable.

# 4.5 PHQ9 Category and Race/Ethnicity

Let's look next at the association of race-ethnicity (RACEETH, which has 5 levels) and the depression category (minimal, mild, moderate, moderately severe, or severe) available in PHQ9\_CAT, which we derived from the PHQ-9 depression screener score. We'll restrict this small analysis to NHANES participants who did not receive care from a mental health provider (so MENTALH is 0) in the last 12 months.

```
temp <- nh432 |>
  select(SEQN, RACEETH, PHQ9_CAT, MENTALH) |>
  filter(MENTALH == 0) |>
  drop_na()
```

So here's our first attempt at a 5x5 table describing this association.

```
temp |>
tabyl(RACEETH, PHQ9_CAT)
```

RACEETH	minimal	mild	moderate	moderately	severe	severe
Non-H White	770	151	41		20	8
Non-H Black	668	143	34		13	1
Hispanic	581	133	36		12	5
Non-H Asian	428	49	11		1	1
Other Race	105	34	12		5	1

We note some very small observed frequencies, especially in the bottom right of the table. Should we try to run a Pearson  $\chi^2$  test on these results, we will generate a warning that the Chi-square approximation may be incorrect.

```
xtabs( ~ RACEETH + PHQ9_CAT, data = temp ) |>
    chisq.test()
```

Warning in stats::chisq.test(x, y,  $\ldots$ ): Chi-squared approximation may be incorrect

Pearson's Chi-squared test

data: xtabs(~RACEETH + PHQ9\_CAT, data = temp)
X-squared = 49.288, df = 16, p-value = 2.974e-05

#### 4.5.1 The Cochran conditions

R sets off this warning when the "Cochran conditions" are not met. The Cochran conditions require that we have:

- no cells with 0 counts
- at least 80% of the cells in our table with counts of 5 or higher
- expected counts in each cell of the table should be 5 or more

In our table, we have four cells with observed counts below 5 (all have count 1) and two more with observed counts of exactly 5. If we look at the expected frequencies under the hypothesis of independence, what do we see?

```
temp_chi <- xtabs( ~ RACEETH + PHQ9_CAT, data = temp ) |>
    chisq.test()
Warning in stats::chisq.test(x, y, ...): Chi-squared approximation may be
incorrect
```

temp\_chi\$expected

I	PHQ9_CAT					
RACEETH	minimal	mild	moderate	moderately	severe	severe
Non-H White	774.2813	154.73491	40.655838	15.	473491	4.8544284
Non-H Black	671.8259	134.25988	35.276126	13.	425988	4.2120748
Hispanic	599.8725	119.88048	31.498008	11.	988048	3.7609562
Non-H Asian	383.2302	76.58596	20.122587	7.	658596	2.4026969
Other Race	122.7901	24.53877	6.447441	2.	453877	0.7698437

Every cell in the "severe" category has an expected frequency below 5, and we also have some generally small counts, in the Non-Hispanic Asian and Other Race categories, as well as the "moderately severe" category.

#### 4.5.2 Collapsing Categories

So what might we do about this?

Let us consider two approaches that we'll use simultaneously:

- 1. drop two of the RACEETH groups, and just use the top 3 (Non-H White, Non-H Black and Hispanic) using filter()
- 2. collapse together the two right-most levels of PHQ9\_CAT (moderately severe and severe) into a new level which I'll call "More Severe", using fct\_lump\_n()

```
dat5 |>
tabyl(RACEETH, PHQ9_CAT)
```

RACEETH	minimal	mild	moderate	More	Severe
Non-H White	770	151	41		28
Non-H Black	668	143	34		14
Hispanic	581	133	36		17

Now, we have at least 14 participants in every cell of the table.

# 4.5.3 Pearson $\chi^2$ Analysis

Now, let's consider what the Pearson  $\chi^2$  test suggests.

```
tab5 <- xtabs(~ RACEETH + PHQ9_CAT, data = dat5)</pre>
```

tab5

	]	PHQ9_CAT				
RACEETH		minimal	mild	moderate	More	Severe
Non-H	White	770	151	41		28
Non-H	Black	668	143	34		14
Hispar	nic	581	133	36		17

chisq.test(tab5)

Pearson's Chi-squared test

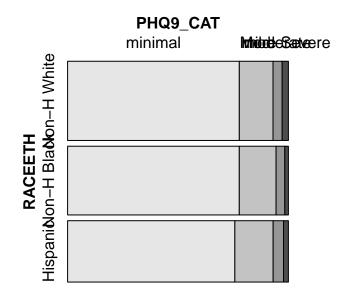
data: tab5
X-squared = 5.0157, df = 6, p-value = 0.5418

Now we have no warning, and notice also how large a change this has meant in terms of the p-value, as compared to our original  $\chi^2$  result.

# 4.5.4 Mosaic Plot

Here's a mosaic  $plot^2$  of the table.

vcd::mosaic(tab5, highlighting = "PHQ9\_CAT")



#### 4.5.5 Examining the Fit

We'll finish up with a look at the expected frequencies, and a table and association plot of the Pearson residuals.

```
chisq.test(tab5)$observed
```

	]	PHQ9_CAT				
RACEETH		minimal	mild	moderate	More	Severe
Non-H	White	770	151	41		28
Non-H	Black	668	143	34		14
Hispar	nic	581	133	36		17

<sup>2</sup>The **ggmosaic** package has a **geom\_mosaic()** tool for building such plots but its maintenance has been spotty in recent weeks.

# chisq.test(tab5)\$expected

# PHQ9\_CAT

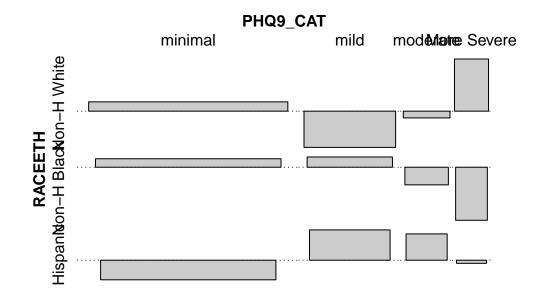
RACEETH	minimal	mild	moderate	More Severe
Non-H White	764.0711	161.5940	42.00688	22.32798
Non-H Black	662.9667	140.2114	36.44839	19.37347
Hispanic	591.9622	125.1946	32.54472	17.29855

# chisq.test(tab5)\$residuals

# PHQ9\_CAT

RACEETH	minimal	mild	moderate	More Severe
Non-H White	0.21449006	-0.83339100	-0.15535235	1.20036381
Non-H Black	0.19548040	0.23550271	-0.40554793	-1.22081874
Hispanic	-0.45055624	0.69759600	0.60567876	-0.07178083

## assoc(tab5)



# 5 431 Review: Fitting Linear Models

In this Chapter, we will review some key issues about comparing proportions or rates, mostly drawn from the 431 course. This and the other Chapters labeled "431 Review" show elements of the two studies involved in a "431 Project B" using the pre-pandemic (2017 - March 2020) data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) called **nh432** that we developed in Chapter 1 and then summarized in Chapter 2. Note that we'll ignore the issue of sampling weights and assume a "missing completely at random" (MCAR) mechanism in these "431 Review" chapters, so that we can work with complete cases.

The 431 course notes are at https://thomaselove.github.io/431-notes/ and will remain there until June 1.

# 5.1 R Setup

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(car)
library(GGally)
library(gt)
library(Hmisc)
library(hmitr)
library(patchwork)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 5.1.1 Data Load

```
nh432 <- read_rds("data/nh432.Rds")</pre>
```

# 5.2 Modeling Weekend Sleep Hours

In this example, we'll try to build an effective model to predict our outcome: average weekend hours of sleep (SLPWKEND) on the basis of four predictors:

- average weekday hours of sleep (SLPWKDAY)
- systolic blood pressure (SBP)
- PHQ-9 depression screener score (PHQ9), and
- whether or not the participant has mentioned trouble sleeping to a physician (SLP-TROUB)

We'll compare a model using all four of these predictors to a model using just the two directly related to sleep (SLPWKDAY and SLPTROUB), and we'll restrict our analysis to those participants whose self-reported overall health (SROH) was "Good".

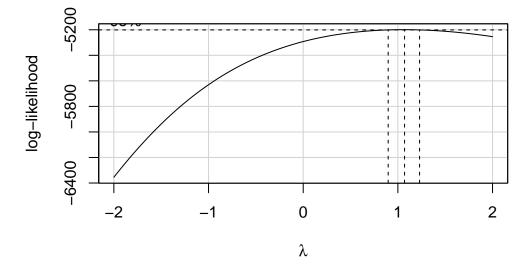
```
dat1 <- nh432 |>
    select(SEQN, SLPWKEND, SLPWKDAY, SBP, PHQ9, SLPTROUB, SROH) |>
    filter(SROH == "Good") |>
    drop_na()
  dat1
# A tibble: 1,293 x 7
   SEQN
          SLPWKEND SLPWKDAY
                                SBP
                                    PHQ9 SLPTROUB SROH
   <chr>
             <dbl>
                       <dbl> <dbl> <int>
                                              <dbl> <fct>
                         6.5
1 109273
                8
                                110
                                       15
                                                  1 Good
2 109293
                6.5
                         7.5
                                130
                                        3
                                                  0 Good
3 109295
                7
                         7
                                161
                                        0
                                                  1 Good
               6.5
4 109305
                         6
                                125
                                        0
                                                  0 Good
5 109307
              11
                         7.5
                                114
                                        0
                                                  0 Good
               5
                                123
6 109315
                         5
                                        1
                                                  0 Good
7 109336
               8
                         4
                                148
                                                  1 Good
                                        1
8 109342
               8
                         6.5
                                107
                                                  1 Good
                                       16
               9.5
9 109365
                         9.5
                                133
                                        7
                                                  0 Good
10 109378
               9
                         9
                                133
                                        0
                                                  0 Good
# i 1,283 more rows
```

#### 5.2.1 Should we transform our outcome?

We can develop a Box-Cox plot to help us choose between potential transformations of our outcome, so as to improve the adherence to regression assumptions. To do so, we first fit our larger model.

m1 <- lm(SLPWKEND ~ SLPWKDAY + SBP + PHQ9 + SLPTROUB, data = dat1)</pre>

boxCox(m1)



# Profile Log-likelihood

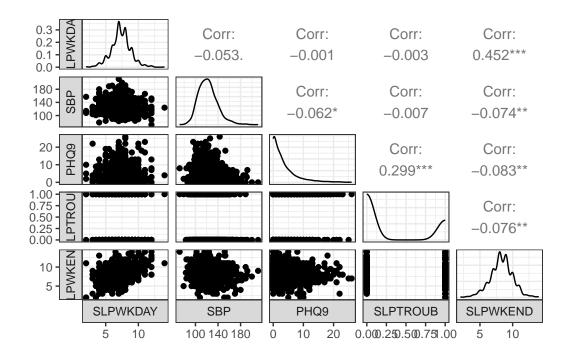
The Box-Cox suggested set of transformations centers near  $\lambda = 1$ . As we saw back in Chapter 3, The ladder of power transformations looks like this:

$\lambda$	Transformation	Formula
-2	inverse square	$1/y^{2}$
-1	inverse	1/y
-0.5	inverse square root	$1/\sqrt{y}$
0	logarithm	logy
0.5	square root	$\sqrt{y}$
1	no transformation	у
2	square	$y^2$

$\lambda$	Transformation	Formula
3	cube	$y^3$

So, in this case, the Box-Cox approach (again, with  $\lambda$  near 1) suggests that we leave the existing SLPWKEND outcome alone.

#### 5.2.2 Scatterplot Matrix



- The reason I included column 2 (our outcome: SLPWKEND) last in this plot is so that the bottom row would include each of our predictors plotted on the X (horizontal) axis against the outcome on the Y (vertical) axis, next to a density plot of the outcome.
- I also switched the locations of the facet labels on both the x and y axis from their defaults, so that the labels are to the left and below the plots, since I find that a bit easier to work with.
- The lower business is to avoid getting a warning about binwidths.
- The binary variable (SLPTROUB) is included here as a 1-0 numeric variable, rather than a factor, which is why the scatterplot matrix looks as it does, rather than creating a series of boxplots (as we'll see when we work with a factor later.)

#### 5.2.3 Collinearity?

In any multiple regression setting, two or more of the predictors might be highly correlated with one another, and this is referred to as multicollinearity or just collinearity. If we have a serious problem with collinearity, this can cause several problems, including difficulty fitting and interpreting the resulting model.

Is collinearity a serious concern in our situation? Looking at the scatterplot matrix, we see that the largest observed correlation between two predictors is between PHQ9 and SLPTROUB. Does that rise to the level of a problem?

I usually use the vif() function from the **car** package to help make this decision. The variance inflation factor (or VIF) measures how much the variance of a regression coefficient is inflated due to collinearity in the model. The smallest possible VIF value is 1, and VIFs near 1, as we'll see here, indicate no problems with collinearity worth worrying about.

vif(m1)

SLPWKDAY SBP PHQ9 SLPTROUB 1.002807 1.006778 1.102341 1.098187

Should we see a VIF (or generalized VIF, which is produced by the vif() function when we have factor variables in the model) above, say, 5, that would be an indication that the model would be improved by not including the variable that exhibits collinearity. Here, we have no such issues, and will proceed to fit the model including all of these predictors.

#### 5.2.4 Fitting and Displaying Model m1

Here are the coefficients obtained from fitting the model m1.

```
m1 <- lm(SLPWKEND ~ SLPWKDAY + SBP + PHQ9 + SLPTROUB, data = dat1)
m1
Call:
lm(formula = SLPWKEND ~ SLPWKDAY + SBP + PHQ9 + SLPTROUB, data = dat1)
Coefficients:
(Intercept) SLPWKDAY SBP PHQ9 SLPTROUB
5.26266 0.52661 -0.00560 -0.02945 -0.20813</pre>
```

If Harry and Sally have the same values of SLPWKDAY, SBP and SLPTROUB, but Harry's PHQ9 is one point higher than Sally's, then model m1 predicts that Harry will sleep 0.029 hours less than Sally on the weekends.

A summary of the regression model m1 provides lots of useful information about the parameters (including their standard errors) and the quality of fit (at least as measured by  $R^2$  and adjusted  $R^2$ .)

```
summary(m1)
Call:
lm(formula = SLPWKEND ~ SLPWKDAY + SBP + PHQ9 + SLPTROUB, data = dat1)
Residuals:
             1Q Median
    Min
                             3Q
                                    Max
-5.1173 -0.9609 -0.1005 0.9248
                                6.3659
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 5.262657
                        0.388427
                                 13.549
                                         < 2e-16 ***
SLPWKDAY
             0.526612
                        0.028950
                                 18.190
                                         < 2e-16 ***
SBP
            -0.005600
                       0.002515
                                 -2.227
                                         0.02613 *
PHQ9
            -0.029450
                        0.010955
                                 -2.688
                                         0.00727 **
SLPTROUB
            -0.208129
                        0.098758 -2.107 0.03527 *
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 1.554 on 1288 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.2171,
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.2147
F-statistic: 89.3 on 4 and 1288 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

#### 5.2.5 Using broom functions on Model m1

If we want to actually use the information in the model summary elsewhere, we use the tidy() and glance() functions from the **broom** package to help us.

```
tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 x 7
term estimate std.error statistic p.value conf.low conf.high
```

<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1 (Intercept)	5.26	0.388	13.5	3.41e-39	4.62	5.90
2 SLPWKDAY	0.527	0.0290	18.2	5.52e-66	0.479	0.574
3 SBP	-0.00560	0.00251	-2.23	2.61e- 2	-0.00974	-0.00146
4 PHQ9	-0.0294	0.0110	-2.69	7.27e- 3	-0.0475	-0.0114
5 SLPTROUB	-0.208	0.0988	-2.11	3.53e- 2	-0.371	-0.0456

We can produce a neater version of the tidy() output, produced using the gt() function, but I will just show the code here, since it causes trouble when I build a PDF of these Notes.

```
tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
mutate(across(.cols = -c(term), \(x) round_half_up(x, digits = 3))) |>
gt()
```

Note that none of the 90% confidence intervals here cross zero. This just means that we have a pretty good handle on the direction of effects - for example, our estimate for the slope of SLPWKDAY is positive, suggesting that people who sleep more during the week also sleep more on the weekend, after accounting for SBP, PHQ9 and SLPTROUB.

glance(m1)

```
# A tibble: 1 x 12
 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value
                                                       df logLik
                                                                          BIC
                                                                   AIC
      <dbl>
                    <dbl> <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                                              <dbl> <dbl>
                                                           <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1
      0.217
                    0.215 1.55
                                     89.3 4.93e-67
                                                        4 -2402. 4817. 4848.
# i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>
```

Model m1 shows an  $R^2$  value of 0.217, which means that 21.7% of the variation in our outcome SLPWKEND is accounted for by the model using SLPWKDAY, SBP, PHQ9 and SLPTROUBLE.

The adjusted  $R^2$  value isn't a percentage or proportion of anything, but it is a handy index when comparing two models fit to the same outcome for the same observations. It penalizes the raw  $R^2$  value for models that require more coefficients to be fit. If the raw  $R^2$  is much larger than the adjusted  $R^2$  value, this is also an indication that the model may be "overfit" - capitalizing on noise in the data more than we'd like, so that the amount of signal in the predictors may be overstated by raw  $R^2$ .

Here's a cleaner presentation of some of the more important elements in the glance() output:

```
glance(m1) |>
select(r2 = r.squared, adjr2 = adj.r.squared,
AIC, BIC, sigma, nobs, df, df.res = df.residual) |>
kable(digits = c(3, 3, 1, 1, 2, 0, 0, 0))
```

r2	adjr2	AIC	BIC	sigma	$\operatorname{nobs}$	df	df.res
0.217	0.215	4816.6	4847.6	1.55	1293	4	1288

- AIC and BIC are measures used to compare models for the same outcome using the same data, so we'll see those again when we fit a second model to these data. In those comparisons, smaller values of AIC and BIC indicate better fitting models.
- nobs is the number of observations used to actually fit our model m1,
- df indicates the number of degrees of freedom used by the model, and represents the number of estimated coefficients fit, while
- df.res = nobs df 1 = residual degrees of freedom.

#### 5.2.6 Residual Plots for Model m1

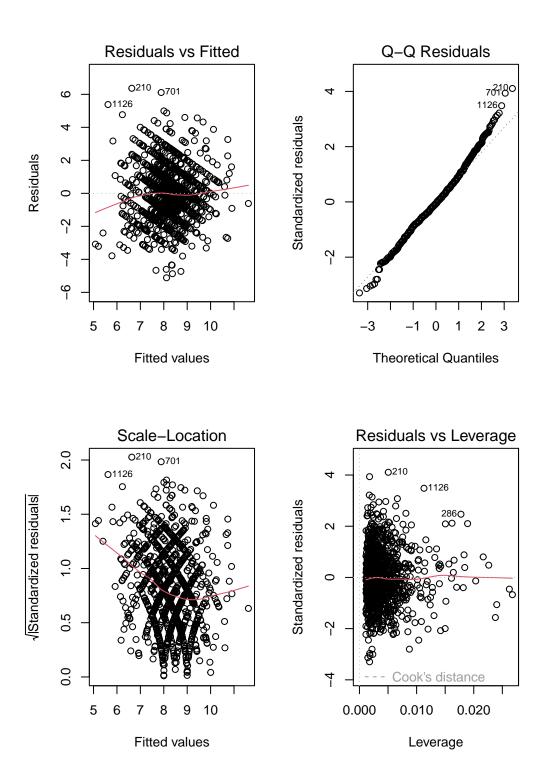
The key assumptions for a linear regression model include:

- 1. Linearity of the association under study
- 2. Normality of the residuals
- 3. Constant Variance (Homoscedasticity)
- 4. Independence (not an issue with cross-sectional data like this)

A residual for a point in a regression model is just the observed value of our outcome (here, SLPWKEND) minus the value predicted by the model based on the predictor values (also called the fitted value.)

The four key plots that R will generate for you to help assess these results are shown below for model m1.

```
## I used
## #/ fig.height: 8
## at the top of this code chunk
## to make the plots tall enough to see well
par(mfrow = c(2,2)); plot(m1); par(mfrow = c(1,1))
```



#### 5.2.6.1 Residuals vs. Fitted values

The top left plot (Residuals vs. Fitted Values) helps us to assess the linearity and constant variance assumptions.

- We want to see a "fuzzy football" shape.
- A clear curve is indicative of a problem with linearity, and suggests that perhaps a transformation of the outcome (or perhaps one or more predictors) may be in order
- A fan shape, with much more variation at one end of the fitted values (left or right) than the other indicates a problem with the constant variance assumption, and again a transformation may be needed.

The diagonal lines we see in the Residuals vs. Fitted plot are the result of the fact that both the outcome (SLPWKEND) and a key predictor (SLPWKDAYS) aren't really continuous in the data, as most of the responses to those questions were either integers, or used 0.5 as the fraction. So those two variables are more discrete than we might have expected.

#### 5.2.6.2 Normal Q-Q plot of standardized residuals

The top right plot (Normal Q-Q) is a Normal Q-Q plot of the standardized regression residuals for our model m1. Substantial issues with skew (a curve in the plot) or a major problem with outliers (as indicated by a reverse S-shape) indicate potential concerns with the Normality assumption. Since the y-axis here shows standardized residuals, we can also assess whether what we're seeing is especially surprising relative to our expectations for any standardized values (for example, we should see values above +3 or below -3 approximately 3 times in 1000).

- Remember that this plot represents **nobs** = 1293 residuals, so a few values near 3 in absolute value aren't surprising.
- We're looking for big deviations from Normality here.
- The plot() function in R will always identify three of the cases, by default, in these four plots.

Suppose we wanted to look at the data for case 210, identified by these plots as a potential outlier, or at least a poorly fit point.

```
dat1_aug <- augment(m1, data = dat1)
dat1_aug |> slice(210) |>
   select(SEQN, SLPWKEND, .fitted, .resid, .std.resid, everything())
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 13
 SEQN
         SLPWKEND .fitted .resid .std.resid SLPWKDAY
                                                          SBP
                                                               PHQ9 SLPTROUB SROH
            <dbl>
                     <dbl>
                            <dbl>
                                                                        <dbl> <fct>
  <chr>
                                        <dbl>
                                                  <dbl> <dbl> <int>
                      6.63
                             6.37
                                         4.11
                                                      4
                                                                            0 Good
1 111688
                13
                                                          126
                                                                   1
# i 3 more variables: .hat <dbl>, .sigma <dbl>, .cooksd <dbl>
```

We see that row 210 contains SEQN 111688, whose

- observed SLPWKEND is 13
- fitted SLPWKEND is 6.63
- yielding a residual of 6.37,
- or a standardized residual of 4.11

We can use the **outlierTest()** function in the **car** package to help assess whether this value is unusual enough to merit more careful consideration. This function actually works with the studentized residual, which is similar to the standardized residual we saw above. Here, this point (SEQN 111688) is fit poorly enough to be flagged by the Bonferroni outlier test as a mean-shift outlier.

outlierTest(m1)

```
rstudent unadjusted p-value Bonferroni p
210 4.131972 3.8289e-05 0.049508
```

Having seen that, though, I'm going to essentially ignore it for the moment, and press on to the rest of our residual analysis.

#### 5.2.6.3 Scale-Location plot

The bottom left plot in our set of four residual plots is the Scale-Location plot, which presents the square root of the standardized residuals against the fitted values. This plot provides another check on the "equal variance" assumption - if the plot shows a clear trend either up or down as we move left to right, then that indicates an issue with constant variance. While a loess smooth is provided (red curve) to help guide our thinking, it's important not to get too excited about small changes or changes associated with small numbers of observations.

You'll also note the presence of curves (in particular, little "V" shapes) formed by the points of the plot. Again, this is caused by the discrete nature of the outcome (and one of the key predictors) and wouldn't be evident if our outcome was more continuous.

Despite the drop in the red loess smooth as fitted values move from 5 to about 8, I don't see much of a pattern here to indicate trouble with non-constant variance.

#### 5.2.6.4 Residuals vs. Leverage plot

The bottom-left plot is a plot of residuals vs. leverage, with influence contours.

Highly leveraged points have unusual combinations of predictor values.

Highly influential points have a big impact on the model, in that the model's coefficients or quality of fit would change markedly were those points to be removed from the model. To measure influence, we combine leverage and residuals together, with a measure like Cook's distance.

- To look for points with substantial **leverage** on the model by virtue of having unusual values of the predictors - look for points whose leverage is at least 3 times as large as the average leverage value.
- The average leverage is always k/n, where k is the number of coefficients fit by the model (including the slopes and intercept), and n is the number of observations in the model.
- To obtain the leverage values, the augment() function stores them in .hat.
- To look for points with substantial **influence** on the model, that is, removing them from the model would change it substantially, consider the Cook's distance, plotted in contours here.
- Any Cook's distance point > 1 will likely have a substantial impact on the model.
- Any points with Cook's distance > 0.5, if any, will be indicated in the bottom-right (Residuals vs. Leverage) plot, and are worthy of investigation.
- In model m1, we have no points with values of Cook's distance > 0.5. To obtain the Cook's distance values for each point, use the augment() function, which stores them in .cooksd.

Here, for example, we identify the points with largest leverage and with largest Cook's distance, across the points used to fit m1.

```
dat1_aug <- augment(m1, data = dat1)</pre>
  dat1_aug |> slice_max(.hat) |>
    select(SEQN, .hat, .resid, .fitted, .cooksd, everything())
# A tibble: 1 x 13
 SEQN
           .hat .resid .fitted .cooksd SLPWKEND SLPWKDAY
                                                              SBP
                                                                   PHQ9 SLPTROUB
          <dbl>
                                   <dbl>
  <chr>
                 <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
                                                      <dbl> <dbl> <int>
                          <dbl>
                                                                            <dbl>
1 123474 0.0268 -1.03
                           8.03 0.00250
                                                7
                                                          8
                                                              126
                                                                      25
```

```
# i 3 more variables: SROH <fct>, .sigma <dbl>, .std.resid <dbl>
```

0

```
dat1_aug |> slice_max(.cooksd) |>
    select(SEQN, .hat, .resid, .fitted, .cooksd, everything())
# A tibble: 1 x 13
 SEQN
           .hat .resid .fitted .cooksd SLPWKEND SLPWKDAY
                                                             SBP
                                                                  PHQ9 SLPTROUB
  <chr>
          <dbl>
                 <dbl>
                          <dbl>
                                  <dbl>
                                           <dbl>
                                                     <dbl> <dbl> <int>
                                                                           <dbl>
1 122894 0.0113
                           5.62 0.0277
                                                         2
                                                                               0
                  5.38
                                              11
                                                             114
                                                                     2
# i 3 more variables: SROH <fct>, .sigma <dbl>, .std.resid <dbl>
```

It turns out that SEQN 123474 has the largest value of leverage (.hat) and SEQN 122894 has the largest value of influence (.cooksd) in our model. We will worry about .cooksd values above 0.5, but the largest value in this model is much smaller than that, so I think we're OK for now.

#### 5.2.7 Fitting and Displaying Model m2

We will now move on to compare the results of this model (m1) to a smaller model.

Our second model, m2 is a subset of m1, including only the two predictors directly related to sleep, SLPWKDAY and SLPTROUB.

Note that the slopes of both SLPWKDAY and SLPTROUB have changed from model m1 (although not very much), and that the intercept has changed more substantially.

#### 5.2.8 Using broom functions on m2

```
tidy(m2, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	4.481	0.219	20.475	0.000	4.121	4.842
SLPWKDAY	0.530	0.029	18.268	0.000	0.482	0.578
SLPTROUB	-0.286	0.095	-3.025	0.003	-0.442	-0.130

r2	adjr2	AIC	BIC	sigma	$\operatorname{nobs}$	df	df.res
0.21	0.209	4824.1	4844.8	1.56	1293	2	1290

Since we want to compare the fit of m1 to that of m2, we probably want to do so in a single table, like this:

model	r2	adjr2	AIC	BIC	sigma	$\operatorname{nobs}$	df	df.res
m1	0.217	0.215	4816.6	4847.6	1.55	1293	4	1288

model	r2	adjr2	AIC	BIC	sigma	$\operatorname{nobs}$	df	df.res
m2	0.210	0.209	4824.1	4844.8	1.56	1293	2	1290

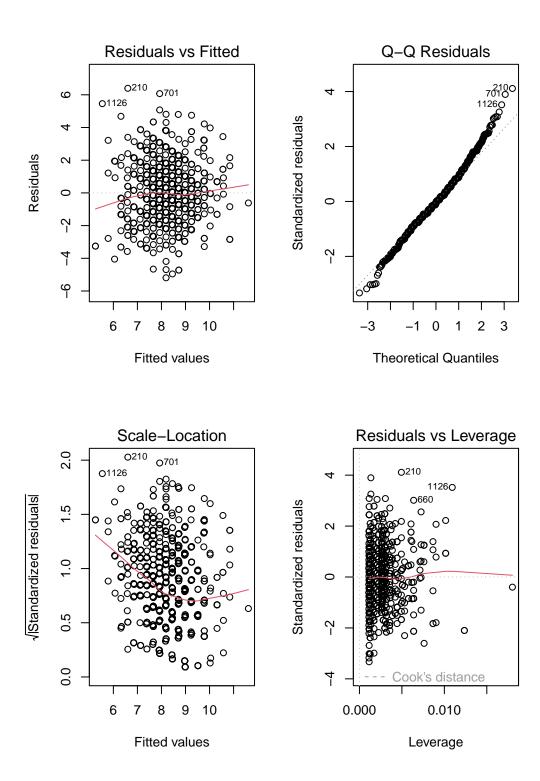
Each model uses the same number of observations to predict the same outcome (SLPWKEND). So we can compare them directly. As compared to model m2, model m1 has:

- the larger R<sup>2</sup> (as it must, since model m2 includes a subset of the predictors in model m1),
- the larger adjusted  $R^2$ ,
- the smaller AIC (Akaike Information Criterion: smaller values are better),
- the larger BIC (Bayes Information Criterion: again, smaller values are better),
- and the smaller residual standard error  $(\sigma)$  (smaller values are better.)

The key realizations for these data are that the AIC, adjusted  $R^2$  and  $\sigma$  results favor model m1 while the BIC favors model m2.

#### 5.2.9 Residual Plots for Model m2

## I used #/ fig.height: 8 in this code chunk
## to make the plots tall enough to see well
par(mfrow = c(2,2)); plot(m2); par(mfrow = c(1,1))



The residual plots here show (even more starkly than in model m1) the discrete nature of our outcome and the two variables we're using to predict it. I see no especially serious problems with the assumptions of linearity or constant variance here, and while there are still some fairly poorly fit values, there are no highly influential points, so I'll accept these residual plots as indicative of a fairly reasonable model on the whole.

#### 5.2.10 Conclusions

Three of our four in-sample measures of fit quality (AIC,  $\sigma$  and adjusted  $R^2$ ) favor the larger model m1 over m2, but there's not a lot to choose from here. Neither model showed important problems with regression assumptions, so I would probably wind up choosing m1 based on the analyses we've done in this Chapter.

However, a more appropriate strategy for prediction assessment would be to partition the data into separate samples for model training (the development or building sample) and model testing. We adopt such a model validation strategy in our next little study.

# 5.3 Modeling High-Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein

In this, our second linear modeling example, we will try to predict High-Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein levels (HSCRP) on the basis of these three predictor variables:

- the participant's mean pulse rate, specifically the mean of the two gathered pulse rates, PULSE1 and PULSE2
- the participant's self-reported overall health (SROH, which is an ordinal factor with levels Excellent, Very Good, Good, Fair and Poor)
- HOSPITAL, a 1-0 binary variable indicating whether or not the participant was hospitalized in the past year.

In this case, we'll use all NHANES participants with complete data on the relevant variables to fit the three-predictor model, and then a second model using mean pulse rate alone.

```
dat2 <- nh432 |>
  select(SEQN, HSCRP, PULSE1, PULSE2, SROH, HOSPITAL) |>
  drop_na() |>
  mutate(MEANPULSE = 0.5*(PULSE1 + PULSE2))
glimpse(dat2)
```

#### 5.3.1 Partitioning the Data

Before partitioning, it's always a good idea to be sure that the number of rows in the tibble matches the number of distinct (unique) values in the identifier column.

```
identical(nrow(dat2), n_distinct(dat2 |> select(SEQN)))
```

[1] TRUE

OK. Now, be sure to set a seed so that we can replicate the selection. We'll put 70% of the data in our training sample, setting aside the remaining 30% for the test sample.

```
set.seed(432005)
dat2_train <- slice_sample(dat2, prop = 0.70)
dat2_test <- anti_join(dat2, dat2_train, by = "SEQN")
c(nrow(dat2), nrow(dat2_train), nrow(dat2_test))</pre>
```

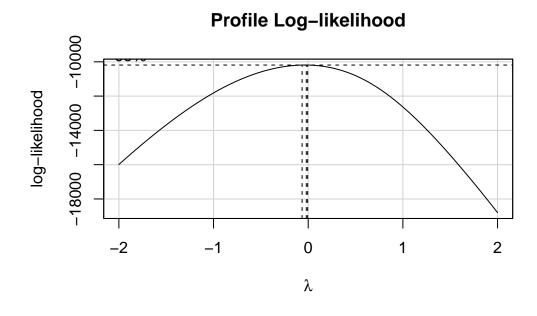
[1] 3117 2181 936

In what follows, we'll work with the dat2\_train sample, and set aside the dat2\_test sample for a while.

#### 5.3.2 Transforming the Outcome?

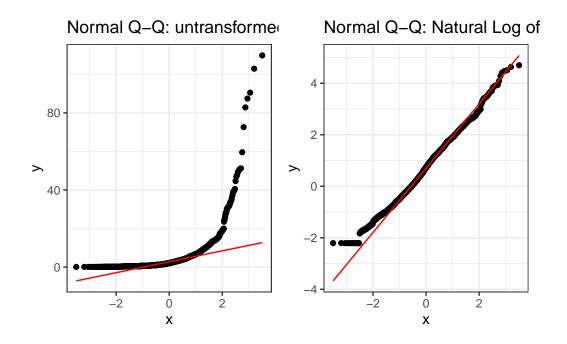
Let's use the Box-Cox approach to help us think about which potential transformations of our outcome might be helpful, within our training sample.

m\_temp <- lm(HSCRP ~ MEANPULSE + SROH + HOSPITAL, data = dat2\_train)
boxCox(m\_temp)</pre>



The estimated  $\lambda$  value is very close to 0, which according to the ladder of power transformations, suggests we take the logarithm of our outcome, so as to improve the residual plots for the model. This will also, as it turns out, lead to a much less right-skewed outcome variable.

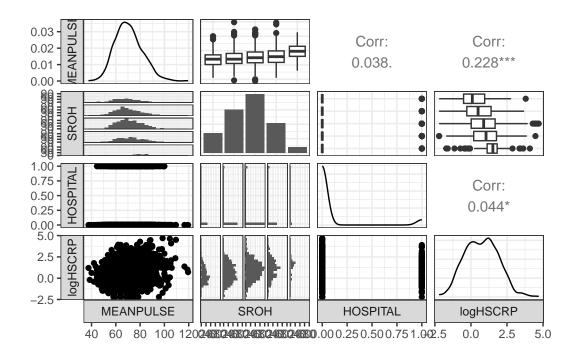
```
p1 <- ggplot(dat2_train, aes(sample = HSCRP)) +
  geom_qq() + geom_qq_line(col = "red") +
  labs(title = "Normal Q-Q: untransformed HSCRP")
p2 <- ggplot(dat2_train, aes(sample = log(HSCRP))) +
  geom_qq() + geom_qq_line(col = "red") +
  labs(title = "Normal Q-Q: Natural Log of HSCRP")
p1 + p2</pre>
```



Clearly, one benefit of the transformation is some improvement in the Normality of our outcome's distribution.

## 5.3.3 Scatterplot Matrix and Collinearity

To build the relevant scatterplot matrix with our transformed outcome, I'll create a variable containing the result of the transformation within our training sample.



As a collinearity check, we'll run vif() from the car package here.

1.007731

1.013834

Again, no signs of meaningful collinearity. Note the presentation of the factor variable SROH in the scatterplot matrix, and in the generalized VIF output.

#### 5.3.4 Fit Model m3

1.063545

1.027860

4

1

SROH

HOSPITAL

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	-1.108	0.160	-6.914	0.000	-1.372	-0.845
MEANPULSE	0.020	0.002	9.359	0.000	0.017	0.024
SROHVery	0.237	0.081	2.939	0.003	0.104	0.370
Good						
SROHGood	0.532	0.078	6.857	0.000	0.404	0.660
SROHFair	0.641	0.087	7.353	0.000	0.497	0.784
SROHPoor	0.860	0.143	6.020	0.000	0.625	1.095
HOSPITAL	0.052	0.088	0.594	0.552	-0.092	0.197

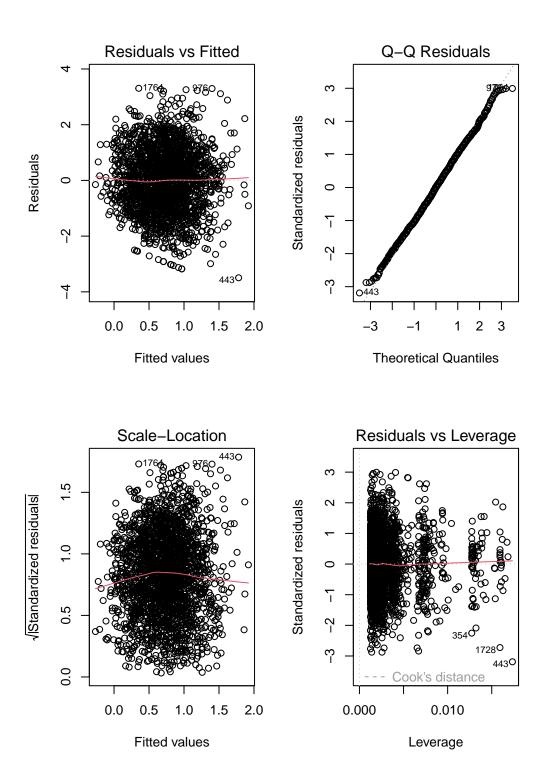
<pre>tidy(m3, conf.int =</pre>	= TRUE,	conf.level	= 0.90)	>
<pre>kable(digits = 3)</pre>	)			

- If Harry and Sally have the same values of HOSPITAL and MEANPULSE, but Harry's SROH is "Very Good" while Sally's is "Excellent", then model m3 predicts that Harry will have a log(HSCRP) that is 0.237 (90% CI: 0.104, 0.370) larger than Sally's log(HSCRP).
- On the other hand, if Harry and Gary have the same values of HOSPITAL and MEAN-PULSE, but Harry's SROH remains "Very Good" while Gary's is only "Good", then model m3 predicts that *Gary* will have a log(HSCRP) that is (0.532 - 0.237 = 0.295) larger than Harry's log(HSCRP).

#### 5.3.5 Residual Plots for m3

```
## don't forget to use #/ fig.height: 8
## to make the residual plots taller
```

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2)); plot(m3); par(mfrow = c(1,1))
```



I see no serious concerns with regression assumptions here. The residuals vs. fitted plot shows no signs of meaningful non-linearity or heteroscedasticity. The standardized residuals in the Normal Q-Q plot follow the reference line closely. There is no clear trend in the scale-location plot, and the residuals vs. leverage plot reveals no particularly influential points.

#### 5.3.6 Fit Model m4

Let's now fit the simple regression model, m4, with only MEANPULSE as a predictor of the log of HSCRP.

Now, let's look at the tidied coefficients.

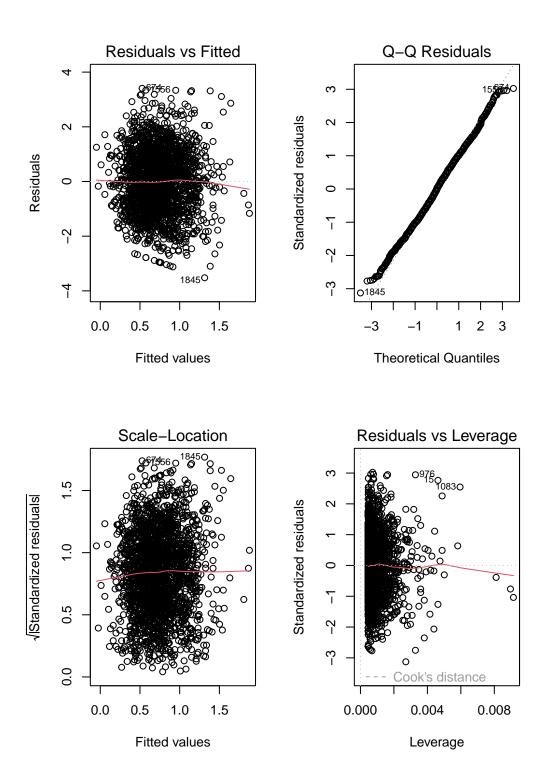
```
tidy(m4, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	-0.929	0.154	-6.048	0	-1.181	-0.676
MEANPULSE	0.023	0.002	10.934	0	0.020	0.027

- If Harry's mean pulse rate is one beat per minute higher than Sally's, then model m4 predicts that the logarithm of Harry's HSCRP will be 0.023 higher than Sally's, with 90% CI (0.020, 0.027).
- Note that if Harry's mean pulse rate is *ten* beats per minute higher than Sally's, then model m4 predicts that the logarithm of Harry's HSCRP will be 0.23 higher than Sally's, with 90% CI (0.20, 0.27).

#### 5.3.7 Residual Plots for m4

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2)); plot(m4); par(mfrow = c(1,1))
```



#### 5.3.8 In-Sample Fit Quality Comparison (m3 vs. m4)

model	r2	adjr2	AIC	BIC	sigma	nobs	df	df.res
m3	0.0907079	0.0881984	6636.024	6681.525	1.105532	2181	6	2174
m4	0.0520082	0.0515731	6716.928	6733.990	1.127517	2181	1	2179

The larger model (model m3) has better results than model m4 in the sense that it produces a larger adjusted  $R^2$ , and smaller values for AIC, BIC and  $\sigma$ . Based on this comparison within the training sample, we clearly prefer m3, since each model shows reasonable adherence to the assumptions of a linear regression model.

#### 5.3.9 Testing the models in new data

At last we return to the dat2\_test sample which was not used in fitting models m3 and m4 to investigate which of these models has better predictive results in new data. When doing this sort of testing, I recommend a look at the following 4 summaries, each of which is based on the fitted (predicted) and observed values of our outcome in our new data, using the models we want to compare:

- squared correlation of predicted with observed values (validated  $R^2$ ; higher values are better)
- mean absolute prediction error (MAPE; smaller values indicate smaller errors, hence better prediction)
- square root of the mean squared prediction error (RMSPE; again, smaller values indicate better predictions)
- maximum (in absolute value) prediction error (Max Error)

To obtain observed, predicted, and error (observed - predicted) values for each new data point when we apply model m3, we first use the augment() function from the **broom** package to obtain our .fitted values.

```
m3_test_aug <- augment(m3, newdata = dat2_test)</pre>
  head(m3_test_aug)
# A tibble: 6 x 9
                                       HOSPITAL MEANPULSE .fitted .resid
        HSCRP PULSE1 PULSE2 SROH
 SEON
  <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <fct>
                                          <dbl>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                            <dbl> <dbl>
1 109273 0.98
                   71
                          70 Good
                                                     70.5
                                                            0.839 -0.859
                                              0
2 109293 15.1
                   62
                          64 Good
                                              0
                                                     63
                                                            0.688 2.03
                                                            0.835 -0.985
3 109312 0.86
                          87 Very Good
                   83
                                              0
                                                     85
4 109332 2.29
                   63
                          63 Excellent
                                              0
                                                     63
                                                            0.156 0.673
5 109340 4.64
                   78
                          78 Fair
                                              0
                                                     78
                                                            1.10
                                                                    0.437
6 109342 5.51
                   72
                          70 Good
                                              0
                                                     71
                                                            0.849 0.858
```

Remember, however, that our models m3 and m4 do not predict HSCRP, but rather the logarithm of HSCRP, so we need to exponentiate the .fitted values to get what we want.

```
m3_test_aug <- augment(m3, newdata = dat2_test) |>
  mutate(fits = exp(.fitted),
            resid = HSCRP - fits) |>
      select(SEQN, HSCRP, fits, resid, everything())
```

head(m3\_test\_aug)

```
# A tibble: 6 x 11
```

	SEQN	HSCRP	fits	resid	PULSE1	PULSE2	SROH	HOSPITAL	MEANPULSE	.fitted	.resid
	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	109273	0.98	2.31	-1.33	71	70	Good	0	70.5	0.839	-0.859
2	109293	15.1	1.99	13.1	62	64	Good	0	63	0.688	2.03
3	109312	0.86	2.30	-1.44	83	87	Very~	0	85	0.835	-0.985
4	109332	2.29	1.17	1.12	63	63	Exce~	0	63	0.156	0.673
5	109340	4.64	3.00	1.64	78	78	Fair	0	78	1.10	0.437
6	109342	5.51	2.34	3.17	72	70	Good	0	71	0.849	0.858

Now, we can obtain our summaries, as follows.

For model m4, we have:

```
m4_test_aug <- augment(m4, newdata = dat2_test) |>
    mutate(fits = exp(.fitted),
           resid = HSCRP - fits) |>
    select(SEQN, HSCRP, fits, resid, everything())
  m4_test_results <- m4_test_aug |>
    summarize(validated_R_sq = cor(HSCRP, fits)^2,
              MAPE = mean(abs(resid)),
              RMSPE = sqrt(mean(resid<sup>2</sup>)),
              max_Error = max(abs(resid)))
  m4_test_results
# A tibble: 1 x 4
 validated_R_sq MAPE RMSPE max_Error
           <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                  <dbl>
1
           0.102 3.50 10.8
                                  177.
```

And we can put the two sets of results together into a nice table.

```
bind_rows(m3_test_results, m4_test_results) |>
  mutate(model = c("m3", "m4")) |>
  relocate(model) |>
  kable()
```

model	validated_R_sq	MAPE	RMSPE	max_Error
m3	0.1135858	3.451295	10.72894	176.9855
m4	0.1015280	3.496673	10.79613	177.0716

Based on these out-of-sample validation results, it seems that Model m3 has the better results across each of these four summaries than Model 4 does.

## 5.3.10 Conclusions

We fit two models to predict HSCRP, a larger model (m3) containing three predictors (MEAN-PULSE, SROH and HOSPITAL), and a smaller model (m4) containing only the MEANPULSE as a predictor.

- Both models (after transforming to log(HSCRP) for our outcome) seem to generally meet the assumptions of linear regression
- Model m3 had a raw  $R^2$  value of 0.091, so it accounted for about 9.1% of the variation in log(HSCRP) within our training sample. Model m4 accounted for 5.2%.
- In our in-sample checks, Model m3 had better results in terms of adjusted  $R^2$ , AIC, BIC and  $\sigma$ .
- In a validation (test) sample, our Model m3 also showed superior predictive performance, including better results in terms of MAPE, RMSPE and maximum absolute error, as well as a validated  $R^2$  of 11.4%, higher than model m4's result of 10.2%.

Overall, model m3 seems like the meaningfully better choice.

# 6 BRFSS SMART Data

The Centers for Disease Control analyzes Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) survey data for specific metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas (MMSAs) in a program called the Selected Metropolitan/Micropolitan Area Risk Trends of BRFSS (SMART BRFSS.)

In this work, we will focus on data from the 2017 SMART, and in particular on data from the state of Ohio, and from the Cleveland-Elyria, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area. The purpose of this survey is to provide localized health information that can help public health practitioners identify local emerging health problems, plan and evaluate local responses, and efficiently allocate resources to specific needs.

In this chapter, I describe some cleaning of the BRFSS SMART data, and break it out into national, statewide, and local samples.

The data files produced by this chapter include:

- smart\_ohio.Rds which includes data on approximately 100 variables for over 7000 subjects in six MMSAs that are at least partially located in the state of Ohio.
- smart\_cle.Rds which includes data on those same variables for a little over 1000 subjects in the Cleveland-Elyria-Lorain OH MMSA.

# 6.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(Hmisc)
library(patchwork)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

# 6.2 Key resources

- the "raw" data, in the form of the 2017 SMART BRFSS MMSA Data, found in a zipped SAS Transport Format file. The data were released in October 2018.
- the MMSA Variable Layout which simply lists the variables included in the data file
- the Calculated Variables PDF which describes the risk factors by data variable names there is also an online summary matrix of these calculated variables.
- the lengthy 2017 Survey Questions PDF which lists all questions asked as part of the BRFSS in 2017
- the enormous Codebook for the 2017 BRFSS Survey PDF which identifies the variables by name for us.

Also, for each subject, we are also provided with a sampling weight, in \_MMSAWT, which will help us incorporate the sampling design later. These weights are at the MMSA level, and are used for generating MMSA-level estimates for variables in the data set. Details on the weighting methodology are available at this PDF.

# 6.3 Ingesting the Raw Data

To create the data files we'll use, I used the read\_xpt function from the haven package to bring in the SAS XPT data file that is provided by CDC. The codes I used (but won't use in these Notes) were:

smart\_raw <- read\_xpt("MMSA2017/MMSA2017.xpt")</pre>

This gives the nationwide data, which has 230,875 rows and 177 columns.

But for the purposes of putting these Notes online, I needed to crank down the sample size enormously. To that end, I created a new data file, which I developed by

- importing the MMSA2017.xpt file as above
- filtering away all observations except those from MMSAs which include Ohio in their name, and
- saving the result, which now has 7,412 rows and 177 columns.

The code (again, not run here) that I used to filter to the OH-based MMSAs was:

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_raw |>
    filter(str_detect(MMSANAME, "OH"))
write_csv(smart_ohio_raw, "data/smart_ohio_raw.csv")
```

So, for purposes of these notes, our complete data set is actually coming from smart\_ohio\_raw.csv and consists only of the 7,412 observations associated with the six MMSAs that include Ohio in their names.

# 6.4 Ingesting from our CSV file

Note that the smart\_ohio\_raw.csv and other data files we're developing in this Chapter are available on our 432-Data website

```
smart_ohio_raw <- read_csv("data/smart_ohio_raw.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)
dim(smart_ohio_raw)</pre>
```

[1] 7412 177

# 6.5 What does the raw data look like?

Here is a list of all variable names included in this file. We're not going to use all of those variables, but this will give you a sense of what is available.

names(smart\_ohio\_raw)

[1]	"DISPCODE"	"STATERE1"	"SAFETIME"	"HHADULT"	"GENHLTH"	"PHYSHLTH"
[7]	"MENTHLTH"	"POORHLTH"	"HLTHPLN1"	"PERSDOC2"	"MEDCOST"	"CHECKUP1"
[13]	"BPHIGH4"	"BPMEDS"	"CHOLCHK1"	"TOLDHI2"	"CHOLMED1"	"CVDINFR4"
[19]	"CVDCRHD4"	"CVDSTRK3"	"ASTHMA3"	"ASTHNOW"	"CHCSCNCR"	"CHCOCNCR"
[25]	"CHCCOPD1"	"HAVARTH3"	"ADDEPEV2"	"CHCKIDNY"	"DIABETE3"	"DIABAGE2"
[31]	"LMTJOIN3"	"ARTHDIS2"	"ARTHSOCL"	"JOINPAI1"	"SEX"	"MARITAL"
[37]	"EDUCA"	"RENTHOM1"	"NUMHHOL2"	"NUMPHON2"	"CPDEM01A"	"VETERAN3"
[43]	"EMPLOY1"	"CHILDREN"	"INCOME2"	"INTERNET"	"WEIGHT2"	"HEIGHT3"
[49]	"PREGNANT"	"DEAF"	"BLIND"	"DECIDE"	"DIFFWALK"	"DIFFDRES"
[55]	"DIFFALON"	"SMOKE100"	"SMOKDAY2"	"STOPSMK2"	"LASTSMK2"	"USENOW3"
[61]	"ECIGARET"	"ECIGNOW"	"ALCDAY5"	"AVEDRNK2"	"DRNK3GE5"	"MAXDRNKS"
[67]	"FRUIT2"	"FRUITJU2"	"FVGREEN1"	"FRENCHF1"	"POTATOE1"	"VEGETAB2"
[73]	"EXERANY2"	"EXRACT11"	"EXEROFT1"	"EXERHMM1"	"EXRACT21"	"EXEROFT2"
[79]	"EXERHMM2"	"STRENGTH"	"SEATBELT"	"FLUSHOT6"	"FLSHTMY2"	"PNEUVAC3"
[85]	"SHINGLE2"	"HIVTST6"	"HIVTSTD3"	"HIVRISK5"	"CASTHDX2"	"CASTHNO2"
[91]	"CALLBCKZ"	"WDUSENOW"	"WDINFTRK"	"WDHOWOFT"	"WDSHARE"	"NAMTRIBE"

[97]	"NAMOTHR"	"_URBNRRL"	"_STSTR"	"_IMPSEX"	"_RFHLTH"	"_PHYS14D"
[103]	"_MENT14D"	"_HCVU651"	"_RFHYPE5"	"_CHOLCH1"	"_RFCHOL1"	"_MICHD"
[109]	"_LTASTH1"	"_CASTHM1"	"_ASTHMS1"	"_DRDXAR1"	"_LMTACT1"	"_LMTWRK1"
[115]	"_LMTSCL1"	"_PRACE1"	"_MRACE1"	"_HISPANC"	"_RACE"	"_RACEG21"
[121]	"_RACEGR3"	"_AGEG5YR"	"_AGE65YR"	"_AGE80"	"_AGE_G"	"WTKG3"
[127]	"_BMI5"	"_BMI5CAT"	"_RFBMI5"	"_EDUCAG"	"_INCOMG"	"_SMOKER3"
[133]	"_RFSMOK3"	"_ECIGSTS"	"_CURECIG"	"DRNKANY5"	"_RFBING5"	"_DRNKWEK"
[139]	"_RFDRHV5"	"FTJUDA2_"	"FRUTDA2_"	"GRENDA1_"	"FRNCHDA_"	"POTADA1_"
[145]	"VEGEDA2_"	"_MISFRT1"	"_MISVEG1"	"_FRTRES1"	"_VEGRES1"	"_FRUTSU1"
[151]	"_VEGESU1"	"_FRTLT1A"	"_VEGLT1A"	"_FRT16A"	"_VEG23A"	"_FRUITE1"
[157]	"_VEGETE1"	"_TOTINDA"	"_MINAC11"	"_MINAC21"	"_PACAT1"	"_PAINDX1"
[163]	"_PA150R2"	"_PA300R2"	"_PA30021"	"_PASTRNG"	"_PAREC1"	"_PASTAE1"
[169]	"_RFSEAT2"	"_RFSEAT3"	"_FLSHOT6"	"_PNEUMO2"	"_AIDTST3"	"_MMSA"
[175]	"_MMSAWT"	"SEQNO"	"MMSANAME"			

# 6.6 Cleaning the BRFSS Data

#### 6.6.1 Identifying Information

The identifying variables for each subject are gathered in SEQNO, which I'll leave alone.

- Each statistical (geographic) area is identified by a \_MMSA variable, which I'll rename mmsa\_code, and by an MMSANAME which I'll rename as mmsa\_name
- For each subject, we are also provided with a sampling weight, in \_MMSAWT, which will help us incorporate the sampling design later in the semester. We'll rename this as mmsa\_wt. Details on the weighting methodology are available at https://www.cdc.gov/brfss/annual\_data/2017/pdf/2017\_SMART\_BRFSS\_MMSA\_Methodology-508.pdf

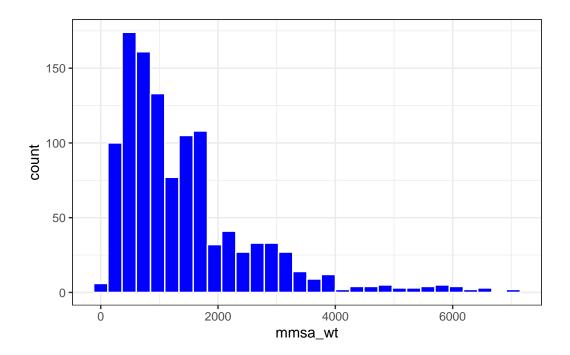
```
217460 Cleveland-Elyria, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area1133318140 Columbus, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area2033419380 Dayton, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area587526580 Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area1156645780 Toledo, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area766
```

Those names are very long. I'll build some shorter ones, by dropping everything after the comma.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(mmsa = str_replace_all(string = mmsa_name, pattern="\\,.*$",replacement=" "))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(mmsa, mmsa_name)
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 mmsa
                        mmsa_name
                                                                                n
  <chr>
                        <chr>
                                                                             <int>
1 "Cincinnati "
                        Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN, Metropolitan Statistical Ar~
                                                                             1737
2 "Cleveland-Elyria "
                        Cleveland-Elyria, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Ar~
                                                                             1133
3 "Columbus "
                        Columbus, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area
                                                                             2033
4 "Dayton "
                        Dayton, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area
                                                                              587
5 "Huntington-Ashland " Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH, Metropolitan Statis~
                                                                             1156
6 "Toledo "
                        Toledo, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area
                                                                              766
```

And here are the sampling weights for the subjects in the Cleveland-Elyria MSA.

```
smart_ohio_raw |>
filter(mmsa_code == 17460) %>%
ggplot(., aes(x = mmsa_wt)) +
geom_histogram(bins = 30, fill = "blue", col = "white")
```



# 6.6.2 Survey Method

#### 6.6.2.1 DISPCODE and its cleanup to completed

**DISPCODE** which is 1100 if the subject completed the interview, and 1200 if they partially completed the interview. We'll create a variable called **completed** that indicates (1 = complete, 0 = not) whether the subject completed the interview.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(completed = 12 - (DISPCODE/100))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(DISPCODE, completed)
# A tibble: 2 x 3
 DISPCODE completed
                         n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
      1100
1
                   1
                      6277
2
      1200
                   0
                      1135
```

#### 6.6.2.2 STATERE1 and SAFETIME and their reduction to landline

BRFSSS is conducted by telephone. The next two variables help us understand whether the subject was contacted via land line or via cellular phone.

- STATERE1 is 1 if the subject is a resident of the state (only asked of people in the land line version of the survey).
- SAFETIME is 1 if this is a safe time to talk (only asked of people in the cell phone version of the survey).
- We'll use STATERE1 and SAFETIME to create an indicator variable landline that specifies how the respondent was surveyed (1 = land line, 0 = cell phone), as follows...

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(landline = replace_na(STATERE1, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(STATERE1, SAFETIME, landline)
# A tibble: 2 x 4
 STATERE1 SAFETIME landline
                                  n
     <dbl>
              <dbl>
                       <dbl> <int>
                 NA
                           1 3649
1
         1
2
        NA
                           0 3763
                  1
```

#### 6.6.2.3 HHADULT and its cleanup to hhadults

- HHADULT is the response to "How many members of your household, including yourself, are 18 years of age or older?"
  - The permitted responses range from 1-76, with special values 77 for Don't Know/Not Sure and 99 for refused, with BLANK for missing or not asked.
  - So we should change all numerical values above 76 to NA for our analyses (the blanks are already regarded as NAs by R in the ingestion process.)

```
HHADULT
                  percent valid_percent
           n
      1
        274 0.0369670804
                            0.236206897
      2
        603 0.0813545602
                            0.519827586
      3
        170 0.0229357798
                            0.146551724
      4
          73 0.0098488937
                            0.062931034
      5
          28 0.0037776579
                            0.024137931
```

smart ohio raw |> tabyl(HHADULT)

```
6
            4 0.0005396654
                              0.003448276
       7
            3 0.0004047491
                              0.002586207
       8
            1 0.0001349164
                              0.000862069
      10
            1 0.0001349164
                              0.000862069
      11
            1 0.0001349164
                              0.000862069
      99
            2 0.0002698327
                              0.001724138
      NA 6252 0.8434970318
                                       NA
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(hhadults = HHADULT,
             hhadults = replace(hhadults, hhadults > 76, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(HHADULT, hhadults) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 HHADULT hhadults
                       n
    <dbl>
             <dbl> <int>
                 7
1
        7
                       3
2
        8
                 8
                        1
3
       10
                10
                       1
4
       11
                11
                       1
5
       99
                NA
                       2
6
       NA
                NA
                    6252
```

# 6.6.3 Health Status (1 item)

The next variable describes relate to the subject's health status.

#### 6.6.3.1 GENHLTH and its cleanup to genhealth

- GENHLTH, the General Health variable, which is the response to "Would you say that in general your health is ..."
  - -1 = Excellent
  - -2 = Very good
  - -3 = Good
  - -4 = Fair
  - -5 = Poor
  - -7 = Don't know/Not sure
  - -9 = Refused

- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the GENHLTH data into a new variable called genhealth we'll need to - convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - and perhaps change the variable to a factor and incorporate the names into the levels.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(genhealth = fct_recode(factor(GENHLTH),
                                    "1 Excellent" = "1",
                                    "2_VeryGood" = "2",
                                    "3 Good" = "3",
                                    "4 Fair" = "4",
                                    "5 Poor" = "5",
                                    NULL = "7",
                                    NULL = "9"))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(GENHLTH, genhealth)
# A tibble: 7 x 3
 GENHLTH genhealth
                           n
    <dbl> <fct>
                       <int>
1
        1 1 Excellent
                        1057
2
        2 2 VeryGood
                        2406
        3 3_Good
3
                        2367
4
        4 4_Fair
                        1139
5
        5 5_Poor
                         428
        7 <NA>
6
                          10
7
        9 <NA>
                           5
```

## 6.6.4 Healthy Days - Health-Related Quality of Life (3 items)

The next three variables describe the subject's health-related quality of life.

#### 6.6.4.1 PHYSHLTH and its cleanup to physhealth

PHYSHLTH', the Number of Days Physical Health Not Good variable, which is the response to "Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health not good?"

- Values of 1-30 are numeric and reasonable.
- A value of 88 indicates "none" and should be recoded to 0.

- 77 is the code for Don't know/Not sure
- 99 is the code for Refused
- BLANK indicates Not asked or missing, and R recognizes this as NA properly.

To clean up PHYSHLTH to a new variable called physhealth, we'll need: - to convince R that the 77 and 99 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, and - to convince R that the 88 should be interpreted as 0.

```
smart ohio raw <- smart ohio raw |>
      mutate(physhealth = PHYSHLTH,
              physhealth = replace(physhealth, physhealth %in% c(77, 99), NA),
              physhealth = replace(physhealth, physhealth == 88, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(PHYSHLTH, physhealth) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 PHYSHLTH physhealth
                           n
     <dbl>
                <dbl> <int>
        28
                    28
1
                          12
2
        29
                    29
                          14
3
        30
                    30
                         677
4
        77
                    NA
                         123
5
        88
                    0
                        4380
6
        99
                    NA
                          15
```

Note that we present the tail of the counts in this case so we can see what happens to the key values (77, 88, 99) of our original variable PHYSHLTH.

#### 6.6.4.2 MENTHLTH and its cleanup to menthealth

MENTHLTH', the Number of Days Mental Health Not Good variable, which is the response to "Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, for how many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good?"

• This is coded just like the PHYSHLTH variable, so we need to do the same cleaning we did there.

To clean up MENTHLTH to a new variable called menthealth, we'll need: - to convince R that the 77 and 99 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, and - to convince R that the 88 should be interpreted as 0.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(menthealth = MENTHLTH,
              menthealth = replace(menthealth, menthealth %in% c(77, 99), NA),
             menthealth = replace(menthealth, menthealth == 88, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(MENTHLTH, menthealth) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 MENTHLTH menthealth
                           n
     <dbl>
                <dbl> <int>
        28
                   28
1
                           7
2
        29
                    29
                          10
3
                    30
                         475
        30
        77
4
                   NA
                          86
5
        88
                    0
                        4823
6
        99
                   NA
                          28
```

#### 6.6.4.3 POORHLTH and its cleanup to poorhealth

POORHLTH, the Poor Physical or Mental Health variable, which is the response to "During the past 30 days, for about how many days did poor physical or mental health keep you from doing your usual activities, such as self-care, work, or recreation?"

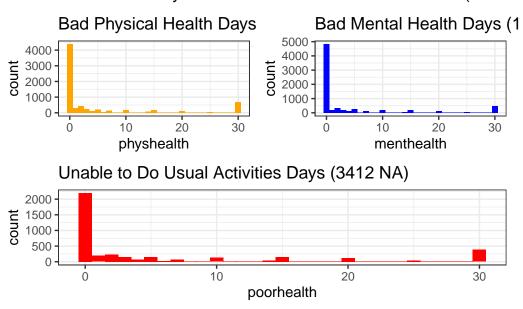
• Again, we recode just like the PHYSHLTH variable.

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
```

	POORHLTH	poorhealth	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	29	29	4
2	30	30	382
3	77	NA	64
4	88	0	2194
5	99	NA	11
6	NA	NA	3337

There's a lot more missingness in the **poorhealth** counts than in the other health-related quality of life measures. There's also a strong mode at 0, and a smaller mode at 30 in each variable.

```
(p1 + p2) / p3 +
    plot_annotation(title = "Health Related Quality of Life Measures in BRFSS/SMART (Ohio
```



Health Related Quality of Life Measures in BRFSS/SMART (Ohio N

#### 6.6.5 Health Care Access (4 items)

The next four variables relate to the subject's health care access.

#### 6.6.5.1 HLTHPLN1 and its cleanup to healthplan

HLTHPLN1, the Have any health care coverage variable, is the response to "Do you have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, prepaid plans such as HMOs, or government plans such as Medicare, or Indian Health Service?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused

To clean up the HLTHPLN1 data into a new variable called healthplan we'll

- convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - and turn it into an indicator variable, e.g., we will leave the variable as numeric, but change the values to 1 =Yes and 0 =No.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(healthplan = HLTHPLN1,
             healthplan = replace(healthplan, healthplan %in% c(7, 9), NA),
             healthplan = replace(healthplan, healthplan == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(HLTHPLN1, healthplan)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
 HLTHPLN1 healthplan
                          n
     <dbl>
                <dbl> <int>
                    1 6994
1
         1
2
         2
                        398
                    0
3
         7
                   NA
                          10
4
         9
                   NA
                          10
```

#### 6.6.5.2 PERSDOC2 and its cleanup to hasdoc and to numdocs2

PERSDOC2, the Multiple Health Care Professionals variable, is the response to "Do you have one person you think of as your personal doctor or health care provider?" where if the response is "No", the survey then asks "Is there more than one or is there no person who you think of as your personal doctor or health care provider?"

- 1 =Yes, only one
- 2 = More than one
- 3 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the PERSDOC2 data into a new variable called hasdoc we'll

- convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - and turn it into an indicator variable, e.g., we will leave the variable as numeric, but change the values to 1 =Yes and 0 =No, so that the original 1 and 2 become 1, and the original 3 becomes 0.

#	A tibble:	: 5 x 3	
	PERSD0C2	hasdoc	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	1	1	5784
2	2	1	623
3	3	0	990
4	7	NA	14
5	9	NA	1

#### 6.6.5.3 MEDCOST and its cleanup to costprob

MEDCOST, the Could Not See Doctor Because of Cost variable, is the response to "Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed to see a doctor but could not because of cost?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

This is just like HLTHPLAN.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(costprob = MEDCOST,
             costprob = replace(costprob, costprob %in% c(7, 9), NA),
             costprob = replace(costprob, costprob == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(MEDCOST, costprob)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
 MEDCOST costprob
                       n
    <dbl>
             <dbl> <int>
1
        1
                 1
                     714
2
        2
                 0
                    6680
3
        7
                NA
                      14
4
        9
                NA
                       4
```

#### 6.6.5.4 CHECKUP1 and its cleanup to t\_checkup

CHECKUP1, the Length of time since last routine checkup variable, is the response to "About how long has it been since you last visited a doctor for a routine checkup? [A routine checkup is a general physical exam, not an exam for a specific injury, illness, or condition.]"

- 1 = Within past year (anytime less than 12 months ago)
- 2 = Within past 2 years (1 year but less than 2 years ago)
- 3 = Within past 5 years (2 years but less than 5 years ago)
- 4 = 5 or more years ago
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 8 =Never
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the CHECKUP1 data into a new variable called  $t_checkup$  we'll - convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - relabel options 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 while turning the variable into a factor.

```
# A tibble: 7 x 3
  CHECKUP1 t_checkup
                                n
     <dbl> <fct>
                            <int>
         1 1_In-past-year
                             5803
1
2
         2 2_1-to-2-years
                              714
3
         3 3_2-to-5-years
                              413
4
         4 4_5_plus_years
                              376
5
         7 <NA>
                               68
                               32
6
         8 8_Never
7
         9 <NA>
                                6
```

#### 6.6.6 Blood Pressure (2 measures)

#### 6.6.6.1 BPHIGH4 and its cleanup to bp\_high

BPHIGH4 is asking about awareness of a hypertension diagnosis. It's the response to the question: "Have you EVER been told by a doctor, nurse or other health professional that you have high blood pressure?" In addition, if the answer was "Yes" and the respondent is female, they were then asked "Was this only when you were pregnant?"

The available codes are:

- 1 = Yes
- 2 =Yes, but female told only during pregnancy
- 3 = No

3

4

5

6

3 0 No

7 <NA>

9 <NA>

4 4\_Borderline

- 4 = Told borderline high or pre-hypertensive
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the BPHIGH4 data into a new variable called bp\_high we'll - convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - relabel (and re-order) options 1, 2, 3, 4 while turning the variable into a factor.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(bp_high = fct_recode(factor(BPHIGH4),
                                     "O_No" = "3",
                                     "1_Yes" = "1",
                                     "2_Only_while_pregnant" = "2",
                                     "4_Borderline" = "4",
                                     NULL = "7",
                                     NULL = "9"),
             bp_high = fct_relevel(bp_high,
                                     "0_No", "1_Yes",
                                     "2_Only_while_pregnant",
                                     "4_Borderline"))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(BPHIGH4, bp_high)
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  BPHIGH4 bp_high
                                     n
    <dbl> <fct>
                                 <int>
        1 1 Yes
                                  3161
1
2
        2 2_Only_while_pregnant
                                    67
```

4114

49

19

		2

#### 6.6.6.2 BPMEDS and its cleanup to bp\_meds

BPMEDS is the response to the question "Are you currently taking medicine for your high blood pressure?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the BPMEDS data into a new variable called **bp\_meds** we'll treat it just as we did with HLTHPLN1 and - convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, and turn it into an indicator variable, e.g., we will leave the variable as numeric, but change the values to 1 =Yes and 0 =No.

#	A tibb]	Le: 5 x 3	3
	BPMEDS	bp_meds	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	1	1	2675
2	2	0	481
3	7	NA	4
4	9	NA	1
5	NA	NA	4251

What is the relationship between our two blood pressure variables? Only the people with  $bp_meds = "1_Yes"$  were asked the  $bp_meds$  question.

smart\_ohio\_raw |> tabyl(bp\_high, bp\_meds)

```
bp_high 0 1 NA_
0_No 0 0 4114
1_Yes 481 2675 5
2_Only_while_pregnant 0 0 67
```

4_Borderline	0	0	49
<na></na>	0	0	21

#### 6.6.7 Cholesterol (3 items)

#### 6.6.7.1 CHOLCHK1 and its cleanup to t\_chol

CHOLCHK1, the Length of time since cholesterol was checked, is the response to "Blood cholesterol is a fatty substance found in the blood. About how long has it been since you last had your blood cholesterol checked?"

- 1 = Never
- 2 = Within past year (anytime less than 12 months ago)
- 3 = Within past 2 years (1 year but less than 2 years ago)
- 4 = Within past 5 years (2 years but less than 5 years ago)
- 5 = 5 or more years ago
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the CHOLCHK1 data into a new variable called  $t_chol we'll$  - convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - relabel options 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 while turning the variable into a factor.

```
# A tibble: 8 x 3
CHOLCHK1 t_chol n
<dbl> <fct> <int>
1 1 1_Never 424
2 2 2_In-past-year 5483
3 3_1-to-2-years 559
```

4	4	4_2-to-5-years	289
5	5	5_5_plus_years	272
6	7	<na></na>	376
7	9	<na></na>	8
8	NA	<na></na>	1

The next two measures are not gathered from the people who answered "Never" to this question.

#### 6.6.7.2 TOLDHI2 and its cleanup to chol\_high

TOLDHI2 is asking about awareness of a diagnosis of high cholesterol. It's the response to the question: "Have you EVER been told by a doctor, nurse or other health professional that your blood cholesterol is high?"

The available codes are:

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the TOLDHI2 data into a new variable called chol\_high we'll treat it like BPMEDS and HLTHPLN1 - convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - and turn it into an indicator variable, e.g., we will leave the variable as numeric, but change the values to 1 =Yes and 0 =No.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(chol_high = TOLDHI2,
             chol_high = replace(chol_high, chol_high %in% c(7, 9), NA),
             chol_high = replace(chol_high, chol_high == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(TOLDHI2, chol_high)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
 TOLDHI2 chol high
                        n
    <dbl>
              <dbl> <int>
1
        1
                  1 2612
2
        2
                  0
                     4286
3
        7
                 NA
                       70
4
        9
                 NA
                         4
5
       NA
                 NA
                      440
```

#### 6.6.7.3 CHOLMED1 and its cleanup to chol\_meds

CHOLMED1 is the response to the question "Are you currently taking medicine prescribed by a doctor or other health professional for your blood cholesterol?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

To clean up the CHOLMED1 data into a new variable called chol\_meds we'll treat it just as we did with HLTHPLN1 and - convince R that the 7 and 9 values are in fact best interpreted as NA, - and turn it into an indicator variable, e.g., we will leave the variable as numeric, but change the values to 1 =Yes and 0 =No.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(chol_meds = CHOLMED1,
             chol_meds = replace(chol_meds, chol_meds %in% c(7, 9), NA),
             chol_meds = replace(chol_meds, chol_meds == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(CHOLMED1, chol_meds)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
 CHOLMED1 chol meds
                         n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
                     1781
         1
                   1
         2
                   0
                       826
```

#### 7 3 NA 5 4 NA NA 4800

#### 6.6.8 Chronic Health Conditions (14 items)

#### 6.6.8.1 Self-reported diagnosis history (11 items)

The next few variables describe whether or not the subject meets a particular standard, and are all coded in the raw data the same way:

• 1 = Yes

1

2

- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused

#### • BLANK = Not asked or missing

and we'll recode them all to 1 =Yes, 0 =No, otherwise NA, as we've done previously.

The questions are all started with "Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had any of the following? For each, tell me Yes, No, or you're Not sure."

Original	Revised	Details
CVDINFR4	hx_mi	(Ever told) you had a heart attack, also called a myocardial infarction?
CVDCRHD4	hx_chd	(Ever told) you had angina or coronary heart disease?
CVDSTRK3	hx_stroke	(Ever told) you had a stroke?
ASTHMA3	hx_asthma	(Ever told) you had asthma?
ASTHNOW	now_asthma	Do you still have asthma? (only asked of those with Yes in ASTHMA3)
CHCSCNCR	hx_skinc	(Ever told) you had skin cancer?
CHCOCNCR	hx_otherc	(Ever told) you had any other types of cancer?
CHCCOPD1	hx_copd	(Ever told) you have Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease or COPD, emphysema or chronic bronchitis?
HAVARTH3	hx_arthr	(Ever told) you have some form of arthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, gout, lupus, or fibromyalgia? (Arthritis diagnoses include: rheumatism, polymyalgia rheumatica; osteoarthritis (not osteporosis); tendonitis, bursitis, bunion, tennis elbow; carpal tunnel syndrome, tarsal tunnel syndrome; joint infection, etc.)
ADDEPEV2	hx_depress	(Ever told) you that you have a depressive disorder, including depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression?
CHCKIDNY	hx_kidney	(Ever told) you have kidney disease? Do NOT include kidney stones, bladder infection or incontinence.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
mutate(hx_mi = CVDINFR4,
    hx_mi = replace(hx_mi, hx_mi %in% c(7, 9), NA),
    hx_mi = replace(hx_mi, hx_mi == 2, 0),
    hx_chd = CVDCRHD4,
    hx_chd = replace(hx_chd, hx_chd %in% c(7, 9), NA),
    hx_chd = replace(hx_chd, hx_chd == 2, 0),
    hx_stroke = CVDSTRK3,
    hx_stroke = replace(hx_stroke, hx_stroke %in% c(7, 9), NA),
    hx_stroke = replace(hx_stroke, hx_stroke == 2, 0),
    hx_asthma = ASTHMA3,
    hx_asthma = replace(hx_asthma, hx_asthma %in% c(7, 9), NA),
```

```
hx_asthma = replace(hx_asthma, hx_asthma == 2, 0),
now_asthma = ASTHNOW,
now_asthma = replace(now_asthma, now_asthma %in% c(7, 9), NA),
now_asthma = replace(now_asthma, now_asthma == 2, 0),
hx_skinc = CHCSCNCR,
hx_skinc = replace(hx_skinc, hx_skinc %in% c(7, 9), NA),
hx skinc = replace(hx skinc, hx skinc == 2, 0),
hx otherc = CHCOCNCR,
hx_otherc = replace(hx_otherc, hx_otherc %in% c(7, 9), NA),
hx_otherc = replace(hx_otherc, hx_otherc == 2, 0),
hx_copd = CHCCOPD1,
hx_copd = replace(hx_copd, hx_copd %in% c(7, 9), NA),
hx_copd = replace(hx_copd, hx_copd == 2, 0),
hx_arthr = HAVARTH3,
hx_arthr = replace(hx_arthr, hx_arthr %in% c(7, 9), NA),
hx_arthr = replace(hx_arthr, hx_arthr == 2, 0),
hx_depress = ADDEPEV2,
hx_depress = replace(hx_depress, hx_depress %in% c(7, 9), NA),
hx_depress = replace(hx_depress, hx_depress == 2, 0),
hx_kidney = CHCKIDNY,
hx_kidney = replace(hx_kidney, hx_kidney %in% c(7, 9), NA),
hx kidney = replace(hx kidney, hx kidney == 2, 0))
```

We definitely should have written a function to do that, of course.

#### 6.6.8.2 \_ASTHMS1 and its cleanup to asthma

\_ASTHMS1 categorizes subjects by asthma status as:

- 1 = Current
- 2 = Former
- 3 = Never
- 9 = Don't Know / Not Sure / Refused / Missing

We'll turn this into a factor with appropriate levels and NA information.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
mutate(asthma = fct_recode(
    factor(`_ASTHMS1`),
    "Current" = "1",
    "Former" = "2",
    "Never" = "3",
```

```
NULL = "9"))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_ASTHMS1`, asthma)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
  `_ASTHMS1` asthma
                          n
       <dbl> <fct>
                      <int>
1
           1 Current
                        734
2
           2 Former
                        248
3
           3 Never
                       6376
4
           9 <NA>
                         54
```

#### 6.6.8.3 DIABETE3 and its cleanup to hx\_diabetes and dm\_status

**DIABETE3**, the (Ever told) you have diabetes variable, is the response to "(Ever told) you have diabetes (If Yes and respondent is female, ask Was this only when you were pregnant?. If Respondent says pre-diabetes or borderline diabetes, use response code 4.)"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 =Yes, but female told only during pregnancy
- 3 = No
- 4 = No, pre-diabetes or borderline diabetes
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

I'll create one variable called  $hx\_diabetes$  which is 1 if DIABETE3 = 1, and 0 otherwise, with appropriate NAs, like our other variables. Then I'll create  $dm\_status$  to include all of this information in a factor, but again recode the missing values properly.

```
dm_status = fct_relevel(dm_status,
                                       "No-Diabetes",
                                       "Pre-Diabetes",
                                       "Pregnancy-Induced",
                                       "Diabetes"))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(DIABETE3, hx_diabetes, dm_status)
# A tibble: 6 x 4
 DIABETE3 hx_diabetes dm_status
                                               n
                 <dbl> <fct>
     <dbl>
                                           <int>
1
         1
                     1 Diabetes
                                            1098
2
         2
                     0 Pregnancy-Induced
                                              67
3
         3
                     0 No-Diabetes
                                            6100
4
         4
                     0 Pre-Diabetes
                                             133
         7
5
                     NA <NA>
                                              12
6
         9
                     NA <NA>
                                               2
```

#### 6.6.8.4 DIABAGE2 and its cleanup to dm\_age

DIABAGE2, the Age When Told Diabetic variable, is the response to "How old were you when you were told you have diabetes?" It is asked only of people with DIABETE3 = 1 (Yes).

• The response is 1-97, with special values 98 for Don't Know/Not Sure and 99 for refused, with BLANK for missing or not asked. People 97 years of age and above were listed as 97.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(dm_age = DIABAGE2,
              dm_age = replace(dm_age, dm_age > 97, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(DIABAGE2, dm_age) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 DIABAGE2 dm_age
                      n
     <dbl>
            <dbl> <int>
        84
1
               84
                       1
2
        85
               85
                       2
3
        90
               90
                      1
4
        98
               NA
                      61
```

5	99	NA	4
6	NA	NA	6314

## 6.6.9 Arthritis Burden (4 items)

The first two measures are only asked of people with  $hx_arthr = 1$ , and are coded as:

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

and we'll recode them to 1 =Yes, 0 =No, otherwise NA, as we've done previously.

### 6.6.9.1 LMTJOIN3 (Limited because of joint symptoms), and its cleanup to arth\_lims

This is the response to "Are you now limited in any way in any of your usual activities because of arthritis or joint symptoms?"

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(arth_lims = LMTJOIN3,
              arth_lims = replace(arth_lims, arth_lims %in% c(7, 9), NA),
              arth_lims = replace(arth_lims, arth_lims == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(hx_arthr, LMTJOIN3, arth_lims)
# A tibble: 6 x 4
 hx_arthr LMTJOIN3 arth_lims
                                   n
     <dbl>
              <dbl>
                         <dbl> <int>
1
         0
                 NA
                            NA
                                4587
2
         1
                  1
                             1
                                1378
3
                  2
                                1388
         1
                             0
4
                  7
         1
                            NA
                                  17
                                   2
5
         1
                  9
                            NA
6
        NA
                 NA
                            NA
                                  40
```

### 6.6.9.2 ARTHDIS2 (Does Arthritis Affect Whether You Work), and its cleanup to arth\_work

This is the response to "Do arthritis or joint symptoms now affect whether you work, the type of work you do or the amount of work you do?"

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(arth_work = ARTHDIS2,
             arth_work = replace(arth_work, arth_work %in% c(7, 9), NA),
             arth_work = replace(arth_work, arth_work == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(ARTHDIS2, arth_work)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  ARTHDIS2 arth_work
                         n
               <dbl> <int>
     <dbl>
1
         1
                   1
                       925
2
         2
                   0 1808
3
         7
                  NA
                        42
4
         9
                  NΑ
                        10
5
        NA
                  NA 4627
```

# 6.6.9.3 ARTHSOCL (Social Activities Limited Because of Joint Symptoms) and its cleanup to arth\_soc

This is the response to "During the past 30 days, to what extent has your arthritis or joint symptoms interfered with your normal social activities, such as going shopping, to the movies, or to religious or social gatherings?"

The responses are:

- 1 = A lot
- 2 = A little
- 3 = Not at all
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

"Not at all" = "3", NULL = "7", NULL = "9"))

smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(ARTHSOCL, arth\_soc)

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  ARTHSOCL arth_soc
                           n
     <dbl> <fct>
                       <int>
1
         1 A lot
                         606
2
         2 A little
                         734
3
         3 Not at all 1427
4
         7 <NA>
                          15
5
         9 <NA>
                            3
6
        NA <NA>
                        4627
```

# 6.6.9.4 JOINPAI1 (How Bad Was Joint Pain - scale of 0-10) and its cleanup to joint\_pain

This is the response to the following question: "Please think about the past 30 days, keeping in mind all of your joint pain or aching and whether or not you have taken medication. On a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 is no pain or aching and 10 is pain or aching as bad as it can be, DURING THE PAST 30 DAYS, how bad was your joint pain ON AVERAGE?"

The available values are 0-10, plus codes 77 (Don't Know / Not Sure), 99 (Refused) and BLANK.

To clean up JOINPAI1 to a new variable called joint\_pain, we'll need to convince R that the 77 and 99 values are, like BLANK, in fact best interpreted as NA.

	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	8	8	277
2	9	9	72

3	10	10	158
4	77	NA	28
5	99	NA	5
6	NA	NA	4627

#### 6.6.10 Demographics (25 items)

#### 6.6.10.1 \_AGEG5YR, which we'll edit into agegroup

The \_AGEG5YR variable is a calculated variable (by CDC) obtained from the subject's age. Since the age data are not available, we instead get these groupings, which we'll rearrange into the agegroup factor.

_AGEG5YR	Age range	agegroup
1	$18 \le AGE \le 24$	18-24
2	$25 \le AGE \le 29$	25-29
3	30 <= AGE <= 34	30-34
4	35 <= AGE <= 39	35 - 39
5	40 <= AGE <= 44	40-44
6	45 <= AGE <= 49	45-49
7	50 <= AGE <= 54	50-54
8	55 <= AGE <= 59	55 - 59
9	$60 \le AGE \le 64$	60-64
10	$65 \le AGE \le 69$	65-69
11	70 <= AGE <= 74	70-74
12	$75 \le AGE \le 79$	75-79
13	AGE >= 80	80plus
14	Don't Know, Refused or Missing	NA

"65-69" = "10", "70-74" = "11", "75-79" = "12", "80-96" = "13", NULL = "14"))

smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(`\_AGEG5YR`, agegroup)

```
# A tibble: 14 x 3
   `_AGEG5YR` agegroup
                             n
        <dbl> <fct>
                         <int>
             1 18-24
1
                           448
 2
             2 25-29
                           327
 3
            3 30-34
                           375
 4
            4 35-39
                           446
5
            5 40-44
                           426
 6
            6 45-49
                           509
7
            7 50-54
                           604
8
            8 55-59
                           786
9
            9 60-64
                           837
10
            10 65-69
                           810
            11 70-74
                           685
11
           12 75-79
12
                           499
13
            13 80-96
                           592
14
            14 <NA>
                            68
```

## 6.6.10.2 \_MRACE1 recoded to race

We'll create three variables describing race/ethnicity. The first comes from the \_MRACE1 variable categorized by CDC, and the available responses are:

- 1 = White only
- 2 = Black or African-American only
- 3 = American Indian or Alaskan Native only
- 4 = Asian only
- 5 = Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander only
- 6 =Other race only
- 7 = Multiracial
- 77 = Don't know / Not Sure
- 99 = Refused
- BLANK = Missing

We'll create a factor out of this information, with appropriate level names.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(race = fct_recode(factor(`_MRACE1`),
                                      "White" = "1",
                                      "Black or African A" = "2",
                                      "Amer Indian or Alaskan" = "3",
                                      "Asian" = "4",
                                      "Hawaiian or Pac Island" = "5",
                                      "Other Race" = "6",
                                      "Multiracial" = "7",
                                      NULL = "77",
                                      NULL = "99"))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_MRACE1`, race)
# A tibble: 9 x 3
  `_MRACE1` race
                                        n
      <dbl> <fct>
                                    <int>
1
          1 White
                                     6177
2
          2 Black or African A
                                      739
          3 Amer Indian or Alaskan
                                       66
3
4
          4 Asian
                                      115
5
          5 Hawaiian or Pac Island
                                        5
6
          6 Other Race
                                       43
7
          7 Multiracial
                                      153
         77 <NA>
                                       14
8
         99 <NA>
9
                                      100
```

### 6.6.10.3 \_HISPANC recoded to hispanic

The \_HISPANC variable specifies whether or not the respondent is of Hispanic or Latinx origin. The available responses are:

- 1 = Hispanic, Latinx or Spanish origin
- 2 =Not of Hispanic, Latinx or Spanish origin
- 9 = Don't Know, Refused, or Missing

We'll turn the 9s into NA, and create an indicator variable (1 = Hispanic or Latinx, 0 = not)

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(hispanic = 2 - `_HISPANC`,
              hispanic = replace(hispanic, hispanic < 0, NA))</pre>
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_HISPANC`, hispanic)
# A tibble: 3 x 3
  `_HISPANC` hispanic
                          n
               <dbl> <int>
       <dbl>
1
           1
                    1 146
2
           2
                    0 7217
3
           9
                         49
                   NA
```

#### 6.6.10.4 \_RACEGR3 recoded to race\_eth

The \_RACEGR3 variable is a five-level combination of race and ethnicity. The responses are:

- 1 = White non-Hispanic
- 2 = Black non-Hispanic
- 3 =Other race non-Hispanic
- 4 = Multiracial non-Hispanic
- 5 = Hispanic
- 9 = Don't Know / Not Sure / Refused

We'll create a factor out of this information, with appropriate level names.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
    mutate(race_eth = fct_recode(
        factor(`_RACEGR3`),
        "White non-Hispanic" = "1",
        "Black non-Hispanic" = "2",
        "Other race non-Hispanic" = "3",
        "Multiracial non-Hispanic" = "3",
        "Multiracial non-Hispanic" = "4",
        "Hispanic" = "5",
        NULL = "9"))
smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_RACEGR3`, race_eth)
# A tibble: 6 x 3
        `_RACEGR3` race_eth n
        <dbl> <fct> <int>
```

1 1	White non-Hispanic	6086
2 2	Black non-Hispanic	725
3 3	Other race non-Hispanic	193
4 4	Multiracial non-Hispanic	143
5 5	Hispanic	146
6 9	<na></na>	119

#### 6.6.10.5 SEX recoded to female

The available levels of SEX are:

- 1 = Male
- 2 = Female
- 9 = Refused

We'll recode that to female = 1 for Female, 0 Male, otherwise NA. Note the trick here is to subtract one from the coded SEX to get the desired female, but this requires that we move 8 to NA, rather than 9.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
    mutate(female = SEX - 1,
        female = replace(female, female == 8, NA))
smart_ohio_raw |> count(SEX, female)
# A tibble: 2 x 3
    SEX female n
    <dbl> <dbl> <int>
1 1 0 3136
2 2 1 4276
```

#### 6.6.10.6 MARITAL status, revised to marital

The available levels of MARITAL are:

- 1 = Married
- 2 = Divorced
- 3 = Widowed
- 4 =Separated
- 5 =Never married
- 6 = A member of an unmarried couple

- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

We'll just turn this into a factor, and move 9 to NA.

smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(MARITAL, marital)

```
# A tibble: 7 x 3
  MARITAL marital
                                 n
    <dbl> <fct>
                            <int>
        1 Married
                             3668
1
2
        2 Divorced
                             1110
3
        3 Widowed
                              978
4
        4 Separated
                              142
5
        5 Never_Married
                             1248
        6 Unmarried_Couple
6
                               208
7
        9 <NA>
                                58
```

### 6.6.10.7 EDUCA recoded to educgroup

The available levels of EDUCA (Education Level) are responses to: "What is the highest grade or year of school you completed?"

- 1 = Never attended school or only kindergarten
- 2 =Grades 1 through 8 (Elementary)
- 3 =Grades 9 through 11 (Some high school)
- 4 = Grade 12 or GED (High school graduate)
- 5 = College 1 year to 3 years (Some college or technical school)
- 6 = College 4 years or more (College graduate)
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

We'll just turn this into a factor, and move 9 to NA.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(educgroup = fct_recode(factor(EDUCA),
                                    "Kindergarten" = "1",
                                    "Elementary" = "2",
                                    "Some HS" = "3",
                                    "HS_Grad" = "4",
                                    "Some College" = "5",
                                    "College_Grad" = "6",
                                    NULL = "9"))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(EDUCA, educgroup)
# A tibble: 7 x 3
  EDUCA educgroup
                          n
  <dbl> <fct>
                      <int>
1
      1 Kindergarten
                          3
2
      2 Elementary
                        117
3
                        332
      3 Some_HS
      4 HS_Grad
4
                       2209
5
      5 Some_College
                       2079
6
      6 College_Grad
                       2646
```

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#### 6.6.10.8 RENTHOM1 recoded to home\_own

The available levels of RENTHOM1 (Own or Rent Home) are responses to: "Do you own or rent your home? (Home is defined as the place where you live most of the time/the majority of the year.)"

• 1 = Own

9 <NA>

7

- 2 = Rent
- 3 =Other Arrangement
- 7 = Don't know/Not Sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

We'll recode as  $home_own = 1$  if they own their home, and 0 otherwise, and dealing with missingness properly.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(home_own = RENTHOM1,
             home_own = replace(home_own, home_own %in% c(7,9), NA),
             home_own = replace(home_own, home_own %in% c(2,3), 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(RENTHOM1, home_own)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
 RENTHOM1 home_own
                       n
    <dbl>
            <dbl> <int>
1
        1
                 1 5216
        2
2
                 0 1793
3
        3
                 0
                     348
        7
4
                NA
                       28
        9
                       27
5
                NA
```

### 6.6.10.9 CPDEMO1A and its cleanup to cell\_own

CPDEMO1A is the response to "Including phones for business and personal use, do you have a cell phone for personal use?"

Available responses are:

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

and we'll recode them to 1 =Yes, 0 =No, otherwise NA, as we've done previously.

2	2	0	698
3	7	NA	2
4	9	NA	19
5	NA	NA	3763

#### 6.6.10.10 VETERAN3 and its cleanup to veteran

VETERAN3, the Are You A Veteran variable, is the response to "Have you ever served on active duty in the United States Armed Forces, either in the regular military or in a National Guard or military reserve unit? (Active duty does not include training for the Reserves or National Guard, but DOES include activation, for example, for the Persian Gulf War.)"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
mutate(veteran = VETERAN3,
    veteran = replace(veteran, veteran %in% c(7, 9), NA),
    veteran = replace(veteran, veteran == 2, 0))
```

```
smart_ohio_raw |> count(VETERAN3, veteran)
```

#	A tibble:	: 3 x 3	
	<b>VETERAN3</b>	veteran	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	1	1	927
2	2	0	6479
3	9	NA	6

#### 6.6.10.11 EMPLOY1 and its cleanup to employment

EMPLOY1, the Employment Status variable, is the response to "Are you currently ... ?"

- 1 =Employed for wages
- 2 =Self-employed
- 3 =Out of work for 1 year or more
- 4 =Out of work for less than 1 year
- 5 = A homemaker

- 6 = A student
- 7 = Retired
- 8 = Unable to work
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

We'll just turn this into a factor, and move 9 to NA.

```
smart_ohio_raw |> count(EMPLOY1, employment)
```

#	A tibble	e: 9 x 3	
	EMPLOY1	employment	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	1	Employed_for_wages	3119
2	2	Self-employed	466
3	3	Outofwork_1yearormore	254
4	4	Outofwork_lt1year	134
5	5	Homemaker	411
6	6	Student	190
7	7	Retired	2202
8	8	Unable_to_work	603
9	9	<na></na>	33

#### 6.6.10.12 CHILDREN and its cleanup to kids

CHILDREN, the Number of Children in Household variable, is the response to "How many children less than 18 years of age live in your household?"

- 1-87 = legitimate responses
- 88 = None

```
• 99 = \text{Refused}
  • BLANK = Not asked or missing
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(kids = CHILDREN,
              kids = replace(kids, kids == 99, NA),
              kids = replace(kids, kids == 88, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(CHILDREN, kids) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  CHILDREN kids
                      n
     <dbl> <dbl> <int>
         6
1
                6
                      7
2
         7
                7
                      5
3
         8
                      2
                8
        12
               12
4
                      1
        88
                0
                   5449
5
        99
6
               NA
                     43
```

## 6.6.10.13 INCOME2 to incomegroup

The available levels of INCOME2 (Income Level) are responses to: "Is your annual household income from all sources ..."

- 1 = Less than \$10,000
- 2 = \$10,000 to less than \$15,000
- 3 = \$15,000 to less than \$20,000
- 4 = \$20,000 to less than \$25,000
- 5 = \$25,000 to less than \$35,000
- 6 = \$35,000 to less than \$50,000
- 7 = \$50,000 to less than \$75,000
- 8 = \$75,000 or more
- 77 = Don't know/Not sure
- 99 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

We'll just turn this into a factor, and move 77 and 99 to NA.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
    mutate(incomegroup = fct_recode(factor(`INCOME2`),
```

"0-9K" = "1", "10-14K" = "2", "15-19K" = "3", "20-24K" = "4", "25-34K" = "5", "35-49K" = "6", "50-74K" = "7", "75K+" = "8", NULL = "77", NULL = "99"))

smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(`INCOME2`, incomegroup)

```
# A tibble: 11 x 3
   INCOME2 incomegroup
                            n
     <dbl> <fct>
                        <int>
         1 0-9K
                          285
 1
         2 10-14K
 2
                          306
 3
         3 15-19K
                          477
 4
         4 20-24K
                          589
 5
         5 25-34K
                          685
 6
         6 35-49K
                          922
 7
         7 50-74K
                          928
         8 75K+
 8
                         1910
 9
        77 <NA>
                          610
10
        99 <NA>
                          678
        NA <NA>
                           22
11
```

# 6.6.10.14 INTERNET and its cleanup to internet30

INTERNET, the Internet use in the past 30 days variable, is the response to "Have you used the internet in the past 30 days?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(internet30 = INTERNET,
              internet30 = replace(internet30, internet30 %in% c(7, 9), NA),
              internet30 = replace(internet30, internet30 == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(INTERNET, internet30)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  INTERNET internet30
                          n
     <dbl>
                <dbl> <int>
1
         1
                    1 6020
2
         2
                    0
                       1335
3
         7
                   NA
                          10
4
         9
                   NA
                          10
5
        NA
                   NA
                          37
```

### 6.6.10.15 WTKG3 is weight\_kg

WTKG3 is computed by CDC, as the respondent's weight in kilograms with two implied decimal places. We calculate the actual weight in kg, with the following:

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(weight_kg = WTKG3/100)
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(WTKG3, weight_kg) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  WTKG3 weight_kg
                       n
  <dbl>
            <dbl> <int>
1 19051
             191.
                       1
2 19278
             193.
                       1
3 19504
             195.
                       1
                       2
4 20412
             204.
5 20865
             209.
                       1
6
     NA
              NA
                     462
```

## 6.6.10.16 HEIGHT3 is replaced with height\_m

HEIGHT3 is strangely gathered to allow people to specify their height in either feet and inches or in meters and centimeters.

- 200-711 indicates height in feet (first digit) and inches (second two digits)
- 9000 9998 indicates height in meters (second digit) and centimeters (last two digits)
- 7777 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9999 = Refused

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Note that there is one impossible value of 575 in the data set. We'll make that an NA, and we'll also make NA any heights below 3 feet, or above 2.24 meters. Specifically, we calculate the actual height in meters, with the following:

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(height_m = case_when(
          HEIGHT3 >= 300 & HEIGHT3 <= 511 ~ round((12*floor(HEIGHT3/100) + (HEIGHT3 - 100*fl
          HEIGHT3 >= 600 & HEIGHT3 <= 711 ~ round((12*floor(HEIGHT3/100) + (HEIGHT3 - 100*fl
          HEIGHT3 >= 9000 & HEIGHT3 <= 9224 ~ ((HEIGHT3 - 9000)/100)))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(HEIGHT3, height_m) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  HEIGHT3 height_m
                        n
    <dbl>
             <dbl> <int>
      607
1
              2.01
                        2
2
      608
              2.03
                        6
3
      609
              2.06
                        1
4
     7777
             NA
                       27
5
     9999
             NA
                       86
6
       NA
             NA
                       67
```

#### 6.6.10.17 bmi is calculated from height\_m and weight\_kg

We'll calculate body-mass index from height and weight.

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```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
    mutate(bmi = round(weight_kg/(height_m)^2,2))
smart_ohio_raw |> count(height_m, weight_kg, bmi)# |> tail()
# A tibble: 1,806 x 4
    height_m weight_kg bmi n
        <dbl> <dbl> <int>
        1 .35 39.0 21.4 1
```

1

3	1.4	89.8	45.8	1
4	1.42	31.8	15.8	1
5	1.42	45.4	22.5	1
6	1.42	55.8	27.7	1
7	1.42	58.5	29.0	1
8	1.42	59.9	29.7	1
9	1.42	60.8	30.1	1
10	1.42	71.2	35.3	1
# i	1,796 more	rows		

## 6.6.10.18 bmigroup is calculated from bmi

We'll then divide the respondents into adult BMI categories, in the usual way.

- BMI < 18.5 indicates underweight
- BMI from 18.5 up to 25 indicates normal weight
- BMI from 25 up to 30 indicates overweight
- BMI of 30 and higher indicates obesity

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(bmigroup = factor(cut2(as.numeric(bmi),
                             cuts = c(18.5, 25.0, 30.0))))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(bmigroup)
# A tibble: 5 x 2
 bmigroup
                  n
 <fct>
             <int>
1 [13.3,18.5)
              119
2 [18.5,25.0) 2017
3 [25.0,30.0) 2445
4 [30.0,75.5] 2338
5 <NA>
               493
```

# 6.6.10.19 PREGNANT and its cleanup to pregnant

**PREGNANT**, the Pregnancy Status variable, is the response to "To your knowledge, are you now pregnant?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No

- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing (includes SEX = male)

```
smart_ohio_raw |> count(PREGNANT, pregnant)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 x 3
 PREGNANT pregnant
                       n
    <dbl> <dbl> <int>
1
        1
                1
                      41
2
        2
                 0 1329
3
        7
                       3
                NA
4
        9
                NA
                       3
5
       NA
                NA 6036
```

## 6.6.10.20 DEAF and its cleanup to deaf

**DEAF**, the Are you deaf or do you have serious difficulty hearing variable, is the response to "Are you deaf or do you have serious difficulty hearing?"

```
• 1 = \text{Yes}
```

```
• 2 = No
```

- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

1	1	1	708
2	2	0	6551
3	7	NA	15
4	9	NA	4
5	NA	NA	134

#### 6.6.10.21 BLIND and its cleanup to blind

BLIND, the Blind or Difficulty seeing variable, is the response to "Are you blind or do you have serious difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

```
smart_ohio_raw |> count(BLIND, blind)
```

# A tibble: 5 x 3 BLIND blind n <dbl> <dbl> <int> 1 1 1 415 2 2 0 6834 7 3 NA 14 4 9 NA 1 5 NA NA 148

#### 6.6.10.22 DECIDE and its cleanup to decide

**DECIDE**, the Difficulty Concentrating or Remembering variable, is the response to "Because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition, do you have serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No

```
• 7 = \text{Don't know/Not sure}
  • 9 = \text{Refused}
  • BLANK = Not asked or missing
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(decide = DECIDE,
              decide = replace(decide, decide %in% c(7, 9), NA),
              decide = replace(decide, decide == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(DECIDE, decide)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  DECIDE decide
                     n
   <dbl> <dbl> <int>
1
       1
              1
                   870
2
              0 6348
       2
3
       7
             NA
                    30
4
       9
             NA
                   2
```

#### 6.6.10.23 DIFFWALK and its cleanup to diffwalk

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DIFFWALK, the Difficulty Walking or Climbing Stairs variable, is the response to "Do you have serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs?"

```
• 1 = \text{Yes}
```

NA

5

```
• 2 = No
```

• 7 = Don't know/Not sure

NA

- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

1	1	1	1482
2	2	0	5738
3	7	NA	19
4	9	NA	2
5	NA	NA	171

#### 6.6.10.24 DIFFDRES and its cleanup to diffdress

**DIFFDRES**, the Difficulty Dressing or Bathing variable, is the response to "Do you have difficulty dressing or bathing?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

```
smart_ohio_raw |> count(DIFFDRES, diffdress)
```

#	A tibble:	: 5 x 3	
	DIFFDRES	diffdress	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	1	1	352
2	2	0	6868
3	7	NA	12
4	9	NA	1
5	NA	NA	179

#### 6.6.10.25 DIFFALON and its cleanup to diffalone

DIFFALON, the Difficulty Doing Errands Alone variable, is the response to "Because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition, do you have difficulty doing errands alone such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No

```
• 7 = \text{Don't know/Not sure}
```

- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(DIFFALON, diffalone)

#	A tibble	:5x3	
	DIFFALON	diffalone	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	1	1	636
2	2	0	6560
3	7	NA	15
4	9	NA	4
5	NA	NA	197

# 6.6.11 Tobacco Use (2 items)

### 6.6.11.1 SMOKE100 and its cleanup to smoke100

SMOKE100, the Smoked at Least 100 Cigarettes variable, is the response to "Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life? [Note: 5 packs = 100 cigarettes]"

	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	1	1	3294
2	2	0	3881
3	7	NA	31
4	9	NA	4
5	NA	NA	202

#### 6.6.11.2 \_SMOKER3 and its cleanup to smoker

\_SMOKER3, is a calculated variable which categorizes subjects by their smoking status:

- 1 = Current smoker who smokes daily
- 2 =Current smoker but not every day
- 3 = Former smoker
- 4 = Never smoked
- 9 = Don't Know / Refused / Missing

We'll reclassify this as a factor with appropriate labels and NAs.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(smoker = fct_recode(factor(`_SMOKER3`),
                                   "Current_daily" = "1",
                                   "Current_not_daily" = "2",
                                   "Former" = "3",
                                   "Never" = "4",
                                   NULL = "9")
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_SMOKER3`, smoker)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  SMOKER3` smoker
                                   n
       <dbl> <fct>
                                <int>
           1 Current_daily
                                 990
1
2
           2 Current_not_daily
                                 300
3
           3 Former
                                 1999
4
           4 Never
                                 3881
           9 <NA>
5
                                  242
```

# 6.6.12 E-Cigarettes (2 items)

### 6.6.12.1 ECIGARET and its cleanup to ecig\_ever

ECIGARET, the Ever used an e-cigarette variable, is the response to "Have you ever used an e-cigarette or other electronic vaping product, even just one time, in your entire life?"

```
• 1 = \text{Yes}
  • 2 = No
  • 7 = \text{Don't know/Not sure}
   • 9 = \text{Refused}
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(ecig_ever = ECIGARET,
              ecig_ever = replace(ecig_ever, ecig_ever %in% c(7, 9), NA),
              ecig_ever = replace(ecig_ever, ecig_ever == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(ECIGARET, ecig_ever)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  ECIGARET ecig_ever
                           n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
1
         1
                    1 1354
2
         2
                    0 5799
         7
3
                           9
                   NA
4
         9
                   NA
                           3
5
                   NA
        NA
                         247
```

#### 6.6.12.2 \_ECIGSTS and its cleanup to ecigs

\_ECIGSTS, is a calculated variable which categorizes subjects by their smoking status:

- 1 =Current and uses daily
- 2 =Current user but not every day
- 3 = Former user
- 4 = Never used e-cigarettes
- 9 = Don't Know / Refused / Missing

We'll reclassify this as a factor with appropriate labels and NAs.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(ecigs = fct_recode(factor(`_ECIGSTS`),
                                    "Current_daily" = "1",
                                    "Current_not_daily" = "2",
                                    "Former" = "3",
                                    "Never" = "4",
                                   NULL = "9")
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_ECIGSTS`, ecigs)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  `_ECIGSTS` ecigs
                                    n
       <dbl> <fct>
                                <int>
1
           1 Current daily
                                  102
2
           2 Current_not_daily
                                  165
3
           3 Former
                                 1085
4
           4 Never
                                 5799
           9 <NA>
5
                                  261
```

### 6.6.13 Alcohol Consumption (6 items)

#### 6.6.13.1 ALCDAY5 and its cleanup to alcdays

ALCDAY5, the Days in past 30 had alcoholic beverage variable, is the response to "During the past 30 days, how many days per week or per month did you have at least one drink of any alcoholic beverage such as beer, wine, a malt beverage or liquor?"

- 101-107 = # of days per week (101 = 1 day per week, 107 = 7 days per week)
- 201-230 = # of days in past 30 days (201 = 1 day in last 30, 230 = 30 days in last 30)
- 777 = Don't know/Not sure
- 888 = No drinks in past 30 days
- 999 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or Missing

We're going to convert this to a single numeric value. Answers in days per week (in the past 7 days) will be converted (after rounding) to days in the past 30. This is a little bit of a mess, really, but we can do it.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
    mutate(alcdays = as.numeric(ALCDAY5)) |>
    mutate(alcdays = replace(alcdays, alcdays == 888, 0),
```

```
alcdays = replace(alcdays, alcdays %in% c(777, 999), NA)) |>
      mutate(alcdays = case_when(ALCDAY5 > 199 & ALCDAY5 < 231 ~ ALCDAY5 - 200,</pre>
                                   ALCDAY5 > 100 & ALCDAY5 < 108 ~ round((ALCDAY5 - 100)*30/7,
                                   TRUE ~ alcdays))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(ALCDAY5, alcdays)
# A tibble: 39 x 3
   ALCDAY5 alcdays
                        n
     <dbl>
             <dbl> <int>
 1
       101
                  4
                      263
2
       102
                  9
                      197
 3
       103
                 13
                      142
4
       104
                 17
                       76
```

```
5
        105
                  21
                          53
 6
                   26
        106
                          18
7
                   30
        107
                        114
8
        201
                    1
                        621
9
        202
                    2
                        448
10
        203
                    3
                         233
# i 29 more rows
```

#### 6.6.13.2 AVEDRNK2 and its cleanup to avgdrinks

AVEDRNK2, the Avg alcoholic drinks per day in past 30 variable, is the response to "One drink is equivalent to a 12-ounce beer, a 5-ounce glass of wine, or a drink with one shot of liquor. During the past 30 days, on the days when you drank, about how many drinks did you drink on the average? (A 40 ounce beer would count as 3 drinks, or a cocktail drink with 2 shots would count as 2 drinks.)"

- 1-76 = # of drinks per day
- 77 = Don't know/Not sure

```
• 99 = \text{Refused}
```

• BLANK = Not asked or Missing (always happens when ALCDAY5 = 777, 888 or 999)

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  AVEDRNK2 avgdrinks
                            n
     <dbl>
                 <dbl> <int>
1
         42
                    42
                            1
2
         60
                    60
                            2
3
         76
                    76
                            1
4
         77
                    NA
                           46
5
         99
                    NA
                            5
6
         NA
                    NA
                        3876
```

#### 6.6.13.3 MAXDRNKS and its cleanup to maxdrinks

MAXDRINKS, the most drinks on a single occasion in the past 30 days variable, is the response to "During the past 30 days, what is the largest number of drinks you had on any occasion?"

- 1-76 = # of drinks
- 77 = Don't know/Not sure
- 99 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or Missing (always happens when ALCDAY5 = 777, 888 or 999)

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(maxdrinks = MAXDRNKS,
              maxdrinks = replace(maxdrinks, maxdrinks > 76, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(MAXDRNKS, maxdrinks) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 MAXDRNKS maxdrinks
                          n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
        42
                  42
1
                          1
2
        48
                  48
                          1
                          2
3
        76
                  76
4
        77
                  NA
                         94
5
        99
                  NA
                         11
```

# 6.6.13.4 \_RFBING5 and its cleanup to binge

NA

3899

\_RFBING5 identifies binge drinkers (males having five or more drinks on one occasion, females having four or more drinks on one occasion in the past 30 days)

The values are

ΝA

6

- 1 = No
  2 = Yes
- 9 = Don't Know / Refused / Missing

People who reported no **alcdays** are reported here as "No", so we'll adjust this into an indicator variable, and create the necessary NAs.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(binge = `_RFBING5` - 1,
             binge = replace(binge, binge > 1, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_RFBING5`, binge)
# A tibble: 3 x 3
  `_RFBING5` binge
                       n
       <dbl> <dbl> <int>
1
           1
                 0 6035
2
           2
                 1
                    1000
3
           9
                NA
                     377
```

### 6.6.13.5 \_DRNKWEK and its cleanup to drinks\_wk

\_DRNKWEK provides the computed number of alcoholic drinks per week, with two implied decimal places. The code 99900 is used for "Don't know / Not sure / Refused / Missing" so we'll fix that, and also divide by 100 to get an average with a decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results of 100 or more drinks per week as incorrect, and thus indicate them as missing data here.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(drinks_wk = `_DRNKWEK` / 100,
             drinks_wk = replace(drinks_wk, drinks_wk > 99, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_DRNKWEK`, drinks_wk) |> tail(12)
# A tibble: 12 x 3
   `_DRNKWEK` drinks_wk
                            n
        <dbl>
                  <dbl> <int>
                   93.3
1
         9333
                             2
2
        10000
                   NA
                             1
                             2
3
        10500
                   NA
```

4	11667	NA	1
5	14000	NA	2
6	16800	NA	2
7	17500	NA	1
8	18200	NA	1
9	28000	NA	1
10	29400	NA	1
11	53200	NA	1
12	99900	NA	379

## 6.6.13.6 \_RFDRHV5 and its cleanup to drink\_heavy

\_RFDRHV5 identifies heavy drinkers (males having 14 or more drinks per week, females having 7 or more drinks per week)

The values are

- 1 = No
- 2 = Yes

1

2

3

9

NA

379

• 9 = Don't Know / Refused / Missing

People who reported no alcdays are reported here as "No", so we'll adjust this into an indicator variable, and create the necessary NAs.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(drink_heavy = `_RFDRHV5` - 1,
             drink_heavy = replace(drink_heavy, drink_heavy > 1, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_RFDRHV5`, drink_heavy)
# A tibble: 3 x 3
  `_RFDRHV5` drink_heavy
                             n
      <dbl>
                 <dbl> <int>
          1
                       0 6607
          2
                       1
                           426
```

# 6.6.14 Fruits and Vegetables (8 items)

#### 6.6.14.1 \_FRUTSU1 and its cleanup to fruit\_day

\_FRUTSU1 provides the computed number of fruit servings consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 16 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here, following some CDC procedures.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(fruit_day = `_FRUTSU1` / 100,
              fruit_day = replace(fruit_day, fruit_day > 16, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_FRUTSU1`, fruit_day) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  `_FRUTSU1` fruit_day
                            n
       <dbl>
                 <dbl> <int>
         913
                  9.13
1
                            1
2
        1000
                 10
                            4
3
        1400
                 14
                            1
4
        3000
                 NA
                            1
5
        7600
                 NA
                            1
6
          NA
                 NA
                          555
```

#### 6.6.14.2 \_VEGESU1 and its cleanup to veg\_day

\_VEGESU1 provides the computed number of vegetable servings consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 23 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here, following some CDC procedures.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
    mutate(veg_day = `_VEGESU1` / 100,
        veg_day = replace(veg_day, veg_day > 23, NA))
smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_VEGESU1`, veg_day) |> tail()
```

#	A tibble: 6	5 x 3	
	`_VEGESU1`	veg_day	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	1414	14.1	1
2	1603	16.0	1
3	1891	18.9	1
4	2167	21.7	1
5	3150	NA	1
6	NA	NA	666

#### 6.6.14.3 FTJUDA2\_ and its cleanup to eat\_juice

FTJUDA2\_ provides the servings of fruit juice consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 16 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(eat_juice = `FTJUDA2_` / 100,
              eat_juice = replace(eat_juice, eat_juice > 16, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`FTJUDA2_`, eat_juice) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  FTJUDA2_ eat_juice
                          n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
1
       500
                    5
                          6
2
       600
                    6
                          1
3
       700
                    7
                          1
4
      1200
                   12
                          1
5
      7500
                   NA
                          1
6
        NA
                   NA
                        469
```

#### 6.6.14.4 FRUTDA2\_ and its cleanup to eat\_fruit

FRUTDA2\_ provides the servings of fruit consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 16 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(eat_fruit = `FRUTDA2_` / 100,
             eat_fruit = replace(eat_fruit, eat_fruit > 16, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`FRUTDA2_`, eat_fruit) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 FRUTDA2_ eat_fruit
                         n
     <dbl>
             <dbl> <int>
                   7
       700
                          5
1
2
      800
                   8
                          3
3
      900
                   9
                          1
4
      1000
                  10
                          1
5
      3000
                  NA
                          1
                  NA
6
        NA
                       456
```

# 6.6.14.5 GRENDA1\_ and its cleanup to eat\_greenveg

**GRENDA1\_** provides the servings of dark green vegetables consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 16 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(eat_greenveg = `GRENDA1_` / 100,
              eat_greenveg = replace(eat_greenveg, eat_greenveg > 16, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`GRENDA1_`, eat_greenveg) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 GRENDA1_ eat_greenveg
                             n
     <dbl>
                  <dbl> <int>
1
       700
                   7
                             4
2
       786
                   7.86
                             1
3
                             2
       800
                   8
4
      2000
                  NA
                             1
5
      3000
                  NA
                             1
6
        NA
                  NA
                           447
```

#### 6.6.14.6 FRNCHDA\_ and its cleanup to eat\_fries

FRNCHDA\_ provides the servings of french fries consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 16 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(eat_fries = `FRNCHDA_` / 100,
             eat_fries = replace(eat_fries, eat_fries > 16, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`FRNCHDA_`, eat_fries) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 FRNCHDA eat fries
                         n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
1
       300
                3
                          9
2
       314
                3.14
                          1
3
      400
                4
                          3
4
       500
                5
                          1
```

## 6.6.14.7 POTADA1\_ and its cleanup to eat\_potato

1

453

7

NA

5

6

700

NA

**POTADA1\_** provides the servings of potatoes consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 16 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here.

1	314	3.14	1
2	329	3.29	1
3	400	4	3
4	471	4.71	1
5	700	7	1
6	NA	NA	501

## 6.6.14.8 VEGEDA2\_ and its cleanup to eat\_otherveg

**VEGEDA2\_** provides the servings of other vegetables consumed per day, with two implied decimal places. We'll divide by 100 to insert the decimal point.

**Note**: We're also going to treat all results exceeding 16 servings per day as implausible, and thus indicate them as missing data here.

