Week 5: Bayesian linear regression and introduction to Stan

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Introduction

Today we will be starting off using Stan, looking at the kid's test score data set (available in resources for the Gelman Hill textbook).

```
library(tidyverse)
library(rstan)
library(tidybayes)
library(here)
```

The data look like this:

```
kidiq <- read_rds(here("data","kidiq.RDS"))
kidiq</pre>
```

```
# A tibble: 434 x 4
```

```
kid_score mom_hs mom_iq mom_age
            <dbl> <dbl>
      <int>
                            <int>
1
         65
                 1 121.
                               27
2
         98
                   89.4
                               25
3
         85
                 1 115.
                               27
4
         83
                 1 99.4
                               25
5
                 1
                   92.7
                               27
        115
6
         98
                 0 108.
                               18
7
                 1 139.
                               20
         69
                               23
8
        106
                 1 125.
9
        102
                     81.6
                               24
```

```
10 95 1 95.1 19 # ... with 424 more rows
```

As well as the kid's test scores, we have a binary variable indicating whether or not the mother completed high school, the mother's IQ and age.

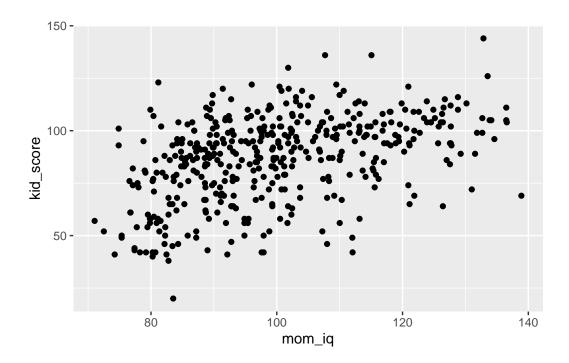
Descriptives

Question 1

Use plots or tables to show three interesting observations about the data. Remember:

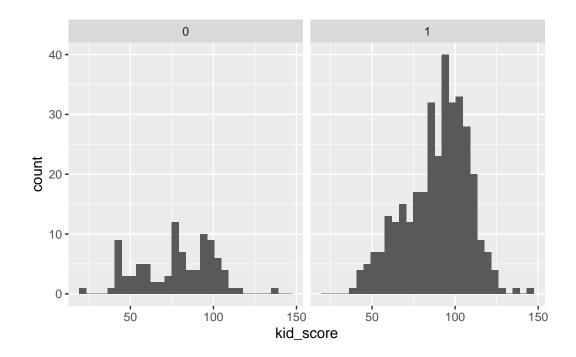
- Explain what your graph/ tables show
- Choose a graph type that's appropriate to the data type

```
ggplot(data=kidiq)+
  geom_point(aes(x=mom_iq, y=kid_score))
```

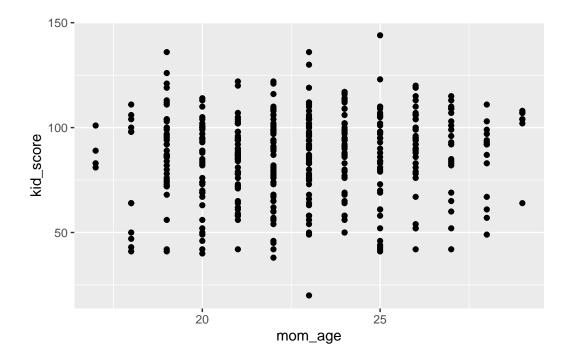


```
ggplot(data=kidiq)+
  geom_histogram(aes(kid_score))+
```

facet_grid(~mom_hs)



ggplot(data=kidiq)+
 geom_point(aes(x=mom_age, y=kid_score))



- 1. Since both kid_score and mom_iq are numerical, I first plot a scatter plot of kid's IQ score vs mom's IQ score, and found that kid's IQ score increases as mom's IQ score increases.
- 2. Since mom_hs is binary and kid_score is numerical, I then plot histograms of kid's IQ by mom's high school status, and found that for mother with a high school degree, the kid's IQ has larger density on higher IQ scores than for mother without a high school degree.
- 3. Since both kid_score and mom_age are numerical, I also plot a scatter plot of kid's IQ score vs mom's age, and found that there is no clear pattern between kid's IQ and mom's age.

