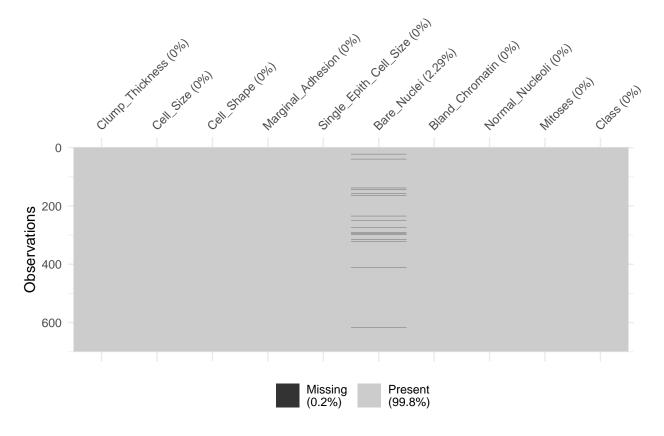
Question 14.1

Breaking down the question so that I won't miss any parts, the way I did in the last 2 assignments. Dataset has missing data.

- 1. Use the mean/mode imputation method to impute values for the missing data.
- 2. Use regression to impute values for the missing data.
- 3. Use regression with perturbation to impute values for the missing data.
- 4. (Optional) Compare the results and quality of classification models (e.g., SVM, KNN) build using
 - the data sets from questions 1,2,3;
 - the data that remains after data points with missing values are removed;
 - the data set when a binary variable is introduced to indicate missing values.

```
set.seed(123)
data <- read.table("http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/breast-cancer-wisconsin/br
                    , header = TRUE
                    , sep=","
                    , na.strings = "?")
# add column names
colnames(data) <- c("ID", "Clump_Thickness", "Cell_Size", "Cell_Shape",</pre>
                 "Marginal_Adhesion", "Single_Epith_Cell_Size", "Bare_Nuclei",
                 "Bland_Chromatin", "Normal_Nucleoli", "Mitoses", "Class")
# drop id column because unneccessary
data$ID <- NULL
data <- data %>%
  mutate(Class = ifelse(Class == 4,1,0))
#summary(data)
# set formula for later use
formula <- Class ~ Clump_Thickness+Cell_Size+Cell_Shape+Marginal_Adhesion+Single_Epith_Cell_Size+Bare_N
# check for missing data
vis_miss(data)
```



The dataset had missing values marked with ?, all of which are located in the Bare_Nuclei column (n = 16).

```
fit <- with(data, lm(Class ~ Clump_Thickness+Cell_Size+Cell_Shape+Marginal_Adhesion+Single_Epith_Cell_S
# inspect baseline model
summary(fit)
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = Class ~ Clump_Thickness + Cell_Size + Cell_Shape +
##
       Marginal_Adhesion + Single_Epith_Cell_Size + Bare_Nuclei +
##
       Bland_Chromatin + Normal_Nucleoli + Mitoses)
##
  Residuals:
##
##
                  1Q
                       Median
   -0.83997 -0.08295 -0.01225
                               0.05679
                                        0.76358
##
##
##
  Coefficients:
##
                            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                      0.0164330 -15.069 < 2e-16 ***
                          -0.2476295
## Clump_Thickness
                           0.0317829
                                                   8.907
                                                          < 2e-16 ***
                                       0.0035685
## Cell_Size
                           0.0218135
                                      0.0063766
                                                   3.421 0.000662 ***
## Cell_Shape
                           0.0155989
                                      0.0062402
                                                   2.500 0.012666 *
## Marginal_Adhesion
                                      0.0039947
                                                   2.061 0.039728 *
                           0.0082314
```

baseline model

```
## Single_Epith_Cell_Size 0.0100750 0.0052405
                                            1.923 0.054959 .
## Bare_Nuclei
                        ## Bland Chromatin
                        0.0192476 0.0050488
                                             3.812 0.000150 ***
## Normal_Nucleoli
                                             4.973 8.39e-07 ***
                        0.0185094 0.0037221
## Mitoses
                        0.0009794 0.0049697
                                             0.197 0.843824
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1903 on 672 degrees of freedom
    (16 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8433, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8412
## F-statistic: 401.7 on 9 and 672 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

1. Use the mean/mode imputation method to impute values for the missing data. (with mice)