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
```

	VEGEDA2_	eat_otherveg	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1	600	6	3
2	700	7	11
3	800	8	1
4	1000	10	2
5	1100	11	1
6	NA	NA	509

## 6.6.15 Exercise and Physical Activity (8 items)

### 6.6.15.1 \_TOTINDA and its cleanup to exerany

\_TOTINDA, the Exercise in Past 30 Days variable, is the response to "During the past month, other than your regular job, did you participate in any physical activities or exercises such as running, calisthenics, golf, gardening, or walking for exercise?"

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No

- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused
- BLANK = Not asked or missing

This is just like HLTHPLAN.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(exerany = `_TOTINDA`,
             exerany = replace(exerany, exerany %in% c(7, 9), NA),
             exerany = replace(exerany, exerany == 2, 0))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_TOTINDA`, exerany)
# A tibble: 3 x 3
  `_TOTINDA` exerany
                         n
       <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
1
           1
                   1 4828
2
           2
                   0 2137
3
           9
                  NA
                       447
```

### 6.6.15.2 \_PACAT1 and its cleanup to activity

\_PACAT1 contains physical activity categories, estimated from responses to the BRFSS. The categories are:

- 1 = Highly Active
- 2 = Active
- 3 = Insufficiently Active
- 4 =Inactive
- 9 = Don't Know / Not Sure / Refused / Missing

So we'll create a factor.

```
smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_PACAT1`, activity)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  `_PACAT1` activity
                                       n
      <dbl> <fct>
                                   <int>
1
          1 Highly_Active
                                    2053
2
          2 Active
                                    1132
3
          3 Insufficiently_Active 1293
4
          4 Inactive
                                    2211
          9 <NA>
5
                                     723
```

### 6.6.15.3 \_PAINDX1 and its cleanup to rec\_aerobic

\_PAINDX1 indicates whether the respondent's stated levels of physical activity meet recommendations for aerobic activity. The responses are:

• 1 = Yes• 2 = No• 9 = Don't know/Not sure/Refused/Missing smart\_ohio\_raw <- smart\_ohio\_raw |> mutate(rec\_aerobic = 2 - `\_PAINDX1`, rec\_aerobic = replace(rec\_aerobic, rec\_aerobic < 0, NA))</pre> smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(`\_PAINDX1`, rec\_aerobic) # A tibble: 3 x 3 `\_PAINDX1` rec\_aerobic n <dbl> <dbl> <int> 1 1 3228 1 2 2 0 3504 3 9 680 NA

#### 6.6.15.4 \_PASTRNG and its cleanup to rec\_strength

\_PASTRNG indicates whether the respondent's stated levels of physical activity meet recommendations for strength-building activity. The responses are:

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No

• 9 = Don't know/Not sure/Refused/Missing

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(rec_strength = 2 - `_PASTRNG`,
             rec_strength = replace(rec_strength, rec_strength < 0, NA))</pre>
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_PASTRNG`, rec_strength)
# A tibble: 3 x 3
  `_PASTRNG` rec_strength
                              n
                <dbl> <int>
      <dbl>
                        1 1852
1
          1
          2
2
                        0 5004
           9
3
                       NA
                            556
```

### 6.6.15.5 EXRACT11 and its cleanup to exer1\_type

Respondents are asked "What type of physical activity or exercise did you spend the most time doing during the past month?" and these responses are gathered into a set of 76 named categories, including an "other" category. Codes 77 (Don't Know / Not Sure) and 99 (Refused) are dropped into NA in my code below, and Code 98 ("Other type of activity") remains. Then I went through the tedious work of converting the factor levels from numbers to names, following the value labels provided by BRFSS.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
    mutate(exer1_type = factor(EXRACT11),
           exer1 type = fct recode(
               exer1_type,
               "Active Gaming Devices" = "1",
               "Aerobics video or class" = "2",
               "Backpacking" = "3",
               "Badminton" = "4",
               "Basketball" = "5",
               "Bicycling machine" = "6",
               "Bicycling" = "7",
               "Boating" = "8",
               "Bowling" = "9",
               "Boxing" = "10",
               "Calisthenics" = "11",
               "Canoeing" = "12",
               "Carpentry" = "13",
```

```
"Dancing" = "14",
"Elliptical machine" = "15",
"Fishing" = "16",
"Frisbee" = "17",
"Gardening" = "18",
"Golf with cart" = "19",
"Golf without cart" = "20",
"Handball" = "21",
"Hiking" = "22",
"Hockey" = "23",
"Horseback riding" = "24",
"Hunting large game" = "25",
"Hunting small game" = "26",
"Inline skating" = "27",
"Jogging" = "28",
"Lacrosse" = "29",
"Mountain climbing" = "30",
"Mowing lawn" = "31",
"Paddleball" = "32",
"Painting house" = "33",
"Pilates" = "34",
"Racquetball" = "35",
"Raking lawn" = "36",
"Running" = "37",
"Rock climbing" = "38",
"Rope skipping" = "39",
"Rowing machine" = "40",
"Rugby" = "41",
"Scuba diving" = "42",
"Skateboarding" = "43",
"Skating" = "44",
"Sledding" = "45",
"Snorkeling" = "46",
"Snow blowing" = "47",
"Snow shoveling" = "48",
"Snow skiing" = "49",
"Snowshoeing" = "50",
"Soccer" = "51",
"Softball/Baseball" = "52",
"Squash" = "53",
"Stair Climbing" = "54",
```

```
"Stream fishing" = "55",
                  "Surfing" = "56",
                  "Swimming" = "57",
                  "Swimming in laps" = "58",
                  "Table tennis" = "59",
                  "Tai Chi" = "60",
                  "Tennis" = "61",
                  "Touch football" = "62",
                  "Volleyball" = "63",
                  "Walking" = "64",
                  "Waterskiing" = "66",
                  "Weight lifting" = "67",
                  "Wrestling" = "68",
                  "Yoga" = "69",
                  "Child Care" = "71",
                  "Farm Work" = "72",
                  "Household Activities" = "73",
                  "Martial Arts" = "74",
                  "Upper Body Cycle" = "75",
                  "Yard Work" = "76",
                  "Other Activities" = "98",
                  NULL = "77",
                  NULL = "99")
      )
Warning: There was 1 warning in `mutate()`.
i In argument: `exer1_type = fct_recode(...)`.
Caused by warning:
```

! Unknown levels in `f`: 3, 17, 21, 32, 36, 41, 42, 45, 47, 53, 55, 56, 59

The warning generated here is caused by the fact that some of the available types of exercise were not mentioned by people in our sample. Looking at the last few results, we can see how many people fell into several categories.

3	77 <na></na>	10
4	98 Other Act:	ivities 276
5	99 <na></na>	4
6	NA <na></na>	2588

The most common activities are:

9 Bicycling

10 Golf with cart

smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(exer1\_type, sort = TRUE) |> head(10) # A tibble: 10 x 2 exer1\_type n <fct> <int> 2605 1 Walking 2 <NA> 2602 3 Running 324 4 Other Activities 276 5 Gardening 242 6 Weight lifting 189 7 Aerobics video or class 103 8 Bicycling machine 103

96

90

#### 6.6.15.6 EXRACT21 and its cleanup to exer2\_type

As a follow-up, respondents are asked "What other type of physical activity gave you the next most exercise during the past month?" and these responses are also gathered into the same set of 76 named categories, including an "other" category, but now also adding a "No Other Activity" category (code 88). Codes 77 (Don't Know / Not Sure) and 99 (Refused) are dropped into NA in my code below, and Code 98 ("Other type of activity") remains. Then I went through the tedious work of converting the factor levels from numbers to names, following the value labels provided by BRFSS. I'm sure there's a better way to do this.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
mutate(exer2_type = factor(EXRACT21),
    exer2_type = fct_recode(
        exer2_type,
        "Active Gaming Devices" = "1",
        "Aerobics video or class" = "2",
        "Backpacking" = "3",
        "Badminton" = "4",
```

```
"Basketball" = "5",
"Bicycling machine" = "6",
"Bicycling" = "7",
"Boating" = "8",
"Bowling" = "9",
"Boxing" = "10",
"Calisthenics" = "11",
"Canoeing" = "12",
"Carpentry" = "13",
"Dancing" = "14",
"Elliptical machine" = "15",
"Fishing" = "16",
"Frisbee" = "17",
"Gardening" = "18",
"Golf with cart" = "19",
"Golf without cart" = "20",
"Handball" = "21",
"Hiking" = "22",
"Hockey" = "23",
"Horseback riding" = "24",
"Hunting large game" = "25",
"Hunting small game" = "26",
"Inline skating" = "27",
"Jogging" = "28",
"Lacrosse" = "29",
"Mountain climbing" = "30",
"Mowing lawn" = "31",
"Paddleball" = "32",
"Painting house" = "33",
"Pilates" = "34",
"Racquetball" = "35",
"Raking lawn" = "36",
"Running" = "37",
"Rock climbing" = "38",
"Rope skipping" = "39",
"Rowing machine" = "40",
"Rugby" = "41",
"Scuba diving" = "42",
"Skateboarding" = "43",
"Skating" = "44",
"Sledding" = "45",
```

```
"Snorkeling" = "46",
                  "Snow blowing" = "47",
                  "Snow shoveling" = "48",
                  "Snow skiing" = "49",
                  "Snowshoeing" = "50",
                  "Soccer" = "51",
                  "Softball/Baseball" = "52",
                  "Squash" = "53",
                  "Stair Climbing" = "54",
                  "Stream fishing" = "55",
                  "Surfing" = "56",
                  "Swimming" = "57",
                  "Swimming in laps" = "58",
                  "Table tennis" = "59",
                  "Tai Chi" = "60",
                  "Tennis" = "61",
                  "Touch football" = "62",
                  "Volleyball" = "63",
                  "Walking" = "64",
                  "Waterskiing" = "66",
                  "Weight lifting" = "67",
                  "Wrestling" = "68",
                  "Yoga" = "69",
                  "Child Care" = "71",
                  "Farm Work" = "72",
                  "Household Activities" = "73",
                  "Martial Arts" = "74",
                  "Upper Body Cycle" = "75",
                  "Yard Work" = "76",
                  "No Other Activity" = "88",
                  "Other Activities" = "98",
                  NULL = "77",
                  NULL = "99")
      )
Warning: There was 1 warning in `mutate()`.
i In argument: `exer2_type = fct_recode(...)`.
Caused by warning:
! Unknown levels in `f`: 3, 21, 30, 39, 41, 46, 50, 62
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(EXRACT21, exer2_type) |> tail()
```

#	A tibble:	: 6 x 3	
	EXRACT21	exer2_type	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	76	Yard Work	153
2	77	<na></na>	26
3	88	No Other Activity	1854
4	98	Other Activities	246
5	99	<na></na>	19
6	NA	<na></na>	2627

The most common activity types in this group are:

smart\_ohio\_raw |> count(exer2\_type, sort = TRUE) |> head(10)

```
# A tibble: 10 x 2
   exer2_type
                             n
   <fct>
                         <int>
1 <NA>
                          2672
2 No Other Activity
                          1854
3 Walking
                           629
4 Weight lifting
                           272
5 Other Activities
                           246
6 Gardening
                           202
7 Household Activities
                           169
8 Yard Work
                           153
9 Running
                           148
10 Bicycling
                           118
```

### 6.6.15.7 \_MINAC11 and its cleanup to exer1\_min

\_MINAC11 is minutes of physical activity per week for the first activity (listed as exer1\_type above.) Since there are only about 10,080 minutes in a typical week, we'll treat as implausible any values larger than 4200 minutes (which would indicate 70 hours per week.)

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  `_MINAC11` exer1_min
                             n
        <dbl>
                   <dbl> <int>
        3780
                    3780
1
                              8
2
        3959
                    3959
                              1
3
                    3960
        3960
                              1
4
        4193
                    4193
                              6
5
       27000
                      NA
                              1
6
                          2760
          NA
                      NA
```

#### 6.6.15.8 \_MINAC21 and its cleanup to exer2\_min

\_MINAC21 is minutes of physical activity per week for the second activity (listed as exer2\_type above.) Again, we'll treat as implausible any values larger than 4200 minutes (which would indicate 70 hours per week.)

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(exer2_min = `_MINAC21`,
              exer2_min = replace(exer2_min, exer2_min > 4200, NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(`_MINAC21`, exer2_min) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  `_MINAC21` exer2_min
                            n
       <dbl>
                  <dbl> <int>
1
        3360
                   3360
                            3
2
        3780
                   3780
                            7
3
                   4193
        4193
                            3
4
        6120
                     NA
                            1
5
        8400
                     NA
                            1
6
                         2770
          NA
                     NA
```

#### 6.6.16 Seatbelt Use (1 item)

#### 6.6.16.1 SEATBELT and its cleanup to seatbelt

This question asks "How often do you use seat belts when you drive or ride in a car?" Possible responses are:

- 1 =Always
- 2 =Nearly always

- 3 =Sometimes
- 4 =Seldom
- 5 =Never
- 7 = Don't know / Not sure
- 8 = Never drive or ride in a car
- 9 = Refused

We'll treat codes 7, 8 and 9 as NA, and turn this into a factor.

```
smart_ohio_raw |> count(SEATBELT, seatbelt)
```

#	A tibble:	: 9 x 3	
	SEATBELT	seatbelt	n
	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	1	Always	6047
2	2	Nearly_always	409
3	3	Sometimes	191
4	4	Seldom	81
5	5	Never	148
6	7	<na></na>	7
7	8	<na></na>	21
8	9	<na></na>	2
9	NA	<na></na>	506

# 6.6.17 Immunization (3 items)

#### 6.6.17.1 FLUSHOT6 and its cleanup to vax\_flu

FLUSHOT6 gives the response to "During the past 12 months, have you had either a flu shot or a flu vaccine that was sprayed in your nose?" The responses are:

```
• 1 = Yes
   • 2 = No
  • 7 = \text{Don't know/Not sure}
  • 9 = \text{Refused}
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
       mutate(vax flu = 2 - FLUSHOT6,
              vax_flu = replace(vax_flu, vax_flu < 0, NA))</pre>
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(FLUSHOT6, vax_flu)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  FLUSHOT6 vax_flu
                         n
              <dbl> <int>
     <dbl>
1
         1
                  1 3453
2
         2
                  0 3410
3
         7
                 NA
                        26
4
         9
                 NA
                         3
5
                 NA
                       520
        NA
```

### 6.6.17.2 PNEUVAC3 and its cleanup to vax\_pneumo

**PNEUVAC3** gives the response to "A pneumonia shot or pneumococcal vaccine is usually given only once or twice in a person's lifetime and is different from the flu shot. Have you ever had a pneumonia shot?" The responses are:

```
• 1 = \text{Yes}
  • 2 = No
  • 7 = \text{Don't know/Not sure}
  • 9 = \text{Refused}
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
       mutate(vax_pneumo = 2 - PNEUVAC3,
               vax_pneumo = replace(vax_pneumo, vax_pneumo < 0, NA))</pre>
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(PNEUVAC3, vax_pneumo)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  PNEUVAC3 vax_pneumo
                            n
     <dbl>
                 <dbl> <int>
1
         1
                      1 3112
```

2	2	0	3262
3	7	NA	509
4	9	NA	3
5	NA	NA	526

#### 6.6.17.3 SHINGLE2 and its cleanup to vax\_shingles

SHINGLE2 gives the response to "Have you ever had the shingles or zoster vaccine?" The responses are:

```
• 1 = \text{Yes}
  • 2 = No
  • 7 = \text{Don't know/Not sure}
  • 9 = \text{Refused}
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(vax_shingles = 2 - SHINGLE2,
              vax_shingles = replace(vax_shingles, vax_shingles < 0, NA))</pre>
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(SHINGLE2, vax_shingles)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
 SHINGLE2 vax_shingles
                              n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
                       1 1503
         1
         2
                       0 2979
         7
                      NA
                             78
```

# 6.6.18 HIV/AIDS (2 items)

NA

#### 6.6.18.1 HIVTST6 and its cleanup to hiv\_test

NA 2852

HIVTST6 gives the response to "Have you ever been tested for HIV? Do not count tests you may have had as part of a blood donation. Include testing fluid from your mouth." The responses are:

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No

1

2

3

4

- 7 = Don't know/Not sure
- 9 = Refused

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(hiv_test = 2 - HIVTST6,
              hiv_test = replace(hiv_test, hiv_test < 0, NA))</pre>
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(HIVTST6, hiv_test)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  HIVTST6 hiv_test
                        n
    <dbl>
             <dbl> <int>
                  1 2017
1
        1
2
        2
                    4565
                  0
3
        7
                 NA
                      260
4
        9
                NA
                       14
5
       NA
                NA
                      556
```

#### 6.6.18.2 HIVRISK5 and its cleanup to hiv\_risk

3

7

NA

2

HIVRISK5 gives the response to "I am going to read you a list. When I am done, please tell me if any of the situations apply to you. You do not need to tell me which one. You have injected any drug other than those prescribed for you in the past year. You have been treated for a sexually transmitted disease or STD in the past year. You have given or received money or drugs in exchange for sex in the past year." The responses are:

```
• 1 = \text{Yes}
   • 2 = No
  • 7 = \text{Don't know/Not sure}
   • 9 = \text{Refused}
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
       mutate(hiv_risk = 2 - HIVRISK5,
               hiv_risk = replace(hiv_risk, hiv_risk < 0, NA))</pre>
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(HIVRISK5, hiv_risk)
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  HIVRISK5 hiv_risk
                           n
     <dbl>
               <dbl> <int>
          1
1
                    1
                        277
2
          2
                    0
                       6537
```

4	9	NA	17
5	NA	NA	579

# 6.7 Imputing Age and Income as Quantitative from Thin Air

This section is purely for teaching purposes. I would never use the variables created in this section for research work.

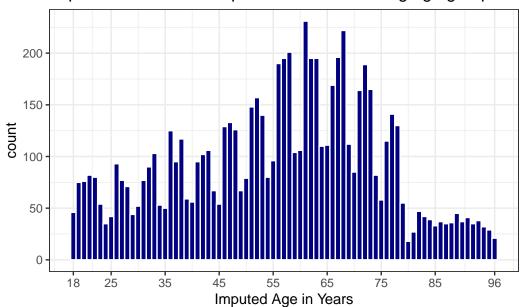
# 6.7.1 age\_imp: Imputing Age Data

I want a quantitative age variable, so I'm going to create an imputed age\_imp value for each subject based on their agegroup. For each age group, I will assume that each of the ages represented by a value in that age group will be equally likely, and will draw from the relevant uniform distribution to impute age.

```
set.seed(2020432002)
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(age_low = as.numeric(str_sub(as.character(agegroup), 1, 2))) |>
      mutate(age_high = as.numeric(str_sub(as.character(agegroup), 4, 5))) |>
      rowwise() |>
      mutate(age_imp = ifelse(!is.na(agegroup),
                               round(runif(1, min = age_low, max = age_high),0),
                               NA))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(agegroup, age_imp) #|> tail()
# A tibble: 80 x 3
# Rowwise:
  agegroup age_imp
                        n
  <fct>
              <dbl> <int>
1 18-24
                 18
                       46
2 18-24
                 19
                       75
3 18-24
                 20
                       76
4 18-24
                 21
                       82
5 18-24
                 22
                       80
                 23
6 18-24
                       54
7 18-24
                 24
                       35
8 25-29
                 25
                       42
9 25-29
                 26
                       93
```

10 25-29 27 77 # i 70 more rows

Here is a histogram of the age\_imp variable.



# Imputed Income: 68 respondents have missing age group

#### 6.7.2 inc\_imp: Imputing Income Data

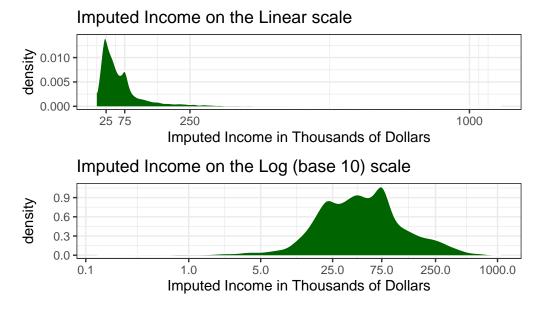
I want a quantitative income variable, so I'm going to create an imputed inc\_imp value for each subject based on their incomegroup. For most income groups, I will assume that each of the incomes represented by a value in that income group will be equally likely, and will draw from the relevant uniform distribution to impute income. The exception is the highest income group, where I will impute a value drawn from a distribution that places all values at \$75,000 or more, but has a substantial right skew and long tail.

```
set.seed(2020432001)
  smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |>
      mutate(inc_imp = case_when(
          incomegroup == "0-9K" ~ round(runif(1, min = 100, max = 9999)),
          incomegroup == "10-14K" ~ round(runif(1, min = 10000, max = 14999)),
          incomegroup == "15-19K" ~ round(runif(1, min = 15000, max = 19999)),
          incomegroup == "20-24K" ~ round(runif(1, min = 20000, max = 24999)),
          incomegroup == "25-34K" ~ round(runif(1, min = 25000, max = 34999)),
          incomegroup == "35-49K" ~ round(runif(1, min = 35000, max = 49999)),
          incomegroup == "50-74K" ~ round(runif(1, min = 50000, max = 74999)),
          incomegroup == "75K+" ~ round((rnorm(n = 1, mean = 0, sd = 300)^2) + 74999)))
  smart_ohio_raw |> count(incomegroup, inc_imp) |> tail()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
# Rowwise:
 incomegroup inc_imp
                          n
  <fct>
               <dbl> <int>
1 75K+
               774009
                          1
2 75K+
               798174
                          1
3 75K+
               806161
                          1
4 75K+
               847758
                          1
5 75K+
              1085111
                          1
6 <NA>
                   NA 1310
```

Here are density plots of the inc\_imp variable. The top picture shows the results on a linear scale, and the bottom shows them on a log (base 10) scale.

```
p1 <- ggplot(smart_ohio_raw, aes(x = inc_imp/1000)) +
   geom_density(fill = "darkgreen", col = "white") +
   labs(x = "Imputed Income in Thousands of Dollars",
        title = "Imputed Income on the Linear scale") +
   scale_x_continuous(breaks = c(25, 75, 250, 1000))
p2 <- ggplot(smart_ohio_raw, aes(x = inc_imp/1000)) +
   geom_density(fill = "darkgreen", col = "white") +
   labs(x = "Imputed Income in Thousands of Dollars",
        title = "Imputed Income in Thousands of Dollars",
        title = "Imputed Income in Thousands of Dollars",
        title = "Imputed Income on the Log (base 10) scale") +
        scale_x_log10(breaks = c(0.1, 1, 5, 25, 75, 250, 1000))</pre>
```

Imputed Income: 1310 respondents have missing income group



# 6.8 Clean Data in the State of Ohio

There are six MMSAs associated with the state of Ohio. We're going to create a smart\_ohio that includes each of them. First, I'll ungroup the data that I created earlier, so I get a clean tibble.

```
smart_ohio_raw <- smart_ohio_raw |> ungroup()
```

Next, I'll select the variables I want to retain (they are the ones I created, plus SEQNO.)

```
veteran, employment, incomegroup, inc imp,
           cell_own, internet30,
           weight_kg, height_m, bmi, bmigroup,
           pregnant, deaf, blind, decide,
           diffwalk, diffdress, diffalone,
           smoke100, smoker, ecig_ever, ecigs,
           healthplan, hasdoc, costprob, t_checkup,
           bp_high, bp_meds,
           t_chol, chol_high, chol_meds,
           asthma, hx asthma, now asthma,
           hx_mi, hx_chd, hx_stroke, hx_skinc, hx_otherc,
           hx_copd, hx_depress, hx_kidney,
           hx_diabetes, dm_status, dm_age,
           hx_arthr, arth_lims, arth_work, arth_soc,
           joint_pain, alcdays, avgdrinks, maxdrinks,
           binge, drinks wk, drink heavy,
           fruit_day, veg_day, eat_juice, eat_fruit,
           eat_greenveg, eat_fries, eat_potato,
           eat_otherveg, exerany, activity, rec_aerobic,
           rec_strength, exer1_type, exer2_type,
           exer1_min, exer2_min, seatbelt,
           vax_flu, vax_pneumo, vax_shingles,
           hiv_test, hiv_risk)
saveRDS(smart ohio, "data/smart ohio.Rds")
```

write\_csv(smart\_ohio, "data/smart\_ohio.csv")

The smart\_ohio file should contain 99 variables, describing 7412 respondents.

# 6.9 Clean Cleveland-Elyria Data

# 6.9.1 Cleveland - Elyria Data

The mmsa\_name variable is probably the simplest way for us to filter our data down to the MMSA we are interested in. Here, I'm using the str\_detect function to identify the values of mmsa\_name that contain the text "Cleveland".

```
smart_cle <- smart_ohio |>
filter(str_detect(mmsa_name, 'Cleveland'))
```

```
saveRDS(smart_cle, "data/smart_cle.Rds")
```

In the Cleveland-Elyria MSA, we have 1133 observations on the same 99 variables. We'll build a variety of smaller subsets from these data, eventually.

# 7 Dealing with Missingness: Single Imputation

# 7.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(ggridges)
library(knitr)
library(naniar)
library(simputation)
library(Hmisc)
library(mosaic)
library(patchwork)
library(visdat)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

# 7.1.1 Data Load

```
smart_cle <- readRDS("data/smart_cle.Rds")</pre>
```

# 7.2 Selecting Some Variables from the smart\_cle data

```
smart_cle1 <- smart_cle |>
  select(SEQNO, physhealth, genhealth, bmi,
            age_imp, female, race_eth, internet30,
            smoke100, activity, drinks_wk, veg_day)
```

The smart\_cle.Rds data file available on the Data and Code page of our website describes information on 99 variables for 1133 respondents to the BRFSS 2017, who live in the Cleveland-Elyria, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area. The variables in the smart\_cle1.csv file are listed below, along with the items that generate these responses.

Variable	Description
SEQNO	respondent identification number (all begin with 2016)
physhealth	Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and
	injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health
	not good?
genhealth	Would you say that in general, your health is (five categories: Excellent,
	Very Good, Good, Fair or Poor)
bmi	Body mass index, in $kg/m^2$
age_imp	Age, imputed, in years
female	Sex, $1 = \text{female}, 0 = \text{male}$
race_eth	Race and Ethnicity, in five categories
internet30	Have you used the internet in the past 30 days? $(1 = \text{yes}, 0 = \text{no})$
smoke100	Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life? $(1 = \text{yes}, 0 = \text{no})$
activity	Physical activity (Highly Active, Active, Insufficiently Active, Inactive)
drinks_wk	On average, how many drinks of alcohol do you consume in a week?
veg_day	How many servings of vegetables do you consume per day, on average?

str(smart\_cle1)

```
tibble [1,133 x 12] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
$ SEQNO
            : num [1:1133] 2.02e+09 2.02e+09 2.02e+09 2.02e+09 2.02e+09 ...
$ physhealth: num [1:1133] 4 0 0 0 0 2 2 0 0 0 ...
$ genhealth : Factor w/ 5 levels "1_Excellent",..: 1 1 3 3 3 2 3 2 4 1 ...
$ bmi
            : num [1:1133] NA 23.1 26.9 26.5 24.2 ...
            : num [1:1133] 51 28 37 36 88 43 23 34 58 54 ...
$ age_imp
$ female
            : num [1:1133] 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 ...
$ race_eth : Factor w/ 5 levels "White non-Hispanic",..: 1 1 3 1 1 1 1 3 2 1 ...
$ internet30: num [1:1133] 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
$ smoke100 : num [1:1133] 1 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 ...
$ activity : Factor w/ 4 levels "Highly_Active",..: 4 4 3 1 1 NA 1 1 1 1 ...
$ drinks_wk : num [1:1133] 0.7 0 0 4.67 0.93 0 2 0 0 0.47 ...
            : num [1:1133] NA 3 4.06 2.07 1.31 NA 1.57 0.83 0.49 1.72 ...
$ veg day
```

# 7.3 smart\_cle1: Seeing our Missing Data

The naniar package provides several useful functions for summarizing missingness in our data set. Like all tidy data sets, our smart\_cle1 tibble contains rows which describe observations, sometimes called *cases*, and also contains columns which describe variables.

Overall, there are 1133 cases, and 1133 observations in our smart\_cle1 tibble.

• We can obtain a count of the number of missing cells in the entire tibble.

```
smart_cle1 |> n_miss()
```

[1] 479

• We can use the miss\_var\_summary function to get a sorted table of each variable by number missing.

miss\_var\_summary(smart\_cle1) |> kable()

variable	n_miss	$pct\_miss$
activity	109	9.62
veg_day	101	8.91
bmi	91	8.03
drinks_wk	66	5.83
smoke100	40	3.53
$race_{eth}$	26	2.29
physhealth	24	2.12
age_imp	11	0.971
internet30	7	0.618
genhealth	4	0.353
SEQNO	0	0
female	0	0

• Or we can use the miss\_var\_table function to tabulate the number of variables that have each observed level of missingness.

miss\_var\_table(smart\_cle1)

```
# A tibble: 11 x 3
    n_miss_in_var n_vars pct_vars
```

	<int></int>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>
1	0	2	16.7
2	4	1	8.33
3	7	1	8.33
4	11	1	8.33
5	24	1	8.33
6	26	1	8.33
7	40	1	8.33
8	66	1	8.33
9	91	1	8.33
10	101	1	8.33
11	109	1	8.33

• Or we can get a count for a specific variable, like activity:

```
smart_cle1 |> select(activity) |> n_miss()
```

# [1] 109

• We can also use prop\_miss\_case or pct\_miss\_case to specify the proportion (or percentage) of missing observations across an entire data set, or within a specific variable.

prop\_miss\_case(smart\_cle1)

### [1] 0.2127096

smart\_cle1 |> select(activity) |> pct\_miss\_case()

[1] 9.620477

• We can also use prop\_miss\_var or pct\_miss\_var to specify the proportion (or percentage) of variables with missing observations across an entire data set.

prop\_miss\_var(smart\_cle1)

#### [1] 0.8333333

```
pct_miss_var(smart_cle1)
```

[1] 83.33333

• We use miss\_case\_table to identify the number of missing values for each of the cases (rows) in our tibble.

```
miss_case_table(smart_cle1)
```

```
# A tibble: 7 x 3
```

	n_miss_in_case	n_cases	pct_cases
	<int></int>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>
1	0	892	78.7
2	1	129	11.4
3	2	51	4.50
4	3	22	1.94
5	4	21	1.85
6	5	10	0.883
7	6	8	0.706

• Use miss\_case\_summary to specify individual observations and count their missing values.

```
miss_case_summary(smart_cle1)
```

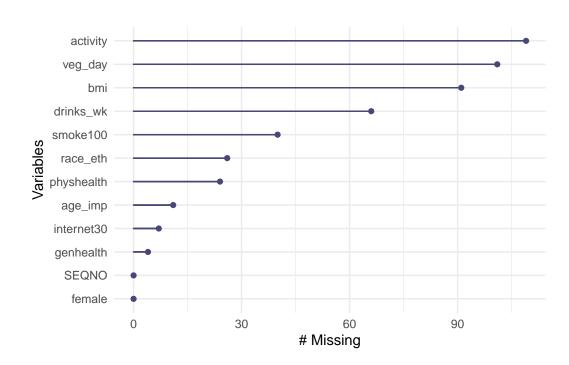
```
# A tibble: 1,133 x 3
    case n_miss pct_miss
   <int> <int>
                     <dbl>
 1
      17
               6
                      50
2
      42
               6
                      50
 3
     254
               6
                      50
4
     425
               6
                      50
5
     521
               6
                      50
6
     729
               6
                      50
7
               6
     757
                      50
8
               6
    1051
                      50
9
               5
      89
                      41.7
10
      94
               5
                      41.7
# i 1,123 more rows
```

The case numbers identified here are row numbers. Extract the data for case 17, for instance, with the slice function.

```
smart_cle1 |> slice(17)
# A tibble: 1 x 12
    SEQNO physhealth genhealth bmi age_imp female race_eth internet30 smoke100
    <dbl>
               <dbl> <fct>
                               <dbl>
                                        <dbl>
                                              <dbl> <fct>
                                                                            <dbl>
                                                                   <dbl>
1 2.02e9
                   0 1_Excell~
                                  NA
                                          50
                                                   0 White n~
                                                                      NA
                                                                               NA
# i 3 more variables: activity <fct>, drinks_wk <dbl>, veg_day <dbl>
```

# 7.3.1 Plotting Missingness

The gg\_miss\_var function plots the number of missing observations in each variable in our data set.

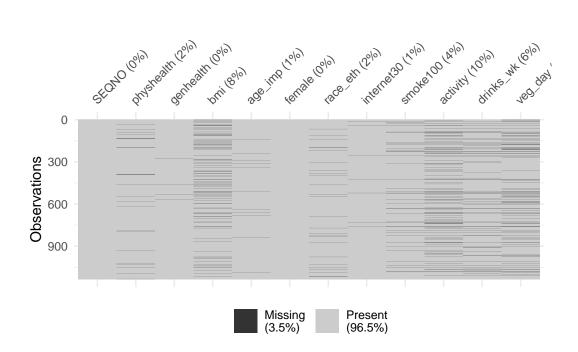


```
gg_miss_var(smart_cle1)
```

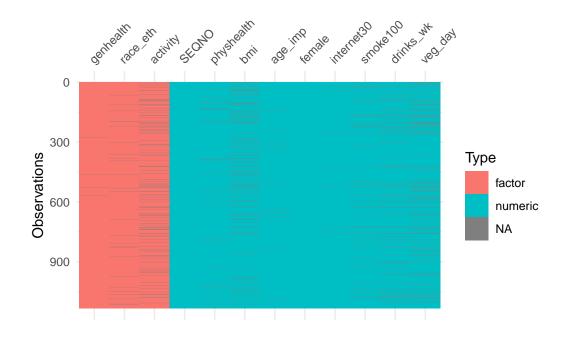
So the most commonly missing variable is activity.

To get a general sense of the missingness in our data, we might use either the vis\_dat or the vis\_miss function from the visdat package.

# vis\_miss(smart\_cle1)



vis\_dat(smart\_cle1)



# 7.4 Missing-data mechanisms

My source for this description of mechanisms is Chapter 25 of @GelmanHill2007, and that chapter is available at this link.

- 1. MCAR = Missingness completely at random. A variable is missing completely at random if the probability of missingness is the same for all units, for example, if for each subject, we decide whether to collect the diabetes status by rolling a die and refusing to answer if a "6" shows up. If data are missing completely at random, then throwing out cases with missing data does not bias your inferences.
- 2. Missingness that depends only on observed predictors. A more general assumption, called missing at random or MAR, is that the probability a variable is missing depends only on available information. Here, we would have to be willing to assume that the probability of nonresponse to diabetes depends only on the other, fully recorded variables in the data. It is often reasonable to model this process as a logistic regression, where the outcome variable equals 1 for observed cases and 0 for missing. When an outcome variable is missing at random, it is acceptable to exclude the missing cases (that is, to treat them as NA), as long as the regression controls for all the variables that affect the probability of missingness.
- 3. Missingness that depends on unobserved predictors. Missingness is no longer "at random" if it depends on information that has not been recorded and this information also predicts the missing values. If a particular treatment causes discomfort, a patient

is more likely to drop out of the study. This missingness is not at random (unless "discomfort" is measured and observed for all patients). If missingness is not at random, it must be explicitly modeled, or else you must accept some bias in your inferences.

4. Missingness that depends on the missing value itself. Finally, a particularly difficult situation arises when the probability of missingness depends on the (potentially missing) variable itself. For example, suppose that people with higher earnings are less likely to reveal them.

Essentially, situations 3 and 4 are referred to collectively as **non-random missingness**, and cause more trouble for us than 1 and 2.

# 7.5 Options for Dealing with Missingness

There are several available methods for dealing with missing data that are MCAR or MAR, but they basically boil down to:

- Complete Case (or Available Case) analyses
- Single Imputation
- Multiple Imputation

# 7.6 Complete Case (and Available Case) analyses

In **Complete Case** analyses, rows containing NA values are omitted from the data before analyses commence. This is the default approach for many statistical software packages, and may introduce unpredictable bias and fail to include some useful, often hard-won information.

- A complete case analysis can be appropriate when the number of missing observations is not large, and the missing pattern is either MCAR (missing completely at random) or MAR (missing at random.)
- Two problems arise with complete-case analysis:
  - 1. If the units with missing values differ systematically from the completely observed cases, this could bias the complete-case analysis.
  - 2. If many variables are included in a model, there may be very few complete cases, so that most of the data would be discarded for the sake of a straightforward analysis.
- A related approach is *available-case* analysis where different aspects of a problem are studied with different subsets of the data, perhaps identified on the basis of what is missing in them.

# 7.7 Single Imputation

In **single imputation** analyses, NA values are estimated/replaced *one time* with *one particular data value* for the purpose of obtaining more complete samples, at the expense of creating some potential bias in the eventual conclusions or obtaining slightly *less* accurate estimates than would be available if there were no missing values in the data.

- A single imputation can be just a replacement with the mean or median (for a quantity) or the mode (for a categorical variable.) However, such an approach, though easy to understand, underestimates variance and ignores the relationship of missing values to other variables.
- Single imputation can also be done using a variety of models to try to capture information about the NA values that are available in other variables within the data set.
- The simputation package can help us execute single imputations using a wide variety of techniques, within the pipe approach used by the tidyverse. Another approach I have used in the past is the mice package, which can also perform single imputations.

# 7.8 Multiple Imputation

**Multiple imputation**, where NA values are repeatedly estimated/replaced with multiple data values, for the purpose of obtaining mode complete samples *and* capturing details of the variation inherent in the fact that the data have missingness, so as to obtain *more* accurate estimates than are possible with single imputation.

• We'll postpone the discussion of multiple imputation for a while.

# 7.9 Approach 1: Building a Complete Case Analysis: smart\_cle1\_cc

In the 431 course, we usually dealt with missing data by restricting our analyses to respondents with complete data on all variables. Let's start by doing that here. We'll create a new tibble called smart\_cle1\_cc which includes all respondents with complete data on all of these variables.

```
smart_cle1_cc <- smart_cle1 |>
    drop_na()
dim(smart_cle1_cc)
```

#### [1] 892 12

-	-	J		1	/
the variables in	this complete ca	ses tibble have no	missing observation	ons.	

Our smart cle1 cc tibble now has many fewer observations than its predecessors, but all of

Data Set	Rows	Columns	Missingness?
smart_cle	1133	99	Quite a bit.
<pre>smart_cle1</pre>	1133	12	Quite a bit.
<pre>smart_cle1_cc</pre>	892	12	None.

# 7.10 Approach 2: Single Imputation to create smart\_cle1\_sh

Next, we'll create a data set which has all of the rows in the original smart\_cle1 tibble, but deals with missingness by imputing (estimating / filling in) new values for each of the missing values. To do this, we'll make heavy use of the simputation package in R.

The simputation package is designed for single imputation work. Note that we'll eventually adopt a **multiple imputation** strategy in some of our modeling work, and we'll use some specialized tools to facilitate that later.

To begin, we'll create a "shadow" in our tibble to track what we'll need to impute.

```
smart_cle1_sh <- bind_shadow(smart_cle1)</pre>
  names(smart_cle1_sh)
 [1] "SEQNO"
                                        "genhealth"
                                                         "bmi"
                      "physhealth"
                      "female"
                                        "race_eth"
 [5] "age_imp"
                                                         "internet30"
 [9] "smoke100"
                      "activity"
                                        "drinks_wk"
                                                         "veg_day"
[13] "SEQNO_NA"
                      "physhealth_NA"
                                       "genhealth_NA"
                                                         "bmi_NA"
                                                         "internet30_NA"
                      "female_NA"
                                        "race_eth_NA"
[17] "age_imp_NA"
[21] "smoke100_NA"
                      "activity_NA"
                                        "drinks_wk_NA"
                                                         "veg_day_NA"
```

Note that the **bind\_shadow()** function doubles the number of variables in our tibble, specifically by creating a new variable for each that takes the value !NA or NA. For example, consider

smart\_cle1\_sh |> count(activity, activity\_NA)

# A tibble: 5 x 3		
activity	activity_NA	n
<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1 Highly_Active	!NA	338
2 Active	! NA	173
3 Insufficiently_Active	!NA	201
4 Inactive	!NA	312
5 <na></na>	NA	109

The activity\_NA variable takes the value !NA (meaning not missing) when the value of the activity variable is known, and takes the value NA for observations where the activity variable is missing. This background tracking will be helpful to us when we try to assess the impact of imputation on some of our summaries.

# 7.10.1 What Type of Missingness Do We Have?

There are three types of missingness that we might assume in any given setting: missing completely at random (MCAR), missing at random (MAR) and missing not at random (MNAR). Together, MCAR and MAR are sometimes called *ignorable* non-response, which essentially means that imputation provides a way to useful estimates. MNAR or missing NOT at random is sometimes called non-ignorable missingness, implying that even high-quality imputation may not be sufficient to provide useful information to us.

Missing Completely at Random means that the missing data points are a random subset of the data. Essentially, there is nothing that makes some data more likely to be missing than others. If the data truly match the standard for MCAR, then a complete-case analysis will be about as good as an analysis after single or multiple imputation.

Missing at Random means that there is a systematic relationship between the observed data and the missingness mechanism. Another way to say this is that the missing value is not related to the reason why it is missing, but is related to the other variables collected in the study. The implication is that the missingness can be accounted for by studying the variables with complete information. Imputation strategies can be very helpful here, incorporating what we know (or think we know) about the relationships between the results that are missing and the results that we see.

- Wikipedia provides a nice example. If men are less likely to fill in a depression survey, but this has nothing to do with their level of depression after accounting for the fact that they are male, then the missingess can be assumed MAR.
- Determining whether missingness is MAR or MNAR can be tricky. We'll spend more time discussing this later.

Missing NOT at Random means that the missing value is related to the reason why it is missing.

- Continuing the Wikipedia example, if men failed to fill in a depression survey because of their level of depression, then this would be MNAR.
- Single imputation is most helpful in the MAR situation, although it is also appropriate when we assume MCAR.
- Multiple imputation will, similarly, be more helpful in MCAR and MAR situations than when data are missing NOT at random.

It's worth noting that many people are unwilling to impute values for outcomes or key predictors in a modeling setting, but are happy to impute for less important covariates. For now, we'll assume MCAR or MAR for all of the missingness in our smart\_cle1 data, which will allow us to adopt a single imputation strategy.

### 7.10.2 Single imputation into smart\_cle1\_sh

Which variables in smart\_cle1\_sh contain missing data?

```
miss_var_summary(smart_cle1_sh)
```

```
# A tibble: 24 x 3
   variable
              n_miss pct_miss
   <chr>
                <int>
                          <num>
                          9.62
 1 activity
                  109
2 veg_day
                  101
                          8.91
                          8.03
3 bmi
                   91
4 drinks_wk
                   66
                          5.83
5 smoke100
                   40
                          3.53
6 race_eth
                   26
                          2.29
7 physhealth
                   24
                          2.12
8 age_imp
                   11
                          0.971
9 internet30
                    7
                          0.618
10 genhealth
                    4
                          0.353
# i 14 more rows
```

We will impute these variables using several different strategies, all supported nicely by the simputation package.

These include imputation methods based solely on the distribution of the complete cases of the variable being imputed.

- impute\_median: impute the median value of all non-missing observations into the missing values for the variable
- impute\_rhd: random "hot deck" imputation involves drawing at random from the complete cases for that variable

Also available are imputation strategies that impute predicted values from models using other variables in the data set besides the one being imputed.

- impute\_pmm: imputation using predictive mean matching
- impute\_rlm: imputation using robust linear models
- impute\_cart: imputation using classification and regression trees
- impute\_knn: imputation using k-nearest neighbors methods

### 7.10.3 Imputing Binary Categorical Variables

Here, we'll arbitrarily impute our 1/0 variables as follows:

- For internet30 we'll use the impute\_rhd approach to draw a random observation from the existing set of 1s and 0s in the complete internet30 data.
- For smoke100 we'll use a method called predictive mean matching (impute\_pmm) which takes the result from a model based on the (imputed) internet30 value and whether or not the subject is female, and converts it to the nearest value in the observed smoke100 data. This is a good approach for imputing discrete variables.

These are completely arbitrary choices, for demonstration purposes.

```
set.seed(2020001)
  smart_cle1_sh <- smart_cle1_sh |> data.frame() |>
      impute rhd(internet30 ~ 1) |>
      impute_pmm(smoke100 ~ internet30 + female) |>
    as_tibble()
  smart_cle1_sh |> count(smoke100, smoke100_NA)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
  smoke100 smoke100_NA
                           n
     <dbl> <fct>
                       <int>
         O !NA
                         579
1
2
         O NA
                          21
3
         1 !NA
                         514
```

19

```
1 NA
```

4

```
smart_cle1_sh |> count(internet30, internet30_NA)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
  internet30 internet30 NA
                                n
       <dbl> <fct>
                            <int>
1
           O !NA
                              207
2
           O NA
                                1
3
           1 !NA
                              919
4
           1 NA
                                6
```

Other approaches that may be used with 1/0 variables include impute\_knn and impute\_pmm.

### 7.10.4 Imputing Quantitative Variables

We'll demonstrate a different approach for imputing each of the quantitative variables with missing observations. Again, we're making purely arbitrary decisions here about what to include in each imputation. In practical work, we'd want to be a bit more thoughtful about this.

Note that I'm choosing to use impute\_pmm with the physhealth and age\_imp variables. This is (in part) because I want my imputations to be integers, as the other observations are for those variables. impute\_rhd would also accomplish this.

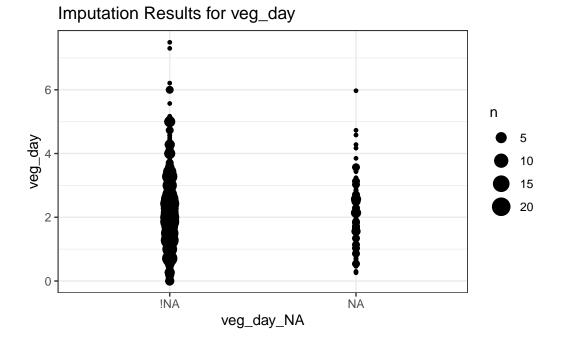
```
set.seed(2020001)
smart_cle1_sh <- smart_cle1_sh |> data.frame() |>
    impute_rhd(veg_day ~ 1) |>
    impute_median(drinks_wk ~ 1) |>
    impute_pmm(physhealth ~ drinks_wk + female + smoke100) |>
    impute_pmm(age_imp ~ drinks_wk + physhealth) |>
    impute_rlm(bmi ~ physhealth + smoke100) |>
    as_tibble()
```

### 7.10.5 Imputation Results

Let's plot a few of these results, so we can see what imputation has done to the distribution of these quantities.

1. veg\_day

```
ggplot(smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = veg_day_NA, y = veg_day)) +
geom_count() +
labs(title = "Imputation Results for veg_day")
```

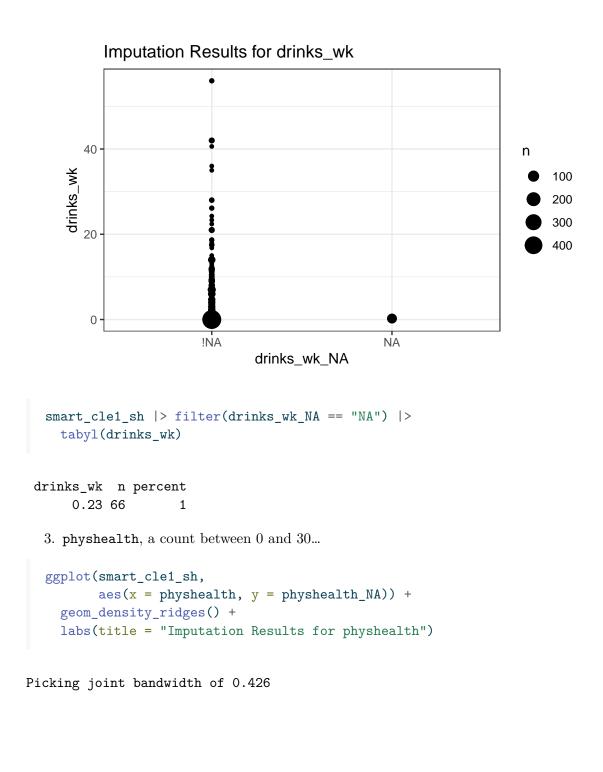


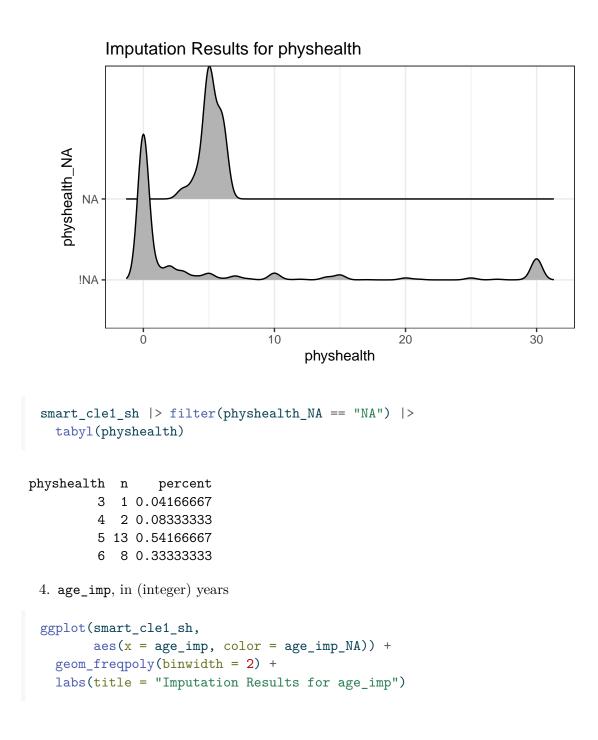
favstats(veg\_day ~ veg\_day\_NA, data = smart\_cle1\_sh)

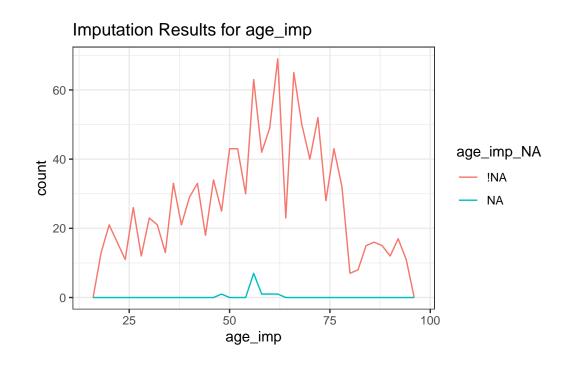
	veg_day_NA	min	Q1	median	QЗ	max	mean	sd	n	missing
1	!NA	0.00	1.2675	1.72	2.42	7.49	1.912548	1.038403	1032	0
2	NA	0.26	1.3400	1.86	2.72	5.97	2.085050	1.062316	101	0

2. drinks\_wk for which we imputed the median value...

```
ggplot(smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = drinks_wk_NA, y = drinks_wk)) +
geom_count() +
labs(title = "Imputation Results for drinks_wk")
```





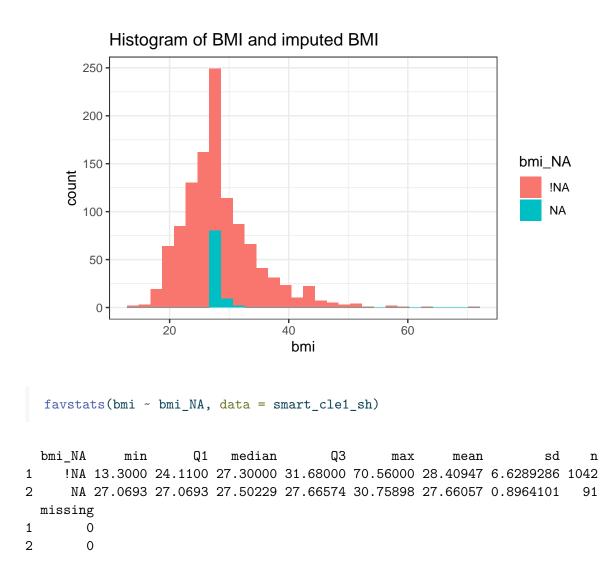


```
smart_cle1_sh |> filter(age_imp_NA == "NA") |>
tabyl(age_imp)
```

age\_imp n percent 48 1 0.09090909 57 7 0.63636364 58 1 0.09090909 61 1 0.09090909 63 1 0.09090909

5.  $\tt bmi$  or body mass index

```
ggplot(smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = bmi, fill = bmi_NA)) +
geom_histogram(bins = 30) +
labs(title = "Histogram of BMI and imputed BMI")
```



### 7.10.6 Imputing Multi-Categorical Variables

The three multi-categorical variables we have left to impute are activity, race\_eth and genhealth, and each is presented as a factor in R, rather than as a character variable.

We'll arbitrarily decide to impute

- activity and genhealth with a classification tree using physhealth, bmi and smoke100,
- and then impute **race\_eth** with a random draw from the distribution of complete cases.

```
set.seed(2020001)
smart_cle1_sh <- smart_cle1_sh |>
```

```
data.frame() |>
  impute_cart(activity + genhealth ~ physhealth + bmi + smoke100) |>
  impute_rhd(race_eth ~ 1) |>
  as_tibble()
```

Let's check our results.

```
smart_cle1_sh |> count(activity_NA, activity)
```

#	A tibble: 6	х З	
	activity_NA	activity	n
	<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	!NA	Highly_Active	338
2	!NA	Active	173
3	!NA	Insufficiently_Active	201
4	!NA	Inactive	312
5	NA	Highly_Active	90
6	NA	Inactive	19

smart\_cle1\_sh |> count(race\_eth\_NA, race\_eth)

# A tibble: 9 x 3

race_eth_NA	race_eth	n
<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
!NA	White non-Hispanic	805
!NA	Black non-Hispanic	222
!NA	Other race non-Hispanic	24
!NA	Multiracial non-Hispanic	22
!NA	Hispanic	34
NA	White non-Hispanic	19
NA	Black non-Hispanic	4
NA	Multiracial non-Hispanic	2
NA	Hispanic	1
		!NAWhite non-Hispanic!NABlack non-Hispanic!NAOther race non-Hispanic!NAMultiracial non-Hispanic!NAHispanicNAWhite non-HispanicNABlack non-HispanicNAMultiracial non-HispanicNAMultiracial non-Hispanic

smart\_cle1\_sh |> count(genhealth\_NA, genhealth)

#	A tibble: 7 :	х З	
	$genhealth_NA$	genhealth	n
	<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>

1	! NA	1_Excellent	164
2	!NA	2_VeryGood	383
3	!NA	3_Good	364
4	!NA	4_Fair	158
5	!NA	5_Poor	60
6	NA	2_VeryGood	3
7	NA	3_Good	1

And now, we should have no missing values in the data, at all.

## 7.10.7 Saving the new tibbles

```
saveRDS(smart_cle1_cc, ("data/smart_cle1_cc.Rds"))
saveRDS(smart_cle1_sh, ("data/smart_cle1_sh.Rds"))
```

# 8 Summarizing smart\_cle1

In this chapter, we'll work with the two data files we built in Chapter 7.

## 8.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(Hmisc)
library(mosaic)
library(knitr)
```

library(tidyverse)

theme\_set(theme\_bw())

## 8.1.1 Data Load

```
smart_cle1_sh <- read_rds("data/smart_cle1_sh.Rds")
smart_cle1_cc <- read_rds("data/smart_cle1_cc.Rds")</pre>
```

## 8.2 What's in these data?

Those files (\_sh contains single imputations, and a shadow set of variables which have \_NA at the end of their names, while \_cc contains only the complete cases) describe information on the following variables from the BRFSS 2017, who live in the Cleveland-Elyria, OH, Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Variable Description

SEQNO respondent identification number (all begin with 2016)

Variable	Description
physhealth	Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health
	not good?
genhealth	Would you say that in general, your health is (five categories: Excellent,
	Very Good, Good, Fair or Poor)
bmi	Body mass index, in $kg/m^2$
age_imp	Age, imputed, in years
female	Sex, $1 = \text{female}, 0 = \text{male}$
race_eth	Race and Ethnicity, in five categories
internet30	Have you used the internet in the past 30 days? $(1 = \text{yes}, 0 = \text{no})$
smoke100	Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life? $(1 = yes, 0 = no)$
activity	Physical activity (Highly Active, Active, Insufficiently Active, Inactive)
drinks_wk	On average, how many drinks of alcohol do you consume in a week?
veg_day	How many servings of vegetables do you consume per day, on average?

## 8.3 General Approaches to Obtaining Numeric Summaries

## $8.3.1\,$ summary for a data frame

Of course, we can use the usual summary to get some basic information about the data.

```
summary(smart_cle1_cc)
```

SEQNO	physhealth	genhealth	bn	ni
Min. :2.017e+09	Min. : 0.000	1_Excellent:134	Min.	:13.30
1st Qu.:2.017e+09	1st Qu.: 0.000	2_VeryGood :314	1st Qu.	:24.23
Median :2.017e+09	Median : 0.000	3_Good :284	Median	:27.48
Mean :2.017e+09	Mean : 4.361	4_Fair :114	Mean	:28.51
3rd Qu.:2.017e+09	3rd Qu.: 3.000	5_Poor : 46	3rd Qu.	:31.82
Max. :2.017e+09	Max. :30.000		Max.	:63.00
age_imp	female	1	ace_eth	
Min. :18.00 Min	n. :0.0000 Wh	ite non-Hispanic	:661	
1st Qu.:43.00 1st	; Qu.:0.0000 Bl	ack non-Hispanic	:168	
Median :58.00 Med	lian :1.0000 Ot	her race non-Hispar	nic : 20	
Mean :56.46 Mea	an :0.5807 Mu	ltiracial non-Hispa	anic: 17	
3rd Qu.:69.00 3rd	l Qu.:1.0000 Hi	spanic	: 26	
Max. :95.00 Max	. :1.0000			
internet30	smoke100	acti	lvity	drinks_wk

Min.	:0.000	Min.	:0.0000	Highly_Active	:308	Min.	: 0.000
1st Qu.	:1.000	1st Qu	.:0.0000	Active	:155	1st Qu	.: 0.000
Median	:1.000	Median	:0.0000	Insufficiently_Activ	e:167	Median	: 0.470
Mean	:0.833	Mean	:0.4787	Inactive	:262	Mean	: 2.727
3rd Qu.	:1.000	3rd Qu	.:1.0000			3rd Qu	.: 2.850
Max.	:1.000	Max.	:1.0000			Max.	:56.000
veg_	day						
Min.	:0.000						
1st Qu.	:1.280						
Median	:1.730						
Mean	:1.919						
3rd Qu.	:2.422						
Max.	:7.300						

#### 8.3.2 The inspect function from the mosaic package

inspect(smart\_cle1\_cc)

```
categorical variables:
      name class levels
                            n missing
1 genhealth factor
                        5 892
                                    0
2 race_eth factor
                        5 892
                                    0
3 activity factor
                        4 892
                                    0
                                   distribution
1 2_VeryGood (35.2%), 3_Good (31.8%) ...
2 White non-Hispanic (74.1%) ...
3 Highly_Active (34.5%) ...
quantitative variables:
        name
               class
                           min
                                       Q1
                                                median
                                                                  QЗ
1
      SEQNO numeric 2.017e+09 2.0170e+09 2.017001e+09 2.017001e+09
2 physhealth numeric 0.000e+00 0.0000e+00 0.000000e+00 3.000000e+00
3
         bmi numeric 1.330e+01 2.4235e+01 2.747500e+01 3.181500e+01
     age imp numeric 1.800e+01 4.3000e+01 5.800000e+01 6.900000e+01
4
5
      female numeric 0.000e+00 0.0000e+00 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00
6 internet30 numeric 0.000e+00 1.0000e+00 1.000000e+00 1.000000e+00
    smoke100 numeric 0.000e+00 0.0000e+00 0.00000e+00 1.000000e+00
7
  drinks_wk numeric 0.000e+00 0.0000e+00 4.700000e-01 2.850000e+00
8
     veg_day numeric 0.000e+00 1.2800e+00 1.730000e+00 2.422500e+00
9
                                          n missing
           max
                       mean
                                     sd
```

1	2017001133.0	2.017001e+09	326.8928344	892	0
2	30.0	4.360987e+00	8.8153373	892	0
3	63.0	2.850905e+01	6.5057975	892	0
4	95.0	5.645516e+01	18.0333027	892	0
5	1.0	5.807175e-01	0.4937185	892	0
6	1.0	8.329596e-01	0.3732212	892	0
7	1.0	4.786996e-01	0.4998263	892	0
8	56.0	2.726525e+00	5.7172011	892	0
9	7.3	1.918643e+00	1.0262415	892	0

#### 8.3.3 The describe function in Hmisc

This provides some useful additional summaries, including a list of the lowest and highest values (which is very helpful when checking data.)

```
smart_cle1_cc |>
   select(bmi, genhealth, female) |>
   describe()
```

```
select(smart_cle1_cc, bmi, genhealth, female)
```

3 Varia	ables	892	Observat	ions					
bmi									
n	missing	distir	nct I	nfo	Mean	Gmd	.05	.10	
892	0	4	181	1	28.51	6.952	20.09	21.40	
.25	.50		.75	.90	.95				
24.23	27.48	31.	.81 36	.78	41.09				
lowest :	13.3 13	.64 15.	.71 15.75	17.07	, highest:	52.74	56.31 57	.12 58.98	63
genhealth n	n missing	distir	nct						
892	0		5						
			•		3_Good				
					284			46	
Proportio	on (	0.150	0.3	52	0.318	0.	128	0.052	
female n	missing	distir	nct I	nfo	 Sum	Mean	Gmd		
	missing	distir	nct I	nfo	Sum	Mean	Gmd		

------

- The Info measure is used for quantitative and binary variables. It is a relative information measure that increases towards 1 for variables with no ties, and is smaller for variables with many ties.
- The Gmd is the Gini mean difference. It is a measure of spread (or dispersion), where larger values indicate greater spread in the distribution, like the standard deviation or the interquartile range. It is defined as the mean absolute difference between any pairs of observations.

See the Help file for describe in the Hmisc package for more details on these measures, and on the settings for describe.

## 8.4 Counting as exploratory data analysis

Counting and/or tabulating things can be amazingly useful. Suppose we want to understand the genhealth values, after our single imputation.

```
smart_cle1_sh |> count(genhealth) |>
    mutate(percent = 100*n / sum(n))
# A tibble: 5 x 3
 genhealth
                 n percent
 <fct>
             <int>
                      <dbl>
1 1_Excellent
               164
                      14.5
2 2_VeryGood
                386
                      34.1
3 3_Good
                365
                      32.2
4 4_Fair
                158
                      13.9
5 5_Poor
                       5.30
                60
```

We might use tabyl to do this job...

```
smart_cle1_sh |>
  tabyl(genhealth) |>
  adorn_pct_formatting(digits = 1) |>
  kable()
```

genhealth	n	percent
1_Excellent	164	14.5%
2_VeryGood	386	34.1%
3_Good	365	32.2%
4_Fair	158	13.9%
5_Poor	60	5.3%

#### 8.4.1 Did genhealth vary by smoking status?

```
smart_cle1_sh |>
    count(genhealth, smoke100) |>
    mutate(percent = 100*n / sum(n))
# A tibble: 10 x 4
  genhealth
               smoke100
                             n percent
   <fct>
                  <dbl> <int>
                                 <dbl>
1 1_Excellent
                      0
                                  9.27
                           105
2 1_Excellent
                           59
                                  5.21
                       1
3 2_VeryGood
                       0
                           220
                                 19.4
4 2_VeryGood
                       1
                           166
                                 14.7
5 3_Good
                       0
                           184
                                 16.2
6 3_Good
                           181
                                 16.0
                       1
7 4_Fair
                      0
                           67
                                  5.91
8 4_Fair
                       1
                            91
                                  8.03
                       0
                            24
                                  2.12
9 5_Poor
10 5_Poor
                       1
                            36
                                  3.18
```

Suppose we want to find the percentage within each smoking status group. Here's one approach...

```
smart_cle1_sh |>
    count(smoke100, genhealth) |>
    group_by(smoke100) |>
    mutate(prob = 100*n / sum(n))
```

```
# A tibble: 10 x 4
# Groups: smoke100 [2]
smoke100 genhealth n prob
```

	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>
1	0	1_Excellent	105	17.5
2	0	2_VeryGood	220	36.7
3	0	3_Good	184	30.7
4	0	4_Fair	67	11.2
5	0	5_Poor	24	4
6	1	1_Excellent	59	11.1
7	1	2_VeryGood	166	31.1
8	1	3_Good	181	34.0
9	1	4_Fair	91	17.1
10	1	5_Poor	36	6.75

And here's another ...

```
smart_cle1_sh |>
tabyl(smoke100, genhealth) |>
adorn_totals(where = c("row", "col")) |>
adorn_percentages(denominator = "row") |>
adorn_pct_formatting(digits = 1) |>
adorn_ns(position = "front")
```

```
smoke100 1_Excellent 2_VeryGood 3_Good 4_Fair 5_Poor
    0 105 (17.5%) 220 (36.7%) 184 (30.7%) 67 (11.2%) 24 (4.0%)
    1 59 (11.1%) 166 (31.1%) 181 (34.0%) 91 (17.1%) 36 (6.8%)
    Total 164 (14.5%) 386 (34.1%) 365 (32.2%) 158 (13.9%) 60 (5.3%)
        Total
    600 (100.0%)
    533 (100.0%)
1,133 (100.0%)
```

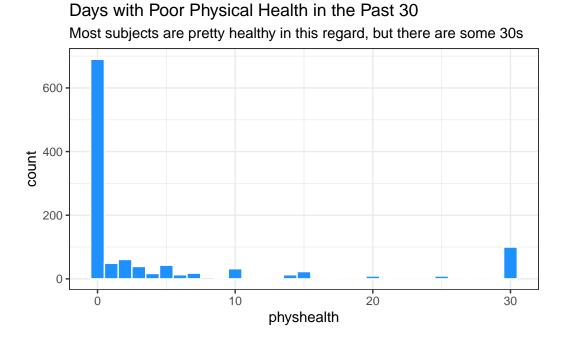
#### 8.4.2 What's the distribution of physhealth?

We can count quantitative variables with discrete sets of possible values, like physhealth, which is captured as an integer (that must fall between 0 and 30.)

```
smart_cle1_sh |> count(physhealth)
# A tibble: 21 x 2
physhealth n
        <dbl> <int>
```

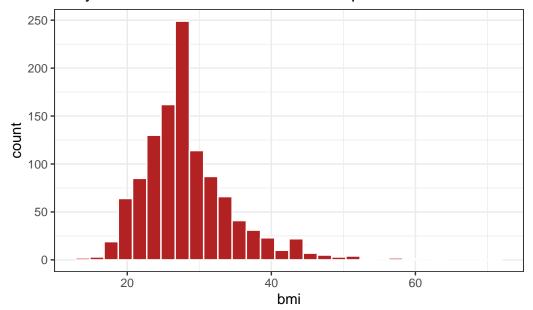
1	L			0	690
2	2			1	49
3	3			2	61
4	1			3	39
Ę	5			4	17
6	5			5	43
7	7			6	13
ξ	3			7	18
ç	)			8	5
10	)		-	LO	32
#	i	11	more	rows	

Of course, a natural summary of a quantitative variable like this would be graphical.



## 8.4.3 What's the distribution of bmi?

bmi is the body-mass index, an indicator of size (thickness, really.)



## Body-Mass Index for 1133 BRFSS respondents

8.4.4 How many of the respondents have a BMI below 30?

```
smart_cle1_sh |> count(bmi < 30) |>
mutate(proportion = n / sum(n))
# A tibble: 2 x 3
   `bmi < 30` n proportion
   <lgl> <int> <dbl>
1 FALSE 330 0.291
2 TRUE 803 0.709
```

8.4.5 How many of the respondents with a BMI < 30 are highly active?

```
smart_cle1_sh |>
filter(bmi < 30) |>
tabyl(activity) |>
adorn_pct_formatting()
```

activity n percent Highly\_Active 343 42.7% Active 133 16.6% Insufficiently\_Active 129 16.1% Inactive 198 24.7%

8.4.6 Is obesity associated with smoking history?

```
smart_cle1_sh |> count(smoke100, bmi < 30) |>
      group by(smoke100) |>
      mutate(percent = 100*n/sum(n))
# A tibble: 4 x 4
# Groups: smoke100 [2]
 smoke100 `bmi < 30`
                         n percent
     <dbl> <lgl>
                     <int>
                              <dbl>
1
        0 FALSE
                       163
                              27.2
2
        0 TRUE
                       437
                              72.8
3
        1 FALSE
                       167
                              31.3
                              68.7
4
        1 TRUE
                       366
```

#### 8.4.7 Comparing drinks\_wk summaries by obesity status

Can we compare the drinks\_wk means, medians and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles for respondents whose BMI is below 30 to the respondents whose BMI is not?

## 8.5 Can bmi predict physhealth?

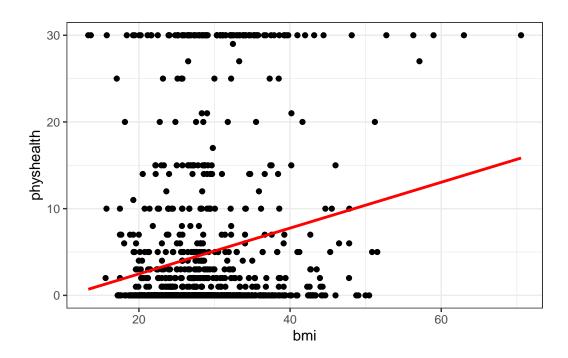
We'll start with an effort to predict physhealth using bmi. A natural graph would be a scatterplot.

A good question to ask ourselves here might be: "In what BMI range can we make a reasonable prediction of physhealth?"

bmi

Now, we might take the plot above and add a simple linear model ...

```
ggplot(data = smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = bmi, y = physhealth)) +
geom_point() +
geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE, col = "red")
```



`geom\_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'

which shows the same least squares regression model that we can fit with the lm command.

## 8.5.1 Fitting a Simple Regression Model

```
model_A <- lm(physhealth ~ bmi, data = smart_cle1_sh)
model_A</pre>
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi, data = smart_cle1_sh)
```

Coefficients:

```
(Intercept)
                     bmi
    -2.8121
                  0.2643
  summary(model_A)
Call:
lm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi, data = smart_cle1_sh)
Residuals:
                    Median
     Min
               1Q
                                 ЗQ
                                         Max
-10.5258 -4.5943 -3.5608 -0.5106 29.2965
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -2.81208
                        1.21672 -2.311
                                           0.021 *
             0.26433
                        0.04188
                                  6.312 3.95e-10 ***
bmi
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 8.968 on 1131 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.03403,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.03317
F-statistic: 39.84 on 1 and 1131 DF, p-value: 3.95e-10
  confint(model_A, level = 0.95)
                 2.5 %
                           97.5 %
(Intercept) -5.1993624 -0.4247909
bmi
             0.1821599 0.3464915
```

The model coefficients can be obtained by printing the model object, and the summary function provides several useful descriptions of the model's residuals, its statistical significance, and quality of fit.

#### 8.5.2 Model Summary for a Simple (One-Predictor) Regression

The fitted model predicts **physhealth** using a prediction equation we can read off from the model coefficient estimates. Specifically, we have:

```
coef(model_A)
```

(Intercept) bmi -2.8120766 0.2643257

so the equation is physhealth = -2.82 + 0.265 bmi.

Each of the 1133 respondents included in the <code>smart\_cle1\_sh</code> data makes a contribution to this model.

#### 8.5.2.1 Residuals

Suppose Harry is one of the people in that group, and Harry's data is bmi = 20, and physhealth = 3.

- Harry's *observed* value of physhealth is just the value we have in the data for them, in this case, observed physhealth = 3 for Harry.
- Harry's *fitted* or *predicted* physhealth value is the result of calculating -2.82 + 0.265 bmi for Harry. So, if Harry's BMI was 20, then Harry's predicted physhealth value is -2.82 + 0.265 (20) = 2.48.
- The *residual* for Harry is then his *observed* outcome minus his *fitted* outcome, so Harry has a residual of 3 2.48 = 0.52.
- Graphically, a residual represents vertical distance between the observed point and the fitted regression line.
- Points above the regression line will have positive residuals, and points below the regression line will have negative residuals. Points on the line have zero residuals.

The residuals are summarized at the top of the summary output for linear model.

```
summary(model_A)
```

```
Call:

lm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi, data = smart_cle1_sh)

Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max

-10.5258 -4.5943 -3.5608 -0.5106 29.2965

Coefficients:
```

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
```

```
(Intercept) -2.81208 1.21672 -2.311 0.021 *
bmi 0.26433 0.04188 6.312 3.95e-10 ***
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
Residual standard error: 8.968 on 1131 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.03403, Adjusted R-squared: 0.03317
F-statistic: 39.84 on 1 and 1131 DF, p-value: 3.95e-10
```

- The mean residual will always be zero in an ordinary least squares model, but a five number summary of the residuals is provided by the summary, as is an estimated standard deviation of the residuals (called here the Residual standard error.)
- In the smart\_cle1\_sh data, the minimum residual was -10.53, so for one subject, the observed value was 10.53 days smaller than the predicted value. This means that the prediction was 10.53 days too large for that subject.
- Similarly, the maximum residual was 29.30 days, so for one subject the prediction was 29.30 days too small. Not a strong performance.
- In a least squares model, the residuals are assumed to follow a Normal distribution, with mean zero, and standard deviation (for the smart\_cle1\_sh data) of about 9.0 days. We know this because the residual standard error is specified as 8.968 later in the linear model output. Thus, by the definition of a Normal distribution, we'd expect
- about 68% of the residuals to be between -9 and +9 days,
- about 95% of the residuals to be between -18 and +18 days,
- about all (99.7%) of the residuals to be between -27 and +27 days.

#### 8.5.2.2 Coefficients section

The summary for a linear model shows Estimates, Standard Errors, t values and p values for each coefficient fit.

summary(model\_A)

Call: lm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi, data = smart\_cle1\_sh) Residuals: Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -10.5258 -4.5943 -3.5608 -0.5106 29.2965

Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -2.81208
                        1.21672
                                 -2.311
                                           0.021 *
bmi
             0.26433
                        0.04188
                                  6.312 3.95e-10 ***
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 8.968 on 1131 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.03403,
                                Adjusted R-squared:
                                                     0.03317
F-statistic: 39.84 on 1 and 1131 DF, p-value: 3.95e-10
```

- The Estimates are the point estimates of the intercept and slope of bmi in our model.
- In this case, our estimated slope is 0.265, which implies that if Harry's BMI is 20 and Sally's BMI is 21, we predict that Sally's physhealth will be 0.265 days larger than Harry's.
- The Standard Errors are also provided for each estimate. We can create rough 95% uncertainty intervals for these estimated coefficients by adding and subtracting two standard errors from each coefficient, or we can get a slightly more accurate answer with the confint function.
- Here, the 95% uncertainty interval for the slope of bmi is estimated to be (0.18, 0.35). This is a good measure of the uncertainty in the slope that is captured by our model. We are 95% confident in the process of building this interval, but this doesn't mean we're 95% sure that the true slope is actually in that interval.

Also available are a t value (just the Estimate divided by the Standard Error) and the appropriate p value for testing the null hypothesis that the true value of the coefficient is 0 against a two-tailed alternative.

- If a slope coefficient is statistically detectably different from 0, this implies that 0 will not be part of the uncertainty interval obtained through confint.
- If the slope was zero, it would suggest that bmi would add no predictive value to the model. But that's unlikely here.

If the bmi slope coefficient is associated with a small p value, as in the case of our model\_A, it suggests that the model including bmi is statistically detectably better at predicting physhealth than the model without bmi.

• Without bmi our model\_A would become an *intercept-only* model, in this case, which would predict the mean physhealth for everyone, regardless of any other information.

#### 8.5.2.3 Model Fit Summaries

```
summary(model_A)
Call:
lm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi, data = smart_cle1_sh)
Residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                    Median
                                 30
                                         Max
-10.5258 -4.5943
                  -3.5608 -0.5106
                                     29.2965
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -2.81208
                        1.21672
                                 -2.311
                                           0.021 *
                                  6.312 3.95e-10 ***
bmi
             0.26433
                        0.04188
___
Signif. codes:
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 8.968 on 1131 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.03403,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.03317
F-statistic: 39.84 on 1 and 1131 DF, p-value: 3.95e-10
```

The summary of a linear model also displays:

- The residual standard error and associated degrees of freedom for the residuals.
- For a simple (one-predictor) least regression like this, the residual degrees of freedom will be the sample size minus 2.
- The multiple R-squared (or coefficient of determination)
- This is interpreted as the proportion of variation in the outcome (physhealth) accounted for by the model, and will always fall between 0 and 1 as a result.
- Our model\_A accounts for a mere 3.4% of the variation in physhealth.
- The Adjusted R-squared value "adjusts" for the size of our model in terms of the number of coefficients included in the model.
- The adjusted R-squared will always be smaller than the Multiple R-squared.
- We still hope to find models with relatively large adjusted  $R^2$  values.
- In particular, we hope to find models where the adjusted  $R^2$  isn't substantially less than the Multiple R-squared.
- The adjusted R-squared is usually a better estimate of likely performance of our model in new data than is the Multiple R-squared.
- The adjusted R-squared result is no longer interpretable as a proportion of anything in fact, it can fall below 0.

• We can obtain the adjusted  $R^2$  from the raw  $R^2$ , the number of observations N and the number of predictors p included in the model, as follows:

$$R_{adj}^2 = 1 - \frac{(1 - R^2)(N - 1)}{N - p - 1},$$

- The F statistic and p value from a global ANOVA test of the model.
  - Obtaining a statistically significant result here is usually pretty straightforward, since the comparison is between our model, and a model which simply predicts the mean value of the outcome for everyone.
  - In a simple (one-predictor) linear regression like this, the t statistic for the slope is just the square root of the F statistic, and the resulting p values for the slope's t test and for the global F test will be identical.
- To see the complete ANOVA F test for this model, we can run anova(model\_A).

```
Analysis of Variance Table

Response: physhealth

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)

bmi 1 3204 3204.4 39.84 3.95e-10 ***

Residuals 1131 90968 80.4

---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

#### 8.5.3 Using the broom package

The broom package has three functions of particular use in a linear regression model:

#### 8.5.3.1 The tidy function

anova(model\_A)

tidy builds a data frame/tibble containing information about the coefficients in the model, their standard errors, t statistics and p values.

tidy(model\_A)

#	A tibble: 2	x 5			
	term	estimate	<pre>std.error</pre>	statistic	p.value
	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	(Intercept)	-2.81	1.22	-2.31	2.10e- 2
2	bmi	0.264	0.0419	6.31	3.95e-10

It's often useful to include other summaries in this tidying, for instance:

```
tidy(model_A, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.9) |>
select(term, estimate, conf.low, conf.high)
```

#### 8.5.3.2 The glance function

glance' builds a data frame/tibble containing summary statistics about the model, including

- the (raw) multiple  $R^2$  and adjusted  $R^2$
- sigma which is the residual standard error
- the F statistic, p.value model df and df.residual associated with the global ANOVA test, plus
- several statistics that will be useful in comparing models down the line:
- the model's log likelihood function value, logLik
- the model's Akaike's Information Criterion value, AIC
- the model's Bayesian Information Criterion value, BIC
- and the model's deviance statistic

glance(model\_A)

```
# A tibble: 1 x 12
```

	r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma	statistic	p.value	df	logLik	AIC	BIC
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	0.0340	0.0332	8.97	39.8	3.95e-10	1	-4092.	8190.	8205.
#	i 3 more v	variables: devi	iance 🗸	<dbl>, df.ı</dbl>	residual	<int>,</int>	nobs <i< td=""><td>int&gt;</td><td></td></i<>	int>	

#### 8.5.3.3 The augment function

augment builds a data frame/tibble which adds fitted values, residuals and other diagnostic summaries that describe each observation to the original data used to fit the model, and this includes

- .fitted and .resid, the fitted and residual values, in addition to
- .hat, the leverage value for this observation
- .cooksd, the Cook's distance measure of *influence* for this observation
- .stdresid, the standardized residual (think of this as a z-score a measure of the residual divided by its associated standard deviation .sigma)
- and se.fit which will help us generate prediction intervals for the model downstream

Note that each of the new columns begins with . to avoid overwriting any data.

```
head(augment(model_A))
```

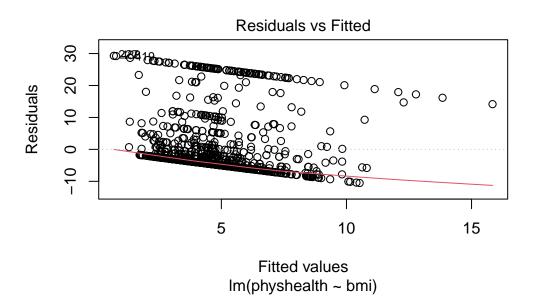
```
# A tibble: 6 x 8
 physhealth
                bmi .fitted .resid
                                         .hat .sigma
                                                         .cooksd .std.resid
                                               <dbl>
       <dbl> <dbl>
                      <dbl> <dbl>
                                       <dbl>
                                                           <dbl>
                                                                       <dbl>
1
           4
              27.9
                       4.57 -0.572 0.000886
                                                8.97 0.00000181
                                                                    -0.0638
2
           0
              23.0
                       3.28 -3.28
                                   0.00149
                                                8.97 0.000100
                                                                    -0.366
3
           0
              26.9
                       4.31 -4.31
                                    0.000927
                                                8.97 0.000107
                                                                    -0.480
4
           0
              26.5
                       4.20 -4.20
                                    0.000956
                                                8.97 0.000105
                                                                    -0.468
5
           0
              24.2
                       3.60 -3.60
                                    0.00125
                                                8.97 0.000101
                                                                    -0.401
           2
              27.7
                                    0.000891
6
                       4.51 - 2.51
                                                8.97 0.0000351
                                                                    -0.281
```

For more on the broom package, you may want to look at this vignette.

#### 8.5.4 How does the model do? (Residuals vs. Fitted Values)

• Remember that the  $R^2$  value was about 3.4%.

plot(model\_A, which = 1)

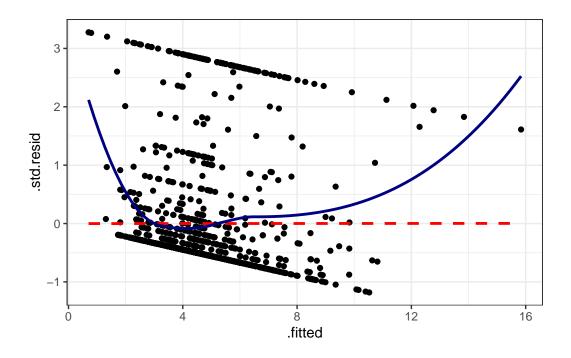


This is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values. The goal here is for this plot to look like a random scatter of points, perhaps like a "fuzzy football", and that's **not** what we have. Why?

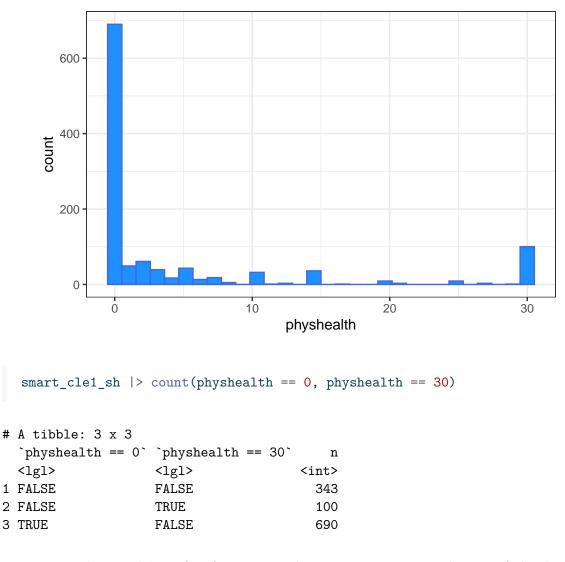
If you prefer, here's a ggplot2 version of a similar plot, now looking at standardized residuals instead of raw residuals, and adding a loess smooth and a linear fit to the result.

```
ggplot(augment(model_A), aes(x = .fitted, y = .std.resid)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE, col = "red", linetype = "dashed") +
    geom_smooth(method = "loess", se = FALSE, col = "navy") +
    theme_bw()
`geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```

`geom\_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'



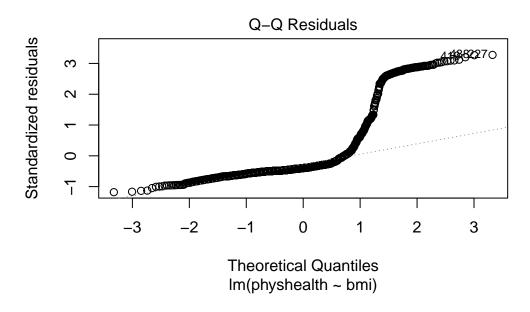
The problem we're having here becomes, I think, a little more obvious if we look at what we're predicting. Does physhealth look like a good candidate for a linear model?



No matter what model we fit, if we are predicting **physhealth**, and most of the data are values of 0 and 30, we have limited variation in our outcome, and so our linear model will be somewhat questionable just on that basis.

A normal Q-Q plot of the standardized residuals for our model\_A shows this problem, too.

plot(model\_A, which = 2)



We're going to need a method to deal with this sort of outcome, that has both a floor and a ceiling. We'll get there eventually, but linear regression alone doesn't look promising.

All right, so that didn't go anywhere great. We'll try again, with a new outcome, in the next chapter.

# 9 Analysis of Variance with SMART

In this chapter, we'll work with the smart\_cle1\_sh data file again.

## 9.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
```

```
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(knitr)
library(mosaic)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 9.1.1 Data Load

smart\_cle1\_sh <- read\_rds("data/smart\_cle1\_sh.Rds")</pre>

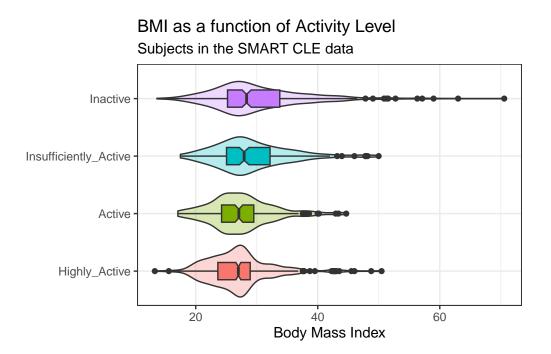
The variables we'll look at in this chapter are as follows.

Variable	Description
SEQNO	respondent identification number (all begin with 2016)
bmi	Body mass index, in $kg/m^2$
female	Sex, $1 = \text{female}, 0 = \text{male}$
smoke100	Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life? $(1 = \text{yes}, 0 = \text{no})$
activity	Physical activity (Highly Active, Active, Insufficiently Active, Inactive)
drinks_wk	On average, how many drinks of alcohol do you consume in a week?
physhealth	Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and
	injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health
	not good?

## 9.2 A One-Factor Analysis of Variance

We'll be predicting body mass index, at first using a single factor as a predictor: the **activity** level.

#### 9.2.1 Can activity be used to predict bmi?



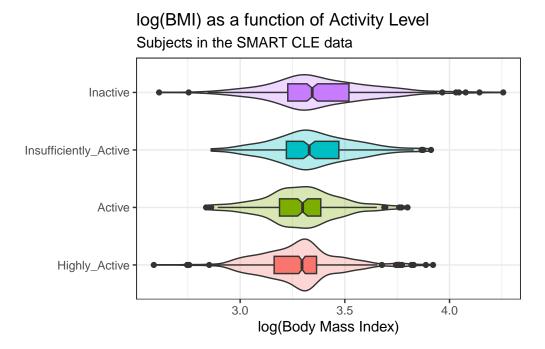
Here's a numerical summary of the distributions of bmi within each activity group.

```
favstats(bmi ~ activity, data = smart_cle1_sh)
```

```
median
               activity
                          min
                                    Q1
                                                     QЗ
                                                          max
                                                                              sd
                                                                  mean
1
          Highly_Active 13.30 23.6275 26.99000 28.930 50.46 27.02253 5.217496
2
                 Active 17.07 24.2400 27.06930 29.520 44.67 27.36157 5.151796
3 Insufficiently_Active 17.49 25.0500 27.93776 32.180 49.98 29.04328 6.051823
               Inactive 13.64 25.2150 28.34000 33.775 70.56 30.15978 7.832675
4
    n missing
1 428
            0
2 173
            0
3 201
            0
4 331
            0
```

#### 9.2.2 Should we transform bmi?

The analysis of variance is something of a misnomer. What we're doing is using the variance to say something about population means. In light of the apparent right skew of the bmi results in each activity group, might it be a better choice to use a logarithmic transformation? We'll use the natural logarithm here, which in R, is symbolized by log.



The logarithmic transformation yields distributions that look much more symmetric in each activity group, so we'll proceed to build our regression model predicting log(bmi) using activity. Here's the numerical summary of these logged results:

```
favstats(log(bmi) ~ activity, data = smart_cle1_sh)
```

```
activity
                             min
                                        Q1
                                             median
                                                          QЗ
                                                                   max
                                                                           mean
1
          Highly_Active 2.587764 3.162411 3.295466 3.364879 3.921181 3.279246
2
                 Active 2.837323 3.188004 3.298400 3.385068 3.799302 3.292032
3 Insufficiently_Active 2.861629 3.220874 3.329979 3.471345 3.911623 3.348383
4
               Inactive 2.613007 3.227439 3.344274 3.519721 4.256463 3.376468
              n missing
         sd
1 0.1851478 428
                      0
                      0
2 0.1850568 173
3 0.2007241 201
                      0
4 0.2411196 331
                      0
```

## 9.2.3 Building the ANOVA model

The activity data is categorical and there are four levels. The model equation is:

```
log(bmi) = 3.279 + 0.013 (activity = Active)
+ 0.069 (activity = Insufficiently Active)
+ 0.097 (activity = Inactive)
```

where, for example, (activity = Active) is 1 if activity is Active, and 0 otherwise. The fourth level (Highly Active) is not shown here and is used as a baseline. Thus the model above can be interpreted as follows.

activity	Predicted log(bmi)	Predicted bmi
Highly Active	3.279	$\exp(3.279) = 26.55$
Active	3.279 + 0.013 = 3.292	$\exp(3.292) = 26.90$
Insufficiently Active	3.279 + 0.069 = 3.348	$\exp(3.348) = 28.45$
Inactive	3.279 + 0.097 = 3.376	$\exp(3.376) = 29.25$

Those predicted log(bmi) values should look familiar. They are just the means of log(bmi) in each group, but I'm sure you'll also notice that the predicted bmi values are not exact matches for the observed means of bmi.

```
smart_cle1_sh |> group_by(activity) |>
summarise(mean(log(bmi)), mean(bmi))
```

#	A tibble: 4 x 3		
	activity	`mean(log(bmi))`	`mean(bmi)`
	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	Highly_Active	3.28	27.0
2	Active	3.29	27.4
3	Insufficiently_Active	3.35	29.0
4	Inactive	3.38	30.2

#### 9.2.4 The ANOVA table

Now, let's press on to look at the ANOVA results for this model.

- The total variation in log(bmi), our outcome, is captured by the sums of squares here. SS(Total) = 2.058 + 47.770 = 49.828
- Here, the activity variable (with 4 levels, so 4-1 = 3 degrees of freedom) accounts for 4.13% (2.058 / 49.828) of the variation in log(bmi). Another way of saying this is that the model  $R^2$  or  $\eta^2$  is 0.0413.
- The variation accounted for by the activity categories meets the standard for a statistically detectable result, according to the ANOVA F test, although that's not really important.
- The square root of the Mean Square(Residuals) is the residual standard error,  $\sigma$ , we've seen in the past. MS(Residual) estimates the variance (0.0423), so the residual standard error is  $\sqrt{0.0423} \approx 0.206$ .

#### 9.2.5 The Model Coefficients

To address the question of effect size for the various levels of activity on log(bmi), we could look directly at the regression model coefficients. For that, we might look at the model summary.

summary(model\_5a)

Call: lm(formula = log(bmi) ~ activity, data = smart\_cle1\_sh) Residuals: Min 1Q Median ЗQ Max -0.76346 -0.12609 -0.00286 0.11055 0.88000 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 3.279246 0.009943 329.806 < 2e-16 \*\*\* activityActive 0.012785 0.018532 0.690 0.49 activityInsufficiently\_Active 0.069137 0.017589 3.931 8.99e-05 \*\*\* activityInactive 6.457 1.58e-10 \*\*\* 0.097221 0.015056 \_\_\_ 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Signif. codes: Residual standard error: 0.2057 on 1129 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.04133, Adjusted R-squared: 0.03878 F-statistic: 16.22 on 3 and 1129 DF, p-value: 2.496e-10

If we want to see the confidence intervals around these estimates, we could use

confint(model\_5a, conf.level = 0.95)

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	3.25973769	3.29875522
activityActive	-0.02357630	0.04914707
activityInsufficiently_Active	0.03462572	0.10364764
activityInactive	0.06767944	0.12676300

The model suggests, based on these 1133 subjects, that (remember that the baseline category is Highly Active)

- a 95% confidence (uncertainty) interval for the difference between Active and Highly Active subjects in log(BMI) ranges from -0.024 to 0.049
- a 95% confidence (uncertainty) interval for the difference between Insufficiently Active and Highly Active subjects in log(BMI) ranges from 0.035 to 0.104

- a 95% confidence (uncertainty) interval for the difference between Inactive and Highly Active subjects in log(BMI) ranges from 0.068 to 0.127
- the model accounts for 4.13% of the variation in log(BMI), so that knowing the respondent's activity level somewhat reduces the size of the prediction errors as compared to an intercept only model that would predict the overall mean log(BMI), regardless of activity level, for all subjects.
- from the summary of residuals, we see that one subject had a residual of 0.88 that means they were predicted to have a log(BMI) 0.88 lower than their actual log(BMI) and one subject had a log(BMI) that is 0.76 larger than their actual log(BMI), at the extremes.

#### 9.2.6 Using tidy to explore the coefficients

A better strategy for displaying the coefficients in any regression model is to use the tidy function from the **broom** package.

```
tidy(model_5a, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	$\operatorname{statistic}$	p.value	conf.low	$\operatorname{conf.high}$
(Intercept)	3.279	0.010	329.806	0.00	3.260	3.299
activityActive	0.013	0.019	0.690	0.49	-0.024	0.049
$activity Insufficiently\_Active$	0.069	0.018	3.931	0.00	0.035	0.104
activityInactive	0.097	0.015	6.457	0.00	0.068	0.127

#### 9.2.7 Using glance to summarize the model's fit

```
glance(model_5a) |> select(1:3) |>
kable(digits = c(4, 4, 3))
```

r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma
0.0413	0.0388	0.206

- The r.squared or  $R^2$  value is interpreted for a linear model as the percentage of variation in the outcome (here, log(bmi)) that is accounted for by the model.
- The adj.r.squared or adjusted  $R^2$  value incorporates a small penalty for the number of predictors included in the model. Adjusted  $R^2$  is useful for models with more than one predictor, not simple regression models like this one. Like  $R^2$  and most of these other

summaries, its primary value comes when making comparisons between models for the same outcome.

• The sigma or  $\sigma$  is the residual standard error. Doubling this value gives us a good idea of the range of errors made by the model (approximately 95% of the time if the normal distribution assumption for the residuals holds perfectly.)

```
glance(model_5a) |> select(4:7) |>
kable(digits = c(2, 3, 0, 2))
```

statistic	p.value	df	logLik
16.22	0	3	185.99

- The statistic and p.value shown here refer to the ANOVA F test and p value. They test the null hypothesis that the activity information is of no use in separating out the bmi data, or, equivalently, that the true  $R^2$  is 0.
- The df indicates the model degrees of freedom, and in this case simply specifies the number of parameters fitted attributed to the model. Models that require more df for estimation require larger sample sizes.
- The logLik is the log likelihood for the model. This is a function of the sample size, but we can compare the fit of multiple models by comparing this value across different models for the same outcome. You want to maximize the log-likelihood.

```
glance(model_5a) |> select(8:9) |>
kable(digits = 2)
```

AIC	BIC
-361.98	-336.82

• The AIC (or Akaike information criterion) and BIC (Bayes information criterion) are also used only to compare models. You want to minimize AIC and BIC in selecting a model. AIC and BIC are unique only up to a constant, so different packages or routines in R may give differing values, but in comparing two models - the difference in AIC (or BIC) should be consistent.

#### 9.2.8 Using augment to make predictions

We can obtain residuals and predicted (fitted) values for the points used to fit the model with augment from the broom package.

```
augment(model_5a, se_fit = TRUE) |>
select(1:5) |> slice(1:4) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

$\log(bmi)$	activity	.fitted	.se.fit	.resid
3.330	Inactive	3.376	0.011	-0.047
3.138	Inactive	3.376	0.011	-0.239
3.293	Insufficiently_Active	3.348	0.015	-0.055
3.278	Highly_Active	3.279	0.010	-0.002

- The .fitted value is the predicted value of log(bmi) for this subject.
- The .se.fit value shows the standard error associated with the fitted value.
- The .resid is the residual value (observed fitted log(bmi))

```
augment(model_5a, se_fit = TRUE) |>
select(1:2, 6:9) |> slice(1:4) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

$\log(bmi)$	activity	.hat	.sigma	.cooksd	.std.resid
3.330	Inactive	0.003	0.206	0.000	-0.227
3.138	Inactive	0.003	0.206	0.001	-1.163
3.293	Insufficiently_Active	0.005	0.206	0.000	-0.269
3.278	Highly_Active	0.002	0.206	0.000	-0.008

- The .hat value shows the leverage index associated with the observation (this is a function of the predictors - higher leveraged points have more unusual predictor values)
- The .sigma value shows the estimate of the residual standard deviation if this observation were to be dropped from the model, and thus indexes how much of an outlier this observation's residual is.
- The .cooksd or Cook's distance value shows the influence that the observation has on the model - it is one of a class of leave-one-out diagnostic measures. Larger values of Cook's distance indicate more influential points.
- The .std.resid shows the standardized residual (which is designed to have mean 0 and standard deviation 1, facilitating comparisons across models for differing outcomes)

## 9.3 A Two-Factor ANOVA (without Interaction)

Let's add race\_eth to the predictor set for log(BMI).

Notice that the ANOVA model assesses these variables sequentially, so the SS(activity) = 2.058 is accounted for before we consider the SS(race\_eth) = 0.990. Thus, in total, the model accounts for 2.058 + 0.990 = 3.048 of the sums of squares in log(bmi) in these data.

If we flip the order in the model, like this:

• After flipping the order of the predictors, race\_eth accounts for a larger Sum of Squares than it did previously, but activity accounts for a smaller amount, and the total between race\_eth and activity remains the same, as 1.121 + 1.927 is still 3.048.

## 9.3.1 Model Coefficients

The model coefficients are unchanged regardless of the order of the variables in our two-factor ANOVA model.

```
tidy(model_5b, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>
select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	3.268	0.010	3.247	3.288
activityActive	0.012	0.018	-0.024	0.048
$activityInsufficiently\_Active$	0.073	0.018	0.039	0.108
activityInactive	0.092	0.015	0.063	0.122
race_ethBlack non-Hispanic	0.066	0.015	0.036	0.096
race_ethOther race non-Hispanic	-0.086	0.042	-0.169	-0.002
race_ethMultiracial non-Hispanic	0.020	0.042	-0.063	0.103
race_ethHispanic	0.012	0.035	-0.057	0.082

The model\_5b equation is:

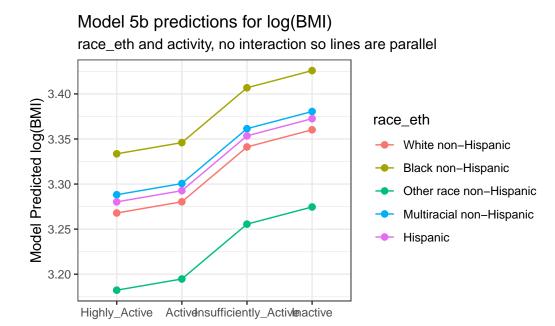
```
log(BMI) = 3.268
+ 0.012 (activity = Active)
+ 0.073 (activity = Insufficiently Active)
+ 0.092 (activity = Inactive)
+ 0.066 (race_eth = Black non-Hispanic)
- 0.086 (race_eth = Other race non-Hispanic)
+ 0.020 (race_eth = Multiracial non-Hispanic)
+ 0.012 (race_eth = Hispanic)
```

and we can make predictions by filling in appropriate 1s and 0s for the indicator variables in parentheses.

For example, the predicted log(BMI) for a White Highly Active person is 3.268, as White and Highly Active are the baseline categories in our two factors.

For all other combinations, we can make predictions as follows:

```
rep("Insufficiently_Active", 5),
                 rep("Inactive", 5))
    )
  augment(model_5b, newdata = new_dat)
# A tibble: 20 x 3
  race_eth
                                                   .fitted
                            activity
                            <chr>
                                                     <dbl>
  <chr>
1 White non-Hispanic
                            Highly_Active
                                                      3.27
2 Black non-Hispanic
                                                      3.33
                            Highly_Active
3 Other race non-Hispanic Highly_Active
                                                      3.18
4 Multiracial non-Hispanic Highly_Active
                                                      3.29
5 Hispanic
                            Highly_Active
                                                      3.28
6 White non-Hispanic
                            Active
                                                      3.28
7 Black non-Hispanic
                            Active
                                                      3.35
8 Other race non-Hispanic Active
                                                      3.19
9 Multiracial non-Hispanic Active
                                                      3.30
10 Hispanic
                            Active
                                                      3.29
11 White non-Hispanic
                            Insufficiently_Active
                                                      3.34
12 Black non-Hispanic
                            Insufficiently_Active
                                                      3.41
13 Other race non-Hispanic
                            Insufficiently_Active
                                                      3.26
14 Multiracial non-Hispanic Insufficiently_Active
                                                      3.36
15 Hispanic
                            Insufficiently_Active
                                                      3.35
16 White non-Hispanic
                            Inactive
                                                      3.36
17 Black non-Hispanic
                                                      3.43
                            Inactive
18 Other race non-Hispanic Inactive
                                                      3.27
19 Multiracial non-Hispanic Inactive
                                                      3.38
20 Hispanic
                            Inactive
                                                      3.37
```



The lines joining the points for each race\_eth category are parallel to each other. The groups always hold the same position relative to each other, regardless of their activity levels, and vice versa. There is no interaction in this model allowing the predicted effects of, say, activity on log(BMI) values to differ for the various race\_eth groups. To do that, we'd have to fit the two-factor ANOVA model incorporating an interaction term.

## 9.4 A Two-Factor ANOVA (with Interaction)

Let's add the interaction of activity and race\_eth (symbolized in R by activity \* race\_eth) to the model for log(BMI).

```
model 5c <-
    lm(log(bmi) ~ activity * race_eth, data = smart_cle1_sh)
  anova(model_5c)
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: log(bmi)
                    Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                                 Pr(>F)
activity
                     3 2.060 0.68652 16.4468 1.839e-10 ***
race_eth
                     4 0.989 0.24716 5.9211 0.0001026 ***
                    12 0.324 0.02700 0.6469 0.8028368
activity:race_eth
                  1113 46.459 0.04174
Residuals
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The ANOVA model shows that the SS(interaction) = SS(activity:race\_eth) is 0.324, and uses 12 degrees of freedom. The model including the interaction term now accounts for 2.058 + 0.990 + 0.324 = 3.372, which is 6.8% of the variation in log(BMI) overall (which is calculated as SS(Total) = 2.058 + 0.990 + 0.324 + 46.456 = 49.828.)

#### 9.4.1 Model Coefficients

The model coefficients now include additional product terms that incorporate indicator variables for both activity and race\_eth. For each of the product terms to take effect, both their activity and race\_eth status must yield a 1 in the indicator variables.

```
tidy(model_5c, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>
select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	$\operatorname{std.error}$	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	3.264	0.011	3.242	3.287
activityActive	0.021	0.021	-0.021	0.062
activityInsufficiently_Active	0.079	0.020	0.039	0.118
activityInactive	0.097	0.018	0.063	0.132
race_ethBlack non-Hispanic	0.062	0.026	0.011	0.113
race_ethOther race non-Hispanic	-0.070	0.078	-0.223	0.083
race_ethMultiracial non-Hispanic	0.067	0.060	-0.051	0.185

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
race_ethHispanic	0.110	0.060	-0.008	0.228
activityActive:race_ethBlack non-Hispanic	-0.001	0.048	-0.096	0.094
activityInsufficiently_Active:race_ethBlack	0.005	0.046	-0.086	0.096
non-Hispanic				
activityInactive:race_ethBlack non-Hispanic	0.008	0.037	-0.065	0.080
activityActive:race_ethOther race non-Hispanic	-0.065	0.165	-0.389	0.259
activityInsufficiently_Active:race_ethOther race	-0.035	0.101	-0.233	0.163
non-Hispanic				
activityInactive:race_ethOther race non-Hispanic	0.033	0.129	-0.221	0.287
activityActive:race_ethMultiracial non-Hispanic	-0.208	0.134	-0.470	0.054
activityInsufficiently_Active:race_ethMultiracial	-0.050	0.120	-0.285	0.184
non-Hispanic				
activityInactive:race_ethMultiracial non-Hispanic	-0.056	0.110	-0.272	0.160
activityActive:race_ethHispanic	-0.104	0.096	-0.291	0.084
activityInsufficiently_Active:race_ethHispanic	-0.240	0.214	-0.660	0.179
$activity Inactive: race\_ethHispanic$	-0.169	0.082	-0.331	-0.008

The model\_5c equation is:

```
log(BMI) = 3.264
 + 0.021 (activity = Active)
 + 0.079 (activity = Insufficiently Active)
 + 0.097 (activity = Inactive)
 + 0.062 (race_eth = Black non-Hispanic)
 - 0.070 (race_eth = Other race non-Hispanic)
 + 0.067 (race_eth = Multiracial non-Hispanic)
 + 0.110 (race_eth = Hispanic)
 - 0.002 (activity = Active)(race_eth = Black non-Hispanic)
 + 0.005 (Insufficiently Active)(Black non-Hispanic)
 + 0.008 (Inactive)(Black non-Hispanic)
 - 0.065 (Active)(Other race non-Hispanic)
 - 0.035 (Insufficiently Active)(Other race non-Hispanic)
 + 0.033 (Inactive)(Other race non-Hispanic)
 - 0.208 (Active)(Multiracial non-Hispanic)
 - 0.050 (Insufficiently Active)(Multiracial non-Hispanic)
 - 0.056 (Inactive)(Multiracial non-Hispanic)
 - 0.104 (Active)(Hispanic)
 - 0.240 (Insufficiently Active)(Hispanic)
 - 0.169 (Inactive)(Hispanic)
```

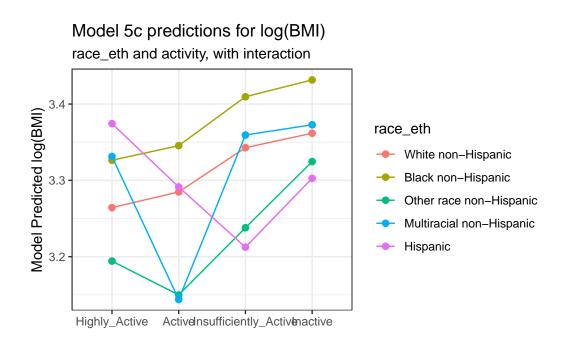
and again, we can make predictions by filling in appropriate 1s and 0s for the indicator variables in parentheses.

For example, the predicted log(BMI) for a White Highly Active person is 3.264, as White and Highly Active are the baseline categories in our two factors.

But the predicted log(BMI) for a Hispanic Inactive person would be 3.264 + 0.097 + 0.110 - 0.169 = 3.302.

Again, we'll plot the predicted log(BMI) predictions for each possible combination.

```
new dat = tibble(
  race_eth = rep(c("White non-Hispanic",
                   "Black non-Hispanic",
                   "Other race non-Hispanic",
                   "Multiracial non-Hispanic",
                   "Hispanic"), 4),
  activity = c(rep("Highly_Active", 5),
               rep("Active", 5),
               rep("Insufficiently_Active", 5),
               rep("Inactive", 5))
  )
augment(model_5c, newdata = new_dat) |>
  mutate(race_eth = fct_relevel(factor(race_eth),
                                 "White non-Hispanic",
                                 "Black non-Hispanic",
                                 "Other race non-Hispanic",
                                 "Multiracial non-Hispanic",
                                "Hispanic"),
         activity = fct_relevel(factor(activity),
                                 "Highly_Active",
                                "Active",
                                 "Insufficiently_Active",
                                 "Inactive")) %>%
  ggplot(., aes(x = activity, y = .fitted,
                col = race_eth, group = race_eth)) +
  geom_point(size = 2) +
  geom line() +
  labs(title = "Model 5c predictions for log(BMI)",
       subtitle = "race eth and activity, with interaction",
       y = "Model Predicted log(BMI)",
       x = "")
```



Note that the lines joining the points for each race\_eth category are no longer parallel to each other. The race-ethnicity group relative positions on log(BMI) is now changing depending on the activity status.

#### 9.4.2 Is the interaction term necessary?

We can assess this in three ways, in order of importance:

- 1. With an interaction plot
- 2. By assessing the fraction of the variation in the outcome accounted for by the interaction
- 3. By assessing whether the interaction accounts for statistically detectable outcome variation

#### 9.4.2.1 The Interaction Plot

A simple interaction plot is just a plot of the unadjusted outcome means, stratified by the two factors. For example, consider this plot for our two-factor ANOVA model. To obtain this plot, we first summarize the means within each group.

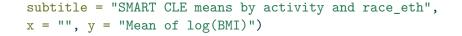
```
summaries_5 <- smart_cle1_sh |>
group_by(activity, race_eth) |>
```

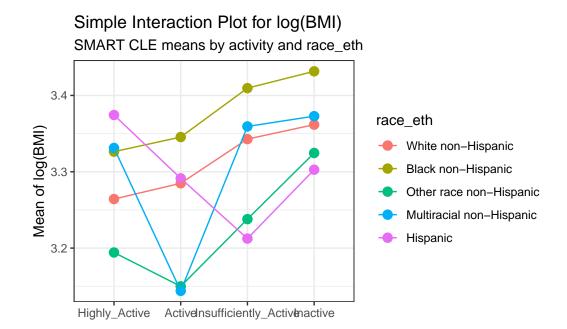
```
summarize(n = n(), mean = mean(log(bmi)),
        sd = sd(log(bmi)))
```

`summarise()` has grouped output by 'activity'. You can override using the `.groups` argument.

```
summaries_5
```

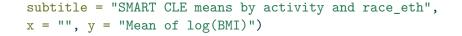
# A tibble: 20 x 5				
# Groups: activity [4]				
activity	race_eth	n	mean	sd
<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1 Highly_Active	White non-Hispanic	320	3.26	0.176
2 Highly_Active	Black non-Hispanic	77	3.33	0.190
3 Highly_Active	Other race non-Hispanic	7	3.19	0.198
4 Highly_Active	Multiracial non-Hispanic	12	3.33	0.187
5 Highly_Active	Hispanic	12	3.37	0.296
6 Active	White non-Hispanic	129	3.28	0.173
7 Active	Black non-Hispanic	31	3.35	0.224
8 Active	Other race non-Hispanic	2	3.15	0.0845
9 Active	Multiracial non-Hispanic	3	3.14	0.121
10 Active	Hispanic	8	3.29	0.213
11 Insufficiently_Active	White non-Hispanic	150	3.34	0.194
12 Insufficiently_Active	Black non-Hispanic	35	3.41	0.213
13 Insufficiently_Active	Other race non-Hispanic	11	3.24	0.137
14 Insufficiently_Active	Multiracial non-Hispanic	4	3.36	0.374
15 Insufficiently_Active	Hispanic	1	3.21	NA
16 Inactive	White non-Hispanic	225	3.36	0.238
17 Inactive	Black non-Hispanic	83	3.43	0.247
18 Inactive	Other race non-Hispanic	4	3.32	0.238
19 Inactive	Multiracial non-Hispanic	5	3.37	0.129
20 Inactive	Hispanic	14	3.30	0.264

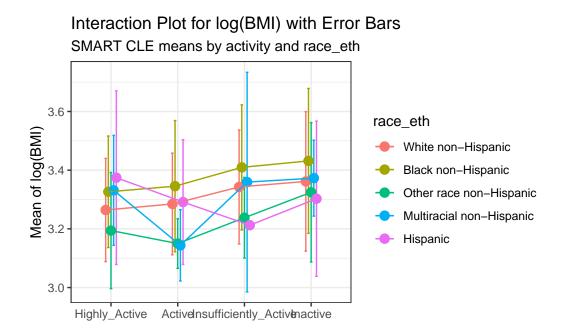




The interaction plot suggests that there is a modest interaction here. The White non-Hispanic and Black non-Hispanic groups appear pretty parallel (and they are the two largest groups) and Other race non-Hispanic has a fairly similar pattern, but the other two groups (Hispanic and Multiracial non-Hispanic) bounce around quite a bit based on activity level.

An alternative would be to include a small "dodge" for each point and include error bars (means  $\pm$  standard deviation) for each combination.





Here, we see a warning flag because we have one combination (which turns out to be Insufficiently Active and Hispanic) with only one observation in it, so a standard deviation cannot be calculated. In general, I'll stick with the simpler means plot most of the time.

#### 9.4.2.2 Does the interaction account for substantial variation?

In this case, we can look at the fraction of the overall sums of squares accounted for by the interaction.

anova(model\_5c)

Analysis of Variance Table

```
Response: log(bmi)

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)

activity 3 2.060 0.68652 16.4468 1.839e-10 ***

race_eth 4 0.989 0.24716 5.9211 0.0001026 ***
```

```
activity:race_eth 12 0.324 0.02700 0.6469 0.8028368
Residuals 1113 46.459 0.04174
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Here we have

$$\eta^2(Interaction) = \frac{0.324}{2.058 + 0.990 + 0.324 + 46.456} = 0.0065$$

so the interaction accounts for 0.65% of the variation in bmi. That looks pretty modest.

#### 9.4.2.3 Does the interaction account for statistically detectable variation?

We can test this directly with the p value from the ANOVA table, which shows p = 0.803, which is far above any of our usual standards for a statistically detectable effect.

On the whole, I don't think the interaction term is especially helpful in improving this model.

In the next chapter, we'll look at two different examples of ANOVA models, now in more designed experiments. We'll also add some additional details on how the analyses might proceed.

We'll return to the SMART CLE data later in these Notes.

## **10 Two-Way ANOVA and Interaction**

## 10.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(ggridges)
library(glue)
library(gt)
library(mosaic)
library(patchwork)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 10.1.1 Data Load

```
bonding <- read_csv("data/bonding.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)
cortisol <- read_csv("data/cortisol.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

## 10.2 The bonding data: A Designed Dental Experiment

The **bonding** data describe a designed experiment into the properties of four different resin types (resin = A, B, C, D) and two different curing light sources (light = Halogen, LED) as they relate to the resulting bonding strength (measured in MPa<sup>1</sup>) on the surface of teeth. The source is @Kim2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The MPa is defined as the failure load (in Newtons) divided by the entire bonded area, in mm<sup>2</sup>.

The experiment involved making measurements of bonding strength under a total of 80 experimental setups, or runs, with 10 runs completed at each of the eight combinations of a light source and a resin type. The data are gathered in the **bonding.csv** file.

bonding

```
# A tibble: 80 x 4
  runID light
                resin strength
  <chr> <chr>
                 <chr>
                          <dbl>
1 R101 LED
                В
                           12.8
2 R102 Halogen B
                           22.2
3 R103 Halogen B
                           24.6
4 R104 LED
                А
                           17
5 R105 LED
                С
                           32.2
6 R106 Halogen B
                           27.1
7 R107 LED
                А
                           23.4
8 R108 Halogen A
                           23.5
9 R109 Halogen D
                           37.3
10 R110 Halogen A
                           19.7
# i 70 more rows
```

## 10.3 A One-Factor Analysis of Variance

Suppose we are interested in the distribution of the **strength** values for the four different types of **resin**.

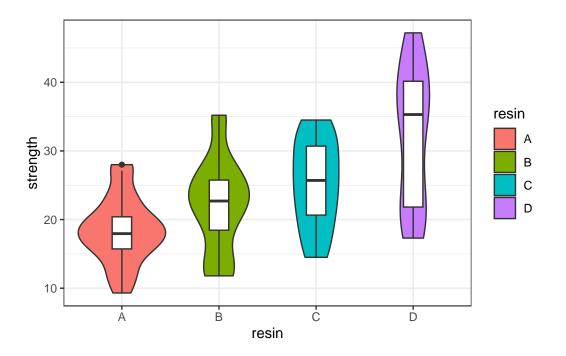
```
bonding |> group_by(resin) |>
   summarise(n = n(), mean(strength), median(strength))
```

#	# A tibble: 4 x 4					
	resin	n	`mean(strength)`	`median(strength)`		
	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>		
1	А	20	18.4	18.0		
2	В	20	22.2	22.7		
3	С	20	25.2	25.7		
4	D	20	32.1	35.3		

I'd begin serious work with a plot.

## 10.3.1 Look at the Data!

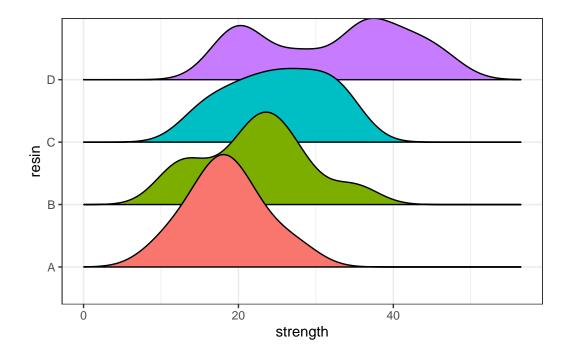
```
ggplot(bonding, aes(x = resin, y = strength)) +
geom_violin(aes(fill = resin)) +
geom_boxplot(width = 0.2)
```



Another good plot for this purpose is a ridgeline plot.

```
ggplot(bonding, aes(x = strength, y = resin, fill = resin)) +
geom_density_ridges2() +
guides(fill = "none")
```

Picking joint bandwidth of 3.09



#### 10.3.2 Table of Summary Statistics

With the small size of this experiment (n = 20 for each resin type), graphical summaries may not perform as well as they often do. We'll also produce a quick table of summary statistics for strength within each resin type.

	<pre>favstats(strength ~ resin, data = bonding)</pre>									
	resin	min	Q1	median	Q3	max	mean	sd	n	missing
1	А	9.3	15.725	17.95	20.40	28.0	18.415	4.805948	20	0
2	В	11.8	18.450	22.70	25.75	35.2	22.230	6.748263	20	0
3	С	14.5	20.650	25.70	30.70	34.5	25.155	6.326425	20	0
4	D	17.3	21.825	35.30	40.15	47.2	32.075	9.735063	20	0

Since the means and medians within each group are fairly close, and the distributions (with the possible exception of resin D) are reasonably well approximated by the Normal, I'll fit an ANOVA model<sup>2</sup>.

```
anova(lm(strength ~ resin, data = bonding))
```

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$ If the data weren't approximately Normally distributed, we might instead consider a rank-based alternative to ANOVA, like the Kruskal-Wallis test.

