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### Baseline characteristic table

Baseline tables show the characteristics of research subjects included in a study. A table characterizing baseline characteristics is so important that it's typically the first table that appears in any observational epidemiology (or clinical trial) manuscript, so it's commonly referred to as a "Table 1". The "Table 1" contain information about the mean and standard deviation(or median and IQR) for continue/scale variable, and proportion for categorical variable.

Baseline characteristic table should be created before imputaion, matching, or weighting.

```
Using data final_db
Outcome variable: HTN
Follow-up period: DATEDIFF
Exposure variable: DM
```

Covariates: Age, Sex, SES, Region, BMI, CCI, Comorbidities(Dyslipidemia, Ischemic heart disease)

```
## load library
library(moonBook)
library(dplyr)

## load data
final_db <- read.csv('Data/final_db.csv', header=T)

## formula
formula.bc <- formula(DM ~ HTN + DATEDIFF + AGE + SEX + SES + REGION + BMI + CCI + DYS + IHD)</pre>
```

- Use **mytable()** function in **moonBook** package to create baseline characteristic tables.
  - method=1 : forces analysis as normal-distributed
  - method=3 : performs a Shapiro-Wilk test to decide between normal or non-normal

### 1.1 Baseline characteristic table

mytable(formula.bc, data=final\_db, method=3)

## ## ##	Descriptive Statistics by 'DM'					
##		0	1	p		
##		(N=2356)	(N=118)			
## ##	HTN			0.000		
##		2215 (94.0%)	69 (58.5%)	0.000		
##	- 1	141 ( 6.0%)				
##	DATEDIFF	1685.0 [835.5;2460.5]		0.000		
##	AGE	36.0 [22.0;48.0]	-	0.000		
##	SEX			0.903		
##	- 1	1182 (50.2%)	58 (49.2%)			
##	- 2	1174 (49.8%)	60 (50.8%)			
##	SES			0.393		
	- 1	668 (29.6%)	29 (25.2%)			
##	- 2	709 (31.4%)	34 (29.6%)			
	- 3	883 (39.1%)	52 (45.2%)	0 000		
##	REGION	4460 (40 5%)	FO (40 0%)	0.996		
##	- 1	1160 (49.5%)	58 (49.2%)			
	- 2 - 3	489 (20.9%) 694 (29.6%)	25 (21.2%) 35 (29.7%)			
## ##	- 3 BMI	23.1 [21.0;25.2]		0.013		
##	CCI	23.1 [21.0,23.2]	24.5 [22.0,20.1]	0.013		
	- 0	1810 (76.8%)	80 (67.8%)	0.001		
	- 1	433 (18.4%)	23 (19.5%)			
	- 2	113 ( 4.8%)	15 (12.7%)			
##	DYS			0.000		
##	- 0	2285 (97.0%)	100 (84.7%)			
##	- 1	71 ( 3.0%)	18 (15.3%)			
##	IHD			0.476		

```
## - 0 2340 (99.3%) 116 (98.3%)
## - 1 16 (0.7%) 2 (1.7%)
## -----
```