```
# impute data with mice using 5 imputations and unconditional mean imputation
imp_m <- mice(data
    , m = 5
    , method = 'mean')</pre>
```

```
##
##
    iter imp variable
##
         1 Bare_Nuclei
     1
##
         2 Bare_Nuclei
##
     1
         3 Bare_Nuclei
##
     1
         4 Bare_Nuclei
##
        5 Bare_Nuclei
     1
##
        1 Bare Nuclei
        2 Bare_Nuclei
##
     2
##
     2
        3 Bare_Nuclei
##
     2
        4 Bare_Nuclei
##
        5 Bare_Nuclei
        1 Bare_Nuclei
##
     3
     3
        2 Bare Nuclei
##
##
     3
        3 Bare_Nuclei
##
     3
        4 Bare Nuclei
        5 Bare_Nuclei
##
     3
##
     4
        1 Bare_Nuclei
        2 Bare Nuclei
##
##
     4
        3 Bare_Nuclei
        4 Bare_Nuclei
##
     4
##
     4
        5 Bare_Nuclei
##
        1 Bare_Nuclei
     5
        2 Bare_Nuclei
##
##
     5
        3 Bare_Nuclei
##
     5
         4 Bare_Nuclei
##
         5 Bare_Nuclei
# export imputed data
data imp mean <- complete(imp m)</pre>
#data_imp_mean
```

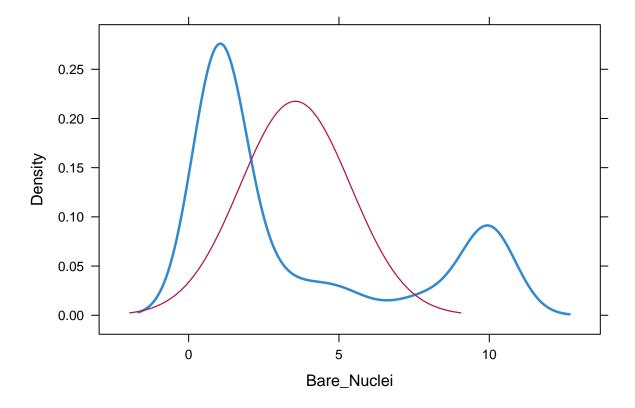
```
# mean of each column
colMeans(data, na.rm = TRUE)
##
          Clump_Thickness
                                        Cell_Size
                                                               Cell_Shape
                4.4169054
##
                                        3.1375358
                                                                3.2106017
##
        Marginal_Adhesion Single_Epith_Cell_Size
                                                              Bare Nuclei
##
                2.8094556
                                        3.2177650
                                                                3.5483871
##
          Bland_Chromatin
                                  Normal Nucleoli
                                                                  Mitoses
                3.4383954
##
                                        2.8696275
                                                                1.5902579
##
                    Class
##
                0.3452722
```

We see a repetition of 3.548387 in the imputed data which is the mean of the Bare_Nuclei column.