```
Analysis of Variance Table

Response: strength

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)

resin 3 1999.7 666.57 13.107 5.52e-07 ***

Residuals 76 3865.2 50.86

---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

It appears that the **resin** types have a significant association with mean **strength** of the bonds. Can we identify which **resin** types have generally higher or lower **strength**?

```
t_bond <- TukeyHSD(aov(strength ~ resin, data = bonding),</pre>
                  ordered = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)
  tidy(t_bond) |>
    select(-c(term, null.value)) |>
    mutate(across(.cols = -contrast, num, digits = 3)) |>
    arrange(desc(estimate)) |>
    gt() |>
    tab header(title = "Comparing Mean Bond Strength across pairs of resin types",
               subtitle = "90% Tukey HSD Confidence Intervals") |>
    tab_footnote(footnote = glue(nrow(bonding), " teeth in bonding data"))
Warning: There was 1 warning in `mutate()`.
i In argument: `across(.cols = -contrast, num, digits = 3)`.
Caused by warning:
! The `...` argument of `across()` is deprecated as of dplyr 1.1.0.
Supply arguments directly to `.fns` through an anonymous function instead.
  # Previously
  across(a:b, mean, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
# Now
across(a:b, \(x) mean(x, na.rm = TRUE))
```

Comparing Mean Bond Strength across pairs of resin types 90% Tukey HSD Confidence Intervals

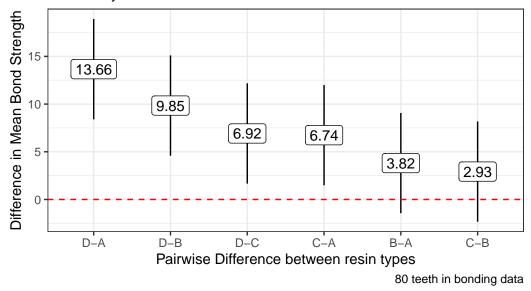
contrast estimate conf.low conf.high adj.p.value

D-A	13.660	8.403	18.917	0.000
D-B	9.845	4.588	15.102	0.000
D-C	6.920	1.663	12.177	0.015
C-A	6.740	1.483	11.997	0.019
B-A	3.815	-1.442	9.072	0.335
C-B	2.925	-2.332	8.182	0.568

80 teeth in bonding data

```
tidy(t_bond) |>
mutate(contrast = fct_reorder(contrast, estimate, .desc = TRUE)) %>%
ggplot(., aes(x = contrast, y = estimate, ymin = conf.low, ymax = conf.high)) +
geom_pointrange() +
geom_hline(yintercept = 0, col = "red", linetype = "dashed") +
geom_label(aes(label = round_half_up(estimate, 2))) +
labs(title = "Comparing Mean Bond Strength across pairs of resin types",
    subtitle = "90% Tukey HSD Confidence intervals",
    caption = glue(nrow(bonding), " teeth in bonding data"),
    x = "Pairwise Difference between resin types",
    y = "Difference in Mean Bond Strength")
```





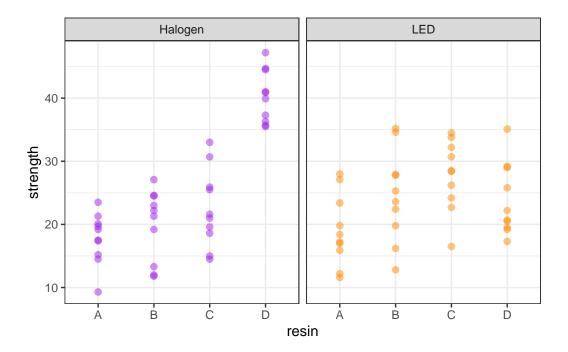
Based on these confidence intervals (which have a family-wise 90% confidence level), we see

that D shows arger mean strength than A or B or C, and that C is also associated with larger mean strength than A.

## 10.4 A Two-Way ANOVA: Looking at Two Factors

Now, we'll now add consideration of the light source into our study. We can look at the distribution of the strength values at the combinations of both light and resin, with a plot like this one.

```
ggplot(bonding, aes(x = resin, y = strength, color = light)) +
geom_point(size = 2, alpha = 0.5) +
facet_wrap(~ light) +
guides(color = "none") +
scale_color_manual(values = c("purple", "darkorange")) +
theme_bw()
```



# 10.5 A Means Plot (with standard deviations) to check for interaction

Sometimes, we'll instead look at a plot simply of the means (and, often, the standard deviations) of strength at each combination of light and resin. We'll start by building up a data set with the summaries we want to plot.

```
bond.sum <- bonding |>
  group_by(resin, light) |>
  summarize(mean.str = mean(strength), sd.str = sd(strength))
```

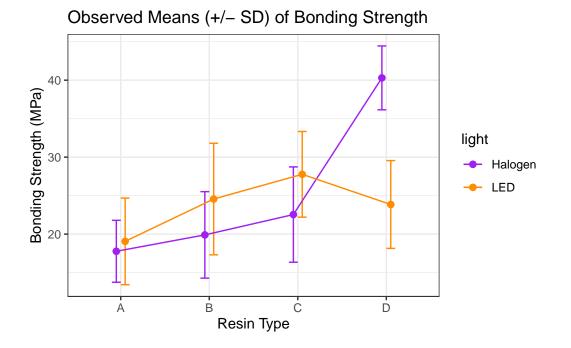
`summarise()` has grouped output by 'resin'. You can override using the `.groups` argument.

bond.sum

```
# A tibble: 8 x 4
# Groups: resin [4]
 resin light
               mean.str sd.str
 <chr> <chr>
                  <dbl> <dbl>
1 A
       Halogen
                   17.8
                         4.02
2 A
                   19.1 5.63
       LED
3 B
       Halogen
                   19.9
                          5.62
4 B
       LED
                   24.6
                         7.25
5 C
       Halogen
                   22.5
                         6.19
6 C
       LED
                   27.8
                          5.56
7 D
       Halogen
                   40.3
                          4.15
8 D
                   23.8
                          5.70
       LED
```

Now, we'll use this new data set to plot the means and standard deviations of strength at each combination of resin and light.

```
geom_point(size = 2, position = pd) +
geom_line(aes(group = light), position = pd) +
scale_color_manual(values = c("purple", "darkorange")) +
theme_bw() +
labs(y = "Bonding Strength (MPa)", x = "Resin Type",
    title = "Observed Means (+/- SD) of Bonding Strength")
```



Is there evidence of a meaningful interaction between the resin type and the light source on the bonding strength in this plot?

- Sure. A meaningful interaction just means that the strength associated with different resin types depends on the light source.
  - With LED light, it appears that resin C leads to the strongest bonding strength.
  - With Halogen light, though, it seems that resin D is substantially stronger.
- Note that the lines we see here connecting the light sources aren't in parallel (as they would be if we had zero interaction between resin and light), but rather, they cross.

#### 10.5.1 Summarizing the data after grouping by resin and light

We might want to look at a numerical summary of the strengths within these groups, too.

```
favstats(strength ~ resin + light, data = bonding) |>
      select(resin.light, median, mean, sd, n, missing)
 resin.light median mean
                                 sd n missing
   A.Halogen 18.35 17.77 4.024108 10
1
                                             0
                                             0
2
   B.Halogen 21.75 19.90 5.617631 10
3
   C.Halogen 21.30 22.54 6.191069 10
                                             0
4
   D.Halogen 40.40 40.30 4.147556 10
                                             0
5
       A.LED 17.80 19.06 5.625181 10
                                             0
6
                                             0
       B.LED 24.45 24.56 7.246792 10
7
       C.LED 28.45 27.77 5.564980 10
                                             0
8
       D.LED 21.45 23.85 5.704043 10
                                             0
```

## 10.6 Fitting the Two-Way ANOVA model with Interaction

c3\_m1 <- lm(strength ~ resin \* light, data = bonding) summary(c3\_m1) Call: lm(formula = strength ~ resin \* light, data = bonding) Residuals: Min 10 Median 3Q Max -11.760 -3.663 -0.320 3.697 11.250 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) 17.770 1.771 10.033 2.57e-15 \*\*\* (Intercept) resinB 2.130 2.505 0.850 0.3979 resinC 4.770 2.505 1.904 0.0609 . 2.505 8.995 2.13e-13 \*\*\* resinD 22.530 lightLED 1.290 2.505 0.515 0.6081 resinB:lightLED 3.542 0.951 3.370 0.3446 resinC:lightLED 3.940 3.542 1.112 0.2697 resinD:lightLED -17.740 3.542 -5.008 3.78e-06 \*\*\* \_\_\_ Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Residual standard error: 5.601 on 72 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.6149, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5775 F-statistic: 16.42 on 7 and 72 DF, p-value: 9.801e-13

#### 10.6.1 The ANOVA table for our model

In a two-way ANOVA model, we begin by assessing the interaction term. If it's important, then our best model is the model including the interaction. If it's not important, we will often move on to consider a new model, fit without an interaction.

The ANOVA table is especially helpful in this case, because it lets us look specifically at the interaction effect.

```
anova(c3 m1)
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: strength
                Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
            Df
                                          Pr(>F)
             3 1999.72 666.57 21.2499 5.792e-10 ***
resin
light
             1
                 34.72
                         34.72 1.1067
                                          0.2963
resin:light 3 1571.96 523.99 16.7043 2.457e-08 ***
Residuals
           72 2258.52
                         31.37
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

#### **10.6.2** Is the interaction important?

In this case, the interaction:

- is evident in the means plot, and
- is highly statistically significant, and
- accounts for a sizable fraction (27%) of the overall variation

$$\eta_{interaction}^{2} = \frac{\text{SS}(\text{resin:light})}{SS(Total)} = \frac{1571.96}{1999.72 + 34.72 + 1571.96 + 2258.52} = 0.268$$

If the interaction were *either* large or significant we would be inclined to keep it in the model. In this case, it's both, so there's no real reason to remove it.

#### 10.6.3 Interpreting the Interaction

Recall the model equation, which is:

 $c3_m1$ 

```
Call:
lm(formula = strength ~ resin * light, data = bonding)
Coefficients:
    (Intercept)
                          resinB
                                            resinC
                                                             resinD
                                              4.77
          17.77
                            2.13
                                                              22.53
       lightLED resinB:lightLED resinC:lightLED resinD:lightLED
           1.29
                            3.37
                                              3.94
                                                              -17.74
```

So, if light = Halogen, our equation is:

strength = 17.77 + 2.13resinB + 4.77resinC + 22.53resinD

And if light = LED, our equation is:

strength = 19.06 + 5.50 resinB + 8.71 resinC + 4.79 resinD

Note that both the intercept and the slopes change as a result of the interaction. The model yields a different prediction for every possible combination of a resin type and a light source.

## 10.7 Comparing Individual Combinations of resin and light

To make comparisons between individual combinations of a **resin** type and a **light** source, using something like Tukey's HSD approach for multiple comparisons, we first refit the model using the **aov** structure, rather than lm.

```
c3m1_aov <- aov(strength ~ resin * light, data = bonding)
summary(c3m1_aov)</pre>
```

```
Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                          Pr(>F)
resin
             3 1999.7
                         666.6
                                21.250 5.79e-10 ***
                  34.7
                          34.7
                                  1.107
                                           0.296
light
             1
             3 1572.0
                         524.0
                                16.704 2.46e-08 ***
resin:light
Residuals
            72 2258.5
                          31.4
Signif. codes:
                 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

And now, we can obtain Tukey HSD comparisons (which will maintain an overall 90% familywise confidence level) across the **resin** types, the **light** sources, and the combinations, with the TukeyHSD command. This approach is only completely appropriate if these comparisons are pre-planned, and if the design is balanced (as this is, with the same sample size for each combination of a **light** source and **resin** type.)

```
TukeyHSD(c3m1_aov, conf.level = 0.9)
  Tukey multiple comparisons of means
    90% family-wise confidence level
Fit: aov(formula = strength ~ resin * light, data = bonding)
$resin
      diff
                  lwr
                                    p adj
                            upr
B-A 3.815 -0.3176052
                      7.947605 0.1461960
C-A 6.740
           2.6073948 10.872605 0.0016436
D-A 13.660
           9.5273948 17.792605 0.0000000
С-В 2.925 -1.2076052 7.057605 0.3568373
D-B 9.845
           5.7123948 13.977605 0.0000026
D-C 6.920
           2.7873948 11.052605 0.0011731
$light
               diff
                          lwr
                                            p adj
                                    upr
LED-Halogen -1.3175 -3.404306 0.7693065 0.2963128
$`resin:light`
                      diff
                                   lwr
                                              upr
                                                      p adj
B:Halogen-A:Halogen
                      2.13
                            -4.9961962
                                         9.256196 0.9893515
C:Halogen-A:Halogen
                      4.77
                            -2.3561962
                                        11.896196 0.5525230
D:Halogen-A:Halogen 22.53
                            15.4038038
                                        29.656196 0.0000000
                            -5.8361962
A:LED-A:Halogen
                      1.29
                                         8.416196 0.9995485
```

6.79

10.00

B:LED-A:Halogen

C:LED-A:Halogen

13.916196 0.1361092

17.126196 0.0037074

-0.3361962

2.8738038

D:LED-A:Halogen	6.08	-1.0461962	13,206196	0.2443200
C:Halogen-B:Halogen	2.64	-4.4861962	9.766196	0.9640100
D:Halogen-B:Halogen	20.40	13.2738038		0.0000000
A:LED-B:Halogen	-0.84	-7.9661962		0.9999747
B:LED-B:Halogen	4.66	-2.4661962		0.5818695
C:LED-B:Halogen	7.87	0.7438038		0.0473914
D:LED-B:Halogen	3.95	-3.1761962		0.7621860
D:Halogen-C:Halogen	17.76	10.6338038		0.0000000
A:LED-C:Halogen		-10.6061962		0.8591455
B:LED-C:Halogen	2.02	-5.1061962		0.9922412
C:LED-C:Halogen	5.23			0.4323859
D:LED-C:Halogen	1.31			0.9995004
A:LED-D:Halogen		-28.3661962	-14.113804	
B:LED-D:Halogen		-22.8661962		0.0000006
•				
C:LED-D:Halogen		-19.6561962		0.0001014
D:LED-D:Halogen	-16.45	-23.5761962	-9.323804	0.000002
B:LED-A:LED	5.50	-1.6261962	12.626196	0.3665620
C:LED-A:LED	8.71	1.5838038	15.836196	0.0185285
D:LED-A:LED	4.79	-2.3361962	11.916196	0.5471915
C:LED-B:LED	3.21	-3.9161962	10.336196	0.9027236
D:LED-B:LED	-0.71	-7.8361962	6.416196	0.9999920
D:LED-C:LED	-3.92	-11.0461962	3.206196	0.7690762

One conclusion from this is that the combination of D and Halogen appears stronger than each of the other seven combinations.

## 10.8 The bonding model without Interaction

It seems incorrect in this situation to fit a model without the interaction term, but we'll do so just so you can see what's involved.

```
c3_m2 <- lm(strength ~ resin + light, data = bonding)
summary(c3_m2)
Call:
lm(formula = strength ~ resin + light, data = bonding)
Residuals:</pre>
```

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -14.1162 -4.9531 0.1187 4.4612 14.4663

```
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                        1.787 10.676 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
             19.074
resinB
              3.815
                        2.260 1.688 0.09555 .
                       2.260 2.982 0.00386 **
resinC
             6.740
resinD
            13.660
                        2.260 6.044 5.39e-08 ***
                        1.598 -0.824 0.41229
lightLED
             -1.317
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 7.147 on 75 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.3469,
                              Adjusted R-squared: 0.312
F-statistic: 9.958 on 4 and 75 DF, p-value: 1.616e-06
```

In the no-interaction model, if light = Halogen, our equation is:

strength = 19.07 + 3.82resinB + 6.74resinC + 13.66resinD

And if light = LED, our equation is:

strength = 17.75 + 3.82resinB + 6.74resinC + 13.66resinD

So, in the no-interaction model, only the intercept changes.

```
anova(c3_m2)
```

Analysis of Variance Table

```
Response: strength

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)

resin 3 1999.7 666.57 13.0514 6.036e-07 ***

light 1 34.7 34.72 0.6797 0.4123

Residuals 75 3830.5 51.07

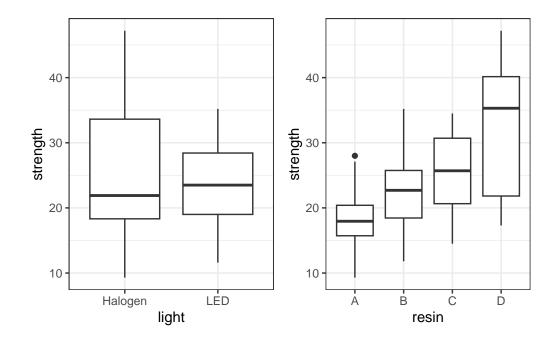
---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

And, it appears, if we ignore the interaction, then **resin** type has a large impact on **strength** but **light** source doesn't. This is clearer when we look at boxplots of the separated **light** and **resin** groups.

```
p1 <- ggplot(bonding, aes(x = light, y = strength)) +
    geom_boxplot()
p2 <- ggplot(bonding, aes(x = resin, y = strength)) +
    geom_boxplot()</pre>
```

```
p1 + p2
```



## 10.9 cortisol: A Hypothetical Clinical Trial

156 adults who complained of problems with a high-stress lifestyle were enrolled in a hypothetical clinical trial of the effectiveness of a behavioral intervention designed to help reduce stress levels, as measured by salivary cortisol.

The subjects were randomly assigned to one of three intervention groups (usual care, low dose, and high dose.) The "low dose" subjects received a one-week intervention with a follow-up at week 5. The "high dose" subjects received a more intensive three-week intervention, with follow up at week 5.

Since cortisol levels rise and fall with circadian rhythms, the cortisol measurements were taken just after rising for all subjects. These measurements were taken at baseline, and again at five weeks. The difference (baseline - week 5) in cortisol level (in micrograms / 1) serves as the primary outcome.

#### 10.9.1 Codebook and Raw Data for cortisol

The data are gathered in the cortisol data set. Included are:

Variable	Description
subject	subject identification code
interv	intervention group $(UC = usual care, Low, High)$
waist	waist circumference at baseline (in inches)
sex	male or female
cort.1	salivary cortisol level (microg/l) week 1
cort.5	salivary cortisol level (microg/l) week $5$

cortisol

```
# A tibble: 156 x 6
   subject interv waist sex
                                cort.1 cort.5
   <chr>
                                 <dbl>
                                         <dbl>
           <chr>
                   <dbl> <chr>
1 S1001
           UC
                    48.3 M
                                  13.4
                                          13.3
2 S1002
           Low
                    58.3 M
                                  17.8
                                          16.6
3 S1003
           High
                    43
                         М
                                  14.4
                                          12.7
4 S1004
           Low
                    44.9 M
                                   9
                                           9.8
5 S1005
                    46.1 M
                                  14.2
                                          14.2
           High
6 S1006
           UC
                    41.3 M
                                  14.8
                                          15.1
7 S1007
                                  13.7
           Low
                    51
                         F
                                          16
                         F
8 S1008
           UC
                                  17.3
                    42
                                          18.7
9 S1009
                                  15.3
           Low
                    24.7 F
                                          15.8
10 S1010
                    59.4 M
                                  12.4
           Low
                                          11.7
# i 146 more rows
```

## 10.10 Creating a factor combining sex and waist

Next, we'll put the waist and sex data in the cortisol example together. We want to build a second categorical variable (called fat\_est) combining this information, to indicate "healthy" vs. "unhealthy" levels of fat around the waist.

- Male subjects whose waist circumference is 40 inches or more, and
- Female subjects whose waist circumference is 35 inches or more, will fall in the "unhealthy" group.

```
cortisol <- cortisol |>
mutate(
    fat_est = factor(case_when(
        sex == "M" & waist >= 40 ~ "unhealthy",
        sex == "F" & waist >= 35 ~ "unhealthy",
        TRUE ~ "healthy")),
    cort_diff = cort.1 - cort.5)
```

```
summary(cortisol)
```

subject	interv	waist	sex
Length:156	Length:156	Min. :20.	80 Length:156
Class :character	Class :charact	er 1st Qu.:33.	27 Class :character
Mode :character	Mode :charact	er Median :40.	35 Mode :character
		Mean :40.	42
		3rd Qu.:47.	77
		Max. :59.	90
cort.1	cort.5	fat_est	cort_diff
Min. : 6.000	Min. : 4.2 h	ealthy : 56 M	lin. :-2.3000
1st Qu.: 9.675	1st Qu.: 9.6 u	nhealthy:100 1	st Qu.:-0.5000
Median :12.400	Median :12.6	Μ	ledian : 0.2000
Mean :12.686	Mean :12.4	Μ	lean : 0.2821
3rd Qu.:16.025	3rd Qu.:15.7	3	3rd Qu.: 1.2000
Max. :19.000	Max. :19.7	М	fax. : 2.0000

## 10.11 A Means Plot for the cortisol trial (with standard errors)

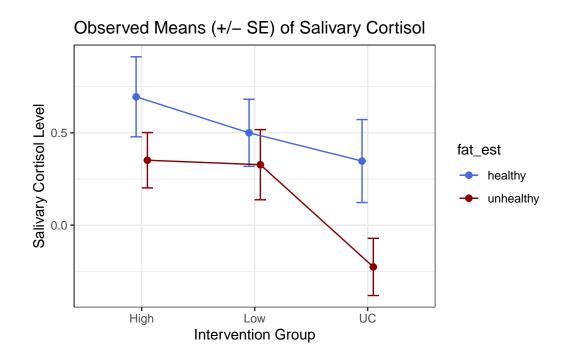
Again, we'll start by building up a data set with the summaries we want to plot.

```
`summarise()` has grouped output by 'interv'. You can override using the
`.groups` argument.
```

#	A tibb	le: 6 x 4		
#	Groups	: interv	[3]	
	interv	fat_est	${\tt mean.cort}$	se.cort
	<chr></chr>	<fct></fct>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	High	healthy	0.695	0.217
2	High	unhealthy	0.352	0.150
3	Low	healthy	0.5	0.182
4	Low	unhealthy	0.327	0.190
5	UC	healthy	0.347	0.225
6	UC	unhealthy	-0.226	0.155

cort.sum

Now, we'll use this new data set to plot the means and standard errors.



10.12 A Two-Way ANOVA model for cortisol with Interaction

```
c3_m3 <- lm(cort_diff ~ interv * fat_est, data = cortisol)</pre>
  anova(c3_m3)
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: cort_diff
                Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
interv
                 2
                    7.847
                            3.9235 4.4698 0.01301 *
fat_est
                 1
                     4.614 4.6139 5.2564 0.02326 *
                    0.943 0.4715 0.5371 0.58554
interv:fat_est
                 2
Residuals
               150 131.666 0.8778
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Does it seem like we need the interaction term in this case?

summary(c3\_m3)

```
Call:
lm(formula = cort_diff ~ interv * fat_est, data = cortisol)
Residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                    Median
                                 ЗQ
                                         Max
-2.62727 -0.75702 0.08636 0.84848 2.12647
Coefficients:
                          Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                       0.2095
                                                3.317 0.00114 **
(Intercept)
                             0.6950
                                        0.3001 -0.650 0.51689
intervLow
                            -0.1950
intervUC
                            -0.3479
                                        0.3091 -1.126 0.26206
                                               -1.294 0.19774
fat_estunhealthy
                            -0.3435
                                        0.2655
intervLow:fat_estunhealthy
                             0.1708
                                        0.3785
                                                0.451 0.65256
intervUC:fat_estunhealthy
                            -0.2300
                                        0.3846 -0.598 0.55068
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.9369 on 150 degrees of freedom
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.06214
Multiple R-squared: 0.0924,
```

#### 10.12.1 Notes on this Question

When we're evaluating a two-factor ANOVA model with an interaction, we are choosing between models with either:

- 1. just one factor
- 2. both factors, but only as main effects
- 3. both factors and an interaction between them

F-statistic: 3.054 on 5 and 150 DF, p-value: 0.01179

But we don't get to pick models that include any other combination of terms. For this two-way ANOVA, then, our choices are:

- a model with 'interv only
- a model with 'fat\_est only
- a model with both interv and fat\_est but not their interaction
- a model with interv and fat\_est and their interaction

Those are the only modeling options available to us.

First, consider the ANOVA table, repeated below...

```
anova(c3_m3)
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: cort diff
                    Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
                Df
interv
                 2
                     7.847
                            3.9235 4.4698 0.01301 *
fat_est
                 1
                     4.614
                            4.6139 5.2564 0.02326 *
                 2
                     0.943
                            0.4715 0.5371 0.58554
interv:fat est
Residuals
               150 131.666
                            0.8778
____
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

The conclusions here are as follows:

- 1. The interaction effect (interv:fat\_est) has a large p value (0.58554) and assesses whether the two interaction terms (product terms) included in the model add detectable predictive value to the main effects model that includes only interv and fat\_est alone. You are right to say that this ANOVA is sequential, which means that the p value for the interaction effect is looking at the additional effect of the interaction once we already have the main effects interv and fat\_est included.
- 2. The interv and fat\_est terms aren't usually evaluated with hypothesis tests or interpreted in the ANOVA for this setting, since if we intend to include the interaction term (as this model does) we also need these main effects. If we wanted to look at those terms individually in a model without the interaction, then we'd want to fit that model (without the interaction term) to do so.

Next, let's look at the summary of the c3\_m3 model, specifically the coefficients...

summary(c3\_m3)

Call: lm(formula = cort\_diff ~ interv \* fat\_est, data = cortisol) Residuals: Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -2.62727 -0.75702 0.08636 0.84848 2.12647 Coefficients:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) 0.2095 (Intercept) 0.6950 3.317 0.00114 \*\* intervLow -0.19500.3001 -0.650 0.51689 intervUC -1.126 0.26206 -0.34790.3091 fat estunhealthy -0.34350.2655 -1.294 0.19774 intervLow:fat estunhealthy 0.1708 0.3785 0.451 0.65256 intervUC:fat estunhealthy -0.23000.3846 -0.598 0.55068 \_\_\_ 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Signif. codes: Residual standard error: 0.9369 on 150 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.0924, Adjusted R-squared: 0.06214 F-statistic: 3.054 on 5 and 150 DF, p-value: 0.01179

So here, we see two p values associated with the interaction terms (the two product terms at the bottom of the regression) but these aren't especially helpful, because we're either going to include the interaction (in which case both of these terms will be in the model) or we're not going to include the interaction (in which case neither of these terms will be in the model.)

So the p values provided here aren't very helpful - like all such p values for t tests, they are looking at the value of the term in their row as the last predictor in to the model, essentially comparing the full model to the model without that specific component, but none of those tests enable us to decide which of the 4 available model choices is our best fit.

Now, let's consider the reason why, for example, the p value for fat\_est in the summary() which is looking at comparing the following models ...

- a model including interv (which has 2 coefficients to account for its 3 categories), fat\_est (which has 1 coefficient to account for its 2 categories), and the interv\*fat\_est interaction terms (which are 2 terms)
- a model including interv and the interv\*fat\_est interaction (but somehow not the main effect of fat\_est, which actually makes no sense: if we include the interaction we always include the main effect)

to the p value for fat\_est in the ANOVA which is looking at comparing

- the model with interv alone to
- the model with interv and fat\_est as main effects, but no interaction

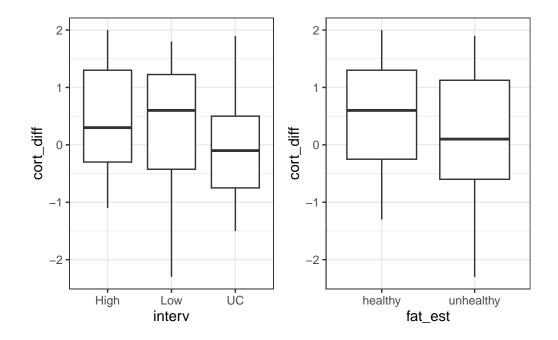
Only the ANOVA p value is therefore in any way useful, and it suggests that once you have the main effect of interv, adding fat\_est's main effect adds statistically detectable value (p = 0.023)

## 10.13 A Two-Way ANOVA model for cortisol without Interaction

## 10.13.1 The Graph

```
p1 <- ggplot(cortisol, aes(x = interv, y = cort_diff)) +
    geom_boxplot()
p2 <- ggplot(cortisol, aes(x = fat_est, y = cort_diff)) +
    geom_boxplot()</pre>
```

p1 + p2



### 10.13.2 The ANOVA Model

c3\_m4 <- lm(cort\_diff ~ interv + fat\_est, data = cortisol)
anova(c3\_m4)</pre>

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: cort\_diff

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F) interv 2 7.847 3.9235 4.4972 0.01266 \* fat\_est 1 4.614 4.6139 5.2886 0.02283 \* Residuals 152 132.609 0.8724 ---Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

How do these results compare to those we saw in the model with interaction?

#### 10.13.3 The Regression Summary

```
summary(c3 m4)
Call:
lm(formula = cort_diff ~ interv + fat_est, data = cortisol)
Residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                    Median
                                 ЗQ
                                         Max
-2.55929 -0.74527 0.05457 0.86456
                                    2.05489
Coefficients:
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                             0.16093
                                       4.378 2.22e-05 ***
                  0.70452
intervLow
                 -0.08645
                             0.18232 -0.474 0.63606
intervUC
                 -0.50063
                             0.18334 -2.731 0.00707 **
fat_estunhealthy -0.35878
                             0.15601 -2.300 0.02283 *
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 0.934 on 152 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.0859,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.06785
F-statistic: 4.761 on 3 and 152 DF, p-value: 0.00335
```

#### 10.13.4 Tukey HSD Comparisons

Without the interaction term, we can make direct comparisons between levels of the intervention, and between levels of the fat\_est variable. This is probably best done here in a Tukey HSD comparison.

```
TukeyHSD(aov(cort_diff ~ interv + fat_est, data = cortisol), conf.level = 0.9)
  Tukey multiple comparisons of means
    90% family-wise confidence level
Fit: aov(formula = cort_diff ~ interv + fat_est, data = cortisol)
$interv
                diff
                           lwr
                                        upr
                                               p adj
Low-High -0.09074746 -0.4677566 0.28626166 0.8724916
UC-High -0.51642619 -0.8952964 -0.13755598 0.0150150
UC-Low
        -0.42567873 -0.8063312 -0.04502625 0.0570728
$fat_est
                        diff
                                   lwr
                                             upr
                                                     p adj
unhealthy-healthy -0.3582443 -0.6162415 -0.100247 0.0229266
```

What conclusions can we draw here?

# **11 Analysis of Covariance**

# 11.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
```

```
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(mosaic)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 11.1.1 Data Load

emphysema <- read\_csv("data/emphysema.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

# 11.2 An Emphysema Study

My source for this example is @Riffenburgh2006, section 18.4. Serum theophylline levels (in mg/dl) were measured in 16 patients with emphysema at baseline, then 5 days later (at the end of a course of antibiotics) and then at 10 days after baseline. Clinicians anticipate that the antibiotic will increase the theophylline level. The data are stored in the emphysema.csv data file, and note that the age for patient 5 is not available.

### 11.2.1 Codebook

Variable	Description
patient	ID code
age	patient's age in years
sex	patient's sex (F or M)

Variable	Description
st_base	patient's serum theophylline at baseline (mg/dl)
st_day5	patient's serum the ophylline at day 5 $(mg/dl)$
st_day10	patient's serum the ophylline at day 10 $(\rm mg/dl)$

We're going to look at the change from baseline to day 5 as our outcome of interest, since the clinical expectation is that the antibiotic (azithromycin) will increase theophylline levels.

```
emphysema <- emphysema |>
      mutate(st_delta = st_day5 - st_base)
  emphysema
# A tibble: 16 x 7
   patient
              age sex
                         st_base st_day5 st_day10 st_delta
     <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
                           <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
                                              <dbl>
                                                        <dbl>
 1
         1
               61 F
                            14.1
                                      2.3
                                               10.3
                                                     -11.8
2
         2
               70 F
                             7.2
                                      5.4
                                                7.3
                                                       -1.8
3
         3
               65 M
                            14.2
                                     11.9
                                               11.3
                                                       -2.3
 4
         4
               65 M
                            10.3
                                     10.7
                                               13.8
                                                        0.400
5
         5
                                               11.7
               NA M
                             9.9
                                     10.7
                                                        0.800
 6
               76 M
                             5.2
                                                4.2
         6
                                      6.8
                                                        1.6
 7
         7
                            10.4
                                               14.1
                                                        4.2
               72 M
                                     14.6
8
         8
               69 F
                            10.5
                                      7.2
                                                5.4
                                                       -3.3
9
         9
                                                5.1
               66 M
                             5
                                      5
                                                        0
10
        10
               62 M
                             8.6
                                      8.1
                                                7.4
                                                       -0.5
        11
               65 F
                            16.6
                                     14.9
                                               13
                                                       -1.70
11
12
        12
                                                        2.20
               71 M
                            16.4
                                     18.6
                                               17.1
13
               51 F
                            12.2
                                               12.3
                                                       -1.2
        13
                                     11
14
        14
               71 M
                             6.6
                                      3.7
                                                4.5
                                                       -2.9
15
        15
               64 F
                            15.4
                                     15.2
                                               13.6
                                                       -0.200
```

# 11.3 Does sex affect the mean change in theophylline?

10.8

11.2

0.600

10.2

```
favstats(~ st_delta, data = emphysema)
```

16

16

50 M

min Q1 median Q3 max mean sd n missing -11.8 -1.925 -0.35 0.65 4.2 -0.99375 3.484149 16 0

```
sex
        min
                Q1 median
                               QЗ
                                  max
                                            mean
                                                        sd
                                                           n missing
                    -1.75 -1.325 -0.2 -3.333333 4.267864
1
    F -11.8 -2.925
                                                            6
                                                                    0
      -2.9 - 0.375
                     0.50 1.400
                                  4.2 0.410000 2.067446 10
                                                                    0
2
    М
```

Overall, the mean change in the ophylline during the course of the antibiotic is -0.99, but this is -3.33 for female patients and 0.41 for male patients.

A one-way ANOVA model looks like this:

favstats(st\_delta ~ sex, data = emphysema)

The ANOVA F test finds a fairly large difference between the mean st\_delta among males and the mean st\_delta among females. But is there more to the story?

# 11.4 Is there an association between age and sex in this study?

favstats(age ~ sex, data = emphysema) Q1 median Q3 max sex min sd n missing mean 51 61.75 70 63.33333 6.889606 6 64.5 68 0 1 F 2 М 50 65.00 66.0 71 76 66.44444 7.568208 9 1

But we note that the male patients are also older than the female patients, on average (mean age for males is 66.4, for females 63.3)

- Does the fact that male patients are older affect change in the ophylline level?
- And how should we deal with the one missing age value (in a male patient)?

## 11.5 Adding a quantitative covariate, age, to the model

We could fit an ANOVA model to predict st\_delta using sex and age directly, but only if we categorized age into two or more groups. Because age is not categorical, we cannot include it in an ANOVA. But if age is an influence, and we don't adjust for it, it may well bias the outcome of our initial ANOVA. With a quantitative variable like age, we will need a method called ANCOVA, for analysis of covariance.

#### 11.5.1 The ANCOVA model

ANCOVA in this case is just an ANOVA model with our outcome (st\_delta) adjusted for a continuous covariate, called age. For the moment, we'll ignore the one subject with missing age and simply fit the regression model with sex and age.

```
summary(lm(st_delta ~ sex + age, data = emphysema))
Call:
lm(formula = st_delta ~ sex + age, data = emphysema)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-8.3352 -0.4789 0.6948 1.5580 3.5202
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -6.90266
                        7.92948 -0.871
                                          0.4011
sexM
             3.52466
                        1.75815
                                  2.005
                                          0.0681 .
             0.05636
                        0.12343
                                  0.457
                                          0.6561
age
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 3.255 on 12 degrees of freedom
  (1 observation deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.2882,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.1696
F-statistic: 2.43 on 2 and 12 DF, p-value: 0.13
```

This model assumes that the slope of the regression line between **st\_delta** and **age** is the same for both sexes.

Note that the model yields  $st_delta = -6.9 + 3.52$  (sex = male) + 0.056 age, or

- $st_delta = -6.9 + 0.056$  age for female patients, and
- $st_delta = (-6.9 + 3.52) + 0.056$  age = -3.38 + 0.056 age for male patients.

Note that we can test this assumption of equal slopes by fitting an alternative model (with a product term between **sex** and **age**) that doesn't require the assumption, and we'll do that later.

#### 11.5.2 The ANCOVA Table

First, though, we'll look at the ANCOVA table.

When we tested sex without accounting for age, we found a p value of 0.032, which is less than our usual cutpoint of 0.05. But when we adjusted for age, we find that sex's p value rises, even though age doesn't seem to have a particularly strong influence on st\_delta by itself, according to the ANCOVA table.

# 11.6 Rerunning the ANCOVA model after simple imputation

We could have *imputed* the missing age value for patient 5, rather than just deleting that patient. Suppose we do the simplest potentially reasonable thing to do: insert the mean age in where the NA value currently exists.

```
emph_imp <- replace_na(emphysema, list(age = mean(emphysema$age, na.rm = TRUE)))
emph_imp</pre>
```

# 1	A tibble:	16 x	7				
	patient	age	sex	st_base	st_day5	st_day10	st_delta
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	1	61	F	14.1	2.3	10.3	-11.8
2	2	70	F	7.2	5.4	7.3	-1.8
3	3	65	М	14.2	11.9	11.3	-2.3
4	4	65	М	10.3	10.7	13.8	0.400
5	5	65.2	М	9.9	10.7	11.7	0.800
6	6	76	М	5.2	6.8	4.2	1.6
7	7	72	М	10.4	14.6	14.1	4.2
8	8	69	F	10.5	7.2	5.4	-3.3
9	9	66	М	5	5	5.1	0
10	10	62	М	8.6	8.1	7.4	-0.5
11	11	65	F	16.6	14.9	13	-1.70
12	12	71	М	16.4	18.6	17.1	2.20
13	13	51	F	12.2	11	12.3	-1.2
14	14	71	М	6.6	3.7	4.5	-2.9
15	15	64	F	15.4	15.2	13.6	-0.200
16	16	50	М	10.2	10.8	11.2	0.600

More on simple imputation and missing data is coming soon.

For now, we can rerun the ANCOVA model on this new data set, after imputation...

anova(lm(st\_delta ~ sex + age, data = emph\_imp))

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: st\_delta Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F) sex 1 52.547 52.547 5.3623 0.03755 \* age 1 2.151 2.151 0.2195 0.64721 Residuals 13 127.392 9.799 ----Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

When we do this, we see that now the **sex** variable returns to a p value below 0.05. Our complete case analysis (which omitted patient 5) gives us a different result than the ANCOVA based on the data after mean imputation.

## 11.7 Looking at a factor-covariate interaction

Let's run a model including the interaction (product) term between age and sex, which implies that the slope of age on our outcome (st\_delta) depends on the patient's sex. We'll use the imputed data again. Here is the new ANCOVA table, which suggests that the interaction of age and sex is small (because it accounts for only a small amount of the total Sum of Squares) with a p value of 0.91.

anova(lm(st\_delta ~ sex \* age, data = emph\_imp))

```
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: st_delta
          Df
             Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
              52.547 52.547 4.9549 0.04594 *
sex
           1
               2.151
                       2.151 0.2028 0.66051
           1
age
           1
               0.130
                       0.130
                             0.0123 0.91355
sex:age
Residuals 12 127.261
                     10.605
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Since the interaction term isn't accounting for much variation, we probably don't need it here. But let's look at its interpretation anyway, just to fix ideas. To do that, we'll need the coefficients from the underlying regression model.

tidy(lm(st\_delta ~ sex \* age, data = emph\_imp))

#	A tibble: 4	x 5			
	term	estimate	<pre>std.error</pre>	statistic	p.value
	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	(Intercept)	-5.65	13.5	-0.420	0.682
2	sexM	1.72	16.8	0.102	0.920
3	age	0.0365	0.211	0.173	0.866
4	sexM:age	0.0289	0.260	0.111	0.914

Our ANCOVA model for st\_delta incorporating the age x sex product term is -5.65 + 1.72 (sex = M) + 0.037 age + 0.029 (sex = M)(age). So that means:

- our model for females is st\_delta = -5.65 + 0.037 age
- our model for males is st\_delta = (-5.65 + 1.72) + (0.037 + 0.029) age, or -3.93 + 0.066 age

but, again, our conclusion from the ANCOVA table is that this increase in complexity (letting both the slope and intercept vary by **sex**) doesn't add much in the way of predictive value for our **st\_delta** outcome.

# 11.8 Centering the Covariate to Facilitate ANCOVA Interpretation

When developing an ANCOVA model, we will often **center** or even **center and rescale** the covariate to facilitate interpretation of the product term. In this case, let's center **age** and rescale it by dividing by two standard deviations.

```
favstats(~ age, data = emph_imp)
min Q1 median Q3 max mean sd n missing
50 63.5 65.1 70.25 76 65.2 6.978061 16 0
```

Note that in our imputed data, the mean age is 65.2 and the standard deviation of age is 7 years.

So we build the rescaled age variable that I'll call age\_z, and then use it to refit our model.

```
emph_imp <- emph_imp |>
    mutate(age_z = (age - mean(age))/ (2 * sd(age)))
anova(lm(st_delta ~ sex * age_z, data = emph_imp))
```

Analysis of Variance Table

```
Response: st_delta
          Df
             Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
           1
             52.547 52.547 4.9549 0.04594 *
sex
           1
               2.151
                       2.151 0.2028 0.66051
age_z
               0.130
                       0.130 0.0123 0.91355
sex:age_z 1
Residuals 12 127.261
                     10.605
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
tidy(lm(st_delta ~ sex * age_z, data = emph_imp))
```

#	A tibble: 4	x 5			
	term	estimate	<pre>std.error</pre>	statistic	p.value
	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	(Intercept)	-3.27	1.39	-2.35	0.0364
2	sexM	3.60	1.74	2.08	0.0601
3	age_z	0.510	2.95	0.173	0.866
4	<pre>sexM:age_z</pre>	0.403	3.63	0.111	0.914

Comparing the two models, we have:

- (unscaled):  $st_delta = -5.65 + 1.72$  (sex = M) + 0.037 age + 0.029 (sex = M) x (age)
- (rescaled): st\_delta = -3.27 + 3.60 (sex = M) + 0.510 rescaled age\_z + 0.402 (sex = M) x (rescaled age\_z)

In essence, the rescaled model on age\_z is:

- $st_delta = -3.27 + 0.510$  age\_z for female subjects, and
- st\_delta = (-3.27 + 3.60) + (0.510 + 0.402) age\_z = 0.33 + 0.912 age\_z for male subjects

Interpreting the centered, rescaled model, we have:

- no change in the ANOVA results or R-squared or residual standard deviation compared to the uncentered, unscaled model, but
- the intercept (-3.27) now represents the st\_delta for a female of average age,
- the sex slope (3.60) represents the (male female) difference in predicted st\_delta for a person of average age,
- the age\_z slope (0.510) represents the difference in predicted st\_delta for a female one standard deviation older than the mean age as compared to a female one standard deviation younger than the mean age, and
- the product term's slope (0.402) represents the male female difference in the slope of age\_z, so that if you add the age\_z slope (0.510) and the interaction slope (0.402) you see the difference in predicted st\_delta for a male one standard deviation older than the mean age as compared to a male one standard deviation younger than the mean age.

# 12 Analysis of Covariance with the SMART data

In this chapter, we'll work with the smart\_cle1\_sh data file that we developed in Chapter 7.

# 12.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(mosaic)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

## 12.1.1 Data Load

smart\_cle1\_sh <- readRDS("data/smart\_cle1\_sh.Rds")</pre>

# 12.2 A New Small Study: Predicting BMI

We'll begin by investigating the problem of predicting bmi, at first with just three regression inputs: smoke100, female and physhealth, in our smart\_cle1\_sh data set.

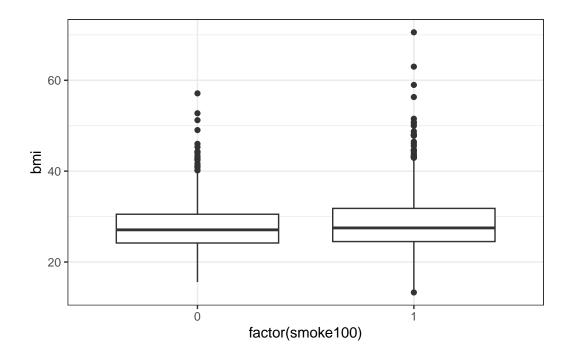
- The outcome of interest is bmi.
- Inputs to the regression model are:
  - smoke100 = 1 if the subject has smoked 100 cigarettes in their lifetime
  - female = 1 if the subject is female, and 0 if they are male
  - physhealth = number of poor physical health days in past 30 (treated as quantitative)

# 12.2.1 Does smoke100 predict bmi well?

#### 12.2.1.1 Graphical Assessment

Not so helpful. We should probably specify that  $\verb+smoke100$  is a factor, and try another plotting approach.

```
ggplot(smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = factor(smoke100), y = bmi)) +
geom_boxplot()
```



The median BMI looks a little higher for those who have smoked 100 cigarettes. Let's see if a model reflects that.

# 12.3 mod1: A simple t-test model

Call: lm(formula = bmi ~ smoke100, data = smart\_cle1\_sh) Residuals: Min 1Q Median ЗQ Max -15.511 -4.019 -0.870 2.841 41.749 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 27.9390 0.2594 107.722 <2e-16 \*\*\* smoke100 0.8722 0.3781 2.307 0.0213 \* \_\_\_ Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Residual standard error: 6.353 on 1131 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.004682, Adjusted R-squared: 0.003802 F-statistic: 5.321 on 1 and 1131 DF, p-value: 0.02125 confint(mod1) 2.5 % 97.5 % (Intercept) 27.4301016 28.447875 smoke100 0.1303021 1.614195 tidy(mod1, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) # A tibble: 2 x 7 estimate std.error statistic p.value conf.low conf.high term <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 1 (Intercept) 27.9 0.259 108. 0 27.4 28.4 2 smoke100 0.872 0.378 2.31 0.0213 0.130 1.61 glance(mod1) # A tibble: 1 x 12 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value df logLik AIC <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 5.32 0.0213 1 -3702. 7409. 7424. 0.00468 0.00380 6.35 1 # i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>

BIC

The model suggests, based on these 1133 subjects, that

- our best prediction for non-smokers is  $BMI = 27.94 \text{ kg/m}^2$ , and
- our best prediction for those who have smoked 100 cigarettes is  $BMI = 27.94 + 0.87 = 28.81 \text{ kg/m}^2$ .
- the mean difference between smokers and non-smokers is  $+0.87 \text{ kg/m}^2$  in BMI
- a 95% confidence (uncertainty) interval for that mean smoker non-smoker difference in BMI ranges from 0.13 to 1.61
- the model accounts for 0.47% of the variation in BMI, so that knowing the respondent's tobacco status does very little to reduce the size of the prediction errors as compared to an intercept only model that would predict the overall mean BMI for each of our subjects.
- the model makes some enormous errors, with one subject being predicted to have a BMI 42 points lower than his/her actual BMI.

Note that this simple regression model just gives us the t-test.

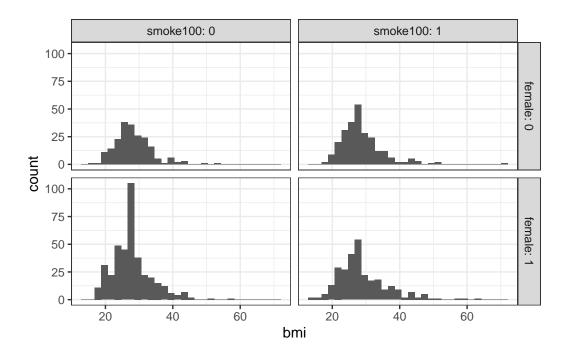
t.test(bmi ~ smoke100, var.equal = TRUE, data = smart\_cle1\_sh)

Two Sample t-test

# 12.4 mod2: Adding another predictor (two-way ANOVA without interaction)

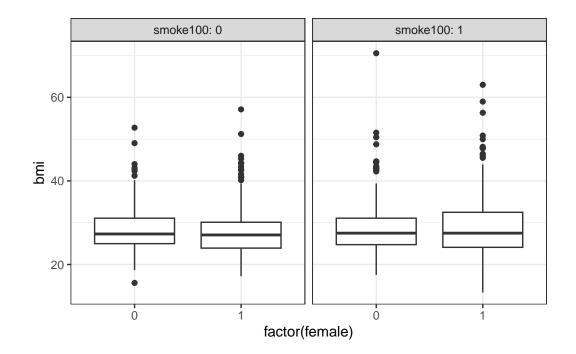
When we add in the information about female (sex) to our original model, we might first picture the data. We could look at separate histograms,

ggplot(smart\_cle1\_sh, aes(x = bmi)) +
 geom\_histogram(bins = 30) +
 facet\_grid(female ~ smoke100, labeller = label\_both)

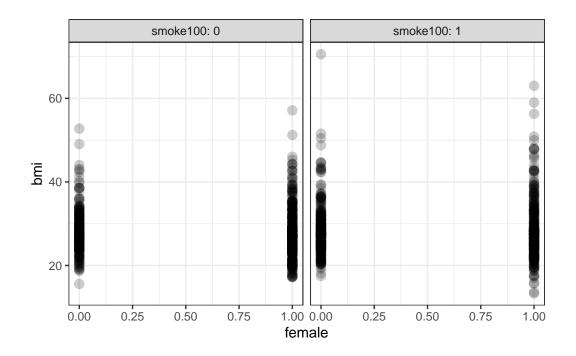


or maybe boxplots?

```
ggplot(smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = factor(female), y = bmi)) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    facet_wrap(~ smoke100, labeller = label_both)
```



```
ggplot(smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = female, y = bmi))+
    geom_point(size = 3, alpha = 0.2) +
    theme_bw() +
    facet_wrap(~ smoke100, labeller = label_both)
```



OK. Let's try fitting a model.

mod2 <- lm(bmi ~ female + smoke100, data = smart\_cle1\_sh)
mod2</pre>

Call: lm(formula = bmi ~ female + smoke100, data = smart\_cle1\_sh) Coefficients: (Intercept) female smoke100 28.0265 -0.1342 0.8555

This new model predicts only four predicted values:

- bmi = 28.0265 if the subject is male and has not smoked 100 cigarettes (so female = 0 and smoke100 = 0)
- bmi = 28.0265 0.1342 = 27.8923 if the subject is female and has not smoked 100 cigarettes (female = 1 and smoke100 = 0)
- bmi = 28.0265 + 0.8555 = 28.8820 if the subject is male and has smoked 100 cigarettes (so female = 0 and smoke100 = 1), and, finally

• bmi = 28.0265 - 0.1342 + 0.8555 = 28.7478 if the subject is female and has smoked 100 cigarettes (so both female and smoke100 = 1).

Another way to put this is that for those who have not smoked 100 cigarettes, the model is:

• bmi = 28.0265 - 0.1342 female

and for those who have smoked 100 cigarettes, the model is:

• bmi = 28.8820 - 0.1342 female

Only the intercept of the bmi-female model changes depending on smoke100.

summary(mod2)

Call: lm(formula = bmi ~ female + smoke100, data = smart\_cle1\_sh) Residuals: Min 1Q Median ЗQ Max -15.448 -3.972 -0.823 2.774 41.678 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 28.0265 0.3620 77.411 <2e-16 \*\*\* female -0.13420.3875 -0.346 0.7291 smoke100 0.8555 0.3814 2.243 0.0251 \* \_\_\_ 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Signif. codes:

Residual standard error: 6.356 on 1130 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.004788, Adjusted R-squared: 0.003027 F-statistic: 2.718 on 2 and 1130 DF, p-value: 0.06642

confint(mod2)

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	27.3161140	28.7368281
female	-0.8944773	0.6259881
smoke100	0.1072974	1.6037825

The slopes of both female and smoke100 have confidence intervals that are completely below zero, indicating that both female sex and smoke100 appear to be associated with reductions in bmi.

The  $R^2$  value suggests that 0.4788% of the variation in **bmi** is accounted for by this ANOVA model.

In fact, this regression (on two binary indicator variables) is simply a two-way ANOVA model without an interaction term.

anova(mod2)

```
Analysis of Variance Table

Response: bmi

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)

female 1 16 16.301 0.4036 0.52538

smoke100 1 203 203.296 5.0330 0.02506 *

Residuals 1130 45644 40.393

---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

# 12.5 mod3: Adding the interaction term (Two-way ANOVA with interaction)

Suppose we want to let the effect of female vary depending on the smoke100 status. Then we need to incorporate an interaction term in our model.

So, for example, for a male who has smoked 100 cigarettes, this model predicts

• bmi = 28.269 - 0.506(0) + 0.412(1) + 0.754(0)(1) = 28.269 + 0.412 = 28.681

And for a female who has smoked 100 cigarettes, the model predicts

• bmi = 28.269 - 0.506 (1) + 0.412 (1) + 0.754 (1)(1) = 28.269 - 0.506 + 0.412 + 0.754 = 28.929

For those who have not smoked 100 cigarettes, the model is:

• bmi = 28.269 - 0.506 female

But for those who have smoked 100 cigarettes, the model is:

- bmi = (28.269 + 0.412) + (-0.506 + 0.754) female, or ",
- bmi=28.681  $0.248\;\texttt{female}$

Now, both the slope and the intercept of the bmi-female model change depending on smoke100.

summary(mod3)

```
Call:
lm(formula = bmi ~ female * smoke100, data = smart_cle1_sh)
Residuals:
    Min
             10 Median
                             3Q
                                    Max
-15.628 -3.938 -0.829
                          2.759 41.879
Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                             0.4396 64.301
(Intercept)
                 28.2690
                                               <2e-16 ***
                 -0.5064
                                    -0.930
                                                0.353
female
                             0.5446
smoke100
                  0.4119
                             0.5946
                                      0.693
                                                0.489
female:smoke100
                  0.7536
                             0.7750
                                      0.972
                                                0.331
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 6.356 on 1129 degrees of freedom
```

Multiple R-squared: 0.005621, Adjusted R-squared: 0.002979 F-statistic: 2.127 on 3 and 1129 DF, p-value: 0.09507

confint(mod3)

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	27.4063783	29.1315563
female	-1.5749026	0.5621793
smoke100	-0.7547605	1.5786121
<pre>female:smoke100</pre>	-0.7670239	2.2742178

In fact, this regression (on two binary indicator variables and a product term) is simply a two-way ANOVA model with an interaction term.

anova(mod3)

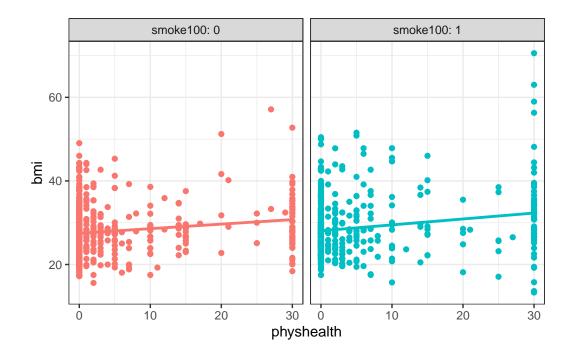
Analysis of Variance Table

Response: bmi								
	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)			
female	1	16	16.301	0.4035	0.52539			
smoke100	1	203	203.296	5.0327	0.02507	*		
female:smoke100	1	38	38.194	0.9455	0.33107			
Residuals	1129	45606	40.395					
Signif. codes:	0 '*;	**' 0.00	01 '**' (	0.01 '*'	0.05 '.'	0.1	1	' 1

The interaction term doesn't change very much here. Its uncertainty interval includes zero, and the overall model still accounts for less than 1% of the variation in bmi.

# 12.6 mod4: Using smoke100 and physhealth in a model for bmi

```
ggplot(smart_cle1_sh, aes(x = physhealth, y = bmi, color = factor(smoke100))) +
    geom_point() +
    guides(col = "none") +
    geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) +
    facet_wrap(~ smoke100, labeller = label_both)
`geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```



Does the difference in slopes of bmi and physhealth for those who have and haven't smoked at least 100 cigarettes appear to be substantial and important?

```
mod4 <- lm(bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth, data = smart_cle1_sh)
summary(mod4)</pre>
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth, data = smart_cle1_sh)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                     Max
-19.011 -3.811 -0.559
                          2.609
                                 38.249
Coefficients:
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                    27.49077
                                0.28369 96.904 < 2e-16 ***
smoke100
                     0.57017
                                0.41911
                                           1.360 0.173965
                     0.10840
                                0.02995
physhealth
                                           3.619 0.000308 ***
smoke100:physhealth 0.03326
                                0.04093
                                           0.813 0.416561
___
```

```
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Residual standard error: 6.252 on 1129 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.03782, Adjusted R-squared: 0.03526 F-statistic: 14.79 on 3 and 1129 DF, p-value: 1.886e-09

Does it seem as though the addition of physhealth has improved our model substantially over a model with smoke100 alone (which, you recall, was mod1)?

Since the mod4 model contains the mod1 model's predictors as a subset and the outcome is the same for each model, we consider the models *nested* and have some extra tools available to compare them.

• I might start by looking at the basic summaries for each model.

glance(mod4)

```
# A tibble: 1 x 12
 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic
                                                                        AIC
                                                                               BIC
                                                 p.value
                                                            df logLik
      <dbl>
                    <dbl> <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                                                   <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                   0.0353 6.25
                                      14.8 0.0000000189
                                                             3 -3682. 7375. 7400.
     0.0378
1
# i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>
```

glance(mod1)

- The  $R^2$  is much larger for the model with physhealth, but still very tiny.
- Smaller AIC and smaller BIC statistics are more desirable. Here, there's little to choose from, so mod4 looks better, too.
- We might also consider a significance test by looking at an ANOVA model comparison. This is only appropriate because mod1 is nested in mod4.

anova(mod4, mod1)

```
Analysis of Variance Table

Model 1: bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth

Model 2: bmi ~ smoke100

Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)

1 1129 44129

2 1131 45649 -2 -1519.7 19.44 5.005e-09 ***

----

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The addition of the **physhealth** term appears to be an improvement, not that that means very much.

# 12.7 Making Predictions with a Linear Regression Model

Recall model 4, which yields predictions for body mass index on the basis of the main effects of having smoked (smoke100) and days of poor physical health (physhealth) and their interaction.

mod4

```
Call:

lm(formula = bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth, data = smart_cle1_sh)

Coefficients:

(Intercept) smoke100 physhealth

27.49077 0.57017 0.10840

smoke100:physhealth

0.03326
```

#### 12.7.1 Fitting an Individual Prediction and 95% Prediction Interval

What do we predict for the bmi of a subject who has smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their life and had 8 poor physical health days in the past 30?

new1 <- tibble(smoke100 = 1, physhealth = 8)
predict(mod4, newdata = new1, interval = "prediction", level = 0.95)</pre>

fit lwr upr 1 29.19423 16.91508 41.47338

The predicted **bmi** for this new subject is shown above. The prediction interval shows the bounds of a 95% uncertainty interval for a predicted **bmi** for an individual smoker<sup>1</sup> who has 8 days of poor physical health out of the past 30. From the **predict** function applied to a linear model, we can get the prediction intervals for any new data points in this manner.

#### 12.7.2 Confidence Interval for an Average Prediction

 What do we predict for the average body mass index of a population of subjects who are smokers and have physhealth = 8?

```
predict(mod4, newdata = new1, interval = "confidence", level = 0.95)
```

fit lwr upr 1 29.19423 28.64267 29.74579

3

1003

1

• How does this result compare to the prediction interval?

#### 12.7.3 Fitting Multiple Individual Predictions to New Data

• How does our prediction change for a respondent if they instead have 7, or 9 poor physical health days? What if they have or don't have a history of smoking?

```
c8_new2 <- tibble(subjectid = 1001:1006, smoke100 = c(1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0), physhealth = c(7,
  pred2 <- predict(mod4, newdata = c8 new2, interval = "prediction", level = 0.95) |> as_tib
  result2 <- bind_cols(c8_new2, pred2)</pre>
  result2
# A tibble: 6 x 6
  subjectid smoke100 physhealth
                                   fit
                                         lwr
                                                upr
      <int>
               <dbl>
                           <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1
       1001
                                  29.1
                                        16.8
                                              41.3
                   1
                               7
2
       1002
                   1
                               8
                                  29.2 16.9 41.5
```

17.1 41.6

9

29.3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>I'll now refer to those who have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their life as smokers, and those who have not as non-smokers to save some space.

4	1004	0	7	28.2	16.0	40.5
5	1005	0	8	28.4	16.1	40.6
6	1006	0	9	28.5	16.2	40.7

The result2 tibble contains predictions for each scenario.

• Which has a bigger impact on these predictions and prediction intervals? A one category change in smoke100 or a one hour change in physhealth?

# 12.8 Centering the model

Our model mod4 has four predictors (the constant, physhealth, smoke100 and their interaction) but just two inputs (smoke100 and physhealth.) If we center the quantitative input physhealth before building the model, we get a more interpretable interaction term.

```
smart_cle1_sh_c <- smart_cle1_sh |>
      mutate(physhealth_c = physhealth - mean(physhealth))
  mod4_c <- lm(bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth_c, data = smart_cle1_sh_c)</pre>
  summary(mod4_c)
Call:
lm(formula = bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth_c, data = smart_cle1_sh_c)
Residuals:
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
    Min
                                     Max
-19.011 -3.811 -0.559
                          2.609
                                 38.249
Coefficients:
                      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                  0.25576 109.471 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
                      27.99821
smoke100
                       0.72589
                                  0.37288
                                             1.947 0.051818 .
                       0.10840
                                  0.02995
                                             3.619 0.000308 ***
physhealth_c
smoke100:physhealth_c 0.03326
                                  0.04093
                                             0.813 0.416561
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 6.252 on 1129 degrees of freedom
```

Multiple R-squared: 0.03782, Adjusted R-squared: 0.03526 F-statistic: 14.79 on 3 and 1129 DF, p-value: 1.886e-09

What has changed as compared to the original mod4?

- Our original model was bmi = 27.5 + 0.57 smoke100 + 0.11 physhealth 0.03 smoke100 x physhealth
- Our new model is bmi = 28.0 + 0.73 smoke100 + 0.11 centered physhealth + 0.03 smoke100 x centered physhealth.

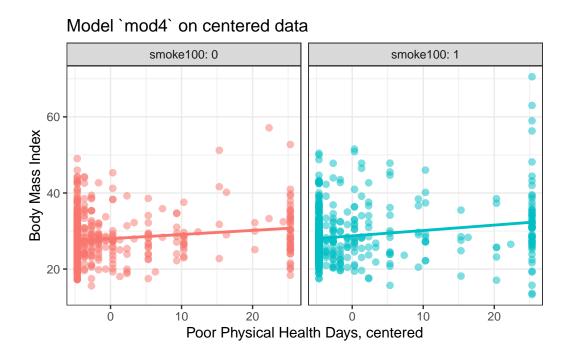
So our new model on centered data is:

- 28.0 + 0.11 centered physhealth\_c for non-smokers, and
- (28.0 + 0.73) + (0.11 0.03) centered physhealth\_c, or 28.73 + 0.08 centered physhealth\_c for smokers.

In our new (centered physhealth\_c) model,

- the main effect of smoke100 now corresponds to a predictive difference (smoker non-smoker) in bmi with physhealth at its mean value, 4.68 days,
- the intercept term is now the predicted **bmi** for a non-smoker with an average **physhealth**, and
- the product term corresponds to the change in the slope of centered physhealth\_c on bmi for a smoker rather than a non-smoker, while
- the residual standard deviation and the R-squared values remain unchanged from the model before centering.

#### 12.8.1 Plot of Model 4 on Centered physhealth: mod4\_c



# 12.9 Rescaling an input by subtracting the mean and dividing by 2 standard deviations

Centering helped us interpret the main effects in the regression, but it still leaves a scaling problem.

- The smoke100 coefficient estimate is much larger than that of physhealth, but this is misleading, considering that we are comparing the complete change in one variable (smoking or not) to a 1-day change in physhealth.
- @GelmanHill2007 recommend all continuous predictors be scaled by dividing by 2 standard deviations, so that:
  - a 1-unit change in the rescaled predictor corresponds to a change from 1 standard deviation below the mean, to 1 standard deviation above.
  - an unscaled binary (1/0) predictor with 50% probability of occurring will be exactly comparable to a rescaled continuous predictor done in this way.

```
smart_cle1_sh_rescale <- smart_cle1_sh |>
    mutate(physhealth_z = (physhealth - mean(physhealth))/(2*sd(physhealth)))
```

#### 12.9.1 Refitting model mod4 to the rescaled data

```
mod4_z <- lm(bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth_z, data = smart_cle1_sh_rescale)</pre>
  summary(mod4_z)
Call:
lm(formula = bmi ~ smoke100 * physhealth_z, data = smart_cle1_sh_rescale)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-19.011 -3.811 -0.559
                          2.609
                                 38.249
Coefficients:
                      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                   0.2558 109.471 < 2e-16 ***
                       27.9982
(Intercept)
smoke100
                        0.7259
                                   0.3729
                                            1.947 0.051818 .
                                   0.5463
                                            3.619 0.000308 ***
physhealth_z
                        1.9774
smoke100:physhealth_z 0.6068
                                   0.7467 0.813 0.416561
               0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 6.252 on 1129 degrees of freedom
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.03526
Multiple R-squared: 0.03782,
F-statistic: 14.79 on 3 and 1129 DF, p-value: 1.886e-09
```

#### 12.9.2 Interpreting the model on rescaled data

What has changed as compared to the original mod4?

- Our original model was bmi = 27.5 + 0.57 smoke100 + 0.11 physhealth + 0.03 smoke100 x physhealth
- Our model on centered physhealth was bmi = 28.0 + 0.73 smoke100 + 0.11 centered physhealth + 0.03 smoke100 x centered physhealth.
- Our new model on rescaled physhealth is bmi = 28.0 + 0.73 smoke100 + 1.98 rescaledphyshealth + 0.61 smoke100 x rescaled physhealth

So our rescaled model is:

• 28.0 + 1.98 rescaled physhealth\_z for non-smokers, and

• (28.0 + 0.73) + (1.98 + 0.61) rescaled physhealth\_z, or 28.73 + 2.59 rescaled physhealth\_z for smokers.

In this new rescaled (physhealth\_z) model, then,

- the main effect of smoke100, 0.73, still corresponds to a predictive difference (smoker non-smoker) in bmi with physhealth at its mean value, 4.68 days,
- the intercept term is still the predicted **bmi** for a non-smoker with an average **physhealth** count, and
- the residual standard deviation and the R-squared values remain unchanged,

as before, but now we also have that:

- the coefficient of physhealth\_z indicates the predictive difference in bmi associated with a change in physhealth of 2 standard deviations (from one standard deviation below the mean of 4.68 to one standard deviation above 4.68.)
  - Since the standard deviation of physhealth is 9.12 (see below), this covers a massive range of potential values of physhealth from 0 all the way up to 4.68 + 2(9.12) = 22.92 days.

favstats(~ physhealth, data = smart\_cle1\_sh)

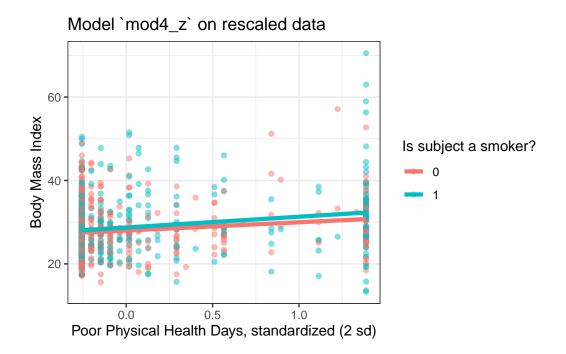
min Q1 median Q3 max mean sd n missing 0 0 0 4 30 4.681377 9.120899 1133 0

• the coefficient of the product term (0.61) corresponds to the change in the coefficient of physhealth\_z for smokers as compared to non-smokers.

#### 12.9.3 Plot of model on rescaled data

```
Warning: Using `size` aesthetic for lines was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0.
i Please use `linewidth` instead.
```

`geom\_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'



There's very little difference here.

# 12.10 mod5: What if we add more variables?

We can boost our  $R^2$  a bit, to nearly 5%, by adding in two new variables, related to whether or not the subject (in the past 30 days) used the internet, and the average number of alcoholic drinks per week consumed by the subject.

```
1Q Median
    Min
                             3Q
                                   Max
-18.358 -3.846
                -0.657
                          2.534
                                38.049
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 27.52400
                       0.56076 49.083 < 2e-16 ***
smoke100
             0.82654
                       0.37739
                                 2.190 0.02872 *
female
           -0.43272
                       0.38510 -1.124 0.26140
physhealth 0.12469
                       0.02074 6.012 2.47e-09 ***
                                0.907 0.36462
internet30 0.44287
                       0.48830
                       0.03352 -3.041 0.00241 **
drinks_wk
           -0.10193
___
               0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 6.231 on 1127 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.04582,
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.04159
F-statistic: 10.82 on 5 and 1127 DF, p-value: 3.48e-10
  1. Here's the ANOVA for this model. What can we study with this?
  anova(mod5)
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: bmi
             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                         Pr(>F)
smoke100
              1
                   215 214.75 5.5304 0.018861 *
female
              1
                    5
                          4.85 0.1249 0.723878
                 1508 1508.08 38.8372 6.497e-10 ***
physhealth
              1
                         14.69 0.3783 0.538650
internet30
              1
                    15
                   359 359.05 9.2466 0.002414 **
drinks wk
              1
Residuals 1127 43762
                         38.83
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
  2. Consider the revised output below. Now what can we study?
```

Analysis of Variance Table

```
Response: bmi
             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                          Pr(>F)
                   215 214.75 5.5304 0.0188606 *
smoke100
              1
                          7.81 0.2010 0.6539723
internet30
              1
                     8
drinks wk
                   444 443.79 11.4288 0.0007479 ***
              1
female
              1
                    32
                         31.58 0.8132 0.3673566
physhealth
              1
                  1403 1403.49 36.1438 2.472e-09 ***
Residuals 1127 43762
                         38.83
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
  3. What does the output below let us conclude?
  anova(lm(bmi ~ smoke100 + internet30 + drinks_wk + female + physhealth,
           data = smart_cle1_sh),
        lm(bmi ~ smoke100 + female + drinks_wk,
           data = smart_cle1_sh))
Analysis of Variance Table
Model 1: bmi ~ smoke100 + internet30 + drinks_wk + female + physhealth
Model 2: bmi ~ smoke100 + female + drinks_wk
  Res.Df
           RSS Df Sum of Sq
                                 F
                                      Pr(>F)
1
   1127 43762
    1129 45166 -2
                    -1403.7 18.075 1.877e-08 ***
2
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

4. What does it mean for the models to be "nested"?

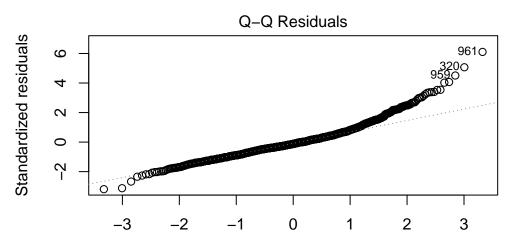
# 12.11 mod6: Would adding self-reported health help?

And we can do even a bit better than that by adding in a multi-categorical measure: self-reported general health.

```
Call:
lm(formula = bmi ~ female + smoke100 + physhealth + internet30 +
    drinks_wk + genhealth, data = smart_cle1_sh)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-19.216 -3.659
                -0.736
                          2.669
                                 36.810
Coefficients:
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                    25.20736
                                0.71106 35.450 < 2e-16 ***
female
                    -0.31949
                                0.37667 -0.848
                                                  0.3965
smoke100
                     0.45866
                                0.37214
                                          1.232
                                                  0.2180
physhealth
                     0.04353
                                0.02506
                                          1.737
                                                  0.0827 .
                     0.93270
                                0.48273
                                          1.932
                                                  0.0536 .
internet30
drinks_wk
                    -0.07712
                                0.03294 -2.341
                                                  0.0194 *
genhealth2_VeryGood 1.21169
                                0.56838
                                          2.132
                                                  0.0332 *
                                0.58009
                                          5.564 3.29e-08 ***
genhealth3_Good
                     3.22783
genhealth4 Fair
                     4.14497
                                0.73284
                                          5.656 1.96e-08 ***
genhealth5_Poor
                     5.86335
                                1.09253
                                          5.367 9.73e-08 ***
___
Signif. codes:
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 6.089 on 1123 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.09206,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.08478
F-statistic: 12.65 on 9 and 1123 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- 1. If Harry and Marty have the same values of female, smoke100, physhealth, internet30 and drinks\_wk, but Harry rates his health as Good, and Marty rates his as Fair, then what is the difference in the predictions? Who is predicted to have a larger BMI, and by how much?
- 2. What does this normal probability plot of the residuals suggest?

plot(mod6, which = 2)



Theoretical Quantiles m(bmi ~ female + smoke100 + physhealth + internet30 + drinks\_wk + genh

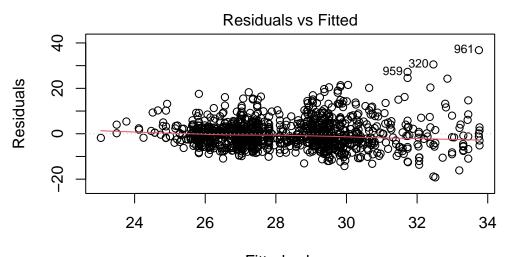
# 12.12 Key Regression Assumptions for Building Effective Prediction Models

- 1. Validity the data you are analyzing should map to the research question you are trying to answer.
  - The outcome should accurately reflect the phenomenon of interest.
  - The model should include all relevant predictors. (It can be difficult to decide which predictors are necessary, and what to do with predictors that have large standard errors.)
  - The model should generalize to all of the cases to which it will be applied.
  - Can the available data answer our question reliably?
- 2. Additivity and linearity most important assumption of a regression model is that its deterministic component is a linear function of the predictors. We often think about transformations in this setting.
- 3. Independence of errors errors from the prediction line are independent of each other
- 4. Equal variance of errors if this is violated, we can more efficiently estimate parameters using *weighted least squares* approaches, where each point is weighted inversely proportional to its variance, but this doesn't affect the coefficients much, if at all.
- 5. Normality of errors not generally important for estimating the regression line

#### 12.12.1 Checking Assumptions in model mod6

1. How does the assumption of linearity behind this model look?

plot(mod6, which = 1)

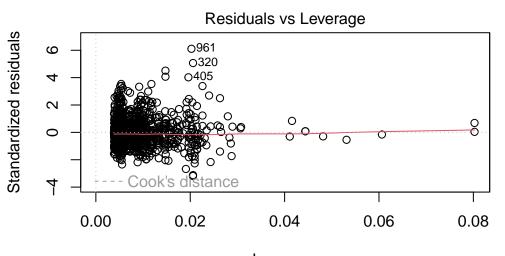


Fitted values m(bmi ~ female + smoke100 + physhealth + internet30 + drinks\_wk + genh

We see no strong signs of serious non-linearity here. There's no obvious curve in the plot, for example. We may have a problem with increasing variance as we move to the right.

2. What can we conclude from the plot below?

plot(mod6, which = 5)



Leverage m(bmi ~ female + smoke100 + physhealth + internet30 + drinks\_wk + genh

This plot can help us identify points with large standardized residuals, large leverage values, and large influence on the model (as indicated by large values of Cook's distance.) In this case, I see no signs of any points used in the model with especially large influence, although there are some poorly fitted points (with especially large standardized residuals.)

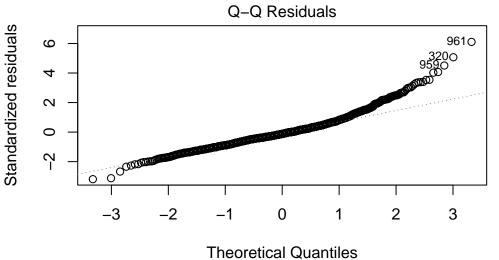
We might want to identify the point listed here as 961, which appears to have an enormous standardized residual. To do so, we can use the slice function from dplyr.

```
smart_cle1_sh |> slice(961) |> select(SEQNO)
# A tibble: 1 x 1
        SEQN0
        <dbl>
1 2017000961
```

Now we know exactly which subject we're talking about.

3. What other residual plots are available with plot and how do we interpret them?

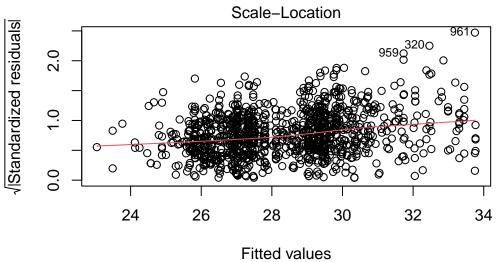
plot(mod6, which = 2)



m(bmi ~ female + smoke100 + physhealth + internet30 + drinks\_wk + genh

This plot is simply a Normal Q-Q plot of the standardized residuals from our model. We're looking here for serious problems with the assumption of Normality.

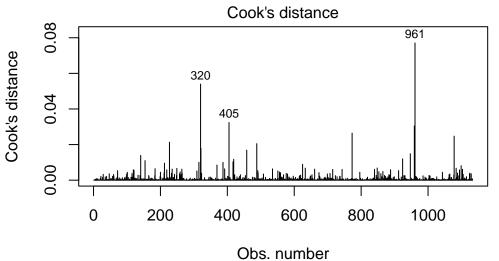
plot(mod6, which = 3)



m(bmi ~ female + smoke100 + physhealth + internet30 + drinks\_wk + genh

This is a scale-location plot, designed to help us see non-constant variance in the residuals as we move across the fitted values as a linear trend, rather than as a fan shape, by plotting the square root of the residuals on the vertical axis.

plot(mod6, which = 4)



m(bmi ~ female + smoke100 + physhealth + internet30 + drinks\_wk + genh

Finally, this is an index plot of the Cook's distance values, allowing us to identify points that are particularly large. Remember that a value of 0.5 (or perhaps even 1.0) is a reasonable boundary for a substantially influential point.

# 13 Adding Non-linear Terms to a Linear Regression

## 13.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(car)
library(Hmisc)
library(mosaic)
library(rms)
library(patchwork)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 13.1.1 Data Load

```
pollution <- read_csv("data/pollution.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

# 13.2 The pollution data

Consider the pollution data set, which contain 15 independent variables and a measure of mortality, describing 60 US metropolitan areas in 1959-1961. The data come from @McDonald1973, and are available at http://www4.stat.ncsu.edu/~boos/var.select/pollution.html and our web site.

pollution

# A tibble: 60 x 16													
	x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	x7	x8	x9	x10	x11	x12	x13
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	13	49	68	7	3.36	12.2	90.7	2702	3	51.9	9.7	105	32
2	28	32	81	7	3.27	12.1	81	3665	7.5	51.6	13.2	4	2
3	10	55	70	7.3	3.11	12.1	88.9	3033	5.9	51	14	144	66
4	43	32	74	10.1	3.38	9.5	79.2	3214	2.9	43.7	12	11	7
5	25	12	73	9.2	3.28	12.1	83.1	2095	2	51.9	9.8	20	11
6	35	46	85	7.1	3.22	11.8	79.9	1441	14.8	51.2	16.1	1	1
7	60	67	82	10	2.98	11.5	88.6	4657	13.5	47.3	22.4	3	1
8	11	53	68	9.2	2.99	12.1	90.6	4700	7.8	48.9	12.3	648	319
9	31	24	72	9	3.37	10.9	82.8	3226	5.1	45.2	12.3	5	3
10	15	30	73	8.2	3.15	12.2	84.2	4824	4.7	53.1	12.7	17	8
# i 50 more rows													
# i	# i 3 more variables: x14 <dbl>, x15 <dbl>, y <dbl></dbl></dbl></dbl>												

Here's a codebook:

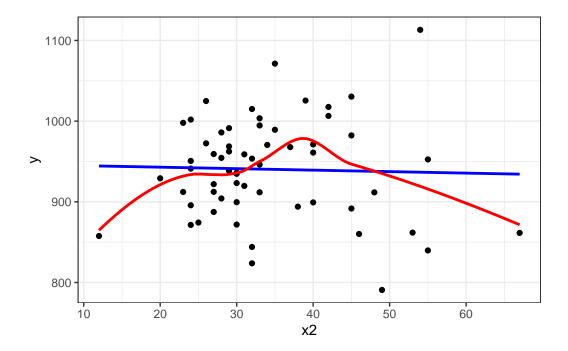
Variable	Description
у	Total Age Adjusted Mortality Rate
x1	Mean annual precipitation in inches
x2	Mean January temperature in degrees Fahrenheit
x3	Mean July temperature in degrees Fahrenheit
x4	Percent of 1960 SMSA population that is 65 years of age or over
x5	Population per household, 1960 SMSA
x6	Median school years completed for those over $25$ in $1960$ SMSA
x7	Percent of housing units that are found with facilities
x8	Population per square mile in urbanized area in 1960
x9	Percent of 1960 urbanized area population that is non-white
x10	Percent employment in white-collar occupations in 1960 urbanized area
x11	Percent of families with income under \$30,000 in 1960 urbanized area
x12	Relative population potential of hydrocarbons, HC
x13	Relative pollution potential of oxides of nitrogen, NOx
x14	Relative pollution potential of sulfur dioxide, SO2
x15	Percent relative humidity, annual average at 1 p.m.

# 13.3 Fitting a straight line model to predict y from x2

Consider the relationship between y, the age-adjusted mortality rate, and x2, the mean January temperature, across these 60 areas. I'll include both a linear model (in blue) and a loess smooth (in red.) Does the relationship appear to be linear?

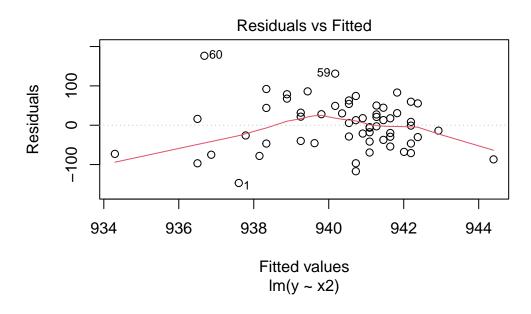
```
ggplot(pollution, aes(x = x2, y = y)) +
geom_point() +
geom_smooth(method = "lm", col = "blue", se = F) +
geom_smooth(method = "loess", col = "red", se = F)
```

`geom\_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x' `geom\_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'



Suppose we plot the residuals that emerge from the linear model shown in blue, above. Do we see a curve in a plot of residuals against fitted values?

plot(lm(y ~ x2, data = pollution), which = 1)



### 13.4 Quadratic polynomial model to predict y using x2

A polynomial in the variable x of degree D is a linear combination of the powers of x up to D.

For example:

- Linear:  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$

- Quadratic:  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2$  Cubic:  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \beta_3 x^3$  Quartic:  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \beta_3 x^3 + \beta_4 x^4$  Quintic:  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \beta_3 x^3 + \beta_4 x^4 + \beta_5 x^5$

Fitting such a model creates a **polynomial regression**.

#### 13.4.1 The raw quadratic model

Let's look at a quadratic model which predicts y using x2 and the square of x2, so that our model is of the form:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_2 + \beta_2 x_2^2 + error$$

There are several ways to fit this exact model.

- One approach is to calculate the square of  $x^2$  within our pollution data set, and then feed both  $x^2$  and  $x^2$ squared to lm.
- Another approach uses the I function within our lm to specify the use of both x2 and its square.
- Yet another approach uses the poly function within our lm, which can be used to specify raw models including x2 and x2squared.

```
pollution <- pollution |>
    mutate(x2squared = x2^2)
mod2a <- lm(y ~ x2 + x2squared, data = pollution)
mod2b <- lm(y ~ x2 + I(x2^2), data = pollution)
mod2c <- lm(y ~ poly(x2, degree = 2, raw = TRUE), data = pollution)</pre>
```

Each of these approaches produces the same model, as they are just different ways of expressing the same idea.

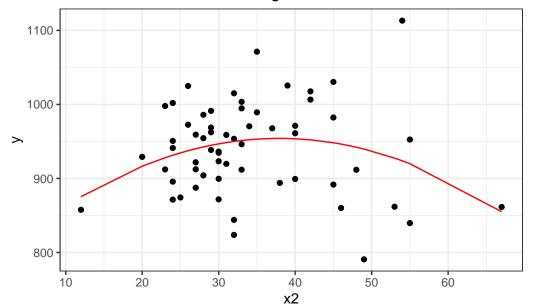
```
summary(mod2a)
```

Call: lm(formula = y ~ x2 + x2squared, data = pollution) Residuals: Min 1Q Median ЗQ Max -148.977 -38.651 6.889 35.312 189.346 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 785.77449 79.54086 9.879 5.87e-14 \*\*\* x2 8.87640 4.27394 2.077 0.0423 \* -0.117040.05429 -2.156 0.0353 \* x2squared \_\_\_ Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Residual standard error: 60.83 on 57 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.07623, Adjusted R-squared: 0.04382

F-statistic: 2.352 on 2 and 57 DF, p-value: 0.1044

And if we plot the fitted values for this mod2 using whatever approach you like, we get exactly the same result.

```
mod2a_aug <- augment(mod2a, pollution)
ggplot(mod2a_aug, aes(x = x2, y = y)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_line(aes(x = x2, y = .fitted), col = "red") +
    labs(title = "Model 2a: Quadratic fit using x2 and x2^2")</pre>
```



Model 2a: Quadratic fit using x2 and x2^2

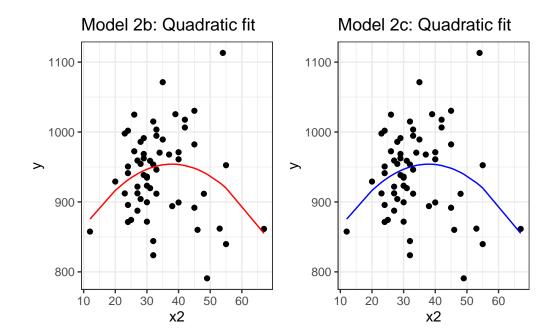
mod2b\_aug <- augment(mod2b, pollution)</pre>

mod2c\_aug <- augment(mod2c, pollution)</pre>

- p1 <- ggplot(mod2b\_aug, aes(x = x2, y = y)) +
   geom\_point() +
   geom\_line(aes(x = x2, y = .fitted), col = "red") +
   labs(title = "Model 2b: Quadratic fit")</pre>
- p2 <- ggplot(mod2c\_aug, aes(x = x2, y = y)) +
   geom\_point() +</pre>

```
geom_line(aes(x = x2, y = .fitted), col = "blue") +
labs(title = "Model 2c: Quadratic fit")
```

p1 + p2



#### 13.4.2 Raw quadratic fit after centering x2

Sometimes, we'll center (and perhaps rescale, too) the x2 variable before including it in a quadratic fit like this.

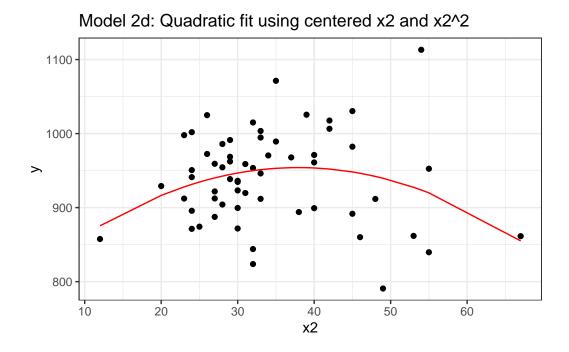
```
pollution <- pollution |>
    mutate(x2_c = x2 - mean(x2))
mod2d <- lm(y ~ x2_c + I(x2_c^2), data = pollution)
summary(mod2d)</pre>
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = y ~ x2_c + I(x2_c^2), data = pollution)
```

Residuals: Median Min ЗQ 1Q Max -148.977 -38.651 6.889 35.312 189.346 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 952.25941 9.59896 99.204 <2e-16 \*\*\* 0.92163 0.93237 0.988 0.3271 x2\_c 0.05429 -2.156 0.0353 \*  $I(x2_c^2)$ -0.11704\_\_\_ Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Residual standard error: 60.83 on 57 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.07623, Adjusted R-squared: 0.04382 F-statistic: 2.352 on 2 and 57 DF, p-value: 0.1044

Note that this model looks very different, with the exception of the second order quadratic term. But, it produces the same fitted values as the models we fit previously.

mod2d\_aug <- augment(mod2d, pollution)
ggplot(mod2d\_aug, aes(x = x2, y = y)) +
 geom\_point() +
 geom\_line(aes(x = x2, y = .fitted), col = "red") +
 labs(title = "Model 2d: Quadratic fit using centered x2 and x2^2")</pre>



Or, if you don't believe me yet, look at the four sets of fitted values another way.

favstats(~ .fitted, data = mod2a\_aug)

minQ1medianQ3maxmeansdnmissing855.1041936.7155945.597950.2883954.073940.358517.17507600

favstats(~ .fitted, data = mod2b\_aug)

minQ1medianQ3maxmeansdnmissing855.1041936.7155945.597950.2883954.073940.358517.17507600

favstats(~ .fitted, data = mod2c\_aug)

minQ1medianQ3maxmeansdnmissing855.1041936.7155945.597950.2883954.073940.358517.17507600

favstats(~ .fitted, data = mod2d\_aug)

minQ1medianQ3maxmeansdnmissing855.1041936.7155945.597950.2883954.073940.358517.17507600

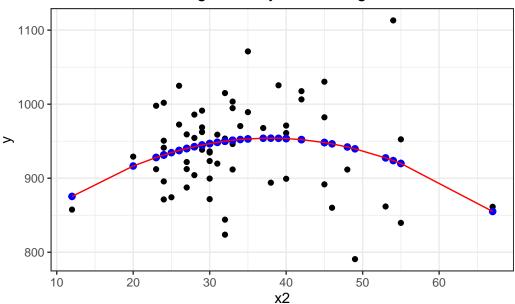
### 13.5 Orthogonal Polynomials

Now, let's fit an orthogonal polynomial of degree 2 to predict y using x2.

```
mod2_orth <- lm(y ~ poly(x2, 2), data = pollution)</pre>
  summary(mod2_orth)
Call:
lm(formula = y ~ poly(x2, 2), data = pollution)
Residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                    Median
                                 ЗQ
                                         Max
-148.977 -38.651
                     6.889
                             35.312 189.346
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
              940.358
                           7.853 119.746
(Intercept)
                                           <2e-16 ***
poly(x2, 2)1 -14.345
                          60.829 -0.236
                                           0.8144
poly(x2, 2)2 -131.142
                          60.829 -2.156
                                           0.0353 *
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 60.83 on 57 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.07623,
                                Adjusted R-squared:
                                                      0.04382
F-statistic: 2.352 on 2 and 57 DF, p-value: 0.1044
```

Now this looks very different in the equation, but, again, we can see that this produces exactly the same fitted values as our previous models, and the same model fit summaries. Is it, in fact, the same model? Here, we'll plot the fitted Model 2a in a red line, and this new Model 2 with Orthogonal Polynomials as blue points.

```
mod2orth_aug <- augment(mod2_orth, pollution)
ggplot(mod2orth_aug, aes(x = x2, y = y)) +
geom_point() +</pre>
```



Model 2 with Orthogonal Polynomial, degree 2

Yes, it is again the same model in terms of the predictions it makes for y.

By default, with raw = FALSE, the poly() function within a linear model computes what is called an **orthogonal polynomial**. An orthogonal polynomial sets up a model design matrix using the coding we've seen previously:  $x^2$  and  $x^2^2$  in our case, and then scales those columns so that each column is **orthogonal** to the previous ones. This eliminates the collinearity (correlation between predictors) and lets our t tests tell us whether the addition of any particular polynomial term improves the fit of the model over the lower orders.

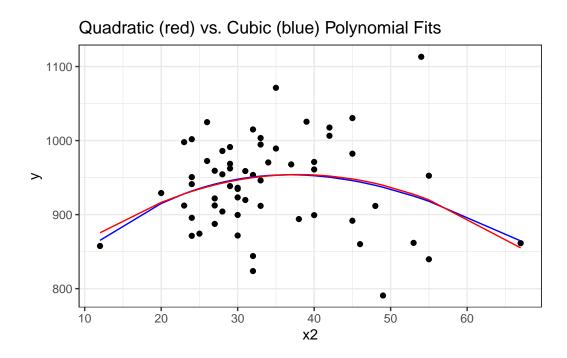
Would the addition of a cubic term help us much in predicting y from x2?

```
mod3 <- lm(y ~ poly(x2, 3), data = pollution)
summary(mod3)</pre>
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = y ~ poly(x2, 3), data = pollution)
Residuals:
    Min
               1Q
                   Median
                                 ЗQ
                                         Max
-146.262 -39.679
                     5.569
                             35.984 191.536
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                          7.917 118.772
                                          <2e-16 ***
             940.358
                                          0.8159
poly(x2, 3)1 -14.345
                          61.328 -0.234
poly(x2, 3)2 -131.142
                          61.328 -2.138
                                          0.0369 *
poly(x2, 3)3
               16.918
                          61.328
                                   0.276
                                          0.7837
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 61.33 on 56 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.07748,
                               Adjusted R-squared:
                                                    0.02806
F-statistic: 1.568 on 3 and 56 DF, p-value: 0.2073
```

It doesn't appear that the cubic term adds much here, if anything. The p value is not significant for the third degree polynomial, the summaries of fit quality aren't much improved, and as we can see from the plot below, the predictions don't actually change all that much.

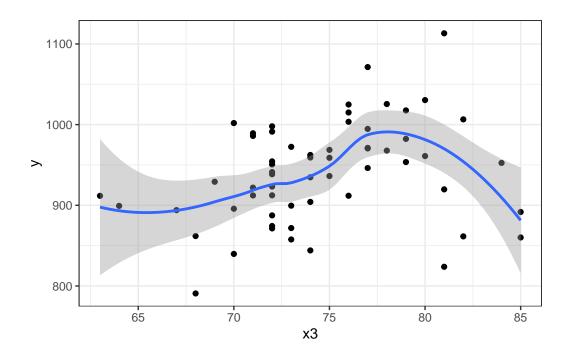


# 13.6 Fit a cubic polynomial to predict y from x3

What if we consider another predictor instead? Let's look at x3, the Mean July temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Here is the loess smooth.

```
ggplot(pollution, aes(x = x3, y = y)) +
geom_point() +
geom_smooth(method = "loess")
```

```
`geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```



That looks pretty curvy - perhaps we need a more complex polynomial. We'll consider a linear model (mod4\_L), a quadratic fit (mod4\_Q) and a polynomial of degree 3: a **cubic** fit (mod\_4C)

```
mod4_L <- lm(y ~ x3, data = pollution)
summary(mod4_L)</pre>
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = y ~ x3, data = pollution)
Residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                    Median
                                  ЗQ
                                          Max
-139.813 -34.341
                     4.271
                              38.197
                                      149.587
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 670.529
                         123.140
                                   5.445
                                          1.1e-06 ***
xЗ
               3.618
                           1.648
                                   2.196
                                           0.0321 *
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 60.29 on 58 degrees of freedom
```

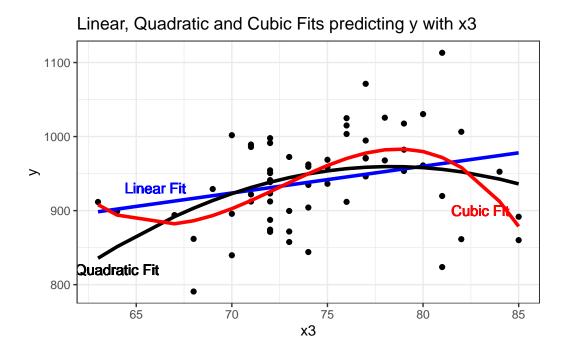
```
Multiple R-squared: 0.07674,
                              Adjusted R-squared: 0.06082
F-statistic: 4.821 on 1 and 58 DF, p-value: 0.03213
  mod4_Q <- lm(y ~ poly(x3, 2), data = pollution)</pre>
  summary(mod4_Q)
Call:
lm(formula = y ~ poly(x3, 2), data = pollution)
Residuals:
    Min
              1Q
                   Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
-132.004 -42.184
                   4.069
                            47.126 157.396
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                         7.553 124.503 <2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
             940.358
poly(x3, 2)1 132.364
                         58.504 2.262 0.0275 *
                        58.504 -2.141 0.0365 *
poly(x3, 2)2 -125.270
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 58.5 on 57 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.1455,
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.1155
F-statistic: 4.852 on 2 and 57 DF, p-value: 0.01133
  mod4_C <- lm(y ~ poly(x3, 3), data = pollution)</pre>
  summary(mod4_C)
Call:
lm(formula = y ~ poly(x3, 3), data = pollution)
Residuals:
    Min
              1Q Median
                                ЗQ
                                        Max
-148.004 -29.998
                    1.441 34.579 141.396
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
             940.358
                      7.065 133.095 < 2e-16 ***
```

```
poly(x3, 3)1 132.364 54.728 2.419 0.01886 *
poly(x3, 3)2 -125.270 54.728 -2.289 0.02588 *
poly(x3, 3)3 -165.439 54.728 -3.023 0.00377 **
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 54.73 on 56 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.2654, Adjusted R-squared: 0.226
F-statistic: 6.742 on 3 and 56 DF, p-value: 0.0005799
```

It looks like the cubic polynomial term is of some real importance here. Do the linear, quadratic and cubic model fitted values look different?

```
mod4 L aug <- augment(mod4 L, pollution)</pre>
mod4_Q_aug <- augment(mod4_Q, pollution)</pre>
mod4_C_aug <- augment(mod4_C, pollution)</pre>
ggplot(pollution, aes(x = x3, y = y)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_line(data = mod4_L_aug, aes(x = x3, y = .fitted),
              col = "blue", size = 1.25) +
    geom_line(data = mod4_Q_aug, aes(x = x3, y = .fitted),
              col = "black", size = 1.25) +
    geom_line(data = mod4_C_aug, aes(x = x3, y = .fitted),
              col = "red", size = 1.25) +
    geom_text(x = 66, y = 930, label = "Linear Fit", col = "blue") +
    geom_text(x = 64, y = 820, label = "Quadratic Fit", col = "black") +
    geom_text(x = 83, y = 900, label = "Cubic Fit", col = "red") +
    labs(title = "Linear, Quadratic and Cubic Fits predicting y with x3") +
    theme_bw()
```

Warning: Using `size` aesthetic for lines was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0. i Please use `linewidth` instead.



13.7 Fitting a restricted cubic spline in a linear regression

- A linear spline is a continuous function formed by connecting points (called **knots** of the spline) by line segments.
- A **restricted cubic spline** is a way to build highly complicated curves into a regression equation in a fairly easily structured way.
- A restricted cubic spline is a series of polynomial functions joined together at the knots.
  - Such a spline gives us a way to flexibly account for non-linearity without over-fitting the model.
  - Restricted cubic splines can fit many different types of non-linearities.
  - Specifying the number of knots is all you need to do in R to get a reasonable result from a restricted cubic spline.

The most common choices are 3, 4, or 5 knots. Each additional knot adds to the non-linearity, and spends an additional degree of freedom:

- 3 Knots, 2 degrees of freedom, allows the curve to "bend" once.
- 4 Knots, 3 degrees of freedom, lets the curve "bend" twice.
- 5 Knots, 4 degrees of freedom, lets the curve "bend" three times.

For most applications, three to five knots strike a nice balance between complicating the model needlessly and fitting data pleasingly. Let's consider a restricted cubic spline model for our y based on x3 again, but now with:

- in mod5a, 3 knots,
- in mod5b, 4 knots, and
- in mod5c, 5 knots

```
mod5a_rcs <- lm(y ~ rcs(x3, 3), data = pollution)
mod5b_rcs <- lm(y ~ rcs(x3, 4), data = pollution)
mod5c_rcs <- lm(y ~ rcs(x3, 5), data = pollution)</pre>
```

Here, for instance, is the summary of the 5-knot model:

summary(mod5c\_rcs)

Call: lm(formula = y ~ rcs(x3, 5), data = pollution)

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-141.522	-32.009	1.674	31.971	147.878

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	468.113	396.319	1.181	0.243
rcs(x3, 5)x3	6.447	5.749	1.121	0.267
rcs(x3, 5)x3'	-25.633	46.810	-0.548	0.586
rcs(x3, 5)x3''	323.137	293.065	1.103	0.275
rcs(x3, 5)x3'''	-612.578	396.270	-1.546	0.128

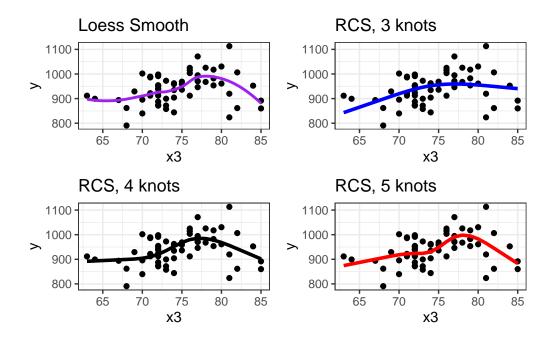
```
Residual standard error: 54.35 on 55 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.2883, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2366
F-statistic: 5.571 on 4 and 55 DF, p-value: 0.0007734
```

We'll begin by storing the fitted values from these three models and other summaries, for plotting.

```
mod5a_aug <- augment(mod5a_rcs, pollution)
mod5b_aug <- augment(mod5b_rcs, pollution)</pre>
```

```
mod5c_aug <- augment(mod5c_rcs, pollution)</pre>
p2 \leftarrow ggplot(pollution, aes(x = x3, y = y)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_smooth(method = "loess", col = "purple", se = F) +
    labs(title = "Loess Smooth") +
    theme bw()
p3 \leftarrow ggplot(mod5a_aug, aes(x = x3, y = y)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_line(aes(x = x3, y = .fitted)),
              col = "blue", size = 1.25) +
    labs(title = "RCS, 3 knots") +
    theme_bw()
p4 \leftarrow ggplot(mod5b_aug, aes(x = x3, y = y)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_line(aes(x = x3, y = .fitted)),
               col = "black", size = 1.25) +
    labs(title = "RCS, 4 knots") +
    theme_bw()
p5 \leftarrow ggplot(mod5c_aug, aes(x = x3, y = y)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_line(aes(x = x3, y = .fitted),
              col = "red", size = 1.25) +
    labs(title = "RCS, 5 knots") +
    theme_bw()
(p2 + p3) / (p4 + p5)
```

```
`geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```



Does it seem like the fit improves markedly (perhaps approaching the loess smooth result) as we increase the number of knots?

anova(mod5a\_rcs, mod5b\_rcs, mod5c\_rcs)

```
Analysis of Variance Table
Model 1: y ~ rcs(x3, 3)
Model 2: y ~ rcs(x3, 4)
Model 3: y ~ rcs(x3, 5)
  Res.Df
                                        Pr(>F)
            RSS Df Sum of Sq
                                    F
1
      57 194935
2
      56 171448
                      23486.9 7.9503 0.006672 **
                  1
      55 162481
                       8967.2 3.0354 0.087057 .
3
                  1
___
                  '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
                 0
```

Based on an ANOVA comparison, the fourth knot adds significant predictive value (p = 0.0067), but the fifth knot is borderline (p = 0.0871). From the glance function in the broom package, we can also look at some key summaries.

glance(mod5a\_rcs)

# A tibble: 1 x 12 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value df logLik AIC BIC <dbl><dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 1 0.146 0.116 58.5 4.88 0.0111 2 -328. 663. 672. # i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>

glance(mod5b\_rcs)

# A tibble: 1 x 12 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value df logLik AIC BIC <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 0.209 55.3 6.19 0.00104 3 -324. 0.249 658. 668. 1 # i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>

glance(mod5c\_rcs)

# A tibble: 1 x 12 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value df logLik AIC BIC <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 0.288 0.237 54.4 5.57 0.000773 4 -322. 1 657. 669. # i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>

Model	Knots	$R^2$	Adj. $R^2$	AIC	BIC
5a	3	0.146	0.116	663.4	671.8
5b	4	0.249	0.209	657.7	668.2
5c	5	0.288	0.237	656.5	669.1

Within our sample, the five-knot RCS outperforms the 3- and 4-knot versions on adjusted  $R^2$  and AIC (barely) and does a little worse than the 4-knot RCS on BIC.

Of course, we could also use the cross-validation methods we've developed for other linear regressions to assess predictive capacity of these models. I'll skip that for now.

To see the values of x3 where the splines place their knots, we can use the attributes function.

attributes(rcs(pollution\$x3, 5)) \$dim [1] 60 4 \$dimnames \$dimnames[[1]] NULL \$dimnames[[2]] "pollution'" "pollution''" "pollution'''" [1] "pollution" \$class [1] "rms" \$name [1] "pollution" \$label [1] "pollution" \$assume [1] "rcspline" \$assume.code [1] 4 \$parms [1] 68 72 74 77 82 \$nonlinear [1] FALSE TRUE TRUE TRUE \$colnames "pollution''" "pollution'''" [1] "pollution" "pollution'"

The knots in this particular 5-knot spline are placed by the computer at 68, 72, 74, 77 and 82, it seems.

There are two kinds of Multivariate Regression Models

- 1. [Prediction] Those that are built so that we can make accurate predictions.
- 2. [Explanatory] Those that are built to help understand underlying phenomena.

While those two notions overlap considerably, they do imply different things about how we strategize about model-building and model assessment. Harrell's primary concern is effective use of the available data for **prediction** - this implies some things that will be different from what we've seen in the past.

Harrell refers to multivariable regression modeling strategy as the process of **spending degrees of freedom**. The main job in strategizing about multivariate modeling is to

- 1. Decide the number of degrees of freedom that can be spent
- 2. Decide where to spend them
- 3. Spend them, wisely.

What this means is essentially linked to making decisions about predictor complexity, both in terms of how many predictors will be included in the regression model, and about how we'll include those predictors.

# 13.8 "Spending" Degrees of Freedom

- "Spending" df includes
  - fitting parameter estimates in models, or
  - examining figures built using the outcome variable Y that tell you how to model the predictors.

If you use a scatterplot of Y vs. X or the residuals of the Y-X regression model vs. X to decide whether a linear model is appropriate, then how many degrees of freedom have you actually spent?

Grambsch and O'Brien conclude that if you wish to preserve the key statistical properties of the various estimation and fitting procedures used in building a model, you can't retrieve these degrees of freedom once they have been spent.

### 13.8.1 Overfitting and Limits on the # of Predictors

Suppose you have a total sample size of n observations, then you really shouldn't be thinking about estimating more than n/15 regression coefficients, at the most.

- If k is the number of parameters in a full model containing all candidate predictors for a stepwise analysis, then k should be no greater than n/15.
- k should include all variables screened for association with the response, including interaction terms.

• Sometimes I hold myself to a tougher standard, or n/50 predictors, at maximum.

So if you have 97 observations in your data, then you can probably just barely justify the use of a stepwise analysis using the main effects alone of 5 candidate variables (with one additional DF for the intercept term) using the n/15 limit.

@Harrell2001 also mentions that if you have a **narrowly distributed** predictor, without a lot of variation to work with, then an even larger sample size n should be required. See @Vittinghoff2012, Section 10.3 for more details.

#### 13.8.2 The Importance of Collinearity

Collinearity denotes correlation between predictors high enough to degrade the precision of the regression coefficient estimates substantially for some or all of the correlated predictors

- @Vittinghoff2012, section 10.4.1
- Can one predictor in a model be predicted well using the other predictors in the model?
  - Strong correlations (for instance,  $r \ge 0.8$ ) are especially troublesome.
- Effects of collinearity
  - decreases precision, in the sense of increasing the standard errors of the parameter estimates
  - decreases power
  - increases the difficulty of interpreting individual predictor effects
  - overall F test is significant, but individual t tests may not be

Suppose we want to assess whether variable  $X_j$  is collinear with the other predictors in a model. We run a regression predicting  $X_j$  using the other predictors, and obtain the  $R^2$ . The VIF is defined as  $1 / (1 - \text{this } R^2)$ , and we usually interpret VIFs above 5 as indicating a serious multicollinearity problem (i.e.  $R^2$  values for this predictor of 0.8 and above would thus concern us.)

vif(lm(y ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6, data = pollution))

x1 x2 x3 x4 x5 x6 2.238862 2.058731 2.153044 4.174448 3.447399 1.792996

Occasionally, you'll see the inverse of VIF reported, and this is called *tolerance*.

• tolerance = 1 / VIF

#### 13.8.3 Collinearity in an Explanatory Model

- When we are attempting to **identify multiple independent predictors** (the explanatory model approach), then we will need to choose between collinear variables
  - options suggested by @Vittinghoff2012, p. 422, include choosing on the basis of plausibility as a causal factor,
  - choosing the variable that has higher data quality (is measured more accurately or has fewer missing values.)
  - Often, we choose to include a variable that is statistically significant as a predictor, and drop others, should we be so lucky.
- Larger effects, especially if they are associated with predictors that have minimal correlation with the other predictors under study, cause less trouble in terms of potential violation of the n/15 rule for what constitutes a reasonable number of predictors.

#### 13.8.4 Collinearity in a Prediction Model

- If we are primarily building a **prediction model** for which inference on the individual predictors is not of interest, then it is totally reasonable to use both predictors in the model, if doing so reduces prediction error.
  - Collinearity doesn't affect predictions in our model development sample.
  - Collinearity doesn't affect predictions on new data so long as the new data have similar relationships between predictors.
  - If our key predictor is correlated strongly with a confounder and if the predictor remains an important part of the model after adjustment for the confounder, then this suggests a meaningful independent effect.
    - \* If the effects of the predictor are clearly confounded by the adjustment variable, we again have a clear result.
    - \* If neither appears to add meaningful predictive value after adjustment, the data may be inadequate.
  - If the collinearity is between adjustment variables, but doesn't involve the key predictor, then inclusion of the collinear variables is unlikely to cause substantial problems.

### 13.9 Spending DF on Non-Linearity: The Spearman Plot

We need a flexible approach to assessing non-linearity and fitting models with non-linear predictors. This will lead us to a measure of what @Harrell2001 calls **potential predictive punch** which hides the true form of the regression from the analyst so as to preserve statistical properties, but that lets us make sensible decisions about whether a predictor should be included in a model, and the number of parameters (degrees of freedom, essentially) we are willing to devote to it.

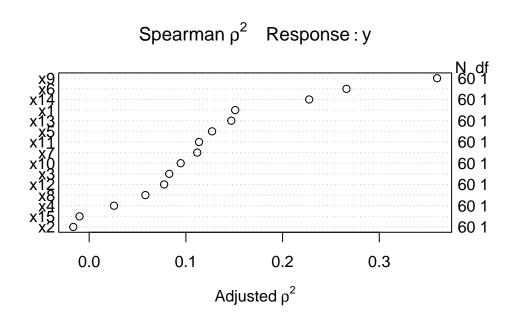
What if we want to consider where best to spend our degrees of freedom on non-linear predictor terms, like interactions, polynomial functions or curved splines to represent our input data? The approach we'll find useful in the largest variety of settings is a combination of

- 1. a rank correlation assessment of potential predictive punch (using a Spearman  $\rho^2$  plot, available in the Hmisc package), followed by
- 2. the application of restricted cubic splines to fit and assess models.

Let's try such a plot for our fifteen predictors:

```
sp2 \leftarrow spearman2(y \sim x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x7 + x8 + x9 + x10 + x11 + x12 + x13 + x14 + x15, data = pollution)
```

plot(sp2)



The variable with the largest adjusted squared Spearman  $\rho$  statistic in this setting is x9, followed by x6 and x14. With only 60 observations, we might well want to restrict ourselves to a very small model. What the Spearman plot suggests is that we focus any non-linear terms

on x9 first, and then perhaps x6 and x14 as they have some potential predictive power. It may or may not work out that the non-linear terms are productive.

#### 13.9.1 Fitting a Big Model to the pollution data

So, one possible model built in reaction this plot might be to fit:

- a restricted cubic spline with 5 knots on x9,
- a restricted cubic spline with 3 knots on x6,
- a quadratic polynomial on x14, and
- a linear fit to x1 and x13

Analysis of Variance Table

That's way more degrees of freedom (4 for x9, 2 for x6, 2 for x14 and 1 each for x1 and x13 makes a total of 10 without the intercept term) than we can really justify with a sample of 60 observations. But let's see what happens.

```
Response: y
             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                          Pr(>F)
              4 100164 25040.9 17.8482 4.229e-09 ***
rcs(x9, 5)
rcs(x6, 3)
              2 38306 19152.8 13.6513 1.939e-05 ***
poly(x14, 2)
              2
                 15595 7797.7 5.5579 0.006677 **
x1
              1
                  4787
                        4787.3
                               3.4122 0.070759 .
x13
                   712
                         711.9
                               0.5074 0.479635
              1
Residuals
             49
                 68747
                        1403.0
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

This anova suggests that we have at least some predictive value in each spline (x9 and x6) and some additional value in x14, although it's not as clear that the linear terms (x1 and x13) did much good.

### 13.9.2 Limitations of 1m for fitting complex linear regression models

We can certainly assess this big, complex model using 1m in comparison to other models:

- with in-sample summary statistics like adjusted  $R^2$ , AIC and BIC,
- we can assess its assumptions with residual plots, and
- we can also compare out-of-sample predictive quality through cross-validation,

But to really delve into the details of how well this complex model works, and to help plot what is actually being fit, we'll probably want to fit the model using an alternative method for fitting linear models, called **ols**, from the **rms** package developed by Frank Harrell and colleagues. That's where we're heading, in Chapter 14.

# 14 Using ols to fit linear models

Back at the end of Chapter 13, we fit a model to the pollution data that predicted an outcome y = Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate, using:

- a restricted cubic spline with 5 knots on x9
- a restricted cubic spline with 3 knots on x6
- a polynomial in 2 degrees on x14
- linear terms for x1 and x13

but this model was hard to evaluate in some ways. Now, instead of using lm to fit this model, we'll use a new function called ols from the rms package developed by Frank Harrell and colleagues, in part to support ideas developed in @Harrell2001 for clinical prediction models.

# 14.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(Hmisc)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 14.1.1 Data Load

pollution <- read\_csv("data/pollution.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

# 14.2 Fitting a model with ols

We will use the datadist approach when fitting a linear model with ols from the rms package, so as to store additional important elements of the model fit.

```
d <- datadist(pollution)
options(datadist = "d")</pre>
```

Next, we'll fit the model using **ols** and place its results in **newmod**.

Linear Regression Model

ols(formula = y ~ rcs(x9, 5) + rcs(x6, 3) + pol(x14, 2) + x1 + x13, data = pollution, x = TRUE, y = TRUE)

		Model Lil	kelihood	Discrimination		
		Rat	tio Test		Indexes	
Obs	60	LR chi2	72.02	R2	0.699	
sigma37.4566		d.f.	10	R2 adj	0.637	
d.f.	49	Pr(> chi2)	0.0000	g	58.961	

Residuals

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -86.189 -18.554 -1.799 18.645 104.307

Coef S.E. t Pr(>|t|) Intercept 796.2658 162.3269 4.91 < 0.0001 -2.63286.3504 -0.41 0.6803 x9 x9' 121.4651 124.4827 0.98 0.3340 x9'' -219.8025 227.6775 -0.97 0.3391 x9''' 151.5700 171.3867 0.88 0.3808 x6 7.6817 15.5230 0.49 0.6229 x6' -29.4388 18.0531 -1.63 0.1094 x14 0.5652 0.2547 2.22 0.0311 -0.0010 x14^2 0.0010 -0.96 0.3407 x11.0717 0.7317 1.46 0.1494

Some of the advantages and disadvantages of fitting linear regression models with **ols** or **lm** will reveal themselves over time. For now, one advantage for **ols** is that the entire variancecovariance matrix is saved. Most of the time, there will be some value to considering both **ols** and **lm** approaches.

Most of this output should be familiar, but a few pieces are different.

#### 14.2.1 The Model Likelihood Ratio Test

The **Model Likelihood Ratio Test** compares **newmod** to the null model with only an intercept term. It is a goodness-of-fit test that we'll use in several types of model settings this semester.

- In many settings, the logarithm of the likelihood ratio, multiplied by -2, yields a value which can be compared to a  $\chi^2$  distribution. So here, the value 72.02 is -2(log likelihood), and is compared to a  $\chi^2$  distribution with 10 degrees of freedom. We reject the null hypothesis that **newmod** is no better than the null model, and conclude instead that at least one of these predictors adds some value.
  - For ols, interpret the model likelihood ratio test like the global (ANOVA) F test in lm.
  - The likelihood function is the probability of observing our data under the specified model.
  - We can compare two nested models by evaluating the difference in their likelihood ratios and degrees of freedom, then comparing the result to a  $\chi^2$  distribution.

### 14.2.2 The g statistic

The **g** statistic is new and is referred to as the g-index. it's based on Gini's mean difference and is purported to be a robust and highly efficient measure of variation.

- Here, g = 58.961, which implies that if you randomly select two of the 60 areas included in the model, the average difference in predicted y (Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate) using this model will be 58.961.
  - Technically, g is Gini's mean difference of the predicted values.

## 14.3 ANOVA for an ols model

One advantage of the **ols** approach is that when you apply an **anova** to it, it separates out the linear and non-linear components of restricted cubic splines and polynomial terms (as well as product terms, if your model includes them.)

anova(newmod)

Analysis of Variance					onse: y
Factor	d.f.	Partial SS	MS	F	Р
x9	4	35219.7647	8804.9412	6.28	0.0004
Nonlinear	3	1339.3081	446.4360	0.32	0.8121
x6	2	9367.6008	4683.8004	3.34	0.0437
Nonlinear	1	3730.7388	3730.7388	2.66	0.1094
x14	2	18679.6957	9339.8478	6.66	0.0028
Nonlinear	1	1298.7625	1298.7625	0.93	0.3407
x1	1	3009.1829	3009.1829	2.14	0.1494
x13	1	711.9108	711.9108	0.51	0.4796
TOTAL NONLINEAR	5	6656.1824	1331.2365	0.95	0.4582
REGRESSION	10	159563.8285	15956.3829	11.37	<.0001
ERROR	49	68746.8004	1402.9959		

Unlike the anova approach in lm, in ols ANOVA, *partial* F tests are presented - each predictor is assessed as "last predictor in" much like the usual t tests in lm. In essence, the partial sums of squares and F tests here describe the marginal impact of removing each covariate from newmod.

We conclude that the non-linear parts of x9 and x6 and x14 combined don't seem to add much value, but that overall, x9, x6 and x14 seem to be valuable. So it must be the linear parts of those variables within our model that are doing most of the predictive work.

## 14.4 Effect Estimates

A particularly useful thing to get out of the **ols** approach that is not as easily available in lm (without recoding or standardizing our predictors) is a summary of the effects of each predictor in an interesting scale.