#### 1.2 Baseline characteristic table\_total

```
tot1 <- final_db %>% mutate(tmp=1)
tot2 <- final_db %>% mutate(tmp=2)
tot3 <- rbind(tot1,tot2)</pre>
mytable(tmp ~ HTN + DATEDIFF + AGE + SEX + SES + REGION + BMI + CCI + DYS + IHD, data=tot3, method
##
               Descriptive Statistics by 'tmp'
                                                       р
                (N=2474)
                                     (N=2474)
## -----
## HTN
                                                      1.000

      - 0
      2284 (92.3%)
      2284 (92.3%)

      - 1
      190 (7.7%)
      190 (7.7%)

## DATEDIFF 1656.0 [811.0;2458.0] 1656.0 [811.0;2458.0] 1.000
## AGE 36.0 [22.0;50.0] 36.0 [22.0;50.0]
## SEX
                                                      1.000
    - 1
##
              1240 (50.1%)
                                   1240 (50.1%)
##
    - 2
              1234 (49.9%)
                                   1234 (49.9%)
## SES
                                                      1.000
    - 1
               697 (29.3%)
                                    697 (29.3%)
##
               743 (31.3%)
     - 2
##
                                     743 (31.3%)
##
    - 3
               935 (39.4%)
                                    935 (39.4%)
  REGION
                                                      1.000
     - 1
##
              1218 (49.5%)
                                   1218 (49.5%)
     - 2
                514 (20.9%)
                                     514 (20.9%)
                729 (29.6%)
                                     729 (29.6%)
     - 3
            23.2 [21.0;25.3] 23.2 [21.0;25.3]
## BMI
                                                      1.000
## CCI
                                                      1.000
              1890 (76.4%)
##
                                   1890 (76.4%)
     - 0
##
     - 1
               456 (18.4%)
                                    456 (18.4%)
##
     - 2
               128 ( 5.2%)
                                    128 ( 5.2%)
## DYS
                                                      1.000
##
     - 0
              2385 (96.4%)
                                   2385 (96.4%)
               89 (3.6%)
##
   - 1
                                    89 (3.6%)
## IHD
                                                      1.000
```

##	- 0	2456 (99.3%)	2456 (99.3%)	
##	- 1	18 ( 0.7%)	18 ( 0.7%)	
## -				

# Multiple imputation

Multiple imputation is a general approach to the problem of missing data. It aims to allow for the uncertainty about the missing data by creating several different plausible imputed data sets and appropriately combining results obtained from each of them.

Multiple imputation using chained equations (MICE) were performed to generate 10 imputed datasets. For the imputation model, predictive mean matching was used for continuous data and logistic regression was used for binary data.

```
Using data final_db
Outcome variable: HTN
Follow-up period: DATEDIFF
Exposure variable: DM
```

Covariates: Age, Sex, SES, Region, BMI, CCI, Comorbidities(Dyslipidemia, Ischemic heart disease)

```
## load library
library(mice)
library(dplyr)

## load data
final_db <- read.csv('Data/final_db.csv', header=T)</pre>
```

### 2.1 The number of missing values

```
na_count <- function(data){
  num.na <- colSums(is.na(data))</pre>
```

```
per.na <- paste0(round(colSums(is.na(data))/nrow(data) *100,2),"%")</pre>
  return(data.frame(missing=paste0(num.na,"(",per.na,")"),row.names = names(num.na)))
}
na_count(final_db)
##
                  missing
## RN_INDI
                    0(0%)
## DM
                    0(0%)
## INDEX_DT
                    0(0%)
## HTN
                    0(0%)
## FU_DT
                    0(0%)
## AGE
                    0(0%)
## SEX
                    0(0%)
## SES
                   99(4%)
## REGION
                13(0.53%)
            1565 (63.26%)
## BMI
## CCI
                    0(0%)
## DYS
                    0(0%)
## IHD
                    0(0%)
## DATEDIFF
                    0(0%)
```

- Use **mice()** function in **mice** package to deal with missing data.
  - m=10 refers to the number of imputed datasets. Five is the default value.
  - Extract imputed data sets using **compleate()** function