```
# train the model
fit_m <- with(imp_m, lm(Class ~ Clump_Thickness+Cell_Size+Cell_Shape+Marginal_Adhesion+Single_Epith_Cel
# inspect regression model with imputed data
summary(fit_m)</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 50 x 6
##
     term
                            estimate std.error statistic p.value nobs
##
      <chr>
                               <dbl>
                                         <dbl>
                                                   <dbl>
                                                            <dbl> <int>
## 1 (Intercept)
                            -0.252
                                       0.0165
                                                 -15.3
                                                         8.63e-46
                                                                    698
## 2 Clump_Thickness
                             0.0328
                                       0.00360
                                                   9.13 7.59e-19
                                                                    698
## 3 Cell_Size
                             0.0225
                                       0.00644
                                                   3.50 4.97e- 4
                                                                    698
## 4 Cell_Shape
                             0.0162
                                       0.00629
                                                   2.58 1.02e- 2
                                                                    698
## 5 Marginal_Adhesion
                                       0.00402
                                                   1.56 1.18e- 1
                             0.00628
                                                                    698
## 6 Single_Epith_Cell_Size 0.00788
                                       0.00528
                                                   1.49 1.36e- 1
                                                                    698
## 7 Bare_Nuclei
                             0.0456
                                       0.00324
                                                  14.1
                                                         1.04e-39
                                                                    698
## 8 Bland_Chromatin
                             0.0207
                                       0.00509
                                                   4.07 5.29e- 5
                                                                    698
## 9 Normal_Nucleoli
                                       0.00375
                                                   4.59 5.33e- 6
                                                                    698
                             0.0172
## 10 Mitoses
                             0.00284
                                       0.00503
                                                   0.563 5.73e- 1
                                                                    698
## # ... with 40 more rows
```

```
# visual representation
densityplot(imp_m)
```

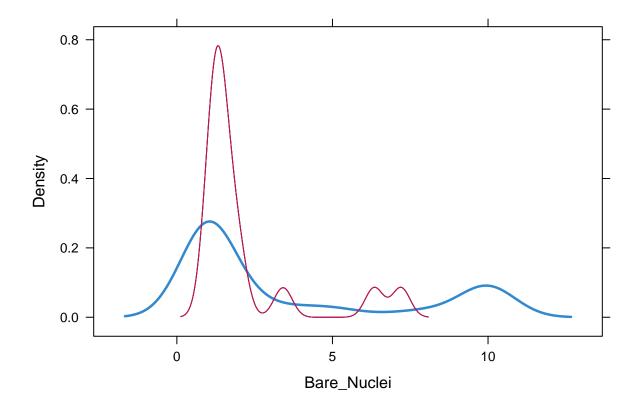


Looking at Bare_Nuclei, nothing much has changed from the baseline model since we're only just adding weight to the median —> bringing distribution closer to a normal distribution.

2. Use regression to impute values for the missing data (with mice)

```
##
##
    iter imp variable
            Bare_Nuclei
##
     1
          1
##
     1
         2
             Bare_Nuclei
##
     1
         3
             Bare_Nuclei
             Bare_Nuclei
##
     1
         5
             Bare_Nuclei
##
     1
##
     2
         1
             Bare_Nuclei
##
     2
         2
             Bare_Nuclei
##
     2
             Bare_Nuclei
     2
##
             Bare_Nuclei
##
     2
         5
             Bare_Nuclei
     3
             Bare_Nuclei
##
##
     3
         2
             Bare_Nuclei
##
     3
             Bare_Nuclei
```