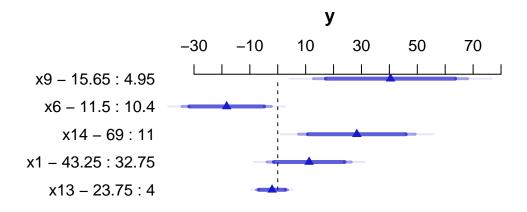
summary(newmod)

	]	Effects	5	I	Response	: у	
Factor	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95
x9	4.95	15.65	10.70	40.4060	14.0790	12.1120	68.6990
x6	10.40	11.50	1.10	-18.2930	8.1499	-34.6710	-1.9153
x14	11.00	69.00	58.00	28.3480	10.6480	6.9503	49.7460
x1	32.75	43.25	10.50	11.2520	7.6833	-4.1878	26.6930
x13	4.00	23.75	19.75	-2.0303	2.8502	-7.7579	3.6973

This "effects summary" shows the effect on y of moving from the 25th to the 75th percentile of each variable (along with a standard error and 95% confidence interval) while holding the other variable at the level specified at the bottom of the output.

The most useful way to look at this sort of analysis is often a plot.

plot(summary(newmod))



For x9 note from the summary above that the 25th percentile is 4.95 and the 75th is 15.65. Our conclusion is that the estimated effect of moving x9 from 4.95 to 15.65 is an increase of 40.4 on y, with a 95% CI of (12.1, 68.7).

For a categorical variable, the low level is shown first and then the high level.

The plot shows the point estimate (arrow head) and then the 90% (narrowest bar), 95% (middle bar) and 99% (widest bar in lightest color) confidence intervals for each predictor's effect.

- It's easier to distinguish this in the x9 plot than the one for x13.
- Remember that what is being compared is the first value to the second value's impact on the outcome, with other predictors held constant.

#### 14.4.1 Simultaneous Confidence Intervals

These confidence intervals make no effort to deal with the multiple comparisons problem, but just fit individual 95% (or whatever level you choose) confidence intervals for each predictor. The natural alternative is to make an adjustment for multiple comparisons in fitting the confidence intervals, so that the set of (in this case, five - one for each predictor) confidence intervals for effect sizes has a family-wise 95% confidence level. You'll note that the effect estimates and standard errors are unchanged from those shown above, but the confidence limits are a bit wider.

summary(newmod, conf.type=c('simultaneous'))

	Effects			I	Response	: у	
Factor	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95
x9	4.95	15.65	10.70	40.4060	14.0790	3.0910	77.7210
x6	10.40	11.50	1.10	-18.2930	8.1499	-39.8930	3.3065
x14	11.00	69.00	58.00	28.3480	10.6480	0.1279	56.5680
x1	32.75	43.25	10.50	11.2520	7.6833	-9.1107	31.6150
x13	4.00	23.75	19.75	-2.0303	2.8502	-9.5841	5.5235

Remember that if you're looking for the usual lm summary for an ols object, use summary.lm.

## 14.5 The Predict function for an ols model

The **Predict** function is very flexible, and can be used to produce individual or simultaneous confidence limits.

Predict(newmod, x9 = 12, x6 = 12, x14 = 40, x1 = 40, x13 = 20)

x9 x6 x14 x1 x13 yhat lower upper 1 12 12 40 40 20 923.0982 893.0984 953.098

Response variable (y): y

Limits are 0.95 confidence limits

# individual limits

Predict(newmod, x9 = 5:15) # individual limits

x9 x6 x14 x1 x13 yhat lower upper 5 11.05 30 38 9 913.7392 889.4802 937.9983 1 2 6 11.05 30 38 9 916.3490 892.0082 940.6897 3 7 11.05 30 38 9 921.3093 898.9657 943.6529 9 927.6464 907.0355 948.2574 8 11.05 30 38 4 5 9 11.05 30 38 9 934.3853 913.3761 955.3946 10 11.05 30 38 6 9 940.5510 917.8371 963.2648 7 11 11.05 30 38 9 945.2225 921.9971 968.4479 12 11.05 30 38 9 948.2885 926.4576 970.1194 8 9 13 11.05 30 38 9 950.2608 930.3003 970.2213 10 14 11.05 30 38 9 951.6671 932.2370 971.0971 9 953.0342 932.1662 973.9021 11 15 11.05 30 38

Response variable (y): y

Adjust to: x6=11.05 x14=30 x1=38 x13=9

Limits are 0.95 confidence limits

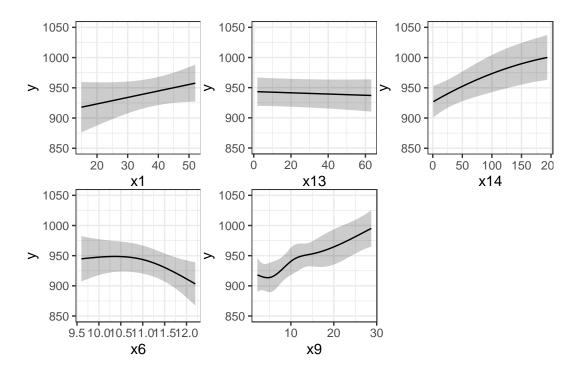
Predict(newmod, x9 = 5:15, conf.type = 'simult')

x6 x14 x1 x13 x9 yhat lower upper 5 11.05 30 38 1 9 913.7392 882.3440 945.1345 2 6 11.05 30 38 9 916.3490 884.8480 947.8500 3 7 11.05 30 38 9 921.3093 892.3930 950.2257 8 11.05 30 38 4 9 927.6464 900.9725 954.3204 9 11.05 30 38 9 934.3853 907.1958 961.5748 5 10 11.05 30 38 9 940.5510 911.1555 969.9465 6 11 11.05 30 38 9 945.2225 915.1649 975.2801 7

```
8
   12 11.05
             30 38
                     9 948.2885 920.0357 976.5413
9
   13 11.05
             30 38
                     9 950.2608 924.4286 976.0930
10 14 11.05
             30 38
                     9 951.6671 926.5213 976.8128
11 15 11.05
             30 38
                     9 953.0342 926.0275 980.0408
Response variable (y): y
Adjust to: x6=11.05 x14=30 x1=38 x13=9
Limits are 0.95 confidence limits
```

The plot below shows the individual effects in **newmod** in five subpanels, using the default approach of displaying the same range of values as are seen in the data. Note that each panel shows point and interval estimates of the effects, and spot the straight lines in x1 and x13, the single bends in x14 and x6 and the wiggles in x9, corresponding to the amount of non-linearity specified in the model.

```
ggplot(Predict(newmod))
```



## 14.6 Checking Influence via dfbeta

For an **ols** object, we have several tools for looking at residuals. The most interesting to me is **which.influence** which is reliant on the notion of **dfbeta**.

- DFBETA is estimated for each observation in the data, and each coefficient in the model.
- The DFBETA is the difference in the estimated coefficient caused by deleting the observation, scaled by the coefficient's standard error estimated with the observation deleted.
- The which.influence command applied to an ols model produces a list of all of the predictors estimated by the model, including the intercept.
  - For each predictor, the command lists all observations (by row number) that, if removed from the model, would cause the estimated coefficient (the "beta") for that predictor to change by at least some particular cutoff.
  - The default is that the DFBETA for that predictor is 0.2 or more.

which.influence(newmod)

\$Intercept [1] "1" "7" "20" "50" "55" "60" "4" \$x9 [1] "1" "15" "38" "39" "50" "51" "52" "53" "58" \$x6 "2" "7" "16" "20" "36" "50" "55" "60" [1] "/" \$x14 "27" "42" "50" "56" "58" "60" [1] "6" "7" \$x1 [1] "1" "7" "10" "27" "52" "60" \$x13 [1] "7" "8" "60"

The implication here, for instance, is that if we drop row 15 from our data frame, and refit the model, this will have a meaningful impact on the estimate of x9 but not on the other coefficients. But if we drop, say, row 60, we will affect the estimates of the intercept, x6, x14, x1, and x13.

#### 14.6.1 Using the residuals command for dfbetas

To see the dfbeta values, standardized according to the approach I used above, you can use the following code (I'll use head to just show the first few rows of results) to get a matrix of the results.

```
head(residuals(newmod, type = "dfbetas"))
```

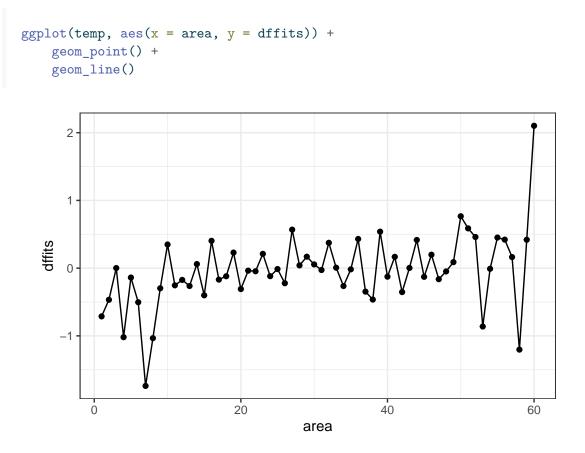
```
x9'
                                                    x9''
                                                                 x9'''
     Intercept
                          x9
1 -0.2142788779 0.2464314961 -0.1638633763 0.1420748132 -0.0837601846
2 -0.1609522082 -0.1651907163 0.0813708161 -0.0571478560 -0.0104199085
3 0.0002978421 0.0003616715 -0.0003743893 0.0003648207 -0.0003104531
4 -0.6689504955 0.1060165855 -0.0582613403 0.0567350766 -0.0514665792
5 -0.0185374830 0.0941987899 -0.0712140473 0.0651961744 -0.0473578767
6 -0.0733189060 0.0441321361 -0.0775996337
                                            0.0686460863 -0.0310662575
            x6
                         x6'
                                       x14
                                                   x14^2
                                                                    x1
1
  0.0885057227 -0.1236601786 0.1976364429 -0.1948087617 0.4602900927
2 0.1761716451 -0.2487893025 0.1331560976 -0.1425694930 0.0532802632
3 -0.0001793501 0.0001379045 -0.0002413065 0.0001584916 -0.0008536018
4 0.6480133104 -0.4398587906 0.1281557908 -0.0762194326 -0.1230959028
5 -0.0027596047 -0.0242159160 -0.0125205909 0.0030015343 0.0456581256
6 0.0598043946 -0.1228968480 0.2222504825 -0.1842672286 0.0425024727
           x13
1 1.476010e-01
2 1.561944e-01
3 -8.851148e-05
4 -9.553782e-02
```

- 5 4.318623e-02
- 6 5.491929e-02

#### 14.6.2 Using the residuals command for other summaries

The residuals command will also let you get ordinary residuals, leverage values and dffits values, which are the normalized differences in predicted values when observations are omitted. See ?residuals.ols for more details.

```
temp <- data.frame(area = 1:60)
temp$residual <- residuals(newmod, type = "ordinary")
temp$leverage <- residuals(newmod, type = "hat")
temp$dffits <- residuals(newmod, type = "dffits")
temp <- as_tibble(temp)</pre>
```



It appears that point 60 has the largest (positive) dffits value. Recall that point 60 seemed influential on several predictors and the intercept term. Point 7 has the smallest (or largest negative) dffits, and also appears to have been influential on several predictors and the intercept.

```
which.max(temp$dffits)
```

[1] 60

which.min(temp\$dffits)

[1] 7

## 14.7 Model Validation and Correcting for Optimism

In 431, we learned about splitting our regression models into **training** samples and **test** samples, performing variable selection work on the training sample to identify two or three candidate models (perhaps via a stepwise approach), and then comparing the predictions made by those models in a test sample.

At the final project presentations, I mentioned (to many folks) that there was a way to automate this process a bit in 432, that would provide some ways to get the machine to split the data for you multiple times, and then average over the results, using a bootstrap approach. This is it.

The validate function allows us to perform cross-validation of our models for some summary statistics (and then correct those statistics for optimism in describing likely predictive accuracy) in an easy way.

validate develops:

- Resampling validation with or without backward elimination of variables
- Estimates of the *optimism* in measures of predictive accuracy
- Estimates of the intercept and slope of a calibration model

(observed y) = Intercept + Slope(predicted y)

with the following code...

set.seed(432002); validate(newmod, method = "boot", B = 40)

	index.orig	training	test	optimism	index.corrected n
R-square	0.6989	0.7589	0.6176	0.1413	0.5576 40
MSE	1145.7800	899.5893	1454.9828	-555.3935	1701.1735 40
g	58.9614	60.5120	56.0360	4.4759	54.4855 40
Intercept	0.0000	0.0000	72.3650	-72.3650	72.3650 40
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	0.9217	0.0783	0.9217 40

So, for R-square we see that our original estimate was 0.6989

- Our estimated R-square across n = 40 training samples was 0.7589, but in the resulting tests, the average R-square was only 0.6176
- This suggests an optimism of 0.7589 0.6176 = 0.1413.

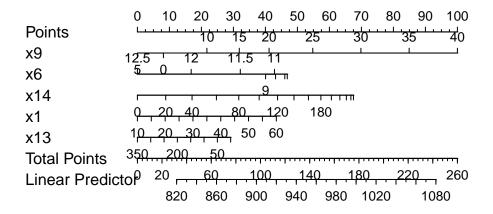
• We then apply that optimism to obtain a new estimate of  $R^2$  corrected for overfitting, at 0.5576, which is probably a better estimate of what our results might look like in new data that were similar to (but not the same as) the data we used in building newmod than our initial estimate of 0.6989

We also obtain optimism-corrected estimates of the mean squared error (square of the residual standard deviation), the g index, and the intercept and slope of the calibration model. The "corrected" slope is a shrinkage factor that takes overfitting into account.

## 14.8 Building a Nomogram for Our Model

Another nice feature of an **ols** model object is that we can picture the model with a **nomo-gram** easily. Here is model **newmod**.

plot(nomogram(newmod))



For this model, we can use this plot to predict y as follows:

- 1. find our values of x9 on the appropriate line
- 2. draw a vertical line up to the points line to count the points associated with our subject

- 3. repeat the process to obtain the points associated with x6, x14, x1, and x13. Sum the points.
- 4. draw a vertical line down from that number in the Total Points line to estimate y (the Linear Predictor) = Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate.

The impact of the non-linearity is seen in the x6 results, for example, which turn around from 9-10 to 11-12. We also see non-linearity's effects in the scales of the non-linear terms in terms of points awarded.

An area with a combination of predictor values leading to a total of 100 points, for instance, would lead to a prediction of a Mortality Rate near 905. An area with a total of 140 points would have a predicted Mortality Rate of 955, roughly.

# 15 A Model for Prostate Cancer

## 15.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
```

library(broom)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 15.1.1 Data Load

```
prost <- read_csv("data/prost.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

## 15.2 Data Load and Background

The data in prost.csv is derived from @Stamey1989 who examined the relationship between the level of prostate-specific antigen and a number of clinical measures in 97 men who were about to receive a radical prostatectomy. The prost data, as I'll name it in R, contains 97 rows and 11 columns.

prost

```
# A tibble: 97 x 10
```

	subject	lpsa	lcavol	lweight	age	bph	svi	lcp	gleason	pgg45
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>
1	1	-0.431	-0.580	2.77	50	Low	0	-1.39	6	0
2	2	-0.163	-0.994	3.32	58	Low	0	-1.39	6	0
3	3	-0.163	-0.511	2.69	74	Low	0	-1.39	7	20
4	4	-0.163	-1.20	3.28	58	Low	0	-1.39	6	0

5	5	0.372	0.751	3.43	62 Low	0 -1.39 6	0
6	6	0.765	-1.05	3.23	50 Low	0 -1.39 6	0
7	7	0.765	0.737	3.47	64 Medium	0 -1.39 6	0
8	8	0.854	0.693	3.54	58 High	0 -1.39 6	0
9	9	1.05	-0.777	3.54	47 Low	0 -1.39 6	0
10	10	1.05	0.223	3.24	63 Low	0 -1.39 6	0
# i 87	more	rows					

Note that a related **prost** data frame is also available as part of several R packages, including the **faraway** package, but there is an error in the **lweight** data for subject 32 in those presentations. The value of **lweight** for subject 32 should not be 6.1, corresponding to a prostate that is 449 grams in size, but instead the **lweight** value should be 3.804438, corresponding to a 44.9 gram prostate<sup>1</sup>.

I've also changed the gleason and bph variables from their presentation in other settings, to let me teach some additional details.

## 15.3 Code Book

Variable	Description
subject	subject number (1 to 97)
lpsa	log(prostate specific antigen in ng/ml), our <b>outcome</b>
lcavol	$\log(\text{cancer volume in cm}^3)$
lweight	log(prostate weight, in g)
age	age
bph	benign prostatic hyperplasia amount (Low, Medium, or High)
svi	seminal vesicle invasion $(1 = \text{yes}, 0 = \text{no})$
lcp	log(capsular penetration, in cm)
gleason	combined Gleason score $(6, 7, \text{ or } > 7 \text{ here})$
pgg45	percentage Gleason scores 4 or 5

Notes:

- in general, higher levels of PSA are stronger indicators of prostate cancer. An old standard (established almost exclusively with testing in white males, and definitely flawed) suggested that values below 4 were normal, and above 4 needed further testing. A PSA of 4 corresponds to an 1psa of 1.39.
- all logarithms are natural (base e) logarithms, obtained in R with the function log()
- all variables other than subject and lpsa are candidate predictors

 $<sup>{}^{1}\</sup>mbox{https://statweb.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/~attributes the correction to Professor Stephen W. Link.$ 

- the gleason variable captures the highest combined Gleason score[^Scores range (in these data) from 6 (a well-differentiated, or low-grade cancer) to 9 (a high-grade cancer), although the maximum possible score is 10. 6 is the lowest score used for cancerous prostates. As this combination value increases, the rate at which the cancer grows and spreads should increase. This score refers to the combined Gleason grade, which is based on the sum of two areas (each scored 1-5) that make up most of the cancer.] in a biopsy, and higher scores indicate more aggressive cancer cells. It's stored here as 6, 7, or > 7.
- the pgg45 variable captures the percentage of individual Gleason scores [~The 1-5 scale for individual biopsies are defined so that 1 indicates something that looks like normal prostate tissue, and 5 indicates that the cells and their growth patterns look very abnormal. In this study, the percentage of 4s and 5s shown in the data appears to be based on 5-20 individual scores in most subjects.] that are 4 or 5, on a 1-5 scale, where higher scores indicate more abnormal cells.

## 15.4 Additions for Later Use

The code below adds to the **prost** tibble:

- a factor version of the svi variable, called svi\_f, with levels No and Yes,
- a factor version of gleason called gleason\_f, with the levels ordered > 7, 7, and finally
   6,
- a factor version of bph called bph\_f, with levels ordered Low, Medium, High,
- a centered version of lcavol called lcavol\_c,
- exponentiated cavol and psa results derived from the natural logarithms lcavol and lpsa.

```
prost <- prost |>
  mutate(svi_f = fct_recode(factor(svi), "No" = "0", "Yes" = "1"),
    gleason_f = fct_relevel(gleason, c("> 7", "7", "6")),
    bph_f = fct_relevel(bph, c("Low", "Medium", "High")),
    lcavol_c = lcavol - mean(lcavol),
    cavol = exp(lcavol),
    psa = exp(lpsa))
```

glimpse(prost)

Rows: 97 Columns: 16 \$ subject <dbl> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 1~ \$ lpsa <dbl> -0.4307829, -0.1625189, -0.1625189, -0.1625189, 0.3715636, 0~ \$ lcavol <dbl> -0.5798185, -0.9942523, -0.5108256, -1.2039728, 0.7514161, -~

lweight	<dbl></dbl>	2.769459, 3.319626, 2.691243, 3.282789, 3.432373, 3.228826, ~
age	<dbl></dbl>	50, 58, 74, 58, 62, 50, 64, 58, 47, 63, 65, 63, 63, 67, 57, ~
bph	<chr></chr>	"Low", "Low", "Low", "Low", "Low", "Medium", "High", ~
svi	<dbl></dbl>	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
lcp	<dbl></dbl>	-1.3862944, -1.3862944, -1.3862944, -1.3862944, -1.3862944, ~
gleason	<chr></chr>	"6", "6", "7", "6", "6", "6", "6", "6",
pgg45	<dbl></dbl>	0, 0, 20, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 30, 5, 5, 0, 30, 0, 0, ~
svi_f	<fct></fct>	No,
gleason_f	<fct></fct>	6, 6, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 6, 7, 6, 6, 6, ~
bph_f	<fct></fct>	Low, Low, Low, Low, Low, Medium, High, Low, Low, M~
lcavol_c	<dbl></dbl>	-1.9298281, -2.3442619, -1.8608352, -2.5539824, -0.5985935, $\sim$
cavol	<dbl></dbl>	0.56, 0.37, 0.60, 0.30, 2.12, 0.35, 2.09, 2.00, 0.46, 1.25, ~
psa	<dbl></dbl>	0.65, 0.85, 0.85, 0.85, 1.45, 2.15, 2.15, 2.35, 2.85, 2.85, ~
	<pre>lweight age bph svi lcp gleason pgg45 svi_f gleason_f bph_f lcavol_c cavol psa</pre>	age <db>       bph     <ch>&gt;       svi     <db>       lcp     <db>       gleason     <fct>       gleason_f     <fct>       bph_f     <fct>       lcavol_c     <db></db></fct></fct></fct></db></db></ch></db>

## 15.5 Fitting and Evaluating a Two-Predictor Model

To begin, let's use two predictors (lcavol and svi) and their interaction in a linear regression model that predicts lpsa. I'll call this model prost\_A

Earlier, we centered the lcavol values to facilitate interpretation of the terms. I'll use that centered version (called lcavol\_c) of the quantitative predictor, and the 1/0 version of the svi variable[^We could certainly use the factor version of svi here, but it won't change the model in any meaningful way. There's no distinction in model *fitting* via 1m between a 0/1 numeric variable and a No/Yes factor variable. The factor version of this information will be useful elsewhere, for instance in plotting the model.].

```
prost_A <- lm(lpsa ~ lcavol_c * svi, data = prost)</pre>
  summary(prost_A)
Call:
lm(formula = lpsa ~ lcavol_c * svi, data = prost)
Residuals:
             1Q Median
    Min
                              ЗQ
                                     Max
-1.6305 -0.5007 0.1266 0.4886
                                  1.6847
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
              2.33134
                          0.09128
                                   25.540 < 2e-16 ***
lcavol_c
              0.58640
                          0.08207
                                    7.145 1.98e-10 ***
```

```
0.35833
                                   1.678
                                           0.0967 .
svi
              0.60132
lcavol_c:svi 0.06479
                         0.26614
                                   0.243
                                           0.8082
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 0.7595 on 93 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.5806,
                                Adjusted R-squared:
                                                     0.5671
F-statistic: 42.92 on 3 and 93 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

#### 15.5.1 Using tidy

It can be very useful to build a data frame of the model's results. We can use the tidy function in the broom package to do so.

tidy(prost\_A)

```
# A tibble: 4 x 5
 term
               estimate std.error statistic p.value
  <chr>
                  <dbl>
                             <dbl>
                                       <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
1 (Intercept)
                 2.33
                            0.0913
                                      25.5
                                             8.25e-44
2 lcavol c
                                       7.15 1.98e-10
                 0.586
                            0.0821
3 svi
                 0.601
                            0.358
                                       1.68 9.67e- 2
4 lcavol_c:svi
                 0.0648
                            0.266
                                       0.243 8.08e- 1
```

This makes it much easier to pull out individual elements of the model fit.

For example, to specify the coefficient for svi, rounded to three decimal places, I could use

tidy(prost\_A) |> filter(term == "svi") |> select(estimate) |> round(3)

- The result is 0.601.
- If you look at the Markdown file, you'll see that the number shown in the bullet point above this one was generated using inline R code, and the function specified above.

#### 15.5.2 Interpretation

- 1. The intercept, 2.33, for the model is the predicted value of lpsa when lcavol is at its average and there is no seminal vesicle invasion (e.g. svi = 0).
- 2. The coefficient for lcavol\_c, 0.59, is the predicted change in lpsa associated with a one unit increase in lcavol (or lcavol\_c) when there is no seminal vesicle invasion.

- 3. The coefficient for svi, 0.6, is the predicted change in lpsa associated with having no svi to having an svi while the lcavol remains at its average.
- 4. The coefficient for lcavol\_c:svi, the product term, which is 0.06, is the difference in the slope of lcavol\_c for a subject with svi as compared to one with no svi.

## 15.6 Exploring Model prost\_A

The glance function from the broom package builds a nice one-row summary for the model.

glance(prost\_A)

```
# A tibble: 1 x 12
                                                                    AIC
 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value
                                                        df logLik
                                                                          BIC
      <dbl>
                    <dbl> <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                                              <dbl> <dbl>
                                                            <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1
      0.581
                    0.567 0.759
                                      42.9 1.68e-17
                                                         3
                                                           -109.
                                                                   228.
                                                                         241.
# i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>
```

This summary includes, in order,

- the model  $R^2$ , adjusted  $R^2$  and  $\hat{\sigma}$ , the residual standard deviation,
- the ANOVA F statistic and associated *p* value,
- the number of degrees of freedom used by the model, and its log-likelihood ratio
- the model's AIC (Akaike Information Criterion) and BIC (Bayesian Information Criterion)
- the model's deviance statistic and residual degrees of freedom

#### 15.6.1 summary for Model prost\_A

If necessary, we can also run summary on this prost\_A object to pick up some additional summaries. Since the svi variable is binary, the interaction term is, too, so the t test here and the F test in the ANOVA yield the same result.

summary(prost\_A)

```
Call:
lm(formula = lpsa ~ lcavol_c * svi, data = prost)
```

Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -1.6305 -0.5007 0.1266 0.4886 1.6847

```
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                         0.09128
                                  25.540
(Intercept)
              2.33134
                                          < 2e-16 ***
lcavol c
              0.58640
                         0.08207
                                   7.145 1.98e-10 ***
svi
              0.60132
                         0.35833
                                   1.678
                                           0.0967 .
lcavol_c:svi 0.06479
                         0.26614
                                   0.243
                                           0.8082
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 0.7595 on 93 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.5806,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.5671
F-statistic: 42.92 on 3 and 93 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

If you've forgotten the details of the pieces of this summary, review the Part C Notes from 431.

#### **15.6.2** Adjusted $R^2$

 $R^2$  is greedy.

- $R^2$  will always suggest that we make our models as big as possible, often including variables of dubious predictive value.
- As a result, there are various methods for penalizing  $\mathbb{R}^2$  so that we wind up with smaller models.
- The **adjusted**  $R^2$  is often a useful way to compare multiple models for the same response.
  - $-R_{adj}^2 = 1 \frac{(1-R^2)(n-1)}{n-k}$ , where n = the number of observations and k is the number of coefficients estimated by the regression (including the intercept and any slopes).
  - So, in this case,  $R_{adj}^2 = 1 \frac{(1-0.5806)(97-1)}{97-4} = 0.5671$ - The adjusted  $R^2$  value is not, technically, a proportion of anything, but it is comparable across models for the same outcome.
  - The adjusted  $R^2$  will always be less than the (unadjusted)  $R^2$ .

#### 15.6.3 Coefficient Confidence Intervals

Here are the 90% confidence intervals for the coefficients in Model A. Adjust the **level** to get different intervals.

	_ ^	
	5 %	95 %
(Intercept)	2.17968697	2.4830012
lcavol_c	0.45004577	0.7227462
svi	0.00599401	1.1966454
lcavol_c:svi	-0.37737623	0.5069622

confint(prost\_A, level = 0.90)

What can we conclude from this about the utility of the interaction term?

## 15.6.4 ANOVA for Model prost\_A

The interaction term appears unnecessary. We might wind up fitting the model without it. A complete ANOVA test is available, including a p value, if you want it.

```
anova(prost_A)
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: lpsa
             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                            Pr(>F)
lcavol c
              1 69.003 69.003 119.6289 < 2.2e-16 ***
svi
              1 5.237
                         5.237
                                 9.0801
                                        0.003329 **
              1 0.034
                         0.034
                                 0.0593
                                        0.808191
lcavol_c:svi
             93 53.643
Residuals
                         0.577
___
Signif. codes:
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Note that the anova approach for a lm object is sequential. The first row shows the impact of lcavol\_c as compared to a model with no predictors (just an intercept). The second row shows the impact of adding svi to a model that already contains lcavol\_c. The third row shows the impact of adding the interaction (product) term to the model with the two main effects. So the order in which the variables are added to the regression model matters for this ANOVA. The F tests here describe the incremental impact of each covariate in turn.

#### 15.6.5 Residuals, Fitted Values and Standard Errors with augment

The augment function in the broom package builds a data frame including the data used in the model, along with predictions (fitted values), residuals and other useful information.

```
prost_A_aug <- augment(prost_A)
summary(prost_A_aug)</pre>
```

lpsa	lcavol_c	svi	.fitted
Min. :-0.4308	Min. :-2.69708	Min. :0.0000	Min. :0.7498
1st Qu.: 1.7317	1st Qu.:-0.83719	1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.:1.8404
Median : 2.5915	Median : 0.09691	Median :0.0000	Median :2.3950
Mean : 2.4784	Mean : 0.00000	Mean :0.2165	Mean :2.4784
3rd Qu.: 3.0564	3rd Qu.: 0.77703	3rd Qu.:0.0000	3rd Qu.:3.0709
Max. : 5.5829	Max. : 2.47099	Max. :1.0000	Max. :4.5417
.resid	.hat	.sigma	.cooksd
Min. :-1.6305	Min. :0.01316	Min. :0.7423	Min. :0.0000069
1st Qu.:-0.5007	1st Qu.:0.01562	1st Qu.:0.7569	1st Qu.:0.0007837
Median : 0.1266	Median :0.02498	Median :0.7617	Median :0.0034699
Mean : 0.0000	Mean :0.04124	Mean :0.7595	Mean :0.0111314
3rd Qu.: 0.4886	3rd Qu.:0.04939	3rd Qu.:0.7631	3rd Qu.:0.0103533
Max. : 1.6847	Max. :0.24627	Max. :0.7636	Max. :0.1341093
.std.resid			
Min. :-2.194508			
1st Qu.:-0.687945			
Median : 0.168917			
Mean : 0.001249			
3rd Qu.: 0.653612			

Elements shown here include:

: 2.261830

Max.

- .fitted Fitted values of model (or predicted values)
- .se.fit Standard errors of fitted values
- .resid Residuals (observed fitted values)
- .hat Diagonal of the hat matrix (these indicate *leverage* points with high leverage indicate unusual combinations of predictors values more than 2-3 times the mean leverage are worth some study leverage is always between 0 and 1, and measures the amount by which the predicted value would change if the observation's y value was increased by one unit a point with leverage 1 would cause the line to follow that point perfectly)
- .sigma Estimate of residual standard deviation when corresponding observation is dropped from model
- .cooksd Cook's distance, which helps identify influential points (values of Cook's d > 0.5 may be influential, values > 1.0 almost certainly are an influential point changes the fit substantially when it is removed from the data)
- .std.resid Standardized residuals (values above 2 in absolute value are worth some study treat these as normal deviates [Z scores], essentially)

See ?augment.lm in R for more details.

#### 15.6.6 Making Predictions with prost\_A

Suppose we want to predict the lpsa for a patient with cancer volume equal to this group's mean, for both a patient with and without seminal vesicle invasion, and in each case, we want to use a 90% prediction interval?

```
newdata <- data.frame(lcavol_c = c(0,0), svi = c(0,1))
predict(prost_A, newdata, interval = "prediction", level = 0.90)</pre>
```

fit lwr upr 1 2.331344 1.060462 3.602226 2 2.932664 1.545742 4.319586

Since the predicted value in fit refers to the natural logarithm of PSA, to make the predictions in terms of PSA, we would need to exponentiate. The code below will accomplish that task.

```
pred <- predict(prost_A, newdata, interval = "prediction", level = 0.90)
exp(pred)</pre>
```

fit lwr upr 1 10.29177 2.887706 36.67978 2 18.77758 4.691450 75.15750

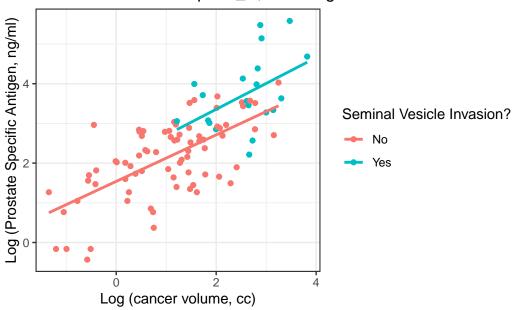
## 15.7 Plotting Model prost\_A

#### 15.7.0.1 Plot logs conventionally

Here, we'll use ggplot2 to plot the logarithms of the variables as they came to us, on a conventional coordinate scale. Note that the lines are nearly parallel. What does this suggest about our Model A?

```
ggplot(prost, aes(x = lcavol, y = lpsa, group = svi_f, color = svi_f)) +
geom_point() +
geom_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ x, se = FALSE) +
scale_color_discrete(name = "Seminal Vesicle Invasion?") +
theme_bw() +
labs(x = "Log (cancer volume, cc)",
```

```
y = "Log (Prostate Specific Antigen, ng/ml)",
title = "Two Predictor Model prost_A, including Interaction")
```

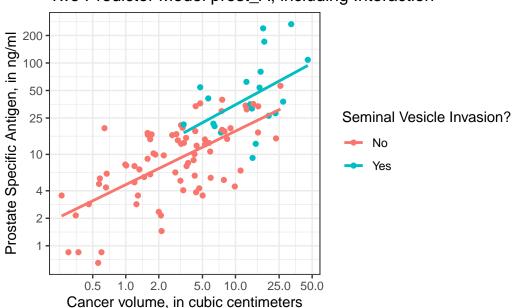


Two Predictor Model prost\_A, including Interaction

#### 15.7.0.2 Plot on log-log scale

Another approach (which might be easier in some settings) would be to plot the raw values of Cancer Volume and PSA, but use logarithmic axes, again using the natural (base e) logarithm, as follows. If we use the default choice with 'trans = "log", we'll find a need to select some useful break points for the grid, as I've done in what follows.



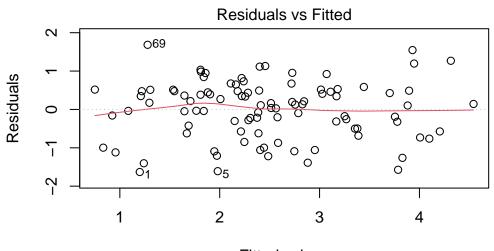


Two Predictor Model prost\_A, including Interaction

I've used the break point of 4 on the Y axis because of the old rule suggesting further testing for asymptomatic men with PSA of 4 or higher, but the other break points are arbitrary - they seemed to work for me, and used round numbers.

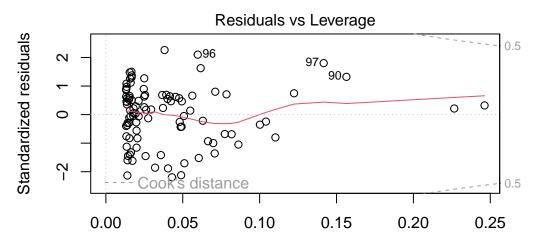
## 15.7.1 Residual Plots of prost\_A

plot(prost\_A, which = 1)



Fitted values lm(lpsa ~ lcavol\_c \* svi)

plot(prost\_A, which = 5)



Leverage lm(lpsa ~ lcavol\_c \* svi)

In our next Chapter, we'll see how well this model can be validated.

# 16 Validating our Prostate Cancer Model

## 16.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(rsample)
library(yardstick)
library(caret)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 16.1.1 Data Load

prost <- read\_csv("data/prost.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

We'll repeat the data cleaning and model-fitting from our previous chapter.

## 16.2 Data Cleaning

```
prost <- prost |>
mutate(svi_f = fct_recode(factor(svi), "No" = "0", "Yes" = "1"),
    gleason_f = fct_relevel(gleason, c("> 7", "7", "6")),
    bph_f = fct_relevel(bph, c("Low", "Medium", "High")),
    lcavol_c = lcavol - mean(lcavol),
    cavol = exp(lcavol),
    psa = exp(lpsa))
```

## 16.3 Fitting the prostA model

```
prost_A <- lm(lpsa ~ lcavol_c * svi, data = prost)</pre>
```

## 16.4 Split Validation of Model prost\_A

Suppose we want to evaluate whether our model prost\_A predicts effectively in new data.

We'll first demonstrate a validation split approach (used, for instance, in 431) which splits our sample into a separate training (perhaps 70% of the data) and test (perhaps 30% of the data) samples, and then:

- fit the model in the training sample,
- use the resulting model to make predictions for lpsa in the test sample, and
- evaluate the quality of those predictions, perhaps by comparing the results to what we'd get using a different model.

Our goal will be to cross-validate model prost\_A, which, you'll recall, uses lcavol\_c, svi and their interaction, to predict lpsa in the prost data.

We'll start by identifying a random sample of 70% of our prost data in a training sample (which we'll call prost\_train, and leave the rest as our test sample, called prost\_test. To do this, we'll use functions from the **rsample** package.

```
set.seed(432432)
prost_split <- initial_split(prost, prop = 0.7)
prost_train <- training(prost_split)
prost_test <- testing(prost_split)</pre>
```

• Don't forget to pre-specify the random seed, for replicability, as I've done here.

Let's verify that we now have the samples we expect...

```
dim(prost_train)
```

[1] 67 16

dim(prost\_test)

[1] 30 16

OK. Next, we'll run the prost\_A model in the training sample.

```
prost_A_train <- lm(lpsa ~ lcavol_c * svi, data = prost_train)
prost_A_train</pre>
```

```
Call:

lm(formula = lpsa ~ lcavol_c * svi, data = prost_train)

Coefficients:

(Intercept) lcavol_c svi lcavol_c:svi

2.2900 0.6922 1.1317 -0.4269
```

Then we'll use the coefficients from this model to obtain predicted lpsa values in the test sample.

```
prost_A_test_aug <- augment(prost_A, newdata = prost_test)</pre>
```

Now, we can use the functions from the yardstick package to obtain several key summaries of fit quality for our model. These summary statistics are:

- the RMSE or root mean squared error, which measures the average difference (i.e. prediction error) between the observed known outcome values and the values predicted by the model by first squaring all of the errors, averaging them, and then taking the square root of the result. The lower the RMSE, the better the model.
- the Rsquared or  $R^2$ , which is just the square of the Pearson correlation coefficient relating the predicted and observed values, so we'd like this to be as large as possible, and
- the MAE or mean absolute error, which is a bit less sensitive to outliers than the RMSE, because it measures the average prediction error by taking the absolute value of each error, and then grabbing the average of those values. The lower the MAE, the better the model.

These statistics are more helpful, generally, for comparing multiple models to each other, than for making final decisions on their own. The **yardstick** package provides individual functions to summarize performance, as follows.

```
rmse(data = prost_A_test_aug, truth = lpsa, estimate = .fitted)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  .metric .estimator .estimate
  <chr>
          <chr>
                          <dbl>
1 rmse
                         0.813
          standard
  rsq(data = prost A test aug, truth = lpsa, estimate = .fitted)
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  .metric .estimator .estimate
  <chr>
          <chr>
                         <dbl>
1 rsq
                         0.515
          standard
  mae(data = prost A test aug, truth = lpsa, estimate = .fitted)
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  .metric .estimator .estimate
  <chr>
          <chr>
                         <dbl>
1 mae
          standard
                         0.672
```

## 16.5 V-fold Cross-Validation Approach for model prostA

V-fold cross-validation (also known as k-fold cross-validation) randomly splits the data into V groups of roughly equal size (called "folds"). A resample of the analysis data consists of V-1 of the folds while the assessment set contains the final fold. In basic V-fold cross-validation (i.e. no repeats), the number of resamples is equal to V.

• https://rsample.tidymodels.org/reference/vfold\_cv.html

The idea of, for instance, 5-fold cross-validation in this case is to create five different subgroups (or folds) of the data, and then select 4 of the folds to be used as a model training sample, leaving the remaining fold as the model testing sample. We then repeat this over each of the five possible selections of testing sample, and summarize the results. This is very straightforward using the **caret** package, so we'll demonstrate that approach here.

First, we use the trainControl() function from caret to set up five-fold cross-validation.

```
set.seed(432432)
ctrl <- trainControl(method = "cv", number = 5)</pre>
```

Next, we train our model on these five folds:

Now, we can view a summary of the k-fold cross-validation

pros\_model

Linear Regression

97 samples 2 predictor

No pre-processing Resampling: Cross-Validated (5 fold) Summary of sample sizes: 79, 78, 77, 77, 77 Resampling results:

RMSE Rsquared MAE 0.7777655 0.5946201 0.6411997

Tuning parameter 'intercept' was held constant at a value of TRUE

- No pre-processing means we didn't scale the data before fitting models.
- We used 5-fold cross-validation
- The sample size for these training sets was between 77 and 79 for each pass.
- The validated root mean squared error (averaged across the five resamplings) was 0.7778
- The cross-validated R-squared is 0.595
- The cross-validated mean absolute error is 0.641

To examine the final fitted model, we have:

pros\_model\$finalModel

```
Call:

lm(formula = .outcome ~ ., data = dat)

Coefficients:

(Intercept) lcavol_c svi `lcavol_c:svi`

2.33134 0.58640 0.60132 0.06479
```

This model can be presented using all of our usual tools from the **broom** package.

```
tidy(pros_model$finalModel)
```

# A	tibble: 4 x §	5			
t	erm	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
<	chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1 (	Intercept)	2.33	0.0913	25.5	8.25e-44
2 1	cavol_c	0.586	0.0821	7.15	1.98e-10
3 s	vi	0.601	0.358	1.68	9.67e- 2
4`	lcavol_c:svi`	0.0648	0.266	0.243	8.08e- 1

glance(pros\_model\$finalModel)

```
# A tibble: 1 x 12
 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value
                                               df logLik
                                                               BIC
                                                          AIC
     <dbl>
                 <dbl> <dbl>
                               <dbl>
                                        0.567 0.759
1
     0.581
                                42.9 1.68e-17
                                                3 -109. 228.
                                                               241.
# i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>, nobs <int>
```

We can also review the model predictions made within each fold:

pros\_model\$resample

	RMSE	Rsquared	MAE	Resample
1	0.7447413	0.7030717	0.6124787	Fold1
2	0.8208461	0.3071658	0.6699472	Fold2
3	0.6510721	0.7944721	0.5589196	Fold3
4	0.8514246	0.4731454	0.6885641	Fold4
5	0.8207437	0.6952452	0.6760887	Fold5

# 17 Multiple Imputation and Linear Regression

## 17.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(car)
library(mitr)
library(mosaic)
library(mice)
library(rms)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

## 17.2 Data Load

In this chapter, we'll return to the smart\_ohio file based on data from BRFSS 2017 that we built and cleaned back in Chapter 6.

```
smart_ohio <- readRDS("data/smart_ohio.Rds")</pre>
```

## 17.3 Developing a smart\_16 data set

We're going to look at a selection of variables from this tibble, among subjects who have been told they have diabetes, and who also provided a response to our physhealth (Number of Days Physical Health Not Good) variable, which asks "Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health not good?" We'll build two models. In this chapter, we'll look at a linear

model for physhealth and in the next chapter, we'll look at a logistic regression describing whether or not the subject's physhealth response was at least 1.

The variables included in this **smart\_16** tibble are:

Variable	Description		
SEQNO	respondent identification number (all begin with 2016)		
mmsa			
physhealth	Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and		
	injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health		
	not good?		
bad_phys	Is physhealth 1 or more?		
age_imp	Age in years (imputed from age categories)		
smoke100	Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your life? $(1 = \text{yes}, 0 = \text{no})$		
hx_depress	Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you have		
	a depressive disorder, including depression, major depression, dysthymia, or		
	minor depression?		
bmi	Body mass index, in $kg/m^2$		
activity	Physical activity (Highly Active, Active, Insufficiently Active, Inactive)		
comor	Sum of 8 potential groups of comorbidities (see below)		

The comor variable is the sum of the following 8 variables, each of which is measured on a 1 =Yes, 0 =No scale, and begin with "Has a doctor, nurse, or other health professional ever told you that you had ..."

- hx\_mi: a heart attack, also called a myocardial infarction?
- hx\_chd: angina or coronary heart disease?
- hx\_stroke: a stroke?
- hx\_asthma: asthma?
- hx\_skinc: skin cancer?
- hx\_otherc: any other types of cancer?
- hx\_copd: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease or COPD, emphysema or chronic bronchitis?
- hx\_arthr: some form of arthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, gout, lupus, or fibromyalgia?

```
comor
              percent valid_percent
        n
    0 224 0.211920530
                        0.221782178
    1 315 0.298013245
                        0.311881188
    2 228 0.215704825
                        0.225742574
    3 130 0.122989593
                        0.128712871
    4 72 0.068117313
                        0.071287129
       29 0.027436140
    5
                        0.028712871
       9 0.008514664
    6
                        0.008910891
    7
        3 0.002838221
                        0.002970297
   NA 47 0.044465468
                                 NA
```

smart\_16 |> tabyl(comor)

#### 17.3.1 Any missing values?

We have 1057 observations (rows) in the smart\_16 data set, of whom 860 have complete data on all variables.

dim(smart\_16)

[1] 1057 10

n\_case\_complete(smart\_16)

[1] 860

Which variables are missing?

```
miss_var_summary(smart_16)
```

#	A	tibble:	10 x 3	
		variable	n_miss	<pre>pct_miss</pre>
		<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<num></num>
-	1	activity	85	8.04
2	2	bmi	84	7.95
3	3	comor	47	4.45
4	1	smoke100	24	2.27

5	age_imp	12	1.14	
6	hx_depress	3	0.284	
7	SEQNO	0	0	
8	mmsa	0	0	
9	physhealth	0	0	
10	bad_phys	0	0	

Note that our outcomes (physhealth and the derived bad\_phys) have no missing values here, by design. We will be performing multiple imputation to account appropriately for missingness in the predictors with missing values.

## 17.4 Obtaining a Simple Imputation with mice

The mice package provides several approaches we can use for imputation in building models of all kinds. Here, we'll use it just to obtain a single set of imputed results that we can apply to "complete" our data for the purposes of thinking about (a) transforming our outcome and (b) considering the addition of non-linear predictor terms.

iter imp variable

1	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100

```
smart_16_imp1 <- mice::complete(smart_16_mice1)
n_case_miss(smart_16_imp1)</pre>
```

[1] 0

And now we'll use this completed smart\_16\_imp1 data set (the product of just a single imputation) to help us address the next two issues.

# 17.5 Linear Regression: Considering a Transformation of the Outcome

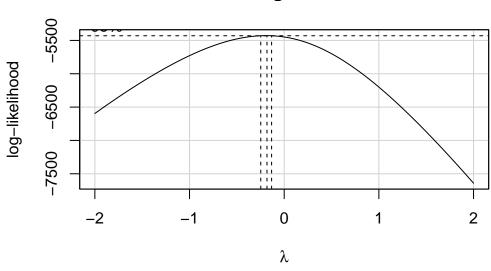
A plausible strategy here would be to try to identify an outcome transformation only after some accounting for missing predictor values, perhaps through a simple imputation approach. However, to keep things simple here, I'll just use the complete cases in this section.

Recall that our outcome here, **physhealth** can take the value 0, and is thus not strictly positive.

favstats(~ physhealth, data = smart\_16\_imp1)

min Q1 median Q3 max mean sd n missing 0 0 2 20 30 9.227058 11.92676 1057 0

So, if we want to investigate a potential transformation with a Box-Cox plot, we'll have to add a small value to each physhealth value. We'll add 1, so that the range of potential values is now from 1-31.



**Profile Log-likelihood** 

It looks like the logarithm is a reasonable transformation in this setting. So we'll create a new outcome, that is the natural logarithm of (physhealth + 1), which we'll call  $phys_tr$  to remind us that a transformation is involved that we'll eventually need to back out of to make predictions. We'll build this new variable in both our original smart\_16 data set and in the simply imputed data set we're using for just these early stages.

```
smart_16_imp1 <- smart_16_imp1 |>
   mutate(phys_tr = log(physhealth + 1))
smart_16 <- smart_16 |>
    mutate(phys_tr = log(physhealth + 1))
```

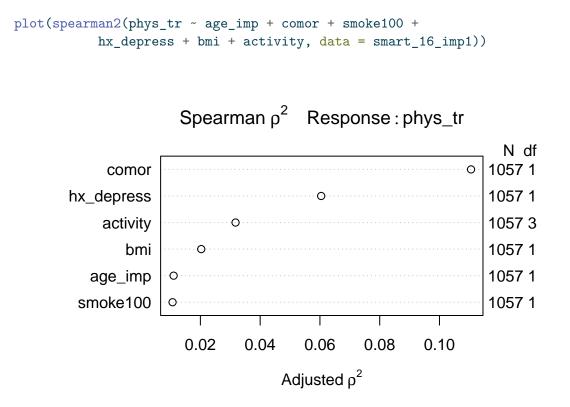
So we have  $phys_tr = log(physhealth + 1)$ 

• where we are referring above to the natural (base *e* logarithm).

We can also specify our back-transformation to the original physhealth values from our new phys\_tr as physhealth =  $\exp(phys_tr) - 1$ .

## 17.6 Linear Regression: Considering Non-Linearity in the Predictors

Consider the following Spearman  $\rho^2$  plot.



After our single imputation, we have the same N value in all rows of this plot, which is what we want to see. It appears that in considering potential non-linear terms, comor and hx\_depress and perhaps activity are worthy of increased attention. I'll make a couple of arbitrary choices, to add a raw cubic polynomial to represent the comor information, and we'll add an interaction term between hx\_depress and activity.

## 17.7 "Main Effects" Linear Regression with 1m on the Complete Cases

Recall that we have 860 complete cases in our smart\_16 data, out of a total of 1057 observations in total. A model using only the complete cases should thus drop the remaining 197 subjects. Let's see if a main effects only model for our newly transformed phys\_tr outcome does in fact do this.

```
m_1cc <-
    lm(phys_tr ~ age_imp + comor + smoke100 +</pre>
```

```
hx_depress + bmi + activity, data = smart_16)
  summary(m_1cc)
Call:
lm(formula = phys_tr ~ age_imp + comor + smoke100 + hx_depress +
    bmi + activity, data = smart_16)
Residuals:
    Min
            1Q Median
                            3Q
                                   Max
-3.0801 -1.0389 -0.2918 1.1029 2.8478
Coefficients:
                              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                              0.581959
                                        0.370847 1.569 0.11696
(Intercept)
                                         0.003813 -1.847 0.06511 .
                             -0.007043
age_imp
                                         0.033105 9.116 < 2e-16 ***
comor
                              0.301773
smoke100
                              0.099038
                                        0.090280 1.097 0.27295
                              0.471949
                                        0.104232 4.528 6.81e-06 ***
hx_depress
bmi
                              0.016375 0.006295 2.601 0.00945 **
                             -0.229927 0.154912 -1.484 0.13812
activityActive
activityInsufficiently_Active -0.116998
                                        0.139440 -0.839 0.40168
activityInactive
                              0.256118
                                         0.115266
                                                   2.222 0.02655 *
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 1.303 on 851 degrees of freedom
  (197 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.1806,
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.1729
F-statistic: 23.45 on 8 and 851 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Note that the appropriate number of observations are listed as "deleted due to missingness."

#### 17.7.1 Quality of Fit Statistics

```
glance(m_1cc) |>
    select(r.squared, adj.r.squared, sigma, AIC, BIC) |>
    kable(digits = c(3, 3, 2, 1, 1))
```

r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma	AIC	BIC
0.181	0.173	1.3	2906.3	2953.8

#### 17.7.2 Interpreting Effect Sizes

```
tidy(m_1cc, conf.int = TRUE) |>
    select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high) |>
    kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	0.582	0.371	-0.146	1.310
age_imp	-0.007	0.004	-0.015	0.000
comor	0.302	0.033	0.237	0.367
smoke100	0.099	0.090	-0.078	0.276
hx_depress	0.472	0.104	0.267	0.677
bmi	0.016	0.006	0.004	0.029
activityActive	-0.230	0.155	-0.534	0.074
activityInsufficiently_Active	-0.117	0.139	-0.391	0.157
activityInactive	0.256	0.115	0.030	0.482

We'll interpret three of the predictors here to demonstrate ideas: comor, hx\_depress and activity.

- If we have two subjects with the same values of age\_imp, smoke100, hx\_depress, bmi, and activity, but Harry has a comor score that is one point higher than Sally's, then the model predicts that Harry's transformed outcome (specifically the natural logarithm of (his physhealth days + 1)) will be 0.302 higher than Sally's, with a 95% confidence interval around that estimate ranging from (0.237, 0.367).
- If we have two subjects with the same values of age\_imp, comor, smoke100, bmi, and activity, but Harry has a history of depression (hx\_depress = 1) while Sally does not have such a history (so Sally's hx\_depress = 0), then the model predicts that Harry's transformed outcome (specifically the natural logarithm of (his physhealth days + 1)) will be 0.472 higher than Sally's, with a 95% confidence interval around that estimate ranging from (0.267, 0.677).
- The activity variable has four categories as indicated in the table below. The model uses the "Highly\_Active" category as the reference group.

```
smart_16_imp1 |> tabyl(activity)
```

```
activity n percent
Highly_Active 252 0.2384106
Active 135 0.1277200
Insufficiently_Active 193 0.1825922
Inactive 477 0.4512772
```

- From the tidied set of coefficients, we can describe the activity effects as follows.
  - If Sally is "Highly Active" and Harry is "Active" but they otherwise have the same values of all predictors, then our prediction is that Harry's transformed outcome (specifically the natural logarithm of (his physhealth days + 1)) will be 0.230 lower than Sally's, with a 95% confidence interval around that estimate ranging from (0.534 lower than Sally's to 0.074 higher than Sally's).
  - If instead Harry is "Insufficiently Active" but nothing else changes, then our prediction is that Harry's transformed outcome will be 0.117 lower than Sally's, with a 95% confidence interval around that estimate ranging from (0.391 lower to 0.157 higher than Sally's.)
  - If instead Harry is "Inactive" but nothing else changes, then our prediction is that Harry's transformed outcome will be 0.256 higher than Sally's, with a 95% confidence interval around that estimate ranging from (0.030 to 0.482 higher than Sally's.)

#### 17.7.3 Making Predictions with the Model

Let's describe two subjects, and use this model (and the ones that follow) to predict their physhealth values.

- Sheena is age 50, has 2 comorbidities, has smoked 100 cigarettes in her life, has no history of depression, a BMI of 25, and is Highly Active.
- Jacob is age 65, has 4 comorbidities, has never smoked, has a history of depression, a BMI of 32 and is Inactive.

We'll first build predictions for Sheena and Jacob (with 95% prediction intervals) for phys\_tr.

```
new2 <- tibble(
    name = c("Sheena", "Jacob"),
    age_imp = c(50, 65),
    comor = c(2, 4),
    smoke100 = c(1, 0),
    hx_depress = c(0, 1),
    bmi = c(25, 32),
    activity = c("Highly_Active", "Inactive")</pre>
```

The model makes predictions for our transformed outcome, phys\_tr. Now, we need to back-transform the predictions and the confidence intervals to build predictions for physhealth.

```
preds_m_1cc <- preds_m_1cc |>
    tbl_df() |>
    mutate(names = c("Sheena", "Jacob"),
        pred_physhealth = exp(fit) - 1,
        conf_low = exp(lwr) - 1,
        conf_high = exp(upr) - 1) |>
        select(names, pred_physhealth, conf_low, conf_high,
            everything())
```

```
Warning: `tbl_df()` was deprecated in dplyr 1.0.0.
i Please use `tibble::as_tibble()` instead.
```

```
preds_m_1cc |> kable(digits = 3)
```

names	$pred\_physhealth$	$\operatorname{conf}_{\operatorname{low}}$	$\operatorname{conf}_{\operatorname{high}}$	fit	lwr	upr
Sheena	2.826	-0.708	49.045	1.342	-1.229	3.913
Jacob	12.241	0.014	171.894	2.583	0.014	5.153

## 17.8 "Augmented" Linear Regression with 1m on the Complete Cases

Now, we'll add the non-linear terms we discussed earlier. We'll add a (raw) cubic polynomial to represent the comor information, and we'll add an interaction term between hx\_depress and activity.

```
m 2cc <-
      lm(phys_tr ~ age_imp + pol(comor, 3) + smoke100 +
             bmi + hx_depress*activity, data = smart_16)
  summary(m_2cc)
Call:
lm(formula = phys_tr ~ age_imp + pol(comor, 3) + smoke100 + bmi +
    hx_depress * activity, data = smart_16)
Residuals:
   Min
           10 Median
                         ЗQ
                               Max
-2.907 -1.063 -0.267 1.143 2.924
Coefficients:
                                          Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                                          0.514823 0.376203 1.368 0.17153
                                         -0.008100 0.003865 -2.096 0.03640
age_imp
pol(comor, 3)comor
                                          0.634274 0.160630 3.949 8.51e-05
pol(comor, 3)comor<sup>2</sup>
                                         -0.130626 0.073525 -1.777 0.07599
pol(comor, 3)comor<sup>3</sup>
                                          0.012508 0.008977 1.393 0.16386
smoke100
                                          0.089345 0.090336 0.989 0.32294
bmi
                                          0.015203 0.006315 2.408 0.01627
hx_depress
                                          0.647054
                                                     0.229696
                                                                2.817 0.00496
                                         -0.202196 0.172300 -1.174 0.24092
activityActive
activityInsufficiently_Active
                                         -0.005815
                                                     0.166221 -0.035 0.97210
                                          0.290380
                                                     0.132198 2.197 0.02832
activityInactive
hx_depress:activityActive
                                         -0.124836
                                                     0.395415 -0.316 0.75230
hx_depress:activityInsufficiently_Active -0.376355
                                                     0.310160 -1.213 0.22531
hx_depress:activityInactive
                                         -0.172952
                                                     0.267427 -0.647 0.51798
(Intercept)
age imp
                                         *
pol(comor, 3)comor
                                         ***
pol(comor, 3)comor<sup>2</sup>
pol(comor, 3)comor<sup>3</sup>
smoke100
bmi
hx_depress
                                         **
activityActive
activityInsufficiently_Active
```

```
activityInactive *
hx_depress:activityActive
hx_depress:activityInsufficiently_Active
hx_depress:activityInactive
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 1.301 on 846 degrees of freedom
(197 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.187, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1745
F-statistic: 14.97 on 13 and 846 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

Note again that the appropriate number of observations are listed as "deleted due to missing-ness."

#### 17.8.1 Quality of Fit Statistics

```
glance(m_2cc) |>
    select(r.squared, adj.r.squared, sigma, AIC, BIC) |>
    kable(digits = c(3, 3, 2, 1, 1))
```

r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma	AIC	BIC
0.187	0.175	1.3	2909.5	2980.9

#### 17.8.2 ANOVA assessing the impact of the non-linear terms

The difference between the models doesn't meet the standard for statistical detectability at our usual  $\alpha$  levels.

#### 17.8.3 Interpreting Effect Sizes

```
tidy(m_2cc, conf.int = TRUE) |>
    select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high) |>
    kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	0.515	0.376	-0.224	1.253
age_imp	-0.008	0.004	-0.016	-0.001
pol(comor, 3)comor	0.634	0.161	0.319	0.950
pol(comor, 3)comor <sup>2</sup>	-0.131	0.074	-0.275	0.014
pol(comor, 3)comor <sup>3</sup>	0.013	0.009	-0.005	0.030
smoke100	0.089	0.090	-0.088	0.267
bmi	0.015	0.006	0.003	0.028
hx_depress	0.647	0.230	0.196	1.098
activityActive	-0.202	0.172	-0.540	0.136
activityInsufficiently_Active	-0.006	0.166	-0.332	0.320
activityInactive	0.290	0.132	0.031	0.550
hx_depress:activityActive	-0.125	0.395	-0.901	0.651
hx_depress:activityInsufficiently_Active	-0.376	0.310	-0.985	0.232
$hx\_depress:activityInactive$	-0.173	0.267	-0.698	0.352

Let's focus first on interpreting the interaction terms between hx\_depress and activity.

Assume first that we have a set of subjects with the same values of age\_imp, smoke100, bmi, and comor.

- Arnold has  $hx_depress = 1$  and is Inactive
- Betty has hx\_depress = 1 and is Insufficiently Active
- Carlos has hx\_depress = 1 and is Active
- Debbie has hx\_depress = 1 and is Highly Active
- Eamon has  $hx_depress = 0$  and is Inactive
- Florence has hx\_depress = 0 and is Insufficiently Active
- Garry has  $hx_depress = 0$  and is Active
- Harry has hx\_depress = 0 and is Highly Active

So the model, essentially can be used to compare each of the first seven people on that list to Harry (who has the reference levels of both hx\_depress and activity.) Let's compare Arnold to Harry.

For instance, as compared to Harry, Arnold is expected to have a transformed outcome (specifically the natural logarithm of (his physhealth days + 1)) that is:

- 0.647 higher because Arnold's  $hx_depress = 1$ , and
- 0.29 higher still because Arnold's activity is "Inactive", and
- 0.173 lower because of the combination (see the 'hx\_depress:activityInactive" row)

So, in total, we expect Arnold's transformed outcome to be 0.647 + 0.29 + (-0.173), or 0.764 higher than Harry's.

If we want to compare Arnold to, for instance, Betty, we first calculate Betty's difference from Harry, and then compare the two differences.

As compared to Harry, Betty is expected to have a transformed outcome (specifically the natural logarithm of (her physhealth days + 1)) that is:

- 0.647 higher because Betty's  $hx_depress = 1$ , and
- 0.006 lower still because Betty's activity is "Insufficiently Active", and
- 0.376 lower because of the combination (see the 'hx\_depress:activityInsufficiently\_Active" row)

So, in total, we expect Betty's transformed outcome to be 0.647 + (-0.006) + (-0.376), or 0.265 higher than Harry's.

And thus we can compare Betty and Arnold directly.

- Arnold is predicted to have an outcome that is 0.764 higher than Harry's.
- Betty is predicted to have an outcome that is 0.265 higher than Harry's.
- And so Arnold's predicted outcome (phys\_tr) is 0.499 larger than Betty's.

Now, suppose we want to look at our cubic polynomial in comor.

- Suppose Harry and Sally have the same values for all other predictors in the model, but Harry has 1 comorbidity where Sally has none. Then the three terms in the model related to comor will be 1 for Harry and 0 for Sally, and the interpretation becomes pretty straightforward.
- But suppose instead that nothing has changed except Harry has 2 comorbidities and Sally has just 1. The size of the impact of this Harry Sally difference is far larger in this situation, because the **comor** variable enters the model in a non-linear way. This is an area where fitting the model using **ols** can be helpful because of the ability to generate plots (of effects, nomograms, etc.) that can show this non-linearity in a clear way.

Suppose for instance, that Harry and Sally share the following values for the other predictors: each is age 40, has never smoked, has no history of depression, a BMI of 30 and is Highly Active.

• Now, if Harry has 1 comorbidity and Sally has none, the predicted phys\_tr values for Harry and Sally are as indicated below.

But if Harry has 2 comorbidities and Sally 1, the predictions are:

Note that the difference in predictions between Harry and Sally is much smaller now than it was previously.

#### 17.8.4 Making Predictions with the Model

As before, we'll use the new model to predict physhealth values for Sheena and Jacob.

- Sheena is age 50, has 2 comorbidities, has smoked 100 cigarettes in her life, has no history of depression, a BMI of 25, and is Highly Active.
- Jacob is age 65, has 4 comorbidities, has never smoked, has a history of depression, a BMI of 32 and is Inactive.

We'll first build predictions for Sheena and Jacob (with 95% prediction intervals) for phys\_tr.

```
new2 <- tibble(</pre>
      name = c("Sheena", "Jacob"),
      age imp = c(50, 65),
      comor = c(2, 4),
      smoke100 = c(1, 0),
      hx_depress = c(0, 1),
      bmi = c(25, 32),
      activity = c("Highly_Active", "Inactive")
  )
  preds_m_2cc <- predict(m_2cc, newdata = new2,</pre>
                           interval = "prediction")
  preds_m_2cc
       fit
                    lwr
                              upr
1 1.425362 -1.14707613 3.997801
```

2 2.486907 -0.08635658 5.060171

Now, we need to back-transform the predictions and the confidence intervals that describe phys\_tr to build predictions for physhealth.

```
preds_m_2cc <- preds_m_2cc |>
    tbl_df() |>
    mutate(names = c("Sheena", "Jacob"),
        pred_physhealth = exp(fit) - 1,
        conf_low = exp(lwr) - 1,
        conf_high = exp(upr) - 1) |>
        select(names, pred_physhealth, conf_low, conf_high,
            everything())
```

```
Warning: `tbl_df()` was deprecated in dplyr 1.0.0.
i Please use `tibble::as_tibble()` instead.
```

```
preds_m_2cc |> kable(digits = 3)
```

iter imp variable

names	$pred_physhealth$	$\operatorname{conf}_{\operatorname{low}}$	$conf_high$	fit	lwr	upr
Sheena	3.159	-0.682	53.478	1.425	-1.147	3.998
Jacob	11.024	-0.083	156.617	2.487	-0.086	5.060

## 17.9 Using mice to perform Multiple Imputation

Let's focus on the main effects model, and look at the impact of performing multiple imputation to account for the missing data. Recall that in our smart\_16 data, the most "missingness" is shown in the activity variable, which is still missing less than 10% of the time. So we'll try a set of 10 imputations, using the default settings in the mice package.

	1						
1	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	2	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	3	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	4	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	5	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	6	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	7	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	8	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	9	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
1	10	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100

2	2	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	3	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	4	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	5	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	6	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	7	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	8	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	9	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
2	10	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	2	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	3	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	4	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	5	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	6	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	7	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	8	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	9	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
3	10	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	2	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	3	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	4	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	5	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	6	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	7	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	8	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	9	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
4	10	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	1	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	2	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	3	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	4	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	5	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	6	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	7	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	8	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	9	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
5	10	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100

summary(smart\_16\_mice10)

Class: mid	5							
Number of a	Number of multiple imputations: 10							
Imputation	methods:							
physhealth	phys_tr	activi	ty age	e_imp		bmi	comor h	x_depress
		"polyre	g" '	"pmm"	"F	omm"	"pmm"	"pmm"
smoke100								
"pmm"								
PredictorMa	atrix:							
	physhealth	phys_tr	activity	age_imp	bmi	comor	hx_depress	smoke100
physhealth	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
phys_tr	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
activity	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
age_imp	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
bmi	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
comor	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1

# 17.10 Running the Linear Regression in 1m with Multiple Imputation

Next, we'll run the linear model (main effects) on each of the 10 imputed data sets.

```
m10_mods <-
with(smart_16_mice10, lm(phys_tr ~ age_imp + comor +
smoke100 + hx_depress +
bmi + activity))</pre>
```

```
summary(m10_mods)
```

# A tibble: 90 x 6					
term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	nobs
<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>
1 (Intercept)	0.317	0.326	0.971	3.32e- 1	1057
2 age_imp	-0.00489	0.00334	-1.47	1.43e- 1	1057
3 comor	0.313	0.0295	10.6	4.72e-25	1057
4 smoke100	0.135	0.0799	1.69	9.22e- 2	1057
5 hx_depress	0.500	0.0929	5.38	9.14e- 8	1057
6 bmi	0.0187	0.00564	3.31	9.64e- 4	1057
7 activityActive	-0.202	0.138	-1.46	1.44e- 1	1057
8 activityInsufficien	ntly_Active -0.0695	0.124	-0.561	5.75e- 1	1057
9 activityInactive	0.262	0.103	2.54	1.11e- 2	1057

 10 (Intercept)
 0.363
 0.332
 1.10
 2.74e-1
 1057

 # i 80 more rows

Then, we'll pool results across the 10 imputations

```
m10_pool <- pool(m10_mods)
summary(m10_pool, conf.int = TRUE) |>
select(-statistic, -df) |>
kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	p.value	2.5~%	$97.5 \ \%$
(Intercept)	0.444	0.342	0.194	-0.227	1.114
age_imp	-0.005	0.003	0.128	-0.012	0.002
comor	0.309	0.031	0.000	0.249	0.369
smoke100	0.114	0.083	0.171	-0.049	0.278
hx_depress	0.512	0.094	0.000	0.327	0.696
bmi	0.016	0.006	0.009	0.004	0.027
activityActive	-0.204	0.140	0.146	-0.479	0.071
$activityInsufficiently\_Active$	-0.044	0.129	0.735	-0.298	0.210
activityInactive	0.260	0.106	0.014	0.052	0.469

And we can compare these results to the complete case analysis we completed earlier.

```
tidy(m_1cc, conf.int = TRUE) |>
    select(term, estimate, std.error, p.value, conf.low, conf.high) |>
    kable(digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	0.582	0.371	0.117	-0.146	1.310
age_imp	-0.007	0.004	0.065	-0.015	0.000
comor	0.302	0.033	0.000	0.237	0.367
smoke100	0.099	0.090	0.273	-0.078	0.276
hx_depress	0.472	0.104	0.000	0.267	0.677
bmi	0.016	0.006	0.009	0.004	0.029
activityActive	-0.230	0.155	0.138	-0.534	0.074
$activityInsufficiently\_Active$	-0.117	0.139	0.402	-0.391	0.157
activityInactive	0.256	0.115	0.027	0.030	0.482

Note that there are some sizeable differences here, although nothing enormous.

If we want the pooled  $R^2$  or pooled adjusted  $R^2$  after imputation, R will provide it (and a 95% confidence interval around the estimate) with  $\dots$ 

```
pool.r.squared(m10_mods)
```

est lo 95 hi 95 fmi R<sup>2</sup> 0.1912561 0.1482819 0.2369623 0.08061427

```
pool.r.squared(m10_mods, adjusted = TRUE)
```

lo 95 hi 95 est fmi adj R<sup>2</sup> 0.1850807 0.1425132 0.2305277 0.08312639

We can see the fraction of missing information about each coefficient due to non-response (fmi) and other details with the following code...

m10\_pool

Class: mipo n	m = 10			
	term	m estimate	ubar	b
1	(Intercept)	10 0.44377168	1.078194e-01	8.002900e-03
2	age_imp	10 -0.00522810	1.123668e-05	4.824290e-07
3	comor	10 0.30871888	8.801039e-04	5.466082e-05
4	smoke100	10 0.11415718	6.474388e-03	4.130673e-04
5	hx_depress	10 0.51155722	8.669413e-03	1.582684e-04
6	bmi	10 0.01576150	3.182381e-05	3.425191e-06
7	activityActive	10 -0.20412627	1.914250e-02	4.851040e-04
8 activityInsuf	ficiently_Active	10 -0.04383739	1.565925e-02	9.855183e-04
9 a	activityInactive	10 0.26046070	1.069627e-02	5.023887e-04
to	dfcom df	riv l	ambda :	fmi
1 1.166226e-01	1048 599.8172 0	.08164758 0.075	48446 0.07855	177
2 1.176735e-05	1048 814.9042 0	.04722675 0.045	09697 0.04743	197
3 9.402308e-04	1048 677.6361 0	.06831796 0.063	94909 0.06669	961
4 6.928762e-03	1048 666.2487 0	.07018023 0.065	57795 0.06837	041
5 8.843508e-03	1048 982.0512 0	.02008154 0.019	68621 0.02167	660
6 3.559152e-05	1048 432.0874 0	.11839279 0.105	85976 0.10996	992
7 1.967611e-02	1048 939.5064 0	.02787591 0.027	11992 0.02918	437
8 1.674332e-02	1048 672.0473 0	.06922874 0.064	74643 0.06751	736
9 1.124890e-02	1048 785.1905 0	.05166545 0.049	12727 0.05154	007

## 17.11 Fit the Multiple Imputation Model with aregImpute

Here, we'll use aregImpute to deal with missing values through multiple imputation, and use the ols function in the rms package to fit the model.

The first step is to fit the multiple imputation model. We'll use n.impute = 10 imputations, with B = 10 bootstrap samples for the preditive mean matching, and fit both linear models and models with restricted cubic splines with 3 knots (nk = c(0, 3)) allowing the target variable to have a non-linear transformation when nk is 3, via tlinear = FALSE.

Iteration 7 Iteration 8 Iteration 9 Iteration 10 Iteration 11 Iteration 12 Iteration 13

Here are the results of that imputation model.

fit16\_imp

Multiple Imputation using Bootstrap and PMM

aregImpute(formula = ~phys\_tr + age\_imp + comor + smoke100 + hx\_depress + bmi + activity, data = smart\_16, n.impute = 10, nk = c(0, 3), tlinear = FALSE, B = 10)n: 1057 p: 7 Imputations: 10 nk: 0 Number of NAs: phys\_tr age\_imp comor smoke100 hx\_depress bmi activity 0 24 84 12 47 3 85 type d.f. phys\_tr s 1 1 age\_imp s comor 1 S smoke100 1 1 hx\_depress 1 1 bmi 1 s 3 activity с R-squares for Predicting Non-Missing Values for Each Variable Using Last Imputations of Predictors smoke100 hx depress age\_imp comor bmi activity 0.167 0.224 0.206 0.059 0.169 0.057 Resampling results for determining the complexity of imputation models Variable being imputed: age\_imp nk=0 nk=3 Bootstrap bias-corrected R<sup>2</sup> 0.186 0.215 10-fold cross-validated R<sup>2</sup> 0.211 0.215 Bootstrap bias-corrected mean |error| 9.108 10.894 10-fold cross-validated mean |error| 65.169 10.919 Bootstrap bias-corrected median |error| 7.290 8.784 10-fold cross-validated median |error| 66.006 8.613 Variable being imputed: comor nk=0 nk=3 Bootstrap bias-corrected R<sup>2</sup> 0.183 0.182 10-fold cross-validated R<sup>2</sup> 0.184 0.193 Bootstrap bias-corrected mean |error| 0.987 1.184 10-fold cross-validated mean |error| 1.759 1.171 Bootstrap bias-corrected median |error| 0.828 0.910 10-fold cross-validated median |error| 1.574 0.892

Variable being imputed: smoke100

		•		
			nk=0	nk=3
Bootstrap bias-corrected	R^2		0.0224	0.0187
10-fold cross-validated	R^2		0.0358	0.0217
Bootstrap bias-corrected	mean	error	0.4853	0.4866
10-fold cross-validated	mean	error	0.9462	0.9561
Bootstrap bias-corrected	median	error	0.4788	0.4772
10-fold cross-validated	median	error	0.8479	0.8706

Variable being imputed: hx\_depress

	0	T	- · · I			
					nk=0	nk=3
Bootstrap	bias-co	rrected	R^2		0.157	0.138
10-fold cr	oss-val	idated	R^2		0.147	0.148
Bootstrap	bias-co	rrected	mean	error	0.355	0.360
10-fold cr	oss-val	idated	mean	error	0.801	0.783
Bootstrap	bias-co	rrected	median	error	0.333	0.337
10-fold cr	oss-val	idated	median	error	0.711	0.673

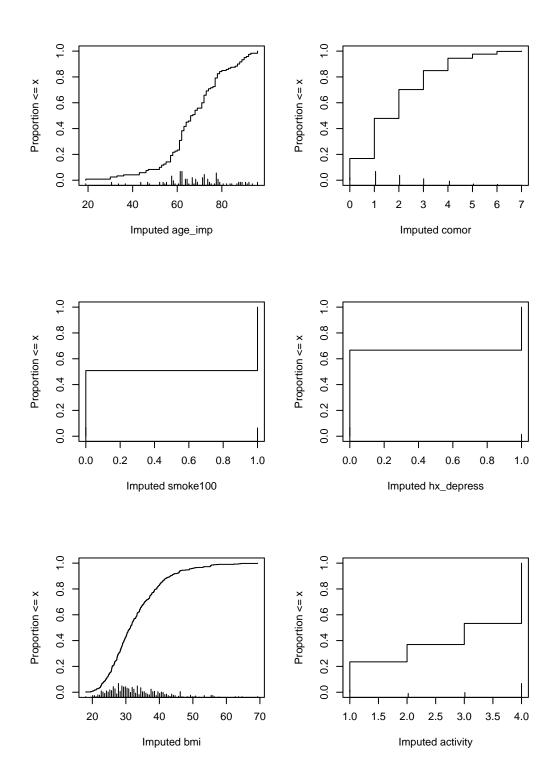
Variable being imputed: bmi

			nk=0	nk=3
Bootstrap bias-corrected	R^2		0.125	0.122
10-fold cross-validated	R^2		0.134	0.133
Bootstrap bias-corrected	mean	error	5.221	6.822
10-fold cross-validated	mean	error	32.458	6.884
Bootstrap bias-corrected	median	error	4.178	5.782
10-fold cross-validated	median	error	31.330	5.932

Variable being imputed: activity

0 1		5		
			nk=0	nk=3
Bootstrap bias-corrected	R^2		0.0312	0.0275
10-fold cross-validated	R^2		0.0450	0.0402
Bootstrap bias-corrected	mean	error	1.8774	1.8884
10-fold cross-validated	mean	error	1.1121	1.1043
Bootstrap bias-corrected	median	error	2.0000	2.0000
10-fold cross-validated	median	error	1.0000	1.0000

par(mfrow = c(3,2))
plot(fit16\_imp)



```
par(mfrow = c(1,1))
```

The plot helps us see where the imputations are happening.

## 17.12 Fit Linear Regression using ols and fit.mult.impute

Wald Statistic Information

Variance Inflation Factors Due to Imputation:

Intercept	age_imp
1.03	1.01
comor	smoke100
1.03	1.06
hx_depress	bmi
1.02	1.06
activity=Active	activity=Insufficiently_Active
1.19	1.14
activity=Inactive	
1.23	

Fraction of Missing Information:

Intercept	age_imp
0.03	0.01
comor	smoke100
0.03	0.06
hx_depress	bmi
0.02	0.06
activity=Active	activity=Insufficiently_Active
0.16	0.13
activity=Inactive	
0.19	

d.f. for t-distribution for Tests of Single Coefficients:

age_imp	Intercept
45410.80	8176.67
smoke100	comor
2670.64	13030.27
bmi	hx_depress
2935.89	28199.30
activity=Insufficiently_Active	activity=Active
571.56	354.62
	activity=Inactive
	258.42

The following fit components were averaged over the 10 model fits:

fitted.values stats linear.predictors

### 17.12.1 Summaries and Coefficients

Here are the results:

m16\_imp

Linear Regression Model

		Model Li	kelihood	Discrim	ination
		Ra	tio Test	-	Indexes
Obs	1057	LR chi2	219.94	R2	0.188
sigma1	.2881	d.f.	8	R2 adj	0.182
d.f.	1048	Pr(> chi2	0.0000	g	0.687

Residuals

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -3.0621 -1.0327 -0.2878 1.1104 2.8018

	Coef	S.E.	t	Pr(> t )
Intercept	0.4052	0.3352	1.21	0.2271
age_imp	-0.0049	0.0034	-1.46	0.1437
comor	0.3078	0.0302	10.20	<0.0001
smoke100	0.1259	0.0830	1.52	0.1296
hx_depress	0.5120	0.0940	5.45	<0.0001
bmi	0.0164	0.0058	2.83	0.0048
activity=Active	-0.1773	0.1513	-1.17	0.2416
activity=Insufficiently_Active	-0.0396	0.1342	-0.30	0.7680
activity=Inactive	0.2401	0.1144	2.10	0.0360

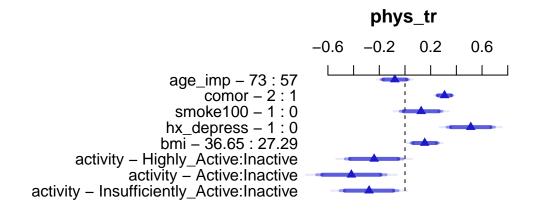
#### 17.12.2 Effect Sizes

We can plot and summarize the effect sizes using the usual **ols** tools:

```
summary(m16_imp)
```

Effects Response : phys\_tr High Diff. Effect Factor Low S.E. age\_imp 57.00 73.00 16.00 -0.079163 0.054107 1.00 2.00 1.00 0.307790 0.030171 comor 0.00 1.00 1.00 0.125890 0.083000 smoke100 hx\_depress 0.00 1.00 1.00 0.511980 0.094007 bmi 27.29 36.65 9.36 0.153530 0.054322 activity - Highly\_Active:Inactive 4.00 1.00 NA -0.240070 0.114350 activity - Active: Inactive 4.00 2.00 NA -0.417320 0.137640 NA -0.279650 0.115000 activity - Insufficiently\_Active:Inactive 4.00 3.00 Lower 0.95 Upper 0.95 -0.185330 0.027008 0.248590 0.366990 -0.036973 0.288760 0.327520 0.696450 0.046932 0.260120 -0.464450 -0.015686 -0.687400 -0.147250 -0.505310 -0.054002

plot(summary(m16\_imp))



#### 17.12.3 Making Predictions with this Model

Once again, let's make predictions for our two subjects, and use this model (and the ones that follow) to predict their **physhealth** values.

- Sheena is age 50, has 2 comorbidities, has smoked 100 cigarettes in her life, has no history of depression, a BMI of 25, and is Highly Active.
- Jacob is age 65, has 4 comorbidities, has never smoked, has a history of depression, a BMI of 32 and is Inactive.

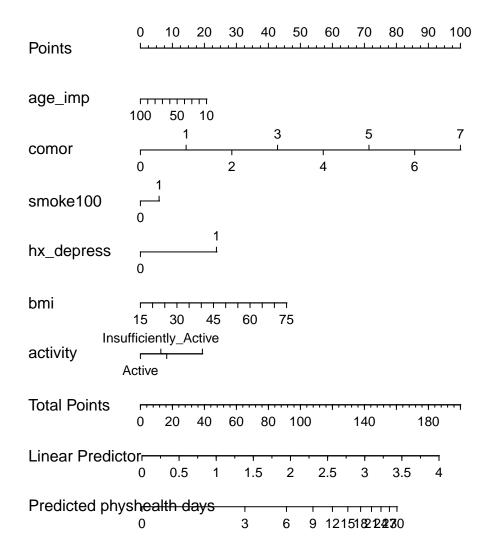
```
Warning: `tbl_df()` was deprecated in dplyr 1.0.0.
i Please use `tibble::as_tibble()` instead.
```

```
preds_m_16imp |> kable(digits = 3)
```

names	$pred_physhealth$
Sheena	2.704
Jacob	12.352

#### 17.12.4 Nomogram

We can also develop a nomogram, if we like. As a special touch, we'll add a prediction at the bottom which back-transforms out of the predicted phys\_tr back to the physhealth days.



We can see the big role of comor and hx\_depress in this model.

## 17.12.5 Validating Summary Statistics

We can cross-validate summary measures, like  $R^2 \ldots$ 

validate(m16\_imp)

	index.orig	training	test	optimism	index.corrected	n
R-square	0.1867	0.1984	0.1793	0.0192	0.1676	40
MSE	1.6472	1.6168	1.6623	-0.0455	1.6927	40
g	0.6876	0.7031	0.6749	0.0282	0.6594	40
Intercept	0.0000	0.0000	0.0677	-0.0677	0.0677	40
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	0.9636	0.0364	0.9636	40

## 18 Building Table 1

### 18.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(tableone)
library(knitr)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

Many scientific articles involve direct comparison of results from various exposures, perhaps treatments. In 431, we studied numerous methods, including various sorts of hypothesis tests, confidence intervals, and descriptive summaries, which can help us to understand and compare outcomes in such a setting. One common approach is to present what's often called Table 1. Table 1 provides a summary of the characteristics of a sample, or of groups of samples, which is most commonly used to help understand the nature of the data being compared.

## 18.2 Data Load

```
fakestroke <- read_csv("data/fakestroke.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)
bloodbrain <- read_csv("data/bloodbrain.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

## 18.3 Two examples from the New England Journal of Medicine

#### 18.3.1 A simple Table 1

Table 1 is especially common in the context of clinical research. Consider the excerpt below, from a January 2015 article in the *New England Journal of Medicine* [@Tolaney2015].

Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of the Patients.*					
Characteristic	Patients (N=406)				
	no. (%)				
Age group					
<50 yr	132 (32.5)				
50–59 yr	137 (33.7)				
60–69 yr	96 (23.6)				
≥70 yr	41 (10.1)				
Sex					
Female	405 (99.8)				
Male	1 (0.2)				
Race†					
White	351 (86.5)				
Black	28 (6.9)				
Asian	11 (2.7)				
Other	16 (3.9)				

This (partial) table reports baseline characteristics on age group, sex and race, describing 406 patients with HER2-positive<sup>1</sup> invasive breast cancer that began the protocol therapy. Age, sex and race (along with severity of illness) are the most commonly identified characteristics in a Table 1.

In addition to the measures shown in this excerpt, the full Table also includes detailed information on the primary tumor for each patient, including its size, nodal status and histologic grade. Footnotes tell us that the percentages shown are subject to rounding, and may not total 100, and that the race information was self-reported.

#### 18.3.2 A group comparison

A more typical Table 1 involves a group comparison, for example in this excerpt from @Roy2008. This Table 1 describes a multi-center randomized clinical trial comparing two different approaches to caring for patients with heart failure and atrial fibrillation<sup>2</sup>.

 $<sup>^{1}\</sup>mathrm{HER2} = \mathrm{human}$  epidermal growth factor receptor type 2. Over-expression of this occurs in 15-20% of invasive breast cancers, and has been associated with poor outcomes.

 $<sup>^2{\</sup>rm The}$  complete Table 1 appears on pages 2668-2669 of @Roy2008, but I have only reproduced the first page and the footnote in this excerpt.

Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of the Patients.*							
Variable	Rhythm-Control Group (N=682)	Rate-Control Group (N=694)					
Male sex (%)	78	85					
Age (yr)	66±11	67±11					
Body-mass index†	27.8±5.4	28.0±5.1					
Nonwhite race (%)‡	16	13					
NYHA class III or IV (%)							
At baseline	32	31					
During previous 6 mo	76	76					
Predominant cardiac diagnosis (%)∬							
Coronary artery disease	48	48					
Valvular heart disease	5	5					
Nonischemic cardiomyopathy	36	39					
Congenital heart disease	1	1					
Hypertensive heart disease	10	7					

The article provides percentages, means and standard deviations across groups, but note that it does not provide p values for the comparison of baseline characteristics. This is a common feature of NEJM reports on randomized clinical trials, where we anticipate that the two groups will be well matched at baseline. Note that the patients in this study were *randomly* assigned to either the rhythm-control group or to the rate-control group, using blocked randomization stratified by study center.

## 18.4 The MR CLEAN trial

@Berkhemer2015 reported on the MR CLEAN trial, involving 500 patients with acute ischemic stroke caused by a proximal intracranial arterial occlusion. The trial was conducted at 16 medical centers in the Netherlands, where 233 were randomly assigned to the intervention (intraarterial treatment plus usual care) and 267 to control (usual care alone.) The primary outcome was the modified Rankin scale score at 90 days; this categorical scale measures functional outcome, with scores ranging from 0 (no symptoms) to 6 (death). The fundamental conclusion of @Berkhemer2015 was that in patients with acute ischemic stroke caused by a proximal intracranial occlusion of the anterior circulation, intraarterial treatment administered within 6 hours after stroke onset was effective and safe.

Here's the Table 1 from @Berkhemer2015.

Characteristic	Intervention (N = 233)	Control (N = 267)
Age — yr		
Median	65.8	65.7
Interquartile range	54.5-76.0	55.5-76.4
Male sex — no. (%)	135 (57.9)	157 (58.8)
NIHSS score†		
Median (interquartile range)	17 (14-21)	18 (14-22)
Range	3-30	4-38
Location of stroke in left hemisphere — no. (%)	116 (49.8)	153 (57.3)
History of ischemic stroke — no. (%)	29 (12.4)	25 (9.4)
Atrial fibrillation — no. (%)	66 (28.3)	69 (25.8)
Diabetes mellitus — no. (%)	34 (14.6)	34 (12.7)
Prestroke modified Rankin scale score — no. (%)‡		
0	190 (81.5)	214 (80.1)
1	21 (9.0)	29 (10.9)
2	12 (5.2)	13 (4.9)
>2	10 (4.3)	11 (4.1)
Systolic blood pressure— mm Hg§	146±26.0	145±24.4
Treatment with IV alteplase — no. (%)	203 (87.1)	242 (90.6)
Time from stroke onset to start of IV alteplase — min		
Median	85	87
Interquartile range	67–110	65-116
ASPECTS — median (interquartile range)¶	9 (7-10)	9 (8-10)
Intracranial arterial occlusion — no./total no. (%)		
Intracranial ICA	1/233 (0.4)	3/266 (1.1)
ICA with involvement of the M1 middle cerebral artery segment	59/233 (25.3)	75/266 (28.2)
M1 middle cerebral artery segment	154/233 (66.1)	165/266 (62.0)
M2 middle cerebral artery segment	18/233 (7.7)	21/266 (7.9)
A1 or A2 anterior cerebral artery segment	1/233 (0.4)	2/266 (0.8)
Extracranial ICA occlusion — no./total no. (%)   **	75/233 (32.2)	70/266 (26.3)
Time from stroke onset to randomization — min††		
Median	204	196
Interquartile range	152-251	149-266
Time from stroke onset to groin puncture — min		
Median	260	NA
Interquartile range	210-313	

The Table was accompanied by the following notes.

- \* The intervention group was assigned to intraarterial treatment plus usual care, and the control group was assigned to usual care alone. Plus-minus values are means ±SD. ICA denotes internal carotid artery, IV intravenous, and NA not applicable.
- Scores on the National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) range from 0 to 42, with higher scores indicating more severe neurologic deficits. The NIHSS is a 15-item scale, and values for 30 of the 7500 items were missing (0.4%). The highest number of missing items for a single patient was 6.
- Scores on the modified Rankin scale of functional disability range from 0 (no symptoms) to 6 (death). A score of 2 or less indicates functional independence.
- Data on systolic blood pressure at baseline were missing for one patient assigned to the control group.
- The Alberta Stroke Program Early Computed Tomography Score (ASPECTS) is a measure of the extent of stroke. Scores ranges from 0 to 10, with higher scores indicating fewer early ischemic changes. Scores were not available for four patients assigned to the control group: noncontrast computed tomography was not performed in one patient, and three patients had strokes in the territory of the anterior cerebral artery.
- Vessel imaging was not performed in one patient in the control group, so the level of occlusion was not known.
- \*\* Extracranial ICA occlusions were reported by local investigators.
- †† Data were missing for two patients in the intervention group.

### 18.5 Simulated fakestroke data

Consider the simulated data, available on our Data and Code website in the fakestroke.csv file, which I built to let us mirror the Table 1 for MR CLEAN [@Berkhemer2015]. The fakestroke.csv file contains the following 18 variables for 500 patients.

Variable	Description
studyid	Study ID $\#$ (z001 through z500)
trt	Treatment group (Intervention or Control)
age	Age in years
sex	Male or Female
nihss	NIH Stroke Scale Score (can range from 0-42; higher scores indicate
	more severe neurological deficits)
location	Stroke Location - Left or Right Hemisphere
hx.isch	History of Ischemic Stroke (Yes/No)
afib	Atrial Fibrillation $(1 = \text{Yes}, 0 = \text{No})$
dm	Diabetes Mellitus $(1 = \text{Yes}, 0 = \text{No})$
mrankin	Pre-stroke modified Rankin scale score $(0, 1, 2 \text{ or } > 2)$ indicating
	functional disability - complete range is 0 (no symptoms) to 6 (death)
sbp	Systolic blood pressure, in mm Hg
iv.altep	Treatment with IV alteplase (Yes/No)
time.iv	Time from stroke onset to start of IV alteplase (minutes) if
	iv.altep=Yes
aspects	Alberta Stroke Program Early Computed Tomography score, which
	measures extent of stroke from 0 - 10; higher scores indicate fewer early
	ischemic changes

Variable	Description
ia.occlus	Intracranial arterial occlusion, based on vessel imaging - five categories $^3$
extra.ica	Extracranial ICA occlusion $(1 = \text{Yes}, 0 = \text{No})$
time.rand	Time from stroke onset to study randomization, in minutes
time.punc	Time from stroke onset to groin puncture, in minutes (only if
	Intervention)

Here's a quick look at the simulated data in fakestroke.

fakestroke

```
# A tibble: 500 x 18
```

	studyid	trt	age	sex	nihss	location	hx.isch	afib	dm	mrankin	sbp
	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>
1	z001	Control	53	Male	21	Right	No	0	0	2	127
2	z002	Interve~	51	Male	23	Left	No	1	0	0	137
3	z003	Control	68	Fema~	11	Right	No	0	0	0	138
4	z004	Control	28	Male	22	Left	No	0	0	0	122
5	z005	Control	91	Male	24	Right	No	0	0	0	162
6	z006	Control	34	Fema~	18	Left	No	0	0	2	166
7	z007	Interve~	75	Male	25	Right	No	0	0	0	140
8	z008	Control	89	Fema~	18	Right	No	0	0	0	157
9	z009	Control	75	Male	25	Left	No	1	0	2	129
10	z010	Interve~	26	Fema~	27	Right	No	0	0	0	143
# :	# i 490 more rows										
# :	i 7 more	variables	: iv.a	altep ·	<chr>,</chr>	time.iv ·	<dbl>, as</dbl>	spects	<dbl></dbl>	,	

# ia.occlus <chr>, extra.ica <dbl>, time.rand <dbl>, time.punc <dbl>

## 18.6 Building Table 1 for fakestroke: Attempt 1

Our goal, then, is to take the data in fakestroke.csv and use it to generate a Table 1 for the study that compares the 233 patients in the Intervention group to the 267 patients in the Control group, on all of the other variables (except study ID #) available. I'll use the tableone package of functions available in R to help me complete this task. We'll make a first attempt, using the CreateTableOne function in the tableone package. To use the function, we'll need to specify:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The five categories are Intracranial ICA, ICA with involvement of the M1 middle cerebral artery segment, M1 middle cerebral artery segment, M2 middle cerebral artery segment, A1 or A2 anterior cerebral artery segment

- the vars or variables we want to place in the rows of our Table 1 (which will include just about everything in the fakestroke data except the studyid code and the trt variable for which we have other plans, and the time.punc which applies only to subjects in the Intervention group.)
  - A useful trick here is to use the dput function, specifically something like dput(names(fakestroke)) can be used to generate a list of all of the variables included in the fakestroke tibble, and then this can be copied and pasted into the vars specification, saving some typing.
- the strata which indicates the levels want to use in the columns of our Table 1 (for us, that's trt)

Stratified by trt							
	Contro	L	Interve	ention	р	test	
n	267		233				
age (mean (SD))	65.38	(16.10)	63.93	(18.09)	0.343		
sex = Male (%)	157	(58.8)	135	(57.9)	0.917		
nihss (mean (SD))	18.08	(4.32)	17.97	(5.04)	0.787		
location = Right (%)	114	(42.7)	117	(50.2)	0.111		
hx.isch = Yes (%)	25	(9.4)	29	(12.4)	0.335		
afib (mean (SD))	0.26	(0.44)	0.28	(0.45)	0.534		
dm (mean (SD))	0.13	(0.33)	0.12	(0.33)	0.923		
mrankin (%)					0.922		
> 2	11	(4.1)	10	(4.3)			
0	214	(80.1)	190	(81.5)			
1	29	(10.9)	21	(9.0)			
2	13	( 4.9)	12	(5.2)			
sbp (mean (SD))	145.00	(24.40)	146.03	(26.00)	0.647		
iv.altep = Yes (%)	242	(90.6)	203	(87.1)	0.267		
time.iv (mean (SD))	87.96	(26.01)	98.22	(45.48)	0.003		

aspects (mean (S) ia.occlus (%)	D))	8.65	(1.47)	8.35	(1.64)	0.033 0.795
A1 or A2		2	(0.8)	1	( 0.4)	
ICA with M1		75	(28.2)	59	(25.3)	
Intracranial	ICA	3	( 1.1)	1	( 0.4)	
M1		165	(62.0)	154	(66.1)	
M2		21	(7.9)	18	(7.7)	
extra.ica (mean	(SD))	0.26	(0.44)	0.32	(0.47)	0.150
time.rand (mean	(SD))	213.88	(70.29)	202.51	(57.33)	0.051

#### 18.6.1 Some of this is very useful, and other parts need to be fixed.

- 1. The 1/0 variables (afib, dm, extra.ica) might be better if they were treated as the factors they are, and reported as the Yes/No variables are reported, with counts and percentages rather than with means and standard deviations.
- 2. In some cases, we may prefer to re-order the levels of the categorical (factor) variables, particularly the mrankin variable, but also the ia.occlus variable. It would also be more typical to put the Intervention group to the left and the Control group to the right, so we may need to adjust our trt variable's levels accordingly.
- 3. For each of the quantitative variables (age, nihss, sbp, time.iv, aspects, extra.ica, time.rand and time.punc) we should make a decision whether a summary with mean and standard deviation is appropriate, or whether we should instead summarize with, say, the median and quartiles. A mean and standard deviation really only yields an appropriate summary when the data are least approximately Normally distributed. This will make the *p* values a bit more reasonable, too. The test column in the first attempt will soon have something useful to tell us.
- 4. If we'd left in the time.punc variable, we'd get some warnings, having to do with the fact that time.punc is only relevant to patients in the Intervention group.

#### 18.6.2 fakestroke Cleaning Up Categorical Variables

Let's specify each of the categorical variables as categorical explicitly. This helps the CreateTableOne function treat them appropriately, and display them with counts and percentages. This includes all of the 1/0, Yes/No and multi-categorical variables.

Then we simply add a factorVars = fs.factorvars call to the CreateTableOne function.

We also want to re-order some of those categorical variables, so that the levels are more useful to us. Specifically, we want to:

- place Intervention before Control in the trt variable,
- reorder the mrankin scale as 0, 1, 2, > 2, and
- rearrange the ia.occlus variable to the order<sup>4</sup> presented in @Berkhemer2015.

To accomplish this, we'll use the fct\_relevel function from the forcats package (loaded with the rest of the core tidyverse packages) to reorder our levels manually.

#### 18.7 fakestroke Table 1: Attempt 2

```
Stratified by trt
                       Intervention
                                       Control
                                                               test
                                                       р
n
                          233
                                          267
                        63.93 (18.09)
age (mean (SD))
                                        65.38 (16.10)
                                                        0.343
sex = Male (%)
                          135 (57.9)
                                          157 (58.8)
                                                        0.917
nihss (mean (SD))
                        17.97 (5.04)
                                        18.08 (4.32)
                                                        0.787
location = Right (%)
                          117 (50.2)
                                          114 (42.7)
                                                        0.111
hx.isch = Yes (%)
                           29 (12.4)
                                           25 (9.4)
                                                        0.335
afib = 1 (\%)
                           66 (28.3)
                                           69 (25.8)
                                                        0.601
dm = 1 (%)
                           29(12.4)
                                           34 (12.7)
                                                        1.000
mrankin (%)
                                                        0.922
   0
                          190 (81.5)
                                          214 (80.1)
   1
                           21 ( 9.0)
                                           29 (10.9)
   2
                           12 ( 5.2)
                                           13 (4.9)
   > 2
                           10 (4.3)
                                           11 (4.1)
```

 ${}^{4}$ We might also have considered reordering the ia.occlus factor by its frequency, using the fct\_infreq function

sbp (mean (SD))	146.03	(26.00)	145.00	(24.40)	0.647
iv.altep = Yes (%)	203	(87.1)	242	(90.6)	0.267
time.iv (mean (SD))	98.22	(45.48)	87.96	(26.01)	0.003
aspects (mean (SD))	8.35	(1.64)	8.65	(1.47)	0.033
ia.occlus (%)					0.795
Intracranial ICA	1	( 0.4)	3	( 1.1)	
ICA with M1	59	(25.3)	75	(28.2)	
M1	154	(66.1)	165	(62.0)	
M2	18	(7.7)	21	(7.9)	
A1 or A2	1	( 0.4)	2	(0.8)	
extra.ica = 1 (%)	75	(32.2)	70	(26.3)	0.179
time.rand (mean (SD))	202.51	(57.33)	213.88	(70.29)	0.051

The categorical data presentation looks much improved.

#### 18.7.1 What summaries should we show?

Now, we'll move on to the issue of making a decision about what type of summary to show for the quantitative variables. Since the **fakestroke** data are just simulated and only match the summary statistics of the original results, not the details, we'll adopt the decisions made by @Berkhemer2015, which were to use medians and interquartile ranges to summarize the distributions of all of the continuous variables **except** systolic blood pressure.

- Specifying certain quantitative variables as *non-normal* causes R to show them with medians and the 25th and 75th percentiles, rather than means and standard deviations, and also causes those variables to be tested using non-parametric tests, like the Wilcoxon signed rank test, rather than the t test. The test column indicates this with the word nonnorm.
  - In real data situations, what should we do? The answer is to look at the data. I would not make the decision as to which approach to take without first plotting (perhaps in a histogram or a Normal Q-Q plot) the observed distributions in each of the two samples, so that I could make a sound decision about whether Normality was a reasonable assumption. If the means and medians are meaningfully different from each other, this is especially important.
  - To be honest, though, if the variable in question is a relatively unimportant covariate and the p values for the two approaches are nearly the same, I'd say that further investigation is rarely important,
- Specifying *exact* tests for certain categorical variables (we'll try this for the location and mrankin variables) can be done, and these changes will be noted in the test column, as well.

- In real data situations, I would rarely be concerned about this issue, and often choose Pearson (approximate) options across the board. This is reasonable so long as the number of subjects falling in each category is reasonably large, say above 10. If not, then an exact test may be a tiny improvement.
- Paraphrasing @Rosenbaum2017, having an exact rather than an approximate test result is about as valuable as having a nice crease in your trousers.

To finish our Table 1, then, we need to specify which variables should be treated as non-Normal in the print statement - notice that we don't need to redo the CreateTableOne for this change.

```
print(att2,
      nonnormal = c("age", "nihss", "time.iv", "aspects", "time.rand").
      exact = c("location", "mrankin"))
                         Stratified by trt
                          Intervention
                                                   Control
n
                             233
                                                      267
age (median [IQR])
                           65.80 [54.50, 76.00]
                                                    65.70 [55.75, 76.20]
sex = Male (%)
                             135 (57.9)
                                                      157 (58.8)
nihss (median [IQR])
                           17.00 [14.00, 21.00]
                                                    18.00 [14.00, 22.00]
location = Right (%)
                                                      114 (42.7)
                             117 (50.2)
hx.isch = Yes (%)
                              29 (12.4)
                                                       25 (9.4)
afib = 1 (\%)
                              66 (28.3)
                                                       69 (25.8)
dm = 1 (%)
                              29 (12.4)
                                                       34 (12.7)
mrankin (%)
   0
                             190 (81.5)
                                                      214 (80.1)
   1
                              21 (9.0)
                                                       29 (10.9)
   2
                              12 (5.2)
                                                       13 (4.9)
   > 2
                              10 (4.3)
                                                       11(4.1)
sbp (mean (SD))
                          146.03 (26.00)
                                                   145.00 (24.40)
iv.altep = Yes (%)
                             203 (87.1)
                                                      242 (90.6)
time.iv (median [IQR])
                           85.00 [67.00, 110.00]
                                                    87.00 [65.00, 116.00]
aspects (median [IQR])
                            9.00 [7.00, 10.00]
                                                     9.00 [8.00, 10.00]
ia.occlus (%)
   Intracranial ICA
                               1(0.4)
                                                        3 (1.1)
   ICA with M1
                              59 (25.3)
                                                       75 (28.2)
   M1
                             154 (66.1)
                                                      165 (62.0)
   M2
                              18(7.7)
                                                       21(7.9)
   A1 or A2
                               1(0.4)
                                                        2 (0.8)
                              75 (32.2)
extra.ica = 1 (%)
                                                       70 (26.3)
time.rand (median [IQR]) 204.00 [152.00, 249.50] 196.00 [149.00, 266.00]
```

```
Stratified by trt
                          р
                                  test
n
age (median [IQR])
                           0.579 nonnorm
sex = Male (%)
                           0.917
nihss (median [IQR])
                           0.453 nonnorm
location = Right (%)
                           0.106 exact
hx.isch = Yes (%)
                           0.335
afib = 1 (\%)
                           0.601
dm = 1 (%)
                           1.000
mrankin (%)
                           0.917 exact
   0
   1
   2
   > 2
sbp (mean (SD))
                           0.647
iv.altep = Yes (%)
                           0.267
time.iv (median [IQR])
                           0.596 nonnorm
aspects (median [IQR])
                           0.075 nonnorm
ia.occlus (%)
                           0.795
   Intracranial ICA
   ICA with M1
   M1
   M2
   A1 or A2
extra.ica = 1 (%)
                           0.179
time.rand (median [IQR])
                           0.251 nonnorm
```

#### 18.8 Obtaining a more detailed Summary

If this was a real data set, we'd want to get a more detailed description of the data to make decisions about things like potentially collapsing categories of a variable, or whether or not a normal distribution was useful for a particular continuous variable, etc. You can do this with the summary command applied to a created Table 1, which shows, among other things, the effect of changing from normal to non-normal p values for continuous variables, and from approximate to "exact" p values for categorical factors.

Again, as noted above, in a real data situation, we'd want to plot the quantitative variables (within each group) to make a smart decision about whether a t test or Wilcoxon approach is more appropriate.

Note in the summary below that we have some missing values here. Often, we'll present this information within the Table 1, as well.

summary(att2)

#### ### Summary of continuous variables ###

trt: Inter	rvent	tion										
	n	miss	p.miss	mean	sd	median	p25	p75	min	max	skew	kurt
age	233	0	0.0	64	18	66	54	76	23	96	-0.34	-0.52
nihss	233	0	0.0	18	5	17	14	21	10	28	0.48	-0.74
sbp	233	0	0.0	146	26	146	129	164	78	214	-0.07	-0.22
time.iv	233	30	12.9	98	45	85	67	110	42	218	1.03	0.08
aspects	233	0	0.0	8	2	9	7	10	5	10	-0.56	-0.98
time.rand	233	2	0.9	203	57	204	152	250	100	300	0.01	-1.16
trt: Conti	rol											
	n	miss	p.miss	mean	sd	median	p25	p75	min	max	skev	<i>v</i> kurt
age	267	0	0.0	65	16	66	56	76	24	94	-0.296	5 -0.28
nihss	267	0	0.0	18	4	18	14	22	11	25	0.017	7 -1.24
sbp	267	1	0.4	145	24	145	128	161	82	231	0.156	5 0.08
time.iv	267	25	9.4	88	26	87	65	116	44	130	0.001	l -1.32
aspects	267	4	1.5	9	1	9	8	10	5	10	-1.071	L 0.36
time.rand	267	0	0.0	214	70	196	149	266	120	360	0.508	3 -0.93
p-values												
		pNorm	al pNor	nNorma	al							
age	0.34	428136	60 0.57	785697	76							
nihss	0.78	374872	52 0.45	531169	95							

age	0.342813660	0.5/8569/6
nihss	0.787487252	0.45311695
sbp	0.647157646	0.51346132
time.iv	0.003073372	0.59641104
aspects	0.032662901	0.07464683
time.rand	0.050803672	0.25134327

#### Standardize mean differences

1 vs 2
0.08478764
0.02405390
0.04100833
0.27691223
0.19210662

time.rand 0.17720957

#### \_\_\_\_\_

#### ### Summary of categorical variables ###

trt: Interv	vent	ion					
var	n	miss	p.miss	level	freq	percent	cum.percent
sex	233	0	0.0	Female	98	42.1	42.1
				Male	135	57.9	100.0
location	233	0	0.0	Left	116	49.8	49.8
				Right		50.2	100.0
hx.isch	233	0	0.0	No	204	87.6	87.6
				Yes		12.4	
afib	233	0	0.0	0	167	71.7	71.7
		-		1	66	28.3	100.0
dm	233	0	0.0	0	204	87.6	87.6
		-		1	29	12.4	
mrankin	233	0	0.0	0	190	81.5	81.5
				1	21	9.0	90.6
				2		5.2	95.7
				> 2	10	4.3	100.0
iv.altep	233	0	0.0	No	30	12.9	12.9
-				Yes	203	87.1	100.0
ia.occlus	233	0	0.0	Intracranial ICA	1	0.4	0.4
				ICA with M1	59	25.3	25.8
				M1	154	66.1	91.8
				M2	18	7.7	99.6
				A1 or A2	1	0.4	100.0
extra.ica	233	0	0.0	0	158	67.8	67.8
				1	75	32.2	100.0

trt: Control

var n miss p.miss

level freq percent cum.percent

sex	267	0	0.0	Female Male	110 157	41.2 58.8	41.2 100.0
location	267	0	0.0	Left Right	153 114	57.3 42.7	57.3 100.0
hx.isch	267	0	0.0	No Yes	242 25	90.6 9.4	90.6 100.0
afib	267	0	0.0	0 1	198 69	74.2 25.8	74.2 100.0
dm	267	0	0.0	0 1	233 34	87.3 12.7	87.3 100.0
mrankin	267	0	0.0	0 1 2 > 2	214 29 13 11	80.1 10.9 4.9 4.1	80.1 91.0 95.9 100.0
iv.altep	267	0	0.0	No Yes	25 242	9.4 90.6	9.4 100.0
ia.occlus	267	1	0.4	Intracranial ICA ICA with M1 M1 M2 A1 or A2	3 75 165 21 2	1.1 28.2 62.0 7.9 0.8	1.1 29.3 91.4 99.2 100.0
extra.ica	267	1	0.4	0 1	196 70	73.7 26.3	73.7 100.0

#### p-values

	pApprox	pExact
sex	0.9171387	0.8561188
location	0.1113553	0.1056020
hx.isch	0.3352617	0.3124683
afib	0.6009691	0.5460206
dm	1.0000000	1.0000000
mrankin	0.9224798	0.9173657
iv.altep	0.2674968	0.2518374
ia.occlus	0.7945580	0.8189090

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extra.ica 0.1793385 0.1667574

Standardize mean differences

1 vs 2

sex 0.017479025

location 0.151168444

hx.isch 0.099032275

afib 0.055906317

dm 0.008673478

mrankin 0.062543164

iv.altep 0.111897009

ia.occlus 0.117394890

extra.ica 0.129370206
```

In this case, I have simulated the data to mirror the results in the published Table 1 for this study. In no way have I captured the full range of the real data, or any of the relationships in that data, so it's more important here to see what's available in the analysis, rather than to interpret it closely in the clinical context.

#### 18.9 Exporting the Completed Table 1 from R to Excel or Word

Once you've built the table and are generally satisfied with it, you'll probably want to be able to drop it into Excel or Word for final cleanup.

#### 18.9.1 Approach A: Save and open in Excel

One option is to **save the Table 1** to a .csv file within our data subfolder (note that the data folder must already exist), which you can then open directly in Excel. This is the approach I generally use. Note the addition of some quote, noSpaces and printToggle selections here.

When I then open the fs-table1.csv file in Excel, it looks like this:

	А	В	С	D	E
1		Intervention	Control	р	test
2	n	233	267		
3	age (median [IQR])	65.80 [54.50, 76.00]	65.70 [55.75, 76.20]	0.579	nonnorm
4	sex = Male (%)	135 (57.9)	157 (58.8)	0.917	
5	nihss (median [IQR])	17.00 [14.00, 21.00]	18.00 [14.00, 22.00]	0.453	nonnorm
6	location = Right (%)	117 (50.2)	114 (42.7)	0.111	
7	hx.isch = Yes (%)	29 (12.4)	25 (9.4)	0.335	
8	afib = 1 (%)	66 (28.3)	69 (25.8)	0.601	
9	dm = 1 (%)	29 (12.4)	34 (12.7)	1	
10	mrankin (%)			0.922	
11	0	190 (81.5)	214 (80.1)		
12	1	21 (9.0)	29 (10.9)		
13	2	12 (5.2)	13 (4.9)		
14	>2	10 (4.3)	11 (4.1)		
15	sbp (mean (sd))	146.03 (26.00)	145.00 (24.40)	0.647	
16	iv.altep = Yes (%)	203 (87.1)	242 (90.6)	0.267	
17	time.iv (median [IQR])	85.00 [67.00, 110.00]	87.00 [65.00, 116.00]	0.596	nonnorm
18	aspects (median [IQR])	9.00 [7.00, 10.00]	9.00 [8.00, 10.00]	0.075	nonnorm
19	ia.occlus (%)			0.795	
20	Intracranial ICA	1 (0.4)	3 (1.1)		
21	ICA with M1	59 (25.3)	75 (28.2)		
22	M1	154 (66.1)	165 (62.0)		
23	M2	18 (7.7)	21 (7.9)		
24	A1 or A2	1 (0.4)	2 (0.8)		
25	extra.ica = 1 (%)	75 (32.2)	70 (26.3)	0.179	
26	time.rand (median [IQR])	204.00 [152.00, 249.50]	196.00 [149.00, 266.00]	0.251	nonnorm
27	time.punc (median [IQR])	260.00 [212.00, 313.00]	NA [NA, NA]	NA	nonnorm
28					

And from here, I can either drop it directly into Word, or present it as is, or start tweaking it to meet formatting needs.

#### 18.9.2 Approach B: Produce the Table so you can cut and paste it

This will look like a mess by itself, but if you:

- 1. copy and paste that mess into Excel
- 2. select Text to Columns from the Data menu
- 3. select Delimited, then Space and select Treat consecutive delimiters as one

you should get something usable again.

Or, in Word,

- 1. insert the text
- 2. select the text with your mouse
- 3. select Insert ... Table ... Convert Text to Table
- 4. place a quotation mark in the "Other" area under Separate text at ...

After dropping blank columns, the result looks pretty good.

# 18.10 A Controlled Biological Experiment - The Blood-Brain Barrier

My source for the data and the following explanatory paragraph is page 307 from @Ram-seySchafer2002. The original data come from @Barnett1995.

The human brain (and that of rats, coincidentally) is protected from the bacteria and toxins that course through the bloodstream by something called the bloodbrain barrier. After a method of disrupting the barrier was developed, researchers tested this new mechanism, as follows. A series of 34 rats were inoculated with human lung cancer cells to induce brain tumors. After 9-11 days they were infused with either the barrier disruption (BD) solution or, as a control, a normal saline (NS) solution. Fifteen minutes later, the rats received a standard dose of a particular therapeutic antibody (L6-F(ab')2. The key measure of the effectiveness of transmission across the brain-blood barrier is the ratio of the antibody concentration in the brain tumor to the antibody concentration in normal tissue outside the brain. The rats were then sacrificed, and the amounts of antibody in the brain tumor and in normal tissue from the liver were measured. The study's primary objective is to determine whether the antibody concentration in the tumor increased when the blood-barrier disruption infusion was given, and if so, by how much?

#### 18.11 The bloodbrain.csv file

Consider the data, available on our Data and Code website in the bloodbrain.csv file, which includes the following variables:

Variable	Description
case	identification number for the rat $(1 - 34)$
brain	an outcome: Brain tumor antibody count (per gram)
liver	an outcome: Liver antibody count (per gram)
tlratio	an outcome: tumor / liver concentration ratio
solution	the treatment: BD (barrier disruption) or NS (normal saline)
sactime	a design variable: Sacrifice time (hours; either $0.5, 3, 24$ or $72$ )
postin	covariate: Days post-inoculation of lung cancer cells $(9, 10 \text{ or } 11)$
sex	covariate: M or F
wt.init	covariate: Initial weight (grams)
wt.loss	covariate: Weight loss (grams)
wt.tumor	covariate: Tumor weight $(10^{-4} \text{ grams})$

And here's what the data look like in R.

bloodbrain

```
# A tibble: 34 x 11
```

	case	brain	liver	tlratio	solution	sactime	postin	sex	wt.init	wt.loss
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	1	41081	1456164	0.0282	BD	0.5	10	F	239	5.9
2	2	44286	1602171	0.0276	BD	0.5	10	F	225	4
3	3	102926	1601936	0.0642	BD	0.5	10	F	224	-4.9
4	4	25927	1776411	0.0146	BD	0.5	10	F	184	9.8
5	5	42643	1351184	0.0316	BD	0.5	10	F	250	6
6	6	31342	1790863	0.0175	NS	0.5	10	F	196	7.7
7	7	22815	1633386	0.0140	NS	0.5	10	F	200	0.5
8	8	16629	1618757	0.0103	NS	0.5	10	F	273	4
9	9	22315	1567602	0.0142	NS	0.5	10	F	216	2.8
10	10	77961	1060057	0.0735	BD	3	10	F	267	2.6
# i	. 24 mc	ore rows	5							

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# i 1 more variable: wt.tumor <dbl>
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# 18.12 A Table 1 for bloodbrain

@Barnett1995 did not provide a Table 1 for these data, so let's build one to compare the two solutions (BD vs. NS) on the covariates and outcomes, plus the natural logarithm of the tumor/liver concentration ratio (tlratio). We'll opt to treat the sacrifice time (sactime) and the days post-inoculation of lung cancer cells (postin) as categorical rather than quantitative variables.

```
bloodbrain <- bloodbrain %>%
    mutate(logTL = log(tlratio))
dput(names(bloodbrain))
c("case", "brain", "liver", "tlratio", "solution", "sactime",
"postin", "sex", "wt.init", "wt.loss", "wt.tumor", "logTL")
```

OK - there's the list of variables we'll need. I'll put the outcomes at the bottom of the table.

### Summary of continuous variables ###

solution: BD											
	n	miss	p.miss	mean	sd	median	p25	p75	min	max	skew
wt.init	17	0	0	243	3e+01	2e+02	2e+02	3e+02	2e+02	3e+02	-0.39
wt.loss	17	0	0	3	5e+00	4e+00	1e+00	6e+00	-5e+00	1e+01	-0.10
wt.tumor	17	0	0	157	8e+01	2e+02	1e+02	2e+02	2e+01	4e+02	0.53
brain	17	0	0	56043	3e+04	5e+04	4e+04	8e+04	6e+03	1e+05	0.29
liver	17	0	0	672577	7e+05	6e+05	2e+04	1e+06	2e+03	2e+06	0.35
tlratio	17	0	0	2	3e+00	1e-01	6e-02	3e+00	1e-02	9e+00	1.58
logTL	17	0	0	-1	2e+00	-2e+00	-3e+00	1e+00	-4e+00	2e+00	0.08
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wt.init	0.	7									
wt.loss	0.	2									
wt.tumor	1.	0									
brain	-0.	6									
liver	-1.	7									
tlratio	1.	7									

logTL -1.7

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### Summary of categorical variables ###

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n	miss	p.miss	level	freq	percent	cum.percent	
17	0	0.0	0.5	5	29.4	29.4	
			3	4	23.5	52.9	
			24	4	23.5	76.5	
			72	4	23.5	100.0	
17	0	0.0	Q	1	5 0	5 0	
11	0	0.0					
			11	Z	11.8	100.0	
17	0	0.0	F	13	76.5	76.5	
			М	4	23.5	100.0	
n	miss	p.miss	level	freq	percent	cum.percent	
17	0	0.0	0.5	4	23.5	23.5	
			3	5	29.4	52.9	
			24	4	23.5	76.5	
			72	4	23.5	100.0	
17	0	0.0	9	2	11.8	11.8	
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			М	4	23.5	100.0	
11	0	0.0					
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pApprox pExact sactime 0.9739246 1 postin 0.8309504 1 sex 1.0000000 1 Standardize mean differences 1 vs 2 sactime 0.1622214 postin 0.2098877 sex 0.0000000 Note that, in this particular case, the decisions we make about normality vs. non-normality (for quantitative variables) and the decisions we make about approximate vs. exact testing (for categorical variables) won't actually change the implications of the p values. Each approach gives similar results for each variable. Of course, that's not always true.

#### 18.12.1 Generate final Table 1 for bloodbrain

I'll choose to treat tlratio and its logarithm as non-Normal, but otherwise, use t tests, but admittedly, that's an arbitrary decision, really.