### 2.2 Imputation for missing values

```
## Exclude subject ID, index date before imputation
dat_mice <- final_db %>% select(-RN_INDI, -INDEX_DT, -FU_DT)
dat_imp <- mice(dat_mice, m=10, seed=1)</pre>
##
##
    iter imp variable
##
         1 SES REGION
                         BMI
##
         2
            SES
                REGION
                         BMI
##
    1
         3
           SES REGION
                        BMI
##
         4 SES REGION
##
         5 SES REGION BMI
```

```
##
     1
          6
             SES
                  REGION
                           BMI
##
     1
          7
             SES
                   REGION
                           BMI
          8
             SES
##
     1
                  REGION
                           BMI
          9
             SES
                  REGION
                           BMI
##
     1
              SES
                   REGION
##
     1
          10
                           BMI
##
     2
          1
             SES
                  REGION
                           BMI
##
     2
          2
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                   REGION
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##
                  REGION
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##
     3
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             SES
                   REGION
                           BMI
         5
             SES
                  REGION
##
     3
                           BMI
##
     3
          6
             SES
                   REGION
                           BMI
         7
##
     3
             SES
                  REGION
                           BMI
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             SES
                  REGION
                           BMI
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                  REGION
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     3
                   REGION
##
          10
              SES
                           BMI
##
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                  REGION
                           BMI
          1
             SES
                  REGION
##
     4
          2
             SES
                           BMI
                  REGION
##
     4
          3
             SES
                           BMI
##
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          4
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          5
                   REGION
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             SES
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          6
             SES
                  REGION
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     4
             SES
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             SES
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##
     5
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##
     5
         8
             SES
                  REGION
                           BMI
##
     5
         9
             SES
                  REGION
                           BMI
##
     5
              SES
                   REGION
                           BMI
```

```
## Create 10 imputed data
for (i in 1:dat_imp$m){
    z <- assign(paste0('dat_imp',i),complete(dat_imp,i))
    assign(paste0('dat_imp',i),cbind(z,final_db %>% select(RN_INDI)))
}

## list of 10 imputed data
dat_imp_list <- list(dat_imp1,dat_imp2,dat_imp3,dat_imp4,dat_imp5,dat_imp6,dat_imp7,dat

## Save multiple imputation result
save(dat_imp,file="Data/dat_imp.RData")

## Save list for imputed data
save(dat_imp_list,file="Data/dat_imp_list.RData")</pre>
```

# **Propensity Score Matching**

#### Covariate balance check

Covariate balance is the degree to which the distribution of covariates is similar across levels of the treatment.

SMD(Standardized Mean Difference) is the most widely used statistic for the assessment of balance after PSM.

SMD for continuous variables :

$$SMD = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2}{\sqrt{(S_1^2 + S_2^2)/2}}$$

- $\bar{X}_1$  and  $\bar{X}_2$  are sample mean for the treated and control groups.
- $S_1^2$  and  $S_2^2$  are sample variance for the treated and control groups.

SMD for binary variables:

$$SMD = \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}{\sqrt{[\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1) + \hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)]/2}}$$

•  $\hat{p}_1$  and  $\hat{p}_2$  are prevalence of binary variables in the treated and control groups.

If the SMD after matching is less than **0.1**, it is determined that the difference by the covariates between the two groups is negligible.

Using list dat\_imp\_list
Outcome variable: HTN
Follow-up period: DATEDIFF
Exposure variable: DM

Covariates: Age, Sex, SES, Region, BMI, CCI, Comorbidities (Dyslipidemia, Ischemic hear

```
## load library
library(MatchIt)
library(dplyr)
source("cobalt_3.9.0.R")

## load data
load("Data/dat_imp_list.RData")
final_com <- read.csv('Data/final_com.csv', header=T)

## Formula
formula.mat <- formula(DM ~ AGE + SEX + SES + REGION + BMI + CCI + DYS + IHD)</pre>
```

- Use **matchit()** function in **MatchIt** package to create treatment and control groups balanced on included covariates.
  - method='nearest': nearest neighbor matching on the propensity score
  - ratio=k : the number of controls matched to each treated unit for k:1 matching
  - caliper: Units whose propensity score difference is larger than the caliper will not be paired, and some treated units may therefore not receive a match.

