Week 6: Visualizing the Bayesian Workflow

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Introduction

This lab will be looking at trying to replicate some of the visualizations in the lecture notes, involving prior and posterior predictive checks, and LOO model comparisons.

The dataset is a 0.1% of all births in the US in 2017. I've pulled out a few different variables, but as in the lecture, we'll just focus on birth weight and gestational age.

The data

Brief overview of variables:

- mager mum's age
- mracehisp mum's race/ethnicity see here for codes: https://data.nber.org/natality/2017/natl2017.pdf page 15
- meduc mum's education see here for codes: https://data.nber.org/natality/2017/natl2017.pdf page 16
- bmi mum's bmi
- sex baby's sex
- combgest gestational age in weeks
- dbwt birth weight in kg
- ilive alive at time of report y/n/ unsure

I'm going to rename some variables, remove any observations with missing gestational age or birth weight, restrict just to babies that were alive, and make a preterm variable.

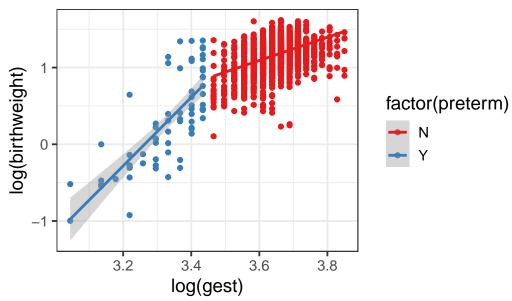
• EDA 1

The mean parameters of birthweight and gestational age for males and females babies are close to each other.

• EDA 2 The relationship between weight and gestational age varies by whether or not the baby was premature. This evidence suggests a different relationship between the two variables, which lead us to consider interaction terms

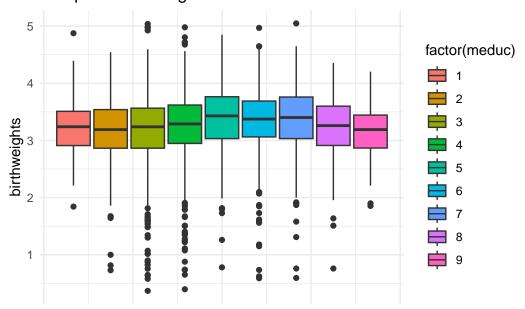
```
ds %>%
   ggplot(aes(log(gest), log(birthweight), color = factor(preterm))) +
   geom_point() + geom_smooth(method = "lm") +
   scale_color_brewer(palette = "Set1") +
   theme_bw(base_size = 14) +
   ggtitle("birthweight v gestational age")
```

birthweight v gestational age

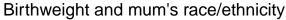


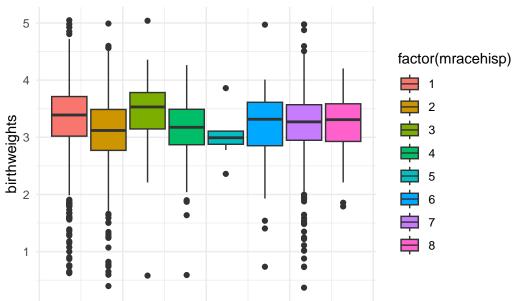
• EDA 3 The median birthweight values are similar for different values of mothers' education. Hence, this is likely to be not a good explanatory varibale in our model.

Box plot- birthweight and mothers' education



• EDA 4 there appears to be variation in birthweights with mum's race/ethnicity This is likely because mothers from certain oppressed ethnicities might be less healthy and not have access to nutritive foods during pregnancy, which might cause low birthweight.