```
4 Bare_Nuclei
##
    3
##
    3
       5 Bare_Nuclei
##
       1 Bare_Nuclei
       2 Bare_Nuclei
##
##
       3 Bare_Nuclei
##
    4
       4 Bare_Nuclei
##
    4
       5 Bare_Nuclei
       1 Bare_Nuclei
##
    5
##
    5
       2 Bare_Nuclei
##
    5
       3 Bare_Nuclei
##
    5
       4 Bare_Nuclei
    5
##
       5 Bare_Nuclei
# export imputed data
data_imp_lm <- complete(imp_lm)</pre>
#data_imp_lm
# train the model
fit_lm <- with(imp_lm, lm(Class ~ Clump_Thickness+Cell_Size+Cell_Shape+Marginal_Adhesion+Single_Epith_C
# inspect regression model with imputed data
summary(fit_lm)
## # A tibble: 50 x 6
##
     term
                           estimate std.error statistic p.value nobs
     <chr>
##
                                       <dbl> <dbl>
                                                          <dbl> <int>
                              <dbl>
## 1 (Intercept)
                           -0.247
                                     0.0164
                                               -15.1 9.92e-45
## 2 Clump_Thickness
                            0.0318
                                                8.91 4.57e-18
                                                                 698
                                     0.00357
## 3 Cell_Size
                            0.0224
                                     0.00638
                                                 3.51 4.86e- 4
                                                                 698
## 4 Cell_Shape
                                                 2.54 1.14e- 2
                                                                 698
                            0.0158
                                     0.00624
## 5 Marginal_Adhesion
                            0.00600
                                     0.00398
                                                 1.51 1.32e- 1
                                                                 698
## 6 Single_Epith_Cell_Size 0.00813
                                                                 698
                                     0.00523
                                                 1.55 1.21e- 1
## 7 Bare_Nuclei
                            0.0472
                                     0.00323 14.6
                                                       2.60e-42
                                                                 698
## 8 Bland_Chromatin
                            0.0198
                                     0.00506
                                                 3.91 1.03e- 4
                                                                 698
## 9 Normal_Nucleoli
                            0.0171
                                      0.00372
                                                 4.60 5.05e- 6
                                                                 698
## 10 Mitoses
                                                 0.594 5.52e- 1
                                                                 698
                            0.00297
                                      0.00499
## # ... with 40 more rows
# visual representation
densityplot(imp_lm)
```



In this case, we can see how distribution of the Bare_Nuclei variable is no longer a normal distribution but it's still not close to the observed (blue).

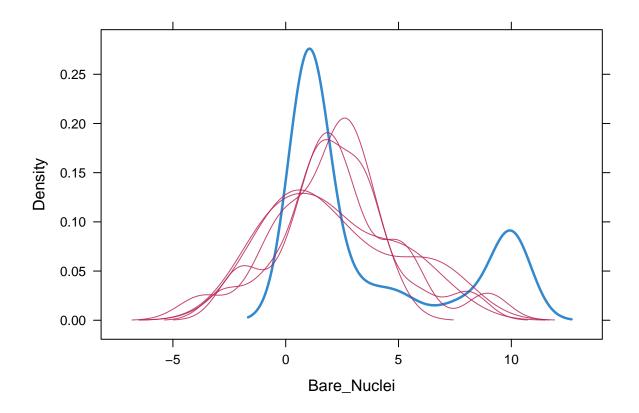
3. Use regression with perturbation to impute values for the missing data. (with mice)

```
# impute data with mice using 5 imputations and regression with perturb
imp_lm_p <- mice(data
    , m = 5
    , method = 'norm.nob')</pre>
```

```
##
##
    iter imp variable
            Bare_Nuclei
##
##
     1
         2
            Bare_Nuclei
            Bare_Nuclei
##
         3
     1
         4
            Bare_Nuclei
##
     1
##
            Bare_Nuclei
     1
     2
            Bare_Nuclei
##
         1
     2
##
            Bare_Nuclei
##
     2
         3
            Bare_Nuclei
     2
            Bare_Nuclei
##
            Bare_Nuclei
##
     2
         5
##
     3
         1
            Bare_Nuclei
##
     3
         2 Bare_Nuclei
##
     3
         3 Bare_Nuclei
     3
            Bare_Nuclei
##
```

```
5 Bare_Nuclei
##
##
    4
      1 Bare_Nuclei
      2 Bare_Nuclei
##
      3 Bare_Nuclei
##
      4 Bare_Nuclei
##
##
   4
      5 Bare Nuclei
    5
      1 Bare Nuclei
      2 Bare_Nuclei
    5
##
##
    5
      3 Bare_Nuclei
##
    5
      4 Bare_Nuclei
##
       5 Bare_Nuclei
# export imputed data
data_imp_lm_p <- complete(imp_lm_p)</pre>
\#data_imp_lm_p
# train the data
# inspect regression model with imputed data
summary(fit_lm_p)
## # A tibble: 50 x 6
##
    term
                        estimate std.error statistic p.value nobs
##
     <chr>
                          <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <int>
## 1 (Intercept)
                       -0.248 0.0164 -15.1 6.07e-45
                                                         698
## 2 Clump_Thickness
                       0.0321 0.00358 8.96 3.08e-18 698
## 3 Cell_Size
                        0.0222 0.00640
                                          3.47 5.54e- 4
                                                         698
## 4 Cell_Shape
                        0.0159
                                0.00625
                                         2.54 1.15e- 2
                                                         698
## 5 Marginal_Adhesion
                        0.00631 0.00399 1.58 1.14e- 1
                                                         698
## 6 Single_Epith_Cell_Size 0.00838 0.00524
                                          1.60 1.10e- 1
                                                         698
## 7 Bare_Nuclei
                        0.0465
                                0.00322
                                        14.5
                                                1.43e-41
                                                         698
                        0.0202
                                 0.00507
## 8 Bland_Chromatin
                                          4.00 7.10e- 5
                                                         698
## 9 Normal_Nucleoli
                        0.0169
                                 0.00372
                                           4.54 6.55e- 6
                                                         698
## 10 Mitoses
                        0.00297
                                 0.00500
                                           0.594 5.53e- 1
                                                         698
## # ... with 40 more rows
# visual representation
```

densityplot(imp_lm_p)



In this iteration, we can see the multiple imputations with different perturbations that shifted the distribution of the Bare_Nuclei variable.

4. Dataset that remains after missing values are removed

Coefficients:

##

