# PCB data validation (before 2004 and after 2004)

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#### 1 Motivation

To get a better model performance evaluation of the proposed method, we need make sure that the sample size n is greater than the combined covaraites (main and interaction) p. Therefore, we want to add more observations to our simuation dataset. But the format of the PCB data has changed a little after 2004 in the nhanes database. So we need to run some basic data validation steps to make sure that we can combine those data from different years together.

### 2 Comparison of the 2000 and 2005 PCB data

#### 2.1 sample size

PCB\_2000 1000 PCB\_2005 247

## 2.2 box-plot comparison for each covairates