### 3.1 Complete data version

1:5 nearest matching \_ caliper: 0.4

```
## Optimal caliper
ps <- glm(formula.mat,data=final_com, family = 'binomial')
ps$pscore<- predict(ps, type='link')
0.2*sd(ps$pscore)</pre>
```

```
## [1] 0.2122638
```

```
set.seed(1)
mat <- matchit(formula.mat, method = 'nearest', data=final_com, ratio=5, caliper=0.4)
matdat <- match.data(mat) %>% select(-subclass) # R subclass

# adding an matching index as a subclass to matdat and store as dat_mat
# as.numeric(tmp[,1:ratio]), rep(c(1:nrow(tmp)),ratio+1)
tmp <- na.omit(mat$match.matrix)
matid <- data.frame(rowid=c(as.numeric(rownames(tmp)), as.numeric(tmp[,1:5])), subclass=rep(c(1:natid$RN_INDI <- final_com$RN_INDI[matid$row]
dat_mat <- matdat %>% left_join(matid %>% select(RN_INDI,subclass),by = 'RN_INDI') %>% filter(is.data)
## Save matching data
save(dat_mat,file="Data/dat_mat.RData")
```

#### 3.2 Balance check (Complete)

```
bal.ch <- function(before_data, after_data, group){</pre>
  group<-deparse(substitute(group))</pre>
  # SMD before matching
  bal_check_un <- bal.tab.data.frame(before_data[covariates], treat=before_data[,group], binary='
  un <- abs(bal_check_un$Balance$Diff.Un)</pre>
  # SMD after matching
  bal_check_adj <- bal.tab.data.frame(after_data[covariates], treat=after_data[,group], binary="s
  adj <- abs(bal_check_adj$Balance$Diff.Un)</pre>
  bal.res <- data.frame(un=round(un,3),adj=round(adj,3))</pre>
  rownames(bal.res) <- rownames(bal_check_un$Balance)</pre>
  return(bal.res)
covariates <- c("AGE","SEX","SES","REGION","BMI","CCI","DYS","IHD")</pre>
bal.ch(before_matching_data, after_matching_data, group vari-
able)
bal.ch(final_com, dat_mat, DM)
##
             บท
                   adj
```

```
## AGE 0.997 0.033
## SEX_2 0.029 0.017
## SES 0.159 0.201
## REGION 0.087 0.014
## BMI 0.273 0.147
## CCI 0.202 0.216
## DYS 0.519 0.199
## IHD 0.036 0.130
```

#### 3.3 Missing data version

1:3 nearest matching  $\_$  caliper: 0.3, 0.35, 0.4

```
## Optimal caliper
opt.clp <- c()
for (i in 1:length(dat_imp_list)){
 ps <- glm(formula.mat,data=dat_imp_list[[i]], family = 'binomial')</pre>
 ps$pscore<- predict(ps, type='link')</pre>
 opt.clp <- c(opt.clp, 0.2*sd(ps$pscore))</pre>
opt.clp; mean(opt.clp)
    [1] 0.2899617 0.2709918 0.2828702 0.2778456 0.2794823 0.2710618 0.2745410
   [8] 0.2706783 0.2788889 0.2695220
## [1] 0.2765843
caliper \leftarrow c(0.3,0.35,0.4)
for (i in 1:length(dat_imp_list)){
 for (j in caliper){
    set.seed(1)
    mat <- matchit(formula.mat, method = 'nearest', data=dat_imp_list[[i]], ratio=3, c.</pre>
    matdat <- match.data(mat) %>% select(-subclass) # R subclass
    \# adding an matching index as a subclass to matdat and store as {\tt dat\_mati\_j}
    # as.numeric(tmp[,1:ratio]), rep(c(1:nrow(tmp)),ratio+1)
    tmp <- na.omit(mat$match.matrix)</pre>
    matid <- data.frame(rowid=c(as.numeric(rownames(tmp)), as.numeric(tmp[,1:3])), sub</pre>
   matid$RN_INDI <- dat_imp_list[[i]]$RN_INDI[matid$row]</pre>
    assign(paste0('dat_mat',i,"_",j), matdat %>% left_join(matid %>% select(RN_INDI,su'
  }
}
```

```
## list of 10 matched data
dat_mat_list_0.3 <- list(dat_mat1_0.3,dat_mat2_0.3,dat_mat3_0.3,dat_mat4_0.3,dat_mat5_0.3,dat_mat
dat_mat_list_0.35 <- list(dat_mat1_0.35,dat_mat2_0.35,dat_mat3_0.35,dat_mat4_0.35,dat_mat5_0.35,d
dat_mat_list_0.4 <- list(dat_mat1_0.4,dat_mat2_0.4,dat_mat3_0.4,dat_mat4_0.4,dat_mat5_0.4,dat_mat
## Save list for matched data
save(dat_mat_list_0.3,file="Data/dat_mat_list_0.3.RData")
save(dat_mat_list_0.35,file="Data/dat_mat_list_0.35.RData")
save(dat_mat_list_0.4,file="Data/dat_mat_list_0.4.RData")</pre>
```