The model

As in lecture, we will look at two candidate models

Model 1 has log birth weight as a function of log gestational age

$$\log(y_i) \sim N(\beta_1 + \beta_2 \log(x_i), \sigma^2)$$

Model 2 has an interaction term between gestation and prematurity

$$\log(y_i) \sim N(\beta_1 + \beta_2 \log(x_i) + \beta_2 z_i + \beta_3 \log(x_i) z_i, \sigma^2)$$

- y_i is weight in kg
- \boldsymbol{x}_i is gestational age in weeks, CENTERED AND STANDARDIZED
- z_i is preterm (0 or 1, if gestational age is less than 32 weeks)

Prior predictive checks

Let's put some weakly informative priors on all parameters i.e. for the β s

$$\beta \sim N(0,1)$$

and for σ

$$\sigma \sim N^{+}(0,1)$$

where the plus means positive values only i.e. Half Normal.

Let's check to see what the resulting distribution of birth weights look like given Model 1 and the priors specified above, assuming we had no data on birth weight (but observations of gestational age).

Question 2

For Model 1, simulate values of β s and σ based on the priors above. Do 1000 simulations.

Model 1 has log birth weight as a function of log gestational age

$$\log(y_i) \sim N(\beta_1 + \beta_2 \log(x_i), \sigma^2)$$

Use these values to simulate (log) birth weights from the likelihood specified in Model 1, based on the set of observed gestational weights.

- Plot the resulting distribution of simulated (log) birth weights.
- Plot ten simulations of (log) birthweights against gestational age.

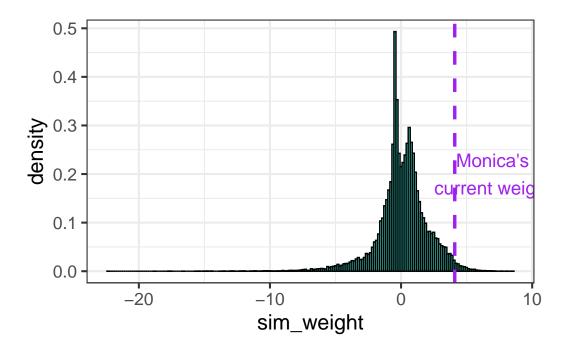
```
set.seed(182)
nsims <- 1000

sigma <- abs(rnorm(nsims, 0, 1))
beta0 <- rnorm(nsims, 0, 1)
beta1 <- rnorm(nsims, 0, 1)
dsims <- tibble(log_gest_c = (log(ds$gest)-mean(log(ds$gest)))/sd(log(ds$gest)))

for(i in 1:nsims){
    this_mu <- beta0[i] + beta1[i]*dsims$log_gest_c
    dsims[paste0(i)] <- this_mu + rnorm(nrow(dsims), 0, sigma[i])
    #dsims[paste0(i)] <- rnorm(nrow(dsims), this_mu, sigma[i])}</pre>
```

```
dsl <- dsims %>%
  pivot_longer(`1`:`10`, names_to = "sim", values_to = "sim_weight")

dsl %>%
  ggplot(aes(sim_weight)) + geom_histogram(aes(y = ..density..), bins = 200, fill = "turquegeom_vline(xintercept = log(60), color = "purple", lwd = 1.2, lty = 2) +
  theme_bw(base_size = 16) +
  annotate("text", x=7, y=0.2, label= "Monica's\ncurrent weight", color = "purple", size = 10)
```



Run the model

Now we're going to run Model 1 in Stan. The stan code is in the code/models folder. First, get our data into right form for input into stan.

```
ds$log_weight <- log(ds$birthweight)
ds$log_gest_c <- (log(ds$gest) - mean(log(ds$gest)))/sd(log(ds$gest)) # normalised covarit</pre>
```

```
summary(mod1)$summary[c("beta[1]", "beta[2]", "sigma"),]
```

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2.5%
                                                                      50%
                                                            25%
             mean
                       se_mean
                                        sd
beta[1] 1.1626455 8.308921e-05 0.002788610 1.1572315 1.1607747 1.1626489
beta[2] 0.1437272 7.471825e-05 0.002790495 0.1381709 0.1417134 0.1436255
sigma
        0.1689026 9.977308e-05 0.001778135 0.1654527 0.1677226 0.1689555
              75%
                      97.5%
                                n eff
                                           Rhat
beta[1] 1.1645489 1.1681262 1126.3833 0.9985003
beta[2] 0.1455693 0.1493035 1394.7915 0.9966201
        0.1700894 0.1721977 317.6162 1.0055867
sigma
```

```
#percent change in x (standarised birth --) is 0.14 percent change in y (--)
```

Based on model 1, give an estimate of the expected birthweight of a baby who was born at a gestational age of 37 weeks.