```
data_nona <- na.omit(data)</pre>
# train
fit_ <- with(data_nona, lm(Class ~ Clump_Thickness+Cell_Size+Cell_Shape+Marginal_Adhesion+Single_Epith_
# inspect model
summary(fit_)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Class ~ Clump_Thickness + Cell_Size + Cell_Shape +
       Marginal_Adhesion + Single_Epith_Cell_Size + Bare_Nuclei +
##
       Bland_Chromatin + Normal_Nucleoli + Mitoses)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
                  1Q
                       Median
                                     3Q
   -0.83997 -0.08295 -0.01225
                               0.05679
##
```

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

```
## (Intercept)
                         -0.2476295  0.0164330  -15.069  < 2e-16 ***
## Clump_Thickness
                          0.0317829 0.0035685 8.907 < 2e-16 ***
## Cell Size
                          0.0218135 0.0063766
                                                 3.421 0.000662 ***
## Cell_Shape
                          0.0155989 0.0062402
                                                2.500 0.012666 *
## Marginal_Adhesion
                          0.0082314 0.0039947
                                                2.061 0.039728 *
## Single_Epith_Cell_Size 0.0100750 0.0052405
                                                1.923 0.054959 .
## Bare Nuclei
                          0.0453514 0.0032233 14.070 < 2e-16 ***
## Bland_Chromatin
                          0.0192476 0.0050488
                                                 3.812 0.000150 ***
## Normal_Nucleoli
                          0.0185094 0.0037221
                                                 4.973 8.39e-07 ***
## Mitoses
                          0.0009794 0.0049697
                                                0.197 0.843824
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.1903 on 672 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8433, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8412
## F-statistic: 401.7 on 9 and 672 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

5. Dataset when a binary variable is introduced to indicate missing values

create new dummy variable

```
data_new <- mutate(data, Missing = ifelse(is.na(Bare_Nuclei), 1,0))</pre>
# train
fit_. <- with(data_new, lm(Class ~ Clump_Thickness+Cell_Size+Cell_Shape+Marginal_Adhesion+Single_Epith_
# inspect model
summary(fit_.)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Class ~ Clump_Thickness + Cell_Size + Cell_Shape +
##
       Marginal_Adhesion + Single_Epith_Cell_Size + Bare_Nuclei +
##
       Bland_Chromatin + Normal_Nucleoli + Mitoses)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                    3Q
                                            Max
## -0.83997 -0.08295 -0.01225 0.05679 0.76358
##
## Coefficients:
                            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept)
                          -0.2476295  0.0164330  -15.069  < 2e-16 ***
## Clump_Thickness
                           0.0317829 0.0035685
                                                8.907 < 2e-16 ***
## Cell_Size
                           0.0218135 0.0063766
                                                  3.421 0.000662 ***
## Cell_Shape
                                                  2.500 0.012666 *
                           0.0155989 0.0062402
## Marginal_Adhesion
                           0.0082314 0.0039947
                                                  2.061 0.039728 *
## Single_Epith_Cell_Size 0.0100750 0.0052405
                                                  1.923 0.054959 .
## Bare_Nuclei
                           0.0453514  0.0032233  14.070  < 2e-16 ***
## Bland_Chromatin
                           0.0192476 0.0050488
                                                  3.812 0.000150 ***
                                                  4.973 8.39e-07 ***
## Normal_Nucleoli
                           0.0185094 0.0037221
## Mitoses
                                                  0.197 0.843824
                           0.0009794 0.0049697
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
```

```
## Residual standard error: 0.1903 on 672 degrees of freedom
## (16 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8433, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8412
## F-statistic: 401.7 on 9 and 672 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

6. Compare the results and quality of classification models (e.g., SVM, KNN) build

First, we prep the datasets.