Estimating mean, no covariates

In class we were trying to estimate the mean and standard deviation of the kid's test scores. The kids2.stan file contains a Stan model to do this. If you look at it, you will notice the first data chunk lists some inputs that we have to define: the outcome variable y, number of observations N, and the mean and standard deviation of the prior on mu. Let's define all these values in a data list.

```
y <- kidiq$kid_score
  mu0 <- 80
  sigma0 <- 10
  # named list to input for stan function
  data \leftarrow list(y = y,
                N = length(y),
                mu0 = mu0,
                sigma0 = sigma0)
Now we can run the model:
  fit <- stan(file = here("code/models/kids2.stan"),</pre>
               data = data,
               chains = 3,
               iter = 500,
               seed = 1)
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids2' NOW (CHAIN 1).
Chain 1:
Chain 1: Gradient evaluation took 2.3e-05 seconds
Chain 1: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.23 seconds.
Chain 1: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 1:
                        0.004702 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 1:
                        0.014937 seconds (Total)
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Chain 1:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids2' NOW (CHAIN 2).
Chain 2:
Chain 2: Gradient evaluation took 6e-06 seconds
Chain 2: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.06 seconds.
Chain 2: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 2: Elapsed Time: 0.007225 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 2:
                        0.005338 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 2:
                        0.012563 seconds (Total)
Chain 2:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids2' NOW (CHAIN 3).
Chain 3:
Chain 3: Gradient evaluation took 5e-06 seconds
Chain 3: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.05 seconds.
Chain 3: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 3: Elapsed Time: 0.007237 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 3: 0.005078 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 3: 0.012315 seconds (Total)
Chain 3:
```

Look at the summary

fit

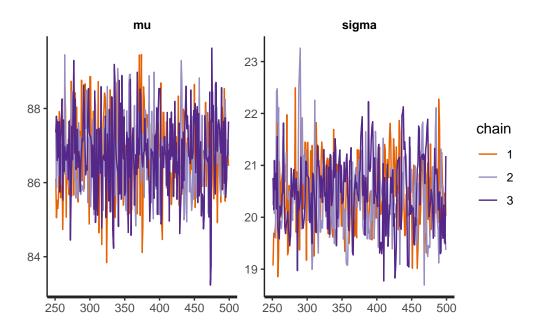
Inference for Stan model: kids2.
3 chains, each with iter=500; warmup=250; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=250, total post-warmup draws=750.

```
2.5%
                                             25%
                                                      50%
                                                                       97.5% n_eff
          mean se_mean
                          sd
                                                               75%
         86.79
                   0.04 1.04
                                 84.81
                                          86.07
                                                    86.80
                                                             87.48
                                                                       88.77
                                                                               743
mu
sigma
         20.45
                   0.04 0.69
                                 19.17
                                          19.97
                                                    20.44
                                                              20.92
                                                                       21.87
                                                                               315
      -1525.83
                   0.06 1.07 -1528.49 -1526.26 -1525.51 -1525.05 -1524.78
                                                                               369
lp__
      Rhat
      1.00
mu
sigma 1.00
lp__ 1.02
```

Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Fri Feb 10 17:33:58 2023. For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size, and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at convergence, Rhat=1).

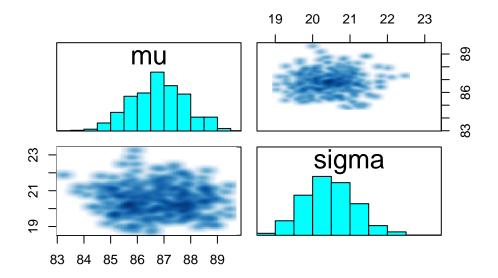
Traceplot

traceplot(fit)