```
beta1 = 1.1626455
beta2 = 0.1437272
est_birthweight = beta1 + beta2*((log(37) - mean(log(ds$gest)))/sd(log(ds$gest)))
print(exp(est_birthweight))
```

[1] 2.93641

Question 4

$$\log(y_i) \sim N(\beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(x_i) + \beta_2 z_i + \beta_3 \log(x_i) z_i, \sigma^2)$$

- y_i is weight in kg
- x_i is gestational age in weeks, CENTERED AND STANDARDIZED

• z_i is preterm (0 or 1, if gestational age is less than 32 weeks)

A stan model to run Model 2, and run it.

```
ds$preterm <- ifelse(ds$preterm=="Y", 1, 0)</pre>
  ds$log_weight <- log(ds$birthweight)</pre>
  ds$log_gest_c <- (log(ds$gest) - mean(log(ds$gest)))/sd(log(ds$gest)) # normalised covarit
  # put into a list
  stan_data2 <- list(N = nrow(ds),
                     log_weight = ds$log_weight,
                     log_gest = ds$log_gest_c,
                     preterm = ds$preterm)
  model2 <- stan(data = stan_data2,</pre>
               file = here("code/models/model2.stan"),
               iter = 500,
               seed = 243) #what does the seed do????
Running /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/bin/R CMD SHLIB foo.c
clang -arch arm64 -I"/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/include" -DNDEBUG
                                                                                     -I"/Libra
In file included from <built-in>:1:
In file included from /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/S
In file included from /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/R
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namespace Eigen {
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/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/RcppEigen/include/Eigen
#include <complex>
         ^~~~~~~
3 errors generated.
make: *** [foo.o] Error 1
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon_model' NOW (CHAIN 1).
```

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Chain 1:
Chain 1: Gradient evaluation took 0.000532 seconds
Chain 1: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 5.32 seconds.
Chain 1: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 1:
Chain 1:
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Chain 1:
Chain 1: Elapsed Time: 1.39 seconds (Warm-up)
                        1.095 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 1:
                        2.485 seconds (Total)
Chain 1:
Chain 1:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon_model' NOW (CHAIN 2).
Chain 2:
Chain 2: Gradient evaluation took 0.000358 seconds
Chain 2: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 3.58 seconds.
Chain 2: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 2:
Chain 2: Iteration:
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Chain 2:
Chain 2: Elapsed Time: 1.38 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 2:
                        1.22 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 2:
                        2.6 seconds (Total)
Chain 2:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon model' NOW (CHAIN 3).
Chain 3:
Chain 3: Gradient evaluation took 0.000301 seconds
Chain 3: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 3.01 seconds.
Chain 3: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 3:
Chain 3:
Chain 3: Iteration:
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Chain 3:
Chain 3: Elapsed Time: 1.506 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 3:
                        1.118 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 3:
                        2.624 seconds (Total)
Chain 3:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon_model' NOW (CHAIN 4).
Chain 4:
Chain 4: Gradient evaluation took 0.000404 seconds
Chain 4: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 4.04 seconds.
Chain 4: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 4:
Chain 4:
Chain 4: Iteration:
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                                       (Warmup)
Chain 4: Iteration: 50 / 500 [ 10%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 150 / 500 [ 30%]
                                       (Warmup)
Chain 4: Iteration: 200 / 500 [ 40%]
                                       (Warmup)
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Chain 4: Iteration: 250 / 500 [ 50%]
                                       (Warmup)
Chain 4: Iteration: 251 / 500 [ 50%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 4: Iteration: 300 / 500 [ 60%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 450 / 500 [ 90%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 500 / 500 [100%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 4:
Chain 4:
         Elapsed Time: 1.402 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 4:
                        1.144 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 4:
                        2.546 seconds (Total)
Chain 4:
  summary(model2)$summary[c(paste0("beta[", 1:4, "]"), "sigma"),]
                                                  2.5%
                                                              25%
                                                                        50%
             mean
                       se_mean
                                         sd
beta[1] 1.1695816 8.043482e-05 0.002763499 1.16408193 1.16767119 1.1696482
beta[2] 0.1017462 1.245915e-04 0.003672348 0.09432898 0.09916171 0.1017986
beta[3] 0.5622527 3.201190e-03 0.062700772 0.44239416 0.51717307 0.5639181
beta[4] 0.1982959 6.692580e-04 0.012844289 0.17411041 0.18917477 0.1989054
        0.1612724 7.166526e-05 0.001799254 0.15796862 0.16007825 0.1611842
sigma
              75%
                      97.5%
                                n_eff
                                           Rhat
beta[1] 1.1714861 1.1748458 1180.4034 0.9992262
beta[2] 0.1041868 0.1088904 868.7818 1.0060038
beta[3] 0.6023427 0.6861491 383.6390 1.0045765
beta[4] 0.2070525 0.2237837 368.3265 1.0045237
sigma
        0.1624722 0.1647869 630.3296 1.0032030
```