```
print(bb.att1, nonnormal = c("tlratio", "logTL"))
```

	Stratified	by solution		
	BD		NS	
n	17		17	
sactime (%)				
0.5	5	(29.4)	4	(23.5)
3	4	(23.5)	5	(29.4)
24	4	(23.5)	4	(23.5)
72	4	(23.5)	4	(23.5)
postin (%)				
9	1	(5.9)	2	(11.8)
10	14	(82.4)	13	(76.5)
11	2	(11.8)	2	(11.8)
sex = M (%)	4	(23.5)	4	(23.5)
wt.init (mean (SD))	242.82	(27.23)	240.47	(28.54)
wt.loss (mean (SD))	3.34	(4.68)	3.94	(3.88)
wt.tumor (mean (SD))	157.29	(84.00)	208.53	(116.68)
brain (mean (SD))	56043.41	(33675.40)	23887.18	(14610.53)
liver (mean (SD))	672577.35	(694479.58)	664975.47	(700773.13)
tlratio (median [IQR]	) 0.12	[0.06, 2.84]	0.05	[0.03, 0.94]
logTL (median [IQR])	-2.10	[-2.74, 1.04]	-2.95	[-3.41, -0.07]
	Stratified	by solution		
	p tea	st		
n				
sactime (%)	0.974			
0.5				
3				
24				
72				
postin (%)	0.831			

9	
10	
11	
sex = M (%)	1.000
wt.init (mean (SD))	0.807
wt.loss (mean (SD))	0.684
wt.tumor (mean (SD))	0.152
brain (mean (SD))	0.001
liver (mean (SD))	0.975
tlratio (median [IQR])	0.221 nonnorm
logTL (median [IQR])	0.221 nonnorm

Or, we can get an Excel-readable version placed in a data subfolder, using

```
write.csv(bb.t1, file = "data/bb-table1.csv")
```

1	А	В	С	D	E	
1		BD	NS	р	test	
2	n	17	17			
3	sex = M (%)	4 (23.5)	4 (23.5)	1		
4	sactime (%)			0.974		
5	0.5	5 (29.4)	4 (23.5)			
6	3	4 (23.5)	5 (29.4)			
7	24	4 (23.5)	4 (23.5)			
8	72	4 (23.5)	4 (23.5)			
9	postin (%)			0.831		
10	9	1 (5.9)	2 (11.8)			
11	10	14 (82.4)	13 (76.5)			
12	11	2 (11.8)	2 (11.8)			
13	wt.init (mean (sd))	242.82 (27.23)	240.47 (28.54)	0.807		
14	wt.loss (mean (sd))	3.34 (4.68)	3.94 (3.88)	0.684		
15	wt.tumor (mean (sd))	157.29 (84.00)	208.53 (116.68)	0.152		
16	brain (mean (sd))	56043.41 (33675.40)	23887.18 (14610.53)	0.001		
17	liver (mean (sd))	672577.35 (694479.58)	664975.47 (700773.13)	0.975		
18	tlratio (median [IQR])	0.12 [0.06, 2.84]	0.05 [0.03, 0.94]	0.221	nonnorm	
19	logTL (median [IQR])	-2.10 [-2.74, 1.04]	-2.95 [-3.41, -0.07]	0.221	nonnorm	
20						

which, when dropped into Excel, will look like this:

One thing I would definitely clean up here, in practice, is to change the presentation of the p value for sex from 1 to > 0.99, or just omit it altogether. I'd also drop the computer-ese where possible, add units for the measures, round **a lot**, identify the outcomes carefully, and use notes to indicate deviations from the main approach.

#### 18.12.2 A More Finished Version (after Cleanup in Word)

	Barrier Disruption	Normal Saline		
	(BD: treatment)	(NS: control)	р	
# of Rats	17	17		
Sex = Male	4 (23.5)	4 (23.5)	-	
Sacrifice Time (hours)			0.97	
0.5	5 (29.4)	4 (23.5)		
3	4 (23.5)	5 (29.4)		
24	4 (23.5)	4 (23.5)		
72	4 (23.5)	4 (23.5)		
Days post-inoculation of			0.83	
lung cancer cells			0.05	
9	1 (5.9)	2 (11.8)		
10	14 (82.4)	13 (76.5)		
11	2 (11.8)	2 (11.8)		
Initial Weight (g)	243 (27)	240 (29)	0.81	
Weight Loss (g)	3.3 (4.7)	3.9 (3.9)	0.68	
Tumor Weight (10 <sup>-4</sup> g)	157.3 (84.0)	208.5 (116.7)	0.15	
Key Outcomes: mean (sd) unless otherw	vise indicated			
Brain Tumor Antibody Count (per g)	56,043 (33,675)	23,887 (14,611)	0.001	
Liver Antibody Count (per g)	672,577 (694,480)	664,975 (700,773)	0.98	
Tumor/Liver Ratio	0.12	0.05	0.22	
(median [Q25, Q75])	[0.06, 2.84]	[0.03, 0.94]		
Natural Log of Tumor/Liver Ratio	-2.10	-2.95	0.22	
(median [Q25, Q75])	[-2.74, 1.04]	[-3.41, -0.07]	0.22	

# Table 1. Comparing Rats Receiving BD to those Receiving NS on Available Covariates and Design Variables, and Key Outcomes

Table 1 Notes:

- Categorical variables are summarized with counts, percentages and p values based on approximate chi-square tests.
- Continuous variables, unless otherwise indicated, are summarized with means, standard deviations and p values based on t tests.
- The Tumor / Liver ratio and its natural logarithm are summarized with the median and quartiles and a p value from a non-parametric (Wilcoxon signed rank) test.

# **19 Logistic Regression: The Foundations**

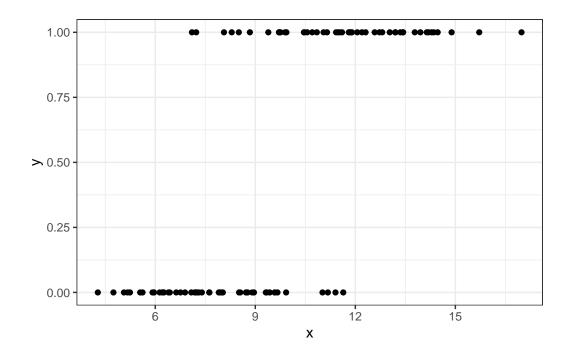
Sources for this material include @Harrell2001, @HarrellRMSnotes, @RamseySchafer2002 (chapters 20-21), @Vittinghoff2012 (chapter 5) and @Faraway2006 (chapter 2).

## 19.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

# 19.2 A First Attempt: A Linear Probability Model

Suppose we want to predict a binary outcome which takes on the value 1 or 0, based on a single quantitative predictor. Let y be a 1/0 outcome, and x be a quantitative predictor in the following simulation.



Now, we want to use our variable x here to predict our variable y (which takes on the values 0 and 1).

One approach to doing this would be a linear probability model, as follows:

```
mod12a <- lm(y ~ x, data = sim12)
summary(mod12a)</pre>
```

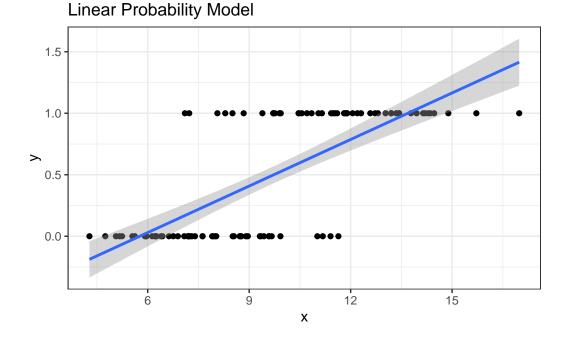
Call: lm(formula = y ~ x, data = sim12) Residuals: Min 1Q Median ЗQ Max -0.74104 -0.23411 -0.02894 0.23117 0.83153 Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) -0.72761 0.12272 -5.929 4.57e-08 \*\*\* 0.12620 0.01219 10.349 < 2e-16 \*\*\* х \_\_\_

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.3491 on 98 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.5222, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5173 F-statistic: 107.1 on 1 and 98 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

Here's a picture of this model. What's wrong here?

```
ggplot(sim12, aes(x = x, y = y)) +
geom_point() +
geom_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ x, se = TRUE) +
labs(title = "Linear Probability Model")
```



If y can only take the values 0 and 1 (or, more precisely, if we're trying to predict the value  $\pi = \Pr(y = 1)$ ) then what do we do with the predictions that are outside the range of (0, 1)?

# **19.3 Logistic Regression**

Logistic regression is the most common model used when the outcome is binary. Our response variable is assumed to take on two values, zero or one, and we then describe the probability of a "one" response, given a linear function of explanatory predictors. We use logistic regression rather than linear regression for predicting binary outcomes. Linear regression approaches to the problem of predicting probabilities are problematic for several reasons - not least of which being that they predict probabilities greater than one and less than zero. There are several available alternatives, including probit regression and binomial regression, for the problem of predicting a binary outcome.

Logistic regression is part of a class called **generalized linear models** which extend the linear regression model in a variety of ways. There are also several extensions to the logistic regression model, including multinomial logistic regression (which is used for nominal categorical outcomes with more than two levels) and ordered logistic regression (used for ordered multi-categorical outcomes.) The methods involved in binary logistic regression may also be extended to the case where the outcomes are proportions based on counts, often through grouped binary responses (the proportion of cells with chromosomal aberrations, or the proportion of subjects who develop a particular condition.)

Although the models are different in some crucial ways, the practical use of logistic regression tracks well with much of what we've learned about linear regression.

#### **19.4 The Logistic Regression Model**

A generalized linear model (or GLM) is a probability model in which the mean of an outcome is related to predictors through a regression equation. A link function g is used to relate the mean,  $\mu$ , to a linear regression of the predictors  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_k$ .

$$g(\mu)=\beta_0+\beta_1X_1+\beta_2X_2+\ldots+\beta_kX_k$$

In the case of a logistic regression model,

- the mean  $\mu$  of our 0/1 outcome is represented by  $\pi$  which describes the probability of a "1" outcome.
- the linking function we use in logistic regression makes use of the logit function, which is built on the natural logarithm.

#### **19.5 The Link Function**

Logistic regression is a non-linear regression approach, since the equation for the mean of the 0/1 Y values conditioned on the values of our predictors  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_k$  turns out to be non-linear in the  $\beta$  coefficients. Its nonlinearity, however, is solely found in its link function, hence the term generalized linear model.

The particular link function we use in logistic regression is called the **logit link**.

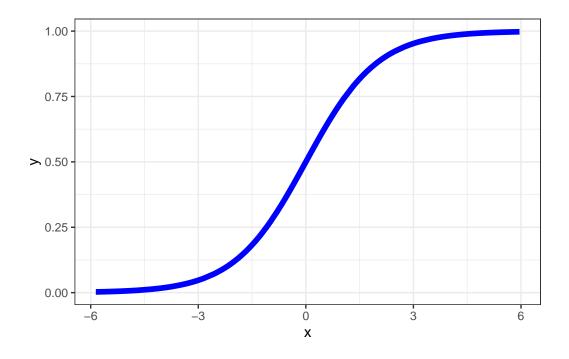
$$logit(\pi) = log\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \ldots + \beta_k X_k$$

The inverse of the logit function is called the **logistic function**. If  $logit(\pi) = \eta$ , then  $\pi = \frac{exp(\eta)}{1+exp(\eta)}$ 

The plot below displays the logistic function  $y = \frac{e^x}{1+e^x}$ 

```
set.seed(43201)
temp <- tibble(
    x = runif(200, min = -6, max = 6),
    y = exp(x) / (1 + exp(x)))
ggplot(temp, aes(x = x, y = y)) +</pre>
```

geom\_line(linewidth = 2, col = "blue")



As you can see in the figure above, the logistic function  $\frac{e^x}{1+e^x}$  takes any value x in the real numbers and returns a value between 0 and 1.

#### 19.6 The logit or log odds

We usually focus on the logit in statistical work, which is the inverse of the logistic function.

- If we have a probability  $\pi < 0.5$ , then  $logit(\pi) < 0$ .
- If our probability  $\pi > 0.5$ , then  $logit(\pi) > 0$ .
- Finally, if  $\pi = 0.5$ , then  $logit(\pi) = 0$ .

## 19.7 Interpreting the Coefficients of a Logistic Regression Model

The critical thing to remember in interpreting a logistic regression model is that the logit is the log odds function. Exponentiating the logit yields the odds.

So, suppose we have a yes/no outcome variable, where yes = 1, and no = 0, and  $\pi = \Pr(y = 1)$ . Our model holds that:

$$logit(\pi) = log\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \ldots + \beta_k X_k$$

The odds of a yes response (the odds that  $\mathbf{Y}=1)$  at the level  $X_1,X_2,...,X_k$  are:

$$Odds(Y = 1) = exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_k X_k)$$

The **probability** of a yes response  $(Pr(y = 1), or \pi)$  is just

$$\pi = Pr(Y = 1) = \frac{Odds(Y = 1)}{1 + Odds(Y = 1)} = \frac{exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \ldots + \beta_k X_k)}{1 + exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \ldots + \beta_k X_k)}$$

## 19.8 The Logistic Regression has non-constant variance

In ordinary least squares regression, the variance  $Var(Y|X_1, X_2, ..., X_k) = \sigma^2$  is a constant that does not depend on the predictor values. This is not the case in logistic regression. The mean and variance specifications of the logistic regression model are quite different.

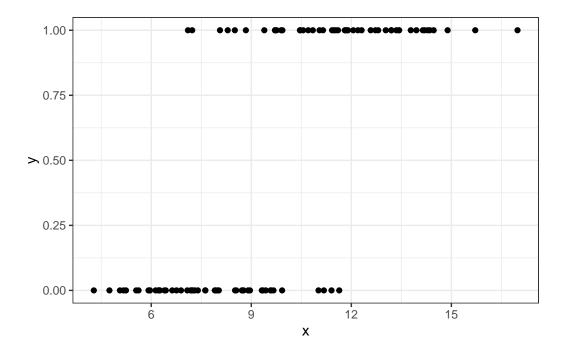
$$logit(\pi) = log\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \ldots + \beta_k X_k \mu[Y|X_1, \ldots, X_k] = \pi, Var[Y|X_1, \ldots, X_k] = \pi(1-\pi) + \beta_0 X_k \mu[Y|X_1, \ldots, X_k]$$

The variance is now a function of the mean, and contains no additional parameter for us to estimate.

# 19.9 Fitting a Logistic Regression Model to our Simulated Data

Recall the sim12 data we built earlier.

```
ggplot(sim12, aes(x = x, y = y)) + geom_point()
```



Here is the fitted logistic regression model.

model12b <- glm(y ~ x, data = sim12, family = binomial)
model12b
Call: glm(formula = y ~ x, family = binomial, data = sim12)
Coefficients:
(Intercept) x
-9.1955 0.9566</pre>

Degrees of Freedom: 99 Total (i.e. Null); 98 Residual Null Deviance: 138.6 Residual Deviance: 70.03 AIC: 74.03

The logistic regression equation is:

$$logit(Pr(y=1)) = log\left(\frac{Pr(y=1)}{1 - Pr(y=1)}\right) = -9.1955 + 0.9566x$$

We can exponentiate the results of this model to get to an equation about odds, and eventually, a prediction about probabilities. Suppose, for instance, that we are interested in the prediction when x = 12.

$$logit(Pr(y=1)|X=12) = log\left(\frac{Pr(y=1)}{1 - Pr(y=1)}\right) = -9.1955 + 0.9566 * 12 = 2.2837$$

And we can also get this from the **predict** function applied to our model, although the **predict** approach retains a few more decimal places internally:

```
predict(model12b, newdata = data.frame(x = 12))
```

1 2.284069

Odds(Y=1|X=12) = exp(-9.20+0.96\*12) = exp(2.2837) = 9.812921

exp(predict(model12b, newdata = data.frame(x = 12)))

1 9.81654

The estimated **probability** of a yes response (Pr(y = 1), or  $\pi$ ) if x = 12 is just

$$\pi = \Pr(Y = 1 | X = 12) = \frac{Odds(Y = 1 | X = 12)}{1 + Odds(Y = 1 | X = 12)} = \frac{exp(-9.20 + 0.96x)}{1 + exp(-9.20 + 0.96x)} = \frac{9.812921}{1 + 9.812921} = 0.908$$

Does this work out?

```
exp(predict(model12b, newdata = data.frame(x = 12))) /
    (1 + exp(predict(model12b, newdata = data.frame(x = 12))))
    1
0.907549
```

which is also directly available by running predict with type = "response".

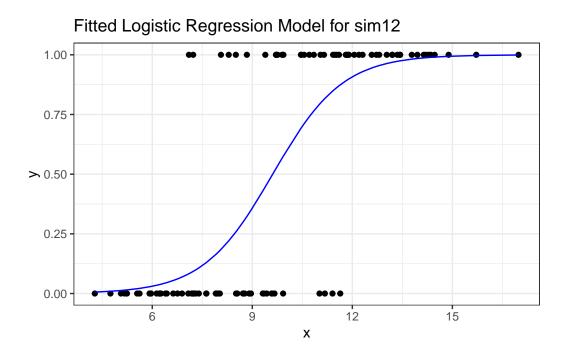
```
predict(model12b, newdata = data.frame(x = 12), type = "response")
```

1 0.907549

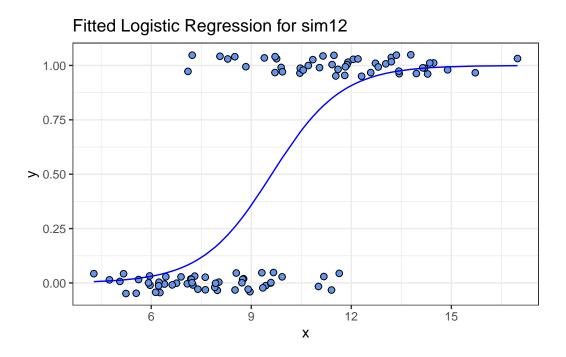
# **19.10** Plotting the Logistic Regression Model

We can use the augment function from the broom package to get our fitted probabilities included in the data.

```
m12b_aug <- augment(model12b, sim12, type.predict = "response")
ggplot(m12b_aug, aes(x = x, y = y)) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_line(aes(x = x, y = .fitted), col = "blue") +
    labs(title = "Fitted Logistic Regression Model for sim12")</pre>
```



I'll add a little jitter on the vertical scale to the points, so we can avoid overlap, and also make the points a little bigger.



All right, it's time to move on to fitting models. We'll do that next.

# 20 Logistic Regression with glm

# 20.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(caret)
library(ROCR)
library(pROC)
library(broom)
library(mosaic)
library(naniar)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

library(tidyverse)

#### 20.1.1 Data Load

resect <- read\_csv("data/resect.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

# 20.2 The resect data

My source for these data was @Riffenburgh2006. The data describe 134 patients who had undergone resection of the tracheal carina (most often this is done to address tumors in the trachea), and the **resect.csv** data file contains the following variables:

- id = a patient ID #,
- age= the patient's age at surgery,
- prior = prior tracheal surgery (1 = yes, 0 = no),
- resection = extent of the resection (in cm),
- intubated = whether intubation was required at the end of surgery (1 = yes, 0 = no), and
- died = the patient's death status (1 = dead, 0 = alive).

```
miss_var_summary(resect)
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 variable n_miss pct_miss
             <int>
  <chr>
                      <num>
1 subj_id
                 0
                          0
2 age
                 0
                          0
                 0
                          0
3 prior
4 resection
                 0
                          0
5 intubated
                 0
                          0
6 died
                 0
                          0
  resect |> count(died, prior)
# A tibble: 4 x 3
  died prior
                  n
  <dbl> <dbl> <int>
     0
           0
1
                 89
2
      0
            1
                 28
3
      1
            0
                 11
4
      1
            1
                  6
  resect |> inspect()
quantitative variables:
      name
              class min
                           Q1 median
                                         Q3 max
                                                      mean
                                                                   sd
                                67.5 100.75 134 67.5000000 38.8265373 134
1
    subj_id numeric
                      1 34.25
2
        age numeric
                      8 36.00
                                51.0 61.00 80 47.8432836 15.7775202 134
3
                      0 0.00
                                 0.0
                                       0.75
                                              1 0.2537313 0.4367785 134
     prior numeric
4 resection numeric
                      1 2.00
                                 2.5
                                       4.00
                                              6 2.9634328 1.2402123 134
5 intubated numeric
                      0 0.00
                                 0.0
                                       0.00
                                              1 0.1417910 0.3501447 134
       died numeric
                      0 0.00
                                 0.0
                                       0.00
                                              1 0.1268657 0.3340713 134
6
 missing
1
        0
2
        0
3
        0
4
        0
5
        0
6
        0
```

n

We have no missing data, and 17 of the 134 patients died. Our goal will be to understand the characteristics of the patients, and how they relate to the binary outcome of interest, death.

#### 20.3 Running A Simple Logistic Regression Model

In the most common scenario, a logistic regression model is used to predict a binary outcome (which can take on the values 0 or 1.) We will eventually fit a logistic regression model in two ways.

- 1. Through the glm function in the base package of R (similar to lm for linear regression)
- 2. Through the lrm function available in the rms package (similar to ols for linear regression)

We'll focus on the glm approach first, and save the lrm ideas for later in this Chapter.

#### 20.3.1 Logistic Regression Can Be Harder than Linear Regression

- Logistic regression models are fitted using the method of maximum likelihood in glm, which requires multiple iterations until convergence is reached.
- Logistic regression models are harder to interpret (for most people) than linear regressions.
- Logistic regression models don't have the same set of assumptions as linear models.
- Logistic regression outcomes (yes/no) carry much less information than quantitative outcomes. As a result, fitting a reasonable logistic regression requires more data than a linear model of similar size.
  - The rule I learned in graduate school was that a logistic regression requires 100 observations to fit an intercept plus another 15 observations for each candidate predictor. That's not terrible, but it's a very large sample size.
  - Frank Harrell recommends that 96 observations + a function of the number of candidate predictors (which depends on the amount of variation in the predictors, but 15 x the number of such predictors isn't too bad if the signal to noise ratio is pretty good) are required just to get reasonable confidence intervals around your predictions.
    - \* In a twitter note, Frank suggests that 96 + 8 times the number of candidate parameters might be reasonable so long as the smallest cell of interest (combination of an outcome and a split of the covariates) is 96 or more observations.
  - @Peduzzi1996 suggest that if we let  $\pi$  be the smaller of the proportions of "yes" or "no" cases in the population of interest, and k be the number of inputs under consideration, then  $N = 10k/\pi$  is the minimum number of cases to include, except that if N < 100 by this standard, you should increase it to 100, according to @Long1997.

\* That suggests that if you have an outcome that happens 10% of the time, and you are running a model with 3 predictors, then you could get away with  $(10 \times 3)/(0.10) = 300$  observations, but if your outcome happened 40% of the time, you could get away with only  $(10 \times 3)/(0.40) = 75$  observations, which you'd round up to 100.

# 20.4 Logistic Regression using glm

We'll begin by attempting to predict death based on the extent of the resection.

Note that the logit link is the default approach with the binomial family, so we could also have used:

which yields the same model.

#### 20.4.1 Interpreting the Coefficients of a Logistic Regression Model

Our model is:

$$logit(died = 1) = log\left(\frac{Pr(died = 1)}{1 - Pr(died = 1)}\right)$$

$$=\beta_0+\beta_1x=-4.4337+0.7417\times resection$$

The predicted log odds of death for a subject with a resection of 4 cm is:

$$log\left(\frac{Pr(died=1)}{1-Pr(died=1)}\right) = -4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 4 = -1.467$$

The predicted odds of death for a subject with a resection of 4 cm is thus:

$$\frac{Pr(died=1)}{1 - Pr(died=1)} = e^{-4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 4} = e^{-1.467} = 0.2306$$

Since the odds are less than 1, we should find that the probability of death is less than 1/2. With a little algebra, we see that the predicted probability of death for a subject with a resection of 4 cm is:

$$Pr(died = 1) = \frac{e^{-4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 4}}{1 + e^{-4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 4}} = \frac{e^{-1.467}}{1 + e^{-1.467}} = \frac{0.2306}{1.2306} = 0.187$$

In general, we can frame the model in terms of a statement about probabilities, like this:

$$Pr(died = 1) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}} = \frac{e^{-4.4337 + 0.7417 \times resection}}{1 + e^{-4.4337 + 0.7417 \times resection}}$$

and so by substituting in values for **resection**, we can estimate the model's fitted probabilities of death.

#### 20.4.2 Using predict to describe the model's fits

To obtain these fitted odds and probabilities in R, we can use the **predict** function.

- The default predictions are on the scale of the log odds. These predictions are also available through the type = "link" command within the predict function for a generalized linear model like logistic regression.
- Here are the predicted log odds of death for a subject (Sally) with a 4 cm resection and a subject (Harry) who had a 5 cm resection.

```
predict(res_modA, newdata = tibble(resection = c(4,5)))
```

1 2 -1.4669912 -0.7253027

> • We can also obtain predictions for each subject on the original response (here, probability) scale, backing out of the logit link.

1 2 0.1874004 0.3262264

So the predicted probability of death is 0.187 for Sally, the subject with a 4 cm resection, and 0.326 for Harry, the subject with a 5 cm resection.

#### 20.4.3 Odds Ratio interpretation of Coefficients

Often, we will exponentiate the estimated slope coefficients of a logistic regression model to help us understand the impact of changing a predictor on the odds of our outcome.

```
exp(coef(res_modA))
```

(Intercept) resection 0.01186995 2.09947754

To interpret this finding, suppose we have two subjects, Harry and Sally. Harry had a resection that was 1 cm larger than Sally. This estimated coefficient suggests that the estimated odds for death associated with Harry is 2.099 times larger than the odds for death associated with Sally. In general, the odds ratio comparing two subjects who differ by 1 cm on the resection length is 2.099.

To illustrate, again let's assume that Harry's resection was 5 cm, and Sally's was 4 cm. Then we have:

$$log\left(\frac{Pr(Harrydied)}{1 - Pr(Harrydied)}\right) = -4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 5 = -0.7253$$

$$log\left(\frac{Pr(Sallydied)}{1 - Pr(Sallydied)}\right) = -4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 4 = -1.4667.$$

which implies that our estimated odds of death for Harry and Sally are:

$$Odds(Harrydied) = \frac{Pr(Harrydied)}{1 - Pr(Harrydied)} = e^{-4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 5} = e^{-0.7253} = 0.4842$$

$$Odds(Sallydied) = \frac{Pr(Sallydied)}{1 - Pr(Sallydied)} = e^{-4.4337 + 0.7417 \times 4} = e^{-1.4667} = 0.2307 + 0.2$$

and so the odds ratio is:

$$OR = \frac{Odds(Harrydied)}{Odds(Sallydied)} = \frac{0.4842}{0.2307} = 2.099$$

- If the odds ratio was 1, that would mean that Harry and Sally had the same estimated odds of death, and thus the same estimated probability of death, despite having different sizes of resections.
- Since the odds ratio is greater than 1, it means that Harry has a higher estimated odds of death than Sally, and thus that Harry has a higher estimated probability of death than Sally.
- If the odds ratio was less than 1, it would mean that Harry had a lower estimated odds of death than Sally, and thus that Harry had a lower estimated probability of death than Sally.

Remember that the odds ratio is a fraction describing two positive numbers (odds can only be non-negative) so that the smallest possible odds ratio is 0.

#### 20.4.4 Interpreting the rest of the model output from glm

```
res_modA
Call: glm(formula = died ~ resection, family = "binomial", data = resect)
Coefficients:
(Intercept) resection
    -4.4337 0.7417
```

Degrees of Freedom: 133 Total (i.e. Null); 132 Residual Null Deviance: 101.9 Residual Deviance: 89.49 AIC: 93.49

In addition to specifying the logistic regression coefficients, we are also presented with information on degrees of freedom, deviance (null and residual) and AIC.

- The degrees of freedom indicate the sample size.
  - Recall that we had n = 134 subjects in the data. The "Null" model includes only an intercept term (which uses 1 df) and we thus have n - 1 (here 133) degrees of freedom available for estimation.
  - In our res\_modA model, a logistic regression is fit including a single slope (resection) and an intercept term. Each uses up one degree of freedom to build an estimate, so we have n 2 = 134 2 = 132 residual df remaining.
- The AIC or Akaike Information Criterion (lower values are better) is also provided. This is helpful if we're comparing multiple models for the same outcome.

### 20.4.5 Deviance and Comparing Our Model to the Null Model

- The deviance (a measure of the model's *lack of fit*) is available for both the null model (the model with only an intercept) and for our model (**res\_modA**) predicting our outcome, mortality.
- The deviance test, though available in R (see below) isn't really a test of whether the model works well. Instead, it assumes the model is true, and then tests to see if the coefficients are different from zero. So it isn't of much practical use.
  - To compare the deviance statistics, we can subtract the residual deviance from the null deviance to describe the impact of our model on fit.
  - Null Deviance Residual Deviance can be compared to a  $\chi^2$  distribution with Null DF Residual DF degrees of freedom to obtain a global test of the in-sample predictive power of our model.
  - We can see this comparison more directly by running **anova** on our model:

```
anova(res_modA, test = "LRT")
```

Analysis of Deviance Table

Model: binomial, link: logit

Response: died

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

```
Df Deviance Resid. Df Resid. Dev Pr(>Chi)

NULL 133 101.943

resection 1 12.45 132 89.493 0.0004179 ***

---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The test = "LRT" section completes a deviance test and provides a p value, which just estimates the probability that a chi-square distribution with a single degree of freedom would exhibit an improvement in deviance as large as 12.45.

The p value for the deviance test here is about 0.0004. But, again, this isn't a test of whether the model is any good - it assumes the model is true, and then tests some consequences.

- Specifically, it tests whether (if the model is TRUE) some of the model's coefficients are non-zero.
- That's not so practically useful, so I discourage you from performing global tests of a logistic regression model with a deviance test.

#### 20.4.6 Using glance with a logistic regression model

We can use the glance function from the broom package to obtain the null and residual deviance and degrees of freedom. Note that the deviance for our model is related to the log likelihood by -2\*logLik.

```
glance(res_modA)
```

#	A tibble: 1 x	8						
	null.deviance	df.null	logLik	AIC	BIC	deviance	df.residual	nobs
	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<int></int>	<int></int>
1	102.	133	-44.7	93.5	99.3	89.5	132	134

The glance result also provides the AIC, and the BIC (Bayes Information Criterion), each of which is helpful in understanding comparisons between multiple models for the same outcome (with smaller values of either criterion indicating better models.) The AIC is based on the deviance, but penalizes you for making the model more complicated. The BIC does the same sort of thing but with a different penalty.

Again we see that we have a null deviance of 101.94 on 133 degrees of freedom. Including the **resection** information in the model decreased the deviance to 89.49 points on 132 degrees of

freedom, so that's a decrease of 12.45 points while using one degree of freedom, which looks like a meaningful reduction in deviance.

# 20.5 Interpreting the Model Summary

Let's get a more detailed summary of our res\_modA model, including 95% confidence intervals for the coefficients:

```
summary(res_modA)
```

```
Call:
glm(formula = died ~ resection, family = "binomial", data = resect)
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -4.4337
                         0.8799 -5.039 4.67e-07 ***
              0.7417
                         0.2230
                                  3.327 0.000879 ***
resection
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 101.943
                                    degrees of freedom
                            on 133
Residual deviance: 89.493
                            on 132 degrees of freedom
AIC: 93.493
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5
  confint(res_modA, level = 0.95)
Waiting for profiling to be done...
                2.5 %
                         97.5 %
(Intercept) -6.344472 -2.855856
resection
             0.322898 1.208311
```

Some elements of this summary are very familiar from our work with linear models.

- We still have a five-number summary of residuals, although these are called *deviance* residuals.
- We have a table of coefficients with standard errors, and hypothesis tests, although these are Wald z-tests, rather than the t tests we saw in linear modeling.
- We have a summary of global fit in the comparison of null deviance and residual deviance, but without a formal p value. And we have the AIC, as discussed above.
- We also have some new items related to a *dispersion* parameter and to the number of Fisher Scoring Iterations.

Let's walk through each of these elements.

### 20.5.1 Wald Z tests for Coefficients in a Logistic Regression

The coefficients output provides the estimated coefficients, and their standard errors, plus a Wald Z statistic, which is just the estimated coefficient divided by its standard error. This is compared to a standard Normal distribution to obtain the two-tailed p values summarized in the  $\Pr(|z|)$  column.

- The interesting result is resection, which has a Wald Z = 3.327, yielding a *p* value of 0.00088.
- The p value assesses whether the estimated coefficient of resection, 0.7417, is different from 0. If the coefficient (on the logit scale) for resection was truly 0, this would mean that:
  - the log odds of death did not change based on the resection size,
  - the odds of death were unchanged based on the **resection** size (the odds ratio would be 1), and
  - the probability of death was unchanged based on the **resection** size.

In our case, we have a change in the log odds of died associated with changes in resection, according to this p value. We conclude that resection size is associated with a positive impact on death rates (death rates are generally higher for people with larger resections.)

### 20.5.2 Confidence Intervals for the Coefficients

As in linear regression, we can obtain 95% confidence intervals (to get other levels, change the **level** parameter in **confint**) for the intercept and slope coefficients.

Here, we see, for example, that the coefficient of **resection** has a point estimate of 0.7417, and a confidence interval of (0.3229, 1.208). Since this is on the logit scale, it's not that interpretable, but we will often exponentiate the model and its confidence interval to obtain a more interpretable result on the odds ratio scale.

```
tidy(res_modA, exponentiate = TRUE, conf.int = TRUE) |>
    select(term, estimate, conf.low, conf.high)
# A tibble: 2 x 4
 term
              estimate conf.low conf.high
  <chr>
                 <dbl>
                           <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                        0.00176
                                    0.0575
1 (Intercept)
                0.0119
2 resection
                2.10
                         1.38
                                    3.35
```

From this output, we can estimate the odds ratio for death associated with a 1 cm increase in resection size is 2.099, with a 95% CI of (1.38, 3.35). - If the odds ratio was 1, it would indicate that the odds of death did not change based on the change in resection size. - Here, it's clear that the estimated odds of death will be larger (odds > 1) for subjects with larger resection sizes. Larger odds of death also indicate larger probabilities of death. This confidence interval indicates that with 95% confidence, we conclude that increases in resection size are associated with increases in the odds of death. - If the odds ratio was less than 1 (remember that it cannot be less than 0) that would mean that subjects with larger resection sizes were associated with smaller estimated odds of death.

#### 20.5.3 Deviance Residuals

In logistic regression, it's certainly a good idea to check to see how well the model fits the data. However, there are a few different types of residuals. The residuals presented here by default are called deviance residuals. Other types of residuals are available for generalized linear models, such as Pearson residuals, working residuals, and response residuals. Logistic regression model diagnostics often make use of multiple types of residuals.

The deviance residuals for each individual subject sum up to the deviance statistic for the model, and describe the contribution of each point to the model likelihood function.

The deviance residual,  $d_i$ , for the i<sup>th</sup> observation in a model predicting  $y_i$  (a binary variable), with the estimate being  $\hat{\pi}_i$  is:

$$d_i = s_i \sqrt{-2[y_i log \hat{\pi_i} + (1-y_i) log (1-\hat{\pi_i})]}, \label{eq:dispersive}$$

where  $s_i$  is 1 if  $y_i = 1$  and  $s_i = -1$  if  $y_i = 0$ .

Again, the sum of the deviance residuals is the deviance.

#### 20.5.4 Dispersion Parameter

The dispersion parameter is taken to be 1 for glm fit using either the binomial or Poisson families. For other sorts of generalized linear models, the dispersion parameter will be of some importance in estimating standard errors sensibly.

#### 20.5.5 Fisher Scoring iterations

The solution of a logistic regression model involves maximizing a likelihood function. Fisher's scoring algorithm in our **res\_modA** needed five iterations to perform the logistic regression fit. All that this tells you is that the model converged, and didn't require a lot of time to do so.

# 20.6 Plotting a Simple Logistic Regression Model

Let's plot the logistic regression model **res\_modA** for **died** using the extent of the resection in terms of probabilities. We can use either of two different approaches:

- we can plot the fitted values from our specific model against the original data, using the augment function from the broom package, or
- we can create a smooth function called binomial\_smooth that plots a simple logistic model in an analogous way to geom\_smooth(method = "lm") for a simple linear regression.

### 20.6.1 Using augment to capture the fitted probabilities

```
# A tibble: 6 x 12
```

	subj_id	age	prior	resection	intubated	died	.fitted	.resid	.hat	.sigma
	<dbl></dbl>									
1	1	34	1	2.5	0	0	0.0705	-0.382	0.0100	0.826
2	2	57	0	5	0	0	0.326	-0.889	0.0337	0.823
3	3	60	1	4	1	1	0.187	1.83	0.0120	0.811
4	4	62	1	4.2	0	0	0.211	-0.689	0.0143	0.824
5	5	28	0	6	1	1	0.504	1.17	0.0818	0.820
6	6	52	0	3	0	0	0.0990	-0.457	0.00922	0.826
#	i 2 more	e varia	ables:	.cooksd <	dbl>, .std	.resid	<dbl></dbl>			

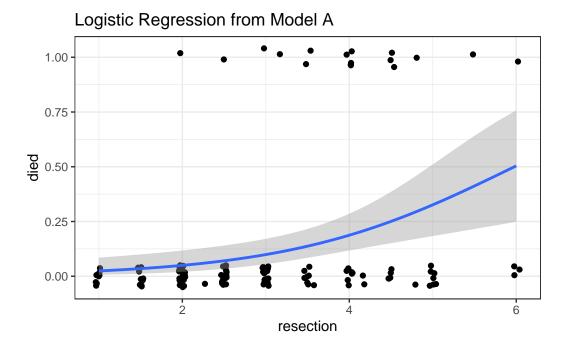
This approach augments the **resect** data set with fitted, residual and other summaries of each observation's impact on the fit, using the "response" type of prediction, which yields the fitted probabilities in the .fitted column.

# 20.6.2 Plotting a Logistic Regression Model's Fitted Values



#### 20.6.3 Plotting a Simple Logistic Model using binomial\_smooth

```
ggplot(resect, aes(x = resection, y = died)) +
geom_jitter(height = 0.05) +
binomial_smooth() + ## ...smooth(se=FALSE) to leave out interval
labs(title = "Logistic Regression from Model A")
```



As expected, we see an increase in the model probability of death as the extent of the resection grows larger.

# 20.7 How well does Model A classify subjects?

A natural question to ask is how well does our model classify patients in terms of likelihood of death.

We could specify a particular rule, for example: if the predicted probability of death is 0.5 or greater, then predict "Died".

0 1 Predict Alive 114 16 Predict Died 3 1

And perhaps build the linked table of row probabilities which tells us, for example, that 87.69% of the patients predicted by the model to be alive actually did survive.

```
round(100*prop.table(
    table(res_A_aug$rule.5, res_A_aug$died), 1), 2)
```

0 1 Predict Alive 87.69 12.31 Predict Died 75.00 25.00

Or the table of column probabilities which tell us, for example, that 97.44% of those who actually survived were predicted by the model to be alive.

```
round(100*prop.table(
   table(res_A_aug$rule.5, res_A_aug$died), 2), 2)
```

0 1 Predict Alive 97.44 94.12 Predict Died 2.56 5.88

We'll discuss various measures of concordance derived from this sort of classification later.

# 20.8 The Confusion Matrix

Let's build this misclassification table in standard epidemiological format.

```
confuseA_small <- table(res_A_aug$death_predicted, res_A_aug$death_actual)
confuseA_small
TRUE_FALSE</pre>
```

	тион	тпыры
TRUE	1	3
FALSE	16	114

In total, we have 134 observations.

- 115 correct predictions, or 85.8% accuracy
- 17 subjects who died, or 12.6% prevalence of death
- 4 subjects who were predicted to die, or 3.0% detection prevalence.

The sensitivity (also called recall) here is 1 / (1 + 16) = 5.9%.

• 5.9% of the subjects who actually died were predicted to die by the model.

The specificity here is 114 / (114 + 3) = 97.4%.

• 97.4% of the subjects who actually survived were predicted to survive by the model.

The positive predictive value (PPV: also called precision) is 1 / (1 + 3) = 25%

• Our predictions of death were correct 25% of the time.

The negative predictive value (NPV) is 114 / (114 + 16) = 87.7%

• Our predictions of survival were correct 87.7% of the time.

## 20.9 Using the confusionMatrix tool from the caret package

This provides a more detailed summary of the classification results from our logistic regression model.

```
confusionMatrix(
    data = factor(res_A_aug$.fitted >= 0.5),
    reference = factor(res_A_aug$died == 1),
    positive = "TRUE"
)
```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics Reference Prediction FALSE TRUE FALSE 114 16 TRUE 3 1 Accuracy : 0.8582 95% CI : (0.7875, 0.9124) No Information Rate : 0.8731 P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.747802 Kappa : 0.0493 Mcnemar's Test P-Value : 0.005905 Sensitivity : 0.058824 Specificity : 0.974359 Pos Pred Value : 0.250000 Neg Pred Value : 0.876923 Prevalence : 0.126866 Detection Rate : 0.007463 Detection Prevalence : 0.029851 Balanced Accuracy : 0.516591 'Positive' Class : TRUE

- The No Information Rate or NIR is just the percentage of correct predictions we'd get if we just predicted the more common classification (not dead) for every subject.
- Kappa is a correlation statistic ranging from -1 to +1. It measures the inter-rater reliability of our predictions and the true classifications, in this context. Complete agreement would be +1, and complete disagreement would be -1.

# 20.10 Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve Analysis

One way to assess the predictive accuracy within the model development sample in a logistic regression is to consider an analyses based on the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve. ROC curves are commonly used in assessing diagnoses in medical settings, and in signal detection applications.

The accuracy of a "test" can be evaluated by considering two types of errors: false positives and false negatives.

In our res\_modA model, we use resection size to predict whether the patient died. Suppose we established a value R, so that if the resection size was larger than R cm, we would predict that the patient died, and otherwise we would predict that the patient did not die.

A good outcome of our model's "test", then, would be when the resection size is larger than R for a patient who actually died. Another good outcome would be when the resection size is smaller than R for a patient who survived.

But we can make errors, too.

- A false positive error in this setting would occur when the resection size is larger than R (so we predict the patient dies) but in fact the patient does not die.
- A false negative error in this case would occur when the resection size is smaller than R (so we predict the patient survives) but in fact the patient dies.

Formally, the true positive fraction (TPF) for a specific resection cutoff R, is the probability of a positive test (a prediction that the patient will die) among the people who have the outcome died = 1 (those who actually die).

$$TPF(R) = Pr(resection > R|subjectdied)$$

Similarly, the false positive fraction (FPF) for a specific cutoff R is the probability of a positive test (prediction that the patient will die) among the people with died = 0 (those who don't actually die)

FPF(R) = Pr(resection > R|subject didnot die)

The True Positive Rate is referred to as the sensitivity of a diagnostic test, and the True Negative rate (1 - the False Positive rate) is referred to as the specificity of a diagnostic test.

Since the cutoff R is not fixed in advanced, we can plot the value of TPF (on the y axis) against FPF (on the x axis) for all possible values of R, and this is what the ROC curve is. Others refer to the Sensitivity on the Y axis, and 1-Specificity on the X axis, and this is the same idea.

Before we get too far into the weeds, let me show you some simple situations so you can understand what you might learn from the ROC curve. The web page http://blog.yhat.com/posts/roc-curves.html provides source materials.

#### 20.10.1 Interpreting the Area under the ROC curve

The AUC or Area under the ROC curve is the amount of space underneath the ROC curve. Often referred to as the c statistic, the AUC represents the quality of your TPR and FPR overall in a single number. The C statistic ranges from 0 to 1, with C = 0.5 for a prediction that is no better than random guessing, and C = 1 for a perfect prediction model.

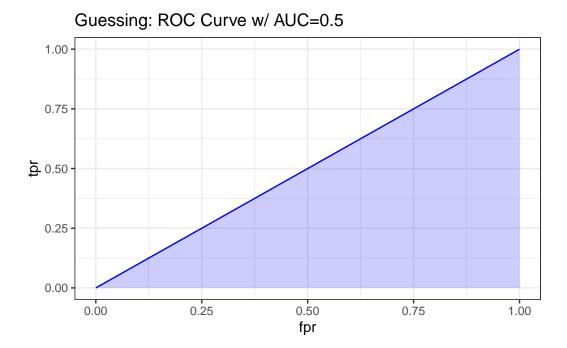
Next, I'll build a simulation to demonstrate several possible ROC curves in the sections that follow.

#### 20.10.1.1 What if we are guessing?

If we're guessing completely at random, then the model should correctly classify a subject (as died or not died) about 50% of the time, so the TPR and FPR will be equal. This yields a diagonal line in the ROC curve, and an area under the curve (C statistic) of 0.5.

There are several ways to do this on the web, but I'll show this one, which has some bizarre code, but that's a function of using a package called ROCR to do the work. It comes from this link

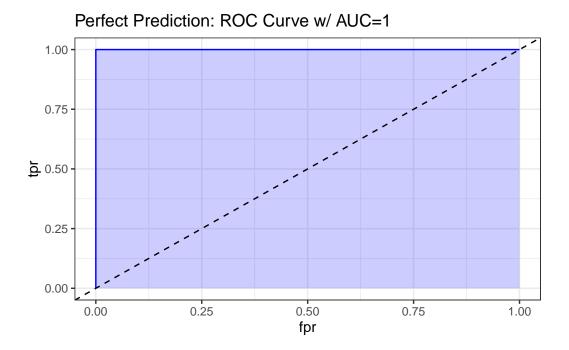
```
geom_ribbon(alpha=0.2, fill = "blue") +
geom_line(aes(y=tpr), col = "blue") +
labs(title = paste0("Guessing: ROC Curve w/ AUC=", auc_guess)) +
theme_bw()
```



#### 20.10.1.2 What if we classify things perfectly?

If we're classifying subjects perfectly, then we have a TPR of 1 and an FPR of 0. That yields an ROC curve that looks like the upper and left edges of a box. If our model correctly classifies a subject (as died or not died) 100% of the time, the area under the curve (c statistic) will be 1.0. We'll add in the diagonal line here (in a dashed black line) to show how this model compares to random guessing.

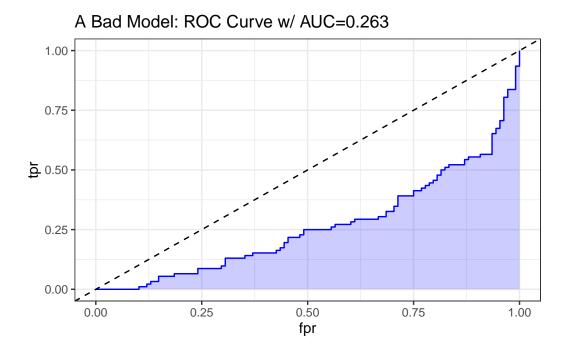
```
ggplot(roc_perf, aes(x=fpr, ymin=0, ymax=tpr)) +
   geom_ribbon(alpha=0.2, fill = "blue") +
   geom_line(aes(y=tpr), col = "blue") +
   geom_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, lty = "dashed") +
   labs(title = paste0("Perfect Prediction: ROC Curve w/ AUC=", auc_perf)) +
   theme_bw()
```



20.10.1.3 What does "worse than guessing" look like?

A bad classifier will appear below and to the right of the diagonal line we'd see if we were completely guessing. Such a model will have a c statistic below 0.5, and will be valueless.

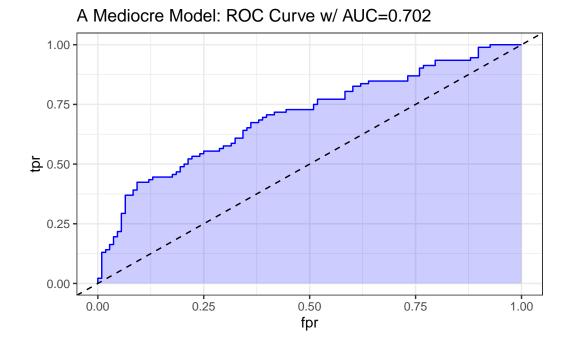
```
ggplot(roc_bad, aes(x=fpr, ymin=0, ymax=tpr)) +
    geom_ribbon(alpha=0.2, fill = "blue") +
    geom_line(aes(y=tpr), col = "blue") +
    geom_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, lty = "dashed") +
    labs(title = paste0("A Bad Model: ROC Curve w/ AUC=", auc_bad)) +
    theme_bw()
```



20.10.1.4 What does "better than guessing" look like?

An "OK" classifier will appear above and to the left of the diagonal line we'd see if we were completely guessing. Such a model will have a c statistic above 0.5, and might have some value. The plot below shows a very fairly poor model, but at least it's better than guessing.

```
model="GLM")
ggplot(roc_ok, aes(x=fpr, ymin=0, ymax=tpr)) +
    geom_ribbon(alpha=0.2, fill = "blue") +
    geom_line(aes(y=tpr), col = "blue") +
    geom_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, lty = "dashed") +
    labs(title = paste0("A Mediocre Model: ROC Curve w/ AUC=", auc_ok)) +
    theme_bw()
```

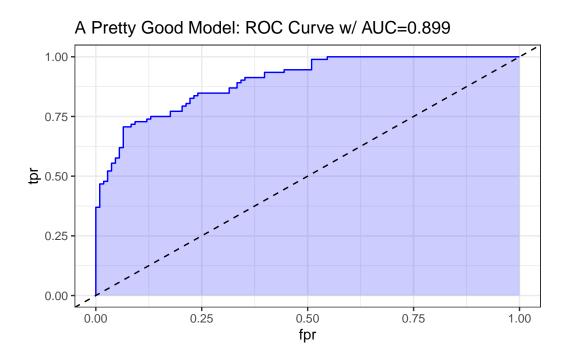


Sometimes people grasp for a rough guide as to the accuracy of a model's predictions based on the area under the ROC curve. A common thought is to assess the C statistic much like you would a class grade.

C statistic	Interpretation
0.90 to 1.00	model does an excellent job at discriminating "yes" from "no" (A)
0.80 to $0.90$	model does a good job (B)
0.70 to $0.80$	model does a fair job (C)
0.60 to $0.70$	model does a poor job (D)
0.50 to $0.60$	model fails (F)
below $0.50$	model is worse than random guessing

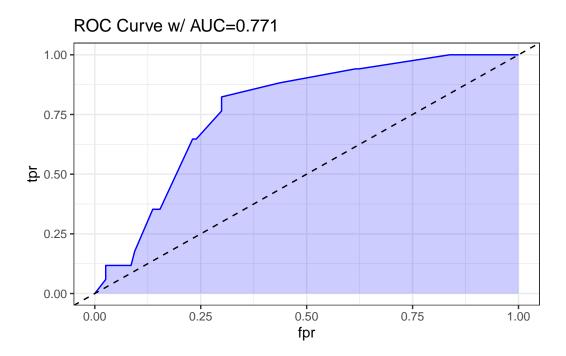
#### 20.10.1.5 What does "pretty good" look like?

A strong and good classifier will appear above and to the left of the diagonal line we'd see if we were completely guessing, often with a nice curve that is continually increasing and appears to be pulled up towards the top left. Such a model will have a c statistic well above 0.5, but not as large as 1. The plot below shows a stronger model, which appears substantially better than guessing.



# 20.11 The ROC Plot for res\_modA

Let me show you the ROC curve for our res\_modA model.



Based on the C statistic (AUC = 0.771) this would rank somewhere near the high end of a "fair" predictive model by this standard, not quite to the level of a "good" model.

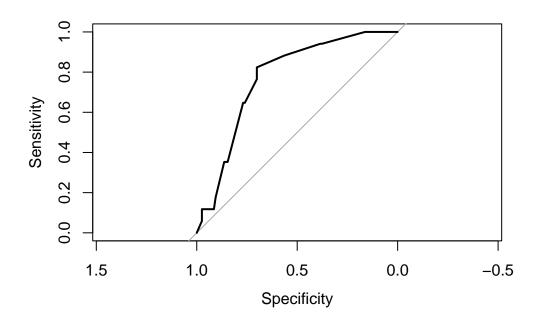
## 20.11.1 Another way to plot the ROC Curve

If we've loaded the pROC package, we can also use the following (admittedly simpler) approach to plot the ROC curve, without ggplot2, and to obtain the C statistic, and a 95% confidence interval around that C statistic.

```
## requires pROC package
roc.modA <-
    roc(resect$died ~ predict(res_modA, type="response"),
        ci = TRUE)
Setting levels: control = 0, case = 1
Setting direction: controls < cases
roc.modA</pre>
```

```
Call:
roc.formula(formula = resect$died ~ predict(res_modA, type = "response"), ci = TRUE)
Data: predict(res_modA, type = "response") in 117 controls (resect$died 0) < 17 cases (resect
Area under the curve: 0.7707
95% CI: 0.67-0.8715 (DeLong)
```

plot(roc.modA)



# 20.12 Assessing Residual Plots from Model A

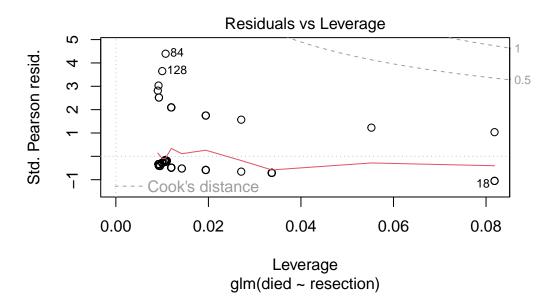
Residuals are certainly less informative for logistic regression than they are for linear regression: not only do yes/no outcomes inherently contain less information than continuous ones, but the fact that the adjusted response depends on the fit hampers our ability to use residuals as external checks on the model.

This is mitigated to some extent, however, by the fact that we are also making fewer distributional assumptions in logistic regression, so there is no need to inspect residuals for, say, skewness or heteroskedasticity. • Patrick Breheny, University of Kentucky, Slides on GLM Residuals and Diagnostics (no longer online, alas.)

The usual residual plots are available in R for a logistic regression model, but most of them are irrelevant in the logistic regression setting. The residuals shouldn't follow a standard Normal distribution, and they will not show constant variance over the range of the predictor variables, so plots looking into those issues aren't helpful.

The only plot from the standard set that we'll look at in many settings is plot 5, which helps us assess influence (via Cook's distance contours), and a measure related to leverage (how unusual an observation is in terms of the predictors) and standardized Pearson residuals.

plot(res\_modA, which = 5)



In this case, I don't see any highly influential points, as no points fall outside of the Cook's distance (0.5 or 1) contours.

# 20.13 Model B: A "Kitchen Sink" Logistic Regression Model

```
res_modB <- glm(died ~ resection + age + prior + intubated,</pre>
                  data = resect, family = binomial)
  res_modB
Call: glm(formula = died ~ resection + age + prior + intubated, family = binomial,
    data = resect)
Coefficients:
                                                       intubated
(Intercept)
               resection
                                              prior
                                   age
  -5.152886
                0.612211
                                           0.814691
                            0.001173
                                                        2.810797
Degrees of Freedom: 133 Total (i.e. Null); 129 Residual
```

Degrees of Freedom: 133 Total (i.e. Null); 129 Residual Null Deviance: 101.9 Residual Deviance: 67.36 AIC: 77.36

### 20.13.1 Comparing Model A to Model B

anova(res\_modA, res\_modB)

Analysis of Deviance Table

Model 1: died ~ resection
Model 2: died ~ resection + age + prior + intubated
Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance
1 132 89.493
2 129 67.359 3 22.134

The addition of age, prior and intubated reduces the lack of fit by 22.134 points, at a cost of 3 degrees of freedom.

glance(res\_modA)

```
# A tibble: 1 x 8
null.deviance df.null logLik AIC BIC deviance df.residual nobs
```

```
<dbl>
                 <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
                                                        <int> <int>
          102.
                   133 -44.7 93.5 99.3
                                             89.5
1
                                                          132
                                                                134
  glance(res_modB)
# A tibble: 1 x 8
                                     BIC deviance df.residual nobs
 null.deviance df.null logLik AIC
         <dbl>
                 <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
                                                        <int> <int>
1
          102.
                   133 -33.7 77.4 91.8
                                             67.4
                                                          129
                                                                134
```

By either AIC or BIC, the larger model (res\_modB) looks more effective.

#### 20.13.2 Interpreting Model B

```
summary(res_modB)
```

```
Call:
glm(formula = died ~ resection + age + prior + intubated, family = binomial,
    data = resect)
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -5.152886 1.469453 -3.507 0.000454 ***
resection
            0.612211 0.282807 2.165 0.030406 *
age
            0.001173 0.020646 0.057 0.954700
            0.814691
                      0.704785
                                1.156 0.247705
prior
                       0.658395
                                4.269 1.96e-05 ***
intubated
            2.810797
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 101.943 on 133 degrees of freedom
                           on 129 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 67.359
AIC: 77.359
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

It appears that the **intubated** predictor adds some value to the model, by the Wald test. Let's focus on the impact of these variables through odds ratios.

. . . .

```
tidy(res_modB, exponentiate = TRUE, conf.int = TRUE) |>
   select(term, estimate, conf.low, conf.high)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 x 4
```

	term	estimate	conf.low	conf.high
	<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	(Intercept)	0.00578	0.000241	0.0837
2	resection	1.84	1.08	3.35
3	age	1.00	0.962	1.04
4	prior	2.26	0.549	9.17
5	intubated	16.6	4.75	64.6

At a 5% significance level, we might conclude that:

- larger sized resections are associated with a meaningful rise (est OR: 1.84, 95% CI 1.08, 3.35) in the odds of death, holding all other predictors constant,
- the need for intubation at the end of surgery is associated with a substantial rise (est OR: 16.6, 95% CI 4.7, 64.7) in the odds of death, holding all other predictors constant, but that
- older **age** as well as having a **prior** tracheal surgery appears to be associated with an increase in death risk, but not with a small p value.

# 20.14 Plotting Model B

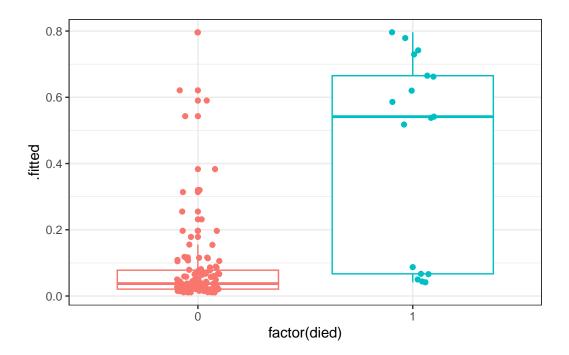
Let's think about plotting the fitted values from our model, in terms of probabilities.

#### 20.14.1 Using augment to capture the fitted probabilities

1	1	34	1	2.5	0	0	0.0591	-0.349	0.0267	0.725
2	2	57	0	5	0	0	0.117	-0.498	0.0380	0.724
3	3	60	1	4	1	1	0.729	0.794	0.114	0.722
4	4	62	1	4.2	0	0	0.155	-0.581	0.0704	0.723
5	5	28	0	6	1	1	0.796	0.675	0.131	0.723
6	6	52	0	3	0	0	0.0371	-0.275	0.0105	0.725
# i :	2 more	variab	les:	.cooksd <dbl>,</dbl>	.std.rea	sid	<dbl></dbl>			

## 20.14.2 Plotting Model B Fits by Observed Mortality

```
ggplot(res_B_aug, aes(x = factor(died), y = .fitted, col = factor(died))) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    geom_jitter(width = 0.1) +
    guides(col = "none")
```



Certainly it appears as though most of our predicted probabilities (of death) for the subjects who actually survived are quite small, but not all of them. We also have at least 6 big "misses" among the 17 subjects who actually died.

### 20.14.3 Confusion Matrix for Model B

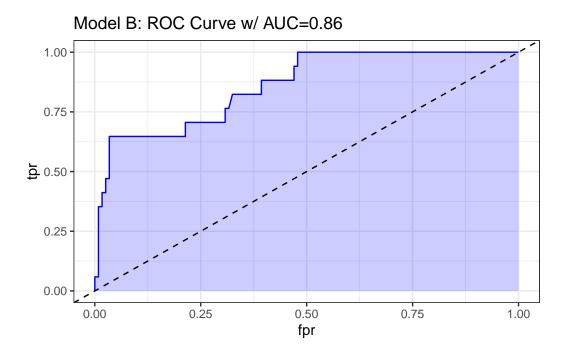
```
confusionMatrix(
    data = factor(res_B_aug$.fitted >= 0.5),
    reference = factor(res_B_aug$died == 1),
    positive = "TRUE"
)
```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

Reference Prediction FALSE TRUE FALSE 113 6 TRUE 4 11 Accuracy : 0.925495% CI : (0.867, 0.9636) No Information Rate : 0.8731 P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.03897 Kappa : 0.6453 Mcnemar's Test P-Value : 0.75183 Sensitivity : 0.64706 Specificity : 0.96581 Pos Pred Value : 0.73333 Neg Pred Value : 0.94958 Prevalence : 0.12687 Detection Rate : 0.08209 Detection Prevalence : 0.11194 Balanced Accuracy : 0.80644

'Positive' Class : TRUE

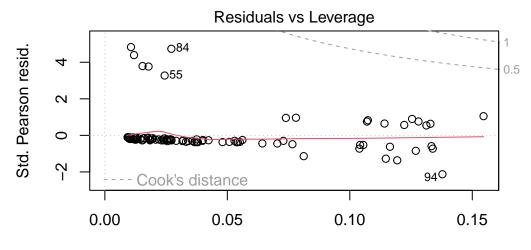
## 20.14.4 The ROC curve for Model B



The area under the curve (C-statistic) is 0.86, which certainly looks like a more discriminating fit than model A with resection alone.

# 20.14.5 Residuals, Leverage and Influence

```
plot(res_modB, which = 5)
```



Leverage glm(died ~ resection + age + prior + intubated)

Again, we see no signs of deeply influential points in this model.

We'll continue working with these **resect** data as we fit logistic regression models with the help of the **rms** package in our next Chapter.

# 21 Logistic Regression with lrm

# 21.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(ROCR)
library(pROC)
library(naniar)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 21.1.1 Data Load

```
resect <- read_csv("data/resect.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

# 21.2 Logistic Regression using lrm

To obtain the Nagelkerke  $R^2$  and the C statistic, as well as some other summaries, I'll now demonstrate the use of lrm from the rms package to fit a logistic regression model.

We'll return to the original model, predicting death using resection size alone.

```
dd <- datadist(resect)
options(datadist="dd")
res_modC <- lrm(died ~ resection, data=resect, x=TRUE, y=TRUE)
res_modC</pre>
```

```
Logistic Regression Model
lrm(formula = died ~ resection, data = resect, x = TRUE, y = TRUE)
                       Model Likelihood
                                             Discrimination
                                                                Rank Discrim.
                             Ratio Test
                                                     Indexes
                                                                       Indexes
Obs
               134
                      LR chi2
                                   12.45
                                             R2
                                                       0.167
                                                                С
                                                                         0.771
 0
               117
                      d.f.
                                       1
                                             R2(1,134)0.082
                                                                Dxy
                                                                         0.541
                      Pr(> chi2) 0.0004
                                            R2(1,44.5)0.227
 1
                17
                                                                         0.582
                                                                gamma
max |deriv| 2e-06
                                             Brier
                                                       0.103
                                                                tau-a
                                                                         0.121
          Coef
                   S.E.
                          Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)
Intercept -4.4337 0.8799 -5.04
                                  <0.0001
resection 0.7417 0.2230
                                 0.0009
                           3.33
```

This output specifies the following:

- Obs = The number of observations used to fit the model, with 0 = the number of zeros and 1 = the number of ones in our outcome, died. Also specified is the maximum absolute value of the derivative at the point where the maximum likelihood function was estimated. I wouldn't worry about that practically, as all you will care about is whether the iterative function-fitting process converged, and R will warn you in other ways if it doesn't.
- A likelihood ratio test (drop in deviance test) subtracting the residual deviance from the null deviance obtain the Likelihood Ratio  $\chi^2$  statistic, subtracting residual df from null df to obtain degrees of freedom, and comparing the resulting test statistic to a  $\chi^2$ distribution with the appropriate degrees of freedom to determine a p value.
- A series of discrimination indexes, including the Nagelkerke  $R^2$ , symbolized R2, and several others we'll discuss shortly.
- A series of rank discrimination indexes, including the C statistic (area under the ROC curve) and Somers' D (Dxy), and several others.
- A table of coefficients, standard errors, Wald Z statistics and p values based on those Wald statistics.

The C statistic is estimated to be 0.771, with an associated (Nagelkerke)  $R^2 = 0.167$ , both indicating at best mediocre performance for this model, as it turns out.

### 21.2.1 Interpreting Nagelkerke R<sup>2</sup>

There are many ways to calculate  $R^2$  for logistic regression.

- At the URL linked here there is a nice summary of the key issue, which is that there are at least three different ways to think about  $R^2$  in linear regression that are equivalent in that context, but when you move to a categorical outcome, which interpretation you use leads you down a different path for extension to the new type of outcome. In linear regression...
  - You might think of  $R^2$  as a measure of the proportion of variability explained.
  - You might think of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as measuring the improvement from a null model to a fitted model.
  - You might think of  $R^2$  as the square of the correlation coefficient.
- Paul Allison, for instance, describes several at this link in a post entitled "What's the Best R-Squared for Logistic Regression?"
- Jonathan Bartlett looks at McFadden's pseudo  $R^2$  in some detail (including some R code) at this link, in a post entitled "R squared in logistic regression"

The Nagelkerke approach that is presented as R2 in the lrm output is as good as most of the available approaches, and has the positive feature that it does reach 1 if the fitted model shows as much improvement as possible over the null model (which predicts the mean response for all subjects, and has  $R^2 = 0$ ). The greater the improvement, the higher the Nagelkerke  $R^2$ .

For model A, our Nagelkerke  $R^2 = 0.167$ , which is pretty poor. It doesn't technically mean that 16.7% of any sort of variation has been explained, though.

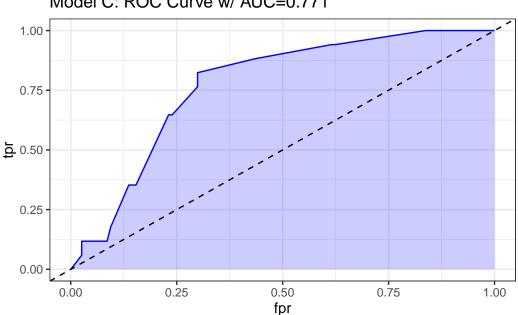
### 21.2.2 Interpreting the C statistic and Plotting the ROC Curve

The C statistic is a measure of the area under the receiver operating characteristic curve. This link has some nice material that provides some insight into the C statistic and ROC curve.

- Recall that C ranges from 0 to 1. 0 = BAD, 1 = GOOD.
  - values of C less than 0.5 indicate that your prediction model is not even as good as simple random guessing of "yes" or "no" for your response.
  - C = 0.5 for random guessing
  - C = 1 indicates a perfect classification scheme one that correctly guesses "yes" for all "yes" patients, and for none of the "no" patients.
- The closer C is to 1, the happier we'll be, most of the time.
  - Often we'll call models with 0.5 < C < 0.8 poor or weak in terms of predictive ability by this measure
  - 0.8  $\leq$  C < 0.9 are moderately strong in terms of predictive power (indicate good discrimination)
  - C  $\geq$  0.9 usually indicates a very strong model in this regard (indicate excellent discrimination)

We've seen the ROC curve for this model before, when we looked at model **res\_modA** fitted using **glm** in the previous chapter. But, just for completeness, I'll include it.

Note. I change the initial predict call from type = "response" for a glm fit to type = "fitted" in a lrm fit. Otherwise, this is the same approach.



Model C: ROC Curve w/ AUC=0.771

### 21.2.3 The C statistic and Somers' D

- The C statistic is directly related to **Somers' D statistic**, abbreviated  $D_{xy}$ , by the equation C = 0.5 + (D/2).
  - Somers' D and the ROC area only measure how well predicted values from the model can rank-order the responses. For example, predicted probabilities of 0.01 and 0.99 for a pair of subjects are no better than probabilities of 0.2 and 0.8 using rank measures, if the first subject had a lower response value than the second.
  - Thus, the C statistic (or  $D_{xy}$ ) may not be very sensitive ways to choose between models, even though they provide reasonable summaries of the models individually.
  - This is especially true when the models are strong. The Nagelkerke  $R^2$  may be more sensitive.
- But as it turns out, we sometimes have to look at the ROC shapes, as the summary statistic alone isn't enough.

In our case, Somers D (Dxy) = .541, so the C statistic is 0.771.

### 21.2.4 Validating the Logistic Regression Model Summary Statistics

Like other regression-fitting tools in rms, the lrm function has a special validate tool to help perform resampling validation of a model, with or without backwards step-wise variable selection. Here, we'll validate our model's summary statistics using 100 bootstrap replications.

```
set.seed(432001)
validate(res_modC, B = 100)
```

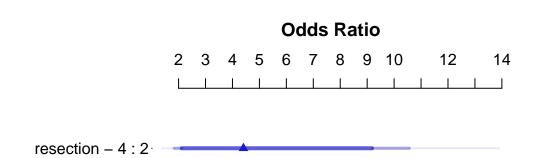
	index.orig	training	test	optimism	<pre>index.corrected</pre>	n
Dxy	0.5415	0.5422	0.5415	0.0007	0.5408	100
R2	0.1666	0.1748	0.1666	0.0083	0.1583	100
Intercept	0.0000	0.0000	0.1631	-0.1631	0.1631	100
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	1.0463	-0.0463	1.0463	100
Emax	0.0000	0.0000	0.0428	0.0428	0.0428	100
D	0.0854	0.0909	0.0854	0.0055	0.0800	100
U	-0.0149	-0.0149	0.0017	-0.0167	0.0017	100
Q	0.1004	0.1058	0.0837	0.0221	0.0783	100
В	0.1025	0.0986	0.1051	-0.0065	0.1090	100
g	1.0369	1.0677	1.0369	0.0308	1.0061	100
gp	0.1101	0.1080	0.1101	-0.0021	0.1122	100

Recall that our area under the curve (C statistic) = 0.5 + (Dxy/2), so that we can also use the first row of statistics to validate the C statistic. Accounting for optimism in this manner, our validation-corrected estimates are Dxy = 0.5408, so C = 0.7704, and, from the second row of statistics, we can read off the validated Nagelkerke  $R^2$ , which is 0.1583.

### 21.2.5 Plotting the Summary of the lrm approach

The summary function applied to an 1rm fit shows the effect size comparing the 25th percentile to the 75th percentile of resection.

plot(summary(res\_modC))



summary(res\_modC)

Effects

Response : died

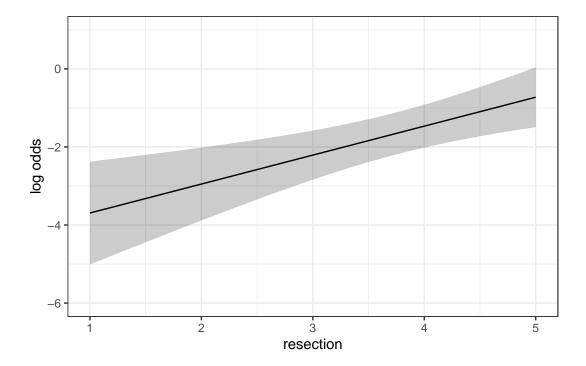
Factor	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95
resection	2	4	2	1.4834	0.44591	0.6094	2.3574
Odds Ratio	2	4	2	4.4078	NA	1.8393	10.5630

So, a move from a resection of 2 cm to a resection of 4 cm is associated with an estimated effect on the log odds of death of 1.48 (with standard error 0.45), or with an estimated effect on the odds ratio for death of 4.41, with 95% CI (1.84, 10.56).

### 21.2.6 Plot In-Sample Predictions for Model C

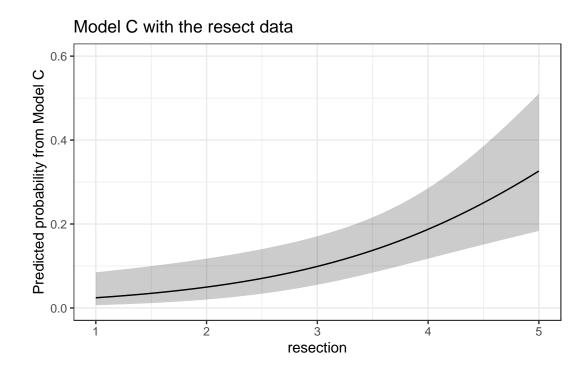
Here we plot the effect of **resection** (and 95% confidence intervals) across the range of observed values of **resection** on the log odds of death. Note the linear effect of **resection** size on the log odds scale.

#### ggplot(Predict(res\_modC))



By applying the **plogis** function within the **Predict** command, we can plot the effect of **resection** on the estimated probability of death. Note the non-linear effect on this probability in this logistic regression model.

```
ggplot(Predict(res_modC, fun = plogis)) +
    labs(y = "Predicted probability from Model C",
        title = "Model C with the resect data")
```



The Predict function itself provides the raw material being captured in this plot.

```
head(Predict(res_modC, fun = plogis))
```

	resection	yhat	lower	upper	.predictor.
resection.1	1.000000	0.02431476	0.006636502	0.08505223	resection
resection.2	1.020101	0.02467096	0.006789313	0.08559056	resection
resection.3	1.040201	0.02503224	0.006945549	0.08613277	resection
resection.4	1.060302	0.02539867	0.007105283	0.08667889	resection
resection.5	1.080402	0.02577033	0.007268589	0.08722896	resection
resection.6	1.100503	0.02614728	0.007435542	0.08778304	resection

Response variable (y):

Limits are 0.95 confidence limits

#### **21.2.7** ANOVA from the lrm approach

anova(res\_modC)

	Wald St	tatis	tics	Response:	died
Factor resection TOTAL		d.f. 1 1	P 9e-04 9e-04		

The ANOVA approach applied to a lrm fit provides a Wald test for the model as a whole. Here, the use of **resection** is a significant improvement over a null (intercept-only) model. The *p* value is 9 x 10<sup>-4</sup>.

#### 21.2.8 Are any points particularly influential?

I'll use a cutoff for dfbeta here of 0.3, instead of the default 0.2, because I want to focus on truly influential points. Note that we have to use the data frame version of resect as show.influence isn't tibble-friendly.

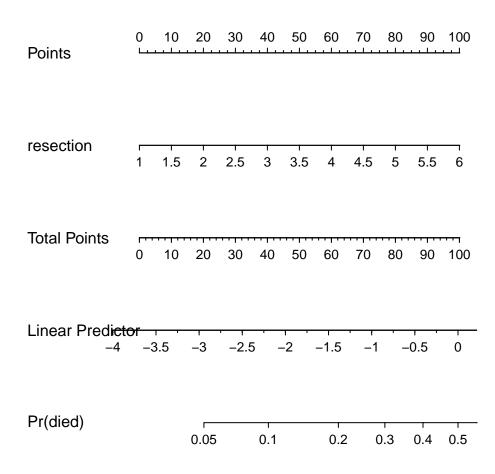
```
inf.C <- which.influence(res_modC, cutoff=0.3)
inf.C

$Intercept
[1] 84 128
$resection
[1] 84
show.influence(object = inf.C, dframe = data.frame(resect))
Count resection
84 2 *2.0
128 1 2.5</pre>
```

It appears that observation 84 may have a meaningful effect on both the intercept and the coefficient for resection.

#### 21.2.9 A Nomogram for Model C

We use the **plogis** function within a nomogram call to get R to produce fitted probabilities (of our outcome, **died**) in this case.



Since there's no non-linearity in the right hand side of our simple logistic regression model, the nomogram is straightforward. We calculate the points based on the resection by traveling up, and then travel down in a straight vertical line from total points through the linear (log odds) predictor straight to a fitted probability. Note that fitted probabilities above 0.5 are not

possible within the range of observed resection values in this case.

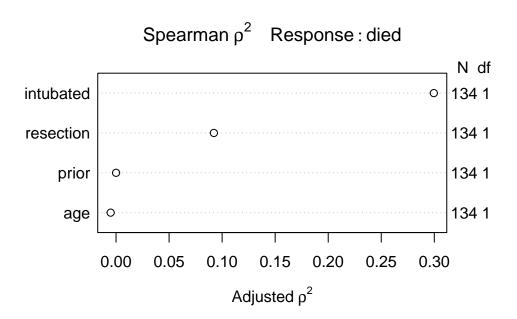
# 21.3 Model D: An Augmented Kitchen Sink Model

Can we predict survival from the patient's age, whether the patient had prior tracheal surgery or not, the extent of the resection, and whether intubation was required at the end of surgery?

# **21.3.1 Spearman** $\rho^2$ **Plot**

Let's start by considering the limited use of non-linear terms for predictors that look important in a Spearman  $\rho^2$  plot.

plot(spearman2(died ~ age + prior + resection + intubated, data=resect))



The most important variable appears to be whether intubation was required, so I'll include intubated's interaction with the linear effect of the next most (apparently) important variable, resection, and also a cubic spline for resection, with three knots. Since prior and age look less important, I'll simply add them as linear terms.

#### 21.3.2 Fitting Model D using lrm

Note the use of ia, here. This insures that only the linear part of the resection term will be used in the interaction with intubated.

#### 21.3.3 Assessing Model D using lrm's tools

 $res_modD$ 

```
Logistic Regression Model
```

lrm(formula = died ~ age + prior + rcs(resection, 3) + intubated +
 intubated %ia% resection, data = resect, x = TRUE, y = TRUE)

		Model Li	ikelihood	Discrim	ination	Rank I	)iscrim.
		Ra	atio Test		Indexes		Indexes
Obs	134	LR chi2	38.08	R2	0.464	С	0.880
0	117	d.f.	6	R2(6,13	4)0.213	Dxy	0.759
1	17	Pr(> chi2)	<0.0001	R2(6,44.	5)0.513	gamma	0.770
max	deriv  9e-08			Brier	0.067	tau-a	0.169

	Coef	S.E.	Wald Z	Pr(> Z )
Intercept	-11.3636	4.9099	-2.31	0.0206
age	0.0000	0.0210	0.00	0.9988
prior	0.6269	0.7367	0.85	0.3947
resection	3.3799	1.9700	1.72	0.0862
resection'	-4.2104	2.7035	-1.56	0.1194
intubated	0.4576	2.7848	0.16	0.8695
intubated * resection	0.6188	0.7306	0.85	0.3970

• The model likelihood ratio test suggests that at least some of these predictors are helpful.

• The Nagelkerke  $R^2$  of 0.46, and the C statistic of 0.88 indicate a meaningful improvement in discrimination over our model with resection alone.

• The Wald Z tests see some potential need to prune the model, as none of the elements reaches statistical significance without the others. The product term between intubated and resection, in particular, doesn't appear to have helped much, once we already had the main effects.

#### 21.3.4 ANOVA and Wald Tests for Model D

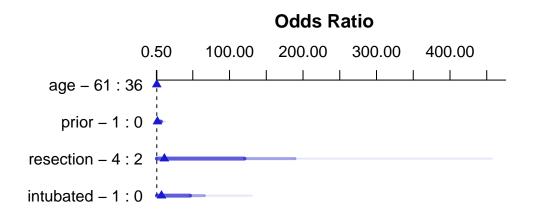
anova(res\_modD)

Wald Statistics Respo	onse: died	
Factor	Chi-Square d.f. P	
age	0.00 1 0.9	988
prior	0.72 1 0.3	947
resection (Factor+Higher Order Factors)	4.95 3 0.1	753
All Interactions	0.72 1 0.3	970
Nonlinear	2.43 1 0.1	194
intubated (Factor+Higher Order Factors)	16.45 2 0.0	003
All Interactions	0.72 1 0.3	970
intubated * resection (Factor+Higher Order F	Factors) 0.72 1 0.3	970
TOTAL NONLINEAR + INTERACTION	2.56 2 0.2	783
TOTAL	23.90 6 0.0	005

Neither the interaction term nor the non-linearity from the cubic spline appears to be statistically significant, based on the Wald tests via ANOVA. However it is clear that intubated has a significant impact as a main effect.

#### 21.3.5 Effect Sizes in Model D

plot(summary(res\_modD))



Adjusted to:resection=2.5 intubated=0

summary(res\_modD)

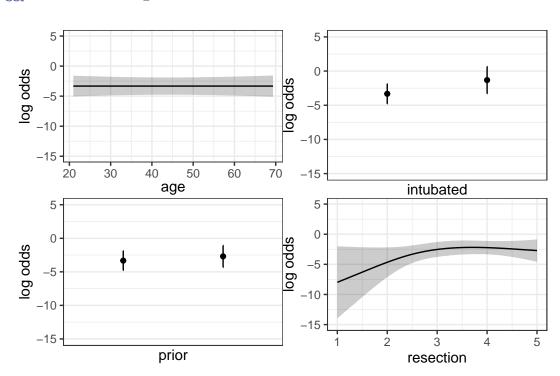
	Effe	ects		Respo	nse : died			
Factor	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95	
age	36	61	25	-0.00080933	0.52409	-1.02800	1.0264	
Odds Ratio	36	61	25	0.99919000	NA	0.35772	2.7910	
prior	0	1	1	0.62693000	0.73665	-0.81688	2.0707	
Odds Ratio	0	1	1	1.87190000	NA	0.44181	7.9307	
resection	2	4	2	2.42930000	1.43510	-0.38342	5.2419	
Odds Ratio	2	4	2	11.35000000	NA	0.68153	189.0400	
intubated	0	1	1	2.00470000	1.11220	-0.17513	4.1845	
Odds Ratio	0	1	1	7.42380000	NA	0.83934	65.6610	

Adjusted to: resection=2.5 intubated=0

The effect sizes are perhaps best described in terms of odds ratios. The odds ratio for death isn't significantly different from 1 for any variable, but the impact of **resection** and **intubated**, though not strong enough to be significant, look more substantial (if poorly estimated) than the effects of **age** and **prior**.

#### 21.3.6 Plot In-Sample Predictions for Model D

Here are plots of the effects across the range of each predictor (holding the others constant) on the log odds scale. Note the non-linear effect of resection implied by the use of a spline there.

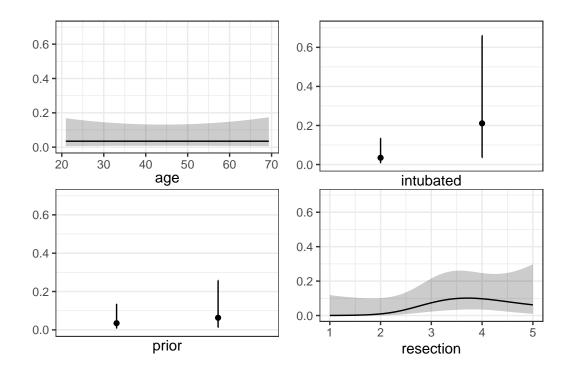


ggplot(Predict(res\_modD))

We can also capture and plot these results on the probability scale, as follows<sup>1</sup>.

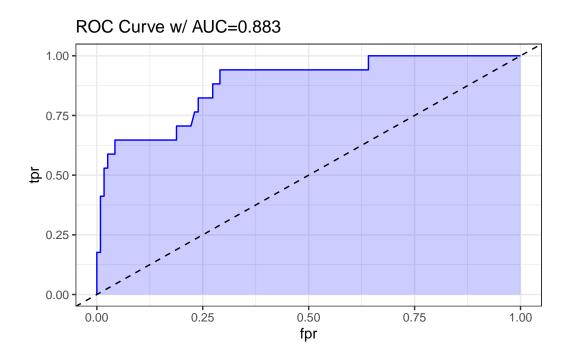
ggplot(Predict(res\_modD, fun = plogis))

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Although I've yet to figure out how to get the y axis relabeled properly without simply dumping the Predict results into a new tibble and starting over with creating the plots.



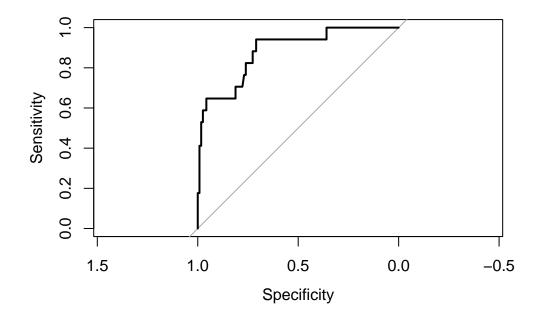
#### 21.3.7 Plotting the ROC curve for Model D

Again, remember to use type = "fitted" with a lrm fit.



The AUC fitted with ROCR (0.883) is slightly different than what lrm has told us (0.880), and this also happens if we use the pROC approach, demonstrated below.

```
## requires pROC package
roc.modD <-
    roc(resect$died ~ predict(res_modD, type="fitted"),
        ci = TRUE)
Setting levels: control = 0, case = 1
Setting direction: controls < cases
    roc.modD
Call:
roc.formula(formula = resect$died ~ predict(res_modD, type = "fitted"), ci = TRUE)
Data: predict(res_modD, type = "fitted") in 117 controls (resect$died 0) < 17 cases (resect$Area under the curve: 0.8826
95% CI: 0.7952-0.97 (DeLong)</pre>
```



# 21.3.8 Validation of Model D summaries

set.seed(432002)
validate(res\_modD, B = 100)

-	-	•	-			
	index.orig	training	test	optimism	index.corrected	n
Dxy	0.7652	0.8080	0.7352	0.0727	0.6925	95
R2	0.4643	0.5347	0.4119	0.1228	0.3416	95
Intercept	0.0000	0.0000	-0.3533	0.3533	-0.3533	95
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	0.7658	0.2342	0.7658	95
Emax	0.0000	0.0000	0.1308	0.1308	0.1308	95
D	0.2767	0.3415	0.2407	0.1008	0.1759	95
U	-0.0149	-0.0149	0.0883	-0.1032	0.0883	95
Q	0.2916	0.3564	0.1524	0.2040	0.0876	95
В	0.0673	0.0640	0.0736	-0.0096	0.0769	95

Divergence or singularity in 5 samples

g	2.3819	4.0387	2.4635	1.5751	0.8068 95
gp	0.1720	0.1910	0.1632	0.0278	0.1442 95

The C statistic indicates fairly strong discrimination, at C = 0.88, although after validation, this looks much weaker (based on Dxy = 0.6925, we would have C = 0.5 + 0.6925/2 = 0.85) and the Nagelkerke  $R^2$  is also reasonably good, at 0.46, although this, too, is overly optimistic, and we bias-correct through our validation study to 0.34.

#### 21.4 Model E: Fitting a Reduced Model in light of Model D

Can you suggest a reduced model (using a subset of the independent variables in model D) that adequately predicts survival?

Based on the anova for model D and the Spearman rho-squared plot, it appears that a twopredictor model using intubation and resection may be sufficient. Neither of the other potential predictors shows a statistically detectable effect in its Wald test.

```
res_modE <- lrm(died ~ intubated + resection, data=resect,</pre>
                   x=TRUE, y=TRUE)
  res_modE
Logistic Regression Model
lrm(formula = died ~ intubated + resection, data = resect, x = TRUE,
    y = TRUE)
                        Model Likelihood
                                              Discrimination
                                                                 Rank Discrim.
                              Ratio Test
                                                     Indexes
                                                                       Indexes
Obs
                                   33.27
                                                       0.413
                                                                         0.867
              134
                     LR chi2
                                              R2
                                                                 С
 0
                                              R2(2,134)0.208
              117
                      d.f.
                                       2
                                                                         0.734
                                                                Dxy
 1
               17
                     Pr(> chi2) <0.0001
                                             R2(2,44.5)0.505
                                                                         0.757
                                                                 gamma
max |deriv| 5e-10
                                              Brier
                                                       0.073
                                                                 tau-a
                                                                         0.164
                          Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)
          Coef
                  S.E.
Intercept -4.6370 1.0430 -4.45
                                 <0.0001
intubated 2.8640 0.6479
                          4.42
                                 <0.0001
resection 0.5475 0.2689
                           2.04 0.0418
```

The model equation is that the log odds of death is -4.637 + 2.864 intubated + 0.548 resection.

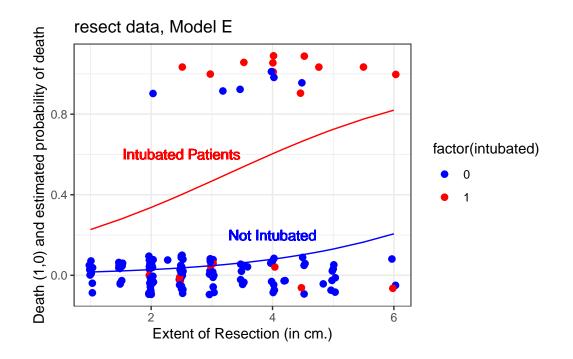
This implies that:

- for intubated patients, the equation is -1.773 + 0.548 resection, while
- for non-intubated patients, the equation is -4.637 + 0.548 resection.

We can use the ilogit function within the faraway package to help plot this.

#### 21.4.1 A Plot comparing the two intubation groups

```
ggplot(resect, aes(x = resection, y = died,
                   col = factor(intubated))) +
    scale_color_manual(values = c("blue", "red")) +
    geom_jitter(size = 2, height = 0.1) +
    geom_line(aes(x = resection,
                  y = faraway:::logit(-4.637 + 0.548*resection)),
              col = "blue") +
    geom line(aes(x = resection),
                  y = faraway::ilogit(-1.773 + 0.548*resection)),
              col = "red") +
    geom_text(x = 4, y = 0.2, label = "Not Intubated",
              col="blue") +
    geom_text(x = 2.5, y = 0.6, label = "Intubated Patients",
              col="red") +
    labs(x = "Extent of Resection (in cm.)",
         y = "Death (1,0) and estimated probability of death",
         title = "resect data, Model E")
```



The effect of intubation appears to be very large, compared to the resection size effect.

#### 21.4.2 Nomogram for Model E

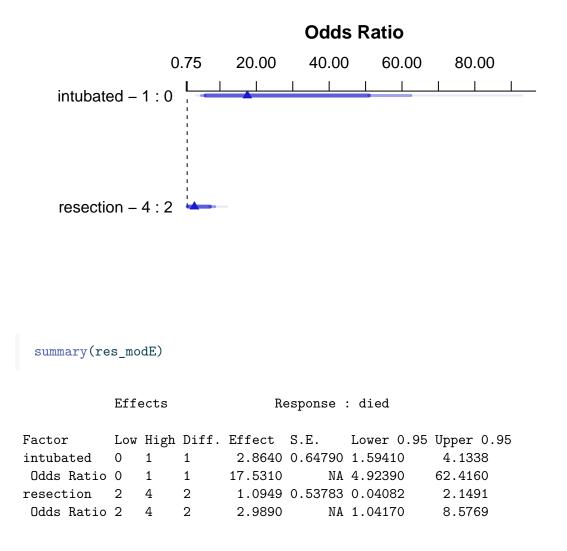
A nomogram of the model would help, too.

Points	0 	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100  _1
intubated											ł
resection		4 5					1	4.5			
Total Points	ן ייין	1.5	2	2.5	3		4	4.5		5.5	6
Linear Predicto		20	40	60	80		20	16		20	-
Pr(died) -4.5		-3.5	-	-2.5	-1.	5	-0.5	0.	.5 1	1.5	2
			0.05	0.1	0	.2 0.3	3 0.4	0.50.6	6 0.7	0.8	

Again, we see that the effect of intubation is enormous, compared to the effect of resection. Another way to see this is to plot the effect sizes directly.

# 21.4.3 Effect Sizes from Model E

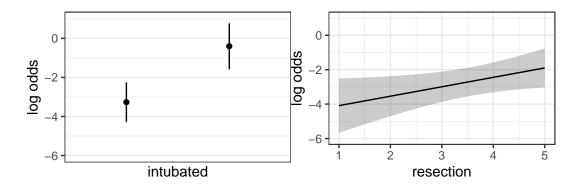
plot(summary(res\_modE))



#### 21.4.4 Plot In-Sample Predictions for Model E

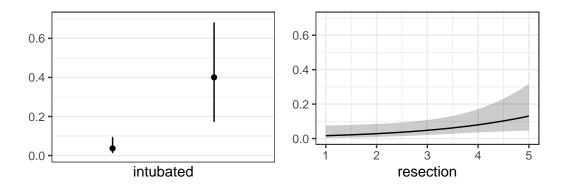
Here are plots of the effects across the range of each predictor (holding the other constant) on the log odds scale.

```
ggplot(Predict(res_modE))
```



We can also capture and plot these results on the probability scale, as follows.

```
ggplot(Predict(res_modE, fun = plogis))
```



#### 21.4.5 ANOVA for Model E

anova(res\_modE)

Wald Statistics

Response: d	died
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Factor	Chi-Square	d.f.	Р
intubated	19.54	1	<.0001
resection	4.14	1	0.0418
TOTAL	25.47	2	<.0001

# 21.4.6 Validation of Model E

validate(res\_modE, method="boot", B=40)

	index.orig	training	test	optimism	${\tt index.corrected}$	n
Dxy	0.7340	0.6896	0.7326	-0.0430	0.7771	40
R2	0.4128	0.3814	0.4025	-0.0211	0.4339	40
Intercept	0.0000	0.0000	0.1367	-0.1367	0.1367	40

Slope	1.0000	1.0000	1.0472	-0.0472	1.0472 40
Emax	0.0000	0.0000	0.0369	0.0369	0.0369 40
D	0.2408	0.2183	0.2339	-0.0157	0.2565 40
U	-0.0149	-0.0149	-0.0001	-0.0148	-0.0001 40
Q	0.2558	0.2332	0.2340	-0.0009	0.2566 40
В	0.0727	0.0727	0.0759	-0.0032	0.0759 40
g	1.3970	1.3391	1.3577	-0.0186	1.4156 40
gp	0.1597	0.1446	0.1563	-0.0117	0.1714 40

Our bootstrap validated assessments of discrimination and goodness of fit look somewhat more reasonable now.

#### 21.4.7 Do any points seem particularly influential?

As a last step, I'll look at influence, and residuals, associated with model E.

```
inf.E <- which.influence(res_modE, cutoff=0.3)</pre>
```

inf.E

\$Intercept [1] 84 94

\$resection [1] 84 94

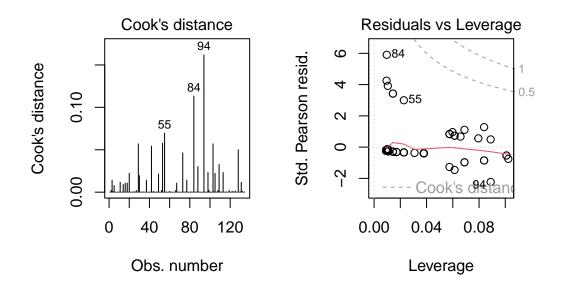
show.influence(inf.E, dframe = data.frame(resect))

 Count resection

 84
 2
 \*2

 94
 2
 \*6

21.4.8 Fitting Model E using glm to get plots about influence



Using this glm residuals approach, we again see that points 84 and 94 have the largest influence on our model E.

# 21.5 Concordance: Comparing Model C, D and E's predictions

To start, we'll gather the predictions made by each model (C, D and E) on the probability scale, in one place. Sadly, augment from broom doesn't work well with 1rm fits, so we have to do this on our own.

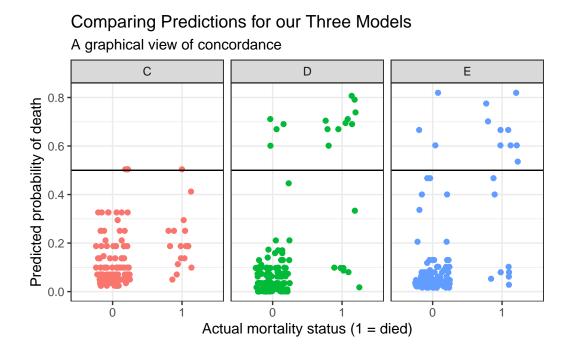
```
resect_preds <- resect |>
      mutate(C = predict(res_modC, type = "fitted"),
            D = predict(res_modD, type = "fitted"),
            E = predict(res_modE, type = "fitted"))
  head(resect_preds)
# A tibble: 6 x 9
                                                              Е
 subj_id
           age prior resection intubated
                                       died
                                                 С
                                                       D
   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                        <dbl>
                                 1
       1
            34
                          2.5
                                     0
                                          0 0.0705 0.0632 0.0367
                  1
```

2	2	57	0	5	0	0 0.326	0.0620	0.130
3	3	60	1	4	1	1 0.187	0.791	0.603
4	4	62	1	4.2	0	0 0.211	0.158	0.0881
5	5	28	0	6	1	1 0.504	0.711	0.819
6	6	52	0	3	0	0 0.0990	0.0737	0.0477

And now, we'll use the pivot\_longer() function from the tidyr package (part of the tidyverse) to arrange the models and predicted probabilities in a more useful manner for plotting.

```
res_p <- resect_preds |>
    pivot_longer(cols = 7:9, names_to = "model", values_to = "prediction") |>
    select(subj_id, died, model, prediction)
  head(res_p)
# A tibble: 6 x 4
  subj_id died model prediction
    <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
                            <dbl>
              0 C
                           0.0705
1
        1
2
        1
              0 D
                           0.0632
3
        1
              0 E
                          0.0367
4
        2
              0 C
                           0.326
5
        2
              0 D
                           0.0620
        2
6
              0 E
                           0.130
```

Here's the resulting plot.



We could specify a particular rule, for example: if the predicted probability of death is 0.5 or greater, then predict "Died".

```
res_p$rule.5 <- ifelse(res_p$prediction >= 0.5,
                          "Predict Died", "Predict Alive")
  ftable(table(res_p$model, res_p$rule.5, res_p$died))
                   0
                       1
C Predict Alive
                 114
                      16
  Predict Died
                   3
                       1
D Predict Alive
                 113
                       7
  Predict Died
                      10
                   4
E Predict Alive
                 114
                       8
```

And perhaps build the linked table of row probabilities...

9

3

Predict Died

```
round(100*prop.table(
    ftable(table(res_p$model, res_p$rule.5, res_p$died))
```

,1),2)

```
0 1
C Predict Alive 87.69 12.31
Predict Died 75.00 25.00
D Predict Alive 94.17 5.83
Predict Died 28.57 71.43
E Predict Alive 93.44 6.56
Predict Died 25.00 75.00
```

For example, in model E, 93.44% of those predicted to be alive actually survived, and 75% of those predicted to die actually died.

- Model D does a little better in one direction (94.17% of those predicted by Model D to be alive actually survived) but worse in the other (71.43% of those predicted by Model D to die actually died.)
- Model C does worse than each of the others in both predicting those who survive and those who die.

Note that the approaches discussed here would be useful if we had a new sample to predict on, as well. We could then compare the errors for that new data made by this sort of classification scheme either graphically or in a table.

# 21.6 Conclusions

It appears that intubated status and, to a lesser degree, the extent of the resection both play a meaningful role in predicting death associated with tracheal carina resection surgery. Patients who are intubated are associated with worse outcomes (greater risk of death) and more extensive resections are also associated with worse outcomes.

# 22 Estimating and Interpreting Effect Sizes

# 22.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(knitr)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 22.1.1 Data Load

Consider the smalldat.csv data available on our site, which is modeled on the public Framingham data set available from BIOLINCC<sup>1</sup>. From the BIOLINCC documentation:

The Framingham Heart Study is a long term prospective study of the etiology of cardiovascular disease among a population of free living subjects in the community of Framingham, Massachusetts. The Framingham Heart Study was a landmark study in epidemiology in that it was the first prospective study of cardiovascular disease and identified the concept of risk factors and their joint effects.

```
smalldat <- read_csv("data/smalldat.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

# 22.2 Available Variables

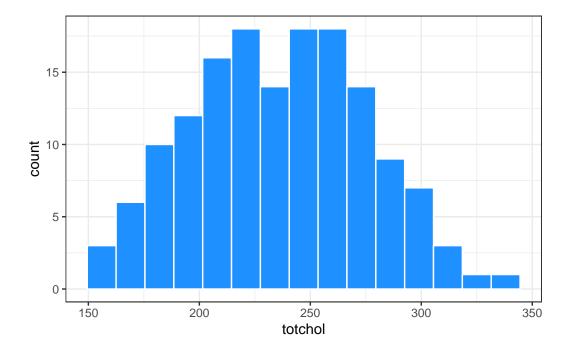
The smalldat data contains 150 observations on the following variables<sup>2</sup>:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Framingham data from this source are not appropriate for publication or project use because they have been anonymized by permuting the results of individual subjects.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The *educ* levels are: 1\_Low, 2\_Middle, 3\_High and 4\_VHigh, which stands for Very High

Variable	Description
subject	Subject identification code
smoker	1 = current smoker, $0 = $ not current smoker
totchol	total cholesterol, in mg/dl
age	age in years
sex	subject's sex (M or F)
educ	subject's educational attainment (4 levels)

```
ggplot(smalldat, aes(x = totchol)) +
   geom_histogram(bins = 15, col = "white", fill = "dodgerblue")
```



# 22.3 Effect Interpretation in A Linear Regression Model

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	171.197	20.201	8.475	0.000	131.268	211.126
age	1.202	0.367	3.270	0.001	0.475	1.928
sexM	3.612	6.441	0.561	0.576	-9.119	16.343
factor(educ)2Middle	11.044	7.702	1.434	0.154	-4.180	26.268
$factor(educ)3$ _High	-2.459	9.390	-0.262	0.794	-21.019	16.101
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	10.927	9.780	1.117	0.266	-8.405	30.258

1. What is the effect of *age* on *totchol* in Model m1?

```
temp.a <- tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE) %>%
filter(term == "age")
```

kable(temp.a, digits = 3)

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
age	1.202	0.367	3.27	0.001	0.475	1.928

The coefficient of the *age* effect on *totchol* is 1.202. Suppose we have two subjects, Doris and Emily, who are the same sex and have the same level of education, but Doris is one year older than Emily. Our model predicts that Doris' total cholesterol will be 1.202 mg/dl higher than Emily's.

The 95% confidence interval for this estimated age coefficient is (0.475, 1.928), so holding everything else constant, it seems that older age is associated with higher *totchol* in this model.

2. What is the effect of *sex* on totchol in Model m1?

```
temp.s <- tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE) %>%
    filter(term == "sexM")
kable(temp.s, digits = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
sexM	3.612	6.441	0.561	0.576	-9.119	16.343

The model is parametrized to incorporate the *sex* information with an indicator (and factor) variable called *sexM* which is interpreted as taking the value 1 when sex = M, and 0 otherwise. The coefficient of the *sexM* effect on *totchol* is 3.612. Suppose we have two subjects, David

and Emily, who are the same age, have the same level of education, but David is male and Emily is female. Our model predicts that David's total cholesterol will be 3.612 mg/dl higher than Emily's.

The 95% confidence interval for this estimated sexM coefficient is (-9.119, 16.343), which suggests that the effect of sex on *totchol* could be quite small, and that the data are consistent with a wide range of estimates for the sexM effect, some of which are negative.

3. What is the effect of *educ* on *totchol* in Model m1?

The *educ* variable splits the subjects into four categories. In this model the "1\_Low" category is used as the baseline, and we have estimates for "2\_Middle" (as compared to "1\_Low"), for "3\_High" (as compared to "1\_Low") and for "4\_VHigh" (as compared to "1\_Low".)

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
factor(educ)2_Middle	11.044	7.702	1.434	0.154	-4.180	26.268
$factor(educ)3$ _High	-2.459	9.390	-0.262	0.794	-21.019	16.101
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	10.927	9.780	1.117	0.266	-8.405	30.258

The coefficient of the *educ* effect comparing the "2\_Middle" group to the baseline "1\_Low" group on *totchol* is 11.044.

Note that none of the *educ* levels show especially large differences from the baseline group, and each of their 95% confidence intervals contains zero.

- Suppose we have two subjects, Lola and Mina, who are the same age, and the same sex, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Mina is in the "2\_Middle" education group.
- Our model predicts that Mina's total cholesterol will be 11.044 mg/dl higher than Lola's.

The coefficient of the *educ* effect comparing the "3\_High" group to the baseline "1\_Low" group on *totchol* is -2.459.

• Suppose we have two subjects, Lola and Heidi, who are the same age, and the same sex, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Heidi is in the "3\_High" education group.

• Our model predicts that Heidi's total cholesterol will be 2.459 mg/dl lower than Lola's.

Finally, the coefficient of the *educ* effect comparing the "4\_VHigh" group to the baseline "1\_Low" group on *totchol* is 10.927.

- Suppose we have two subjects, Lola and Vera, who are the same age, and the same sex, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Vera is in the "4\_VHigh" education group.
- Our model predicts that Vera's total cholesterol will be 10.927 mg/dl higher than Lola's.

# 22.4 Making a prediction and building a prediction interval with an lm fit

Suppose we want to use m1 to make a prediction for Lola and Vera, who we'll now assume are each Female and 30 years of age, and we want to accompany this with a 90% prediction interval for each subject. Here's one way to do that.

```
new1 <- tibble(</pre>
       name = c("Lola", "Vera"),
       age = c(30, 30),
       sex = c("F", "F"),
       educ = c("1_Low", "4_VHigh")
  )
  new1
# A tibble: 2 x 4
  name
           age sex
                      educ
  <chr> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <
1 Lola
            30 F
                      1_Low
2 Vera
            30 F
                      4_VHigh
  res1 <- predict(m1, newdata = new1,</pre>
           interval = "prediction", level = 0.9)
  res1
       fit
                lwr
                           upr
1 207.2456 142.322 272.1691
2 218.1725 152.387 283.9580
```

```
new1_aug <- bind_cols(new1, fit = res1[,"fit"],</pre>
                           pi90.lo = res1[,"lwr"],
                           pi90.hi = res1[,"upr"])
  new1_aug
# A tibble: 2 x 7
           age sex
                      educ
                                 fit pi90.lo pi90.hi
  name
  <chr> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <dbl> <chr> <chr> <
                                        <dbl>
                               <dbl>
                                                  <dbl>
1 Lola
            30 F
                      1 Low
                                207.
                                          142.
                                                   272.
2 Vera
            30 F
                      4_VHigh 218.
                                          152.
                                                   284.
```

# 22.5 What if we include a Spline or an Interaction?

Suppose we fit a new model to predict *totchol* using a five-knot spline in *age* and the interaction of sex and educational attainment. How does that change our interpretation of the effect sizes?

None of these coefficients show particularly large effects, and zero is contained in each of the 95% confidence intervals provided in the table summarizing model m2.

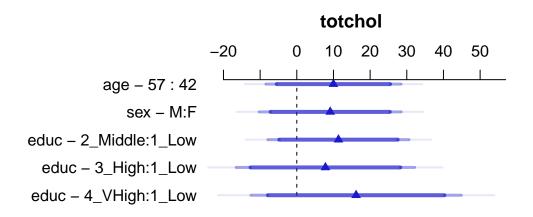
kable(summary(m2), digits = 2)

	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95	Type
age	42	57	15	9.99	9.40	-8.59	28.57	1
sex - M:F	1	2	NA	9.11	9.87	-10.41	28.64	1
educ -	1	2	NA	11.36	9.81	-8.04	30.76	1
2_Middle:1_Low	1	9	NT A	7.90	10/1	16 79	20.24	1
educ - 3_High:1_Low	1	3	NA	7.80	12.41	-16.73	32.34	1
educ -	1	4	NA	16.17	14.63	-12.75	45.10	1
4_VHigh:1_Low								

The kable approach I used in these notes hides the adjusted values specified at the bottom of the summary table for this ols model, but they are Adjusted to: sex=F educ=1\_Low.

Now, how do we interpret these model m2 results?

plot(summary(m2))



Adjusted to:sex=F educ=1\_Low

- The **age** interpretation is that if we have two subjects, Al and Bob, who are the same sex and have the same education level, but Al is age 42 and Bob is age 57, then model **m2** projects that Bob's *totchol* will be 9.993 mg/dl higher than will Al's.
- Because of the interaction between *sex* and *educ* in our model m2, we must select an *educ* level in order to cleanly interpret the effect of *sex* on *totchol*. The **sex M:F** interpretation compares M(ale) to F(emale) *sex* while requiring<sup>3</sup> that *educ* = 1\_Low. The result is that if we have two subjects, Carl and Diane, who are the same age and *each is in the low education group*, but Carl is Male and Diane is Female, then model m2 predicts that Carl's *totchol* will be 9.115 mg/dl higher than will Diane's.
- Because of the interaction between sex and educ in our model m2, we must select a sex in order to cleanly interpret the effect of educ on totchol. The educ 2\_Middle:1\_Low term, for instance, compares "2\_Middle" education to "1\_Low" education while requiring that sex is Female<sup>4</sup>. The result is that if we have two subjects, Lola and Mina, who

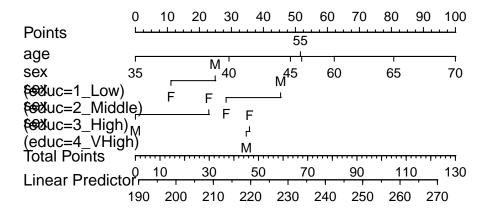
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>We know this because of the Adjusted to: sex = F, educ=1\_Low note at the bottom of the summary output for the ols model.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Again, we know this because of the Adjusted to: sex = F, educ=1\_Low note.

are the same age and *each is Female*, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Mina is in the "2\_Middle" education group, then model m2 predicts that Mina's *totchol* will be 11.363 mg/dl higher than will Lola's.

Here is a nomogram of model m2.

plot(nomogram(m2))



# 22.6 Making a prediction and building a prediction interval with an ols fit

Suppose we want to use m2 to make a prediction for Lola and Vera, who we'll again assume are each Female and 30 years of age, and we want to accompany this with a 90% prediction interval for each subject. Here's one way to do that.

```
age sex educ
                    yhat
                             lower
                                      upper
       F 1_Low 176.7746 96.77241 256.7768
1 30
Response variable (y): totchol
Limits are 0.9 confidence limits
  res2_vera <- Predict(m2,</pre>
                        age = 30, sex = "F", educ = "4_VHigh",
                        conf.int = 0.90,
                        conf.type = "individual")
  res2_vera
  age sex
             educ
                               lower
                      yhat
                                        upper
        F 4_VHigh 192.9483 112.3727 273.5238
1 30
Response variable (y): totchol
Limits are 0.9 confidence limits
```

# 22.7 Effect Estimates in A Logistic Regression fit with glm

In a binary **logistic** model, where we predict the log odds of smoking (smoker = 1), we will exponentiate so as to interpret the odds ratio estimates associated with each coefficient.

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	19.054	1.152	2.557	0.011	2.082	195.209
age	0.943	0.021	-2.782	0.005	0.903	0.982
sexM	1.795	0.356	1.643	0.100	0.897	3.637
factor(educ)2_Middle	0.690	0.428	-0.866	0.386	0.295	1.589
factor(educ)3_High	0.725	0.519	-0.619	0.536	0.258	2.005
factor(educ)4_VHigh	0.339	0.571	-1.895	0.058	0.105	1.008

1. What is the effect of age on the odds of being a smoker in Model m3?

```
temp.3a <- tidy(m3, exponentiate = TRUE, conf.int = TRUE) %>%
filter(term == "age")
```

kable(temp.3a, digits = 3)

term

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
age	0.943	0.021	-2.782	0.005	0.903	0.982

The estimated odds ratio for the *age* effect on *smoker* is 0.943. Suppose we have two subjects, Doris and Emily, who are the same sex and have the same level of education, but Doris is one year older than Emily. Our model predicts that Doris' odds of smoking will be 0.943 times as high as Emily's. Another way to write this would be that Doris' odds of smoking are estimated to be 94.3% of Emily's. Yet another way would be to state that Doris' odds of smoking are estimated to be 5.7% smaller than Emily's odds.

The 95% confidence interval for this estimated odds ratio for the *age* effect on being a *smoker* is (0.903, 0.982). This confidence interval for the odds ratio does not include one, and again we see that holding everything else constant, older *age* is associated with detectably lower odds of being a *smoker* in this model.

2. What is the effect of sex on the odds of being a smoker in Model m3?

```
temp.3s <- tidy(m3, exponentiate = TRUE, conf.int = TRUE) %>%
filter(term == "sexM")
```

kable(temp.3s, digits = 3)

term	estimate	$\operatorname{std.error}$	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
sexM	1.795	0.356	1.643	0.1	0.897	3.637

The model incorporates the *sex* information with an indicator (and factor) variable called *sexM* which is interpreted as taking the value 1 when sex = M, and 0 otherwise. The estimated odds ratio describing the *sexM* effect on being a *smoker* is 1.795. Suppose we have two subjects, David and Emily, who are the same age, have the same level of education, but David is male and Emily is female. Our model predicts that David's odds of being a *smoker* are 1.795 times the odds that Emily is a *smoker*, or equivalently, that David's odds are 179.5%

of Emily's odds. Another equivalent statement would be that David's odds are 79.5% larger than Emily's odds.

The 95% confidence interval for the odds ratio estimate of the effect of sexM on being a *smoker* is (0.897, 3.637). The effect of sex on the odds of being a *smoker* appears modest, and 1 is included in the confidence interval.

3. What is the effect of *educ* on the odds of being a *smoker* in Model m3?

Again, the *educ* variable splits the subjects into four categories. In this model the "1\_Low" category is used as the baseline, and we have estimates for "2\_Middle" (as compared to "1\_Low"), for "3\_High" (as compared to "1\_Low") and for "4\_VHigh" (as compared to "1\_Low".)

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
factor(educ)2_Middle	0.690	0.428	-0.866	0.386	0.295	1.589
$factor(educ)3$ _High	0.725	0.519	-0.619	0.536	0.258	2.005
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	0.339	0.571	-1.895	0.058	0.105	1.008

The estimated odds ratio describing the effect of *educ* being "2\_Middle" instead of the baseline "1\_Low" on the odds of being a *smoker* is 0.69, for people of the same age and sex.

No *educ* levels show meaningful differences from the baseline group, and their 95% confidence intervals all include 1, although the comparison of 4\_VHigh to 1\_Low only barely includes 1.

- Suppose we have two subjects, Lola and Mina, who are the same age, and the same sex, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Mina is in the "2\_Middle" education group.
- Our model predicts that Mina's odds of being a smoker will be 0.69 times the odds of Lola being a smoker.

The estimated odds ratio comparing the educ = "3\_High" group to the baseline educ = "1\_Low" group on *smoker* is 0.725.

- Suppose we have two subjects, Lola and Heidi, who are the same age, and the same sex, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Heidi is in the "3\_High" education group.
- Our model predicts that Heidi's odds of being a *smoker* will be 0.725 times the odds of Lola being a smoker.

Finally, The estimated odds ratio comparing the  $educ = "4\_VHigh"$  group to the baseline  $educ = "1\_Low"$  group on *smoker* is 0.339.

- Suppose we have two subjects, Lola and Vera, who are the same age, and the same sex, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Vera is in the "4\_VHigh" education group.
- Our model predicts that Vera's odds of being a *smoker* will be 0.339 times the odds of Lola being a smoker.

# 22.8 Estimates in The Same Logistic Regression fit with lrm

When we fit the same model as m3 using lrm, we get identical results as we get from the glm fit for the categorical predictors, but there's a change in how the odds ratio for the quantitative predictor (*age*) is presented.

```
d <- datadist(smalldat); options(datadist = "d")</pre>
```

```
kable(summary(m3.lrm), digits = 3)
```

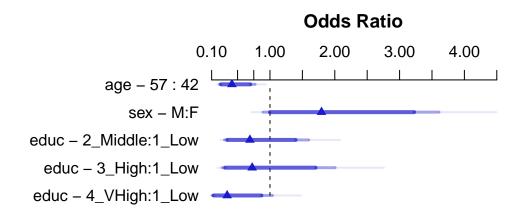
						Lower	Upper	
	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	0.95	0.95	Type
age	42	57	15	-0.885	0.318	-1.508	-0.261	1
Odds Ratio	42	57	15	0.413	NA	0.221	0.770	2
sex - M:F	1	2	NA	0.585	0.356	-0.113	1.283	1
Odds Ratio	1	2	NA	1.795	NA	0.893	3.607	2
educ -	1	2	NA	-0.370	0.428	-1.209	0.468	1
2_Middle:1_Low								
Odds Ratio	1	2	NA	0.690	NA	0.299	1.596	2
educ -	1	3	NA	-0.321	0.519	-1.338	0.696	1
3_High:1_Low								
Odds Ratio	1	3	NA	0.725	NA	0.262	2.005	2

	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95	Type
educ -	1	4	NA	-1.082	0.571	-2.201	0.037	1
4_VHigh:1_Low Odds Ratio	1	4	NA	0.339	NA	0.111	1.038	2

Note that the odds ratio effect sizes and confidence intervals are identical to what we saw in the glm fit for the *sex* and *educ* variables here, but the *age* result is presented differently.

