MTH225 Fall2016 Final Problem 13

Five delivery drive the same route. Fuel efficiency is recorded for each truck on each trip. In addition, headwind speed is recorded on each trip, with negative values indicating a following wind.

One purpose of covariates is to reduce the residual standard deviation sigma. In this exercise, we will run models with and without the windspeed covariate, and compare the error standard deviation for the two models.

The data in MTH225_Fall2016_Final_Problem13.csv contains measurements of fuel efficiency and widspeed for five delivery trucks.

The variable names are:

- mpg fuel efficiency in mpg
- vehicle vehicle number
- windspeed windspeed during this trip

The models in this exercise can use the following STAN files listed on the example_models.html web page:

- single_factor_ancova_equal_slopes_and_sd.stan Model with covariate for windspeed
- single_factor_anova_n_levels.stan Model with no covariate
- 2 points: Write R code to read the data and convert it to an R data frame.
- 1 point: Write the data block of a STAN model file that extracts the data from the R workspace.
- 1 point: Write the parameters block of a STAN model file that declares the parameter(s) of your model.
- 2 points: Write the model block of a STAN model file that specifies the priors and likelihood for your model.
- 1 point: Write R code to apply the extract function to the data structure output from the stan function.
- 1 point: Use the extract() function of the RSTAN package to obtain the values for the parameters from the posterior draw.
- 1 point: Run an ANOVA model without the windspeed covariate and use it to estimate the residual standard error sigma.

• 1 point: Run an ANCOVA model with the windspeed covariate and compare the residual standard error sigma to the ANOVA model.

(10 points possible)