For reference I have uploaded some model 2 results. Check your results are similar.

```
load(here("output", "mod2.Rda"))
summary(mod2)$summary[c(paste0("beta[", 1:4, "]"), "sigma"),]

mean se_mean sd 2.5% 25% 50%
beta[1] 1.1697241 1.385590e-04 0.002742186 1.16453578 1.16767109 1.1699278
beta[2] 0.5563133 5.835253e-03 0.058054991 0.43745504 0.51708255 0.5561553
beta[3] 0.1020960 1.481816e-04 0.003669476 0.09459462 0.09997153 0.1020339
beta[4] 0.1967671 1.129799e-03 0.012458398 0.17164533 0.18817091 0.1974114
```

```
sigma 0.1610727 9.950037e-05 0.001782004 0.15784213 0.15978020 0.1610734 75% 97.5% n_eff Rhat
beta[1] 1.1716235 1.1750167 391.67359 1.0115970
beta[2] 0.5990427 0.6554967 98.98279 1.0088166
beta[3] 0.1044230 0.1093843 613.22428 0.9978156
beta[4] 0.2064079 0.2182454 121.59685 1.0056875
sigma 0.1623019 0.1646189 320.75100 1.0104805
```

The results are same for both the models- the calculated model and the uploaded model.

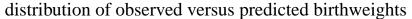
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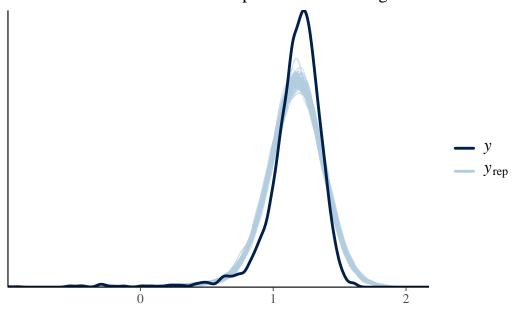
Now we've run two candidate models let's do some posterior predictive checks. The bayesplot package has a lot of inbuilt graphing functions to do this. For example, let's plot the distribution of our data (y) against 100 different datasets drawn from the posterior predictive distribution:

```
set.seed(1856)
y <- ds$log_weight
yrep1 <- extract(mod1)[["log_weight_rep"]]
yrep2 <- extract(mod2)[["log_weight_rep"]]
samp100 <- sample(nrow(yrep1), 100) #sampling 100 random ones
dim(yrep1) # 3842 observations = N . for each of those i have a 1000 posterior predictive</pre>
```

