BIOS6643. L14 Review exercises

Question 1. Models for Beta Carotene Data

Using the Beta carotene dataset, answer the following questions using a mixed model with no random effects but an unstructure covariance R.

- a. Estimate the mean response (beta carotene level) at all weeks in Roche (group2) and BASF 30mg (group 3).
- b. Test for an interaction between Roche (group2) and BASF 30mg (group 3).
- c. Test the hypothesis that the 4 groups differ at 6 weeks

Question 2. Models for Stepped Care Data

STEPPED-CARE randomized trial

The dataset we will use in class resembles the trial.

- A behavioral intervention was tested versus usual care in 286 patients with lung or head and neck cancer.
- Population: low income patients in the Denver area across 5 hospitals
- Primary outcomes: anxiety, depression and coping skills scores
- Outcomes were measured at baseline, and at 6, 12 and 24 weeks

Consider the stepped care data. Use a linear mixed model with time as continuous variable and random intercepts and random slopes. Assume there are no differences in coping self-efficacy score (CSES) at baseline.

a. Estimate the mean CSES at 6 weeks for both intervention groups.

- b. Estimate the mean CSES difference at 6 weeks.
- c. Test the hypothesis that the mean difference 12 weeks baseline differs across the two treatment groups.

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# Read in data
dat.step <- read.csv("../data/stepped-care-class.csv", header=TRUE)
head(dat.step, 3)</pre>
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```
id time treat time6 time12 time24
                                         cops
## 1 1
          0 control
                       0
                             0
                                    0 83.26686
## 2 1
                                    0 81.52480
         6 control
                      1
                             0
                                    0 88.36082
## 3 1 12 control
                     0
                             1
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