Methods II: Homework 1

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1. First consider transforming covariates and the outcome.

a. Is categorization necessary for BMI?

```
polymod <- lm(sodium ~ bmi + I(bmi^2) + I(bmi^3) + I(bmi^4),data = hyponat)</pre>
anova(polymod)
## Analysis of Variance Table
## Response: sodium
             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
##
                                        Pr(>F)
## bmi
                  3.5
                         3.53 0.1542
             1
                                        0.6948
## I(bmi^2)
            1 362.2 362.23 15.8012 8.482e-05 ***
           1
## I(bmi^3)
                0.1
                        0.07 0.0029
                                        0.9568
## I(bmi^4) 1 19.5
                        19.48 0.8497
                                        0.3573
## Residuals 365 8367.2
                        22.92
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
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