[1] 1000 3842

```
ppc_dens_overlay(y, yrep1[samp100, ]) + ggtitle("distribution of observed versus predicted
```





Make a similar plot to the one above but for model 2, and **not** using the bayes plot in built function (i.e. do it yourself just with geom_density)

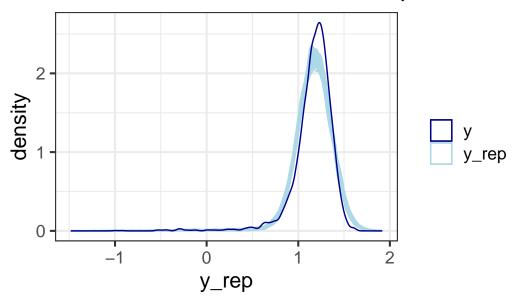
```
yrep2 <- extract(mod2)[["log_weight_rep"]]
N <- nrow(ds)

# first, get into a tibble
rownames(yrep2) <- 1:nrow(yrep2)
dr <- as_tibble(t(yrep2))
dr <- dr %>% bind_cols(i = 1:N, log_weight_obs = log(ds$birthweight))

# turn into long format; easier to plot
dr <- dr %>%
    pivot_longer(-(i:log_weight_obs), names_to = "sim", values_to ="y_rep")

#dim(yrep2) # 3842 observations = N . for each of those i have a 1000 posterior predictive
# filter to just include 100 draws and plot!
dr %>%
```

Distribution of observed and replicated birt

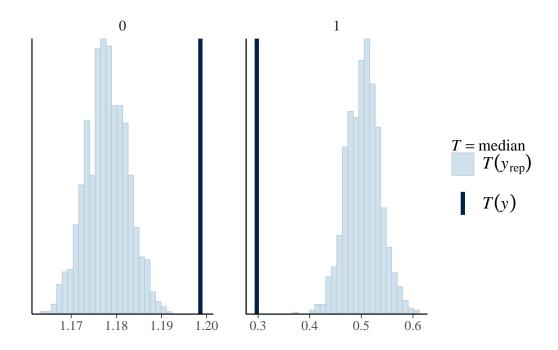


Test statistics

We can also look at some summary statistics in the PPD versus the data, again either using bayesplot – the function of interest is ppc_stat or ppc_stat_grouped – or just doing it ourselves using ggplot.

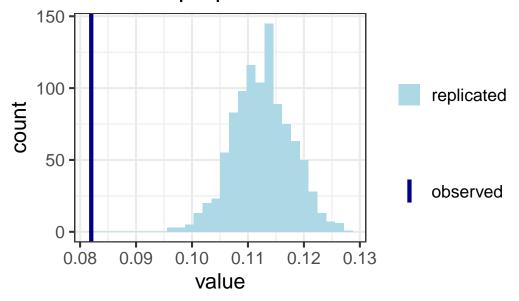
E.g. medians by prematurity for Model 1

```
ppc_stat_grouped(ds$log_weight, yrep1, group = ds$preterm, stat = 'median')
```

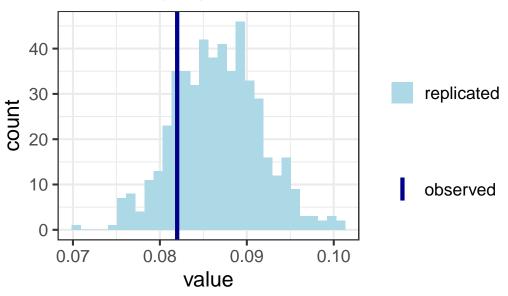


Use a test statistic of the proportion of births under 2.5kg. Calculate the test statistic for the data, and the posterior predictive samples for both models, and plot the comparison (one plot per model).