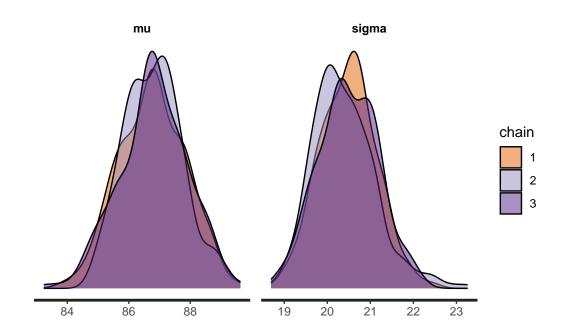


All looks fine.

```
pairs(fit, pars = c("mu", "sigma"))
```



stan_dens(fit, separate_chains = TRUE)



Understanding output

What does the model actually give us? A number of samples from the posteriors. To see this, we can use extract to get the samples.

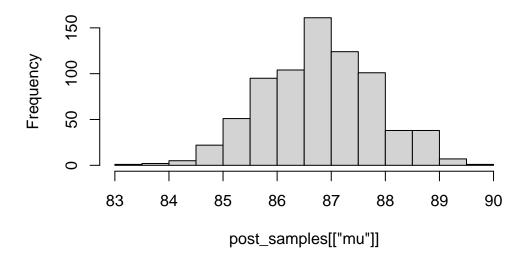
```
post_samples <- extract(fit)
head(post_samples[["mu"]])</pre>
```

[1] 87.22475 85.97871 84.32921 86.63914 85.73383 85.39028

This is a list, and in this case, each element of the list has 4000 samples. E.g. quickly plot a histogram of mu

```
hist(post_samples[["mu"]])
```

Histogram of post_samples[["mu"]]



```
median(post_samples[["mu"]])
```

[1] 86.79872

```
# 95% bayesian credible interval
quantile(post_samples[["mu"]], 0.025)

2.5%
84.81158

quantile(post_samples[["mu"]], 0.975)

97.5%
88.76504
```

Plot estimates

There are a bunch of packages, built-in functions that let you plot the estimates from the model, and I encourage you to explore these options (particularly in bayesplot, which we will most likely be using later on). I like using the tidybayes package, which allows us to easily get the posterior samples in a tidy format (e.g. using gather draws to get in long format). Once we have that, it's easy to just pipe and do ggplots as usual.

Get the posterior samples for mu and sigma in long format:

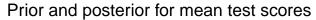
```
dsamples <- fit |>
    gather_draws(mu, sigma) # gather = long format
  dsamples
# A tibble: 1,500 x 5
# Groups:
             .variable [2]
   .chain .iteration .draw .variable .value
    <int>
                <int> <int> <chr>
                                         <dbl>
 1
        1
                    1
                           1 mu
                                          86.1
2
        1
                    2
                           2 mu
                                          85.1
3
        1
                    3
                           3 mu
                                          85.5
                    4
                           4 mu
 4
        1
                                          85.3
                    5
5
        1
                           5 mu
                                          85.7
6
        1
                    6
                           6 mu
                                          87.9
7
        1
                    7
                           7 mu
                                          87.7
8
                    8
        1
                           8 mu
                                          85.6
9
        1
                    9
                           9 mu
                                          86.0
10
        1
                   10
                                          86.2
                          10 mu
```

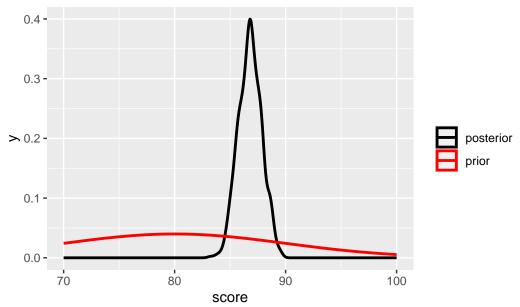
... with 1,490 more rows

```
# wide format
  fit |> spread_draws(mu, sigma)
# A tibble: 750 x 5
   .chain .iteration .draw
                             mu sigma
              <int> <int> <dbl> <dbl>
1
       1
                  1
                        1 86.1 19.1
2
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                        2 85.1 19.7
       1
3
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                  3
                        3 85.5 19.6
4
                  4
                        4 85.3 19.8
       1
5
                  5
                        5 85.7 19.9
       1
6
                  6
                        6 87.9 21.4
       1
7
                  7
       1
                        7 87.7 22.1
8
       1
                  8
                        8
                           85.6 18.9
9
                  9
                        9 86.0 19.3
       1
10
       1
                 10
                       10 86.2 21.1
# ... with 740 more rows
  # quickly calculate the quantiles using
  dsamples |>
    median_qi(.width = 0.8)
# A tibble: 2 x 7
  .variable .value .lower .upper .width .point .interval
                  <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
            <dbl>
                                   0.8 median qi
1 mu
             86.8
                    85.5
                           88.1
2 sigma
             20.4
                    19.6
                           21.3
                                   0.8 median qi
```

