Assignment for
EP16: Missing Values in Clinical Research

Multiple Imputation

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Data

The **MIdat33** data comprise 1950 observations of 542 mothers measured repeatedly before and during pregnancy. All women were scheduled to have their weight measured once each trimester and were asked for their pre-pregnancy weight and BMI.

The dataset contains the following variables:

variable	explanation
`id`	subject identifier
`gage`	gestational age at measurement (`gage = 0` refers to a measurement before pregnancy)
`weight`	maternal weight
`preterm`	was the baby born before 37 weeks of gestation (preterm) or later?
`gender`	child gender
`visit_center`	was intake performed at the study center? (0: no, 1: yes)
`parity`	number of pregnancies of more than 20 weeks the mother had (nulliparity: this was the first pregnancy, ¿=1 child: mother had previous pregnancies)
`alc`	alcohol consumption behaviour of the mother during pregnancy
`educ`	educational level of the mother
`income`	household income
`gestbir`	gestational age at birth
`kcal`	average daily kcal intake (calculated from food frequency questionnaire)
`stress`	self reported stress score (0 – 5)
`inclusion`	date of inclusion in the study
`BMI`	self reported maternal BMI before pregnancy
`bd_mom`	birth date of the mother
`trimester`	trimester of measurement

Analysis model of interest

The analysis model of interest is a linear mixed model for `weight` with random intercept and slope for `gage`. Covariates are `smoke`, `kcal`, `stress`, `parity`, `educ` and `income`.
`weight` is assumed to have a non-linear (quadratic) slope over time.