Model 1: proportion of births less than 2.



Model 2: proportion of births less than 2.5



LOO

Finally let's calculate the LOO elpd for each model and compare. The first step of this is to get the point-wise log likelihood estimates from each model:

```
loglik1 <- extract(mod1)[["log_lik"]]
loglik2 <- extract(mod2)[["log_lik"]]</pre>
```

And then we can use these in the loo function to get estimates for the elpd. Note the save_psis = TRUE argument saves the calculation for each simulated draw, which is needed for the LOO-PIT calculation below.

```
loo1 <- loo(loglik1, save_psis = TRUE)
loo2 <- loo(loglik2, save_psis = TRUE)</pre>
```

Look at the output:

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Computed from 1000 by 3842 log-likelihood matrix

```
Estimate SE
elpd_loo 1377.5 72.5
p_loo 9.1 1.3
looic -2755.1 145.0
-----
Monte Carlo SE of elpd_loo is 0.1.

All Pareto k estimates are good (k < 0.5).
See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.
```

Computed from 500 by 3842 log-likelihood matrix

```
Estimate SE
elpd_loo 1552.8 70.0
p_loo 14.8 2.3
looic -3105.6 139.9
```

Monte Carlo SE of elpd_loo is 0.2.

All Pareto k estimates are good (k < 0.5). See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.

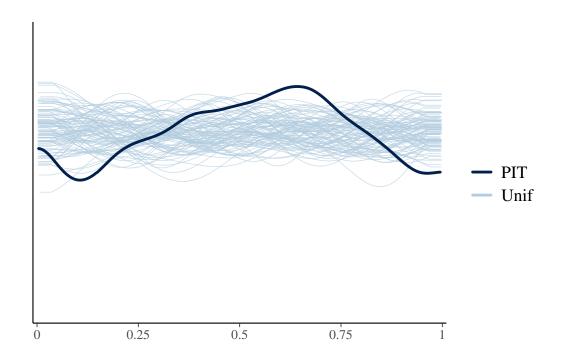
Comparing the two models tells us Model 2 is better:

```
loo_compare(loo1, loo2)

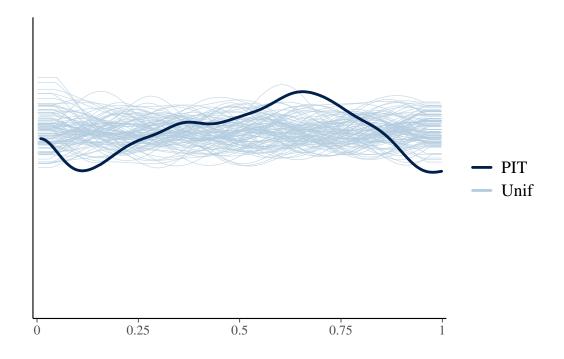
elpd_diff se_diff
model2  0.0  0.0
model1 -175.3  36.2
```

We can also compare the LOO-PIT of each of the models to standard uniforms. The both do pretty well.

```
ppc_loo_pit_overlay(yrep = yrep1, y = y, lw = weights(loo1$psis_object))
```



ppc_loo_pit_overlay(yrep = yrep2, y = y, lw = weights(loo2\$psis_object))



Bonus question (not required)

Create your own PIT histogram "from scratch" for Model 2.