#### 3.4 Balance check (Complete)

```
bal.ch <- function(dat_imp_list, dat_mat_list, group){</pre>
  group<-deparse(substitute(group))</pre>
  # SMD before matching
  bal_check_un <- dat_imp_list %>% lapply(function(x){
    bal.tab.data.frame(x[covariates],
                        treat=x[,group], binary="std", s.d.denom = "pooled")})
  un <- sapply(bal_check_un, function(x) (abs(x$Balance$Diff.Un)))
  rownames(un) <- rownames(bal_check_un[[1]]$Balance)</pre>
  # SMD after matching
  bal_check_adj <- dat_mat_list %>% lapply(function(x){
    bal.tab.data.frame(x[covariates],
                        treat=x[,group], binary="std", s.d.denom = "pooled")})
  adj <- sapply(bal_check_adj, function(x) (abs(x$Balance$Diff.Un)))</pre>
  rownames(adj) <- rownames(bal_check_adj[[1]]$Balance)</pre>
  bal.res <- list(un=apply(un, 1, summary), adj=apply(adj, 1, summary))
  return(data.frame(un=round(bal.res$un[6,],3),adj=round(bal.res$adj[6,],3)))
covariates <- c("AGE","SEX","SES","REGION","BMI","CCI","DYS","IHD")</pre>
bal.ch(before_matching_list, after_matching_list, group variable)
bal.ch(dat_imp_list, dat_mat_list_0.3, DM)
##
                  adj
             บาท
```

```
## AGE
         1.450 0.041
## SEX_2 0.020 0.057
## SES
         0.148 0.064
## REGION 0.006 0.105
## BMI
         0.423 0.079
## CCI
         0.267 0.095
## DYS
         0.435 0.112
## IHD
       0.094 0.077
bal.ch(dat_imp_list, dat_mat_list_0.35, DM)
##
            un adj
## AGE
         1.450 0.040
## SEX_2 0.020 0.076
## SES
         0.148 0.073
## REGION 0.006 0.094
## BMI
         0.423 0.084
## CCI
         0.267 0.082
## DYS
         0.435 0.100
## IHD
         0.094 0.101
bal.ch(dat_imp_list, dat_mat_list_0.4, DM)
##
            un
                 adj
## AGE
         1.450 0.037
## SEX_2 0.020 0.074
## SES
         0.148 0.065
## REGION 0.006 0.094
## BMI
        0.423 0.062
## CCI
         0.267 0.077
## DYS
         0.435 0.100
## IHD
        0.094 0.100
```

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### **Blocks**

#### 6.1 Equations

Here is an equation.

$$f\left(k\right) = \binom{n}{k} p^{k} \left(1 - p\right)^{n - k} \tag{6.1}$$

You may refer to using \@ref(eq:binom), like see Equation (6.1).

### 6.2 Theorems and proofs

Labeled theorems can be referenced in text using \@ref(thm:tri), for example, check out this smart theorem 6.1.

**Theorem 6.1.** For a right triangle, if c denotes the length of the hypotenuse and a and b denote the lengths of the **other** two sides, we have

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

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#### 6.3 Callout blocks

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Specify your book's source repository on GitHub using the edit key under the configuration options in the \_output.yml file, which allows users to suggest an edit by linking to a chapter's source file.

Read more about the features of this output format here:

https://pkgs.rstudio.com/bookdown/reference/gitbook.html

Or use:

?bookdown::gitbook

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