- The **age** interpretation is that if we have two subjects, Al and Bob, who are the same sex and have the same education level, but Al is age 42 and Bob is age 57, then model **m3** projects that Bob's odds of being a *smoker* will be 0.413 times Al's odds of being a smoker. Bob's odds are 41.3% as large as Al's, equivalently.
- After adjustment for *sex* and *educ*, increasing age appears to be associated with decreasing odds of smoking. Note, too, that the effect of *age* on the odds of being a *smoker* has a confidence interval for the odds ratio entirely below 1.

plot(summary(m3.lrm))



# 22.9 Estimates in A New Logistic Regression fit with lrm

Now, suppose we fit a new model to predict the log odds of being a *smoker* using a five-knot spline in *age* and the interaction of sex and educational attainment. How does that change our interpretation of the effect sizes?

```
d <- datadist(smalldat); options(datadist = "d")</pre>
```

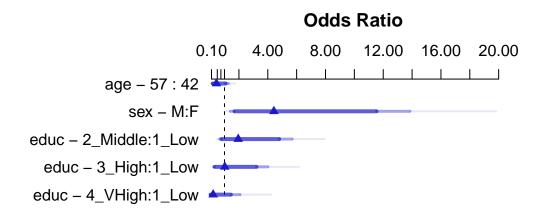
kable(summary(m4), digits = 3)

						Lower	Upper	
	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	0.95	0.95	Type
age	42	57	15	-0.817	0.538	-1.872	0.237	1
Odds Ratio	42	57	15	0.442	NA	0.154	1.268	2
sex - M:F	1	2	NA	1.487	0.583	0.345	2.629	1
Odds Ratio	1	2	NA	4.422	NA	1.412	13.853	2
educ -	1	2	NA	0.668	0.546	-0.402	1.739	1
2_Middle:1_Low								
Odds Ratio	1	2	NA	1.951	NA	0.669	5.690	2
educ -	1	3	NA	0.019	0.699	-1.351	1.389	1
3 High:1 Low								
Odds Ratio	1	3	NA	1.019	NA	0.259	4.011	2
educ -	1	4	NA	-1.541	1.159	-3.813	0.731	1
4_VHigh:1_Low								
Odds Ratio	1	4	NA	0.214	NA	0.022	2.078	2

Again, the kable approach I used in these notes hides the adjusted values specified at the bottom of the summary table for this lrm model (model m4), but they are Adjusted to: sex=F educ=1\_Low.

Now, how do we interpret these model m4 results?

plot(summary(m4))



Adjusted to:sex=F educ=1\_Low

- The **age** interpretation is that if we have two subjects, Al and Bob, who are the same sex and have the same education level, but Al is age 42 and Bob is age 57, then model **m4** projects that Bob's odds of being a smoker will be 0.442 times Al's odds of being a smoker. Equivalently, Bob's odds are 44.2% as large as Al's.
- Because of the interaction between *sex* and *educ* in our model m4, we must select an *educ* level in order to cleanly interpret the effect of *sex* on *smoker*. The **sex M:F** interpretation compares M(ale) to F(emale) *sex* while requiring<sup>5</sup> that *educ* = 1\_Low. The result is that if we have two subjects, Carl and Diane, who are the same age and *each is in the low education group*, but Carl is Male and Diane is Female, then model m4 predicts that Carl's odds of being a *smoker* will be 4.422 times the odds for Diane.
- Because of the interaction between *sex* and *educ* in our model m4, we must select a *sex* in order to cleanly interpret the effect of *educ* on *totchol*. The **educ 2\_Middle:1\_Low** term, for instance, compares "2\_Middle" education to "1\_Low" education while requiring that *sex* is Female<sup>6</sup>. The result is that if we have two subjects, Lola and Mina, who are the same age and *each is Female*, but Lola is in the "1\_Low" education group and Mina is in the "2\_Middle" education group, then model m4 predicts that Mina's odds of being a *smoker* will be 1.951 times Lola's odds, or, equivalently, that Mina will have 95.1% higher odds than Lola.

It should be easy to see that one is contained in each of the 95% confidence intervals summarizing model m4 except for the one for the main effect of sex, but we might also consider the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>We know this because of the Adjusted to: sex = F, educ=1\_Low note at the bottom of the summary output. <sup>6</sup>Adjusted to: sex = F, educ=1\_Low tells us this.

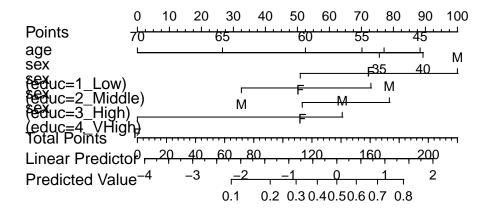
impact of the interaction term, as described by the anova result for model m4.

anova(m4)

Wald Statistics	Response:	smoker	
Factor	Chi-Squa	are d.f.	Р
age	8.34	4	0.0799
Nonlinear	1.78	3	0.6196
sex (Factor+Higher Order Factors)	12.64	4	0.0132
All Interactions	10.48	3	0.0149
educ (Factor+Higher Order Factors)	12.43	6	0.0531
All Interactions	10.48	3	0.0149
sex * educ (Factor+Higher Order Factors)	) 10.48	3	0.0149
TOTAL NONLINEAR + INTERACTION	12.60	6	0.0498
TOTAL	21.69	11	0.0269

Finally, here is a nomogram of model m4.

```
plot(nomogram(m4, fun = plogis))
```



# 23 Colorectal Cancer Screening and Some Special Cases

In this Chapter, we discuss two issues not yet raised regarding regression on a binary outcome.

- 1. What do we do if our binary outcome is not available for each subject individually, but instead aggregated?
- 2. What is probit regression, and how can we use it as an alternative to logistic regression on a binary outcome?

# 23.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

# 23.2 Data Load

```
colscr <- read_csv("data/screening.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)
colscr2 <- read_csv("data/screening2.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

# 23.3 Logistic Regression for Aggregated Data

## 23.3.1 Colorectal Cancer Screening Data

The screening.csv data (imported into the R tibble colscr are simulated. They mirror a subset of the actual results from the Better Health Partnership's pilot study of colorectal cancer screening in primary care clinics in Northeast Ohio, but the numbers have been fuzzed slightly, and the clinics have been de-identified and moved around from system to system.

Available to us are the following variables:

Variable	Description
location	clinic code
subjects	number of subjects reported by clinic
<pre>screen_rate</pre>	proportion of subjects who were screened
screened	number of subjects who were screened
notscreened	number of subjects not screened
meanage	mean age of clinic's subjects, years
female	% of clinic's subjects who are female
<pre>pct_lowins</pre>	% of clinic's subjects who have Medicaid or are uninsured
system	system code

describe(colscr)

colscr

9 Variables 26 Observations \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ location missing distinct n 26 0 26 lowest : A B C D E, highest: V W X Y Z -----subjects missing distinct Info n Mean Gmd .05 .10 26 0 26 1 3247 2134 1249 1475 .75 .25 .50 .90 .95 1915 2766 3608 6523 7068 lowest : 803 1179 1459 1491 1512, highest: 5451 6061 6985 7095 7677

screen\_rate n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 1 0.7659 0.08339 0.6682 0.6732 .90 .95 26 0 26 .75 .25 .50 0.7179 0.7579 0.8088 0.8654 0.8899 lowest : 0.63549 0.666667 0.672891 0.673452 0.686992 highest: 0.823713 0.846911 0.883875 0.891911 0.904911 \_\_\_\_\_ screened 1395.2 2169.5 2716.0 5293.5 6107.2 lowest : 572 794 992 994 1088, highest: 4818 4848 5739 6230 6947 \_\_\_\_\_ notscreened n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 1 663.2 303.5 336.0 352.5 26 0 26 .50 .75 .90 .25 .95 508.8 611.0 791.0 989.0 1172.5 lowest : 231 335 339 366 371, highest: 881 927 1051 1213 1356 \_\_\_\_\_ meanage n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 26 0 23 0.999 60.58 2.186 58.23 58.35 26 .75 .90 .95 .25 .50 58.82 60.50 61.98 62.50 62.90 lowest : 58 58.2 58.3 58.4 58.5, highest: 62.2 62.4 62.6 63 65.9 \_\_\_\_\_ female n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 26 0 23 0.999 58.72 7.118 46.93 48.45 26 .75 .90 .25 .50 .95 55.42 60.05 62.62 64.90 67.50 lowest : 46.2 46.6 47.9 49 54.3, highest: 63.6 64.1 65.7 68.1 70.3 \_\_\_\_\_ pct\_lowins

n missing distinct Info Gmd .05 .10 Mean 26 0.999 24.47 22.12 0.675 1.800 0 24 .50 .25 .75 .90 .95 4.800 23.950 44.025 49.500 49.950 lowest : 0.3 0.4 1.5 2.1 3 , highest: 45.4 47.1 49.5 50.1 51.3 system n missing distinct 0 26 4 Value Sys\_1 Sys\_2 Sys\_3 Sys\_4 7 7 6 Frequency 6 Proportion 0.269 0.269 0.231 0.231 \_\_\_\_\_

## 23.3.2 Fitting a Logistic Regression Model to Proportion Data

Here, we have a binary outcome (was the subject screened or not?) but we have aggregated results. We can use the counts of the numbers of subjects at each clinic (in subjects) and the proportion who were screened (in screen\_rate) to fit a logistic regression model, as follows:

```
m screen1 <- glm(screen rate ~ meanage + female +</pre>
                      pct_lowins + system, family = binomial,
                    weights = subjects, data = colscr)
  summary(m_screen1)
Call:
glm(formula = screen_rate ~ meanage + female + pct_lowins + system,
    family = binomial, data = colscr, weights = subjects)
Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -1.3270393 0.5530782 -2.399
                                           0.0164 *
meanage
             0.0679866 0.0089754 7.575 3.60e-14 ***
female
           -0.0193142 0.0015831 -12.200 < 2e-16 ***
pct_lowins -0.0134547 0.0008585 -15.672 < 2e-16 ***
systemSys_2 -0.1382189 0.0246591 -5.605 2.08e-08 ***
systemSys_3 -0.0400170 0.0254505 -1.572
                                          0.1159
```

```
systemSys_4 0.0229273 0.0294207 0.779 0.4358
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 2825.28 on 25 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 816.39 on 19 degrees of freedom
AIC: 1037.9
```

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

# 23.3.3 Fitting a Logistic Regression Model to Counts of Successes and Failures

```
Call:
glm(formula = cbind(screened, notscreened) ~ meanage + female +
    pct_lowins + system, family = binomial, data = colscr)
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -1.3270392 0.5530782 -2.399
                                          0.0164 *
meanage
            0.0679866 0.0089754 7.575 3.60e-14 ***
female
           -0.0193142 0.0015831 -12.200 < 2e-16 ***
pct_lowins -0.0134547 0.0008585 -15.672 < 2e-16 ***
systemSys_2 -0.1382189 0.0246591 -5.605 2.08e-08 ***
systemSys_3 -0.0400170 0.0254505 -1.572 0.1159
systemSys 4 0.0229273 0.0294207 0.779
                                          0.4358
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
```

Null deviance: 2825.28 on 25 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 816.39 on 19 degrees of freedom AIC: 1037.9 Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

## 23.3.4 How does one address this problem in rms?

We can use Glm. As an example to mirror m\_screen1, we have the following...

```
d <- datadist(colscr)</pre>
  options(datadist = "d")
  mod_screen_1 <- Glm(screen_rate ~ meanage + female +</pre>
                           pct_lowins + system,
                       family = binomial, weights = subjects,
                        data = colscr, x = T, y = T)
  mod\_screen\_1
General Linear Model
Glm(formula = screen_rate ~ meanage + female + pct_lowins + system,
    family = binomial, data = colscr, weights = subjects, x = T,
    y = T)
                     Model Likelihood
                           Ratio Test
        Obs 26
                   LR chi2
                              2008.90
Residual d.f.19
                   d.f.
                                    6
        g 0.461
                 Pr(> chi2) <0.0001
             Coef
                     S.E.
                            Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)
             -1.3270 0.5531 -2.40 0.0164
Intercept
             0.0680 0.0090 7.57 < 0.0001
meanage
female
             -0.0193 0.0016 -12.20 <0.0001
pct_lowins -0.0135 0.0009 -15.67 <0.0001
system=Sys_2 -0.1382 0.0247 -5.61 <0.0001
system=Sys_3 -0.0400 0.0255 -1.57 0.1159
system=Sys_4 0.0229 0.0294
                            0.78 0.4358
```

# 23.4 Probit Regression

# 23.4.1 Colorectal Cancer Screening Data on Individuals

The data in the **colscr2** data frame describe (disguised) data on the status of 172 adults who were eligible for colon cancer screening, with the following information included:

Variable	Description
subject	subject ID code
age	subject's age (years)
race	subject's race (White/Black/Other)
hispanic	subject of Hispanic ethnicity $(1 = \text{yes} / 0 = \text{no})$
insurance	Commercial, Medicaid, Medicare, Uninsured
bmi	body mass index at most recent visit
sbp	systolic blood pressure at most recent visit
up_to_date	meets colon cancer screening standards

The goal is to use the other variables (besides subject ID) to predict whether or not a subject is up to date.

colscr2 %>% describe()

8 Variables 172 Observations \_\_\_\_\_ subject missing distinct Info .05 .10 n Mean Gmd0 172 186.5 57.67 109.6 118.1 172 1 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95 143.8 186.5 229.2 254.9 263.4 lowest : 101 102 103 104 105, highest: 268 269 270 271 272 age n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 172 0 19 0.995 57.8 5.536 51.00 52.00 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95 54.00 57.00 61.25 65.00 67.00 51 52 53 54 57 60 Value 55 56 58 59 61

10 17 14 9 15 13 18 13 4 Frequency 10 6 Proportion 0.058 0.099 0.081 0.052 0.087 0.076 0.105 0.076 0.023 0.058 0.035 Value 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 11 4 5 7 6 3 4 3 Frequency Proportion 0.064 0.023 0.029 0.041 0.035 0.017 0.023 0.017 For the frequency table, variable is rounded to the nearest 0 \_\_\_\_\_ race n missing distinct 172 0 3 Value Black Other White Frequency 118 9 45 Proportion 0.686 0.052 0.262 \_\_\_\_\_ hispanic 
 n missing distinct
 Info
 Sum
 Mean
 Gmd

 72
 0
 2
 0.18
 11
 0.06395
 0.1204
 172 \_\_\_\_\_ insurance n missing distinct 172 0 4 Value Commercial Medicaid Medicare Uninsured Frequency 32 81 46 13 Proportion 0.186 0.471 0.267 0.076 \_\_\_\_\_ bmi n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 1 31.24 8.982 20.32 21.88 172 0 165 .90 .95 .25 .50 .75 25.48 30.05 36.03 43.06 45.68 lowest : 17.2 17.59 17.85 18.09 18.44, highest: 49.41 50.83 53.28 54.66 55.41 \_\_\_\_\_ sbp n missing distinct Info Mean Gmd .05 .10 172 0 68 0.999 128.9 19.46 101.6 109.1 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95 118.0 127.0 138.0 150.9 162.0

lowest :	89 90	94	95	96,	highest:	166 1	.68	169	170	198				
up_to_date														
n	missi	ng di	stinct		Info	Sur	1	Me	ean		Gmd			
172		0	2		0.717	104	Ł	0.60	)47	0.4	809			
												 	 	_

# 23.4.2 A logistic regression model

Here is a logistic regression model.

```
summary(m_scr2_logistic)
```

Call: glm(formula = up\_to\_date ~ age + race + hispanic + insurance + bmi + sbp, family = binomial, data = colscr2)

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )	
(Intercept)	2.7040470	2.7418625	0.986	0.3240	
age	0.0204901	0.0396920	0.516	0.6057	
raceOther	-1.9722351	1.0023237	-1.968	0.0491	*
raceWhite	-0.3210458	0.4001744	-0.802	0.4224	
hispanic	0.0005855	0.7953482	0.001	0.9994	
insuranceMedicaid	-1.0151860	0.4945169	-2.053	0.0401	*
insuranceMedicare	-0.5216006	0.5629935	-0.926	0.3542	
insuranceUninsured	0.1099966	0.7906196	0.139	0.8893	
bmi	0.0155894	0.0213547	0.730	0.4654	
sbp	-0.0241777	0.0099138	-2.439	0.0147	*
Signif. codes: 0	'***' 0.001	'**' 0.01	'*' 0.05	'.' 0.1 '	' 1
(D;					

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 230.85 on 171 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 210.55 on 162 degrees of freedom AIC: 230.55

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

confint(m\_scr2\_logistic)

Waiting for profiling to be done...

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-2.64274441	8.157738367
age	-0.05703934	0.099298904
raceOther	-4.24604744	-0.175953229
raceWhite	-1.10800168	0.469396096
hispanic	-1.53691431	1.688738936
insuranceMedicaid	-2.03640881	-0.079142467
insuranceMedicare	-1.66246932	0.564088260
insuranceUninsured	-1.40110091	1.759391281
bmi	-0.02568426	0.058563761
sbp	-0.04436143	-0.005282686

In this model, there appears to be some link between sbp and screening, as well as, perhaps, some statistically significant differences between some race groups and some insurance groups. We won't look at this much further for now, though. Instead, we'll simply describe predictions for two subjects, Harry and Sally.

#### 23.4.3 Predicting status for Harry and Sally

- Harry is age 65, White, non-Hispanic, with Medicare insurance, a BMI of 28 and SBP of 135.
- Sally is age 60, Black, Hispanic, with Medicaid insurance, a BMI of 22 and SBP of 148.

The prediction for Harry is 0.59, and for Sally, 0.42, by this logistic regression model.

## 23.4.4 A probit regression model

Now, consider a probit regression, fit by changing the default link for the **binomial** family as follows:

```
m_scr2_probit <- glm(up_to_date ~ age + race + hispanic +</pre>
                      insurance + bmi + sbp,
                  family = binomial(link = "probit"),
                  data = colscr2)
  summary(m_scr2_probit)
Call:
glm(formula = up_to_date ~ age + race + hispanic + insurance +
    bmi + sbp, family = binomial(link = "probit"), data = colscr2)
Coefficients:
                   Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)
                   1.584604
                              1.658489 0.955
                                                0.3394
                              0.024107
                                        0.558
                                                0.5766
age
                   0.013461
raceOther
                  -1.238445
                              0.587093 -2.109
                                                0.0349 *
raceWhite
                  -0.199260
                              0.243505 -0.818
                                                0.4132
hispanic
                   0.029483
                              0.484819
                                       0.061
                                                0.9515
insuranceMedicaid -0.619277
                              0.293205 -2.112
                                                0.0347 *
insuranceMedicare -0.322881
                              0.333549 -0.968
                                                0.3330
insuranceUninsured 0.052776
                              0.463798 0.114 0.9094
bmi
                   0.009652
                              0.012887
                                        0.749
                                                0.4539
                  -0.014696
                              0.005944 -2.472
                                                0.0134 *
sbp
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 230.85 on 171 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 210.49 on 162 degrees of freedom AIC: 230.49

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

confint(m\_scr2\_probit)

Waiting for profiling to be done...

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-1.70739455	4.894713408
age	-0.03400934	0.061437784
raceOther	-2.53819772	-0.119812915
raceWhite	-0.67910311	0.282566349
hispanic	-0.92476109	1.011089937
insuranceMedicaid	-1.21212866	-0.049749873
insuranceMedicare	-0.99315267	0.329851215
insuranceUninsured	-0.83335121	0.966504724
bmi	-0.01577917	0.035632196
sbp	-0.02659318	-0.003148488

## 23.4.5 Interpreting the Probit Model's Coefficients

It is possible to use any number of link functions to ensure that predicted values in a generalized linear model fall between 0 and 1. The probit regression model, for instance, uses the inverse of the cumulative distribution function of the Normal model as its link function. Let's look more closely at the coefficients of the probit model we just fit.

## m\_scr2\_probit\$coef

(Intercept)	age	raceOther	raceWhite
1.584603569	0.013461338	-1.238445198	-0.199260184
hispanic	insuranceMedicaid	insuranceMedicare	insuranceUninsured
0.029483051	-0.619276718	-0.322880519	0.052775722
bmi	sbp		
0.009652339	-0.014695526		

The probit regression coefficients give the change in the z-score of the outcome of interest (here, up\_to\_date) for a one-unit change in the target predictor, holding all other predictors constant.

- So, for a one-year increase in age, holding all other predictors constant, the z-score for up\_to\_date increases by 0.013
- And for a Medicaid subject as compared to a Commercial subject of the same age, race, ethnicity, bmi and sbp, the z-score for the Medicaid subject is predicted to be -0.619 lower, according to this model.

## 23.4.6 What about Harry and Sally?

Do the predictions for Harry and Sally change much with this probit model, as compared to the logistic regression?

```
predict(m_scr2_probit, newdata = newdat_s2, type = "response")
1 2
```

0.5885511 0.4364027

# 24 Modeling a Count Outcome

In this chapter, and the next two chapters, I use a count outcome (# of poor physical health days out of the last 30) in OHIO SMART data created in Chapter 6 to demonstrate regression models for count outcomes.

Methods discussed in the chapter include:

- Ordinary Least Squares
- Poisson Regression
- Overdispersed Quasi-Poisson Regression

# 24.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
```

```
library(broom)
library(boot)
library(countreg)
library(topmodels)
library(GGally)
library(lmtest)
library(rms)
library(sandwich)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

# 24.2 Data Load

smart\_oh <- readRDS("data/smart\_ohio.Rds")</pre>

# 24.3 Creating A Useful Analytic Subset, ohioA

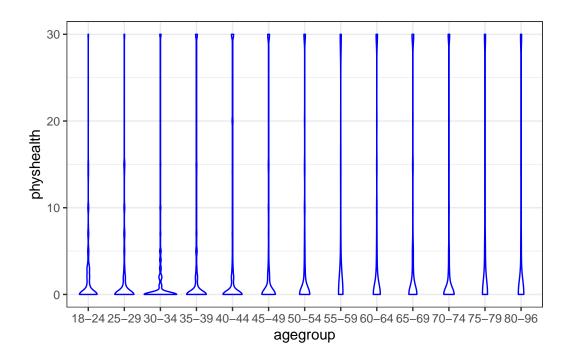
Variable	Description
SEQNO	Subject identification code
mmsa_name	Name of statistical area
genhealth	Five categories (E, VG, G, F, P) on general health
physhealth	Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness
	and injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical
	health not good?
menthlth	Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression,
	and problems with emotions, for how many days during the past 30 days
	was your mental health not good?
healthplan	1 if the subject has any kind of health care coverage, 0 otherwise
costprob	1 indicates Yes to "Was there a time in the past 12 months when you
	needed to see a doctor but could not because of cost?"
agegroup	13 age groups from 18 through $80+$
female	1 if subject is female
incomegroup	8 income groups from $< 10,000$ to 75,000 or more
bmi	body-mass index
smoke100	1 if Yes to "Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?"
alcdays	# of days out of the past 30 on which the subject had at least one alcoholic drink

For this work, I'll include the subset of all observations in smart\_oh with complete data on these 14 variables.

```
ohioA <- smart_oh |>
    select(SEQNO, mmsa_name, genhealth, physhealth,
        menthealth, healthplan, costprob,
        agegroup, female, incomegroup, bmi, smoke100,
        alcdays) |>
    drop_na()
```

# 24.3.1 Is age group associated with physhealth?

```
ggplot(ohioA, aes(x = agegroup, y = physhealth)) +
    geom_violin(col = "blue")
```



It's hard to see much of anything here. The main conclusion seems to be that 0 is by far the most common response.

Here's a table by age group of:

- the number of respondents in that age group,
- the group's mean physhealth response (remember that these are the number of poor physical health days in the last 30),
- their median physhealth response (which turns out to be 0 in each group), and
- the percentage of group members who responded 0.

```
ohioA |> group_by(agegroup) |>
    summarize(n = n(), mean = round(mean(physhealth),2),
        median = median(physhealth),
        percent_0s = round(100*sum(physhealth == 0)/n,1))
```

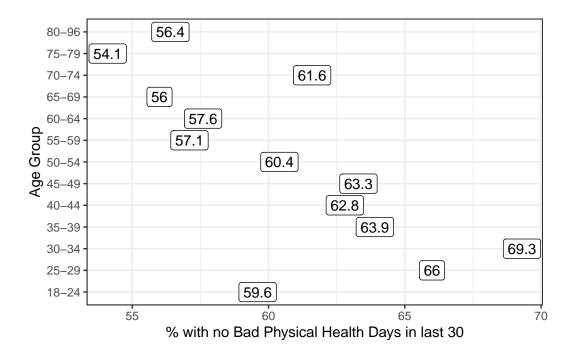
```
# A tibble: 13 x 5
```

	agegroup	n	mean	median	percent_0s
	<fct></fct>	<int></int>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	18-24	297	2.31	0	59.6
2	25-29	259	2.53	0	66
3	30-34	296	2.14	0	69.3

4	35-39	366	3.67	0	63.9
5	40-44	347	4.18	0	62.8
6	45-49	409	4.46	0	63.3
7	50-54	472	4.76	0	60.4
8	55-59	608	6.71	0	57.1
9	60-64	648	5.9	0	57.6
10	65-69	604	6.09	0	56
11	70-74	490	4.89	0	61.6
12	75-79	338	6.38	0	54.1
13	80-96	374	6.1	0	56.4

We can see a real change between the 45-49 age group and the 50-54 age group. The mean difference is clear from the table above, and the plot below (of the percentage with a zero response) in each age group identifies the same story.

```
ohioA |> group_by(agegroup) |>
    summarize(n = n(),
        percent_0s = round(100*sum(physhealth == 0)/n,1)) |>
    ggplot(aes(y = agegroup, x = percent_0s)) +
    geom_label(aes(label = percent_0s)) +
    labs(x = "% with no Bad Physical Health Days in last 30",
        y = "Age Group")
```



It looks like we have a fairly consistent result in the younger age range (18-49) or the older range (50+). On the theory that most of the people reading this document are in that younger range, we'll focus on those respondents in what follows.

# 24.4 Exploratory Data Analysis (in the 18-49 group)

We want to predict the 0-30 physhealth count variable for the 18-49 year old respondents.

To start, we'll use two predictors:

- the respondent's body mass index, and
- whether the respondent has smoked 100 cigarettes in their lifetime.

We anticipate that each of these variables will have positive associations with the physhealth score. That is, heavier people, and those who have used tobacco will be less healthy, and thus have higher numbers of poor physical health days.

#### 24.4.1 Build a subset of those ages 18-49

First, we'll identify the subset of respondents who are between 18 and 49 years of age.

physheal	th	bmi	smol	xe100	agegroup
Min. : 0	.000 Min.	:14.00	Min.	:0.0000	18-24:297
1st Qu.: 0	.000 1st Q	u.:23.74	1st Qu	:0.0000	25-29:259
Median : O	.000 Media	n :27.32	Median	:0.0000	30-34:296
Mean : 3	.337 Mean	:28.79	Mean	:0.4189	35-39:366
3rd Qu.: 2	.000 3rd Q	u.:32.43	3rd Qu	:1.0000	40-44:347
Max. :30	.000 Max.	:75.52	Max.	:1.0000	45-49:409

# 24.4.2 Centering bmi

I'm going to center the bmi variable to help me interpret the final models later.

ohioA\_young <- ohioA\_young.raw |>
 mutate(bmi\_c = bmi - mean(bmi))

Now, let's look more closely at the distribution of these variables, starting with our outcome.

# 24.4.3 Distribution of the Outcome

What's the distribution of physhealth?

```
ggplot(ohioA_young.raw, aes(x = physhealth)) +
geom_histogram(binwidth = 1, fill = "red", col = "white")
```

```
ohioA_young.raw |>
    count(physhealth == 0, physhealth == 30)
```

# A tibble: 3 x 3

	<pre>`physhealth == 0`</pre>	<pre>`physhealth == 30`</pre>	n
	<lgl></lgl>	<lgl></lgl>	<int></int>
1	FALSE	FALSE	612
2	FALSE	TRUE	98
3	TRUE	FALSE	1264

Most of our respondents said zero, the minimum allowable value, although there is also a much smaller bump at 30, the maximum value we will allow.

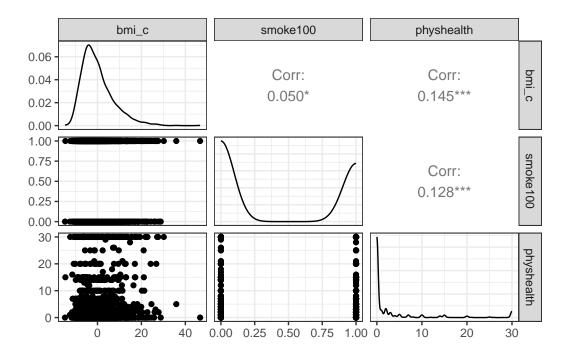
Dealing with this distribution is going to be a bit of a challenge. We will develop a series of potential modeling approaches for this sort of data, but before we do that, let's look at the distribution of our other two variables, and the pairwise associations, in a scatterplot matrix.

## 24.4.4 Scatterplot Matrix

Now, here's the scatterplot matrix for those 1974 subjects, using the centered bmi data captured in the bmi\_c variable.

```
temp <- ohioA_young |> select(bmi_c, smoke100, physhealth)
```

```
ggpairs(temp)
```



So bmi\_c and smoke100 each have modest positive correlations with physhealth and only a very small correlation with each other. Here are some summary statistics for this final data.

## 24.4.5 Summary of the final subset of data

Remember that since the mean of bmi is 28.8, the bmi\_c values are just bmi - 28.8 for each subject.

```
ohioA_young |>
    select(bmi, bmi_c, smoke100, physhealth) |>
    summary()
```

bn	ni	bm	i_c	smol	xe100	physł	nealth
Min.	:14.00	Min.	:-14.791	Min.	:0.0000	Min.	: 0.000
1st Qu.	:23.74	1st Qu	.: -5.051	1st Qu	.:0.0000	1st Qu.	: 0.000
Median	:27.32	Median	: -1.471	Median	:0.0000	Median	: 0.000
Mean	:28.79	Mean	: 0.000	Mean	:0.4189	Mean	: 3.337
3rd Qu.	:32.43	3rd Qu	.: 3.636	3rd Qu	.:1.0000	3rd Qu	: 2.000
Max.	:75.52	Max.	: 46.729	Max.	:1.0000	Max.	:30.000

# 24.5 Modeling Strategies Explored Here

We are going to predict physhealth using bmi\_c and smoke100.

- Remember that physhealth is a count of the number of poor physical health days in the past 30.
- As a result, physhealth is restricted to taking values between 0 and 30.

We will demonstrate the use of each of the following regression models, some of which are better choices than others.

- 1. Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) predicting physhealth
- 2. OLS predicting the logarithm of (physhealth + 1)
- 3. Poisson regression, which is appropriate for predicting counts
- 4. Poisson regression, adjusted to account for overdispersion

and, in Chapter 25:

5. Negative binomial regression, also used for counts and which adjusts for overdispersion

and, in Chapter 26:

- 6. Zero-inflated models, in both the Poisson and Negative Binomial varieties, which allow us to fit counts that have lots of zero values
- 7. A "hurdle" model, which allows us to separately fit a model to predict the incidence of "0" and then a separate model to predict the value of physhealth when we know it is not zero
- 8. Tobit regression, where a lower (and upper) bound may be set, but the underlying model describes a latent variable which can extend beyond these boundaries

### 24.5.1 What Will We Demonstrate?

With each approach, we will fit the model and specify procedures for doing so in R. Then we will:

- 1. Specify the fitted model equation
- 2. Interpret the model's coefficient estimates and 95% confidence intervals around those estimates.
- 3. Perform a test of whether each variable adds value to the model, when the other one is already included.
- 4. Store the fitted values and appropriate residuals for each model.
- 5. Summarize the model's apparent  $R^2$  value, the proportion of variation explained, and the model log likelihood.
- 6. Perform checks of model assumptions as appropriate.
- 7. Describe how predictions would be made for two new subjects.
  - Harry has a BMI that is  $10 \text{ kg/m}^2$  higher than the average across all respondents and has smoked more than 100 cigarettes in his life.
  - Sally has a BMI that is  $5 \text{ kg/m}^2$  less than the average across all respondents and has not smoked more than 100 cigarettes in her life.

In addition, for some of the new models, we provide a little of the mathematical background, and point to other resources you can use to learn more about the model.

### 24.5.2 Extra Data File for Harry and Sally

To make our lives a little easier, I'll create a little tibble containing the necessary data for Harry and Sally.

```
# A tibble: 2 x 3
    subj bmi_c smoke100
    <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 Harry 10 1
2 Sally -5 0
```

# 24.6 The OLS Approach

```
mod_ols1 <- lm(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                 data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_ols1)
Call:
lm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young)
Residuals:
    Min
              10 Median
                                ЗQ
                                        Max
-11.1472 -3.6639 -2.2426 -0.7807 28.8777
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 2.57046 0.21648 11.874 < 2e-16 ***
            0.14437
                      0.02305 6.263 4.61e-10 ***
bmi c
            1.83061 0.33469 5.470 5.09e-08 ***
smoke100
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 7.328 on 1971 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.0356,
                              Adjusted R-squared: 0.03462
F-statistic: 36.37 on 2 and 1971 DF, p-value: 3.072e-16
  confint(mod_ols1)
               2.5 % 97.5 %
(Intercept) 2.1459143 2.995005
bmi c
           0.0991636 0.189573
smoke100 1.1742213 2.486995
```

## 24.6.1 Interpreting the Coefficients

- The intercept, 2.57, is the predicted physhealth (in days) for a subject with average BMI who has not smoked 100 cigarettes or more.
- The bmi\_c coefficient, 0.144, indicates that for each additional kg/m<sup>2</sup> of BMI, while holding smoke100 constant, the predicted physhealth value increases by 0.144 day.
- The smoke100 coefficient, 1.83, indicates that a subject who has smoked 100 cigarettes or more has a predicted physhealth value 1.83 days larger than another subject with the same bmi but who has not smoked 100 cigarettes.

#### 24.6.2 Store fitted values and residuals

We can use **broom** to do this. Here, for instance, is a table of the first six predictions and residuals.

```
sm_ols_1 <- augment(mod_ols1, ohioA_young)
sm_ols_1 |> select(physhealth, .fitted, .resid) |> head()
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
```

	physhealth	.fitted	.resid
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	0	2.13	-2.13
2	0	2.25	-2.25
3	0	3.14	-3.14
4	30	5.72	24.3
5	0	3.20	-3.20
6	0	3.83	-3.83

It turns out that 0 of the 1974 predictions that we make are below 0, and the largest prediction made by this model is 11.15 days.

# 24.6.3 Specify the $R^2$ and log(likelihood) values

The glance function in the broom package gives us the raw and adjusted  $R^2$  values, and the model log(likelihood), among other summaries.

```
glance(mod_ols1) |> round(3)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 12
  r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value
                                                                   AIC
                                                                          BIC
                                                      df logLik
                    <dbl> <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
      <dbl>
                                            <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                <dbl>
                                                                        <dbl>
      0.036
                    0.035 7.33
                                     36.4
                                                 0
                                                       2 -6731. 13470. 13492.
1
# i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <dbl>, nobs <dbl>
```

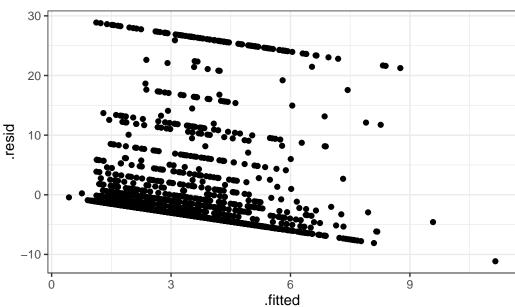
Here, we have

Model	$\mathbb{R}^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
OLS	0.036	-6730.98

## 24.6.4 Check model assumptions

Here is a plot of the residuals vs. the fitted values for this OLS model.

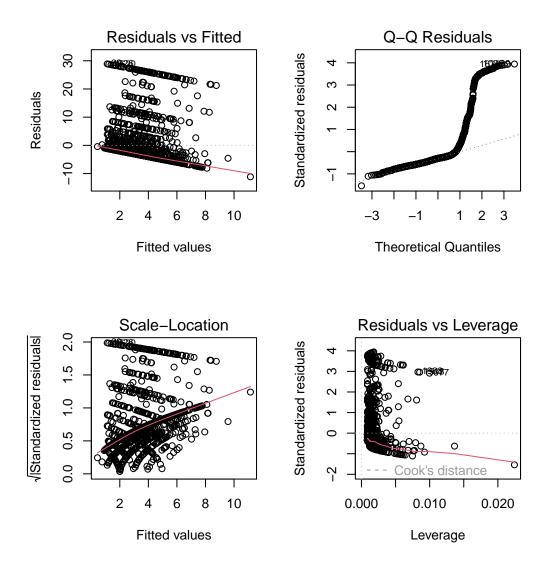
```
ggplot(sm_ols_1, aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted Values for OLS model")
```



Residuals vs. Fitted Values for OLS model

As usual, we can check OLS assumptions (linearity, homoscedasticity and normality) with R's complete set of residual plots.

par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(mod\_ols1)



## par(mfrow = c(1,1))

We see the problem with our residuals. They don't follow a Normal distribution.

#### 24.6.5 Predictions for Harry and Sally

```
predict(mod_ols1, newdata = hs_data,
          interval = "prediction")
       fit
                  lwr
                           upr
1 5.844750
           -8.541164 20.23067
2 1.848618 -12.529923 16.22716
```

The prediction for Harry is 5.8 days, and for Sally is 1.8 days. The prediction intervals for each include some values below 0, even though 0 is the smallest possible value.

## 24.6.6 Notes

• This model could have been estimated using the ols function in the rms package, as well.

```
dd <- datadist(ohioA_young)</pre>
  options(datadist = "dd")
  (mod_ols1a <- ols(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                    data = ohioA_young, x = TRUE, y = TRUE))
Linear Regression Model
ols(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young,
    x = TRUE, y = TRUE
                Model Likelihood
                                      Discrimination
                       Ratio Test
                                             Indexes
Obs
       1974
               LR chi2
                            71.55
                                      R2
                                               0.036
sigma7.3276
                d.f.
                                 2
                                      R2 adj
                                               0.035
d.f.
       1971
               Pr(> chi2) 0.0000
                                               1.570
                                      g
Residuals
     Min
                     Median
                                   ЗQ
                                           Max
                1Q
-11.1472 -3.6639 -2.2426 -0.7807
```

28.8777

CoefS.E.tPr(>|t|)Intercept2.57050.216511.87<0.0001</td>bmi\_c0.14440.02306.26<0.0001</td>smoke1001.83060.33475.47<0.0001</td>

# 24.7 OLS model on log(physhealth + 1) days

We could try to solve the problem of fitting some predictions below 0 by log-transforming the data, so as to force values to be at least 0. Since we have undefined values when we take the log of 0, we'll add one to each of the **physhealth** values before taking logs, and then transform back when we want to make predictions.

```
mod_ols_log1 <- lm(log(physhealth + 1) ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                      data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_ols_log1)
Call:
lm(formula = log(physhealth + 1) ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-1.7079 -0.7058 -0.5051 0.5053 3.0484
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 0.57746
                        0.03099 18.634 < 2e-16 ***
                                  5.796 7.91e-09 ***
bmi_c
             0.01912
                        0.00330
smoke100
             0.23679
                        0.04791
                                  4.942 8.38e-07 ***
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 1.049 on 1971 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.03003,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.02905
F-statistic: 30.51 on 2 and 1971 DF, p-value: 8.897e-14
```

confint(mod\_ols\_log1)

```
2.5 %
                           97.5 %
(Intercept) 0.51668682 0.63823590
bmi_c
            0.01265192 0.02559421
smoke100
            0.14282518 0.33075147
```

#### 24.7.1 Interpreting the Coefficients

- The intercept, 0.58, is the predicted logarithm of (physhealth + 1) (in days) for a subject with average BMI who has not smoked 100 cigarettes or more.
  - We can exponentiate to see that the prediction for (physhealth + 1) here is exp(0.58) = 1.79 so the predicted physhealth for a subject with average BMI who has not smoked 100 cigarettes is 0.79 days.
- The  $bmi_c$  coefficient, 0.019, indicates that for each additional kg/m<sup>2</sup> of BMI, while holding smoke100 constant, the predicted logarithm of (physhealth + 1) increases by 0.019
- The smoke100 coefficient, 0.24, indicates that a subject who has smoked 100 cigarettes or more has a predicted log of (physhealth + 1) value that is 0.24 larger than another subject with the same bmi but who has not smoked 100 cigarettes.

### 24.7.2 Store fitted values and residuals

We can use **broom** to help us with this. Here, for instance, is a table of the first six predictions and residuals, on the scale of our transformed response,  $\log(physhealth + 1)$ .

```
sm_ols_log1 <- augment(mod_ols_log1, ohioA_young)</pre>
  sm_ols_log1 <- sm_ols_log1 |>
      mutate(outcome = log(physhealth + 1))
  sm_ols_log1 |>
      select(physhealth, outcome, .fitted, .resid) |>
      head()
# A tibble: 6 x 4
 physhealth outcome .fitted .resid
               <dbl>
       <dbl>
                        <dbl> <dbl>
           0
                0
                        0.520 -0.520
           0
                0
                        0.535 -0.535
```

1

2

4	30	3.43	0.995 2.44
5	0	0	0.656 -0.656
6	0	0	0.739 -0.739

Note that the outcome used in this model is log(physhealth + 1), so the .fitted and .resid values react to that outcome, and not to our original physhealth.

Another option would be to calculate the model-predicted physhealth, which I'll call ph for a moment, with the formula:

 $ph = e^{fitted} - 1$ 

#	# A tibble: 6 x 3						
	physhealth pred.physhealth res.physhealth						
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>				
1	0	0.681	-0.681				
2	0	0.708	-0.708				
3	0	0.910	-0.910				
4	30	1.70	28.3				
5	0	0.926	-0.926				
6	0	1.09	-1.09				

It turns out that 0 of the 1974 predictions that we make are below 0, and the largest prediction made by this model is 4.52 days.

# 24.7.3 Specify the $R^2$ and log(likelihood) values

The glance function in the broom package gives us the raw and adjusted  $R^2$  values, and the model log(likelihood), among other summaries.

```
glance(mod_ols_log1) |> round(3)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 12
 r.squared adj.r.squared sigma statistic p.value
                                                                BIC
                                               df logLik
                                                          AIC
     <dbl>
                  <dbl> <dbl>
                                <dbl>
                                       0.03
                  0.029 1.05
                                 30.5
                                           0
                                                2 -2894. 5796. 5818.
1
# i 3 more variables: deviance <dbl>, df.residual <dbl>, nobs <dbl>
```

Here, we have

Model	Scale	$R^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
OLS on log	$\log(\texttt{physhealth}+1)$	0.03	-2893.83

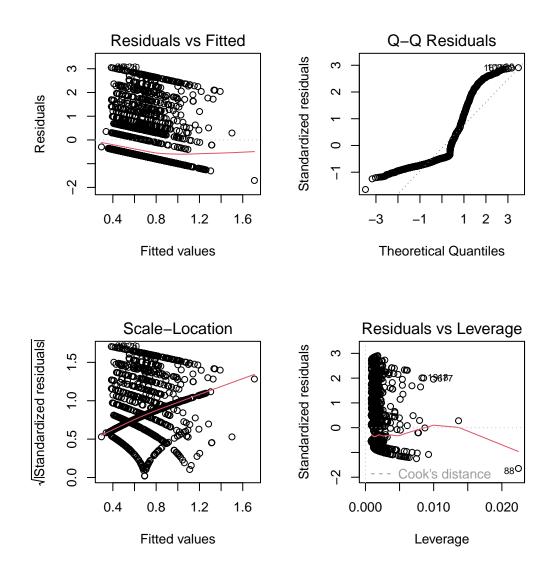
# 24.7.4 Getting $R^2$ on the scale of physhealth

We could find the correlation of our model-predicted physhealth values, after backtransformation, and our observed physhealth values, if we wanted to, and then square that to get a sort of  $R^2$  value. But this model is not linear in physhealth, of course, so it's not completely comparable to our prior OLS model.

## 24.7.5 Check model assumptions

As usual, we can check OLS assumptions (linearity, homoscedasticity and normality) with R's complete set of residual plots. Of course, these residuals and fitted values are now on the log(physhealth + 1) scale.

par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(mod\_ols\_log1)



par(mfrow = c(1,1))

#### 24.7.6 Predictions for Harry and Sally

Again, these predictions are on the log(physhealth + 1) scale, and so we have to exponentiate them, and then subtract 1, to see them on the original physhealth scale.

The prediction for Harry is now 1.73 days, and for Sally is 0.62 days. The prediction intervals for each again include some values below 0, which is the smallest possible value.

# 24.8 A Poisson Regression Model

The physhealth data describe a count. Specifically a count of the number of days where the subject felt poorly in the last 30. Why wouldn't we model this count with linear regression?

- A count can only be positive. Linear regression would estimate some subjects as having negative counts.
- A count is unlikely to follow a Normal distribution. In fact, it's far more likely that the log of the counts will follow a Poisson distribution.

So, we'll try that. The Poisson distribution is used to model a *count* outcome - that is, an outcome with possible values (0, 1, 2, ...). The model takes a somewhat familiar form to the models we've used for linear and logistic regression<sup>1</sup>. If our outcome is y and our linear predictors X, then the model is:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This discussion is motivated by Section 6.2 of Gelman and Hill.

```
y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_i)
```

The parameter  $\lambda$  must be positive, so it makes sense to fit a linear regression on the logarithm of this...

$$\lambda_i = \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots \beta_k X_k)$$

The coefficients  $\beta$  can be exponentiated and treated as multiplicative effects.

We'll run a generalized linear model with a log link function, ensuring that all of the predicted values will be positive, and using a Poisson error distribution. This is called **Poisson regression**.

Poisson regression may be appropriate when the dependent variable is a count of events. The events must be independent - the occurrence of one event must not make any other more or less likely. That's hard to justify in our case, but we can take a look.

```
mod_poiss1 <- glm(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                    family = poisson(),
                    data = ohioA young)
  summary(mod_poiss1)
Call:
glm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, family = poisson(),
    data = ohioA_young)
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(|z|)
(Intercept) 0.906991
                       0.018699
                                  48.51
                                          <2e-16 ***
           0.035051
                       0.001421
                                  24.66
                                          <2e-16 ***
bmi c
smoke100
           0.532505
                       0.024903
                                  21.38
                                          <2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 20222 on 1973 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 19151 on 1971 degrees of freedom
AIC: 21645
```

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6

confint(mod\_poiss1)

Waiting for profiling to be done...

2.5 % 97.5 % (Intercept) 0.87011622 0.94342323 bmi\_c 0.03225125 0.03782255 smoke100 0.48373882 0.58136497

### 24.8.1 The Fitted Equation

The model equation is

log(physhealth) = 0.91 + 0.035 bmi\_c + 0.53 smoke100

It looks like both bmi and smoke\_100 have confidence intervals excluding 0.

## 24.8.2 Interpreting the Coefficients

Our new model for  $y_i = \text{counts of poor physhealth}$  days in the last 30, follows the regression equation:

 $y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(exp(0.91+0.035bmi_c+0.53smoke100))$ 

where smoke100 is 1 if the subject has smoked 100 cigarettes (lifetime) and 0 otherwise, and  $bmi_c$  is just the centered body-mass index value in kg/m<sup>2</sup>. We interpret the coefficients as follows:

- The constant term, 0.91, gives us the intercept of the regression the prediction if moke100 = 0 and  $mi_c = 0$ . In this case, because we've centered BMI, it implies that exp(0.91) = 2.48 is the predicted days of poor physhealth for a non-smoker with average BMI.
- The coefficient of bmi\_c, 0.035, is the expected difference in count of poor physhealth days (on the log scale) for each additional kg/m<sup>2</sup> of body mass index. The expected multiplicative *increase* is  $e^{0.035} = 1.036$ , corresponding to a 3.6% difference in the count.

• The coefficient of smoke100, 0.53, tells us that the predictive difference between those who have and who have not smoked 100 cigarettes can be found by multiplying the physhealth count by exp(0.53) = 1.7, yielding a 70% increase of the physhealth count.

As with linear or logistic regression, each coefficient is interpreted as a comparison where one predictor changes by one unit, while the others remain constant.

## 24.8.3 Testing the Predictors

We can use the Wald tests (z tests) provided with the Poisson regression output, or we can fit the model and then run an ANOVA to obtain a test based on the deviance (a simple transformation of the log likelihood ratio.)

- By the small p values in the Wald tests above, it seems that each predictor adds some predictive value to the model given the other predictor.
- The ANOVA approach for this model lets us check the impact of adding smoke100 to a model already containing bmi\_c.

```
anova(mod_poiss1, test = "Chisq")
```

Analysis of Deviance Table

Model: poisson, link: log

Response: physhealth

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

Df Deviance Resid. Df Resid. Dev Pr(>Chi) NULL 20222 1973 609.46 1972 19612 < 2.2e-16 \*\*\* bmi\_c 1 smoke100 1 461.46 1971 19151 < 2.2e-16 \*\*\* \_\_\_ 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 Signif. codes:

To obtain a *p* value for smoke100's impact after bmi\_c is accounted for, we compare the difference in deviance to a chi-square distribution with 1 degree of freedom. To check the effect of bmi\_c, we could refit the model with bmi\_c entering last, and again run an ANOVA.

We could also run a likelihood-ratio test for each predictor, by fitting the model with and without that predictor.

```
mod_poiss1_without_bmi <- glm(physhealth ~ smoke100,</pre>
                                 family = poisson(),
                                 data = ohioA_young)
  anova(mod_poiss1, mod_poiss1_without_bmi, test = "Chisq")
Analysis of Deviance Table
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
  Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance Pr(>Chi)
1
       1971
                 19151
2
       1972
                 19692 -1 -540.98 < 2.2e-16 ***
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

## 24.8.4 Correcting for Overdispersion with coeftest/coefci

The main assumption we'll think about in a Poisson model is about **overdispersion**. We might deal with the overdispersion we see in this model by changing the nature of the tests we run within this model, using the **coeftest** or **coefci** approaches from the **lmtest** package, as I'll demonstrate next, or we might refit the model using a quasi-likelihood approach, as I'll show in the material to come.

Here, we'll use the **coeftest** and **coefci** approach from **lmtest** combined with robust sandwich estimation (via the **sandwich** package) to re-compute the Wald tests.

```
coeftest(mod_poiss1, vcov. = sandwich)
```

z test of coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 0.9069908 0.0717221 12.6459 < 2.2e-16 ***
bmi_c 0.0350508 0.0061178 5.7293 1.008e-08 ***
smoke100 0.5325053 0.1004300 5.3023 1.144e-07 ***
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
coefci(mod_poiss1, vcov. = sandwich)
```

2.5 % 97.5 % (Intercept) 0.76641801 1.04756366 bmi\_c 0.02306016 0.04704145 smoke100 0.33566606 0.72934460

Both predictors still display small p values, but the standard errors are more appropriate. Later, we'll fit this approach by changing the estimation method to a quasi-likelihood approach.

## 24.8.5 Store fitted values and residuals

What happens if we try using the **broom** package in this case? We can, if we like, get our residuals and predicted values right on the scale of our **physhealth** response.

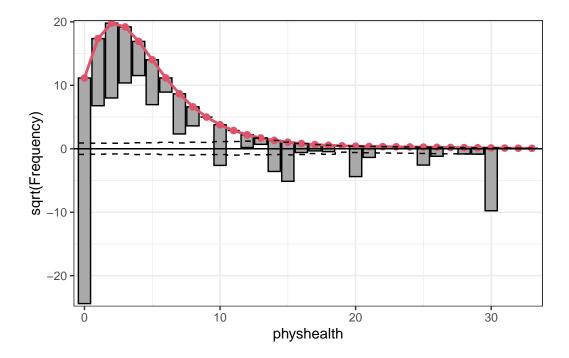
```
sm_poiss1 <- augment(mod_poiss1, ohioA_young,</pre>
                         type.predict = "response")
  sm_poiss1 |>
       select(physhealth, .fitted) |>
      head()
# A tibble: 6 x 2
  physhealth .fitted
       <dbl>
                <dbl>
                 2.23
           0
1
2
           0
                 2.29
                 3.10
3
           0
                 5.32
4
          30
5
           0
                 3.15
                 3.68
6
           0
```

## 24.8.6 Rootogram: see the fit of a count regression model

A rootogram is a very useful way to visualize the fit of a count regression model<sup>2</sup>. The rootogram function in the topmodels package makes this pretty straightforward. By default, this fits a hanging rootogram on the square root of the frequencies.

```
rootogram(mod_poiss1, max = 30)
```

 $<sup>^{2}</sup> See \ http://data.library.virginia.edu/getting-started-with-negative-binomial-regression-modeling/$ 



The red curved line is the theoretical Poisson fit. "Hanging" from each point on the red line is a bar, the height of which represents the difference between expected and observed counts. A bar hanging below 0 indicates underfitting. A bar hanging above 0 indicates overfitting. The counts have been transformed with a square root transformation to prevent smaller counts from getting obscured and overwhelmed by larger counts. We see a great deal of underfitting for counts of 0, and overfitting for most other counts, especially 1-6, with some underfitting again by physhealth above 14 days.

# 24.8.7 Specify the $R^2$ and log(likelihood) values

We can calculate the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

```
# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(poiss_r <- with(sm_poiss1, cor(physhealth, .fitted)))</pre>
```

[1] 0.1846814

# R-square
poiss\_r<sup>2</sup>

The glance function in the broom package gives us model log(likelihood), among other summaries.

```
glance(mod_poiss1) |> round(3)
# A tibble: 1 x 8
 null.deviance df.null
                          logLik
                                    AIC
                                           BIC deviance df.residual nobs
          <dbl>
                                  <dbl>
                  <dbl>
                           <dbl>
                                         <dbl>
                                                   <dbl>
                                                               <dbl> <dbl>
1
         20222.
                   1973 -10820. 21645. 21662.
                                                  19151.
                                                                 1971 1974
```

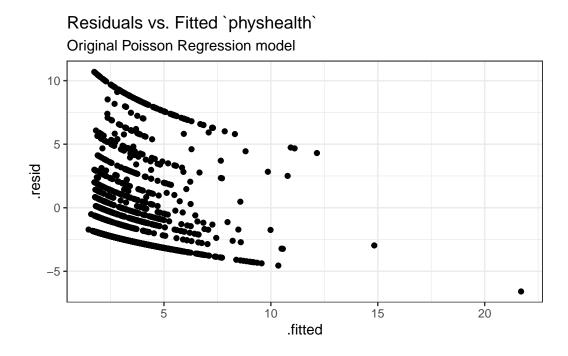
Here, we have

Model	Scale	$R^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
Poisson	$\log(\texttt{physhealth})$	0.034	-10189.33

## 24.8.8 Check model assumptions

The Poisson model is a classical generalized linear model, estimated using the method of maximum likelihood. While the default plot option for a glm still shows the plots we would use to assess the assumptions of an OLS model, we don't actually get much from that, since our Poisson model has different assumptions. It can be useful to look at a plot of residuals vs. fitted values on the original physhealth scale.

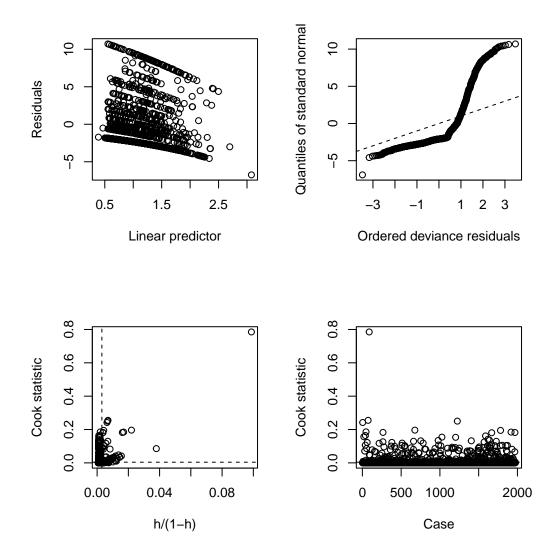
```
ggplot(sm_poiss1, aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth`",
        subtitle = "Original Poisson Regression model")
```



24.8.9 Using glm.diag.plots from the boot package

The glm.diag.plots function from the boot package makes a series of diagnostic plots for generalized linear models.

- (Top, Left) Jackknife deviance residuals against fitted values. This is essentially identical to what you obtain with plot(mod\_poiss1, which = 1). A *jackknife deviance* residual is also called a likelihood residual. It is the change in deviance when this observation is omitted from the data.
- (Top, Right) Normal Q-Q plot of standardized deviance residuals. (Dotted line shows expectation if those standardized residuals followed a Normal distribution, and these residuals generally should.) The result is similar to what you obtain with plot(mod\_poiss1, which = 2).
- (Bottom, Left) Cook statistic vs. standardized leverage
  - n = # of observations, p = # of parameters estimated
  - Horizontal dotted line is at  $\frac{8}{n-2p}$ . Points above the line have high influence on the model.
  - Vertical line is at  $\frac{2p}{n-2p}$ . Points to the right of the line have high leverage.
- (Bottom, Right) Index plot of Cook's statistic to help identify the observations with high influence. This is essentially the same plot as plot(mod\_poiss1, which = 4)



When working with these plots, it is possible to use the iden command to perform some interactive identification of points in your R terminal. But that doesn't play out effectively in an HTML summary document like this, so we'll leave that out.

## 24.8.10 Predictions for Harry and Sally

The predictions from a glm fit like this don't include prediction intervals. But we can get predictions on the scale of our original response variable, physhealth, like this.

By using **response** as the type, these predictions fall on the original **physhealth** scale. The prediction for Harry is now 5.99 days, and for Sally is 2.08 days.

# 24.9 Overdispersion in a Poisson Model

Poisson regressions do not supply an independent variance parameter  $\sigma$ , and as a result can be overdispersed, and usually are. Under the Poisson distribution, the variance equals the mean - so the standard deviation equals the square root of the mean. The notion of **overdispersion** arises here. When fitting generalized linear models with Poisson error distributions, the residual deviance and its degrees of freedom should be approximately equal if the model fits well.

If the residual deviance is far greater than the degrees of freedom, then overdispersion may well be a problem. In this case, the residual deviance is about 8.5 times the size of the residual degrees of freedom, so that's a clear indication of overdispersion. We saw earlier that the Poisson regression model requires that the outcome (here the **physhealth** counts) be independent. A possible reason for the overdispersion we see here is that **physhealth** on different days likely do not occur independently of one another but likely "cluster" together.

## 24.9.1 Testing for Overdispersion?

Gelman and Hill provide an overdispersion test in R for a Poisson model as follows...

```
yhat <- predict(mod poiss1, type = "response")</pre>
  n <- arm::display(mod_poiss1)$n</pre>
glm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, family = poisson(),
    data = ohioA_young)
            coef.est coef.se
(Intercept) 0.91
                     0.02
           0.04
                      0.00
bmi c
            0.53
                     0.02
smoke100
___
  n = 1974, k = 3
  residual deviance = 19150.9, null deviance = 20221.8 (difference = 1070.9)
  k <- arm::display(mod_poiss1)$k</pre>
glm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, family = poisson(),
    data = ohioA_young)
            coef.est coef.se
                     0.02
(Intercept) 0.91
bmi_c
           0.04
                     0.00
smoke100
            0.53
                     0.02
___
  n = 1974, k = 3
  residual deviance = 19150.9, null deviance = 20221.8 (difference = 1070.9)
  z <- (ohioA_young$physhealth - yhat) / sqrt(yhat)</pre>
  cat("overdispersion ratio is ", sum(z^2)/(n - k), "\n")
overdispersion ratio is 15.58261
  cat("p value of overdispersion test is ",
      pchisq(sum(z<sup>2</sup>), df = n-k, lower.tail = FALSE), "\n")
p value of overdispersion test is 0
```

The p value is very small, indicating that the probability is essentially zero that a random variable from a  $\chi^2$  distribution with (n - k) = 1971 degrees of freedom would be as large as what we observed in this case. So there is almost surely some overdispersion.

In summary, the **physhealth** counts are overdispersed by a factor of 15.581, which is enormous (even a factor of 2 would be considered large.) The basic correction for overdisperson is to multiply all regression standard errors by  $\sqrt{15.581} = 3.95$ .

The quasipoisson model and the negative binomial model that we'll fit below are very similar. We write the overdispersed "quasiPoisson" model as:

 $y_i \sim \text{overdispersed Poisson}(\mu_i exp(X_i\beta), \omega)$ 

where  $\omega$  is the overdispersion parameter, 15.581, in our case. The Poisson model we saw previously is then just the overdispersed Poisson model with  $\omega = 1$ .

## 24.10 Fitting the Quasi-Poisson Model

To deal with overdispersion, one useful approach is to apply a **quasi-likelihood estimation procedure**, as follows:

```
mod_poiss_od1 <- glm(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                    family = quasipoisson(),
                    data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_poiss_od1)
Call:
glm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, family = quasipoisson(),
   data = ohioA young)
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 0.906991
                      0.073818 12.287 < 2e-16 ***
                                  6.247 5.11e-10 ***
bmi_c
           0.035051
                       0.005611
           0.532505 0.098308 5.417 6.81e-08 ***
smoke100
___
               0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
(Dispersion parameter for quasipoisson family taken to be 15.58436)
```

Null deviance: 20222 on 1973 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 19151 on 1971 degrees of freedom AIC: NA Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6 confint(mod\_poiss\_od1) Waiting for profiling to be done... 2.5 % 97.5 % (Intercept) 0.75877174 1.04831740 bmi\_c 0.02383574 0.04583252 smoke100 0.34039368 0.72606948

This "quasi-Poisson regression" model uses the same mean function as Poisson regression, but now estimated by quasi-maximum likelihood estimation or, equivalently, through the method of generalized estimating equations, where the inference is adjusted by an estimated dispersion parameter. Sometimes, though I won't demonstrate this here, people fit an "adjusted" Poisson regression model, where this estimation by quasi-ML is augmented to adjust the inference via sandwich estimates of the covariances<sup>3</sup>.

## 24.10.1 The Fitted Equation

The model equation is still  $log(physhealth) = 0.91 + 0.035 \text{ bmi_c} + 0.53 \text{ smoke100}$ . The estimated coefficients still have small p values, but the standard errors for each coefficient are considerably larger when we account for overdispersion.

The dispersion parameter for the quasi-Poisson family is now taken to be a bit less than the square root of the ratio of the residual deviance and its degrees of freedom. This is a much more believable model, as a result.

## 24.10.2 Interpreting the Coefficients

No meaningful change from the Poisson model we saw previously.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>See Zeileis A Kleiber C Jackman S *Regression Models for Count Data in R* Vignette at https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/pscl/vignettes/countreg.pdf

## 24.10.3 Testing the Predictors

Again, we can use the Wald tests (z tests) provided with the Poisson regression output, or we can fit the model and then run an ANOVA to obtain a test based on the deviance (a simple transformation of the log likelihood ratio.)

- By the Wald tests shown above, each predictor appears to add some predictive value to the model given the other predictor.
- The ANOVA approach for this model lets us check the impact of adding smoke100 to a model already containing bmi\_c.

```
anova(mod_poiss_od1, test = "Chisq")
Analysis of Deviance Table
Model: quasipoisson, link: log
Response: physhealth
Terms added sequentially (first to last)
         Df Deviance Resid. Df Resid. Dev Pr(>Chi)
NULL
                           1973
                                     20222
bmi c
          1
              609.46
                           1972
                                     19612 4.011e-10 ***
smoke100
          1
              461.46
                           1971
                                     19151 5.282e-08 ***
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

The result is unchanged. To obtain a p value for smoke100's impact after bmi\_c is accounted for, we compare the difference in deviance to a chi-square distribution with 1 degree of freedom. The resulting p value is very small.

To check the effect of bmi\_c, we could refit the model with and without bmi\_c, and again run an ANOVA. I'll skip that here.

## 24.10.4 Store fitted values and residuals

What happens if we try using the **broom** package in this case? We can, if we like, get our predicted values right on the scale of our **physhealth** response.

```
sm_poiss_od1 <- augment(mod_poiss_od1, ohioA_young,</pre>
                         type.predict = "response")
  sm_poiss_od1 |>
      select(physhealth, .fitted) |>
      head()
# A tibble: 6 x 2
 physhealth .fitted
       <dbl>
                <dbl>
           0
                 2.23
1
                 2.29
2
           0
3
                 3.10
           0
                 5.32
4
          30
                 3.15
5
           0
6
           0
                 3.68
```

It turns out that 0 of the 1974 predictions that we make are below 0, and the largest prediction made by this model is 21.7 days.

The rootogram function we've shown doesn't support overdispersed Poisson models at the moment.

# 24.10.5 Specify the $R^2$ and log(likelihood) values

We can calculate the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

```
# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(poiss_od_r <- with(sm_poiss_od1, cor(physhealth, .fitted)))</pre>
```

[1] 0.1846814

# R-square
poiss\_od\_r<sup>2</sup>

[1] 0.03410723

The glance function in the broom package gives us model log(likelihood), among other summaries.

```
glance(mod_poiss_od1) |> round(3)
# A tibble: 1 x 8
 null.deviance df.null logLik
                                 AIC
                                       BIC deviance df.residual nobs
          <dbl>
                  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                              <dbl>
                                                          <dbl> <dbl>
1
         20222.
                   1973
                            NA
                                             19151.
                                  NA
                                        NA
                                                           1971 1974
```

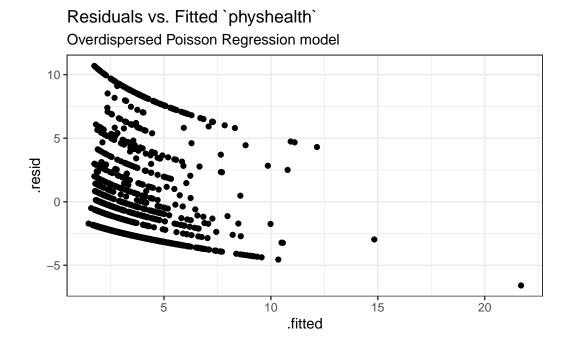
Here, we have

Model	Scale	$\mathbb{R}^2$	log(likelihood)
Poisson	$\log(\texttt{physhealth})$	0.034	NA

## 24.10.6 Check model assumptions

Having dealt with the overdispersion, this should be a cleaner model in some ways, but the diagnostics (other than the dispersion) will be the same. Here is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values on the original physhealth scale.

```
ggplot(sm_poiss_od1, aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth`",
        subtitle = "Overdispersed Poisson Regression model")
```



I'll skip the glm.diag.plots results, since you've already seen them.

## 24.10.7 Predictions for Harry and Sally

The predictions from this overdispersed Poisson regression will match those in the original Poisson regression, but the standard error will be larger.

By using **response** as the type, these predictions fall on the original **physhealth** scale. Again, the prediction for Harry is 5.99 days, and for Sally is 2.08 days.

# 24.11 Poisson and Quasi-Poisson models using Glm from the rms package

The Glm function in the rms package can be used to fit both the original Poisson regression and the quasi-Poisson model accounting for overdispersion.

## 24.11.1 Refitting the original Poisson regression with Glm

```
d <- datadist(ohioA_young)</pre>
  options(datadist = "d")
  mod_poi_Glm_1 <- Glm(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                       family = poisson(),
                       data = ohioA_young,
                       x = T, y = T)
  mod_poi_Glm_1
General Linear Model
Glm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, family = poisson(),
    data = ohioA_young, x = T, y = T)
                       Model Likelihood
                             Ratio Test
          Obs1974
                    LR chi2 1070.93
Residual d.f.1971
                    d.f.
                                       2
          g 0.418
                  Pr(> chi2) <0.0001
          Coef
                 S.E.
                        Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)
Intercept 0.9070 0.0187 48.50 <0.0001
          0.0351 0.0014 24.66 < 0.0001
bmi c
smoke100 0.5325 0.0249 21.38 <0.0001
```

## 24.11.2 Refitting the overdispersed Poisson regression with Glm

```
d <- datadist(ohioA_young)</pre>
  options(datadist = "d")
  mod_poi_od_Glm_1 <- Glm(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                        family = quasipoisson(),
                        data = ohioA_young,
                        x = T, y = T)
  mod_poi_od_Glm_1
General Linear Model
Glm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, family = quasipoisson(),
    data = ohioA_young, x = T, y = T)
                       Model Likelihood
                              Ratio Test
          Obs1974
                     LR chi2
                                 1070.93
Residual d.f.1971
                     d.f.
                                       2
          g 0.418
                     Pr(> chi2) <0.0001
                 S.E.
          Coef
                        Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)
Intercept 0.9070 0.0738 12.29 <0.0001
bmi c
          0.0351 0.0056 6.25
                               <0.0001
smoke100 0.5325 0.0983 5.42 <0.0001
```

The big advantage here is that we have access to the usual ANOVA, summary, and nomogram features that rms brings to fitting models.

## 24.11.3 ANOVA on a Glm fit

anova(mod\_poi\_od\_Glm\_1)

Wald Statistics

Response: physhealth

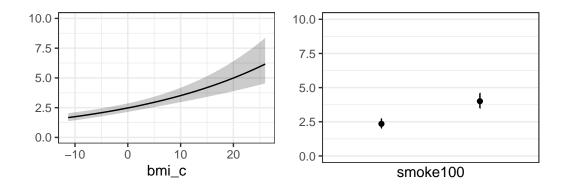
Factor	Chi-Square	d.f.	Р
bmi_c	39.03	1	<.0001

smoke100	29.34	1	<.0001
TOTAL	74.39	2	<.0001

This shows the individual Wald  $\chi^2$  tests without having to refit the model.

# 24.11.4 ggplots from Glm fit

ggplot(Predict(mod\_poi\_od\_Glm\_1, fun = exp))



# 24.11.5 Summary of a Glm fit

summary(mod\_poi\_od\_Glm\_1)

Effects

Response : physhealth

 Factor
 Low
 High
 Diff.
 Effect
 S.E.
 Lower
 0.95
 Upper
 0.95

 bmi\_c
 -5.0513
 3.6362
 8.6875
 0.30450
 0.048742
 0.20891
 0.4001

 smoke100
 0.0000
 1.0000
 0.53251
 0.098308
 0.33971
 0.7253

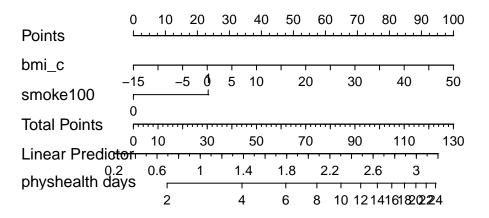
# 24.11.6 Plot of the Summary

plot(summary(mod\_poi\_od\_Glm\_1))



smoke100 – 1 : 0

# 24.11.7 Nomogram of a $\tt Glm\ fit$



Note the use of fun=exp in both the ggplot of Predict and the nomogram. What's that doing?

In the next chapter, we'll expand beyond Poisson regression to consider a Negative Binomial model.

# 25 Negative Binomial Models for Count Data

We will continue to use a count outcome (# of poor physical health days out of the last 30) in OHIO SMART data created in Chapter 6 to demonstrate regression models for count outcomes, as we did in Chapter 24.

Methods discussed in the chapter include:

• Negative Binomial Regression

# 25.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(boot)
library(countreg)
library(topmodels)
library(MASS)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

# 25.2 Data Load and Subset Creation

```
smart_oh <- readRDS("data/smart_ohio.Rds")</pre>
```

As in Chapter 24, we'll create a subset of these data for analysis.

```
ohioA <- smart_oh |>
    select(SEQNO, mmsa_name, genhealth, physhealth,
        menthealth, healthplan, costprob,
        agegroup, female, incomegroup, bmi, smoke100,
```

```
alcdays) |>
drop_na()
ohioA_young <- ohioA |>
filter(agegroup %in% c("18-24", "25-29", "30-34",
                          "35-39", "40-44", "45-49")) |>
droplevels() |>
mutate(bmi_c = bmi - mean(bmi))
```

# 25.3 Setup for this Chapter

Again, we're going to predict physhealth using bmi\_c and smoke100.

- Remember that physhealth is a count of the number of poor physical health days in the past 30.
- As a result, physhealth is restricted to taking values between 0 and 30.

In this chapter, we demonstrate Negative binomial regression, which (like Poisson regression discussed in Chapter 24) is also used for counts and adjusts for overdispersion.

## 25.3.1 What Will We Demonstrate?

With this new approach, we will again fit the model and specify procedures for doing so in R. Then we will:

- 1. Specify the fitted model equation
- 2. Interpret the model's coefficient estimates and 95% confidence intervals around those estimates.
- 3. Perform a test of whether each variable adds value to the model, when the other one is already included.
- 4. Store the fitted values and appropriate residuals for each model.
- 5. Summarize the model's apparent  $R^2$  value, the proportion of variation explained, and the model log likelihood.
- 6. Perform checks of model assumptions as appropriate.
- 7. Describe how predictions would be made for two new subjects.
  - Harry has a BMI that is  $10 \text{ kg/m}^2$  higher than the average across all respondents and has smoked more than 100 cigarettes in his life.
  - Sally has a BMI that is 5 kg/m<sup>2</sup> less than the average across all respondents and has not smoked more than 100 cigarettes in her life.

In addition, for some of the new models, we provide a little of the mathematical background, and point to other resources you can use to learn more about the model.

## 25.3.2 Extra Data File for Harry and Sally

To make our lives a little easier, I'll create a little tibble containing the necessary data for Harry and Sally.

25.3.3 Our Poisson Model (for comparison)

# 25.4 Negative Binomial Model

Another approach to dealing with overdispersion is to fit a negative binomial model<sup>1</sup> to predict the log(physhealth) counts. This involves the fitting of an additional parameter,  $\theta$ . That's our dispersion parameter<sup>2</sup>

Sometimes, people will fit a model where  $\theta$  is known, for instance a geometric model (where  $\theta = 1$ ), and then this can be directly plugged into a glm() fit, but the more common scenario is that we are going to iteratively estimate the  $\beta$  coefficients and  $\theta$ . To do this, I'll use the glm.nb function from the **MASS** package.

 $<sup>^1</sup> See \ https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/pscl/vignettes/countreg.pdf \ for \ more \ details.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This  $\theta$  is the inverse of the dispersion parameter estimated for these models by most other software packages, like SAS, Stata and SPSS. See https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/r/dae/negative-binomial-regression/ for more details.

```
mod_nb1 <- glm.nb(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, link = log,</pre>
                    data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_nb1)
Call:
glm.nb(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young,
    link = log, init.theta = 0.1487673114)
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 0.874530 0.078994 11.071 < 2e-16 ***
bmi_c
           0.035712 0.008317 4.294 1.76e-05 ***
smoke100
           0.596396 0.121166 4.922 8.56e-07 ***
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for Negative Binomial(0.1488) family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 1468.1 on 1973 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 1422.6 on 1971 degrees of freedom
AIC: 6976.6
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 1
              Theta: 0.14877
          Std. Err.: 0.00705
 2 x log-likelihood: -6968.55300
  confint(mod_nb1)
Waiting for profiling to be done...
                 2.5 %
                           97.5 %
(Intercept) 0.72304817 1.03304660
bmi c
           0.02072601 0.05124925
smoke100
           0.35977590 0.83584673
```

## 25.4.1 The Fitted Equation

The form of the model equation for a negative binomial regression is the same as that for Poisson regression.

log(physhealth) = 0.87 + 0.036 bmi\_c + 0.60 smoke100

## 25.4.2 Comparison with the (raw) Poisson model

To compare the negative binomial model to the Poisson model (without the overdispersion) we can use the logLik function to make a comparison. Note that the Poisson model is a subset of the negative binomial.

```
logLik(mod_nb1)
'log Lik.' -3484.277 (df=4)
logLik(mod_poiss1)
'log Lik.' -10819.6 (df=3)
2 * (logLik(mod_nb1) - logLik(mod_poiss1))
'log Lik.' 14670.65 (df=4)
pchisq(2 * (logLik(mod_nb1) - logLik(mod_poiss1)), df = 1, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

'log Lik.' 0 (df=4)

Here, the difference in the log likelihoods is large enough that the resulting p value is very small. This strongly suggests that the negative binomial model, which adds the dispersion parameter, is more appropriate than the raw Poisson model.

However, both the regression coefficients and the standard errors are rather similar to the quasi-Poisson and the sandwich-adjusted Poisson results above. Thus, in terms of predicted means, all three models give very similar results; the associated Wald tests also lead to the same conclusions.

## 25.4.3 Interpreting the Coefficients

There's only a small change here from the Poisson models we saw previously.

- The constant term, 0.87, gives us the intercept of the regression the prediction if smoke100 = 0 and  $bmi_c = 0$ . In this case, because we've centered BMI, it implies that exp(0.87) = 2.39 is the predicted days of poor physhealth for a non-smoker with average BMI.
- The coefficient of bmi\_c, 0.036, is the expected difference in count of poor physhealth days (on the log scale) for each additional kg/m<sup>2</sup> of body mass index. The expected multiplicative *increase* is  $e^{0.036} = 1.037$ , corresponding to a 3.7% difference in the count.
- The coefficient of smoke100, 0.60, tells us that the predictive difference between those who have and who have not smoked 100 cigarettes can be found by multiplying the physhealth count by  $\exp(0.6) = 1.82$ , yielding essentially an 82% increase of the physhealth count.

## 25.4.4 Interpretation of Coefficients in terms of IRRs

We might be interested in looking at incident rate ratios rather than coefficients. The coefficients have an additive effect in the log(y) scale, and the IRR have a multiplicative effect in the y scale. To do this, we can exponentiate our model coefficients. This also applies to the confidence intervals.

exp(coef(mod\_nb1))

(Intercept) bmi\_c smoke100 2.397748 1.036357 1.815563

exp(confint(mod\_nb1))

Waiting for profiling to be done...

2.5 % 97.5 % (Intercept) 2.060705 2.809613 bmi\_c 1.020942 1.052585 smoke100 1.433008 2.306766

As an example, then, the incident rate for smoke100 = 1 is 1.82 times the incident rate of physhealth days for the reference group (smoke100 = 0). The percent change in the incident rate of physhealth is a 3.6% increase for every  $kg/m^2$  increase in centered bmi.

## 25.4.5 Testing the Predictors

Again, we can use the Wald tests (z tests) provided with the negative binomial regression output.

As an alternative, we probably should not use the standard **anova** process, because the models there don't re-estimate  $\theta$  for each new model, as the warning message below indicates.

```
anova(mod_nb1)
```

Warning in anova.negbin(mod\_nb1): tests made without re-estimating 'theta'

Analysis of Deviance Table

Model: Negative Binomial(0.1488), link: log

Response: physhealth

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

	$\mathtt{Df}$	Deviance	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Pr(>Chi)	
NULL			1973	1468.0		
bmi_c	1	20.837	1972	1447.2	5.001e-06	***
smoke100	1	24.584	1971	1422.6	7.115e-07	***
Signif. d	code	es: 0 '*	**' 0.001	'**' 0.01 ' <sup>;</sup>	*' 0.05 '.'	0.1 ' ' 1

So, instead, if we want, for instance to assess the significance of bmi\_c, after smoke100 is already included in the model, we fit both models (with and without bmi\_c) and then compare those models with a likelihood ratio test.

anova(mod\_nb1, mod\_nb1\_without\_bmi)

Likelihood ratio tests of Negative Binomial Models

Response: physhealth Model theta Resid. df 2 x log-lik.

Test

df LR stat.

```
1 smoke100 0.1452219 1972 -6991.195

2 bmi_c + smoke100 0.1487673 1971 -6968.553 1 vs 2 1 22.6421

Pr(Chi)

1

2 1.951615e-06
```

And we could compare the negative binomial models with and without moke100 in a similar way.

anova(mod\_nb1, mod\_nb1\_without\_smoke)

Likelihood ratio tests of Negative Binomial Models

```
Response: physhealth
                                                       Test
            Model
                      theta Resid. df
                                         2 x log-lik.
                                                               df LR stat.
            bmi_c 0.1449966
                                 1972
                                            -6992.839
1
2 bmi_c + smoke100 0.1487673
                                 1971
                                            -6968.553 1 vs 2 1 24.28569
      Pr(Chi)
1
2 8.305388e-07
```

## 25.4.6 Store fitted values and residuals

The broom package works in this case, too. We'll look here at predicted (fitted) values on the scale of our physhealth response.

Warning: The `augment()` method for objects of class `negbin` is not maintained by the broom

This warning is displayed once per session.

```
sm_nb1 |>
    select(physhealth, .fitted) |>
```

head()					
#	A tibble: 6	x 2			
	physhealth	.fitted			
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>			
1	0	2.15			
2	0	2.22			
3	0	3.18			
4	30	5.23			
5	0	3.24			
6	0	3.78			

# 25.4.7 Rootogram for Negative Binomial model

Here's the rootogram for the negative binomial model.

```
rootogram(mod_nb1, max = 30)
```

Again, the red curved line is the theoretical (negative binomial) fit. "Hanging" from each point on the red line is a bar, the height of which represents the difference between expected

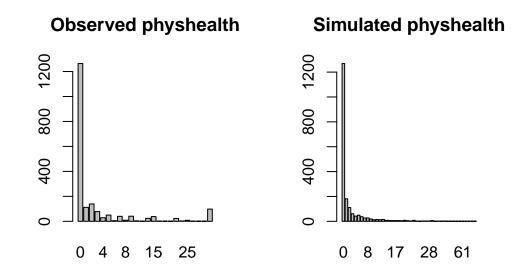
and observed counts. A bar hanging below 0 indicates underfitting. A bar hanging above 0 indicates overfitting. The counts have been transformed with a square root transformation to prevent smaller counts from getting obscured and overwhelmed by larger counts.

The match looks much better than the Poisson model, which is a sign that accounting for overdispersion is very important. Even this model badly underfits the number of 30 values, however.

## 25.4.8 Simulating what the Negative Binomial model predicts

We can use the parameters of the negative binomial model to simulate data<sup>3</sup> and compare the simulated results to our observed **physhealth** data.

```
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
ohioA_young$physhealth |>
    table() |> barplot(main = "Observed physhealth")
set.seed(432122)
rnbinom(n = nrow(ohioA_young),
    size = mod_nb1$theta,
    mu = exp(coef(mod_nb1)[1])) |>
    table() |> barplot(main = "Simulated physhealth")
```



<sup>3</sup>See http://data.library.virginia.edu/getting-started-with-negative-binomial-regression-modeling/

Again we see that the simulated data badly underfits the 30 values, and includes some predictions larger than 30.

# **25.4.9** Specify the $R^2$ and log(likelihood) values

We can calculate the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

```
# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(nb_r <- with(sm_nb1, cor(physhealth, .fitted)))</pre>
```

[1] 0.183675

# R-square
nb\_r^2

[1] 0.03373649

The glance function in the broom package gives us model log(likelihood), among other summaries.

```
glance(mod_nb1) |> round(3)
```

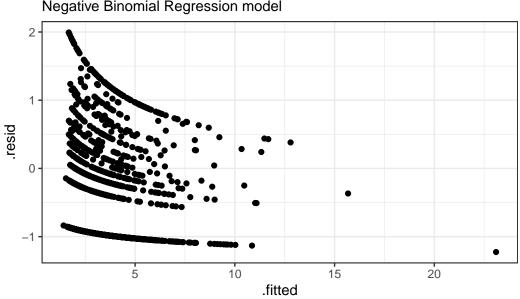
Here, we have

Model	Scale	$\mathbb{R}^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
Negative Binomial	$\log(\texttt{physhealth})$	.034	-3484.27

## 25.4.10 Check model assumptions

Here is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values on the original physhealth scale.

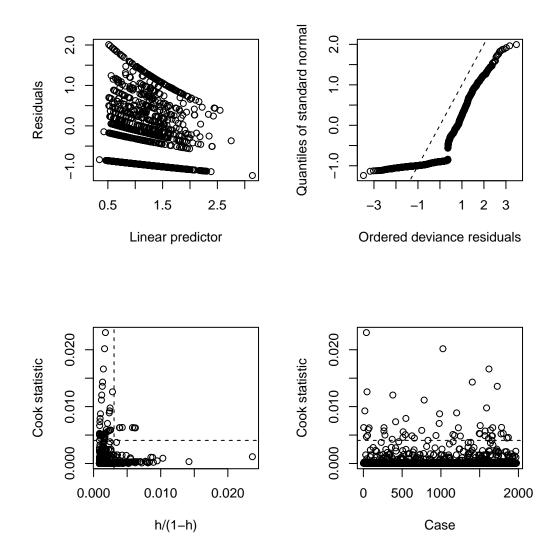
```
ggplot(sm_nb1, aes(x = .fitted, y = .resid)) +
   geom_point() +
   labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth`",
        subtitle = "Negative Binomial Regression model")
```



Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth` Negative Binomial Regression model

Here are the glm diagnostic plots from the boot package.

```
glm.diag.plots(mod_nb1)
```



From the lower left plot, we see fewer points with large values of both Cook's distance and leverage, so that's a step in the right direction. The upper right plot still has some issues, but we're closer to a desirable result there, too.

## 25.4.11 Predictions for Harry and Sally

The predictions from this negative binomial regression model will be only a little different than those from the Poisson models.

As we've seen in the past, when we use **response** as the type, the predictions fall on the original **physhealth** scale. The prediction for Harry is 6.2 days, and for Sally is 2.0 days.

# 25.5 The Problem: Too Few Zeros

Remember that we observe more than 1000 zeros in our physhealth data.

```
ohioA_young |> count(physhealth == 0)
```

Let's go back to our Poisson model (without overdispersion) for a moment, and concentrate on the zero values.

```
# predict expected mean physhealth for each subject
mu <- predict(mod_poiss1, type = "response")
# sum the probabilities of a zero count for each mean
exp <- sum(dpois(x = 0, lambda = mu))
# predicted number of zeros from Poisson model</pre>
```

```
round(exp)
```

[1] 124

As we've seen previously, we're severely underfitting zero counts. We can compare the observed number of zero physhealth results to the expected number of zero values from the likelihood-based models.

```
round(c("Obs" = sum(ohioA_young$physhealth == 0),
   "Poisson" = sum(dpois(0, fitted(mod_poiss1))),
   "NB" = sum(dnbinom(0, mu = fitted(mod_nb1), size = mod_nb1$theta))),0)
```

 Obs Poisson
 NB

 1264
 124
 1250

There are at least two ways to tackle this problem.

- Fitting a model which deliberately inflates the number of zeros that are fitted
- Fitting a hurdle model

We'll look at those options, next.

# 26 Zero-Inflated Models for Count Data

We will continue to use a count outcome (# of poor physical health days out of the last 30) in OHIO SMART data created in Chapter 6 to demonstrate regression models for count outcomes, as we did in Chapter 24 and Chapter 25.

Methods discussed in the chapter include:

- Zero-inflated Poisson Regression
- Zero-inflated Negative Binomial Regression
- Two different types of "hurdle" model
- A Tobit (Censored) Regression Model

### 26.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(lmtest)
library(MASS)
library(vgcl)
library(VGAM)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 26.2 Data Load and Subset Creation

```
smart_oh <- readRDS("data/smart_ohio.Rds")</pre>
```

As in Chapter 24 and Chapter 25, we'll create a subset of these data for analysis.

```
ohioA <- smart_oh |>
    select(SEQNO, mmsa_name, genhealth, physhealth,
        menthealth, healthplan, costprob,
        agegroup, female, incomegroup, bmi, smoke100,
        alcdays) |>
    drop_na()
ohioA_young <- ohioA |>
    filter(agegroup %in% c("18-24", "25-29", "30-34",
                          "35-39", "40-44", "45-49")) |>
    droplevels() |>
    mutate(bmi_c = bmi - mean(bmi))
```

## 26.3 Setup for this Chapter

Again, we're going to predict physhealth using bmi\_c and smoke100.

- Remember that **physhealth** is a count of the number of poor physical health days in the past 30.
- As a result, physhealth is restricted to taking values between 0 and 30.

In this chapter, we demonstrate:

- Zero-inflated Poisson models
- Zero-inflated Negative Binomial models
- Hurdle models
- Tobit models

### 26.3.1 What Will We Demonstrate?

With each new approach, we again will fit the model and specify procedures for doing so in R. Then we will:

- 1. Specify the fitted model equation
- 2. Interpret the model's coefficient estimates and 95% confidence intervals around those estimates.
- 3. Perform a test of whether each variable adds value to the model, when the other one is already included.
- 4. Store the fitted values and appropriate residuals for each model.
- 5. Summarize the model's apparent  $R^2$  value, the proportion of variation explained, and the model log likelihood.

- 6. Perform checks of model assumptions as appropriate.
- 7. Describe how predictions would be made for two new subjects.
  - Harry has a BMI that is  $10 \text{ kg/m}^2$  higher than the average across all respondents and has smoked more than 100 cigarettes in his life.
  - Sally has a BMI that is  $5 \text{ kg/m}^2$  less than the average across all respondents and has not smoked more than 100 cigarettes in her life.

In addition, for some of the new models, we provide a little of the mathematical background, and point to other resources you can use to learn more about the model.

### 26.3.2 Extra Data File for Harry and Sally

To make our lives a little easier, I'll create a little tibble containing the necessary data for Harry and Sally.

```
# A tibble: 2 x 3
    subj bmi_c smoke100
    <chr> <dbl> <dbl>
1 Harry 10 1
2 Sally -5 0
```

26.3.3 Previous Models (for comparison)

## 26.4 The Zero-Inflated Poisson Regression Model

There are at least two ways to tackle the problem of not predicting enough 0 values.

- Fitting a model which deliberately inflates the number of zeros that are fitted
- Fitting a hurdle model

The zero-inflated Poisson or (ZIP) model is used to describe count data with an excess of zero counts<sup>1</sup>. The model posits that there are two processes involved:

- a logit model is used to predict excess zeros
- while a Poisson model is used to predict the counts, generally

The pscl package is used here, which can conflict with the topmodels package we used to fit rootograms.

To run the zero-inflated Poisson model, we use the following:

```
summary(mod_zip1)
```

```
Call:
zeroinfl(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young)
Pearson residuals:
    Min
             10 Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-1.4387 -0.6987 -0.6138 -0.1947 9.3029
Count model coefficients (poisson with log link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 1.997619
                       0.018797
                                  106.3
                                          <2e-16 ***
            0.018177
bmi c
                       0.001398
                                   13.0
                                          <2e-16 ***
smoke100
            0.393355
                       0.024889
                                   15.8
                                          <2e-16 ***
Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 0.682306
                        0.062852 10.856 < 2e-16 ***
            -0.027725
                        0.006509 -4.260 2.05e-05 ***
bmi_c
            -0.237181
                        0.095316 - 2.488
smoke100
                                           0.0128 *
```

 $^{1}$ See https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/r/dae/zip/ for more on the zero-inflated poisson model.

```
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 14
Log-likelihood: -5680 on 6 Df
  confint(mod_zip1)
                        2.5 %
                                    97.5 %
count_(Intercept)
                   1.96077775
                               2.03445952
count_bmi_c
                   0.01543587
                               0.02091727
count_smoke100
                   0.34457348
                               0.44213651
zero_(Intercept)
                   0.55911859
                               0.80549344
zero_bmi_c
                  -0.04048184 -0.01496748
```

-0.42399711 -0.05036477

The output describes two separate regression models. Below the model call, we see information on a Poisson regression model. Then we see another block describing the inflation model.

Each predictor (bmi\_c and smoke100) yields a small p value in each part of the model.

### 26.4.1 Comparison to a null model

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zero\_smoke100

To show that this model fits better than the null model (the model with intercept only), we can compare them directly with a chi-squared test. Since we have two predictors in the full model, the degrees of freedom for this test is 2.

```
Count model coefficients (poisson with log link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 2.22765
                        0.01233
                                  180.7
                                          <2e-16 ***
Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)
              0.5766
                         0.0469
                                  12.29
                                          <2e-16 ***
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 9
Log-likelihood: -5908 on 2 Df
  pchisq(2 * (logLik(mod zip1) - logLik(mod zipnull)), df = 2, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

```
'log Lik.' 8.596735e-100 (df=6)
```

### 26.4.2 Comparison to a Poisson Model with the Vuong test

vuong(mod\_zip1, mod\_poiss1)

Certainly, the ZIP model seems to improve the standard Poisson model, according to the Vuong test.

### 26.4.3 The Fitted Equation

The form of the model equation for a zero-inflated Poisson regression requires us to take two separate models into account. First we have a logistic regression model to predict the log odds of zero physhealth days. That takes care of the *extra* zeros. Then, to predict the number of physhealth days, we have a Poisson model, which may produce some additional zero count estimates.

### 26.4.4 Interpreting the Coefficients

We can exponentiate the logistic regression coefficients to obtain results in terms of odds ratios for that model, and that can be of some help in understanding the process behind excess zeros.

Also, exponentiating the coefficients of the count model help us describe those counts on the original scale of physhealth.

```
exp(coef(mod_zip1))
```

<pre>count_(Intercept)</pre>	count_bmi_c	$count\_smoke100$	zero_(Intercept)
7.3714810	1.0183428	1.4819444	1.9784348
zero_bmi_c	zero_smoke100		
0.9726561	0.7888485		

For example,

- in the model for physhealth = 0, the odds of physhealth = 0 are 79% as high for subjects with smoke100 = 1 as for non-smokers with the same BMI.
- in the Poisson model for physhealth, the physhealth count is estimated to increase by 1.48 for smokers as compared to non-smokers with the same BMI.

### 26.4.5 Testing the Predictors

We can test the model with and without bmi\_c, for example, by fitting the model both ways, and comparing the results with either a Wald or Likelihood Ratio test, each of which is available in the lmtest package.

```
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Imtest::lrtest(mod_zip1, mod_zip1_nobmi)
Likelihood ratio test
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
#Df LogLik Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
1  6 -5679.8
2  4 -5769.5 -2 179.35 < 2.2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1</pre>
```

### 26.4.6 Store fitted values and residuals

The broom package does not work with the zeroinfl tool. So we need to build up the fitted values and residuals ourselves.

```
sm_zip1 <- ohioA_young |>
    mutate(fitted = fitted(mod_zip1, type = "response"),
        resid = resid(mod_zip1, type = "response"))
sm_zip1 |>
    dplyr::select(physhealth, fitted, resid) |>
    head()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
    physhealth fitted resid
        <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 0 2.21 -2.21
2 0 2.28 -2.28
```

```
        3
        0
        3.12
        -3.12

        4
        30
        5.27
        24.7

        5
        0
        3.17
        -3.17

        6
        0
        3.71
        -3.71
```

### 26.4.7 Modeled Number of Zero Counts

The zero-inflated model is designed to perfectly match the number of observed zeros. We can compare the observed number of zero physhealth results to the expected number of zero values from the likelihood-based models.

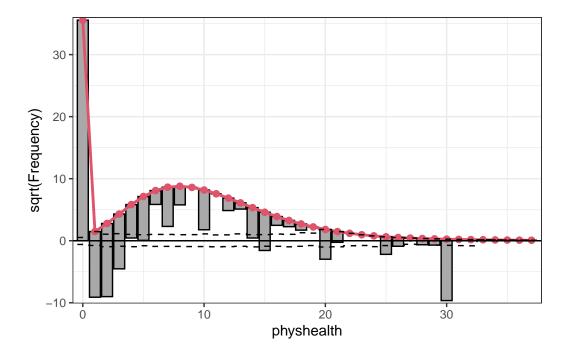
```
round(c("Obs" = sum(ohioA_young$physhealth == 0),
  "Poisson" = sum(dpois(0, fitted(mod_poiss1))),
  "NB" = sum(dnbinom(0, mu = fitted(mod_nb1), size = mod_nb1$theta)),
  "ZIP" = sum(predict(mod_zip1, type = "prob")[,1])), 0)
 Obs Poisson
                   NB
                          ZIP
1264
         124
                 1250
```

### 26.4.8 Rootogram for ZIP model

Here's the rootogram for the zero-inflated Poisson model.

1264

```
topmodels::rootogram(mod_zip1, max = 30)
```



The zero frequencies are perfectly matched here, but we can see that counts of 1 and 2 are now substantially underfit, and values between 6 and 13 are overfit.

### **26.4.9** Specify the $R^2$ and log (likelihood) values

We can calculate a proxy for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

```
# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(zip_r <- with(sm_zip1, cor(physhealth, fitted)))</pre>
```

[1] 0.1873284

# R-square
zip\_r<sup>2</sup>

[1] 0.03509194

logLik(mod\_zip1)

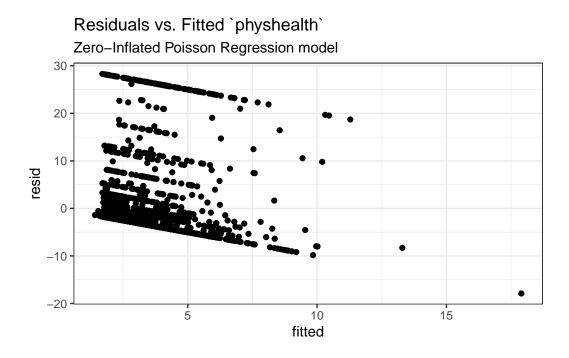
'log Lik.' -5679.794 (df=6)

Here, we have

Model	Scale	$\mathbb{R}^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
Zero-Inflated Poisson	Complex: $\log(physhealth)$	.035	-5679.83

### 26.4.10 Check model assumptions

Here is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values on the original physhealth scale.



### 26.4.11 Predictions for Harry and Sally

The predictions from this ZIP regression model are obtained as follows...

As we've seen in the past, when we use **response** as the type, the predictions fall on the original **physhealth** scale. The prediction for Harry is 6.0 days, and for Sally is 2.1 days.

# 26.5 The Zero-Inflated Negative Binomial Regression Model

As an alternative to the ZIP model, we might consider a zero-inflated negative binomial regression<sup>2</sup>. This will involve a logistic regression to predict the probability of a 0, and then a negative binomial model to describe the counts of physhealth.

To run the zero-inflated negative binomial model, we use the following code:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>See https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/r/dae/zinb/

```
mod_zinb1 <- pscl::zeroinfl(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                        dist = "negbin", data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_zinb1)
Call:
pscl::zeroinfl(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young,
    dist = "negbin")
Pearson residuals:
    Min
            1Q Median
                            3Q
                                   Max
-0.5579 -0.4192 -0.3957 -0.1166 6.4355
Count model coefficients (negbin with log link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 1.545639 0.099787 15.489 < 2e-16 ***
            0.024617 0.006641
                                  3.707 0.00021 ***
bmi c
smoke100
            0.517302 0.110770 4.670 3.01e-06 ***
Log(theta) -0.874127 0.143900 -6.075 1.24e-09 ***
Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -0.071616 0.164055 -0.437 0.66245
bmi c
           -0.027609 0.009314 -2.964 0.00303 **
smoke100
           -0.127260 0.137180 -0.928 0.35357
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Theta = 0.4172
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 16
Log-likelihood: -3469 on 7 Df
  confint(mod_zinb1)
                       2.5 %
                                   97.5 %
count_(Intercept) 1.35005972 1.741217558
count_bmi_c
                  0.01160172 0.037633119
count smoke100
                  0.30019616 0.734408526
zero_(Intercept) -0.39315782 0.249925968
```

zero\_bmi\_c -0.04586350 -0.009355106 zero\_smoke100 -0.39612706 0.141607082

#### 26.5.1 Comparison to a null model

To show that this model fits better than the null model (the model with intercept only), we can compare them directly with a chi-squared test. Since we have two predictors in the full model, the degrees of freedom for this test is 2.

```
mod zinbnull <- pscl::zeroinfl(physhealth ~ 1, dist = "negbin",</pre>
                        data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_zinbnull)
Call:
pscl::zeroinfl(formula = physhealth ~ 1, data = ohioA_young, dist = "negbin")
Pearson residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-0.4048 -0.4048 -0.4048 -0.1622 3.2340
Count model coefficients (negbin with log link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                         0.0964 18.429 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
              1.7766
Log(theta)
             -1.0445
                         0.1612 -6.479 9.25e-11 ***
Zero-inflation model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -0.2605
                         0.1920 -1.357
                                           0.175
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Theta = 0.3519
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 13
Log-likelihood: -3498 on 3 Df
  pchisq(2 * (logLik(mod_nb1) - logLik(mod_zinbnull)), df = 2, lower.tail = FALSE)
'log Lik.' 8.538917e-07 (df=4)
```

### 26.5.2 Comparison to a Negative Binomial Model: Vuong test

```
vuong(mod_zinb1, mod_nb1)
```

The zero-inflated negative binomial model appears to be an improvement over the standard negative binomial model according to the the raw or AIC-corrected Vuong tests, but not according to the BIC-corrected test.

### 26.5.3 The Fitted Equation

Like the ZIP, the zero-inflated negative binomial regression also requires us to take two separate models into account. First we have a logistic regression model to predict the log odds of zero physhealth days. That takes care of the *extra* zeros. Then, to predict the number of physhealth days, we have a negative binomial regression, with a  $\theta$  term, and this negative binomial regression model zero count estimates.

### 26.5.4 Interpreting the Coefficients

As with the zip, we can exponentiate the logistic regression coefficients to obtain results in terms of odds ratios for that model, and that can be of some help in understanding the process behind excess zeros.

```
exp(coef(mod_zinb1))
```

zero_(Intercept)	$count\_smoke100$	count_bmi_c	count_(Intercept)
0.9308884	1.6774962	1.0249229	4.6909665
		zero_smoke100	zero_bmi_c
		0.8805047	0.9727684

For example,

• in the model for physhealth = 0, the odds of physhealth = 0 are 88.1% as high for subjects with smoke100 = 1 as for non-smokers with the same BMI.

Interpreting the negative binomial piece works the same way as it did in the negative binomial regression.

### 26.5.5 Testing the Predictors

We can test the model with and without bmi\_c, for example, by fitting the model both ways, and comparing the results with either a Wald or Likelihood Ratio test, each of which is available in the lmtest package.

```
mod_zinb1_nobmi <- pscl::zeroinfl(physhealth ~ smoke100,</pre>
                               dist = "negbin",
                               data = ohioA_young)
  lmtest::waldtest(mod_zinb1, mod_zinb1_nobmi)
Wald test
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
  Res.Df Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
    1967
1
    1969 -2 29.593
                     3.75e-07 ***
2
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
  lmtest::lrtest(mod_zinb1, mod_zinb1_nobmi)
Likelihood ratio test
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
  #Df LogLik Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
1
    7 -3469.3
    5 -3485.0 -2 31.418 1.506e-07 ***
2
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

### 26.5.6 Store fitted values and residuals

Again, we need to build up the fitted values and residuals without the broom package.

```
sm zinb1 <- ohioA young |>
      mutate(fitted = fitted(mod_zinb1, type = "response"),
             resid = resid(mod zinb1, type = "response"))
  sm_zip1 |>
      dplyr::select(physhealth, fitted, resid) |>
      head()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 physhealth fitted resid
       <dbl>
             <dbl> <dbl>
           0
               2.21 -2.21
1
2
           0
               2.28 - 2.28
3
           0
               3.12 -3.12
4
               5.27 24.7
          30
               3.17 -3.17
5
           0
6
           0
               3.71 -3.71
```

### 26.5.7 Modeled Number of Zero Counts

Once again, we can compare the observed number of zero physhealth results to the expected number of zero values from the likelihood-based models.

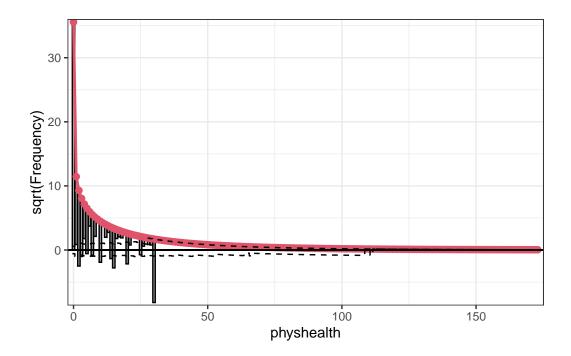
```
round(c("Obs" = sum(ohioA_young$physhealth == 0),
  "Poisson" = sum(dpois(0, fitted(mod_poiss1))),
  "NB" = sum(dnbinom(0, mu = fitted(mod_nb1), size = mod_nb1$theta)),
  "ZIP" = sum(predict(mod_zip1, type = "prob")[,1]),
  "ZINB" = sum(predict(mod_zinb1, type = "prob")[,1])),0)
  Obs Poisson NB ZIP ZINB
  1264 124 1250 1264 1264
```

So, the Poisson model is clearly inappropriate, but the zero-inflated (Poisson and NB) and the negative binomial model all give reasonable fits in this regard.

### 26.5.8 Rootogram for Zero-Inflated Negative Binomial model

Here's the rootogram for the zero-inflated negative binomial model.

```
topmodels::rootogram(mod_zinb1, max = 30)
```



As in the ZIP model, the zero frequencies are perfectly matched here, but we can see that counts of 1 and 2 are now closer to the data we observe than in the ZIP model. We are still substantially underfitting values of 30.

# **26.5.9** Specify the $R^2$ and log (likelihood) values

We can calculate a proxy for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

```
# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(zinb_r <- with(sm_zinb1, cor(physhealth, fitted)))</pre>
```

[1] 0.1858996

```
# R-square
zinb_r<sup>2</sup>
```

#### [1] 0.03455865

```
logLik(mod_zinb1)
```

'log Lik.' -3469.29 (df=7)

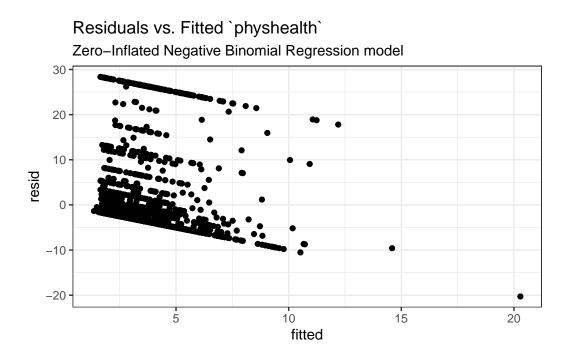
Here, we have

Model	Scale	$R^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
Zero-Inflated Negative	Complex:	.035	-3469.27
Binomial	$\log(\texttt{physhealth})$		

### 26.5.10 Check model assumptions

Here is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values on the original physhealth scale.

```
ggplot(sm_zinb1, aes(x = fitted, y = resid)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth`",
        subtitle = "Zero-Inflated Negative Binomial Regression model")
```



### 26.5.11 Predictions for Harry and Sally

The predictions from this zero-inflated negative binomial regression model are obtained as follows...

predict(mod\_zinb1, newdata = hs\_data, type = "response")

1 2 6.205985 2.004987

As we've seen in the past, when we use **response** as the type, the predictions fall on the original **physhealth** scale. The prediction for Harry is 6.2 days, and for Sally is 2.0 days.

# 26.6 A "hurdle" model (with Poisson)

Much of the discussion here of hurdle models comes from Clay Ford at the University of Virginia<sup>3</sup>. Ford describes a hurdle model as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>http://data.library.virginia.edu/getting-started-with-hurdle-models/ is an excellent introduction, by Clay Ford, a Statistical Research Consultant at the University of Virginia Library. I can also recommend

The hurdle model is a two-part model that specifies one process for zero counts and another process for positive counts. The idea is that positive counts occur once a threshold is crossed, or put another way, a hurdle is cleared. If the hurdle is not cleared, then we have a count of 0.

The first part of the model is typically a binary logit model. This models whether an observation takes a positive count or not. The second part of the model is usually a truncated Poisson or Negative Binomial model. Truncated means we're only fitting positive counts. If we were to fit a hurdle model to our [medicare] data, the interpretation would be that one process governs whether a patient visits a doctor or not, and another process governs how many visits are made.

To fit a hurdle model, we'll use the hurdle function in the pscl package.

```
mod_hur1 <- pscl::hurdle(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                      dist = "poisson", zero.dist = "binomial",
                      data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_hur1)
Call:
pscl::hurdle(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young,
    dist = "poisson", zero.dist = "binomial")
Pearson residuals:
    Min
             10 Median
                              30
                                     Max
-1.4403 -0.6987 -0.6139 -0.1946
                                  9.2997
Count model coefficients (truncated poisson with log link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 1.997612
                        0.018797
                                   106.3
                                            <2e-16 ***
            0.018178
                        0.001398
                                    13.0
                                            <2e-16 ***
bmi_c
                                    15.8
smoke100
            0.393348
                        0.024889
                                            <2e-16 ***
Zero hurdle model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                         0.062827 -10.879
                                           < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept) -0.683509
bmi c
             0.027777
                         0.006508
                                    4.268 1.97e-05 ***
```

https://rpubs.com/kaz\_yos/pscl-2 as a place to learn more about the pscl package, and the fitting and interpretation of both hurdle and zero-inflated regression models. That rpubs site has a link to this article by Hu, Pavlicova and Nunes from the Am J Drug Alcohol Abuse which provides a real set of examples from a trial of a behavioral health intervention meant to reduce the risk of unprotected sexual occasions as part of a strategy to reduce HIV risk.

```
smoke100
             0.238300
                        0.095301
                                   2.500
                                           0.0124 *
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 14
Log-likelihood: -5680 on 6 Df
  confint(mod_hur1)
                        2.5 %
                                   97.5 %
                   1.96077105 2.03445261
count_(Intercept)
count bmi c
                   0.01543722 0.02091901
count_smoke100
                   0.34456599 0.44212932
zero_(Intercept) -0.80664805 -0.56037031
zero_bmi_c
                   0.01502124 0.04053230
zero_smoke100
                   0.05151314 0.42508607
```

We are using the default settings here, using the same predictors for both models:

- a **Binomial** model to predict the probability of physhealth = 0 given our predictors, as specified by the zero.dist argument in the hurdle function, and
- a (truncated) **Poisson** model to predict the positive-count of **physhealth** given those same predictors, as specified by the **dist** argument in the **hurdle** function.

### 26.6.1 Comparison to a null model

To show that this model fits better than the null model (the model with intercept only), we can compare them directly with a chi-squared test. Since we have two predictors in the full model, the degrees of freedom for this test is 2.

summary(mod\_hurnull)

Call: pscl::hurdle(formula = physhealth ~ 1, data = ohioA\_young, dist = "poisson", zero.dist = "binomial")

```
Pearson residuals:
            1Q Median 3Q
                                   Max
    Min
-0.6934 -0.6934 -0.6934 -0.2779 5.5399
Count model coefficients (truncated poisson with log link):
           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 2.22765
                       0.01233
                                 180.7 <2e-16 ***
Zero hurdle model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -0.5768
                        0.0469
                                 -12.3 <2e-16 ***
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 8
Log-likelihood: -5908 on 2 Df
  pchisq(2 * (logLik(mod_hur1) - logLik(mod_hurnull)), df = 2, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

```
'log Lik.' 8.577393e-100 (df=6)
```

### 26.6.2 Comparison to a Poisson Model: Vuong test

vuong(mod\_hur1, mod\_poiss1)

Vuong Non-Nested Hypothesis Test-Statistic: (test-statistic is asymptotically distributed N(0,1) under the null that the models are indistinguishible)

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	Vuong z-statistic			H_A		p-value
Raw	19.90847	model1	>	model2	<	2.22e-16
AIC-corrected	19.89685	model1	>	model2	<	2.22e-16
BIC-corrected	19.86438	model1	>	model2	<	2.22e-16

The hurdle model shows a detectable improvement over the standard Poisson model according to this test.

### 26.6.3 Comparison to a Zero-Inflated Poisson Model: Vuong test

Is the hurdle model comparable to the zero-inflated Poisson?

```
vuong(mod_hur1, mod_zip1)
```

The hurdle model doesn't show a substantial improvement over the zero-inflated Poisson model according to this test.

### 26.6.4 The Fitted Equation

The form of the model equation for this hurdle also requires us to take two separate models into account. First we have a logistic regression model to predict the log odds of zero physhealth days. That takes care of the zeros. Then, to predict the number of physhealth days, we use a truncated Poisson model, which is truncated to produce only estimates greater than zero.

### 26.6.5 Interpreting the Coefficients

We can exponentiate the logistic regression coefficients to obtain results in terms of odds ratios for that model, and that can be of some help in understanding the process behind excess zeros.

Also, exponentiating the coefficients of the count model help us describe those counts on the original scale of physhealth.

```
exp(coef(mod_hur1))
```

<pre>count_(Intercept)</pre>	count_bmi_c	$count\_smoke100$	zero_(Intercept)
7.3714308	1.0183443	1.4819335	0.5048423
zero_bmi_c	zero_smoke100		
1.0281661	1.2690894		

For example,

- in the model for physhealth = 0, the odds of physhealth = 0 are 127% as high for subjects with smoke100 = 1 as for non-smokers with the same BMI.
- in the Poisson model for physhealth, the physhealth count is estimated to increase by 1.48 for smokers as compared to non-smokers with the same BMI.

### 26.6.6 Testing the Predictors

We can test the model with and without bmi\_c, for example, by fitting the model both ways, and comparing the results with either a Wald or Likelihood Ratio test, each of which is available in the lmtest package.

```
mod_hur1_nobmi <- pscl::hurdle(physhealth ~ smoke100,</pre>
                            dist = "poisson",
                            zero.dist = "binomial",
                            data = ohioA_young)
  lmtest::waldtest(mod_hur1, mod_hur1_nobmi)
Wald test
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
  Res.Df Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
1
    1968
2
    1970 -2 187.19 < 2.2e-16 ***
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
  lmtest::lrtest(mod_hur1, mod_hur1_nobmi)
Likelihood ratio test
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
  #Df LogLik Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
1
   6 -5679.8
    4 -5769.5 -2 179.35 < 2.2e-16 ***
2
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

### 26.6.7 Store fitted values and residuals

The broom package does not work with the hurdle class of models. Again we need to build up the fitted values and residuals ourselves.

```
sm_hur1 <- ohioA_young |>
      mutate(fitted = fitted(mod hur1, type = "response"),
             resid = resid(mod hur1, type = "response"))
  sm_hur1 |>
      dplyr::select(physhealth, fitted, resid) |>
      head()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 physhealth fitted resid
       <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1
           0
               2.21 -2.21
2
           0
               2.28 - 2.28
               3.12 -3.12
3
           0
4
          30
               5.27 24.7
5
           0
               3.17 -3.17
               3.71 -3.71
6
           0
```

### 26.6.8 Modeled Number of Zero Counts

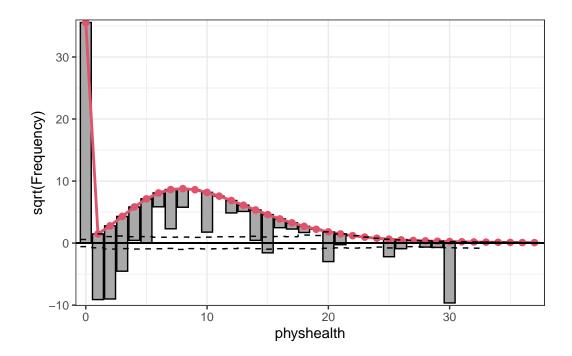
Once again, we can compare the observed number of zero physhealth results to the expected number of zero values from the likelihood-based models.

```
round(c("Obs" = sum(ohioA_young$physhealth == 0),
  "Poisson" = sum(dpois(0, fitted(mod_poiss1))),
  "NB" = sum(dnbinom(0, mu = fitted(mod_nb1), size = mod_nb1$theta)),
  "ZIP" = sum(predict(mod zip1, type = "prob")[,1]),
  "ZINB" = sum(predict(mod_zinb1, type = "prob")[,1]),
  "Hurdle" = sum(predict(mod hur1, type = "prob")[,1])),0)
 Obs Poisson
                  NB
                          ZIP
                                 ZINB Hurdle
1264
         124
                 1250
                         1264
                                 1264
                                         1264
```

The hurdle model does about as well as the negative binomial and zero-inflated models. All but the Poisson give reasonable fits in this regard.



```
topmodels::rootogram(mod_hur1, max = 30)
```



The results are still not perfect, of course. In fitting the zeros exactly, we're underfitting counts of 1, 2, and 30, and overfitting many of the counts between 6 and 20. We still have a problem here with overdispersion. That's why we'll consider a hurdle model with a negative binomial regression for the counts in a moment.

### 26.6.10 Understanding the Modeled Counts in Detail

The expected mean count uses both parts of the hurdle model. Mathematically, we want...

$$E[y|x] = \frac{1 - f_1(0|x)}{1 - f_2(0|x)} \mu_2(x)$$

where

- our count of physhealth is y
- our predictors are represented by  $\mathbf{x}$
- and the expected count is the product of a ratio and a mean.

The ratio is the probability of a non-zero in the first process divided the probability of a non-zero in the second untruncated process. The f symbols represent distributions. Recall these are logistic and Poisson, respectively, by default but can be others. The mean is for the untruncated version of the positive-count process.

If we want to see the expected hurdle counts, we can get them using some clever applications of the **predict** function.

The first six expected mean counts (E[y|x]) from the equation above) are:

```
head(predict(mod_hur1, type = "response"))
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 2.214179 2.281482 3.116124 5.267881 3.167890 3.712120

The ratio of non-zero probabilities,  $\frac{1-f_1(0|x)}{1-f_2(0|x)}$ , from the mathematical expression above can be extracted by:

```
head(predict(mod_hur1, type = "zero"))
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 0.3173312 0.3221978 0.3344433 0.4806542 0.3372292 0.3649208

The mean for the untruncated process,  $\mu_2(x)$ , can also be obtained by:

head(predict(mod\_hur1, type = "count"))

1 2 3 4 5 6 6.977501 7.081000 9.317347 10.959814 9.393877 10.172401

and we can multiply these last two pieces together to verify that they match our expected hurdle counts.

head(predict(mod\_hur1, type = "zero") \* predict(mod\_hur1, type = "count"),5)

1 2 3 4 5 2.214179 2.281482 3.116124 5.267881 3.167890

# 26.6.11 Specify the $R^2$ and log (likelihood) values

We can calculate a proxy for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(hur1\_r <- with(sm\_hur1, cor(physhealth, fitted)))</pre>

[1] 0.1873104

# R-square
hur1\_r^2

[1] 0.03508517

logLik(mod\_hur1)

'log Lik.' -5679.792 (df=6)

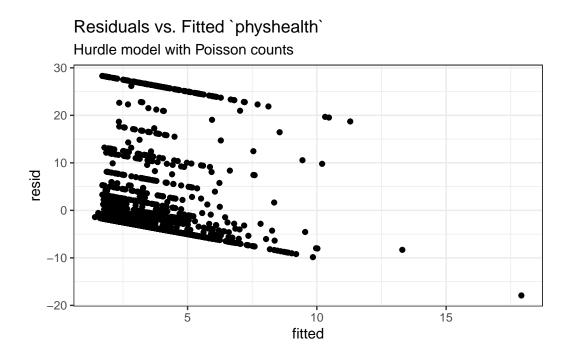
Here, we have

Model	Scale	$\mathbb{R}^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
Hurdle Model (Poisson)	Complex: $\log(physhealth)$	.035	-5679.83

### 26.6.12 Check model assumptions

Here is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values on the original physhealth scale.

```
ggplot(sm_hur1, aes(x = fitted, y = resid)) +
geom_point() +
labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth`",
        subtitle = "Hurdle model with Poisson counts")
```



### 26.6.13 Predictions for Harry and Sally

The predictions from this zero-inflated negative binomial regression model are obtained as follows...

As we've seen in the past, when we use **response** as the type, the predictions fall on the original **physhealth** scale. The prediction for Harry is 6.0 days, and for Sally is 2.1 days.