Question 8

Based on the original dataset, choose one (or more) additional covariates to add to the linear regression model. Run the model in Stan, and compare with Model 2 above on at least 2 posterior predictive checks.

```
stan_data3 <- list(N = nrow(ds),
                    log_weight = ds$log_weight,
                    log_gest = ds$log_gest_c,
                    preterm = ds$preterm,
                    sex = ds$sex_bin)
  model3 <- stan(data = stan_data3,</pre>
               file = here("code/models/model3-Q8.stan"),
               iter = 500,
               seed = 243)
Running /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/bin/R CMD SHLIB foo.c
clang -arch arm64 -I"/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/include" -DNDEBUG
                                                                                    -I"/Libra
In file included from <built-in>:1:
In file included from /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/S
In file included from /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/R
In file included from /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/R
/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/RcppEigen/include/Eigen
namespace Eigen {
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namespace Eigen {
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/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2-arm64/Resources/library/RcppEigen/include/Eigen
#include <complex>
         ^~~~~~~~
3 errors generated.
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make: *** [foo.o] Error 1
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon_model' NOW (CHAIN 1).
Chain 1:
Chain 1: Gradient evaluation took 0.000586 seconds
Chain 1: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 5.86 seconds.
Chain 1: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 1:
Chain 1:
Chain 1: Iteration:
                      1 / 500 [ 0%]
                                       (Warmup)
Chain 1: Iteration: 50 / 500 [ 10%]
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Chain 1: Iteration: 250 / 500 [ 50%]
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Chain 1: Iteration: 500 / 500 [100%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 1:
Chain 1: Elapsed Time: 1.703 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 1:
                        1.464 seconds (Sampling)
                        3.167 seconds (Total)
Chain 1:
Chain 1:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon_model' NOW (CHAIN 2).
Chain 2:
Chain 2: Gradient evaluation took 0.00038 seconds
Chain 2: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 3.8 seconds.
Chain 2: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 2:
Chain 2:
Chain 2: Iteration:
                      1 / 500 [ 0%]
                                       (Warmup)
Chain 2: Iteration: 50 / 500 [ 10%]
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                                       (Sampling)
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Chain 2: Iteration: 400 / 500 [ 80%]
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Chain 2: Iteration: 450 / 500 [ 90%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 2: Iteration: 500 / 500 [100%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 2:
Chain 2:
         Elapsed Time: 2.108 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 2:
                        1.484 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 2:
                        3.592 seconds (Total)
Chain 2:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon_model' NOW (CHAIN 3).
Chain 3:
Chain 3: Gradient evaluation took 0.000382 seconds
Chain 3: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 3.82 seconds.
Chain 3: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 3:
Chain 3:
Chain 3: Iteration:
                      1 / 500 [ 0%]
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Chain 3: Iteration: 50 / 500 [ 10%]
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Chain 3: Iteration: 500 / 500 [100%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 3:
Chain 3:
          Elapsed Time: 2.087 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 3:
                        1.784 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 3:
                        3.871 seconds (Total)
Chain 3:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'anon_model' NOW (CHAIN 4).
Chain 4:
Chain 4: Gradient evaluation took 0.00038 seconds
Chain 4: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 3.8 seconds.
Chain 4: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 4:
Chain 4:
Chain 4: Iteration:
                      1 / 500 [ 0%]
                                       (Warmup)
Chain 4: Iteration: 50 / 500 [ 10%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 100 / 500 [ 20%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 150 / 500 [ 30%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 200 / 500 [ 40%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 450 / 500 [ 90%]
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Chain 4: Iteration: 500 / 500 [100%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 4:
Chain 4:
          Elapsed Time: 1.953 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 4:
                        1.44 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 4:
                        3.393 seconds (Total)
Chain 4:
  summary(model3)$summary[c(paste0("beta[", 1:5, "]"), "sigma"),]
                                                   2.5%
                                                              25%
                                                                         50%
              mean
                        se_mean
                                          sd
beta[1] 1.14863087 0.0001274426 0.003545570 1.14170861 1.1462625 1.14854878
beta[2] 0.10253871 0.0001088599 0.003589063 0.09549912 0.1001183 0.10251359
beta[3] 0.54948221 0.0036485470 0.061985535 0.42817851 0.5050605 0.54850831
beta[4] 0.19506220 0.0007276946 0.012672510 0.17126134 0.1859093 0.19515730
beta[5] 0.04189216 0.0001915916 0.004992674 0.03187982 0.0386048 0.04198679
        0.15988300 0.0000697319 0.001818419 0.15659048 0.1585737 0.15982078
sigma
               75%
                        97.5%
                                              Rhat
                                  n_eff
beta[1] 1.15095827 1.15578506 774.0042 1.0010718
beta[2] 0.10501355 0.10958428 1086.9920 0.9999179
beta[3] 0.59072886 0.67131069
                               288,6296 1,0109358
beta[4] 0.20346964 0.22015458
                               303.2683 1.0095914
beta[5] 0.04534553 0.05158414
                               679.0682 1.0043410
sigma
        0.16107068 0.16362635 680.0253 1.0015901
```