```
data_imp_mean$Class <- as.factor(data_imp_mean$Class)</pre>
data_imp_lm$Class <- as.factor(data_imp_lm$Class)</pre>
data_imp_lm_p$Class <- as.factor(data_imp_lm_p$Class)</pre>
data_nona$Class <- as.factor(data_nona$Class)</pre>
data_new$Class <- as.factor(data_new$Class)</pre>
# split each dataset so that we use 70% of it for training
## 1 - data with mean imputation
one.index <- createDataPartition(y=data imp mean$Class, p=0.7, list=FALSE)
## 2 - data with reg imputation
two.index <- createDataPartition(y=data_imp_lm$Class, p=0.7, list=FALSE)</pre>
## 3 - data with reg with perturb imputation
three.index <- createDataPartition(y=data_imp_lm_p$Class, p=0.7, list=FALSE)
## 4 - data with nas removed
four.index <- createDataPartition(y=data_nona$Class, p=0.7, list=FALSE)</pre>
## 5 - data with additional variable
five.index <- createDataPartition(y=data_new$Class, p=0.7, list=FALSE)
# split the data
mean.train <- data_imp_mean[one.index, ]</pre>
mean.test <- data_imp_mean[-one.index, ]</pre>
reg.train <- data_imp_lm[two.index, ]</pre>
reg.test <- data imp lm[-two.index, ]
regper.train <- data_imp_lm_p[three.index, ]</pre>
regper.test <- data_imp_lm_p[-three.index, ]</pre>
nona.train <- data_nona[four.index, ]</pre>
nona.test <- data_nona[-four.index, ]</pre>
new.train <- data_new[five.index, ]</pre>
new.test <- data_new[-five.index, ]</pre>
```

Now we assess each model with Random Forest CV.

Model 1 - Mean Imputation

```
set.seed(123)
# define repeated cross validation with 5 folds and three repeats
repeat_cv <- trainControl(method='repeatedcv', number=5,repeats=3)</pre>
```

```
# train a random forest model
forest1 <- train(</pre>
        Class ~ .,
        data=mean.train,
        method='rf',
        trControl=repeat_cv,
        preProcess = c("center", "scale"),
        metric='Accuracy')
# print details about the model
forest1$finalModel
##
## Call:
## randomForest(x = x, y = y, mtry = param$mtry)
                  Type of random forest: classification
##
                        Number of trees: 500
## No. of variables tried at each split: 2
##
           OOB estimate of error rate: 3.07%
## Confusion matrix:
      0 1 class.error
## 0 311 9 0.02812500
## 1 6 163 0.03550296
# predict
y_hats <- predict(</pre>
        object=forest1,
        newdata=mean.test[, -10])
## print the accuracy
accuracy1 <- mean(y_hats == mean.test$Class)*100</pre>
cat('Accuracy on model with mean Imputation: ', round(accuracy1, 2), '%', sep='')
## Accuracy on model with mean Imputation: 97.13%
Model 2 - Reg. Imputation
set.seed(123)
# define repeated cross validation with 5 folds and three repeats
repeat_cv <- trainControl(method='repeatedcv', number=5,repeats=3)</pre>
# train a random forest model
forest2 <- train(</pre>
        Class ~ .,
        data=reg.train,
        method='rf',
        trControl=repeat_cv,
        preProcess = c("center", "scale"),
        metric='Accuracy')
```