# 26.7 A "hurdle" model (with negative binomial for overdispersion)

Let's account for overdispersion better with a negative binomial model for the counts in our hurdle model. We specify that the positive-count process be fit with this NB model using dist = negbin.

```
mod_hur_nb1 <- pscl::hurdle(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100,</pre>
                     dist = "negbin", zero.dist = "binomial",
                     data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_hur_nb1)
Call:
pscl::hurdle(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100, data = ohioA_young,
    dist = "negbin", zero.dist = "binomial")
Pearson residuals:
                                   Max
    Min
            1Q Median
                            ЗQ
-0.5749 -0.4178 -0.3948 -0.1165 6.4023
Count model coefficients (truncated negbin with log link):
           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                       0.10101 15.263 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept) 1.54170
bmi_c
            0.02434
                       0.00677 3.595 0.000324 ***
            0.51792 0.11101 4.666 3.08e-06 ***
smoke100
Log(theta) -0.88245 0.14653 -6.023 1.72e-09 ***
Zero hurdle model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -0.683509 0.062827 -10.879 < 2e-16 ***
bmi c
            0.027777 0.006508 4.268 1.97e-05 ***
smoke100
            0.238300 0.095301 2.500 0.0124 *
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Theta: count = 0.4138
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 17
Log-likelihood: -3469 on 7 Df
  confint(mod_hur_nb1)
                        2.5 %
                                  97.5 %
count (Intercept) 1.34373051 1.73966938
count bmi c
                  0.01107002 0.03760872
count smoke100
                  0.30035006 0.73549531
zero_(Intercept) -0.80664805 -0.56037031
```

zero_bmi_c	0.01502124	0.04053230
zero_smoke100	0.05151314	0.42508607

#### 26.7.1 Comparison to a null model

To show that this model fits better than the null model (the model with intercept only), we can compare them directly with a chi-squared test. Since we have two predictors in the full model, the degrees of freedom for this test is 2.

```
mod_hur_nb_null <- pscl::hurdle(physhealth ~ 1, dist = "negbin",</pre>
                        zero.dist = "binomial",
                        data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod_hur_nb_null)
Call:
pscl::hurdle(formula = physhealth ~ 1, data = ohioA_young, dist = "negbin",
    zero.dist = "binomial")
Pearson residuals:
             1Q Median
    Min
                                    Max
                             ЗQ
-0.4048 -0.4048 -0.4048 -0.1622 3.2340
Count model coefficients (truncated negbin with log link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                        0.09641 18.427 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept) 1.77653
Log(theta) -1.04455
                        0.16123 -6.479 9.25e-11 ***
Zero hurdle model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -0.5768
                         0.0469
                                  -12.3 <2e-16 ***
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Theta: count = 0.3518
Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 12
Log-likelihood: -3498 on 3 Df
  pchisq(2 * (logLik(mod_hur_nb1) - logLik(mod_hur_nb_null)), df = 2, lower.tail = FALSE)
'log Lik.' 2.17419e-13 (df=7)
```

### 26.7.2 Comparison to a Negative Binomial Model: Vuong test

```
vuong(mod_hur_nb1, mod_nb1)
```

The hurdle model improves the standard negative binomial model according to the raw and AIC-corrected versions of this test, but not the BIC-corrected version.

### 26.7.3 Comparison to a Zero-Inflated NB Model: Vuong test

Is the hurdle model comparable to the zero-inflated Poisson?

```
vuong(mod_hur_nb1, mod_zinb1)
```

The hurdle model appears just barely improved over the zero-inflated Negative Binomial model.

### 26.7.4 Comparing the Hurdle Models with AIC and BIC

AIC(mod\_hur1); BIC(mod\_hur1)

[1] 11371.58

[1] 11405.11

AIC(mod\_hur\_nb1); BIC(mod\_hur\_nb1)

[1] 6952.186

[1] 6991.301

The negative binomial approach certainly looks better than the Poisson here.

### 26.7.5 The Fitted Equation

The form of the model equation for this hurdle also requires us to take two separate models into account. First we have a logistic regression model to predict the log odds of zero physhealth days. That takes care of the zeros. Then, to predict the number of physhealth days, we use a truncated negative binomial model, which is truncated to produce only estimates greater than zero, with  $\theta$  estimated as exp(-1.123) or 0.325.

### 26.7.6 Interpreting the Coefficients

We can exponentiate the logistic regression coefficients to obtain results in terms of odds ratios for that model, and that can be of some help in understanding the process behind excess zeros.

```
exp(coef(mod_hur_nb1))
```

<pre>count_(Intercept)</pre>	count_bmi_c	$count\_smoke100$	<pre>zero_(Intercept)</pre>
4.6725266	1.0246380	1.6785372	0.5048423
zero_bmi_c	zero_smoke100		
1.0281661	1.2690894		

For example,

• in the model for physhealth = 0, the odds of physhealth = 0 are 127% as high for subjects with smoke100 = 1 as for non-smokers with the same BMI.

#### 26.7.7 Testing the Predictors

We can test the model with and without bmi\_c, for example, by fitting the model both ways, and comparing the results with either a Wald or Likelihood Ratio test, each of which is available in the lmtest package.

```
mod_hurnb1_nobmi <- pscl::hurdle(physhealth ~ smoke100,</pre>
                            dist = "negbin",
                            zero.dist = "binomial",
                            data = ohioA_young)
  lmtest::waldtest(mod_hur_nb1, mod_hurnb1_nobmi)
Wald test
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
  Res.Df Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
    1967
1
    1969 -2 31.141 1.729e-07 ***
2
____
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
  lmtest::lrtest(mod_hur_nb1, mod_hurnb1_nobmi)
Likelihood ratio test
Model 1: physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100
Model 2: physhealth ~ smoke100
  #Df LogLik Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
1
   7 -3469.1
    5 -3485.0 -2 31.812 1.236e-07 ***
2
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

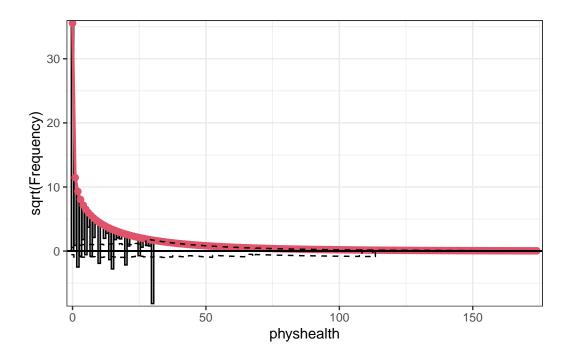
### 26.7.8 Store fitted values and residuals

Again we need to build up the fitted values and residuals, without broom to help.

```
sm_hur_nb1 <- ohioA_young |>
      mutate(fitted = fitted(mod_hur_nb1, type = "response"),
             resid = resid(mod_hur_nb1, type = "response"))
  sm_hur_nb1 |>
      dplyr::select(physhealth, fitted, resid) |>
      head()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 physhealth fitted resid
       <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
             2.16 -2.16
1
          0
2
          0
             2.23 -2.23
3
          0 3.09 -3.09
4
         30 5.37 24.6
             3.15 -3.15
5
          0
6
          0
              3.72 -3.72
```

### 26.7.9 Rootogram for NB Hurdle Model

```
topmodels::rootogram(mod_hur_nb1, max = 30)
```



This improves the situation, but we're still underfitting the 30s.

# 26.7.10 Specify the $R^2$ and log (likelihood) values

We can calculate a proxy for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

```
# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(hurnb1_r <- with(sm_hur_nb1, cor(physhealth, fitted)))</pre>
```

[1] 0.1856393

# R-square
hurnb1\_r<sup>2</sup>

[1] 0.03446194

logLik(mod\_hur\_nb1)

'log Lik.' -3469.093 (df=7)

Here, we have

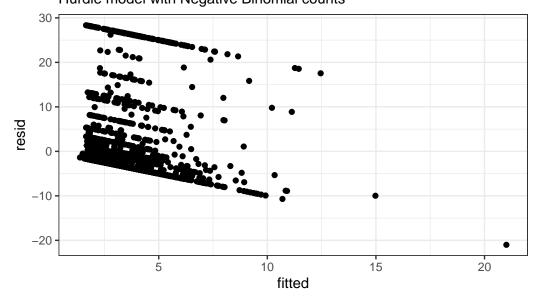
Model	Scale	$R^2$	log(likelihood)
Hurdle Model (Neg. Bin.)	Complex: log(physhealth)	.035	-3469.07

#### 26.7.11 Check model assumptions

Here is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values on the original physhealth scale.

```
ggplot(sm_hur_nb1, aes(x = fitted, y = resid)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth`",
        subtitle = "Hurdle model with Negative Binomial counts")
```

Residuals vs. Fitted `physhealth` Hurdle model with Negative Binomial counts



#### 26.7.12 Predictions for Harry and Sally

The predictions from this zero-inflated negative binomial regression model are obtained as follows...

The prediction for Harry is 6.22 days, and for Sally is 2.01 days.

#### 26.7.13 Note: Fitting a Different Hurdle Model for Counts and Pr(zero)

Suppose we wanted to use only bmi\_c to predict the probability of a zero count, but use both predictors in the model for the positive counts. We use the | command.

```
mod_hur_new1 <-</pre>
      pscl::hurdle(physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100 | bmi_c,
             dist = "negbin", zero.dist = "binomial",
             data = ohioA_young)
  summary(mod hur new1)
Call:
pscl::hurdle(formula = physhealth ~ bmi_c + smoke100 | bmi_c, data = ohioA_young,
    dist = "negbin", zero.dist = "binomial")
Pearson residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-0.5630 -0.4179 -0.3971 -0.1150
                                 6.1958
Count model coefficients (truncated negbin with log link):
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 1.54170
                        0.10101 15.263 < 2e-16 ***
bmi_c
             0.02434
                        0.00677
                                  3.595 0.000324 ***
smoke100
             0.51792
                        0.11101
                                  4.666 3.08e-06 ***
                        0.14653 -6.023 1.72e-09 ***
Log(theta) -0.88245
Zero hurdle model coefficients (binomial with logit link):
```

```
Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)

(Intercept) -0.58186 0.04718 -12.332 < 2e-16 ***

bmi_c 0.02853 0.00649 4.396 1.1e-05 ***

---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

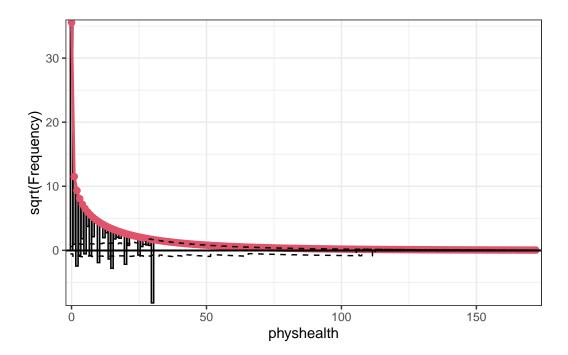
Theta: count = 0.4138

Number of iterations in BFGS optimization: 17

Log-likelihood: -3472 on 6 Df
```

#### 26.7.14 Hanging Rootogram for this new Hurdle Model

```
topmodels::rootogram(mod_hur_new1, max = 30)
```



Not a meaningful improvement, certainly.

# 26.8 A Tobit (Censored) Regression Model

The idea of the **tobit** model (sometimes called a **censored regression** model) is to estimate associations for outcomes where we can see either left-censoring (censoring from below) or

right-censoring (censoring from above.)

Consider the variable physhealth, which is restricted to fall between 0 and 30 by the way the measure was constructed. But supposed we think about a broader and latent (unobserved) variable describing physical health. Among the people with physhealth = 0, some would be incredible athletes and others would be in much poorer physical health but still healthy enough to truthfully answer 0. On the other end, some of the people responding 30 are in substantially worse physical health than others with that same response.

- Censoring from below takes place when values at or below a threshold (in this case 0) take that value.
- Censoring from above takes place when values at or above a threshold (here, 30) take that value.

Several examples of tobit analysis are available at https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/r/dae/tobit-models/, which is my primary source for the material here on those models.

The tobit model postulates that the value 0 in our model is just the lower limit of the underlying measure of poor physical health that we would actually observe in the population if we had a stronger measure. Similarly, we'll postulate that 30 is just the upper limit of "poor health" that we can see. The approach I'll take to run the tobit model comes from the vglm function in the VGAM package.

Here's the model, and its summary. Note that the default Lower value for a tobit model is 0, so we didn't technically have to list that here.

Call: vglm(formula = physhealth ~ bmi\_c + smoke100, family = tobit(Lower = 0, Upper = 30), data = ohioA\_young, type.fitted = "censored") Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(|z|)(Intercept):1 -9.29104 0.75509 -12.305 < 2e-16 \*\*\* (Intercept):2 2.87081 0.03028 94.818 < 2e-16 \*\*\* bmi\_c 5.727 1.02e-08 \*\*\* 0.37434 0.06537 smoke100 4.35390 0.97223 4.478 7.52e-06 \*\*\*

2.5 % 97.5 % (Intercept):1 -10.7709932 -7.8110877 (Intercept):2 2.8114721 2.9301560 bmi\_c 0.2462244 0.5024551 smoke100 2.4483714 6.2594277

#### 26.8.1 The Fitted Equation

Because we've used the censoring approach, our model will limit its predictions to the range of [0, 30], where any predictions outside that range are censored. Values below 0 are fitted as 0, and values above 30 are fitted as 30.

The model equation is

physhealth = -9.29 + 0.37 bmi\_c + 4.35 smoke100

#### 26.8.2 Interpreting the Coefficients

Tobit model regression coefficients are interpreted as we would a set of OLS coefficients, *except* that the linear effect is on the uncensored *latent variable*, rather than on the observed outcome.

In our case,

- a one-unit increase in bmi\_c is associated with a 0.37 day increase in the predicted value of physhealth, holding smoke100 constant
- a move from smoke100 = 0 to 1 is associated with a 4.35 day increase in the predicted value of physhealth, holding bmi\_c constant

- the coefficient labeled (Intercept):1 is the intercept for the model and is the predicted value of physhealth when smoke100 = 0 and bmi\_c = 0. Note that this value is -9.29, which is outside the range of physhealth values we observed.
- the coefficient labeled (Intercept):2 is a statistic we can use after we exponentiate it, as follows:
  - here (Intercept): 2 = 2.87, and exp(2.87) = 17.6370182, which is analogous to the square root of the residual variance in OLS regression, which is summarized for our OLS model as Residual standard error: 17.64.

#### 26.8.3 Testing the Predictors

We can test the model with and without bmi\_c, for example, by fitting the model both ways, and comparing the results with either a Wald or Likelihood Ratio test, each of which is available in the lmtest package.

The likelihood ratio test we have used in some other settings isn't available here.

#### 26.8.4 Store fitted values and residuals

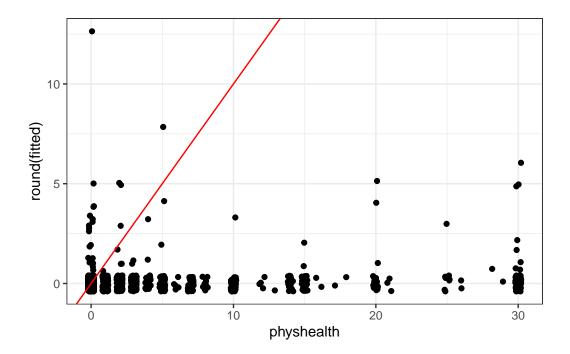
The residuals and fitted values from the tobit model can be stored and then summarized in several ways:

```
sm_tob1 <- ohioA_young |>
      mutate(fitted = fitted(mod_tob1,
                               type.fitted = "censored"),
              resid = physhealth - fitted)
  sm_tob1 |>
      dplyr::select(physhealth, fitted, resid) |>
      head()
# A tibble: 6 x 3
 physhealth fitted[,1] resid[,1]
       <dbl>
                  <dbl>
                             <dbl>
1
           0
                       0
                                 0
2
           0
                       0
                                 0
3
           0
                       0
                                 0
          30
                       0
4
                                30
5
           0
                       0
                                 0
6
           0
                       0
                                 0
```

### 26.8.5 Building Something Like a Rootogram

Building a rootogram is tricky for a tobit model, to say the least, but we can approximate a piece of the issue by plotting the rounded fitted values against the observed physhealth data.

ggplot(sm\_tob1, aes(x = physhealth, y = round(fitted))) +
geom\_jitter(width = 0.2) +
geom\_abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1, col = "red")



Note that the model never predicts a subject to have an underlying **physhealth** worse than about 13 (remember that larger numbers indicate worse health here.)

	26.8.6	Tables of	the Observed	l and	Fitted	physhealth	from	Tobit
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ado	dmarg:	ins(ta	ble(r	ound (	sm_to	b1\$ph	iyshe	alth)	))						
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	10	12	13	14	15	16	17
1264	112	139	78	29	50	5	40	9	41	4	1	24	38	2	1
18	20	21	25	26	28	29	30	Sum							
1	23	3	8	2	1	1	98	1974							
ado	dmarg:	ins(ta	ble(r	ound (	sm_to	b1\$fi	tted.	)))							
0 1924	1 20	2 7	3 10	4 4	5 6	6 1	8 1	13 1	Sum 1974						

# **26.8.7** Specify the $R^2$ and log (likelihood) values

We can calculate a proxy for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as the squared correlation of the fitted values and the observed values.

# The correlation of observed and fitted values
(tob1\_r <- with(sm\_tob1, cor(physhealth, fitted)))</pre>

[,1] [1,] 0.09329619

# R-square
tob1\_r<sup>2</sup>

[,1] [1,] 0.008704178

logLik(mod\_tob1)

[1] -3420.605

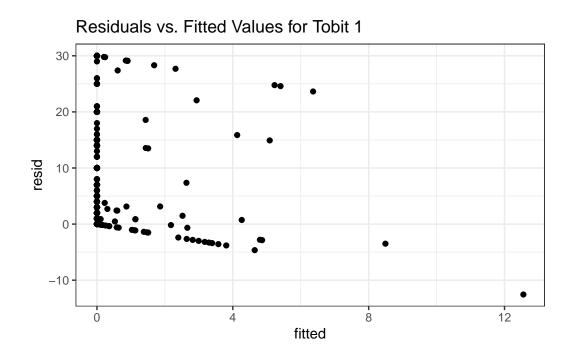
Here, we have

Model	Scale	$\mathbb{R}^2$	$\log(\text{likelihood})$
Tobit	physhealth	.008	-3420.58

#### 26.8.8 Check model assumptions

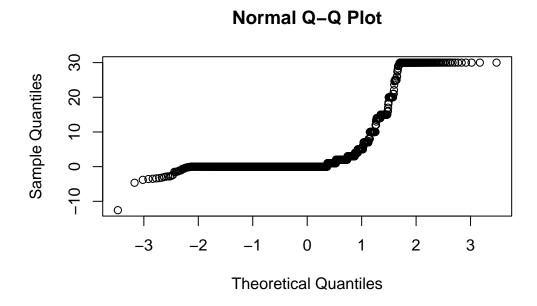
Here is a plot of residuals vs. fitted values.

```
ggplot(sm_tob1, aes(x = fitted, y = resid)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = "Residuals vs. Fitted Values for Tobit 1")
```



Here is a normal Q-Q plot of the Tobit Model 1 residuals.

qqnorm(sm\_tob1\$resid)



### 26.8.9 Predictions for Harry and Sally

1

The predictions from this tobit model are obtained as follows...

predict(mod\_tob1, newdata = hs\_data, type = "response") [,1] -1.193743 2 -11.162739

The prediction for both Harry and Sally under the tobit model would be truncated to 0 days.

# 27 Modeling an Ordinal Categorical Outcome

# 27.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(gmodels)
library(MASS)
library(nnet)
```

```
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 27.1.1 Data Load

```
smart_oh <- readRDS("data/smart_ohio.Rds")</pre>
```

# 27.2 A subset of the Ohio SMART data

Let's consider the following data, which uses part of the smart\_oh data we built in Chapter 6. The outcome we'll study now is genhealth, which has five ordered categories. I'll include the subset of all observations in smart\_oh with complete data on these 7 variables.

Variable	Description
SEQNO	Subject identification code
genhealth	Five categories $(1 = \text{Excellent}, 2 = \text{Very Good}, 3 = \text{Good}, 4 = \text{Fair}, 5 =$
	Poor) on general health
physhealth	Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and injury, for how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health not good?

Variable	Description
veg_day	mean number of vegetable servings consumed per day
costprob	1 indicates Yes to "Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed to see a doctor but could not because of cost?", and 0 otherwise.
incomegroup bmi	8 income groups from $< 10,000$ to 75,000 or more body-mass index

To make my life easier later, I'm going to drop any subjects with missing data on these variables. I'm also going to drop the subjects who have no missing data, but have a listed bmi above 60.

In total, we have 5394 subjects in the sm1 sample.

#### 27.2.1 Several Ways of Storing Multi-Categorical data

We will store the information in our outcome, genhealth in both a numeric form (gen\_n) and an ordered factor (gen\_h) with some abbreviated labels) because we'll have some use for each approach in this material.

```
sm1 <- sm1 |>
      mutate(genh = fct_recode(genhealth,
                                "1-E" = "1_Excellent",
                                "2_VG" = "2_VeryGood",
                                "3_G" = "3_Good",
                                "4_F" = "4_Fair",
                                "5_P" = "5_Poor"),
             genh = factor(genh, ordered = TRUE),
             gen_n = as.numeric(genhealth))
  sm1 |> count(genh, gen_n, genhealth)
# A tibble: 5 x 4
 genh gen_n genhealth
                              n
  <ord> <dbl> <fct>
                          <int>
1 1-E
            1 1_Excellent
                            822
```

2 2_VG	2 2_VeryGood	1805
3 3_G	3 3_Good	1667
4 4_F	4 4_Fair	801
5 5_P	5 5_Poor	299

# 27.3 Building Cross-Tabulations

Is income group associated with general health?

### 27.3.1 Using base table functions

addmargins(table(sm1\$incomegroup, sm1\$genh))

	1-E	$2_VG$	3_G	$4_F$	5_P	$\mathtt{Sum}$
0-9K	14	45	60	74	40	233
10-14K	12	41	66	93	46	258
15-19K	40	76	119	96	61	392
20-24K	51	129	175	100	50	505
25-34K	51	172	215	123	36	597
35-49K	97	270	303	118	24	812
50-74K	128	337	265	94	16	840
75K+	429	735	464	103	26	1757
Sum	822	1805	1667	801	299	5394

More people answer Very Good and Good than choose the other categories. It might be easier to look at percentages here.

#### 27.3.1.1 Adding percentages within each row

Here are the percentages giving each genhealth response within each income group.

```
addmargins(
   round(100*prop.table(
      table(sm1$incomegroup, sm1$genh)
      ,1)
      ,1)
   )
```

	1-E	2_VG	3_G	4_F	5_P	$\mathtt{Sum}$
0-9K	6.0	19.3	25.8	31.8	17.2	100.1
10-14K	4.7	15.9	25.6	36.0	17.8	100.0
15-19K	10.2	19.4	30.4	24.5	15.6	100.1
20-24K	10.1	25.5	34.7	19.8	9.9	100.0
25-34K	8.5	28.8	36.0	20.6	6.0	99.9
35-49K	11.9	33.3	37.3	14.5	3.0	100.0
50-74K	15.2	40.1	31.5	11.2	1.9	99.9
75K+	24.4	41.8	26.4	5.9	1.5	100.0
Sum	91.0	224.1	247.7	164.3	72.9	800.0

So, for example, 11.3% of the genhealth responses in subjects with incomes between 25 and 34 thousand dollars were Excellent.

#### 27.3.1.2 Adding percentages within each column

Here are the percentages in each incomegroup within each genhealth response.

```
addmargins(
    round(100*prop.table(
        table(sm1$incomegroup, sm1$genh)
        ,2)
        ,1)
    )
         1-E 2_VG
                     3_G
                           4_F
                                 5_P
                                       Sum
0-9K
         1.7
               2.5
                     3.6
                           9.2
                                13.4
                                      30.4
10-14K
         1.5
               2.3
                     4.0
                          11.6
                                15.4
                                      34.8
15-19K
         4.9
               4.2
                     7.1
                          12.0
                                20.4 48.6
20-24K
         6.2
               7.1 10.5
                          12.5
                                16.7 53.0
25-34K
         6.2
                    12.9
                                12.0 56.0
               9.5
                          15.4
35-49K
       11.8 15.0
                   18.2
                          14.7
                                 8.0 67.7
```

15.9

27.8

100.1 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 500.1

11.7

12.9

50-74K

75K+

Sum

15.6 18.7

52.2 40.7

From this table, we see that 7.4% of the Excellent genhealth responses were given by people with incomes between 25 and 34 thousand dollars.

5.4 67.3

8.7 142.3

#### 27.3.2 Using xtabs

The **xtabs** function provides a formula method for obtaining cross-tabulations.

```
xtabs(~ incomegroup + genh, data = sm1)
```

genh incomegroup 1-E 2\_VG 3\_G 4\_F 5\_P 0-9K 14 45 60 74 40 10-14K 12 41 66 93 46 15-19K 40 76 119 96 61 20-24K 51 129 175 100 50 25-34K 51 172 215 123 36 35-49K 97 270 303 118 24 50-74K 128 337 265 94 16 75K+ 429 735 464 103 26

#### 27.3.3 Storing a table in a tibble

We can store the elements of a cross-tabulation in a tibble, like this:

(sm1.tableA <- sm1 |> count(incomegroup, genh))

```
# A tibble: 40 x 3
   incomegroup genh
                           n
   <fct>
                <ord> <int>
 1 0-9K
                1-E
                          14
 2 0-9K
                2_VG
                          45
3 0-9K
                3_G
                          60
 4 0-9K
                4_F
                          74
5 0-9K
                5_P
                          40
6 10-14K
                1-E
                          12
7 10-14K
                2_VG
                          41
8 10-14K
                3_G
                          66
9 10-14K
                4_F
                          93
10 10-14K
                5_P
                          46
# i 30 more rows
```

From such a tibble, we can visualize the data in many ways, but we can also return to **xtabs** and include the frequencies (n) in that setup.

xtabs(n ~ incomegroup + genh, data = sm1.tableA)

```
genh
incomegroup 1-E 2_VG 3_G 4_F 5_P
    0-9K
            14
                 45 60
                        74
                            40
    10-14K 12
                 41 66
                        93
                             46
    15-19K 40
                 76 119
                        96 61
    20-24K 51
               129 175 100 50
    25-34K 51
                172 215 123
                            36
    35-49K 97
                270 303 118
                            24
    50-74K 128
                337 265
                         94
                            16
    75K+
           429
               735 464 103 26
```

And, we can get the  $\chi^2$  test of independence, with:

summary(xtabs(n ~ incomegroup + genh, data = sm1.tableA))
Call: xtabs(formula = n ~ incomegroup + genh, data = sm1.tableA)
Number of cases in table: 5394
Number of factors: 2
Test for independence of all factors:
 Chisq = 894.2, df = 28, p-value = 3.216e-170

#### 27.3.4 Using CrossTable from the gmodels package

The CrossTable function from the gmodels package produces a cross-tabulation with various counts and proportions like people often generate with SPSS and SAS.

CrossTable(sm1\$incomegroup, sm1\$genh, chisq = T)

Cell Contents

```
N |
| Chi-square contribution |
| N / Row Total |
| N / Col Total |
| N / Table Total |
```

|-----|

### |-----|

#### Total Observations in Table: 5394

	sm1\$genh					
<pre>sm1\$incomegroup</pre>	1-E   	2_VG	3_G	4_F	5_P	Row Total   
0-9K	14	45	60	74	40	233
	13.027	13.941	2.002			
	0.060	0.193	0.258	0.318	0.172	
	0.017	0.025	0.036	0.092	0.134	
	0.003	0.008	0.011	0.014	0.007	
10-14K	   12	41	66	   93	46	
	18.980	23.806	2.366	78.061	70.259	
	0.047	0.159	0.256	0.360	0.178	0.048
	0.015	0.023	0.040	0.116	0.154	
	0.002	0.008	0.012	0.017	0.009	
 15-19К	   40	76	119	   96	61	392
	6.521	23.208	0.038	24.531	70.973	
	0.102	0.194	0.304	0.245	0.156	0.073
	0.049	0.042	0.071	0.120	0.204	
	0.007	0.014	0.022	0.018	0.011	
20-24K	   51	129	175	   100	50	505
	8.756	9.463	2.296	8.340	17.301	
	0.101	0.255	0.347	0.198	0.099	0.094
	0.062	0.071	0.105	0.125	0.167	
	0.009	0.024	0.032	0.019	0.009	
25-34K	   51	172	215	123	36	597
	17.567	3.862	5.042	13.307	0.255	
	0.085	0.288	0.360	0.206	0.060	0.111
	0.062	0.095	0.129	0.154	0.120	
	0.009	0.032	0.040	0.023	0.007	
35-49K	 	270	303	118	24	812
	5.779	0.011	10.798	0.055	9.808	
	0.119	0.333	0.373	0.145	0.030	0.151
	0.118	0.150	0.182	0.147	0.080	

	0.018	0.050	0.056	0.022	0.004	
50-74K	128	337	265	94	16	840
	0.000	11.121	0.112	7.575	20.061	
	0.152	0.401	0.315	0.112	0.019	0.156
	0.156	0.187	0.159	0.117	0.054	
	0.024	0.062	0.049	0.017	0.003	
75K+	429	735	464	103	26	1757
	97.108	36.780	11.492	95.573	52.335	
	0.244	0.418	0.264	0.059	0.015	0.326
	0.522	0.407	0.278	0.129	0.087	
	0.080	0.136	0.086	0.019	0.005	
Column Total	822	1805	1667	801	299	5394
	0.152	0.335	0.309	0.148	0.055	

Statistics for All Table Factors

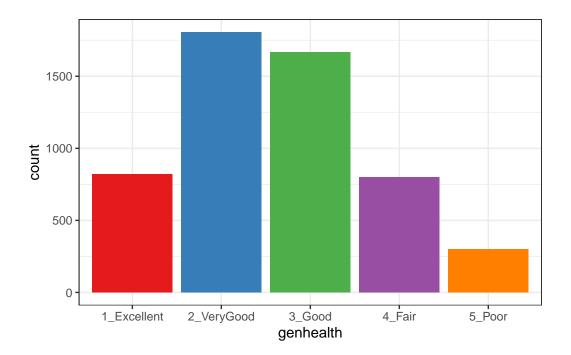
Pearson's Chi-squared test

Chi<sup>2</sup> = 894.1685 d.f. = 28 p = 3.216132e-170

# 27.4 Graphing Categorical Data

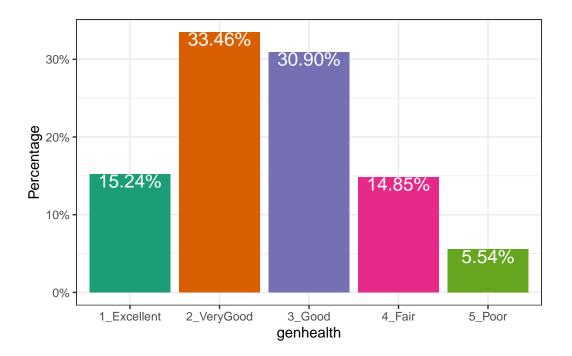
27.4.1 A Bar Chart for a Single Variable

```
ggplot(sm1, aes(x = genhealth, fill = genhealth)) +
   geom_bar() +
   scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Set1") +
   guides(fill = "none")
```



or, you might prefer to plot percentages, perhaps like this:

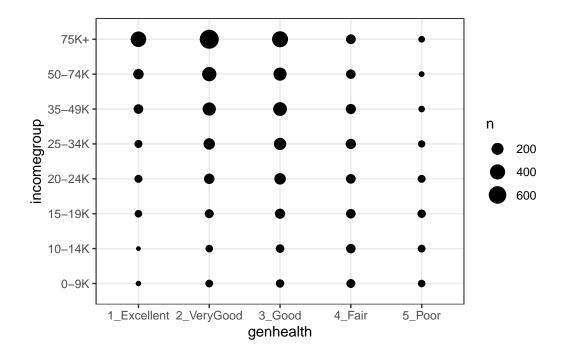
```
Warning: The dot-dot notation (`..count..`) was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0.
i Please use `after_stat(count)` instead.
```



Use bar charts, rather than pie charts.

# 27.4.2 A Counts Chart for a 2-Way Cross-Tabulation

```
ggplot(sm1, aes(x = genhealth, y = incomegroup)) +
    geom_count()
```



# 27.5 Building a Model for genh using veg\_day

To begin, we'll predict each subject's genh response using just one predictor, veg\_day.

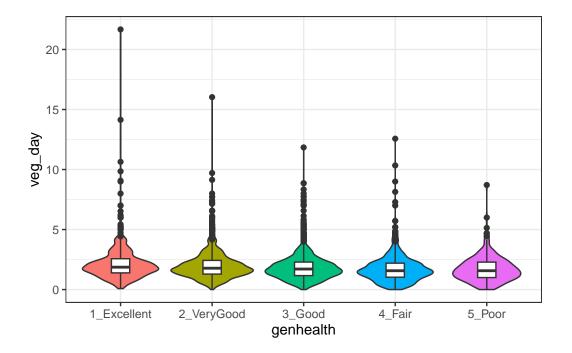
### 27.5.1 A little EDA

Let's start with a quick table of summary statistics.

```
sm1 |> group_by(genh) |>
      summarize(n(), mean(veg_day), sd(veg_day), median(veg_day))
# A tibble: 5 x 5
  genh `n()` `mean(veg_day)` `sd(veg_day)` `median(veg_day)`
  <ord> <int>
                         <dbl>
                                        <dbl>
                                                          <dbl>
1 1-E
          822
                          2.16
                                        1.46
                                                           1.87
2 2 VG
         1805
                          1.99
                                        1.13
                                                           1.78
3 3_G
         1667
                          1.86
                                        1.11
                                                           1.71
4 4_F
                          1.74
                                        1.18
                                                           1.57
          801
5 5_P
          299
                                        1.06
                                                           1.57
                          1.71
```

To actually see what's going on, we might build a comparison boxplot, or violin plot. The plot below shows both, together, with the violin plot helping to indicate the skewed nature of the **veg\_day** data and the boxplot indicating quartiles and outlying values within each genhealth category.

```
ggplot(sm1, aes(x = genhealth, y = veg_day)) +
geom_violin(aes(fill = genhealth), trim = TRUE) +
geom_boxplot(width = 0.2) +
guides(fill = "none", color = "none") +
theme_bw()
```



#### 27.5.2 Describing the Proportional-Odds Cumulative Logit Model

To fit the ordinal logistic regression model (specifically, a proportional-odds cumulative-logit model) in this situation, we'll use the polr function in the MASS package.

- Our outcome is genh, which has five ordered levels, with 1-E best and 5-P worst.
- Our model will include one quantitative predictor, veg\_day.

The model will have four logit equations:

one estimating the log odds that genh will be less than or equal to 1 (i.e. genhealth = 1\_Excellent,)

- one estimating the log odds that genh ≤ 2 (i.e. genhealth = 1\_Excellent or 2\_Very-Good,)
- another estimating the log odds that genh ≤ 3 (i.e. genhealth = 1\_Excellent, 2\_Very-Good or 3\_Good,) and, finally,
- one estimating the log odds that genh ≤ 4 (i.e. genhealth = 1\_Excellent, 2\_VeryGood, 3\_Good or 4\_Fair)

That's all we need to estimate the five categories, since  $Pr(genh \le 5) = 1$ , because (5\_Poor) is the maximum category for genhealth.

We'll have a total of five free parameters when we add in the slope for veg\_day, and I'll label these parameters as  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \zeta_4$  and  $\beta_1$ . The  $\zeta$ s are read as "zeta" values, and the people who built the polr function use that term.

The four logistic equations that will be fit differ only by their intercepts. They are:

$$logit[Pr(genh \le 1)] = log \frac{Pr(genh \le 1)}{Pr(genh > 1)} = \zeta_1 - \beta_1 veg_d ay$$

which describes the log odds of a genh value of 1 (Excellent) as compared to a genh value greater than 1 (which includes Very Good, Good, Fair and Poor).

The second logit model is:

$$logit[Pr(genh \le 2)] = log \frac{Pr(genh \le 2)}{Pr(genh > 2)} = \zeta_2 - \beta_1 veg_day$$

which describes the log odds of a genh value of 1 (Excellent) or 2 (Very Good) as compared to a genh value greater than 2 (which includes Good, Fair and Poor).

Next we have:

$$logit[Pr(genh \leq 3)] = log \frac{Pr(genh \leq 3)}{Pr(genh > 3)} = \zeta_3 - \beta_1 veg_d ay$$

which describes the log odds of a genh value of 1 (Excellent) or 2 (Very Good) or 3 (Good) as compared to a genh value greater than 3 (which includes Fair and Poor).

Finally, we have

$$logit[Pr(genh \le 4)] = log \frac{Pr(genh \le 4)}{Pr(genh > 4)} = \zeta_4 - \beta_1 veg_day$$

which describes the log odds of a genh value of 4 or less, which includes Excellent, Very Good, Good and Fair as compared to a genh value greater than 4 (which is Poor).

Again, the intercept term is the only piece that varies across the four equations.

In this case, a positive coefficient  $\beta_1$  for veg\_day means that increasing the value of veg\_day would increase the genh category (describing a worse level of general health, since higher values of genh are associated with worse health.)

#### 27.5.3 Fitting a Proportional Odds Logistic Regression with polr

Our model m1 will use proportional odds logistic regression (sometimes called an *ordered logit* model) to predict genh on the basis of veg\_day. The polr function from the MASS package will be our main tool. Note that we include Hess = TRUE to retain what is called the *Hessian* matrix, which lets R calculate standard errors more effectively in summary and other follow-up descriptions of the model.

```
m1 <- polr(genh ~ veg_day,</pre>
               data = sm1, Hess = TRUE)
  summary(m1)
Call:
polr(formula = genh ~ veg_day, data = sm1, Hess = TRUE)
Coefficients:
          Value Std. Error t value
veg_day -0.1847 0.02178
                              -8.48
Intercepts:
         Value
                  Std. Error t value
1-E|2_VG -2.0866
                    0.0584
                              -35.7590
2 VG|3 G -0.4065
                    0.0498
                               -8.1621
3_G|4_F
           1.0202
                    0.0521
                               19.5771
4_F|5_P
           2.5002
                    0.0710
                               35.2163
Residual Deviance: 15669.85
AIC: 15679.85
  confint(m1)
Waiting for profiling to be done...
     2.5 %
               97.5 %
-0.2277073 -0.1423088
```

### 27.6 Interpreting Model m1

#### 27.6.1 Looking at Predictions

Consider two individuals:

- Harry, who eats an average of 2.0 servings of vegetables per day, so Harry's veg\_day = 2, and
- Sally, who eats an average of 1.0 serving of vegetables per day, so Sally's  $veg_day = 1$ .

We're going to start by using our model m1 to predict the genh for Harry and Sally, so we can see the effect (on the predicted genh probabilities) of a change of one unit in veg\_day.

For example, what are the log odds that Harry, with  $veg_day = 2$ , will describe his genh as Excellent (genh  $\leq 1$ )?

$$logit[Pr(genh \le 1)] = \zeta_1 - \beta_1 veg\_day$$

 $logit[Pr(genh \leq 1)] = -2.0866 - (-0.1847)veg\_day$ 

$$logit[Pr(genh \leq 1)] = -2.0866 - (-0.1847)(2) = -1.7172$$

That's not much help. So we'll convert it to a probability by taking the inverse logit. The formula is

$$Pr(genh \le 1) = \frac{exp(\zeta_1 + \beta_1 veg_d ay)}{1 + exp(\zeta_1 + \beta_1 veg_d ay)} = \frac{exp(-1.7172)}{1 + exp(-1.7172)} = \frac{0.180}{1.180} = 0.15$$

So the model estimates a 15% probability that Harry will describe his genh as Excellent.

OK. Now, what are the log odds that Harry, who eats 2 servings per day, will describe his genh as either Excellent or Very Good (genh  $\leq 2$ )?

$$logit[Pr(genh \le 2)] = \zeta_2 - \beta_1 veg\_day$$

$$logit[Pr(genh \leq 2)] = -0.4065 - (-0.1847) veg\_day$$

$$logit[Pr(genh \le 2)] = -0.4065 - (-0.1847)(2) = -0.0371$$

Again, we'll convert this to a probability by taking the inverse logit.

$$Pr(genh \le 2) = \frac{exp(\zeta_2 + \beta_1 veg_d ay)}{1 + exp(\zeta_2 + \beta_1 veg_d ay)} = \frac{exp(-0.0371)}{1 + exp(-0.0371)} = \frac{0.964}{1.964} = 0.49$$

So, the model estimates a probability of .49 that Harry will describe his genh as either Excellent or Very Good, so by subtraction, that's a probability of .34 that Harry describes his genh as Very Good.

Happily, that's the last time we'll calculate this by hand.

#### 27.6.2 Making Predictions for Harry (and Sally) with predict

Suppose Harry eats 2 servings of vegetables per day on average, and Sally eats 1.

 1-E
 2\_VG
 3\_G
 4\_F
 5\_P

 1
 0.1522351
 0.3385119
 0.3097906
 0.1457864
 0.05367596

 2
 0.1298931
 0.3148971
 0.3246105
 0.1667285
 0.06387071

The predicted probabilities of falling into each category of genh are:

Subject	veg_day	$\Pr(1\_E)$	$\Pr(2\_VG)$	$\Pr(3\_G)$	$\Pr(4\_F)$	$\Pr(5_P)$
Harry	2	15.2	33.9	31.0	14.6	5.4
Sally	1	13.0	31.4	32.5	16.7	6.4

- Harry has a higher predicted probability of lower (healthier) values of genh. Specifically, Harry has a higher predicted probability than Sally of falling into the Excellent and Very Good categories, and a lower probability than Sally of falling into the Good, Fair and Poor categories.
- This means that Harry, with a higher veg\_day is predicted to have, on average, a lower (that is to say, healthier) value of genh.
- As we'll see, this association will be indicated by a negative coefficient of **veg\_day** in the proportional odds logistic regression model.

#### 27.6.3 Predicting the actual classification of genh

The default prediction approach actually returns the predicted **genh** classification for Harry and Sally, which is just the classification with the largest predicted probability. Here, for Harry that is Very Good, and for Sally, that's Good.

```
predict(m1, temp.dat)
```

[1] 2\_VG 3\_G Levels: 1-E 2\_VG 3\_G 4\_F 5\_P

#### 27.6.4 A Cross-Tabulation of Predictions?

```
addmargins(table(predict(m1), sm1$genh))
```

	1-E	$2_VG$	3_G	$4_F$	5_P	$\mathtt{Sum}$
1-E	6	3	3	3	0	15
2_VG	647	1398	1198	525	192	3960
3_G	169	404	466	273	107	1419
4_F	0	0	0	0	0	0
5_P	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sum	822	1805	1667	801	299	5394

The m1 model classifies all subjects in the sm1 sample as either Excellent, Very Good or Good, and most subjects as Very Good or Good.

#### 27.6.5 The Fitted Model Equations

```
summary(m1)
```

Call: polr(formula = genh ~ veg\_day, data = sm1, Hess = TRUE)

Coefficients: Value Std. Error t value veg\_day -0.1847 0.02178 -8.48

Intercepts: Value Std. Error t value 1-E|2\_VG -2.0866 0.0584 -35.7590 2\_VG|3\_G -0.4065 -8.1621 0.0498 3\_G|4\_F 1.0202 0.0521 19.5771 4\_F|5\_P 2.5002 35.2163 0.0710 Residual Deviance: 15669.85

AIC: 15679.85

The first part of the output provides coefficient estimates for the veg\_day predictor, and these are followed by the estimates for the various model intercepts. Plugging in the estimates, we have:

 $logit[Pr(genh \le 1)] = -2.0866 - (-0.1847)veg_day$ 

 $logit[Pr(genh \le 2)] = -0.4065 - (-0.1847) veg_day$ 

 $logit[Pr(genh \leq 3)] = 1.0202 - (-0.1847) veg_day$ 

 $logit[Pr(genh \le 4)] = 2.5002 - (-0.1847)veg_day$ 

Note that we can obtain these pieces separately as follows:

m1\$zeta

1-E|2\_VG 2\_VG|3\_G 3\_G|4\_F 4\_F|5\_P -2.0866313 -0.4064704 1.0202035 2.5001655

shows the boundary intercepts, and

m1\$coefficients

veg\_day -0.1847272

shows the regression coefficient for veg\_day.

#### 27.6.6 Interpreting the veg\_day coefficient

The first part of the output provides coefficient estimates for the veg\_day predictor.

- The estimated slope for veg\_day is -0.1847
  - Remember Harry and Sally, who have the same values of bmi and costprob, but Harry eats one more serving than Sally does. We noted that Harry is predicted by the model to have a smaller (i.e. healthier) genh response than Sally.
  - So a negative coefficient here means that higher values of veg\_day are associated with more of the probability distribution falling in lower values of genh.
  - We usually don't interpret this slope (on the log odds scale) directly, but rather exponentiate it.

#### 27.6.7 Exponentiating the Slope Coefficient to facilitate Interpretation

We can compute the odds ratio associated with veg\_day and its confidence interval as follows...

exp(coef(m1))

veg\_day 0.8313311

exp(confint(m1))

Waiting for profiling to be done ...

2.5 % 97.5 % 0.7963573 0.8673534

- So, if Harry eats one more serving of vegetables than Sally, our model predicts that Harry will have 83.1% of the odds of Sally of having a larger genh score. That means that Harry is likelier to have a smaller genh score.
  - Since genh gets larger as a person's general health gets worse (moves from Excellent towards Poor), this means that since Harry is predicted to have smaller odds of a larger genh score, he is also predicted to have smaller odds of worse general health.
  - Our 95% confidence interval around that estimated odds ratio of 0.831 is (0.796, 0.867). Since that interval is entirely below 1, the odds of having the larger (worse) genh for Harry are detectably lower than the odds for Sally.
  - So, an increase in veg\_day is associated with smaller (better) genh scores.

#### 27.6.8 Comparison to a Null Model

We can fit a model with intercepts only to assess the predictive value of veg\_day in our model m1, using the anova function.

```
m0 <- polr(genh ~ 1, data = sm1)
anova(m1, m0)
Likelihood ratio tests of ordinal regression models
Response: genh
Model Resid. df Resid. Dev Test Df LR stat. Pr(Chi)</pre>
```

 1
 1
 5390
 15744.89

 2
 veg\_day
 5389
 15669.85
 1 vs 2
 1 75.04297
 0

We could also compare model m1 to the null model m0 with AIC or BIC.

AIC(m1, m0) df AIC m1 5 15679.85 m0 4 15752.89 BIC(m1,m0) df BIC m1 5 15712.81 m0 4 15779.26

Model m1 looks like the better choice so far.

## 27.7 The Assumption of Proportional Odds

Let us calculate the odds for all levels of **genh** if a person eats two servings of vegetables. First, we'll get the probabilities, in another way, to demonstrate how to do so...

```
(prob.2 <- exp(m1$zeta - 2*m1$coefficients)/(1 + exp(m1$zeta - 2*m1$coefficients)))</pre>
```

1-E|2\_VG 2\_VG|3\_G 3\_G|4\_F 4\_F|5\_P 0.1522351 0.4907471 0.8005376 0.9463240

```
(prob.1 <- exp(m1$zeta - 1*m1$coefficients)/(1 + exp(m1$zeta - 1*m1$coefficients)))</pre>
```

1-E|2\_VG 2\_VG|3\_G 3\_G|4\_F 4\_F|5\_P 0.1298931 0.4447902 0.7694008 0.9361293

Now, we'll calculate the odds, first for a subject eating two servings:

```
(odds.2 = prob.2/(1-prob.2))
```

1-E|2\_VG 2\_VG|3\_G 3\_G|4\_F 4\_F|5\_P 0.1795724 0.9636607 4.0134766 17.6303153

And here are the odds, for a subject eating one serving per day:

```
(odds.1 = prob.1/(1-prob.1))
```

1-E|2\_VG 2\_VG|3\_G 3\_G|4\_F 4\_F|5\_P 0.1492841 0.8011211 3.3365277 14.6566285

Now, let's take the ratio of the odds for someone who eats two servings over the odds for someone who eats one.

odds.2/odds.1

1-E|2\_VG 2\_VG|3\_G 3\_G|4\_F 4\_F|5\_P 1.20289 1.20289 1.20289 1.20289

They are all the same. The odds ratios are equal, which means they are proportional. For any level of genh, the estimated odds that a person who eats 2 servings has better (lower) genh is about 1.2 times the odds for someone who eats one serving. Those who eat more vegetables have higher odds of better (lower) genh. Less than 1 means lower odds, and more than 1 means greater odds.

Now, let's take the log of the odds ratios:

```
log(odds.2/odds.1)
```

```
1-E|2_VG 2_VG|3_G 3_G|4_F 4_F|5_P
0.1847272 0.1847272 0.1847272 0.1847272
```

That should be familiar. It is the slope coefficient in the model summary, without the minus sign. R tacks on a minus sign so that higher levels of predictors correspond to the ordinal outcome falling in the higher end of its scale.

If we exponentiate the slope estimated by R (-0.1847), we get 0.83. If we have two people, and A eats one more serving of vegetables on average than B, then the estimated odds of A having a higher 'genh' (i.e. worse general health) are 83% as high as B's.

#### 27.7.1 Testing the Proportional Odds Assumption

One way to test the proportional odds assumption is to compare the fit of the proportional odds logistic regression to a model that does not make that assumption. A natural candidate is a **multinomial logit** model, which is typically used to model unordered multi-categorical outcomes, and fits a slope to each level of the **genh** outcome in this case, as opposed to the proportional odds logit, which fits only one slope across all levels.

Since the proportional odds logistic regression model is nested in the multinomial logit, we can perform a likelihood ratio test. To do this, we first fit the multinomial logit model, with the multinom function from the nnet package.

```
(m1_multi <- multinom(genh ~ veg_day, data = sm1))
# weights: 15 (8 variable)
initial value 8681.308100
iter 10 value 7890.985276
final value 7835.248471
converged
Call:
multinom(formula = genh ~ veg_day, data = sm1)
Coefficients:
    (Intercept) veg_day
2_VG 0.9791063 -0.09296694
3_G 1.0911990 -0.19260067</pre>
```

4\_F 0.5708594 -0.31080687 5\_P -0.3583310 -0.34340619 Residual Deviance: 15670.5 AIC: 15686.5

The multinomial logit fits four intercepts and four slopes, for a total of 8 estimated parameters. The proportional odds logit, as we've seen, fits four intercepts and one slope, for a total of 5. The difference is 3, and we use that number in the sequence below to build our test of the proportional odds assumption.

LL\_1 <- logLik(m1) LL\_1m <- logLik(m1\_multi) (G <- -2 \* (LL\_1[1] - LL\_1m[1]))

[1] -0.6488392

pchisq(G, 3, lower.tail = FALSE)

[1] 1

The p value is very large, so it indicates that the proportional odds model fits about as well as the more complex multinomial logit. A large p value here isn't always the best way to assess the proportional odds assumption, but it does provide some evidence of model adequacy.

### 27.8 Can model m1 be fit using rms tools?

Yes.

```
d <- datadist(sm1)
options(datadist = "d")
m1_lrm <- lrm(genh ~ veg_day, data = sm1, x = T, y = T)
m1_lrm
Logistic Regression Model</pre>
```

lrm(formula = genh ~ veg\_day, data = sm1, x = T, y = T)

Frequencies of Responses 1-E 2\_VG 3\_G 4 F 5 P 822 1805 1667 801 299 Model Likelihood Discrimination Rank Discrim. Ratio Test Indexes Indexes 5394 0.555 Obs LR chi2 75.04 R2 0.015 С max |deriv| 2e-13 R2(1,5394)0.014 d.f. 0.111 1 Dxy Pr(> chi2) <0.0001 R2(1,4995)0.015 gamma 0.111 Brier 0.247 tau-a 0.082 Coef S.E. Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)v>=2 VG 2.0866 0.0584 35.76 < 0.0001 y>=3\_G 0.4065 0.0498 8.16 < 0.0001 y>=4\_F -1.0202 0.0521 -19.58 <0.0001 y>=5\_P -2.5002 0.0710 -35.22 <0.0001 veg\_day -0.1847 0.0218 -8.48 <0.0001

The model has a small p value (remember the large sample size) but nonetheless appears very weak, with a Nagelkerke  $R^2$  of 0.015, and a C statistic of 0.555.

summary(m1\_lrm)

 Effects
 Response : genh

 Factor
 Low High Diff. Effect S.E.
 Lower 0.95 Upper 0.95

 veg\_day
 1.21 2.36 1.15
 -0.21243 0.025051
 -0.26153
 -0.16334

 Odds Ratio
 1.21 2.36 1.15
 0.80861
 NA
 0.76987
 0.84931

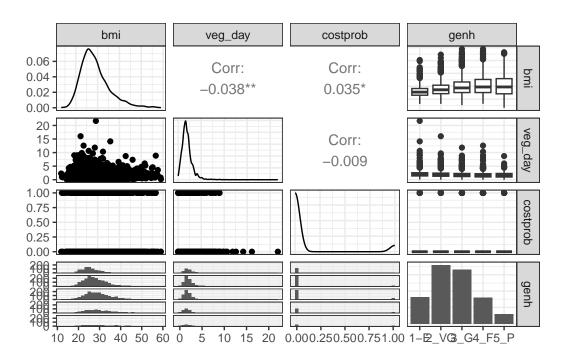
A change from 1.21 to 2.36 servings in veg\_day is associated with an odds ratio of 0.81, with 95% confidence interval (0.77, 0.85). Since these values are all below 1, we have a clear indication of a statistically detectable effect of veg\_day with higher veg\_day associated with lower genh, which means, in this case, better health.

There is also a tool in **rms** called **orm** which may be used to fit a wide array of ordinal regression models. I suggest you read Frank Harrell's book on *Regression Modeling Strategies* if you want to learn more.

# 27.9 Building a Three-Predictor Model

Now, we'll model genh using veg\_day, bmi and costprob.

### 27.9.1 Scatterplot Matrix



We might choose to plot the **costprob** data as a binary factor, rather than the raw 0-1 numbers included above, but not at this time.

### 27.9.2 Our Three-Predictor Model, m2

```
m2 <- polr(genh ~ veg_day + bmi + costprob, data = sm1)
summary(m2)</pre>
```

Re-fitting to get Hessian Call: polr(formula = genh ~ veg\_day + bmi + costprob, data = sm1) Coefficients: Value Std. Error t value veg\_day -0.17130 0.021783 -7.864 bmi 0.06673 0.003855 17.311 costprob 0.96825 0.084871 11.409 Intercepts: Value Std. Error t value 1-E|2\_VG -0.1252 0.1229 -1.01832\_VG|3\_G 1.6358 0.1234 13.2572 3\_G|4\_F 3.1534 0.1294 24.3755 4\_F|5\_P 4.6881 0.1412 33.1928 Residual Deviance: 15229.24 AIC: 15243.24

This model contains four intercepts (to cover the five genh categories) and three slopes (one each for veg\_day, bmi and costprob.)

#### 27.9.3 Does the three-predictor model outperform m1?

anova(m1, m2)

Likelihood ratio tests of ordinal regression models

Response: genh

	Model	Resid. df	Resid. Dev	Test	Df LR stat.	Pr(Chi)
1	veg_day	5389	15669.85			
2 veg_day + bmi +	⊢ costprob	5387	15229.24	1 vs 2	2 440.6041	0

It looks like the fit improves as we move from model 1 to model 2. The AIC and BIC are also better for the three-predictor model than they were for the model with veg\_day alone.

AIC(m1, m2)

```
df AIC
m1 5 15679.85
m2 7 15243.24
BIC(m1, m2)
df BIC
m1 5 15712.81
m2 7 15289.40
```

#### 27.9.4 Wald tests for individual predictors

To obtain the appropriate Wald tests, we can use lrm to fit the model instead.

d <- datadist(sm1)</pre> options(datadist = "d") m2\_lrm <- lrm(genh ~ veg\_day + bmi + costprob,</pre> data = sm1, x = T, y = T) m2\_lrm Logistic Regression Model lrm(formula = genh ~ veg\_day + bmi + costprob, data = sm1, x = T, y = T) Frequencies of Responses 1-E 2\_VG 3\_G 4\_F 5\_P 822 1805 1667 801 299 Model Likelihood Discrimination Rank Discrim. Ratio Test Indexes Indexes Obs 5394 LR chi2 515.65 R2 0.096 С 0.629 R2(3,5394)0.091 max |deriv| 4e-09 d.f. 0.258 3 Dxy Pr(> chi2) <0.0001 R2(3,4995)0.098 0.258 gamma Brier 0.231 tau-a 0.192 Coef S.E. Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)y>=2\_VG 0.1252 0.1229 1.02 0.3085

y>=3_G	-1.6358	0.1234	-13.26	<0.0001
y>=4_F	-3.1534	0.1294	-24.38	<0.0001
y>=5_P	-4.6881	0.1412	-33.19	<0.0001
veg_day	-0.1713	0.0218	-7.86	<0.0001
bmi	0.0667	0.0039	17.31	<0.0001
costprob	0.9683	0.0849	11.41	<0.0001

It appears that each of the added predictors (bmi and costprob) adds statistically detectable value to the model.

### 27.9.5 A Cross-Tabulation of Predictions?

```
addmargins(table(predict(m2), sm1$genh))
```

	1-E	2_VG	3_G	$4_F$	5_P	Sum	
1-E	6	5	4	1	0	16	
2_VG	686	1295	950	388	141	3460	
3_G	128	495	672	374	135	1804	
4_F	1	9	38	36	20	104	
5_P	1	1	3	2	3	10	
Sum	822	1805	1667	801	299	5394	

At least the m2 model predicted that a few of the cases will fall in the Fair and Poor categories, but still, this isn't impressive.

#### 27.9.6 Interpreting the Effect Sizes

We can do this in two ways:

- By exponentiating the **polr** output, which shows the effect of increasing each predictor by a single unit
  - Increasing veg\_day by 1 serving while holding the other predictors constant is associated with reducing the odds (by a factor of 0.84 with 95% CI 0.81, 0.88)) of higher values of genh: hence increasing veg\_day is associated with increasing the odds of a response indicating better health.
  - Increasing bmi by 1 kg/m<sup>2</sup> while holding the other predictors constant is associated with increasing the odds (by a factor of 1.07 with 95% CI 1.06, 1.08)) of higher values of genh: hence increasing bmi is associated with reducing the odds of a response indicating better health.

Increasing costprob from 0 to 1 while holding the other predictors constant is associated with an increase (by a factor of 2.63 with 95% CI 2.23, 3.11)) of a higher genh value. Since higher genh values indicate worse health, those with costprob = 1 are modeled to have generally worse health.

exp(coef(m2))

veg\_day bmi costprob 0.8425722 1.0690045 2.6333356

exp(confint(m2))

Waiting for profiling to be done...

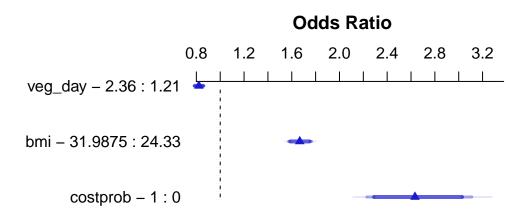
Re-fitting to get Hessian

2.5 % 97.5 % veg\_day 0.8071346 0.879096 bmi 1.0609722 1.077126 costprob 2.2301783 3.110633

• Or by looking at the summary provided by 1rm, which like all such summaries produced by rms shows the impact of moving from the 25th to the 75th percentile on all continuous predictors.

summary(m2\_lrm)

	Effect	ts		Response			
Factor	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95
veg_day	1.21	2.360	1.1500	-0.19699	0.025051	-0.24609	-0.14789
Odds Ratio	1.21	2.360	1.1500	0.82120	NA	0.78185	0.86252
bmi	24.33	31.988	7.6575	0.51097	0.029515	0.45312	0.56882
Odds Ratio	24.33	31.988	7.6575	1.66690	NA	1.57320	1.76620
costprob	0.00	1.000	1.0000	0.96825	0.084871	0.80191	1.13460
Odds Ratio	0.00	1.000	1.0000	2.63330	NA	2.22980	3.10990



#### 27.9.7 Quality of the Model Fit

Model m2, as we can see from the m2\_lrm output, is still weak, with a Nagelkerke  $R^2$  of 0.10, and a C statistic of 0.63.

# 27.9.8 Validating the Summary Statistics in m2\_lrm

```
set.seed(43203); validate(m2_lrm)
```

	index.orig	training	test	optimism	index.corrected	n
Dxy	0.2583	0.2625	0.2579	0.0046	0.2537	40
R2	0.0964	0.0989	0.0960	0.0029	0.0935	40
Intercept	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0023	0.0023	-0.0023	40
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	0.9876	0.0124	0.9876	40
Emax	0.0000	0.0000	0.0031	0.0031	0.0031	40
D	0.0954	0.0980	0.0950	0.0030	0.0924	40
U	-0.0004	-0.0004	-1.5149	1.5146	-1.5149	40

Q	0.0958	0.0984	1.6099	-1.5115	1.6073 40
В	0.2314	0.2308	0.2315	-0.0007	0.2321 40
g	0.6199	0.6278	0.6182	0.0096	0.6103 40
gp	0.1434	0.1448	0.1430	0.0018	0.1417 40

As in our work with binary logistic regression, we can convert the index-corrected Dxy to an index-corrected C with C = 0.5 + (Dxy/2). Both the  $R^2$  and C statistics are pretty consistent with what we saw above.

#### 27.9.9 Testing the Proportional Odds Assumption

Again, we'll fit the analogous multinomial logit model, with the multinom function from the nnet package.

```
(m2_multi <- multinom(genh ~ veg_day + bmi + costprob,</pre>
                         data = sm1))
# weights: 25 (16 variable)
initial value 8681.308100
iter 10 value 8025.745934
iter 20 value 7605.878993
final value 7595.767250
converged
Call:
multinom(formula = genh ~ veg_day + bmi + costprob, data = sm1)
Coefficients:
     (Intercept)
                                   bmi costprob
                    veg_day
2_VG -0.9126285 -0.0905958 0.06947231 0.3258568
ЗG
      -2.1886806 -0.1893454 0.11552563 1.0488262
4 F
      -3.4095145 -0.3056028 0.13679908 1.4422074
5_P
      -4.2629564 -0.3384199 0.13178846 1.8612088
Residual Deviance: 15191.53
AIC: 15223.53
```

The multinomial logit fits four intercepts and 12 slopes, for a total of 16 estimated parameters. The proportional odds logit in model m2, as we've seen, fits four intercepts and three slopes, for a total of 7. The difference is 9, and we use that number in the sequence below to build our test of the proportional odds assumption.

LL\_2 <- logLik(m2) LL\_2m <- logLik(m2\_multi) (G <- -2 \* (LL\_2[1] - LL\_2m[1]))

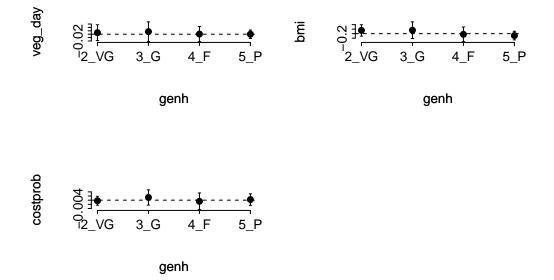
[1] 37.70952

```
pchisq(G, 9, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

[1] 1.965186e-05

The resulting small p value suggests a problem with proportional odds assumption. When this happens, I suggest you build the following plot of score residuals:

par(mfrow = c(2,2))
resid(m2\_lrm, 'score.binary', pl=TRUE)
par(mfrow= c(1,1))



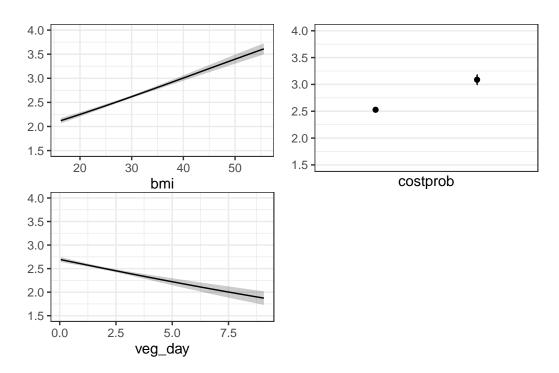
From this plot, bmi (especially) and costprob vary as we move from the Very Good toward the Poor cutpoints, relative to veg\_day, which is more stable.

# 27.9.10 Plotting the Fitted Model

#### 27.9.10.1 Nomogram

Points	0	10	20	30	40	5	50 I I I I	60	70	80	90	100
veg_day	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	2	0
bmi	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	
costprob	0			1								
Total Points	0	20	40	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200	220
Linear Predictor		-2	-1.5	-1 -0.5	0 0.5	5 1	1.5	2 2.5	3	3.5 4	4.5	5
Prob Y >= 2 (VG or worse)			0.2	0.3 0.4	0.5 0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9				
Prob Y >= 3 (Good or worse	e)			0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4 0.	5 0.6 0.	7 0.8	0.9		
Prob Y >= 4 (Fair or Poor)						٦ 0.1	1	0.2 0.3	0.4 0.5	5 0.6 0.	7 0.8	
Prob Y = 5 (Poor)							C	0.05 0	.1 0.15 (	0.20.250.30	.30.0.40.5	ö





ggplot(Predict(m2\_lrm, fun = Mean(m2\_lrm, code = TRUE)))

The nomogram and Predict results would be more interesting, of course, if we included a spline or interaction term. Let's do that in model m3\_lrm, and also add the incomegroup information.

# 27.10 A Larger Model, including income group

Logistic Regression Model

```
lrm(formula = gen_n ~ rcs(veg_day, 3) + rcs(bmi, 4) + incomegroup +
    catg(costprob) + bmi %ia% costprob, data = sm1, x = T, y = T)
Frequencies of Responses
   1
        2
             3
                  4
                       5
 822 1805 1667 801 299
                       Model Likelihood
                                             Discrimination
                                                                Rank Discrim.
                             Ratio Test
                                                                      Indexes
                                                    Indexes
Obs
             5394
                     LR chi2
                                1190.35
                                             R2
                                                      0.209
                                                                С
                                                                        0.696
max |deriv| 1e-11
                     d.f.
                                           R2(14,5394)0.196
                                                                        0.391
                                     14
                                                                Dxy
```

R2(14,4995)0.210

0.214

Brier

0.392

0.291

gamma

tau-a

Pr(> chi2) <0.0001

	Coef	S.E.	Wald Z	Pr(> Z )
y>=2	3.7535	0.4852	7.74	<0.0001
y>=3	1.8717	0.4838	3.87	0.0001
y>=4	0.2035	0.4831	0.42	0.6737
y>=5	-1.4386			0.0030
veg_day	-0.2602	0.0633	-4.11	<0.0001
veg_day'	0.1756	0.0693	2.53	0.0113
bmi		0.0203	-1.60	0.1086
bmi'	0.5422	0.0989	5.48	<0.0001
bmi''	-1.4579	0.2663	-5.47	<0.0001
incomegroup=10-14K	0.2445	0.1705	1.43	0.1516
incomegroup=15-19K	-0.2626	0.1582	-1.66	0.0969
incomegroup=20-24K	-0.6434	0.1501	-4.29	<0.0001
incomegroup=25-34K	-0.7427	0.1459	-5.09	<0.0001
incomegroup=35-49K	-1.1621	0.1415	-8.21	<0.0001
incomegroup=50-74K	-1.4579	0.1418	-10.28	<0.0001
incomegroup=75K+	-1.8592	0.1361	-13.66	<0.0001
costprob=1	1.4576	0.3528	4.13	<0.0001
bmi * costprob	-0.0259	0.0116	-2.24	0.0250

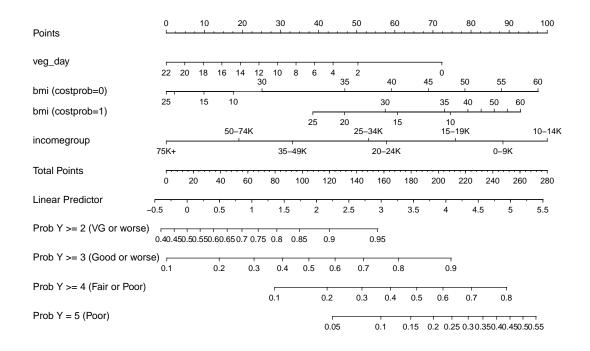
Another option here would have been to consider building incomegroup as a scored variable, with an order on its own, but I won't force that here. Here's the polr version...

#### 27.10.1 Cross-Tabulation of Predicted/Observed Classifications

addmargins(table(predict(m3), sm1\$genh)) 1-E 2\_VG 3\_G 4\_F 5\_P Sum 1-E 3 2 5 0 0 0 2\_VG 642 1200 815 221 49 2927 ЗG 170 565 754 468 182 2139 4 F 7 37 96 108 65 313 5\_P 0 1 2 4 3 10 Sum 822 1805 1667 801 299 5394

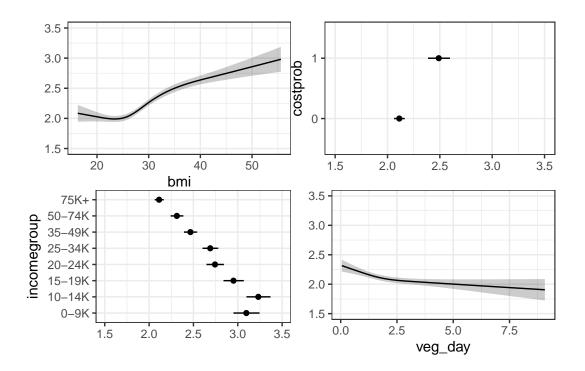
This model predicts more Fair results, but still far too many Very Good with no Excellent at all.

#### 27.10.2 Nomogram



# 27.10.3 Using Predict and showing mean prediction on 1-5 scale

ggplot(Predict(m3\_lrm, fun = Mean(m3\_lrm, code = TRUE)))



Here, we're plotting the mean score on the 1-5 gen\_n scale.

# 27.10.4 Validating the Summary Statistics in m3\_lrm

	index.orig	training	test	optimism	index.corrected n
Dxy	0.3915	0.3928	0.3899	0.0029	0.3886 40
R2	0.2093	0.2112	0.2071	0.0041	0.2053 40
Intercept	0.0000	0.0000	0.0019	-0.0019	0.0019 40
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	0.9871	0.0129	0.9871 40
Emax	0.0000	0.0000	0.0032	0.0032	0.0032 40
D	0.2205	0.2227	0.2179	0.0049	0.2156 40
U	-0.0004	-0.0004	-1.4667	1.4663	-1.4667 40
Q	0.2209	0.2231	1.6845	-1.4614	1.6823 40
В	0.2137	0.2134	0.2142	-0.0007	0.2145 40
g	1.0363	1.0410	1.0276	0.0133	1.0229 40
gp	0.2262	0.2265	0.2244	0.0022	0.2240 40

set.seed(43221); validate(m3\_lrm)

Still not very impressive, but much better than where we started. It's not crazy to suggest that in new data, we might expect a Nagelkerke  $R^2$  of 0.205 and a C statistic of 0.5 + (0.3886/2) = 0.6943.

# 27.11 References for this Chapter

- 1. Some of the material here is adapted from http://stats.idre.ucla.edu/r/dae/ordinal-logistic-regression/.
- 2. I also found great guidance at http://data.library.virginia.edu/fitting-and-interpretinga-proportional-odds-model/
- 3. Other parts are based on the work of Jeffrey S. Simonoff (2003) Analyzing Categorical Data in Chapter 10. Related data and R code are available at http://people.stern.nyu.edu/jsimonof/AnalCatData/Splus/.
- 4. Another good source for a simple example is https://onlinecourses.science.psu.edu/stat504/node/177.
- 5. Also helpful is https://onlinecourses.science.psu.edu/stat504/node/178 which shows a more complex example nicely.

# 28 Multinomial Logistic Regression

# 28.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(knitr)
library(MASS)
library(nnet)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 28.1.1 Data Load

authorship <- read\_csv("data/authorship.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

# 28.2 The Authorship Example

This example is based on the work of Jeffrey S. Simonoff (2003) Analyzing Categorical Data in Chapter 10. Related data and R code are available at this link. Meanwhile, the data set and analysis are based on the work of Peng RD and Hengartner NW (2002) Quantitative analysis of literary styles, *The American Statistician*, 56, 175-185.

The authorship.csv data file contains 841 rows. Each row describes a block of text that contains 1700 total words from one of several books by four authors: Jane Austen (samples from 7 books), Jack London (6 books), John Milton (2 books), or William Shakespeare (12 books). The data include counts within the blocks of text of 69 function words, such as "a", "by", "no", "that" and "with". The goal of our analysis, mirroring that of Simonoff, will be to use the incidence of these function words to build a model that distinguishes the authors.

#### authorship

```
# A tibble: 841 x 71
   BookID Author
                       а
                            all
                                 also
                                           an
                                                and
                                                       any
                                                              are
                                                                      as
                                                                             at
                                                                                   be
    <dbl> <fct>
                   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                       <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
 1
         1 Austen
                      46
                             12
                                     0
                                            3
                                                 66
                                                         9
                                                                4
                                                                      16
                                                                             13
                                                                                    13
2
         1 Austen
                      35
                             10
                                     0
                                            7
                                                 44
                                                         4
                                                                3
                                                                      18
                                                                             16
                                                                                     9
 3
         1 Austen
                      46
                              2
                                     0
                                            3
                                                 40
                                                         1
                                                               13
                                                                      11
                                                                              9
                                                                                    23
 4
         1 Austen
                      40
                              7
                                     0
                                            4
                                                 64
                                                         3
                                                                3
                                                                      20
                                                                             13
                                                                                   20
 5
         1 Austen
                      29
                              5
                                     0
                                            6
                                                 52
                                                         5
                                                               14
                                                                      17
                                                                              6
                                                                                    16
 6
         1 Austen
                      27
                              8
                                     0
                                            3
                                                 42
                                                         2
                                                               15
                                                                      11
                                                                             14
                                                                                    12
7
                      34
                              8
                                     0
                                           15
                                                 44
                                                         2
                                                                6
                                                                      16
                                                                             14
         1 Austen
                                                                                    11
 8
                                            2
                                                                      17
                                                                              4
         1 Austen
                      38
                              6
                                     1
                                                 67
                                                         3
                                                                6
                                                                                    21
9
                                     0
                                                         2
                                                                       7
                                                                                    7
                      34
                             12
                                            5
                                                 50
                                                                8
                                                                             13
         1 Austen
10
                              8
                                     0
                                            6
                                                                      13
                                                                             17
         1 Austen
                      54
                                                 44
                                                         4
                                                                8
                                                                                    14
# i 831 more rows
# i 59 more variables: been <dbl>, but <dbl>, by <dbl>, can <dbl>, do <dbl>,
#
    down <dbl>, even <dbl>, every <dbl>, `for` <dbl>, from <dbl>, had <dbl>,
    has <dbl>, have <dbl>, her <dbl>, his <dbl>, `if` <dbl>, `in` <dbl>,
#
#
    into <dbl>, is <dbl>, it <dbl>, its <dbl>, may <dbl>, more <dbl>,
```

```
# must <dbl>, my <dbl>, no <dbl>, not <dbl>, now <dbl>, of <dbl>, of <dbl>, on <dbl>,
```

# one <dbl>, only <dbl>, or <dbl>, our <dbl>, should <dbl>, so <dbl>, ...

To-morrow, and to-morrow, and to-morrow, Creeps in this petty pace from day to day, To the last syllable of recorded time; And all our yesterdays have lighted fools The way to dusty death. Out, out, brief candle! Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player, That struts and frets his hour upon the stage, And then is heard no more. It is a tale Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, Signifying nothing.

# 28.3 Focus on 11 key words

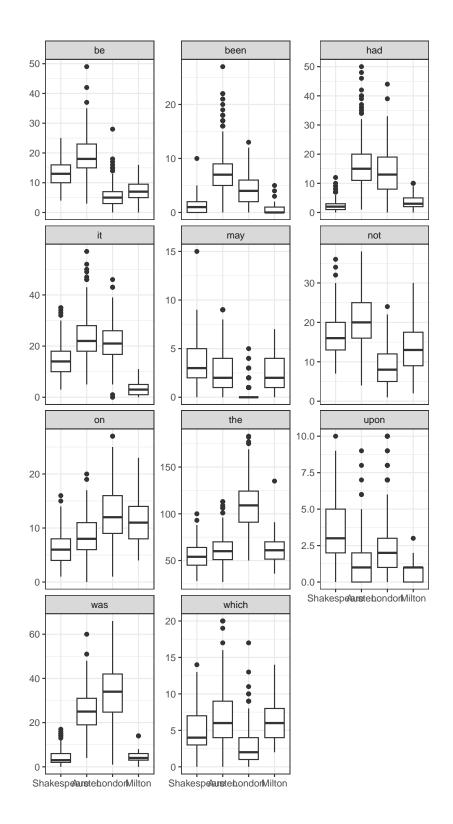
Again, following Simonoff, we will focus on 11 words from the set of 69 potential predictors in the data, specifically...

• "be", "been", "had", "it", "may", "not", "on", "the", "upon", "was" and "which"

```
auth2 <- authorship |>
      select(Author, BookID, be, been, had, it, may, not,
            on, the, upon, was, which)
  auth2.long <- auth2 |>
      gather("word", "n", 3:13)
  auth2.long
# A tibble: 9,251 x 4
  Author BookID word
                         n
  <fct> <dbl> <chr> <dbl>
1 Austen
         1 be
                        13
2 Austen
            1 be
                        9
3 Austen
            1 be
                        23
4 Austen
            1 be
                        20
5 Austen
            1 be
                        16
6 Austen
            1 be
                        12
7 Austen
            1 be
                        11
           1 be
8 Austen
                        21
9 Austen
            1 be
                        7
10 Austen 1 be
                        14
# i 9,241 more rows
```

### 28.3.1 Side by Side Boxplots

```
ggplot(auth2.long, aes(x = Author, y = n)) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    facet_wrap(~ word, ncol = 3, scales = "free_y") +
    labs(x = "", y = "")
```



Oh! do not attack me with your watch. A watch is always too fast or too slow. I cannot be dictated to by a watch.

# 28.4 A Multinomial Logistic Regression Model

Let's start with a multinomial model to predict Author on the basis of these 11 key predictors, using the multinom function from the nnet package.

```
authnom1 <- multinom(Author ~ be + been + had + it + may + not + on +
                           the + upon + was + which, data=authorship,
                       maxit=200)
# weights: 52 (36 variable)
initial value 1165.873558
iter 10 value 293.806160
      20 value 273.554538
iter
iter 30 value 192.309644
iter 40 value 71.091334
iter 50 value 48.419335
iter 60 value 46.808141
iter 70 value 46.184752
iter 80 value 46.026162
iter 90 value 45.932823
iter 100 value 45.897793
iter 110 value 45.868017
iter 120 value 45.863256
final value 45.863228
converged
  summary(authnom1)
Call:
multinom(formula = Author ~ be + been + had + it + may + not +
    on + the + upon + was + which, data = authorship, maxit = 200)
Coefficients:
       (Intercept)
                            be
                                     been
                                                had
                                                             it
                                                                        may
Austen -15.504834 0.48974946 0.5380318 0.4620513 0.00388835 -0.15025084
London -14.671720 -0.07497073 0.1733116 0.4842272 0.08674782 -0.01590702
```

-1.776866 -0.10891178 -0.9127155 0.5319573 -0.82046587 -0.06760436 Milton not on the upon was which Austen -0.08861462 0.5967404 -0.02361614 -2.119001 0.7021371 0.10370827 London -0.32567063 0.5749969 0.12039782 -1.914428 0.6767581 -0.59121054 Milton 0.05575887 0.5198173 0.08739368 -2.042475 0.3048202 -0.05939104 Std. Errors: (Intercept) be been had it may not 4.892258 0.1643694 0.3117357 0.2695081 0.09554376 0.3008164 0.1078329 Austen 5.372898 0.1916618 0.3308759 0.2812555 0.11355697 0.4946804 0.1440760 London 5.417300 0.1613282 0.5910561 0.3187304 0.23015421 0.3500753 0.1309306 Milton on the upon was which Austen 0.2213827 0.03457288 0.6426484 0.1808681 0.1646472 London 0.2251642 0.03088881 0.7072129 0.1768901 0.2542886 Milton 0.2223575 0.04783646 0.6436399 0.1820885 0.2111105 Residual Deviance: 91.72646

### 28.4.1 Testing Model 1

AIC: 163.7265

```
z1 <- summary(authnom1)$coefficients/summary(authnom1)$standard.errors
round(z1,2)</pre>
```

(Intercept) be been had it not on the upon was may -3.17 2.98 1.73 1.71 0.04 -0.50 -0.82 2.70 -0.68 -3.30 3.88 Austen -2.73 -0.39 0.52 1.72 0.76 -0.03 -2.26 2.55 3.90 -2.71 3.83 London -0.33 -0.68 -1.54 1.67 -3.56 -0.19 0.43 2.34 1.83 -3.17 1.67Milton which Austen 0.63 London -2.32 Milton -0.28

```
p1 <- (1 - pnorm(abs(z1), 0, 1)) * 2
kable(round(p1,3))</pre>
```

	(Intercept)	be	been	had	it	may	not	on	the	upon	was	which
Austen	0.002	0.003	0.084	0.086	0.968	0.617	0.411	0.007	0.495	0.001	0.000	0.529
London	0.006	0.696	0.600	0.085	0.445	0.974	0.024	0.011	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.020

	(Intercept)	be	been	had	it	may	not	on	the	upon	was	which
Milton	0.743	0.500	0.123	0.095	0.000	0.847	0.670	0.019	0.068	0.002	0.094	0.778

Simonoff suggests that "been" and "may" can be dropped. What do we think?

The proper function of man is to live, not to exist. I shall not waste my days in trying to prolong them. I shall use my time.

# 28.5 Model 2

```
authnom2 <- multinom(Author ~ be + had + it + not + on +
                           the + upon + was + which, data=authorship,
                       maxit=200)
# weights: 44 (30 variable)
initial value 1165.873558
iter 10 value 304.985478
     20 value 285.428679
iter
iter 30 value 143.301103
iter 40 value 54.589791
iter 50 value 52.140470
iter 60 value 51.421454
iter 70 value 51.012790
iter 80 value 50.888718
     90 value 50.834262
iter
iter 100 value 50.743136
final value 50.743111
converged
  summary(authnom2)
Call:
multinom(formula = Author ~ be + had + it + not + on + the +
    upon + was + which, data = authorship, maxit = 200)
Coefficients:
       (Intercept)
                            be
                                     had
                                                  it
                                                             not
                                                                         on
         -16.55647 0.45995950 0.6698612 0.02621612 -0.03684654 0.4676716
Austen
```

```
London
         -16.06419 -0.13378141 0.6052164 0.10517792 -0.27934022 0.4958923
Milton
         -2.22344 -0.07031256 0.1737526 -0.81984885 0.05444678 0.5363108
                the
                         upon
                                    was
                                              which
Austen -0.001852454 -1.950761 0.6543956 0.06363998
London 0.128565811 -1.643829 0.6418607 -0.54690144
Milton 0.074236636 -1.762533 0.2932065 -0.08748272
Std. Errors:
       (Intercept)
                         be
                                   had
                                               it
                                                         not
                                                                    on
          4.723001 0.1293729 0.2201823 0.08657746 0.08771157 0.1949021
Austen
          5.202732 0.1587639 0.2306803 0.10117217 0.11608348 0.2072383
London
Milton
          4.593806 0.1499103 0.2057258 0.21551377 0.12103678 0.1895226
              the
                       upon
                                  was
                                          which
Austen 0.02945139 0.5620273 0.1524982 0.1466250
London 0.02739965 0.6219927 0.1512911 0.2087120
Milton 0.04463721 0.6246766 0.1601393 0.1928361
Residual Deviance: 101.4862
```

```
AIC: 161.4862
```

#### 28.5.1 Comparing Model 2 to Model 1

anova(authnom1, authnom2)

Likelihood ratio tests of Multinomial Models

Response: Author

Model Resid. df 1 be + had + it + not + on + the + upon + was + which 2493 2 be + been + had + it + may + not + on + the + upon + was + which 2487 Resid. Dev Test Df LR stat. Pr(Chi) 1 101.48622 2 91.72646 1 vs 2 6 9.759767 0.1351402

#### 28.5.2 Testing Model 2

z2 <- summary(authnom2)\$coefficients/summary(authnom2)\$standard.errors
round(z2,2)</pre>

```
(Intercept)
                      be
                          had
                                                  the upon was which
                                  it
                                       not
                                             on
Austen
             -3.51
                    3.56 3.04
                               0.30 -0.42 2.40 -0.06 -3.47 4.29
                                                                  0.43
London
             -3.09 -0.84 2.62
                               1.04 - 2.41 2.39
                                                 4.69 -2.64 4.24 -2.62
Milton
             -0.48 -0.47 0.84 -3.80 0.45 2.83
                                                 1.66 -2.82 1.83 -0.45
```

```
p2 <- (1 - pnorm(abs(z2), 0, 1)) * 2
round(p2,3)</pre>
```

(Intercept)behaditnotontheuponwaswhichAusten0.0000.0000.0020.7620.6740.0160.9500.0010.0000.664London0.0020.3990.0090.2990.0160.0170.0000.0080.0090.009Milton0.6280.6390.3980.0000.6530.0050.0960.0050.0670.650

#### 28.5.3 A little history

Simonoff has an interesting note: Consider the lifetimes of these four authors:

- William Shakespeare was born in 1564 and died in 1616
- John Milton was born in 1608 (44 years after Shakespeare) and died in 1674
- Jane Austen was born in 1775 (211 years after Shakespeare) and died in 1817
- Jack London was born in 1876 (312 years after Shakespeare) and died in 1916

How many large coefficients does each author display relative to Shakespeare?

# 28.6 Classification Table

How well does this model (model 2) distinguish these authors based on blocks of 1700 words of text?

table(authorship\$Author, predict(authnom2))

	Shakespeare	Austen	London	Milton
Shakespeare	168	3	1	1
Austen	4	308	5	0
London	0	1	294	1
Milton	2	0	1	52

Based on this classification table, I'd say it does a nice job. Almost 98% of the blocks of text are correctly classified.

Fly, envious Time, till thou run out thy race; Call on the lazy leaden-stepping hours, Whose speed is but the heavy plummet's pace; And glut thyself with what thy womb devours, Which is no more then what is false and vain, And merely mortal dross; So little is our loss, So little is thy gain. For when, as each thing bad thou hast entomb'd And last of all thy greedy self consumed, Then long Eternity shall greet our bliss, With an individual kiss; And Joy shall overtake us, as a flood, When every thing that is sincerely good, And perfectly divine, With truth, and peace, and love, shall ever shine, About the supreme throne Of Him, to whose happy-making sight, alone, When once our heavenly-guided soul shall climb, Then all this earthly grossness quit, Attired with stars, we shall for ever sit, Triumphing over Death, and Chance, and thee, O Time!

# 28.7 Probability Curves based on a Single Predictor

In situations where only one predictor is used, we can develop nice plots of estimated probabilities for each group as a function of the predictor. Suppose we look at the single word "been" (note that this was left out of Model 2.)

Note that the possible values for counts of "been" in the data range from 0 to 27...

summary(authorship\$been)

Min. 1st Qu.MedianMean 3rd Qu.Max.0.0002.0004.0004.6147.00027.000

Now, we'll build a model to predict the author based solely on the counts of the word "been".

# weights: 12 (6 variable)
initial value 1165.873558
iter 10 value 757.915093
iter 20 value 755.454631
final value 755.454551
converged

Next, we'll build a grid of the predicted log odds for each author (as compared to Shakespeare) using the fitted coefficients. The grid will cover every possible value from 0 to 27, increasing by 0.1, using the following trick in R.

```
beengrid <- cbind(1,c(0:270)/10)
austenlogit <- beengrid %*% coef(authnom3)[1,]
londonlogit <- beengrid %*% coef(authnom3)[2,]
miltonlogit <- beengrid %*% coef(authnom3)[3,]</pre>
```

Next, we'll use that grid of logit values to estimate the fitted probabilities for each value of "been" between 0 and 27.

```
austenprob <- exp(austenlogit)/</pre>
      (exp(austenlogit) + exp(londonlogit) +
           exp(miltonlogit) + 1)
  londonprob <- exp(londonlogit)/</pre>
      (exp(austenlogit) + exp(londonlogit) +
           exp(miltonlogit) + 1)
  miltonprob <- exp(miltonlogit)/</pre>
      (exp(austenlogit) + exp(londonlogit) +
           exp(miltonlogit) + 1)
  shakesprob <- 1 - austenprob - londonprob - miltonprob</pre>
  been_dat <- data_frame(been_count = beengrid[,2],</pre>
                         austen = austenprob[,1],
                         london = londonprob[,1],
                         milton = miltonprob[,1],
                         shakespeare = shakesprob[,1])
Warning: `data_frame()` was deprecated in tibble 1.1.0.
i Please use `tibble()` instead.
  been_dat
# A tibble: 271 x 5
   been_count austen london milton shakespeare
        <dbl>
          0
              0.0258 0.136 0.285
                                         0.553
 1
2
          0.1 0.0288 0.147 0.272
                                         0.553
 3
          0.2 0.0321 0.158 0.258
                                         0.551
 4
          0.3 0.0357 0.171 0.245
                                         0.548
```

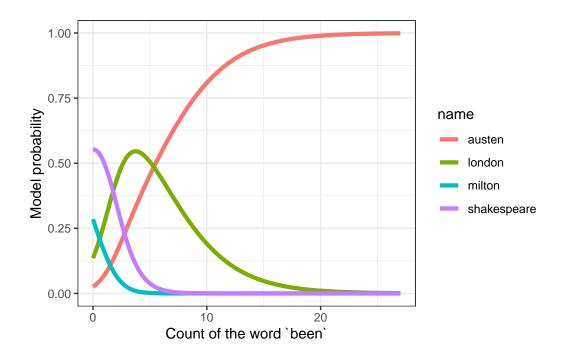
5 0.4 0.0396 0.184 0.232 0.545 6 0.5 0.0438 0.197 0.219 0.540 7 0.6 0.0484 0.211 0.207 0.534 8 0.7 0.0534 0.225 0.195 0.527 9 0.8 0.0587 0.240 0.183 0.518 10 0.9 0.0644 0.256 0.171 0.509 # i 261 more rows

Now, we gather the data by author name and probability

```
been_dat_long <- been_dat |>
    gather("name", "prob", 2:5)
been_dat_long
```

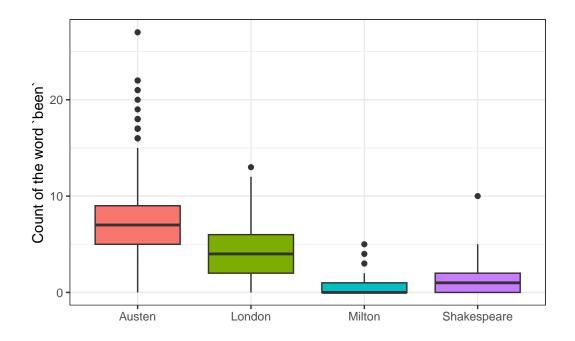
```
# A tibble: 1,084 x 3
  been_count name
                       prob
        <dbl> <chr>
                       <dbl>
1
          0
              austen 0.0258
2
          0.1 austen 0.0288
3
          0.2 austen 0.0321
4
          0.3 austen 0.0357
5
          0.4 austen 0.0396
6
          0.5 austen 0.0438
          0.6 austen 0.0484
7
          0.7 austen 0.0534
8
9
          0.8 austen 0.0587
          0.9 austen 0.0644
10
# i 1,074 more rows
```

#### 28.7.1 Produce the Plot of Estimated Probabilities based on "been" counts



### 28.7.2 Boxplot of "been" counts

Compare this to what we see in the raw counts of the word "been".



### 28.7.3 Quote Sources

- 1. To-morrow, and to-morrow ... Shakespeare Macbeth Act 5.
- 2. Oh! do not attack me with your watch. ... Jane Austen Mansfield Park
- 3. The proper function of man is to live, not to exist. ... Jack London *The Bulletin* San Francisco 1916-12-02.
- 4. Fly, envious Time, till thou run out thy race ... John Milton On Time

# 29 Time To Event / Survival Data

In many medical studies, the main outcome variable is the time to the occurrence of a particular event.

- In a randomized controlled trial of cancer, for instance, surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy might be compared with respect to time from randomization and the start of therapy until death.
  - In this case, the event of interest is the death of a patient, but in other situations it might be remission from a disease, relief from symptoms or the recurrence of a particular condition.
  - Such observations are generally referred to by the generic term survival data even when the endpoint or event being considered is not death but something else.

These notes on survival analysis are just an introduction to the key ideas of the field. The PQHS department offers an entire course on survival analysis (PQHS 435) and I recommend that to those of you interested in deeper learning about the approaches we'll discuss, or in learning more about other approaches to survival analysis.

The OpenIntro Statistics extra material on Survival Analysis in R, written by David Diez is a very useful guide to survival analysis in R, using the survival package and supplemented by the KMsurv and OIsurv packages. A PDF version of that material is available, along with a full set of the code used in that guide, along with instructions to obtain the packages.

# 29.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(mosaic)
library(survival)
library(survminer)
library(tidyverse)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 29.1.1 Data Load

```
hem <- read_csv("data/hem.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

# 29.2 An Outline of Key Topics Discussed in these Notes

In this chapter, we tackle the building blocks of survival analysis, and use R to work with survival objects.

- The Survival Function, S(t)
  - The Kaplan-Meier Estimate/Plot
  - Comparing Survival Functions with log rank test
- The Hazard Function, H(t) = -log(S(t))
- Using survival and related packages in R

In the next chapter, we introduce the Cox Proportional Hazards Regression Model, one of several available models for fitting regressions to time-to-event (survival) outcomes.

# 29.3 Foundations of Survival Analysis

Survival analysis is concerned with *prospective* studies, where we start with a cohort of subjects and follow them forwards in time to determine some clinical outcome. Follow-up continues until either some event of interest occurs, the study ends, or further observation becomes impossible.

The outcomes in a survival analysis consist of the subject's **fate** and **length of follow-up** at the end of the study.

- For some patients, the outcome of interest may not occur during follow-up.
- For such patients, whose follow-up time is *censored*, we know only that this event did not occur while the patient was being followed. We do not know whether or not it will occur at some later time.

The primary problems with survival data are *non-normality* and *censoring*...

- 1. Survival data are quantitative, but not symmetrically distributed. They will often appear positively skewed, with a few people surviving a very long time compared with the majority; so assuming a normal distribution will not be reasonable.
- 2. At the completion of the study, some patients may not have reached the endpoint of interest (death, relapse, etc.). Consequently, the exact survival times are not known.

- All that is known is that the survival times are greater than the amount of time the individual has been in the study.
- The survival times of these individuals are said to be **censored** (precisely, they are right-censored).

#### **29.3.1** The Survival Function, S(t)

The survival function, S(t) (sometimes called the survivor function) is the probability that the survival time, T, is greater than or equal to a particular time, t.

• S(t) = proportion of people surviving to time t or beyond

If there's no censoring, the survival function is easy to estimate.

$$\hat{S}(t) = \frac{\# \text{ of subjects with survival times } \ge t}{n}$$

but this won't work if there is censoring.

#### 29.3.2 Kaplan-Meier Estimator of the Survival Function

The survival function S(t) is the probability of surviving until at least time t. It is essentially estimated by the number of patients alive at time t divided by the total number of study subjects remaining at that time.

The Kaplan-Meier estimator first orders the (unique) survival times from smallest to largest, then estimates the survival function at each unique survival time.

• The survival function at the second death time,  $t_{(2)}$  is equal to the estimated probability of not dying at time  $t_{(2)}$  conditional on the individual being still at risk at time  $t_{(2)}$ .

In the presence of censoring, the survival function is estimated as follows.

1. Order the survival times from smallest to largest, where  $t_{(j)}$  is the *j*th largest unique survival time, so we have...

$$t_{(1)} \leq t_{(2)} \leq t_{(3)} \leq ...t_{(n)}$$

2. The Kaplan-Meier estimate of the survival function is

$$\hat{S}(t) = \prod_{j:t_{(j)} \leq t} (1 - \frac{d_j}{r_j})$$

where  $r_j$  is the number of people at risk just before  $t_{(j)}$ , including those censored at time  $t_{(j)}$ , and  $d_j$  is the number of people who experience the event at time  $t_{(j)}$ .

When we want to compare survival functions (or their Kaplan-Meier estimates, at least) we'll use a **log rank test** or one of several extensions of that test.

#### 29.3.3 Creating a Survival Object in R

To do survival analysis in R, we're going to start with three main functions, all in the **survival** package:

- Surv creates a survival object
- survfit builds a Kaplan-Meier test, and the results may be plotted, as we've seen.
- **survdiff** builds a log rank test, that will let us compare two survival functions, as well as running several alternatives.

Plus, we'll build out some estimates of the hazard function.

The Surv function, part of the survival package in R, will create a survival object from two arguments:

- 1. time = follow-up time
- 2. event = a status indicator, where
  - event = 1 or TRUE means the event was observed (for instance, the patient died)
  - event = 0 or FALSE means the follow-up time was censored

# 29.4 A First Example: Recurrent Lobar Intracerebral Hemorrhage

O'Donnell et al. (2000) studied the effect of the apolipoprotein E gene on the risk of recurrent lobar intracerebral hemorrhage in 70 patients who survived such a hemorrhage<sup>1</sup>. Patients in the study are classified by:

- time = follow-up time, in months
- $\mathbf{recur} = \text{indicator of whether or not they had a recurrent event } (1 = \text{subject had a recurrence}, 0 \text{ subject did not have a recurrence}), and$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>These data come from Dupont WD (2002) Statistical Modeling for Biomedical Researchers. New York: Cambridge U. Press, section 6.4.

• genotype = the subject's apolipoprotein E genotype (0 = Homozygous  $\epsilon 3/\epsilon 3$  and 1 = At least one  $\epsilon 2$  or  $\epsilon 4$  allele)

```
hem | > head(4)
# A tibble: 4 x 4
     id genotype time recur
 <dbl>
           <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
               0 0.230
      1
1
                            1
2
      2
               0 1.05
                            0
3
      3
               1 1.38
                            0
4
      4
               1 1.41
                            1
  table(hem$recur)
```

0 1 52 18

We have 70 patients at the start, and observe 18 events (rest are censored.)

```
favstats(time ~ recur, data = hem)
```

recur min Q1 median QЗ max mean sd n 0 1.0513350 14.414783 23.01437 38.64477 53.88091 25.51129 14.68242 52 1 2 1 0.2299795 3.367556 10.92403 24.84600 42.87474 14.98517 13.88893 18 missing 0 1 2 0

The median survival time looks like 23 weeks in the patients who do not exhibit a recurrence, but only 11 weeks in those who do.

# 29.5 Building a Survival Object

```
hemsurv <- Surv(time = hem$time, event = hem$recur)
head(hemsurv, 4)</pre>
```

[1] 0.2299795 1.0513350+ 1.3798770+ 1.4127311

This object both displays the survival time for each subject, and indicates whether or not the subject's follow-up was *censored* before a recurrent event occurred. Survival times with a + sign indicate censoring.

- Subject 1 lived for 0.23 months hemorrhage-free and then had a recurrence.
- Subject 2 lived for 1.05 months hemorrhage-free, at which point they were censored (perhaps because the study ended, or perhaps because the subject was no longer available for follow-up)

Remember that 18 of the subjects experienced a recurrent hemorrhage, and the other 52 are therefore censored.

# 29.6 Kaplan-Meier Estimate of the Survival Function

To build a Kaplan-Meier estimate of the survival function (to account properly for censoring), we take the survival object we have created, and use the survit function from the survival package.

```
hemfit1 <- survfit(hemsurv ~ 1)</pre>
```

We can look at the hemfit1 object directly, although the K-M estimate is usually plotted.

print(hemfit1, print.rmean=TRUE)

Call: survfit(formula = hemsurv ~ 1) n events rmean\* se(rmean) median 0.95LCL 0.95UCL [1,] 70 18 40.4 2.63 NA 42.9 NA \* restricted mean with upper limit = 53.9 We see that 18 events occurred out of a total of 70 subjects. The median survival time is listed as NA (missing) which implies it cannot be estimated by this simple model.

• This is because only 18 of our 70 subjects have a known recurrence-free survival time (the rest are censored), so we don't actually know what the median survival time will be across our 70 subjects. Apparently, R can produce a lower bound on a 95% confidence interval for the median survival time, but not the actual point estimate.

We also observe a **restricted mean survival time** estimate. The restricted mean uses as its upper limit the largest observed or censored survival time, which here is a censored value: 53.9 months. So it is the mean survival time, assuming all censored subjects lived hemorrhage-free for 53.9 months.

summary(hemfit1)

```
Call: survfit(formula = hemsurv ~ 1)
```

time	n.risk	n.event	survival	std.err	lower	95% CI	upper	95% CI
0.23	70	1	0.986	0.0142		0.958		1.000
1.41	67	1	0.971	0.0202		0.932		1.000
1.58	65	1	0.956	0.0248		0.909		1.000
3.06	63	1	0.941	0.0287		0.886		0.999
3.32	62	1	0.926	0.0320		0.865		0.991
3.52	61	1	0.911	0.0349		0.845		0.982
3.55	60	1	0.895	0.0375		0.825		0.972
4.76	57	1	0.880	0.0400		0.805		0.962
9.53	54	1	0.863	0.0424		0.784		0.951
12.32	50	1	0.846	0.0449		0.762		0.939
15.57	46	1	0.828	0.0476		0.740		0.926
19.15	38	1	0.806	0.0511		0.712		0.912
24.77	32	1	0.781	0.0553		0.679		0.897
24.87	31	1	0.756	0.0590		0.648		0.881
28.09	26	1	0.726	0.0635		0.612		0.862
33.61	22	1	0.693	0.0687		0.571		0.842
37.52	17	1	0.653	0.0758		0.520		0.819
42.87	8	1	0.571	0.1011		0.404		0.808

This written summary provides us with lots of detail on the Kaplan-Meier estimate. In particular, the first two lines of this summary can be read to indicate the following.

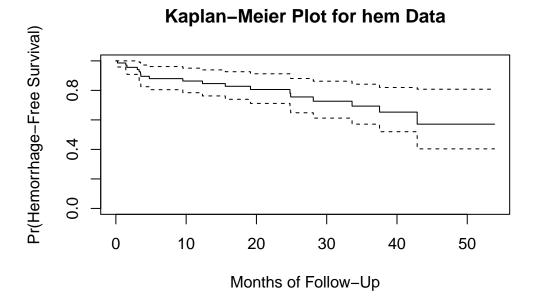
• Up to time 0.23 months, no patients had a recurrence. Then, an event occurred, and the estimated survival (i.e. non-recurrence) probability is reduced from 1 to 0.986.

• By time 1.41 months, when the next event occurred, only 67 patients remained at risk. This is because one of them had a recurrent hemorrhage already (at 0.23 months) and two others had been right-censored. The estimated hemorrhage-free survival probability estimate starting at time 1.41 months is now 0.971.

A Kaplan-Meier plot graphically represents this summary.

#### 29.6.1 The Kaplan-Meier Plot, using Base R

Now, let's plot the Kaplan-Meier estimate, so we can see what is going on.



The solid line indicates estimated hemorrhage-free survival probability. The dotted lines identify pointwise confidence intervals (default 95%).

- For example, we see that the estimated probability of hemorrhage-free survival to 20 months is estimated to be about 0.8
- The estimated probability of hemorrhage-free survival to 50 months is estimated to be about 0.6

The steps down indicate events (recurrences.) The estimated probability of survival to 0 months starts at 1, and drops down at each time point where an event (or more than one event) is observed.

#### 29.6.2 Using survminer to draw survival curves

ggsurvplot(hemfit1, data = hem)

Another approach to plotting the Kaplan-Meier estimate comes from ggsurvplot, from the survminer package.

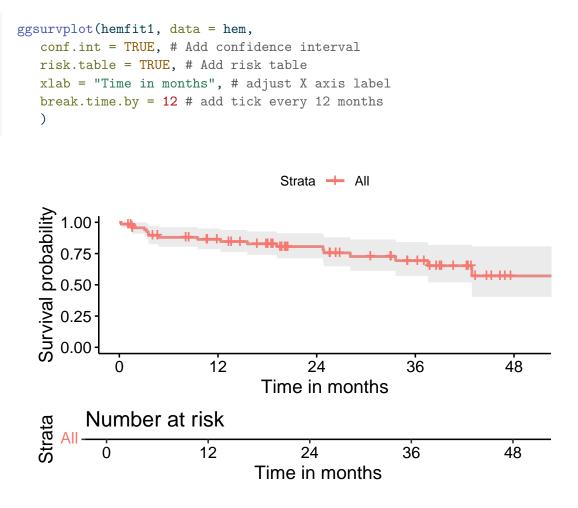
```
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```

Again, the solid line indicates estimated hemorrhage-free survival probability. The crosses indicate censoring. The steps down indicate events (recurrences,) and the shading indicates (default 95%) pointwise confidence intervals. By **pointwise** confidence intervals, I mean that these bounds apply only to individual points in the time scale.

For more on an alternative approach, using *simultaneous confidence bands*, visit the OpenIntro Statistics Survival Analysis in R materials, written by David Diez, which are also posted on our web site.

#### 29.6.3 A "Fancy" K-M Plot with a number at risk table

We can do a lot more with these plots. Following the suggestions at https://github.com/kassambara/survminer/ we can create the following...



This sort of plot is really designed to work best when we compare multiple groups in terms of their survival. So let's do that.

# 29.7 Comparing Survival Across the Two Genotypes

Now, suppose we want to compare the hemorrhage-free survival functions for subjects classified by their apoliprotein E genotype. Working with the same survival object hemsurv we now run the survfit function to compare across the two genotype groups.

```
hemfit2 <- survfit(hemsurv ~ hem$genotype)
print(hemfit2, print.rmean=TRUE)</pre>
```

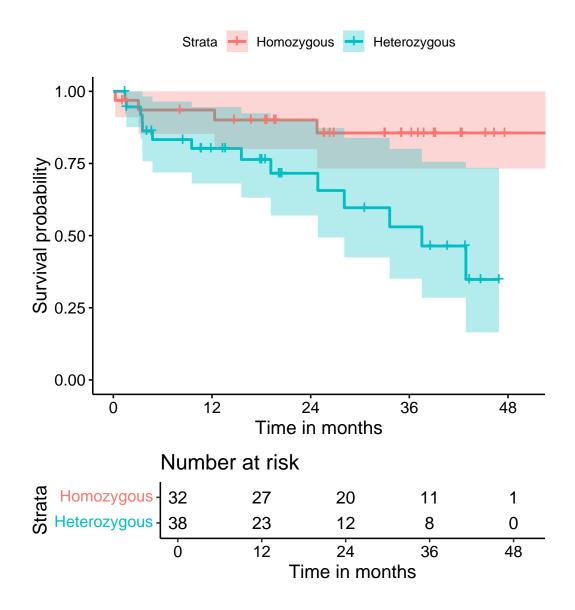
Call: survfit(formula = hemsurv ~ hem\$genotype)

:	n events	rmean*	<pre>se(rmean)</pre>	median	0.95LCL	0.95UCL
hem\$genotype=0 3	2 4	47.8	2.87	NA	NA	NA
hem\$genotype=1 3	3 14	33.9	3.77	37.5	24.9	NA
<pre>* restricted</pre>	mean wi	th upper	limit =	53.9		

- In genotype = 0 (the subjects who are Homozygous  $\epsilon_3/\epsilon_3$ ,) we had 32 subjects, and observed 4 recurrent hemorrhages. Our estimated restricted mean survival time in those subjects is 47.8 months and we cannot estimate a median survival time because only a small fraction of our subjects were not censored.
- In genotype = 1 (subjects who have at least one  $\epsilon 2$  or  $\epsilon 4$  allele,) we had 38 subjects and observed 14 recurrences. The estimated restricted mean survival time is 33.9 months in these subjects, and we can (it seems) estimate a median survival time in this group of 37.5 months. Note that we don't actually need to observe the event in half of the subjects to estimate a median survival time.

#### 29.7.1 Kaplan-Meier Survival Function Estimates, by Genotype

I find I have to crank the figure height in Quarto up to at least 6 to get the risk table to show up nicely in this setting.



It appears that patients who were homozygous for the  $\epsilon 3$  allele of this gene (i.e. genotype = 0 in the hemorrhage data) had a much better prognosis than others (genotype = 1.)

# 29.8 Testing the difference between two survival curves

To obtain a significance test comparing these two survival curves, we turn to a log rank test, which tests the null hypothesis  $H_0$ :  $S_1(t) = S_2(t)$  for all t where the two exposures have

survival functions  $S_1(t)$  and  $S_2(t)$ . We use the survdiff function to explore this test, which uses a  $\chi^2$  statistic to do the testing.

```
survdiff(hemsurv ~ hem$genotype)
```

Call: survdiff(formula = hemsurv ~ hem\$genotype) N Observed Expected (O-E)^2/E (O-E)^2/V hem\$genotype=0 32 4 9.28 3.00 6.28 hem\$genotype=1 38 14 8.72 3.19 6.28 Chisq= 6.3 on 1 degrees of freedom, p= 0.01

Based on the log rank test, we see a pretty small p value (p = .0122) for the comparison of the hemorrhage-free survival curves for the two genotypes, as shown in the Kaplan-Meier plot.

• The log rank test generalizes to permit survival comparisons across more than two groups, with the test statistic having an asymptotic chi-squared distribution with one degree of freedom less than the number of patient groups being compared.

#### 29.8.1 Alternative log rank tests

An alternative approach to testing is the *Peto and Peto modification of the Gehan-Wilcoxon test*, which results from adding **rho=1** to the **survdiff** function (**rho=0**, the default, yields the log rank test.)

```
survdiff(hemsurv ~ hem$genotype, rho=1)
```

Call: survdiff(formula = hemsurv ~ hem\$genotype, rho = 1) N Observed Expected (O-E)^2/E (O-E)^2/V hem\$genotype=0 32 3.63 7.87 2.29 5.46 hem\$genotype=1 38 11.79 7.54 2.39 5.46 Chisq= 5.5 on 1 degrees of freedom, p= 0.02

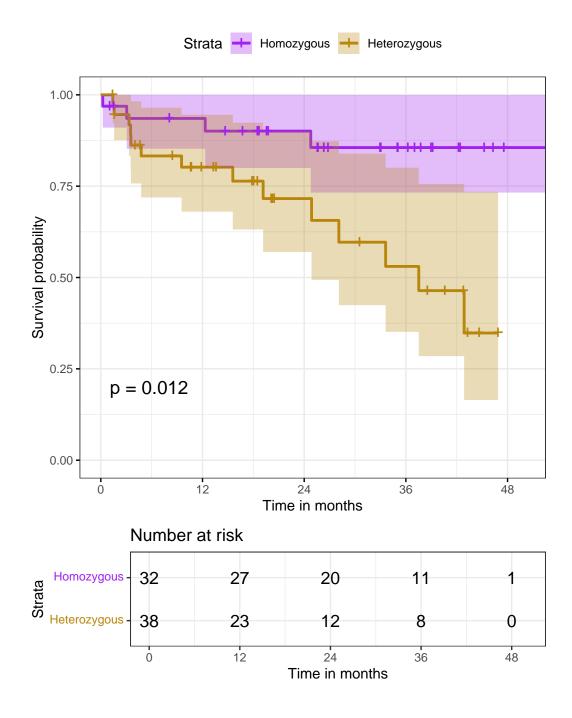
As compared to the log rank test, this Peto-Peto modification (and others using rho > 0) give greater weight to the left hand (earlier) side of the survival curves.

• To obtain chi-square tests that give greater weight to the right hand (later) side of the survival curves than the log rank test, use a **rho** value which is less than 0.

# 29.9 A "Fancy" K-M Plot with a number at risk table

We can add the log rank test result to our "fancy" K-M plot. Visit https://github.com/kassambara/survminer/ for more options.

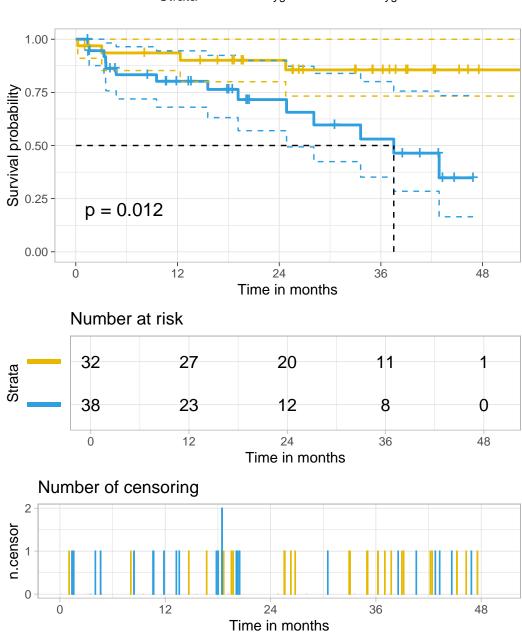
```
ggsurvplot(hemfit2, data = hem, size = 1,
    palette = c("purple", "darkgoldenrod"), # custom colors
    conf.int = TRUE, # Add confidence interval
    pval = TRUE, # Add p-value
    risk.table = TRUE, # Add risk table
    risk.table.height = 0.25, # change if you have >2 groups
    risk.table.y.text.col = T, # show colors in table listing
    xlab = "Time in months", # adjust X axis label
    break.time.by = 12, # break X axis in time intervals
    legend.labs = c("Homozygous", "Heterozygous"), # labels
    ggtheme = theme_bw() # Change ggplot2 theme
    )
```



29.9.1 Customizing the Kaplan-Meier Plot Presentation Further

We can even add a plot of the number of censored subjects at each time point, as well as a median survival pointer (which, of course, we've seen that we can't estimate in one of the groups), and customize the style of the confidence intervals. Again, see https://github.com/kassambara/survminer/ for even more customized results.

```
ggsurvplot(hemfit2,
           data = hem,
           palette = c("#E7B800", "#2E9FDF"),
           risk.table = TRUE,
           pval = TRUE,
           conf.int = TRUE,
           xlab = "Time in months",
           break.time.by = 12,
           ggtheme = theme_light(),
           risk.table.y.text.col = T,
           risk.table.height = 0.25,
           risk.table.y.text = FALSE,
           ncensor.plot = TRUE,
           ncensor.plot.height = 0.25,
           conf.int.style = "step",
           surv.median.line = "hv",
           legend.labs = c("Homozygous", "Heterozygous")
        )
```



Strata 🕂 Homozygous 🕂 Heterozygous

## 29.10 The Hazard Function

To build regression models for time-to-event data, we will need to introduce the **hazard function**. Consider a subject in the hemorrhage study who has a hemorrhage-free survival time of 9 months.

- For this subject to have had a recurrent hemorrhage at 9 months, they had to be hemorrhage-free for the first 8 months.
- The subject's hazard at 9 months is the failure rate "per month" conditional on the subject being hemorrhage-free for the first 8 months.

If S(t) is the survival function, and time t is taken to be continuous, then  $S(t) = e^{H(t)}$  defines the hazard function H(t).

- Note that H(t) = -ln(S(t)).
- The function H(t) is an important analytic tool.
  - It's used to describe the concept of the risk of "failure" in an interval after time t, conditioned on the subject having survived to time t.
  - It's often called the *cumulative hazard function*, to emphasize the fact that its value is the "sum" of the hazard up to time t.

There are several different methods to estimate H(t), but we'll focus on two...

- 1. The inverse Kaplan-Meier estimator
- 2. The Nelson-Aalen estimator

#### **29.10.1** The Inverse Kaplan-Meier Estimator of H(t)

Our first estimator of the hazard function, H(t) will be the inverse Kaplan-Meier estimate, which I'll place in an R object called H\_est1.

- To start, we will take the negative of the log of the Kaplan-Meier survival estimate. That takes care of the first t-1 levels of the eventual estimate.
- To complete the process, we will repeat the final one of those time-specific estimates at the end.

H\_est1 <- -log(hemfit1\$surv)
H\_est1 <- c(H\_est1, tail(H\_est1, 1))</pre>

Here are the first five, and last five values of the hazard function estimate.

head(H\_est1,5) # first 5 values

[1] 0.01438874 0.01438874 0.01438874 0.02942661 0.02942661

```
tail(H_est1, 5) # last 5
```

[1] 0.5602049 0.5602049 0.5602049 0.5602049 0.5602049

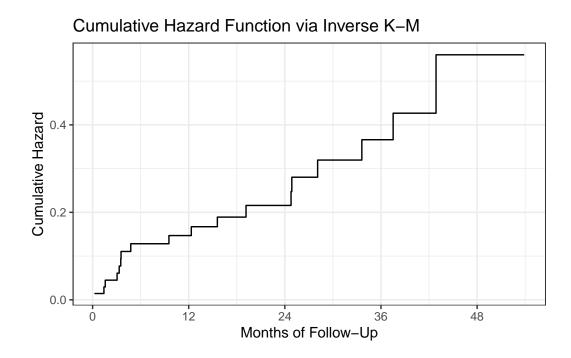
We can create a little tibble containing the times and hazard estimates, like this:

```
haz_hem <- tibble(
    time = c(hemfit1$time, tail(hemfit1$time, 1)),
    inverse_KM = H_est1
)</pre>
```

#### 29.10.2 Cumulative Hazard Function from Inverse K-M

Since we've built the data set of times and hazard values, we can use the geom\_step function in ggplot2.

```
ggplot(haz_hem, aes(x = time, y = inverse_KM)) +
geom_step() +
scale_x_continuous(breaks = c(0, 12, 24, 36, 48)) +
labs(x = "Months of Follow-Up",
    y = "Cumulative Hazard",
    title = "Cumulative Hazard Function via Inverse K-M")
```



#### **29.10.3** The Nelson-Aalen Estimator of H(t)

An alternative estimate of the cumulative hazard is called the Nelson-Aalen estimate, captured here in H\_est2.