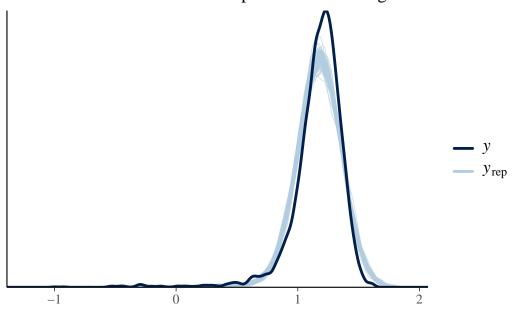
PPC for Model 3

```
set.seed(1856)
y <- ds$log_weight
yrep3 <- extract(model3)[["log_weight_rep"]]
samp100 <- sample(nrow(yrep3), 100) #sampling 100 random ones
dim(yrep3) # 3842 observations = N . for each of those i have a 1000 posterior predictive</pre>
```

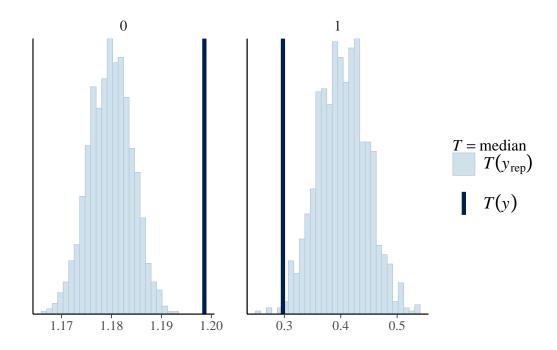
[1] 1000 3842

ppc_dens_overlay(y, yrep3[samp100,]) + ggtitle("distribution of observed versus predicted

distribution of observed versus predicted birthweights



ppc_stat_grouped(ds\$log_weight, yrep3, group = ds\$preterm, stat = 'median')



```
loglik3 <- extract(model3)[["log_lik"]]
loglik2 <- extract(mod2)[["log_lik"]]</pre>
```

And then we can use these in the loo function to get estimates for the elpd. Note the save_psis = TRUE argument saves the calculation for each simulated draw, which is needed for the LOO-PIT calculation below.

```
loo3 <- loo(loglik3, save_psis = TRUE)
loo2 <- loo(loglik2, save_psis = TRUE)</pre>
```

Look at the output:

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Computed from 1000 by 3842 log-likelihood matrix

```
Estimate SE
elpd_loo 1584.8 70.3
p_loo 16.1 2.3
looic -3169.5 140.7
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```

Monte Carlo SE of elpd_loo is 0.1.

All Pareto k estimates are good (k < 0.5). See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.

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Computed from 500 by 3842 log-likelihood matrix

Estimate SE elpd_loo 1552.8 70.0 p_loo 14.8 2.3 looic -3105.6 139.9

Monte Carlo SE of elpd_loo is 0.2.

All Pareto k estimates are good (k < 0.5). See help('pareto-k-diagnostic') for details.

Comparing the two models tells us Model 3 is better:

loo_compare(loo3, loo2)

elpd_diff se_diff
model1 0.0 0.0
model2 -31.9 8.1