```
# print details about the model
forest2$finalModel
##
## Call:
  randomForest(x = x, y = y, mtry = param$mtry)
                  Type of random forest: classification
                        Number of trees: 500
##
## No. of variables tried at each split: 9
##
           OOB estimate of error rate: 2.66%
## Confusion matrix:
      0 1 class.error
## 0 312 8 0.0250000
## 1 5 164 0.0295858
# predict
y_hats <- predict(</pre>
        object=forest2,
        newdata=reg.test[, -10])
## print the accuracy
accuracy2 <- mean(y_hats == reg.test$Class)*100</pre>
Model 3 - Reg. with Perturbation Imputation
set.seed(123)
# define repeated cross validation with 5 folds and three repeats
repeat_cv <- trainControl(method='repeatedcv', number=5,repeats=3)</pre>
# train a random forest model
forest3 <- train(</pre>
        Class ~ .,
        data=regper.train,
        method='rf',
        trControl=repeat_cv,
        preProcess = c("center", "scale"),
        metric='Accuracy')
# print details about the model
forest3$finalModel
##
## randomForest(x = x, y = y, mtry = param$mtry)
                  Type of random forest: classification
##
                        Number of trees: 500
##
## No. of variables tried at each split: 2
##
##
           OOB estimate of error rate: 2.86%
```

Confusion matrix:

```
## 0 1 class.error
## 0 311 9 0.0281250
## 1 5 164 0.0295858
# predict
y_hats <- predict(</pre>
        object=forest3,
        newdata=regper.test[, -10])
## print the accuracy
accuracy3 <- mean(y_hats == regper.test$Class)*100</pre>
Model 4 - Removed missing data model
set.seed(123)
# define repeated cross validation with 5 folds and three repeats
repeat_cv <- trainControl(method='repeatedcv', number=5,repeats=3)</pre>
# train a random forest model
forest4 <- train(</pre>
        Class ~ .,
        data=nona.train,
        method='rf',
        trControl=repeat_cv,
        preProcess = c("center", "scale"),
        metric='Accuracy')
# print details about the model
forest4$finalModel
##
## Call:
## randomForest(x = x, y = y, mtry = param$mtry)
##
                  Type of random forest: classification
##
                        Number of trees: 500
## No. of variables tried at each split: 2
##
##
           OOB estimate of error rate: 2.71%
## Confusion matrix:
          1 class.error
       0
## 0 303 8 0.02572347
     5 163 0.02976190
## 1
# predict
y_hats <- predict(</pre>
        object=forest4,
        newdata=nona.test[, -10])
## print the accuracy
accuracy4 <- mean(y_hats == nona.test$Class)*100</pre>
```

Model 5 - Added variable for missing data Unavailable because this model can't handle missing data unfortunately.

So, how do the other models fare?

```
cat('Accuracy on model 1 data: ', round(accuracy1, 2), '%', sep='', '\n')

## Accuracy on model 1 data: 97.13%

cat('Accuracy on model 2 data: ', round(accuracy2, 2), '%', sep='', '\n')

## Accuracy on model 2 data: 95.22%

cat('Accuracy on model 3 data: ', round(accuracy3, 2), '%', sep='', '\n')

## Accuracy on model 3 data: 96.65%

cat('Accuracy on model 4 data: ', round(accuracy4, 2), '%', sep='', '\n')

## Accuracy on model 4 data: 97.54%
```

We can see that model 2, utilising just regression as imputation performed relatively poorer than the other models. However, the accuracy on all 4 models are suspiciously high.

Qn 15.1

Describe a situation or problem from your job, everyday life, current events, etc., for which optimization would be appropriate. What data would you need?

I used to play Roller coaster Tycoon obsessively. Optimization would be apt for deciding on how many food stands, toilets, concession stands, and rides I should place to optimise the level of happiness of the park visitors. Data I would possibly need in this situation:

- · Hourly amenities usage data
- Weather data
- Hourly ride data
- Calendar data (holidays, semester holidays etc)
- · Pricing data