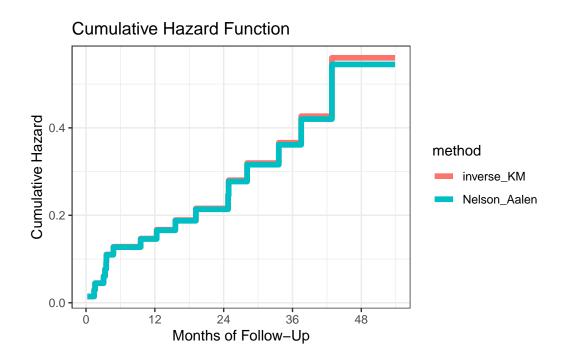
```
h_st <- hemfit1$n.event / hemfit1$n.risk</pre>
  H_est2 <- cumsum(h_st)</pre>
  H_est2 <- c(H_est2, tail(H_est2, 1))</pre>
  haz_hem$Nelson_Aalen <- H_est2
  head(haz_hem)
# A tibble: 6 x 3
   time inverse_KM Nelson_Aalen
  <dbl>
              <dbl>
                            <dbl>
1 0.230
             0.0144
                           0.0143
2 1.05
             0.0144
                           0.0143
3 1.38
            0.0144
                           0.0143
4 1.41
            0.0294
                           0.0292
5 1.51
            0.0294
                           0.0292
6 1.58
            0.0449
                           0.0446
```

#### 29.10.4 Convert Wide Data to Long

In order to easily plot the two hazard function estimates in the same graph, we'll want to convert these data from wide format to long format, with the pivot\_longer function.

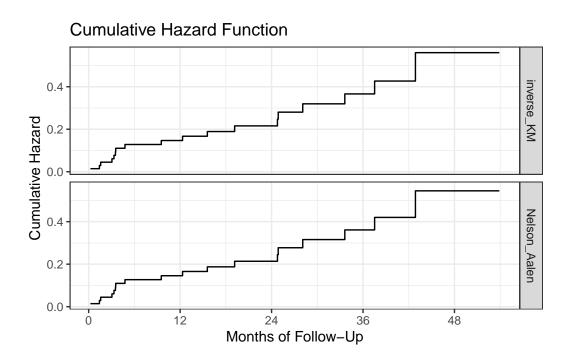
```
haz_hem_comp <- pivot_longer(data = haz_hem, cols = 2:3,</pre>
                                names to = "method", values to = "hazardest")
  head(haz_hem_comp)
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  time method
                     hazardest
  <dbl> <chr>
                         <dbl>
1 0.230 inverse_KM
                        0.0144
2 0.230 Nelson_Aalen
                        0.0143
3 1.05
        inverse_KM
                        0.0144
4 1.05 Nelson_Aalen
                        0.0143
5 1.38 inverse_KM
                        0.0144
6 1.38 Nelson_Aalen
                        0.0143
```

#### 29.10.5 Plot Comparison of Hazard Estimates



We can see that the two cumulative hazard function estimates are nearly identical in this case. We could instead compare the two functions in faceted plots, if that would be helpful.

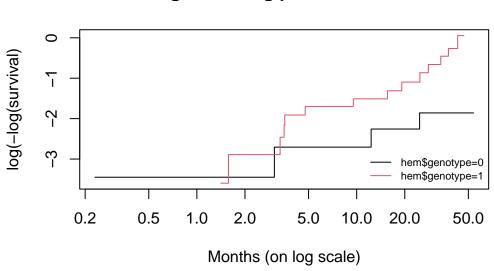
```
ggplot(haz_hem_comp, aes(x = time, y = hazardest)) +
   geom_step() +
   scale_x_continuous(breaks = c(0, 12, 24, 36, 48)) +
   labs(x = "Months of Follow-Up",
        y = "Cumulative Hazard",
        title = "Cumulative Hazard Function") +
   facet_grid(method ~ .) + theme_bw()
```



29.11 NEW!! Checking Assumptions Using a log (-log) plot

When fitting a log rank test, we may wish to consider whether the proportional hazards assumption required by such a test is satisfied. One common approach to doing this is to fit a log minus log plot, as follows.

```
plot(hemfit2, fun = "cloglog",
    main = "log minus log plot for hemfit2",
    xlab = "Months (on log scale)",
    ylab = "log(-log(survival)", col = c(1,2))
llab <- gsub("x = ","", names(hemfit2$strata))
legend("bottomright", legend=llab, col=1:2,
    lty = 1, horiz = FALSE, bty='n', cex = 0.7)
```



# log minus log plot for hemfit2

Since the two curves shown in the plot cross during the observation period, this is an indication that the proportional hazard assumption made by the log rank test may be unsatisfied.

Next, we will consider the issue of modeling a survival outcome using Cox proportional hazards regression.

# **30** Cox Regression Models, Part 1

# 30.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
```

```
library(broom)
library(survival)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 30.1.1 Data Load

```
hem <- read_csv("data/hem.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

The Cox proportional hazards (Cox regression) model fits survival data with a constant (i.e. not varying over time) covariate x to a hazard function of the form:

$$h(t|x) = h_0(t)exp[\beta_1 x]$$

where we will estimate the unknown value of  $\beta_1$  and where  $h_0(t)$  is the baseline hazard, which is a non-parametric and unspecified value which depends on t but not on x.

• For particular x values, we will be able to estimate the survival function if we have an estimate of the baseline survival function,  $\hat{S}_0(t)$ .

The estimated survival function for an individual with covariate value  $\boldsymbol{x}_k$  turns out to be

$$\hat{S}(t|x_k) = [\hat{S}_0(t)]^{exp(\beta_1 x_k)}$$

From Wikipedia (yes, really) ...

Survival models can be viewed as consisting of two parts: the underlying hazard function, describing how the risk of event per time unit changes over time at baseline levels of covariates; and the effect parameters, describing how the hazard varies in response to explanatory covariates.

The key assumption in a Cox model is that the hazards are **proportional** - other types of survival models need not have this restriction. Quoting the always reliable (well, it's better than you think) Wikipedia ...

In a proportional hazards model, the unique effect of a unit increase in a covariate is multiplicative with respect to the hazard rate. For example, taking a drug may halve one's hazard rate for a stroke occurring, or, changing the material from which a manufactured component is constructed may double its hazard rate for failure.

There are two main approaches to fitting Cox models in R.

- the coxph function in the survival package, and
- the cph function in the rms package.

#### 30.2 Sources used in building this material

- David Diez's excellent supplement for the OpenIntro Statistics project, on Survival Analysis in R.
- Some tools in R to do some fancier work can be viewed at https://cran.r-project.org/ web/views/Survival.html
- You might also look at these two blog posts, originally from the Just Another Data blog.
  - https://www.r-bloggers.com/survival-analysis-1/
  - https://www.r-bloggers.com/survival-analysis-2/
- https://rpubs.com/daspringate/survival has some great slides, and I've stolen from them quite a bit here.

## 30.3 Fitting a Cox Model in R with coxph

As a first example, I'll fit a model to predict time to recurrence in the hem data, on the basis of a single predictor: genotype.

```
cfit <- with(hem, coxph(Surv(time, recur) ~ genotype))
cfit</pre>
```

```
Call:
coxph(formula = Surv(time, recur) ~ genotype)
coef exp(coef) se(coef) z p
genotype 1.3317 3.7874 0.5699 2.337 0.0195
Likelihood ratio test=6.61 on 1 df, p=0.01015
n= 70, number of events= 18
```

This summary provides an overall comparison of the two genotypes, using a proportional hazards model.

• The default approach in R is to use the "efron" method of breaking ties: other options include "breslow" and "exact".

#### 30.3.1 Summarizing the Fit

summary(cfit)

```
Call:
coxph(formula = Surv(time, recur) ~ genotype)
 n= 70, number of events= 18
           coef exp(coef) se(coef)
                                     z Pr(>|z|)
genotype 1.3317
                   3.7874
                            0.5699 2.337
                                           0.0195 *
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
         exp(coef) exp(-coef) lower .95 upper .95
                                  1.239
genotype
             3.787
                        0.264
                                            11.57
Concordance= 0.622 (se = 0.061)
Likelihood ratio test= 6.61 on 1 df,
                                        p=0.01
Wald test
                    = 5.46 on 1 df,
                                        p=0.02
Score (logrank) test = 6.28 on 1 df,
                                        p=0.01
```

This provides estimates of the  $\beta$  value for genotype, including standard errors and p values for a Wald test. Also included is an estimate of the hazard ratio and its confidence interval.

• Here we have a hazard ratio estimate of exp(coef) = 3.787, with 95% CI (1.24, 11.57).

- The hazard ratio is the multiplicative effect of the covariate (here, having at least one of the  $\epsilon 2$  or  $\epsilon 4$  allele) on the hazard function for recurrent hemorrhage
  - A hazard ratio of 1 indicates no effect
  - A hazard ratio > 1 indicates an increase in the hazard as the covariate rises
  - A hazard ratio < 1 indicates a decrease in the hazard as the covariate rises

We can also tidy the hazard ratio estimate with the broom package.

```
tidy(cfit, exponentiate = TRUE)
```

# A tibble	: 1 x 5			
term	estimate	<pre>std.error</pre>	statistic	p.value
<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1 genotype	3.79	0.570	2.34	0.0195

In addition, we have several other summaries:

- The *concordance* measure is only appropriate when we have at least one continuous predictor in our Cox model.
- The Cox & Snell pseudo- $R^2$  reflects the improvement of the model we've fit over the model with an intercept alone, but isn't a proportion of anything (hence the listing of the maximum possible value).
- The Likelihood ratio, Wald and Score (logrank) tests provide insight into the overall predictive value for the model.

We can obtain a more detailed description of the likelihood-ratio test of the model with anova.

anova(cfit)

```
Analysis of Deviance Table

Cox model: response is Surv(time, recur)

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

loglik Chisq Df Pr(>|Chi|)

NULL -66.675

genotype -63.371 6.6078 1 0.01015 *

---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

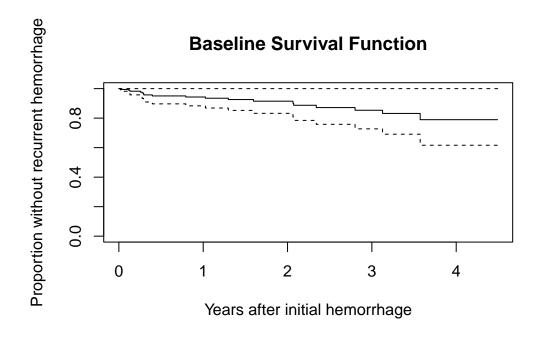
#### 30.3.2 Glancing at the model?

```
glance(cfit)
# A tibble: 1 x 18
     n nevent statistic.log p.value.log statistic.sc p.value.sc statistic.wald
  <int> <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                                   <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
                                                            <dbl>
                                                                            <dbl>
    70
                        6.61
                                  0.0102
                                                  6.28
                                                           0.0122
                                                                             5.46
1
            18
# i 11 more variables: p.value.wald <dbl>, statistic.robust <dbl>,
   p.value.robust <dbl>, r.squared <dbl>, r.squared.max <dbl>,
#
    concordance <dbl>, std.error.concordance <dbl>, logLik <dbl>, AIC <dbl>,
#
    BIC <dbl>, nobs <int>
#
```

Here, we obtain several additional summaries of the model, including most of the important information from a summary of cfit.

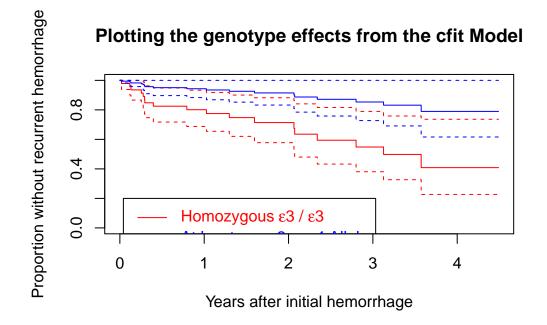
#### 30.3.3 Plot the baseline survival function

Here, we'll plot the time in terms of months, but scaled to 12 month (one year) groups.



#### **30.3.4 Plot the genotype effect**

There are several ways to build these plots. One approach follows. Another uses a cph fit and the survplot function from the rms package.



#### 30.3.5 Testing the Key Assumption: Proportional Hazards

The cox.zph function in the survival package will test the proportionality of all of the predictors included in your model by creating interactions with time.

• A small *p* value would indicate a violation of the proportionality assumption.

```
cox.zph(cfit, transform="km", global=TRUE)
```

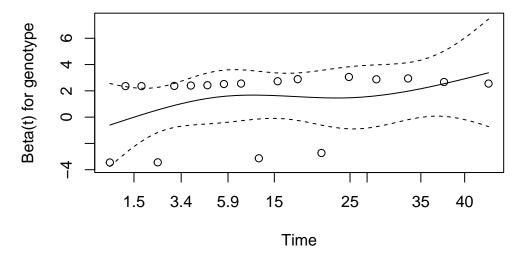
	chisq	df	р
genotype	2.09	1	0.15
GLOBAL	2.09	1	0.15

Since the p value here is quite large, we may be all right. But it's sensible to focus further on plots derived from the model fit, rather than relying solely on this test.

#### 30.3.6 Plotting the cox.zph results for the cfit model

cox.zph function can be used to generate a plot for each of the individual predictors in the model. Of course, in this case, we have just one predictor: genotype. If the proportional hazards assumption is appropriate, then we should see a slope of essentially zero in each such plot. A slope that is seriously different from zero suggests a violation of the proportional hazards assumption.

```
plot(cox.zph(cfit, transform="km", global=TRUE))
```



The plot suggests only a slight rise in the plotted values over time, suggesting no serious problem with the proportional hazards assumption. This combined testing and plotting approach is a reasonable starting place for assessing the proportional hazards assumption, but it's likely insufficient for good practical work.

Should the proportional hazards assumption fit less well, we have two main options: (1) fit a non-linear term in the covariate in question, and (2) fit a different type of regression model that doesn't require the proportional hazards assumption.

# 30.4 Fitting a Cox Model using cph from the rms package

To set up a cph fit for our comparison of genotypes in the hem data, we'll follow these steps.

Note that the **surv** = **TRUE** piece is required to get some of the follow-up analyses to work smoothly.

#### 30.4.1 The Main cph results

model\_hem

Cox Proportional Hazards Model

```
cph(formula = hemsurv ~ genotype, data = hem, x = TRUE, y = TRUE,
surv = TRUE)
```

		Model Tests				Discrimi	nation
						I	ndexes
Obs	70	LR ch	i2		6.61	R2	0.106
Events	18	d.f.			1	R2(1,70)	0.077
Center 0	.7229	Pr(> 0	chi2)	0	.0102	R2(1,18)	0.268
		Score	chi2		6.28	Dxy	0.244
		Pr(> 0	chi2)	0	.0122		
	Coef	S.E.	Wald	Ζ	Pr(> Z )	)	
genotype	1.3317	0.5699	2.34		0.0195		

Included here are likelihood ratio and score tests for the model as a whole (as compared to the intercept-only model), as well as the usual discrimination indexes.

- These include both an  $\mathbb{R}^2$  analog due to Nagelkerke (which can go all the way up to 1), and
- Somers' Dxy, which can also produce an estimate of the C statistic (area under the curve) via the formula C = 0.5 + Dxy / 2, so here C = 0.5 + (.244/2) = 0.622
- For lots more on survival analysis C statistics, look at the survAUC package in R.

These results are followed by a table of Wald tests for each of the coefficients in the model.

#### 30.4.2 Using anova with cph

As in other **rms** fits, we can use **anova** to obtain more detailed (in terms of combining nonlinear terms and, if available, interactions) tests.

Response: hemsurv

anova(model\_hem)

Wald Statistics

Factor	Chi-Square	d.f.	Р
genotype	5.46	1	0.0195
TOTAL	5.46	1	0.0195

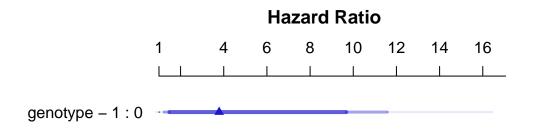
#### 30.4.3 Effect Sizes after cph fit

We can use summary on a cph object to get and plot effect size estimates (here, these are hazard ratios.)

summary(model\_hem)

E:	ts		Rea	sponse	: hemsurv		
Factor	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95
genotype	0	1	1	1.3317	0.5699	0.21468	2.4486
Hazard Ratio	0	1	1	3.7873	NA	1.23950	11.5730

plot(summary(model\_hem))



#### 30.4.4 Validating cph summaries

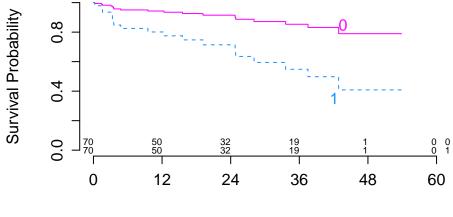
For details on these last few indices (D, U, Q, etc.), visit ?validate.cph in R.

```
set.seed(43201); validate(model_hem)
```

	index.orig	training	test	optimism	index.corrected	n
Dxy	0.2441	0.2508	0.2197	0.0311	0.2130 4	0
R2	0.1058	0.1203	0.1058	0.0144	0.0914 4	0
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	-6.4747	7.4747	-6.4747 4	0
D	0.0421	0.0532	0.0421	0.0111	0.0310 4	0
U	-0.0150	-0.0168	0.0198	-0.0366	0.0216 4	0
Q	0.0571	0.0699	0.0222	0.0477	0.0094 4	0
g	0.6705	0.7908	0.6705	0.1203	0.5502 4	0

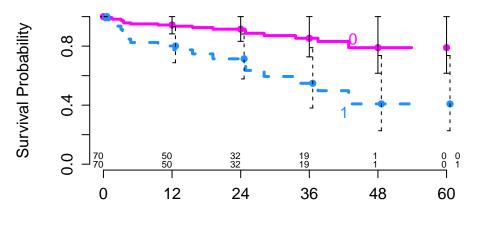
### 30.4.5 Plotting Survival Functions for each Genotype

Here is the survplot approach I mentioned earlier.



Hemorrhage-Free Survival in Months

We can add, for instance, confidence interval bars, with:

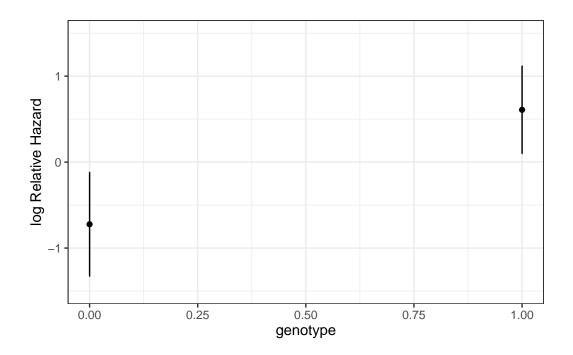


Hemorrhage-Free Survival Time in Months

For more details, check out R's help file on survplot.

## 30.4.6 Genotype's effect on log relative hazard

ggplot(Predict(model\_hem, genotype))



#### 30.4.7 Nomogram of our simple hem model

We can estimate 1-year and 3-year hemorrhage-free survival probabilities, for example, with this model, and incorporate these results into our nomogram.

Deinte	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
Points											1
genotype	<b>—</b>										l
Tatal Dainta	0										
Total Points	0	10	20	30	40	50	 60	70	80	90	100
Linear Prediote	•	- <del></del>	- 20					· · · ·	- <del></del>		
12–month Pr(\$	3	-0.6	-0	.4	-0.2		0	0.2	0.	4	0.6
	0.9		0	.92	0.9	a	0.88	0.86	0.84	0.8	208
36-month Pr(S	Sur	vival)		.02				0.00	0.0-	1	
	0.8	5	0	.8	0.7	′5	0.7	0.6	65	0.6	0.55

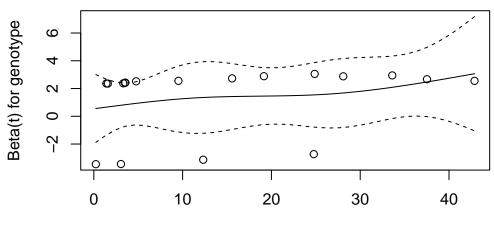
Again, this is just a very simple model, with one binary predictor.

#### 30.4.8 Assessing the Proportional Hazards Assumption

- Consider using transform="rank" to transform the survival times by their ranks prior to performing the test.
- Or use transform="identity" as we'll do in the plot below.

#### 30.4.9 Plot to Check PH Assumption

```
plot(cox.zph(model_hem, "identity"))
```



Time

# 31 Cox Regression Models, Part 2

# 31.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(survival)
library(survminer)
library(rms)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### 31.1.1 Data Load

leukem <- read\_csv("data/leukem.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

# 31.2 A Second Example: The leukem data

leukem

# I	A tibb]	Le: 51	x 8					
	id	age	pblasts	pinf	plab	maxtemp	months	alive
	<dbl></dbl>							
1	1	20	78	39	7	99	18	0
2	2	25	64	61	16	103	31	1
3	3	26	61	55	12	98.2	31	0
4	4	26	64	64	16	100	31	0
5	5	27	95	95	6	98	36	0
6	6	27	80	64	8	101	1	0

7	7	28	88	88	20	98.6	9	0
8	8	28	70	70	14	101	39	1
9	9	31	72	72	5	98.8	20	1
10	10	33	58	58	7	98.6	4	0
# i	41 more	rows						

The data describe 51 leukemia patients. The variables are:

- id, a patient identification code
- age, age at diagnosis
- pblasts, the Smear differential percentage of blasts
- pinf, the Percentage of absolute marrow leukemia infiltrate
- plab, the Percentage labeling index of the bone marrow leukemia cells
- maxtemp, Highest temperature prior to treatment (in  $^{\circ}F$ )
- months, which is Survival time from diagnosis (in months)
- alive, which indicates Status as of the end of the study (1 = alive and thus censored, 0 = dead)

glimpse(leukem)

```
Rows: 51
Columns: 8
$ id
          <dbl> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18,~
          <dbl> 20, 25, 26, 26, 27, 27, 28, 28, 31, 33, 33, 33, 34, 36, 37, 40~
$ age
$ pblasts <dbl> 78, 64, 61, 64, 95, 80, 88, 70, 72, 58, 92, 42, 26, 55, 71, 91~
          <dbl> 39, 61, 55, 64, 95, 64, 88, 70, 72, 58, 92, 38, 26, 55, 71, 91~
$ pinf
$ plab
          <dbl> 7, 16, 12, 16, 6, 8, 20, 14, 5, 7, 5, 12, 7, 14, 15, 9, 12, 4,~
$ maxtemp <dbl> 99.0, 103.0, 98.2, 100.0, 98.0, 101.0, 98.6, 101.0, 98.8, 98.6~
         <dbl> 18, 31, 31, 31, 36, 1, 9, 39, 20, 4, 45, 36, 12, 8, 1, 15, 24,~
$ months
$ alive
          <dbl> 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0,~
```

#### 31.2.1 Creating our response: A survival time object

Regardless of how we're going to fit a survival model, we start by creating a *survival time* object that combines the information in months (the survival times, possibly censored) and alive (the censoring indicator) into a single variable we'll call stime in this example.

The function below correctly registers the survival time, and censors subjects who are alive at the end of the study (we need to indicate those whose times are known, and they are identified by **alive == 0**). All other subjects are alive for at least as long as we observe them, but their exact survival times are *right-censored*.

```
stime <- Surv(leukem$months, leukem$alive == 0)</pre>
  stime
[1] 18
         31+ 31
                      36
                           1
                                   39+ 20+
                                                45+ 36
                                                                               2 33
                  31
                                9
                                            4
                                                        12
                                                              8
                                                                  1 15
                                                                          24
                       2
                                                 5
                                                    27+
                                                                      5
[20] 29+
          7
              0
                   1
                          12
                                9
                                    1
                                        1
                                             9
                                                         1
                                                             13
                                                                  1
                                                                           1
                                                                               3
                                                                                   4
                   2
                           8
                                       14
[39] 1 18
              1
                       1
                                3
                                    4
                                             3 13 13
                                                         1
```

#### 31.2.2 Models We'll Fit

We'll fit several models here, including:

- Model A: A model for survival time using age at diagnosis alone.
- Model B: A model for survival time using the main effects of 5 predictors, specifically, age, pblasts, pinf, plab, and maxtemp.
- Model B2: The model we get after applying stepwise variable selection to Model B, which will include age, pinf and plab.
- Model C: A model using age (with a restricted cubic spline), plab and maxtemp

# 31.3 Model A: coxph Model for Survival Time using age at diagnosis

We'll start by using **age** at diagnosis to predict our survival object (survival time, accounting for censoring).

```
exp(coef) exp(-coef) lower .95 upper .95
        1.033
                  0.9681
                              1.014
                                        1.052
age
Concordance= 0.65 (se = 0.047)
Likelihood ratio test= 11.85
                               on 1 df,
                                          p=6e-04
Wald test
                     = 11.58
                               on 1 df,
                                          p=7e-04
Score (logrank) test = 12.29
                               on 1 df,
                                          p=5e-04
  glance(modA) %>%
      select(r.squared, r.squared.max,
              concordance, std.error.concordance)
# A tibble: 1 x 4
  r.squared r.squared.max concordance std.error.concordance
                                                        <dbl>
      <dbl>
                    <dbl>
                                 <dbl>
1
      0.207
                    0.996
                                 0.650
                                                       0.0465
```

Across these 51 subjects, we observe 45 events (deaths) and 6 subjects are censored. The hazard ratio (shown under exp(coef)) is 1.0329272, and this means each additional year of age at diagnosis is associated with a 1.03-fold increase in the hazard of death.

For this simple Cox regression model, we will focus on interpreting

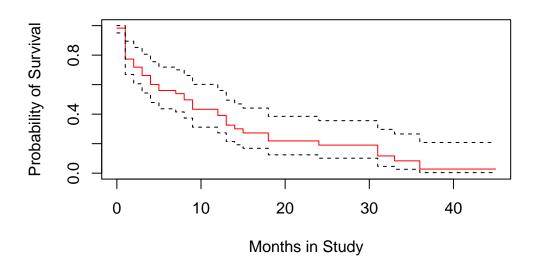
- 1. the **hazard ratio** (specified by the exp(coef) result and associated confidence interval) as a measure of effect size,
  - Here, the hazard ratio associated with a 1-year increase in age is 1.033, and its 95% confidence interval is: (1.014, 1.052).
- 2. the **concordance** and **Rsquare** as measures of fit quality, and
  - **concordance** is only appropriate when we have at least one continuous predictor in our Cox model, in which case it assesses the probability of agreement between the survival time and the risk score generated by the predictor (or set of predictors.) A value of 1 indicates perfect agreement, but values of 0.6 to 0.7 are more common in survival data. 0.5 is an agreement that is no better than chance. Here, our concordance is 0.65, which is a fairly typical value.
  - **Rsquare** in this setting is Cox and Snell's pseudo- $R^2$ , which reflects the improvement of the model we have fit over the model with the intercept alone - a comparison that is tested by the likelihood ratio test. The maximum value of this statistic is often less than one, in which case R will tell you that. Here, our observed pseudo- $R^2$ is 0.207 and that is out of a possible maximum of 0.996.

- 3. the significance tests, particularly the **Wald** test (shown next to the coefficient estimates in the position of a t test in linear regression), and the **Likelihood ratio** test at the bottom of the output, which compares this model to a null model which predicts the mean survival time for all subjects.
  - The Wald test for an individual predictor compares the coefficient to its standard error, just like a t test in linear regression.
  - The likelihood ratio test compares the entire model to the null model (interceptonly). Again, run an ANOVA (technically an analysis of deviance) to get more details on the likelihood-ratio test.

anova(modA)

```
Analysis of Deviance Table
Cox model: response is Surv(months, alive == 0)
Terms added sequentially (first to last)
            loglik Chisq Df Pr(>|Chi|)
NULL -142.94
age -137.02 11.849 1 0.000577 ***
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

### 31.3.1 Plotting the Survival Curve implied by Model A



### 31.3.2 Testing the Proportional Hazards Assumption

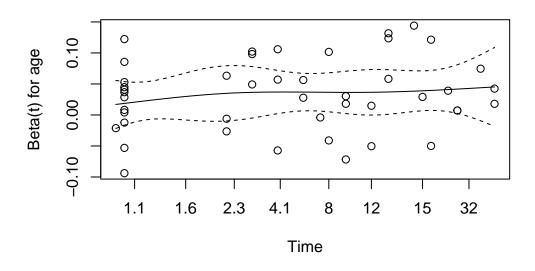
As we've noted, the key assumption in a Cox model is that the hazards are **proportional**.

cox.zph(modA)

chisq df p age 1.05 1 0.31 GLOBAL 1.05 1 0.31

A small p value would indicate a problem with the proportional hazards assumption - again, not the case here. We can also plot the results:

plot(cox.zph(modA))



We're looking for the smooth curve to be fairly level across the time horizon here, as opposed to substantially increasing or decreasing in level as time passes.

# 31.4 Building Model A with cph for the leukem data

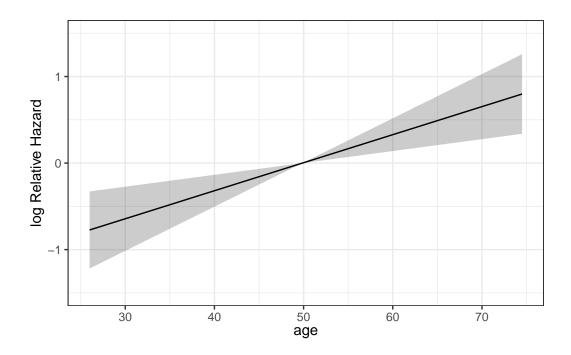
```
Indexes
Obs
           51
                 LR chi2
                              11.85
                                       R2
                                                0.208
Events
           45
                                       R2(1,51) 0.192
                 d.f.
                                  1
Center 1.6152
                 Pr(> chi2) 0.0006
                                       R2(1,45) 0.214
                 Score chi2 12.29
                                       Dxy
                                                0.301
                 Pr(> chi2) 0.0005
                  Wald Z Pr(>|Z|)
    Coef
           S.E.
age 0.0324 0.0095 3.40
                          0.0007
  exp(coef(modA_cph)) # hazard ratio estimate
     age
1.032923
  exp(confint(modA_cph)) # hazard ratio 95% CI
```

2.5 % 97.5 % age 1.013826 1.052379

### 31.4.1 Plotting the age effect implied by our model.

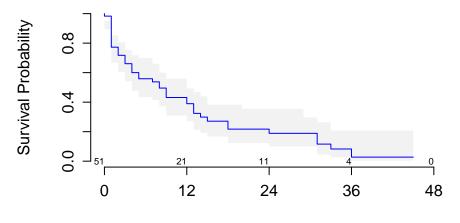
We can plot the age effect implied by the model, using ggplot2, as follows...

```
ggplot(Predict(modA_cph, age))
```



31.4.2 Survival Plots (Kaplan-Meier) of the age effect

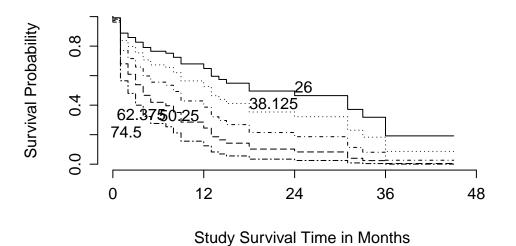
The first survival plot I'll show displays 95% confidence intervals for the probability of survival at the median age at diagnosis in the sample, which turns out to be 50 years, with numbers of patients still at risk indicated every 12 months of time in the study. We can substitute in **conf** = **bars** to get a different flavor for this sort of plot.



Study Survival Time in Months

Or we can generate a survival plot that shows survival probabilities over time across a range of values for **age** at diagnosis, as follows...

```
Warning in regularize.values(x, y, ties, missing(ties), na.rm = na.rm):
collapsing to unique 'x' values
Warning in regularize.values(x, y, ties, missing(ties), na.rm = na.rm):
collapsing to unique 'x' values
Warning in regularize.values(x, y, ties, missing(ties), na.rm = na.rm):
collapsing to unique 'x' values
Warning in regularize.values(x, y, ties, missing(ties), na.rm = na.rm):
collapsing to unique 'x' values
Warning in regularize.values(x, y, ties, missing(ties), na.rm = na.rm):
collapsing to unique 'x' values
```



This plot shows a series of modeled survival probabilities, for five different diagnosis age levels, as identified by the labels. Generally we see that the younger the subject is at diagnosis, the longer their survival time in the study.

### 31.4.3 ANOVA test for the cph-built model for leukem

We can run a likelihood-ratio (drop in deviance) test to consider the age effect...

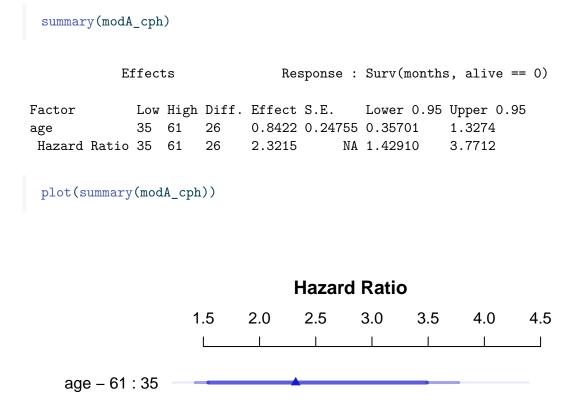
```
anova(modA_cph)
```

age

Wald Statistics Response: Surv(months, alive == 0) Factor Chi-Square d.f. Ρ 11.57 7e-04 1 TOTAL 11.57 1 7e-04

### 31.4.4 Summarizing the Effect Sizes from modA\_cph

We can generate the usual summaries of effect size in this context, too.



As with all rms package effect estimates, this quantitative predictor (age) yields an effect comparing age at the 25th percentile of the sample (age = 35) to age at the 75th percentile (age = 61). So the hazard ratio is 2.32, with 95% CI (1.43, 3.77) for the effect of moving 26 years. Our coxph version of this same model showed a hazard ratio for the effect of moving just a single year.

### **31.4.5 Validating the Cox Model Summary Statistics**

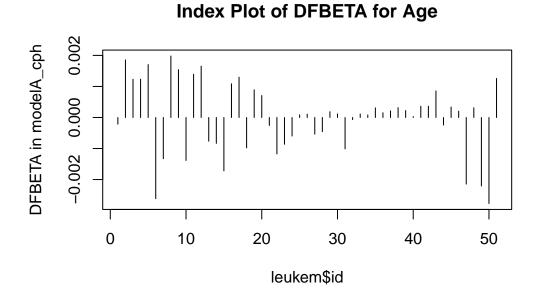
```
set.seed(432410); validate(modA_cph)
```

	index.orig	training	test	optimism	index.corrected	n
Dxy	0.3007	0.2950	0.3007	-0.0057	0.3064	40
R2	0.2081	0.2226	0.2081	0.0145	0.1936	40
Slope	1.0000	1.0000	1.0253	-0.0253	1.0253	40
D	0.0379	0.0425	0.0379	0.0045	0.0334	40
U	-0.0070	-0.0070	0.0037	-0.0107	0.0037	40
Q	0.0449	0.0495	0.0343	0.0152	0.0297	40
g	0.6210	0.6492	0.6210	0.0282	0.5928	40

The  $R^2$  statistic barely moves, and neither does the Somers' d estimate, so at least in this simple model, the nominal summary statistics are likely to hold up pretty well in new data.

### 31.4.6 Looking for Influential Points

This plot shows the influence of each point, in terms of DFBETA - the impact on the coefficient of **age** in the model were that specific point to be removed from the data set. We can also identify the row numbers of the largest (positive and negative) DFBETAs.



```
which.max(residuals(modA_cph, type="dfbeta"))
8
8
which.min(residuals(modA_cph, type="dfbeta"))
```

50 50

The DFBETAs look very small here. Changes in the  $\beta$  estimates as large as 0.002 don't have a meaningful impact in this case, so I don't see anything particularly influential.

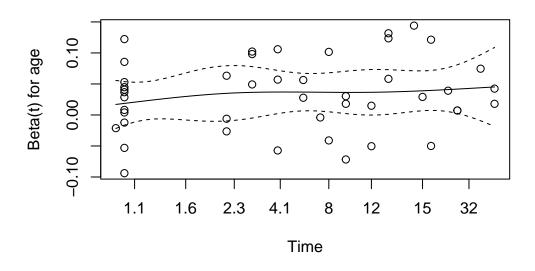
### 31.4.7 Checking the Proportional Hazards Assumption

As before, we can check the proportional hazards assumption with a test, or plot.

cox.zph(modA\_cph)

chisq df p age 1.05 1 0.31 GLOBAL 1.05 1 0.31

plot(cox.zph(modA\_cph))



Still no serious signs of trouble, of course. We'll see what happens when we fit a bigger model.

# 31.5 Model B: Fitting a 5-Predictor Model with coxph

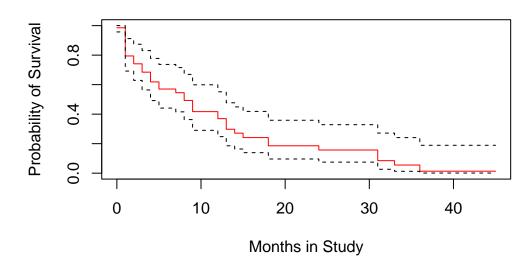
Next, we use the coxph function from the survival package to apply a Cox regression model to predict the survival time using the main effects of the five predictors: age, pblasts, pinf, plab and maxtemp.

```
modB <- coxph(Surv(months, alive==0) ~</pre>
             age + pblasts + pinf + plab + maxtemp, data=leukem)
  modB
Call:
coxph(formula = Surv(months, alive == 0) ~ age + pblasts + pinf +
    plab + maxtemp, data = leukem)
             coef exp(coef)
                              se(coef)
                                             z
                                                     р
         0.033080
                    1.033633
                              0.010163
                                        3.255 0.00113
age
pblasts
         0.009452
                    1.009497
                              0.013959
                                        0.677 0.49831
pinf
        -0.017102
                   0.983043
                             0.012244 -1.397 0.16248
```

```
plab
        -0.066000 0.936131 0.038651 -1.708 0.08771
                  1.168182 0.111978 1.388 0.16507
maxtemp 0.155448
Likelihood ratio test=18.48
                            on 5 df, p=0.002405
n= 51, number of events= 45
  tidy(modB, exponentiate = TRUE, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>
    select(term, estimate, conf.low, conf.high)
# A tibble: 5 x 4
  term
          estimate conf.low conf.high
  <chr>
             <dbl>
                                <dbl>
                      <dbl>
1 age
             1.03
                      1.01
                                 1.05
2 pblasts
             1.01
                      0.982
                                 1.04
3 pinf
             0.983
                      0.960
                                 1.01
4 plab
                      0.868
                                 1.01
             0.936
5 maxtemp
             1.17
                      0.938
                                 1.45
```

The confidence intervals suggest that only the hazard ratio for **age** after accounting for all other predictors in this model seems to have a clear direction of its effect (higher hazard is associated with older **age**.)

### 31.5.1 Plotting the Survival Curve implied by Model B



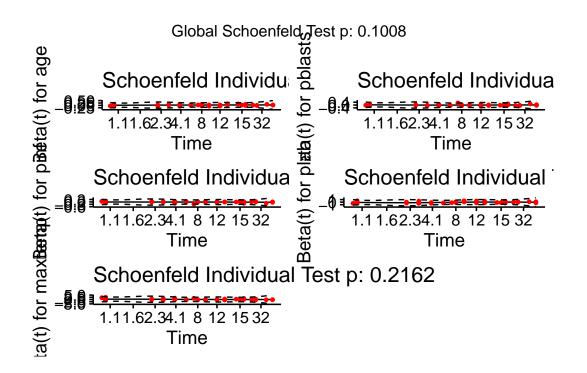
The crosses in the plot indicate censoring points, while the drops indicate people who have died, and are thus no longer at risk.

### 31.5.2 Testing the Proportional Hazards Assumption

```
cox.zph(modB, transform="km", global=TRUE)
        chisq df
                      р
         1.87
                1 0.171
age
pblasts
         4.37
                1 0.037
         3.51
pinf
                1 0.061
plab
         1.19
                1 0.275
         1.53
                1 0.216
maxtemp
GLOBAL
         9.22
                5 0.101
```

Note that we get a global test, and a separate test for each predictor. None show substantial problems. We can plot the scaled Schoenfeld residuals directly with ggcoxzph from the survminer package.

ggcoxzph(cox.zph(modB))



### 31.5.3 Assessing Collinearity

rms::vif(modB)

Perhaps we have some collinearity here, which might imply that we could sensibly fit a smaller model, which would be appealing anyway, with only 45 actual events - we should probably be sticking to a model with no more than 2 or perhaps as many as 3 coefficients to be estimated.

age pblasts pinf plab maxtemp 1.081775 3.029862 3.000944 1.035400 1.045249

The variance inflation factors don't look enormous - it may be that removing one of these variables will help us focus in on the mst useful predictors. Let's consider a stepwise variable selection algorithm to see what results...

• Note that the leaps library, which generates best subsets output, is designed for linear regression, as is the lars library, which generates the lasso. Either could be used here for some guidance, but not with the survival object stime = Surv(months, age) as the response, but instead only with months as the outcome, which ignores the censoring. The step procedure can be used on the survival object, though.

# 31.6 Model B2: A Stepwise Reduction of Model B

stats::step(modB) Start: AIC=277.4 Surv(months, alive == 0) ~ age + pblasts + pinf + plab + maxtemp AIC  $\mathtt{Df}$ - pblasts 1 275.85 - pinf 1 277.17 - maxtemp 1 277.21 <none> 277.40 1 278.42 - plab 1 286.47 – age Step: AIC=275.85 Surv(months, alive == 0) ~ age + pinf + plab + maxtemp Df AIC - maxtemp 1 275.63 <none> 275.85 - pinf 1 275.89 - plab 1 276.86 - age 1 284.47 Step: AIC=275.63 Surv(months, alive == 0) ~ age + pinf + plab Df AIC <none> 275.63 - pinf 1 275.69 - plab 1 275.95 - age 1 285.52 Call: coxph(formula = Surv(months, alive == 0) ~ age + pinf + plab, data = leukem) coef exp(coef) se(coef) z р 0.033171 1.033727 0.009733 3.408 0.000655 age pinf -0.010147 0.989905 0.007088 -1.432 0.152246

plab -0.057558 0.944067 0.038476 -1.496 0.134662 Likelihood ratio test=16.25 on 3 df, p=0.001008

n= 51, number of events= 45

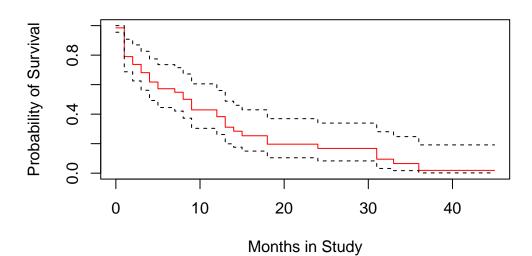
The stepwise procedure lands on a model with three predictors. How does this result look, practically?

```
modB2 <- coxph(Surv(months, alive==0) ~ age + pinf + plab, data=leukem)
summary(modB2)</pre>
```

#### Call:

```
coxph(formula = Surv(months, alive == 0) ~ age + pinf + plab,
    data = leukem)
 n= 51, number of events= 45
          coef exp(coef) se(coef)
                                       z Pr(|z|)
age
      0.033171 1.033727 0.009733 3.408 0.000655 ***
pinf -0.010147 0.989905 0.007088 -1.432 0.152246
plab -0.057558 0.944067 0.038476 -1.496 0.134662
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
     exp(coef) exp(-coef) lower .95 upper .95
        1.0337
                   0.9674
                             1.0142
                                        1.054
age
pinf
        0.9899
                   1.0102
                            0.9762
                                        1.004
                            0.8755
        0.9441
                   1.0592
                                       1.018
plab
Concordance= 0.676 (se = 0.046)
Likelihood ratio test= 16.25 on 3 df,
                                       p=0.001
Wald test
                    = 15.28 on 3 df,
                                        p=0.002
Score (logrank) test = 16.21 on 3 df,
                                        p=0.001
```

#### 31.6.1 The Survival Curve implied by Model B2

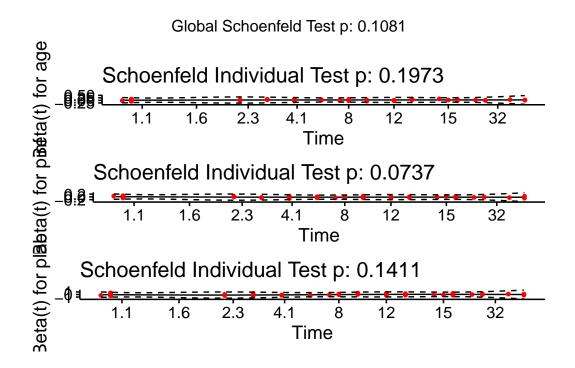


31.6.2 Checking Proportional Hazards for Model B2

cox.zph(modB2, transform="km", global=TRUE)

chisq df p age 1.66 1 0.197 pinf 3.20 1 0.074 plab 2.17 1 0.141 GLOBAL 6.07 3 0.108

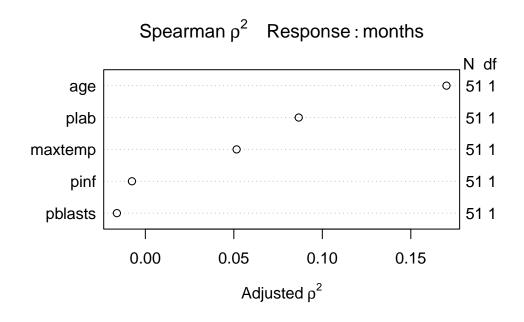
ggcoxzph(cox.zph(modB2))



31.7 Model C: Using a Spearman Plot to pick a model

If we want to use the **Spearman**  $\rho^2$  plot to consider how we might perhaps incorporate nonlinear terms describing any or all of the five potential predictors (age, pblasts, pinf, plab and maxtemp) for survival time, we need to do so on the raw months variable, rather than the survival object (stime = Surv(months, alive==0)) which accounts for censoring...

plot(spearman2(months ~ age + pblasts + pinf + plab + maxtemp, data=leukem))



Recognizing that we can probably only fit a small model safely (since we observe only 45 actual [uncensored] survival times) I will consider a non-linear term in age (specifically a restricted cubic spline with 3 knots), along with linear terms for plab and maxtemp. I'm mostly just looking for a new model to study for this example.

### 31.7.1 Fitting Model C

```
# still have datadist set up for leukem
  modC <- cph(Surv(months, alive==0) ~ rcs(age, 3) + plab + maxtemp,</pre>
               data=leukem, x=TRUE, y=TRUE, surv=TRUE, time.inc=12)
  modC
Cox Proportional Hazards Model
cph(formula = Surv(months, alive == 0) ~ rcs(age, 3) + plab +
    maxtemp, data = leukem, x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,
    time.inc = 12)
                        Model Tests
                                        Discrimination
                                                Indexes
Obs
            51
                  LR chi2
                               19.75
                                        R2
                                                 0.322
```

Events	45	d.f.		4	R2(4,51)	0.266
Center 2	20.3856	Pr(>	chi2)	0.0006	R2(4,45)	0.295
		Score	e chi2	18.66	Dxy	0.438
		Pr(>	chi2)	0.0009		
	Coef	S.E.	Wald Z	Pr(> Z )		
age	0.0804	0.0283	2.84	0.0045		
age'	-0.0629	0.0332	-1.90	0.0580		
plab	-0.0736	0.0381	-1.93	0.0536		
maxtemp	0.1788	0.1145	1.56	0.1184		

## 31.7.2 ANOVA for Model C

anova(modC)

Wald Statistics

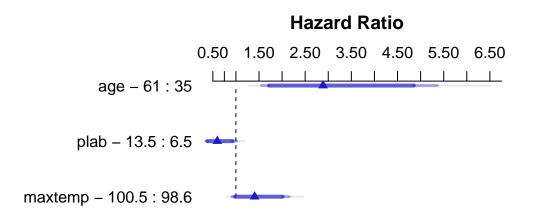
Response: Surv(months, alive == 0)

Factor	Chi-Square	d.f.	Р
age	11.55	2	0.0031
Nonlinear	3.59	1	0.0580
plab	3.73	1	0.0536
maxtemp	2.44	1	0.1184
TOTAL	17.13	4	0.0018

# 31.7.3 Summarizing Model C Effect Sizes

summary(modC)

E	ffect	S		Respons	se : Sur	v(months, a	live == 0)
Factor	Low	High	Diff.	Effect	S.E.	Lower 0.95	Upper 0.95
age	35.0	61.0	26.0	1.06010	0.31559	0.44152	1.6786000
Hazard Ratio	35.0	61.0	26.0	2.88650	NA	1.55510	5.3580000
plab	6.5	13.5	7.0	-0.51511	0.26686	-1.03820	0.0079317
Hazard Ratio	6.5	13.5	7.0	0.59744	NA	0.35411	1.0080000
maxtemp	98.6	100.5	1.9	0.33979	0.21758	-0.08666	0.7662400
Hazard Ratio	98.6	100.5	1.9	1.40470	NA	0.91699	2.1517000

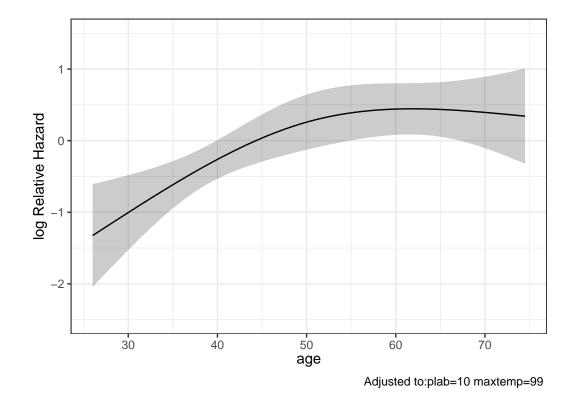


### 31.7.4 Plotting the diagnosis age effect in Model C

Of course, we're no longer assuming that the log relative hazard is linear in **age**, once we include a restricted cubic spline for **age** in our Model C. So our hazard ratio and confidence intervals for **age** are a bit trickier to understand.

```
exp(coef(modC))
      age
               age'
                          plab
                                 maxtemp
1.0837479 0.9390008 0.9290553 1.1958265
  exp(confint(modC))
            2.5 %
                    97.5 %
        1.0252687 1.145563
age
age'
        0.8798328 1.002148
plab
        0.8621662 1.001134
maxtemp 0.9554141 1.496734
```

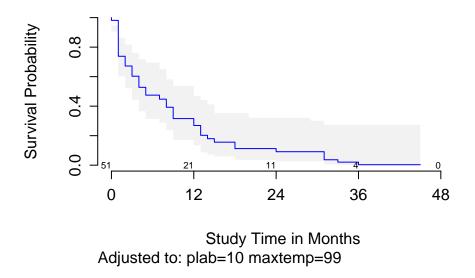
We can use ggplot and the Predict function to produce plots of the log Relative Hazard associated with any of our predictors, while holding the others constant at their medians. The effects of maxtemp and plab in our Model C are linear in the log Relative Hazard, but age, thanks to our use of a restricted cubic spline with 3 knots, shows a single bend.



ggplot(Predict(modC, age))

```
31.7.5 Survival Plot associated with Model C
```

Let's look at a survival plot associated with Model C for a subject with median values of our three predictors.

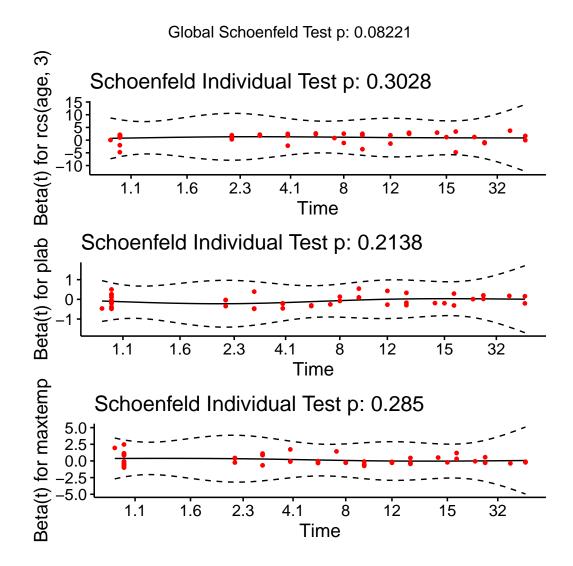


As before, we could fit such a plot to compare results across multiple **age** values, if desired.

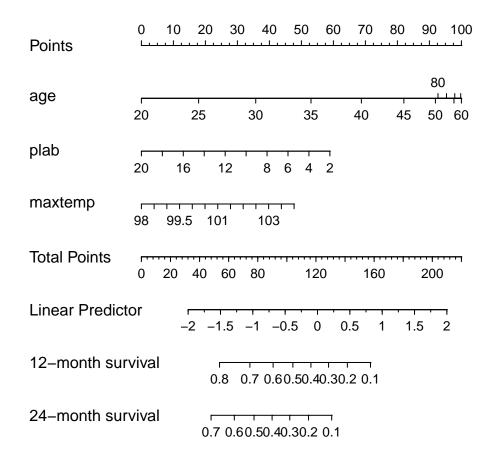
### 31.7.6 Checking the Proportional Hazards Assumption

cox.zph(modC, transform="km", global=TRUE) chisq df p rcs(age, 3) 2.39 2 0.303 plab 1.55 1 0.214 maxtemp 1.14 1 0.285 GLOBAL 8.27 4 0.082

ggcoxzph(cox.zph(modC))



31.7.7 Model C Nomogram



### 31.7.8 Validating Model C's Summary Statistics

We can validate the model for Somers'  $D_{xy}$ , which is the rank correlation between the predicted log hazard and observed survival time, and for slope shrinkage.

set.seed(43234); validate(modC, B=100)

index.orig training test optimism index.corrected n

Dxy	0.4385	0.4749 0.4144	0.0605	0.3780 100
R2	0.3222	0.3716 0.2785	0.0931	0.2292 100
Slope	1.0000	1.0000 0.8101	0.1899	0.8101 100
D	0.0656	0.0814 0.0547	0.0266	0.0390 100
U	-0.0070	-0.0070 0.0101	-0.0171	0.0101 100
Q	0.0726	0.0884 0.0446	0.0437	0.0288 100
g	0.9466	1.0751 0.8364	0.2387	0.7078 100

### 31.7.9 Calibration of Model C (12-month survival estimates)

Finally, we validate the model for calibration accuracy in predicting the probability of surviving one year.

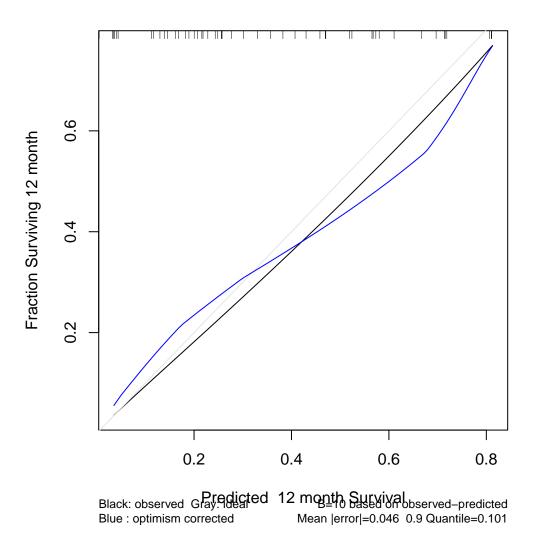
Quoting Harrell (page 529, RMS second edition):

The bootstrap is used to estimate the optimism in how well predicted [one]-year survival from the final Cox model tracks flexible smooth estimates, without any binning of predicted survival probabilities or assuming proportional hazards.

The **u** variable specifies the length of time at which we look at the calibration. I've specified the **units** earlier to be months.

```
set.seed(43233); plot(rms::calibrate(modC, B = 10, u = 12))
```

Using Cox survival estimates at 12 months



The model seems neither especially well calibrated nor especially poorly so - looking at the comparison of the blue curve to the gray, our predictions basically aren't aggressive enough - more people are surviving to a year in our low predicted probability of 12 month survival group, and fewer people are surviving on the high end of the x-axis than should be the case.

# 32 NEW!! A Few LASSO Ideas

# 32.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
```

```
library(janitor)
library(broom)
library(car)
library(gt)
library(Hmisc)
library(MASS)
library(mosaic)
library(glmnet)
library(conflicted)
library(patchwork)
library(tidyverse)
conflicts_prefer(dplyr::select)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

### 32.1.1 Data Load

```
pollution <- read_csv("data/pollution.csv", show_col_types = FALSE)</pre>
```

# 32.2 The pollution data

Consider again the pollution data set we developed in Chapter 13 which contains 15 independent variables and a measure of mortality, describing 60 US metropolitan areas in 1959-1961.

pollution

# A	tibb	Le: 60	x 16										
	x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	x7	x8	x9	x10	x11	x12	x13
	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>
1	13	49	68	7	3.36	12.2	90.7	2702	3	51.9	9.7	105	32
2	28	32	81	7	3.27	12.1	81	3665	7.5	51.6	13.2	4	2
3	10	55	70	7.3	3.11	12.1	88.9	3033	5.9	51	14	144	66
4	43	32	74	10.1	3.38	9.5	79.2	3214	2.9	43.7	12	11	7
5	25	12	73	9.2	3.28	12.1	83.1	2095	2	51.9	9.8	20	11
6	35	46	85	7.1	3.22	11.8	79.9	1441	14.8	51.2	16.1	1	1
7	60	67	82	10	2.98	11.5	88.6	4657	13.5	47.3	22.4	3	1
8	11	53	68	9.2	2.99	12.1	90.6	4700	7.8	48.9	12.3	648	319
9	31	24	72	9	3.37	10.9	82.8	3226	5.1	45.2	12.3	5	3
10	15	30	73	8.2	3.15	12.2	84.2	4824	4.7	53.1	12.7	17	8
# i	. 50 ma	ore rou	VS										
# i	. 3 moi	re var:	iables	: x14 •	<dbl>,</dbl>	x15 <	dbl>, y	y <dbl></dbl>	>				

Here's a codebook:

Variable	Description
у	Total Age Adjusted Mortality Rate
x1	Mean annual precipitation in inches
x2	Mean January temperature in degrees Fahrenheit
x3	Mean July temperature in degrees Fahrenheit
x4	Percent of 1960 SMSA population that is 65 years of age or over
x5	Population per household, 1960 SMSA
x6	Median school years completed for those over $25$ in $1960$ SMSA
x7	Percent of housing units that are found with facilities
x8	Population per square mile in urbanized area in 1960
x9	Percent of 1960 urbanized area population that is non-white
x10	Percent employment in white-collar occupations in 1960 urbanized area
x11	Percent of families with income under \$30,000 in 1960 urbanized area
x12	Relative population potential of hydrocarbons, HC
x13	Relative pollution potential of oxides of nitrogen, NOx
x14	Relative pollution potential of sulfur dioxide, SO2
x15	Percent relative humidity, annual average at 1 p.m.

# 32.3 Should We Rescale any Predictors?

Let's get some basic summary statistics for our candidate predictors. When we do, we see that variable x8 is roughy 100 times larger than all of our other predictors.

df\_stats(~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x7 + x8 + x9 + x10 + x11 + x12 + x13 + x14 + x15, data = pollution)

	response	min	Q1	median	Q3	max	mean	sd
1	x1	10.00	32.750	38.000	43.250	60.00	37.366667	9.9846775
2	x2	12.00	27.000	31.500	40.000	67.00	33.983333	10.1688985
3	x3	63.00	72.000	74.000	77.250	85.00	74.583333	4.7631768
4	x4	5.60	7.675	9.000	9.700	11.80	8.798333	1.4645520
5	x5	2.92	3.210	3.265	3.360	3.53	3.263167	0.1352523
6	x6	9.00	10.400	11.050	11.500	12.30	10.973333	0.8452994
7	x7	66.80	78.375	81.150	83.600	90.70	80.913333	5.1413731
8	x8	1441.00	3104.250	3567.000	4519.750	9699.00	3876.050000	1454.1023607
9	x9	0.80	4.950	10.400	15.650	38.50	11.870000	8.9211480
10	x10	33.80	43.250	45.500	49.525	59.70	46.081667	4.6130431
11	x11	9.40	12.000	13.200	15.150	26.40	14.373333	4.1600956
12	x12	1.00	7.000	14.500	30.250	648.00	37.850000	91.9776732
13	x13	1.00	4.000	9.000	23.750	319.00	22.650000	46.3332896
14	x14	1.00	11.000	30.000	69.000	278.00	53.766667	63.3904678
15	x15	38.00	55.000	57.000	60.000	73.00	57.666667	5.3699309
	n missin	ng						
1	60	0						
2	60	0						
3	60	0						
4	60	0						
5	60	0						
6	60	0						
7	60	0						
8	60	0						
9	60	0						
10	60	0						
11	60	0						
	60	0						
13	60	0						
	60	0						
15	60	0						

Let's dampen the size of that x8 variable down a little to make our coefficient comparisons easier later, by dividing all of the x8 values by 100.

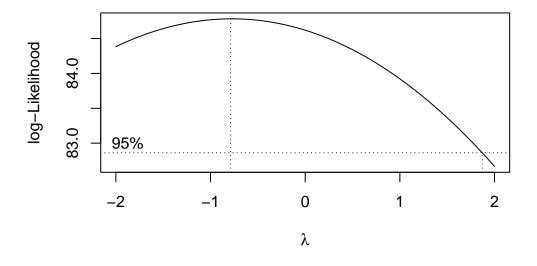
```
pollution <- pollution |>
  mutate(x8 = x8/100)
```

# 32.4 A Kitchen Sink Model

We'll begin by fitting the obviously underpowered model with all 15 main effects used to predict our outcome.

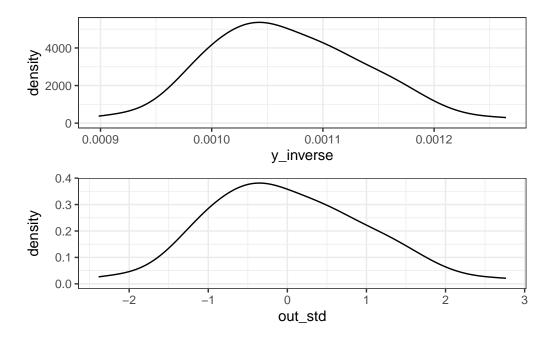
### 32.4.1 Considering an Outcome Transformation

boxcox(mod\_sink)



OK. In light of this Box-Cox plot, let's consider taking the inverse of our outcome here. I'll take that inverse and then standardize the result using the scale() function to both subtract the mean of the transformed outcome and divide by its standard deviation, so that our new outcome, which I'll call out\_std has mean 0, standard deviation 1, and a shape similar to that of the inverse of our y.

p1 / p2



OK. So now, I'll build a revised kitchen sink model to use this new outcome.

term	estimate	$\operatorname{std.error}$	conf.low	$\operatorname{conf.high}$	p.value
(Intercept)	-15.899	6.886	-27.469	-4.328	0.026

x1	-0.035	0.015	-0.059	-0.011	0.020
x2	0.036	0.017	0.007	0.066	0.044
x3	0.055	0.030	0.005	0.105	0.074
x4	0.176	0.134	-0.049	0.400	0.196
$\mathbf{x5}$	2.184	1.099	0.338	4.031	0.053
x6	0.225	0.187	-0.089	0.539	0.234
$\mathbf{x7}$	0.016	0.028	-0.031	0.063	0.573
x8	-0.006	0.006	-0.017	0.005	0.351
x9	-0.070	0.021	-0.105	-0.035	0.002
x10	0.012	0.026	-0.031	0.056	0.636
x11	0.002	0.051	-0.084	0.087	0.974
x12	0.011	0.008	-0.002	0.024	0.160
x13	-0.022	0.016	-0.049	0.004	0.169
x14	-0.001	0.002	-0.005	0.003	0.549
x15	0.001	0.018	-0.029	0.032	0.936

Does this new model show a strong fit to the data?

```
glance(mod_sink2) |> select(r.squared:p.value, df, df.residual, nobs) |>
gt() |> fmt_number(r.squared:p.value, decimals = 3)
```

r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma	statistic	p.value	df	df.residual	nobs
0.774	0.698	0.550	10.070	0.000	15	44	60

glance(mod\_sink2) |> select(logLik, AIC, BIC, deviance) |> gt() |>
fmt\_number(decimals = 2)

logLik	AIC	BIC	deviance
-39.96	113.92	149.52	13.31

### 32.4.2 How much collinearity are we dealing with?

vif(mod\_sink2)

x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	x7
4.113888	6.143551	3.967774	7.470045	4.307618	4.860538	3.994781
x8	x9	x10	x11	x12	x13	x14
1.658281	6.779599	2.841582	8.717068	98.639935	104.982405	4.228929
x15						

1.907092

Clearly, we have some enormous collinearity to deal with, given that we have many VIFs over 5, some even over 100.

So a reduction in the size of the model seems appealing for multiple reasons.

# 32.5 Using the LASSO to suggest a smaller model

To begin, we will create a data matrix for our predictors, as follows:

```
pred_x <- model.matrix(mod_sink2)</pre>
```

Next, we create a matrix of our outcome.

out\_y <- pollution |> select(out\_std) |> as.matrix()

The LASSO involves both a cross-validation step, and a fitting step. Here's the code we'll use in this case:

```
set.seed(123456)
cv_poll1 <- cv.glmnet(pred_x, out_y, type.measure = "mse", nfolds = 10)
mod_las1 <- glmnet(pred_x, out_y, alpha = 1, lambda = cv_poll1$lambda.min)</pre>
```

Now, let's look at what the LASSO does. As we can see from the tidied output below, some predictors are dropped from the model, while others have their coefficients shrunk towards zero as compared to what we saw in the "kitchen sink" model.

tidy(mod\_las1) |> gt()

term	$\operatorname{step}$	estimate	lambda	dev.ratio
(Intercept)	1	-2.345226117	0.03783146	0.7335261
x1	1	-0.026289494	0.03783146	0.7335261
x2	1	0.020872173	0.03783146	0.7335261
x3	1	0.017666053	0.03783146	0.7335261
$\mathbf{x6}$	1	0.101973313	0.03783146	0.7335261
x7	1	0.012515424	0.03783146	0.7335261
x8	1	-0.006425945	0.03783146	0.7335261

x9	1	-0.060226425	0.03783146	0.7335261
x10	1	0.007342706	0.03783146	0.7335261
x14	1	-0.003819796	0.03783146	0.7335261

This new LASSO model includes only 9 of the original 15 predictors.

### 32.6 Would the 9-predictor model be a big improvement?

Suppose we fit a new model inspired by this LASSO. It's still just a linear model, with no shrinkage, here.

Well, the collinearity is certainly much improved.

```
tidy(mod_3, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.9) |>
select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high, p.value) |>
gt() |> fmt_number(decimals = 3)
```

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	$\operatorname{conf.high}$	p.value
(Intercept)	-4.122	2.254	-7.900	-0.344	0.073
x1	-0.031	0.010	-0.048	-0.015	0.002
x2	0.024	0.009	0.010	0.039	0.007
x3	0.040	0.020	0.005	0.074	0.058
x6	0.057	0.166	-0.222	0.335	0.734
$\mathbf{x7}$	0.021	0.021	-0.014	0.056	0.328
x8	-0.009	0.006	-0.019	0.001	0.129
x9	-0.069	0.012	-0.090	-0.049	0.000
x10	0.013	0.024	-0.026	0.053	0.581
x14	-0.004	0.001	-0.006	-0.002	0.007

Does this new model show a strong fit to the data?

S()  > 1mu		lareu.p.	varue, u	ecimais	- 3)		
r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma	statistic	p.value	df	df.residual	nobs
0.747	0.702	0.546	16.413	0.000	9	50	60

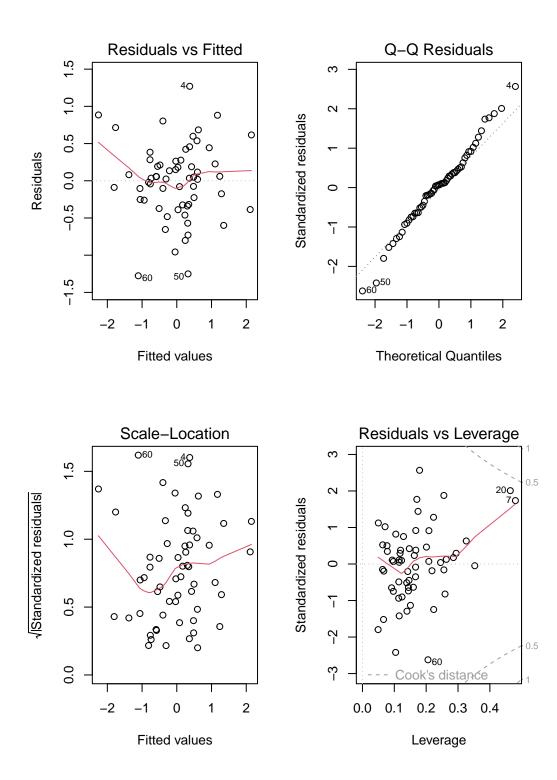
glance(mod\_3) |> select(r.squared:p.value, df, df.residual, nobs) |>
gt() |> fmt\_number(r.squared:p.value, decimals = 3)

glance(mod\_3) |> select(logLik, AIC, BIC, deviance) |> gt() |>
fmt\_number(decimals = 2)

logLik	AIC	BIC	deviance
-43.39	108.78	131.81	14.92

Finally, here's a set of plots for regression diagnostics. How do things look?

par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(mod\_3)



## 32.7 Using Stepwise Regression to suggest a smaller model

```
mod_4 <- step(mod_sink2)</pre>
Start: AIC=-58.35
out_std ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x7 + x8 + x9 + x10 +
    x11 + x12 + x13 + x14 + x15
                       RSS
       Df Sum of Sq
                               AIC
- x11
        1
             0.0003 13.310 -60.351
- x15
        1
             0.0020 13.311 -60.344
             0.0689 13.378 -60.043
- x10
        1
- x7
        1
             0.0976 13.407 -59.914
- x14
        1
             0.1102 13.420 -59.858
- x8
        1
             0.2693 13.579 -59.151
- x6
        1
             0.4401 13.749 -58.401
                    13.309 -58.353
<none>
             0.5226 13.832 -58.042
- x4
        1
        1 0.5906 13.900 -57.747
- x13
- x12
        1 0.6186 13.928 -57.627
- x3
        1 1.0145 14.324 -55.945
- x5
          1.1956 14.505 -55.191
       1
- x2
       1
            1.3063 14.616 -54.735
- x1
           1.7574 15.067 -52.911
       1
- x9
             3.4141 16.723 -46.652
        1
Step: AIC=-60.35
out_std ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x7 + x8 + x9 + x10 +
   x12 + x13 + x14 + x15
       Df Sum of Sq
                       RSS
                               AIC
             0.0017 13.311 -62.343
- x15
        1
- x10
        1
             0.0696 13.379 -62.038
- x14
             0.1119 13.422 -61.849
        1
             0.1411 13.451 -61.719
- x7
        1
- x8
        1
             0.2752 13.585 -61.123
             0.4398 13.749 -60.401
- x6
        1
<none>
                    13.310 -60.351
- x13
        1
             0.5905 13.900 -59.747
- x4
        1
             0.6048 13.915 -59.685
- x12
        1
             0.6202 13.930 -59.618
```

- x3 1.0419 14.352 -57.829 1 1.2132 14.523 -57.117 - x5 1 - x1 1.8672 15.177 -54.474 1 - x2 2.3995 15.709 -52.406 1 - x9 4.5934 17.903 -44.562 1 Step: AIC=-62.34 out\_std ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x7 + x8 + x9 + x10 + x12 + x13 + x14Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC 0.0680 13.380 -64.037 - x10 1 0.1102 13.422 -63.849 - x14 1 - x7 0.1398 13.451 -63.717 1 - x8 1 0.2800 13.591 -63.094 <none> 13.311 -62.343 - x6 1 0.4538 13.765 -62.332 - x4 0.6066 13.918 -61.669 1 - x13 0.6080 13.919 -61.664 1 - x12 0.6251 13.937 -61.590 1 1.2142 14.526 -59.106 - x5 1 1.5567 14.868 -57.707 - x3 1 - x1 1 1.8661 15.178 -56.472 2.7077 16.019 -53.234 - x2 1 - x9 1 4.6990 18.010 -46.204 Step: AIC=-64.04 out\_std ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x7 + x8 + x9 + x12 + x13 + x14Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC - x14 1 0.0750 13.454 -65.702 - x7 1 0.1158 13.495 -65.520 - x8 0.2459 13.625 -64.945 1 13.380 -64.037 <none> - x4 1 0.6708 14.050 -63.102 0.7497 14.129 -62.766 - x12 1 - x13 0.7575 14.137 -62.733 1 - x6 1.1206 14.500 -61.212 1 1.1650 14.544 -61.028 - x5 1 1.6471 15.027 -59.071 - x3 1 1.9708 15.350 -57.793 - x1 1 - x2 1 2.8845 16.264 -54.323

Step: AIC=-65.7 out\_std ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x7 + x8 + x9 + x12 + x13 Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC - x7 1 0.0736 13.528 -67.375 - x8 0.2931 13.748 -66.409 1 13.454 -65.702 <none> - x4 0.7633 14.218 -64.391 1 - x5 1.3276 14.782 -62.056 1 - x6 1.5095 14.964 -61.322 1 - x3 1.6936 15.148 -60.588 1 1.9047 15.359 -59.758 - x1 1 - x12 1 2.2433 15.698 -58.450 - x13 1 2.5554 16.010 -57.269 1 3.2927 16.747 -54.567 - x2 - x9 1 4.9296 18.384 -48.972 Step: AIC=-67.37 out\_std ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x8 + x9 + x12 + x13 Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC 0.2268 13.755 -68.377 - x8 1 <none> 13.528 -67.375 - x4 0.6973 14.225 -66.359 1 - x5 1 1.2978 14.826 -63.878 - x3 1.6230 15.151 -62.576 1 - x1 1 1.8418 15.370 -61.716 - x6 1 2.1350 15.663 -60.582 - x12 1 2.2355 15.764 -60.199 - x13 1 2.5168 16.045 -59.137 3.3522 16.880 -56.092 - x2 1 - x9 1 6.1854 19.713 -46.783 Step: AIC=-68.38 out\_std ~ x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 + x5 + x6 + x9 + x12 + x13 Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC 13.755 -68.377 <none> - x4 1 0.8670 14.622 -66.710

- x3 1 1.6985 15.453 -63.391

- x9 1

4.6459 18.025 -48.154

- x1	1	1.8777	15.633	-62.700
- x5	1	1.9839	15.739	-62.293
- x12	2 1	2.4622	16.217	-60.497
- x13	31	2.8317	16.587	-59.145
- x6	1	3.0868	16.842	-58.229
- x2	1	4.0486	17.803	-54.897
- x9	1	6.3106	20.065	-47.721

Here's a summary of the fitted model after stepwise regression, which suggests a different set of 9 predictors.

```
tidy(mod_4, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.9) |>
select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high, p.value) |>
gt() |> fmt_number(decimals = 3)
```

term	estimate	$\operatorname{std.error}$	conf.low	$\operatorname{conf.high}$	p.value
(Intercept)	-17.332	5.257	-26.142	-8.522	0.002
x1	-0.034	0.013	-0.057	-0.012	0.012
x2	0.042	0.011	0.024	0.060	0.000
x3	0.055	0.022	0.018	0.092	0.016
x4	0.200	0.113	0.011	0.388	0.082
x5	2.530	0.942	0.951	4.109	0.010
x6	0.373	0.111	0.186	0.559	0.002
x9	-0.073	0.015	-0.099	-0.048	0.000
x12	0.015	0.005	0.007	0.023	0.004
x13	-0.031	0.010	-0.047	-0.015	0.002

glance(mod\_4) |> select(r.squared:p.value, df, df.residual, nobs) |>
gt() |> fmt\_number(r.squared:p.value, decimals = 3)

r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma	statistic	p.value	$\mathrm{df}$	df.residual	$\operatorname{nobs}$
0.767	0.725	0.524	18.274	0.000	9	50	60

glance(mod\_4) |> select(logLik, AIC, BIC, deviance) |> gt() |>
fmt\_number(decimals = 2)

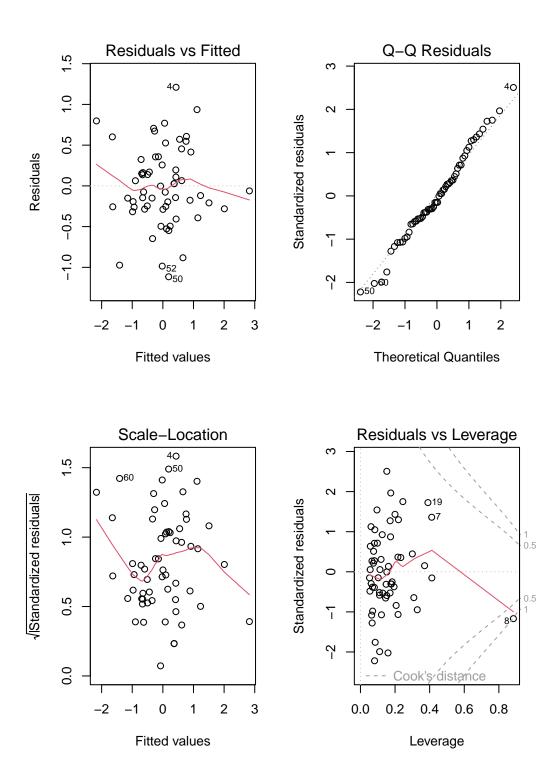
logLik	AIC	BIC	deviance
-40.95	103.90	126.93	13.75

How is the collinearity in this model?

```
vif(mod_4)
                 x2
                                                            x6
                                                                      x9
                                                                                x12
       x1
                            xЗ
                                       x4
                                                 x5
3.724589
           2.666789
                      2.359891
                                5.826631
                                          3.483085
                                                     1.898922
                                                               3.981753 45.943057
      x13
42.500579
```

That looks more troubling to me, at least as compared to mod\_3. How about the residual plots? Do those for mod\_4 below look meaningfully different from the ones we built for our LASSO-inspired model mod\_3?

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(mod_4)
```



We now seem to have a point with a pretty substantial Cook's distance, specifically the point from row 8 of the data.

```
pollution |> slice(8) |> select(x1:x12)
# A tibble: 1 x 12
                                                                 x2
                              x1
                                                                                                     xЗ
                                                                                                                                          x4
                                                                                                                                                                               x5
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   x6
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        x7
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             x8
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 x9
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                x10
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    x11
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        x12
           <dbl> <dbl > <db > 
                                                                                                                                    9.2 2.99 12.1 90.6
1
                              11
                                                                                                      68
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           7.8 48.9
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            12.3
                                                                  53
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             47
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        648
             pollution |> slice(8) |> select(x13:x15, y, y_inverse, out_std)
# A tibble: 1 x 6
                       x13
                                                          x14
                                                                                               x15
                                                                                                                                                 y y_inverse out_std[,1]
           <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                                                                                                                                      <dbl>
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               <dbl>
1
                       319
                                                            130
                                                                                                     47
                                                                                                                             862.
                                                                                                                                                                         0.00116
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    1.30
```

So what is unusual about Row 8? Well, it has an especially large value of x12 compared to the rest of the data.

describe(pollution\$x12)

pollution\$x12 .05 missing distinct Info Mean Gmd.10 n 60 0 34 0.998 37.85 52.03 3.95 5.00 .25 .50 .75 .90 .95 7.00 14.50 30.25 56.90 106.95 6, highest: 88 105 144 311 648 lowest : 3 4 5 1

That might be part of the problem, especially since stepwise regression maintains variable x12 whereas our LASSO-inspired model (mod\_3) does not.

# 33 NEW!! Bayes and a Linear Model

Almost all of this material is based on

- https://mc-stan.org/rstanarm/articles/continuous.html and
- https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/articles/bayestestR.html and
- https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/articles/example1.html

There's not a lot that is truly original here. That's a summer project.

## 33.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(broom.mixed)
library(gt)
library(janitor)
library(mosaic)
library(bayestestR)
library(insight)
library(rstanarm)
library(conflicted)
library(tidyverse)
conflicts_prefer(dplyr::select, dplyr::filter, base::mean, base::range)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

## 33.2 Return to the smalldat Example

Consider the smalldat.csv data we discussed in Chapter 22. The data includes 150 observations on 6 variables, and one of our goals was to build a model to predict total cholesterol. smalldat <- read\_csv("data/smalldat.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

Variable	Description
subject	Subject identification code
smoker	1 = current smoker, $0 = $ not current smoker
totchol	total cholesterol, in mg/dl
age	age in years
sex	subject's sex (M or F)
educ	subject's educational attainment (4 levels)

The educ levels are: 1\_Low, 2\_Middle, 3\_High and 4\_VHigh, which stands for Very High

### 33.3 The Distribution of Total Cholesterol

Across the 150 observations in the smalldat data, we have the following summaries of the distribution of total cholesterol, our outcome.

```
favstats(~ totchol, data = smalldat)
```

 min
 Q1
 median
 Q3
 max
 mean
 sd
 n
 missing

 150
 209.25
 237
 265.75
 332
 236.78
 38.76809
 150
 0

### 33.4 Fitting a Linear Model with lm() for Total Cholesterol

r.squared	adj.r.squared	sigma	AIC	BIC	df	df.residual	nobs
0.078	0.039	37.998	1525.772	1549.857	6	143	150

tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>
gt() |> fmt\_number(decimals = 3)

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	167.153	21.639	7.725	0.000	124.380	209.926
age	1.248	0.379	3.296	0.001	0.500	1.996
sexM	3.153	6.515	0.484	0.629	-9.725	16.030
smoker	3.462	6.526	0.531	0.597	-9.438	16.363
factor(educ)2Middle	11.330	7.740	1.464	0.145	-3.970	26.631
$factor(educ)3$ _High	-2.202	9.426	-0.234	0.816	-20.834	16.431
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	11.743	9.925	1.183	0.239	-7.875	31.361

### 33.5 Fitting a Bayesian Linear Model

Can we fit a model for the same data using a Bayesian approach?

Yes, we can, for instance using the stan\_glm() function from the rstanarm package.

Here the refresh = 0 parameter stops the machine from printing out each of the updates it does while sampling, which is not generally something I need to look at. Here's what's placed in the m2 object:

m2

```
stan_glm
 family:
               gaussian [identity]
 formula:
               totchol ~ age + sex + smoker + factor(educ)
 observations: 150
 predictors:
               7
  ----
                     Median MAD_SD
(Intercept)
                     166.3
                             21.5
                       1.3
                              0.4
age
sexM
                       3.1
                              6.5
                       3.8
                              6.3
smoker
factor(educ)2_Middle 11.4
                              7.7
factor(educ)3_High
                      -2.4
                              9.5
factor(educ)4_VHigh
                      11.7
                              9.9
```

```
Auxiliary parameter(s):
    Median MAD_SD
sigma 38.1 2.4
-----
* For help interpreting the printed output see ?print.stanreg
```

- \* For info on the priors used see ?prior\_summary.stanreg
  - The first few lines specify the fitting process.
  - Next, for each coefficient, we find the median value from the posterior distribution, and the MAD\_SD value, which is an indicator of variation derived from the estimated posterior distribution of the parameters, and is used as a standard error in what follows.
  - Finally, we see the estimated root mean squared error (residual standard deviation) sigma, again estimated with the median of the sigma values in the posterior distribution.

Using the summary() function provides some additional information about the parameter estimates, but mostly some convergence diagnostics for the Markov Chain Monte Carlo procedure that the rstanarm package used to build the estimates.

summary(m2)

```
Model Info:
 function:
               stan_glm
               gaussian [identity]
 family:
 formula:
               totchol ~ age + sex + smoker + factor(educ)
 algorithm:
               sampling
               4000 (posterior sample size)
 sample:
               see help('prior_summary')
 priors:
 observations: 150
 predictors:
               7
```

Estimates:

	mean	sd	10%	50%	90%
(Intercept)	167.0	21.8	139.6	166.3	195.3
age	1.2	0.4	0.8	1.3	1.7
sexM	3.1	6.7	-5.2	3.1	11.5
smoker	3.7	6.4	-4.5	3.8	12.0
<pre>factor(educ)2_Middle</pre>	11.3	7.9	1.2	11.4	21.3
<pre>factor(educ)3_High</pre>	-2.2	9.6	-14.3	-2.4	10.2
<pre>factor(educ)4_VHigh</pre>	11.8	10.0	-1.1	11.7	24.8

sigma 38.2 2.3 35.4 38.1 41.3 Fit Diagnostics: mean sd 10% 50% 90% mean\_PPD 236.8 4.4 231.0 236.7 242.4

The mean\_ppd is the sample average posterior predictive distribution of the outcome variable

```
MCMC diagnostics
```

```
mcse Rhat n_eff
(Intercept)
                     0.4
                         1.0
                              3208
                     0.0
                         1.0
                              3858
age
                         1.0
                              4725
sexM
                     0.1
                     0.1
                         1.0
                              3941
smoker
factor(educ)2_Middle 0.1
                         1.0
                              3535
factor(educ)3_High
                    0.2
                         1.0
                              3947
factor(educ)4_VHigh 0.2
                         1.0
                              3980
                     0.0
                         1.0 4159
sigma
mean_PPD
                     0.1
                         1.0 4324
log-posterior
                    0.0 1.0 1773
```

For each parameter, mcse is Monte Carlo standard error, n\_eff is a crude measure of effective

#### 33.5.1 Extracting the Posterior

Let's extract the coefficients of our model, using the get\_parameters() function from the insight package:

```
posteriors <- get_parameters(m2)
head(posteriors)</pre>
```

	(Intercept)	age	sexM	smoker	factor(educ)2_Middle		
1	147.0370	1.4540875	2.104415	15.0169219	19.5402757		
2	190.0645	0.9457021	6.863091	-12.4867763	8.4980822		
3	136.3315	1.6844863	7.994193	9.1766741	24.8636150		
4	169.9511	1.1722918	3.785779	0.5804774	6.5798777		
5	141.0931	1.5370710	7.006277	12.6397405	17.0076561		
6	153.6542	1.3556864	22.009667	11.4591142	-0.9136777		
	factor(educ)3_High factor(educ)4_VHigh						
1	5	.941676	4	.100910			

2	-9.449067	20.836287
3	9.972711	12.456202
4	-7.890619	16.454040
5	7.221881	-9.123619
6	-4.333041	7.401950

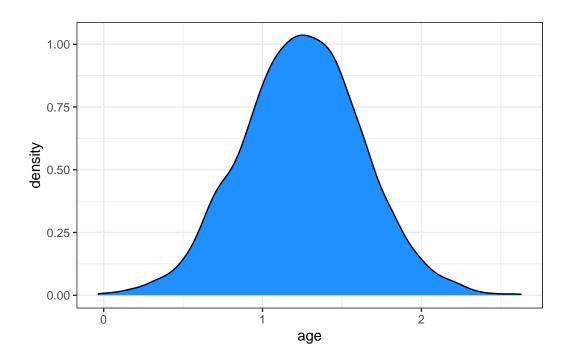
In all, we have 4000 observations of this posterior distribution:

```
nrow(posteriors)
```

#### [1] 4000

Let's visualize the posterior distribution of our parameter for age.

```
ggplot(posteriors, aes(x = age)) + geom_density(fill = "dodgerblue")
```



This distribution describes the probability (on the vertical axis) of various **age** effects (shown on the horizontal axis). Most of the distribution is between 0.5 and 2, with the peak being around 1.25.

Remember that our m1 fit with lm() had an estimated  $\beta$  for age of 1.248, so, as is often the case, there is not a lot of difference between the two models in terms of the estimates they make.

Here's the mean and median of the **age** effect, across our 4000 simulations from the posterior distribution.

mean(posteriors\$age)

[1] 1.249122

median(posteriors\$age)

[1] 1.251402

Again, these are very close to what we obtained from least squares estimation.

Another option is to take the mode (peak) of the posterior distribution, and this is called the maximum a posteriori (MAP) estimate:

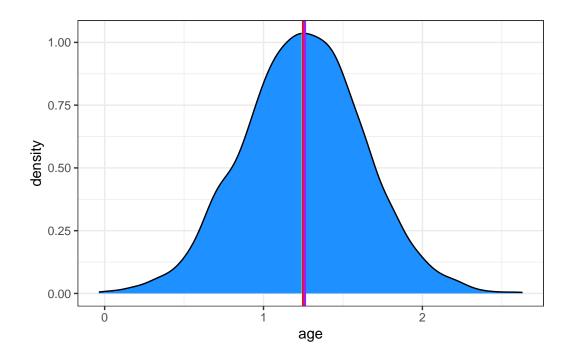
```
map_estimate(posteriors$age)
```

MAP Estimate

Parameter | MAP\_Estimate \_\_\_\_\_\_x | 1.26

Adding these estimates to our plot, we can see that they are all on top of each other:

```
ggplot(posteriors, aes(x = age)) +
geom_density(fill = "dodgerblue") +
# The mean in yellow
geom_vline(xintercept = mean(posteriors$age), color = "yellow", linewidth = 1) +
# The median in red
geom_vline(xintercept = median(posteriors$age), color = "red", linewidth = 1) +
# The MAP in purple
geom_vline(xintercept = as.numeric(map_estimate(posteriors$age)), color = "purple", linewidth)
```



### 33.5.2 Describing Uncertainty

We might describe the range of estimates for the age effect.

range(posteriors\$age)

#### [1] -0.03663079 2.63023158

Instead of showing the whole range, we usually compute the highest density interval at some percentage level, for instance a 95% credible interval which shows the range containing the 95% most probable effect values.

```
hdi(posteriors$age, ci = 0.95)
```

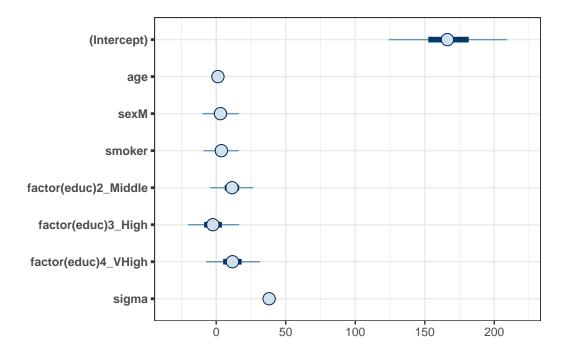
95% HDI: [0.50, 1.98]

So we conclude that the age effect has a 95% chance of falling within the [0.50, 1.98] range.

#### 33.5.3 Visualizing the Coefficients and Credible Intervals

Here is a plot of the coefficients and parameters estimated in m2, along with credible intervals for their values. The inner interval (shaded region) here uses the default choice of 50%, and the outer interval (lines) uses a non-default choice of 95% (90% is the default choice here, as it turns out.) The point estimate shown here is the median of the posterior distribution, which is the default.

```
plot(m2, prob = 0.5, prob_outer = 0.95)
```



## 33.6 Summarizing the Posterior Distribution

A more detailed set of summaries for the posterior distribution can be obtained from the describe\_posterior() function from the bayestestR package.

A brief tutorial on what is shown here is available at https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/ articles/bayestestR.html and https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/articles/example1.html and this is the source for much of what I've built in this little chapter.

describe\_posterior(m2) |> print\_md(decimals = 3)

					% in		
Parameter	Median	95% CI	$\operatorname{pd}$	ROPE	ROPE	Rhat	ESS
(Intercept)	166.28	[124.14,	100%	[-3.88, 3.88]	0%	1.000	3208.00
		209.25]					
age	1.25	[0.51, 1.99]	99.95%	[-3.88, 3.88]	100%	1.000	3858.00
sexM	3.07	[-9.93, 16.46]	68.20%	[-3.88, 3.88]	42.32%	1.000	4725.00
$\operatorname{smoker}$	3.75	[-9.12, 16.17]	71.67%	[-3.88, 3.88]	41.61%	1.000	3941.00
$factor(educ)2_$	Midd <b>l</b> el.39	[-4.42, 26.57]	92.38%	[-3.88, 3.88]	14.45%	1.000	3535.00
$factor(educ)3_$	_High -2.42	[-20.30, 16.54]	59.70%	[-3.88, 3.88]	31.45%	1.000	3947.00
$factor(educ)4_$		[-7.24, 31.59]	88.00%	[-3.88, 3.88]	16.58%	0.999	3980.00

Table 33.2: Summary of Posterior Distribution

Let's walk through all of this output.

#### 33.6.1 Summarizing the Parameter values

For each parameter, we have:

- its estimated median across the posterior distribution
- its 95% credible interval (highest density interval of values within the posterior distribution)

as we've previously discussed.

#### 33.6.2 Probability of Direction (pd) estimates.

The pd estimate helps us understand whether each effect is positive or negative. For instance, regarding **age**, we see the proportion of the posterior that is in the direction of the effect's point estimate, no matter what the "size" of the effect is, will be as follows.

```
n_positive <- posteriors |> filter(age > 0) |> nrow()
100 * n_positive / nrow(posteriors)
```

[1] 99.95

So we see that the effect of age is positive with a probability of 99.95%, and this is called the **probability of direction** and abbreviated **pd**.

We can also calculate this with

```
p_direction(posteriors$age)
Probability of Direction
Parameter | pd
------
Posterior | 99.95%
```

As it turns out, this pd index is usually highly correlated with the p-value from our lm() fit for age. We could almost roughly infer the corresponding p-value with a simple transformation:

```
pd <- 99.95
onesided_p <- 1 - pd / 100
twosided_p <- onesided_p * 2
twosided_p</pre>
```

#### [1] 0.001

This implies that the *p*-value for age in our lm() fit would be 0.001, and that is, in fact, what we got when we fit model m1.

The probability that each effect is in the direction shown by the point estimate is summarized in the pd column of our describe\_posterior() results.

### 33.6.3 The ROPE estimates

Testing whether this distribution is different from 0 doesn't make sense, as 0 is a single value (and the probability that any distribution is different from a single value is infinite). However, one way to assess significance could be to define an area around 0, which will consider as practically equivalent to zero (i.e., absence of, or a negligible, effect). This is called the Region of Practical Equivalence (ROPE).

The default (semi-objective) way of defining the ROPE is to use the tenth (1/10) of the standard deviation (SD) of the outcome variable totchol. This is sometimes considered a "negligible" effect size.

In our case, totchol has a standard deviation of 38.8, so the ROPE range is approximately (-3.88, 3.88), or somewhat more precisely:

rope\_range(m2)

[1] -3.876809 3.876809

So we then compute the **percentage in ROPE** as the percentage of the posterior distribution that falls within this ROPE range. When most of the posterior distribution does not overlap with ROPE, we might conclude that the effect is important enough to be noted.

In our case, 100% of the **age** effects are in the ROPE, so that's not really evidence of an important effect.

For smoker, though, only 42% of the effects are in the ROPE, so that's indicative of a somewhat more substantial effect, but we'd only get really excited if a much smaller fraction, say 1%, 5% or maybe 10% were in the ROPE.

#### 33.6.4 Convergence Diagnostics

The value of Rhat should, ideally, be 1 for each element of the model, and indicate how well the MCMC procedure converged. Generally, values of Rhat below 1.05 are good, values between 1.05 and 1.1 are OK, but values above 1.1 are too high. Here, as you can see, we don't see any serious problems.

As for ESS, we'd like to see values of 1000 or more to ensure sufficiently stable estimates. Here, again, we're OK.

```
gt() |> fmt number(decimals = 3)
                                                     conf.low
                                                                conf.high
        term
                                estimate
                                           std.error
        (Intercept)
                                 166.284
                                             21.546
                                                      124.137
                                                                  209.245
                                              0.374
                                                         0.511
                                                                    1.992
        age
                                   1.251
       sexM
                                   3.074
                                              6.538
                                                       -9.929
                                                                   16.461
       smoker
                                                       -9.119
                                   3.753
                                              6.328
                                                                   16.175
       factor(educ)2 Middle
                                  11.388
                                              7.705
                                                       -4.423
                                                                   26.572
       factor(educ)3 High
                                 -2.421
                                              9.495
                                                      -20.296
                                                                   16.541
       factor(educ)4 VHigh
                                                       -7.241
                                                                   31.592
                                  11.702
                                              9.889
```

broom.mixed::tidy(m2, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>

# 33.7 Summarizing the Priors Used

From the bayestestR package, we also have the describe\_prior() and print\_md() functions to get the following summary of the priors we have assumed. Since we didn't specify anything about the priors in fitting model m2, we are looking at the default choices, which are weakly

informative priors following Normal distributions. Details on the default prior choices can be found at https://mc-stan.org/rstanarm/articles/priors.html.

Parameter	Prior_Distribution	Prior_Location	Prior_Scale
(Intercept)	normal	236.78	96.92
age	normal	0.00	10.87
sexM	normal	0.00	195.71
smoker	normal	0.00	193.21
$factor(educ)2_Middle$	normal	0.00	210.79
$factor(educ)3$ _High	normal	0.00	273.05
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	normal	0.00	284.16

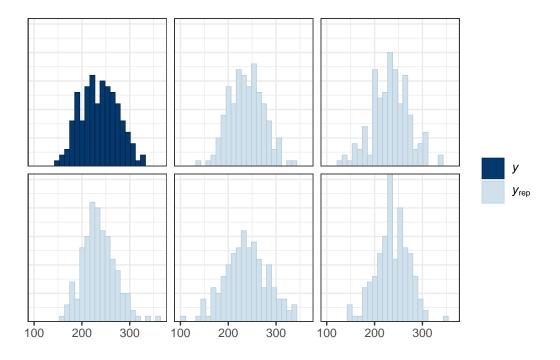
<pre>describe_prior(m2)  &gt; print_md(decimals = 3)</pre>
--

### 33.8 Graphical Posterior Predictive Checks

For more on these checks, visit https://mc-stan.org/rstanarm/articles/continuous.html#the-posterior-predictive-distribution-1, for example.

Here's the first plot which compares the distribution of the observed outcome y (totchol) to several of the simulated data sets  $y_{rep}$  from the posterior predictive distribution using the same predictor values as were used to fit the model.

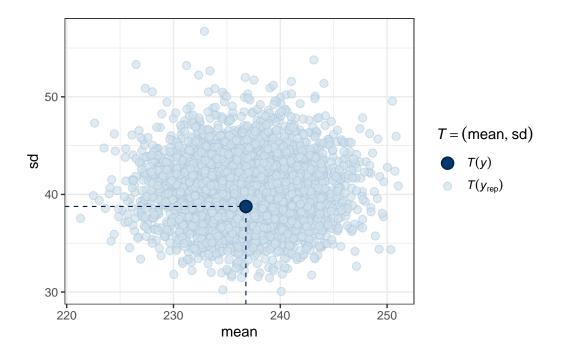
pp\_check(m2, plotfun = "hist", nreps = 5, bins = 25)



The idea is that if the model is a good fit to the data we should be able to generate data  $y_{rep}$  from the posterior predictive distribution that looks a lot like the observed data y. That is, given y, the  $y_{rep}$  we generate should look plausible. We'd worry a bit if this plot showed histograms that were wildly different from one another.

Another useful plot (shown below) made using pp\_check shows the distribution of a test quantity  $T(y_{rep})$  compared to T(y), the value of the quantity in the observed data. I like this scatterplot version which allows us to look at where the simulations' mean and standard deviation fall compared to what the observed totchol values show us.

```
pp_check(m2, plotfun = "stat_2d", stat = c("mean", "sd"))
```



We can see that the cloud of simulated means and standard deviations has the observed statistics near its center, although perhaps the standard deviations are a bit higher than we might like to see, typically. Ideally, the dot would be right in the center of this cloud of simulated results.

# 34 NEW!! Bayes and a Logistic Model

Almost all of this material is based on

- https://mc-stan.org/rstanarm/articles/binomial.html and
- https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/articles/bayestestR.html and
- https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/articles/example1.html and
- https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/articles/example2.html#logistic-model

There's not a lot that is truly original here. That's a summer project.

### 34.1 R Setup Used Here

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(broom)
library(broom.mixed)
library(gt)
library(janitor)
library(mosaic)
library(bayestestR)
library(insight)
library(rstanarm)
library(conflicted)
library(tidyverse)
conflicts_prefer(dplyr::select, dplyr::filter, base::mean, base::range)
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

## 34.2 Return to the smalldat Example

Consider the smalldat.csv data we discussed initially Chapter 22. The data includes 150 observations on 6 variables, and our goal here is to predict smoker given four predictors

(totchol, age, sex and educ.)

smalldat <- read\_csv("data/smalldat.csv", show\_col\_types = FALSE)</pre>

Variable	Description
subject	Subject identification code
smoker	1 = current smoker, $0 = $ not current smoker
totchol	total cholesterol, in mg/dl
age	age in years
sex	subject's sex (M or F)
educ	subject's educational attainment (4 levels)

The educ levels are: 1\_Low, 2\_Middle, 3\_High and 4\_VHigh, which stands for Very High

### 34.3 The Distribution of Smoking Status

Across the 150 observations in the smalldat data, we have 74 smokers.

```
smalldat |> tabyl(smoker) |> adorn_pct_formatting() |> adorn_totals()
```

smoker	n	percent
0	76	50.7%
1	74	49.3%
Total	150	-

## 34.4 Fitting a Logistic Regression Model with glm()

glance(m1) |> select(nobs, df.residual, AIC, BIC, logLik, deviance, null.deviance) |>
gt() |> fmt\_number(AIC:null.deviance, decimals = 2)

nobs	df.residual	AIC	BIC	logLik	deviance	null.deviance
150	143	218.30	242.39	-101.15	33.83	37.49

```
## raw coefficients
```

```
tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>
gt() |> fmt_number(decimals = 3)
```

term	estimate	$\operatorname{std.error}$	statistic	p.value	conf.low	$\operatorname{conf.high}$
(Intercept)	1.071	0.317	3.374	0.001	0.449	1.693
age	-0.014	0.005	-2.872	0.005	-0.024	-0.004
sexM	0.131	0.083	1.578	0.117	-0.032	0.293
totchol	0.001	0.001	0.531	0.597	-0.002	0.003
$factor(educ)2_Middle$	-0.089	0.100	-0.894	0.373	-0.284	0.106
factor(educ)3High	-0.073	0.121	-0.604	0.547	-0.309	0.163
factor(educ)4_VHigh	-0.242	0.126	-1.919	0.057	-0.489	0.005

## with exponentiated coefficients

```
tidy(m1, exponentiate = TRUE, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95) |>
gt() |> fmt_number(decimals = 3)
```

term	estimate	$\operatorname{std.error}$	$\operatorname{statistic}$	p.value	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	2.918	0.317	3.374	0.001	1.566	5.435
age	0.986	0.005	-2.872	0.005	0.977	0.996
sexM	1.140	0.083	1.578	0.117	0.969	1.340
totchol	1.001	0.001	0.531	0.597	0.998	1.003
$factor(educ)2_Middle$	0.915	0.100	-0.894	0.373	0.753	1.112
$factor(educ)3$ _High	0.930	0.121	-0.604	0.547	0.734	1.177
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	0.785	0.126	-1.919	0.057	0.613	1.005

# 34.5 Fitting a Bayesian Logistic Regression

Can we fit a model for the same data using a Bayesian approach?

Yes, we can, for instance using the stan\_glm() function from the rstanarm package.

Here the refresh = 0 parameter stops the machine from printing out each of the updates it does while sampling, which is not generally something I need to look at. Here's what's placed in the m2 object:

m2

```
stan_glm
family:
               gaussian [identity]
formula:
               (smoker == 1) ~ age + sex + totchol + factor(educ)
observations: 150
predictors:
               7
                     Median MAD_SD
(Intercept)
                              0.3
                       1.1
                      0.0
                              0.0
age
                      0.1
                              0.1
sexM
totchol
                      0.0
                              0.0
factor(educ)2_Middle -0.1
                              0.1
factor(educ)3_High
                              0.1
                      -0.1
factor(educ)4_VHigh -0.2
                              0.1
Auxiliary parameter(s):
      Median MAD_SD
sigma 0.5
             0.0
_____
* For help interpreting the printed output see ?print.stanreg
* For info on the priors used see ?prior_summary.stanreg
```

- The first few lines specify the fitting process.
- Next, for each coefficient, we find the median value from the posterior distribution, and the MAD\_SD value, which is an indicator of variation derived from the estimated posterior distribution of the parameters, and is used as a standard error in what follows.
- Finally, we see the estimated root mean squared error (residual standard deviation) sigma, again estimated with the median of the sigma values in the posterior distribution.

Using the summary() function provides some additional information about the parameter estimates, but mostly some convergence diagnostics for the Markov Chain Monte Carlo procedure that the rstanarm package used to build the estimates.

summary(m2)

```
Model Info:
function: stan_glm
family: gaussian [identity]
formula: (smoker == 1) ~ age + sex + totchol + factor(educ)
algorithm: sampling
sample: 4000 (posterior sample size)
priors: see help('prior_summary')
observations: 150
predictors: 7
```

Estimates:

	mean	sd	10%	50%	90%
(Intercept)	1.1	0.3	0.7	1.1	1.5
age	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
sexM	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2
totchol	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<pre>factor(educ)2_Middle</pre>	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.0
<pre>factor(educ)3_High</pre>	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.1
<pre>factor(educ)4_VHigh</pre>	-0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.2	-0.1
sigma	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5

Fit Diagnostics: mean sd 10% 50% 90% mean\_PPD 0.5 0.1 0.4 0.5 0.6

The mean\_ppd is the sample average posterior predictive distribution of the outcome variable

MCMC diagnostics

	mcse	Rhat	n_eff
(Intercept)	0.0	1.0	4790
age	0.0	1.0	2700
sexM	0.0	1.0	3922
totchol	0.0	1.0	3983
<pre>factor(educ)2_Middle</pre>	0.0	1.0	2847
factor(educ)3_High	0.0	1.0	3724
factor(educ)4_VHigh	0.0	1.0	3550
sigma	0.0	1.0	4324
mean_PPD	0.0	1.0	4262
log-posterior	0.0	1.0	1996

For each parameter, mcse is Monte Carlo standard error, n\_eff is a crude measure of effective

### 34.5.1 Extracting the Posterior

Let's extract the coefficients of our model, using the get\_parameters() function from the insight package:

```
posteriors <- get_parameters(m2)</pre>
```

head(posteriors)

	(Intercept)	age	sexM	totchol	<pre>factor(educ)2_Middle</pre>
1	1.0395289	-0.004619993	0.25120820	-0.0012609246	-0.07421785
2	1.3897359	-0.015504179	0.05308297	-0.0005806271	-0.05711548
3	0.6960912	-0.012991489	0.12013110	0.0015857650	0.08652352
4	0.3501038	-0.011626531	0.23179922	0.0024659073	0.12610455
5	1.5843855	-0.009405856	0.05310819	-0.0025427990	-0.05049668
6	1.0403138	-0.006376498	0.04919309	-0.0013779428	0.08575331
	factor(educ)	)3_High factor	(educ)4_VH	igh	
1	-0.247	7278983	-0.349316	593	
2	-0.027	7945532	-0.047154	145	
3	0.098	3936630	-0.094533	129	
4	0.05	5186994	-0.083773	399	
5	0.003	3482159	-0.116697	724	
6	0.123	3287117	-0.060567	735	

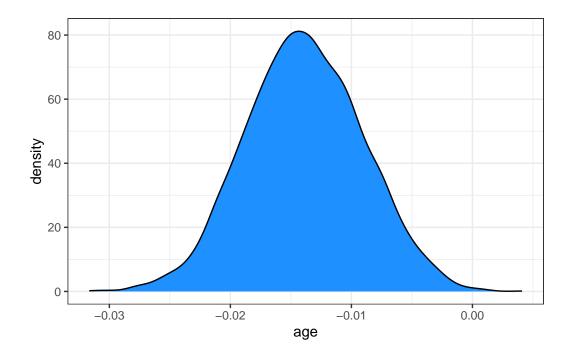
In all, we have 4000 observations of this posterior distribution:

nrow(posteriors)

### [1] 4000

Let's visualize the posterior distribution of our parameter for age.

ggplot(posteriors, aes(x = age)) + geom\_density(fill = "dodgerblue")



This distribution describes the probability (on the vertical axis) of various **age** effects (shown on the horizontal axis). Most of the distribution is between -0.025 and -0.005, with the peak being around -0.15.

Remember that our m1 fit with glm() had an estimated  $\beta$  for age of -0.014, so, as is often the case, there is not a lot of difference between the two models in terms of the estimates they make.

Here's the mean and median of the **age** effect, across our 4000 simulations from the posterior distribution.

```
mean(posteriors$age)
```

[1] -0.01389409

```
median(posteriors$age)
```

[1] -0.01391701

And here are the results after exponentiation, so that the estimates describe odds ratios:

mean(exp(posteriors\$age))

#### [1] 0.9862135

```
median(exp(posteriors$age))
```

#### [1] 0.9861794

Again, these are very close to what we obtained from least squares estimation.

Another option is to take the mode (peak) of the posterior distribution, and this is called the maximum a posteriori (MAP) estimate:

```
map_estimate(posteriors$age)
```

MAP Estimate

Parameter | MAP\_Estimate \_\_\_\_\_\_x | -0.01

map\_estimate(exp(posteriors\$age)) # on odds ratio scale

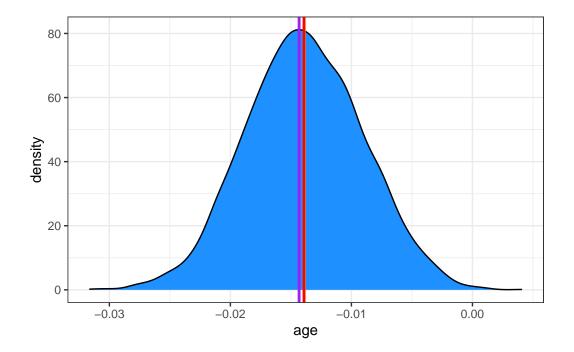
#### MAP Estimate

Parameter | MAP\_Estimate \_\_\_\_\_\_x | 0.99

Adding these estimates to our plot, we can see that they are quite close:

```
ggplot(posteriors, aes(x = age)) +
geom_density(fill = "dodgerblue") +
# The mean in yellow
geom_vline(xintercept = mean(posteriors$age), color = "yellow", linewidth = 1) +
# The median in red
geom_vline(xintercept = median(posteriors$age), color = "red", linewidth = 1) +
```

# The MAP in purple
geom\_vline(xintercept = as.numeric(map\_estimate(posteriors\$age)), color = "purple", line



### 34.5.2 Describing Uncertainty

We might describe the range of estimates for the age effect.

```
range(posteriors$age)
```

[1] -0.03166005 0.00409895

Instead of showing the whole range, we usually compute the highest density interval at some percentage level, for instance a 95% credible interval which shows the range containing the 95% most probable effect values.

```
hdi(posteriors$age, ci = 0.95)
```

95% HDI: [-0.02, 0.00]

So we conclude that the **age** effect has a 95% chance of falling within the [-0.02, 0.00] range. We can also exponentiate here, so as to provide the result in terms of an odds ratio.

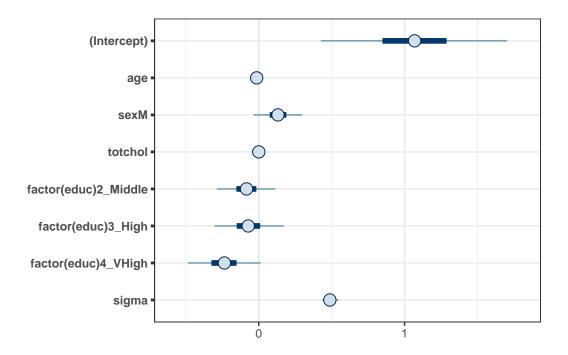
```
hdi(exp(posteriors$age), ci = 0.95)
```

95% HDI: [0.98, 1.00]

#### 34.5.3 Visualizing the Coefficients and Credible Intervals

Here is a plot of the coefficients and parameters estimated in m2, along with credible intervals for their values. The inner interval (shaded region) here uses the default choice of 50%, and the outer interval (lines) uses a non-default choice of 95% (90% is the default choice here, as it turns out.) The point estimate shown here is the median of the posterior distribution, which is the default.

```
plot(m2, prob = 0.5, prob_outer = 0.95)
```



### 34.6 Summarizing the Posterior Distribution

A more detailed set of summaries for the posterior distribution can be obtained from the describe\_posterior() function from the bayestestR package.

A brief tutorial on what is shown here is available at https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/ articles/bayestestR.html and https://easystats.github.io/bayestestR/articles/example1.html and this is the source for much of what I've built in this little chapter.

describe\_posterior(posteriors, test = c("pd", "ROPE")) |> print\_md(decimals = 3)

Parameter	Median	95% CI	pd	ROPE	% in ROPE
(Intercept)	1.07	[0.43, 1.70]	100%	[-0.10, 0.10]	0%
age	-0.01	[-0.02, 0.00]	99.85%	[-0.10, 0.10]	100%
sexM	0.13	[-0.04, 0.30]	94.15%	[-0.10, 0.10]	35.08%
totchol	5.36e-04	[0.00, 0.00]	69.92%	[-0.10, 0.10]	100%
factor(educ)2Middle	-0.08	[-0.29, 0.11]	79.77%	[-0.10, 0.10]	54.87%
$factor(educ)3$ _High	-0.07	[-0.30, 0.17]	72.32%	[-0.10, 0.10]	53.47%
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	-0.24	[-0.49,  0.01]	96.88%	[-0.10, 0.10]	11.82%

 Table 34.2: Summary of Posterior Distribution

Let's walk through all of this output.

#### 34.6.1 Summarizing the Parameter values

For each parameter, we have:

- its estimated median across the posterior distribution
- its 95% credible interval (highest density interval of values within the posterior distribution)

as we've previously discussed.

#### 34.6.2 Probability of Direction (pd) estimates.

The pd estimate helps us understand whether each effect is positive or negative. For instance, regarding **age**, we see the proportion of the posterior that is in the direction of the median effect (negative), no matter what the "size" of the effect is, will be as follows.

```
n_negative <- posteriors |> filter(age < 0) |> nrow()
100 * n_negative / nrow(posteriors)
```

[1] 99.85

So we see that the effect of **age** is negative with a probability of 99.85%, and this is called the **probability of direction** and abbreviated **pd**.

We can also calculate this with

p\_direction(posteriors\$age)

Probability of Direction

Parameter | pd ------Posterior | 99.85%

### 34.6.3 The ROPE estimates

Testing whether this distribution is different from 0 doesn't make sense, as 0 is a single value (and the probability that any distribution is different from a single value is infinite). However, one way to assess significance could be to define an area around 0, which will consider as practically equivalent to zero (i.e., absence of, or a negligible, effect). This is called the Region of Practical Equivalence (ROPE).

The default (semi-objective) way of defining the ROPE is to use (-0.1, 0.1) in this context. This is sometimes considered a "negligible" effect size.

rope\_range(posteriors)

[1] -0.1 0.1

So we then compute the **percentage in ROPE** as the percentage of the posterior distribution that falls within this ROPE range. When most of the posterior distribution does not overlap with ROPE, we might conclude that the effect is important enough to be noted.

In our case, 100% of the **age** effects are in the ROPE, so that's not really evidence of an important effect.

For sex, though, only 35% of the effects are in the ROPE, so that's indicative of a somewhat more substantial effect, but we'd only get really excited if a much smaller fraction, say 1%, 5% or maybe 10% were in the ROPE.

#### 34.6.4 Summarizing the Coefficients as Odds Ratios

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	2.912	0.949	1.531	5.492
age	0.986	0.005	0.977	0.996
$\operatorname{sex}M$	1.141	0.096	0.965	1.348
totchol	1.001	0.001	0.998	1.003
$factor(educ)2_Middle$	0.920	0.093	0.751	1.121
$factor(educ)3$ _High	0.931	0.111	0.738	1.188
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	0.790	0.101	0.616	1.013

## 34.7 Summarizing the Priors Used

From the bayestestR package, we also have the describe\_prior() and print\_md() functions to get the following summary of the priors we have assumed. Since we didn't specify anything about the priors in fitting model m2, we are looking at the default choices, which are weakly informative priors following Normal distributions. Details on the default prior choices can be found at https://mc-stan.org/rstanarm/articles/priors.html.

```
describe_prior(m2) |> print_md(decimals = 3)
```

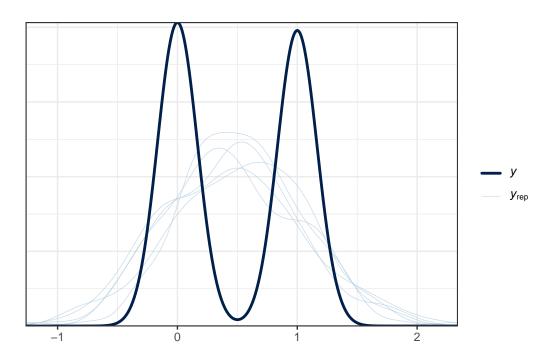
Parameter	Prior_Distribution	Prior_Location	Prior_Scale
(Intercept)	normal	0.49	1.25
age	normal	0.00	0.14
sexM	normal	0.00	2.53
totchol	normal	0.00	0.03
factor(educ)2_Middle	normal	0.00	2.73
factor(educ)3_High	normal	0.00	3.53
$factor(educ)4_VHigh$	normal	0.00	3.68

# 34.8 Graphical Posterior Predictive Checks

For more on these checks, visit https://mc-stan.org/rstanarm/articles/continuous.html#the-posterior-predictive-distribution-1, for example.

Here's the first plot which compares the density function of the observed outcome y (totchol) to several of the simulated data sets  $y_{rep}$  from the posterior predictive distribution using the same predictor values as were used to fit the model.

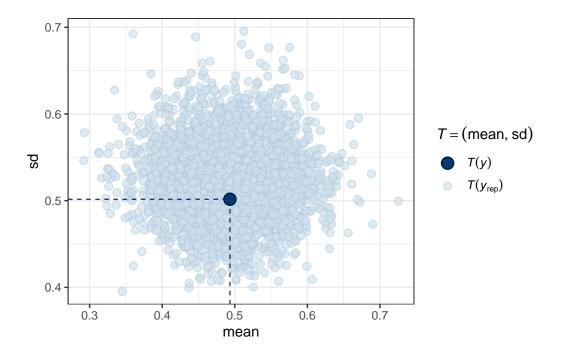
```
pp_check(m2, nreps = 5)
```



The idea is that if the model is a good fit to the data we should be able to generate data  $y_{rep}$  from the posterior predictive distribution that looks a lot like the observed data y. That is, given y, the  $y_{rep}$  we generate should look plausible. We'd worry a bit if this plot showed histograms that were wildly different from one another.

Another useful plot (shown below) made using pp\_check shows the distribution of a test quantity  $T(y_{rep})$  compared to T(y), the value of the quantity in the observed data. I like this scatterplot version which allows us to look at where the simulations' mean and standard deviation fall compared to what the observed totchol values show us.

pp\_check(m2, plotfun = "stat\_2d", stat = c("mean", "sd"))



We can see that the cloud of simulated means and standard deviations has the observed statistics near its center, although perhaps the standard deviations are a bit higher than we might like to see, typically. Ideally, the dot would be right in the center of this cloud of simulated results.

# References