Let's plot the density of the posterior samples for mu and add in the prior distribution

```
ggtitle("Prior and posterior for mean test scores") +
xlab("score")
```





Question 2

Change the prior to be much more informative (by changing the standard deviation to be 0.1). Rerun the model. Do the estimates change? Plot the prior and posterior densities.

```
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids2' NOW (CHAIN 1).
Chain 1:
Chain 1: Gradient evaluation took 9e-06 seconds
Chain 1: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.09 seconds.
Chain 1: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
Chain 1:
Chain 1:
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Chain 1: Iteration:
                                       (Warmup)
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Chain 1:
Chain 1: Elapsed Time: 0.006682 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 1:
                        0.005402 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 1:
                        0.012084 seconds (Total)
Chain 1:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids2' NOW (CHAIN 2).
Chain 2:
Chain 2: Gradient evaluation took 7e-06 seconds
Chain 2: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.07 seconds.
Chain 2: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 2: Iteration: 500 / 500 [100%]
                                       (Sampling)
Chain 2:
Chain 2:
          Elapsed Time: 0.005978 seconds (Warm-up)
Chain 2:
                         0.004807 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 2:
                         0.010785 seconds (Total)
Chain 2:
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids2' NOW (CHAIN 3).
Chain 3:
Chain 3: Gradient evaluation took 5e-06 seconds
Chain 3: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.05 seconds.
Chain 3: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 3:
          Elapsed Time: 0.00605 seconds (Warm-up)
                         0.005188 seconds (Sampling)
Chain 3:
Chain 3:
                         0.011238 seconds (Total)
Chain 3:
  fit
Inference for Stan model: kids2.
3 chains, each with iter=500; warmup=250; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=250, total post-warmup draws=750.
                          sd
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                                                     50%
                                                              75%
          mean se_mean
                                                                     97.5% n_eff
         80.06
                  0.00 0.10
                                79.86
                                         80.00
                                                   80.07
                                                                     80.25
mu
                                                            80.12
                                                                              669
```

20.90

0.05 1.03 -1551.09 -1548.67 -1548.04 -1547.67 -1547.40

21.40

21.90

22.90

618

352

20.09

21.42

lp__ -1548.35

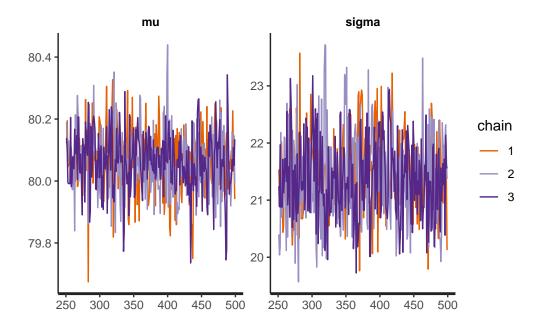
sigma

0.03 0.72

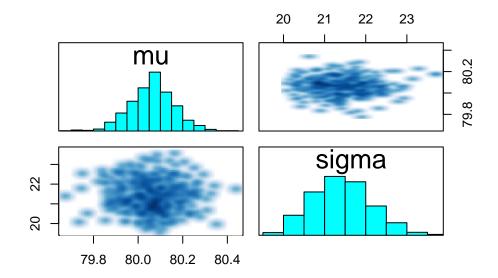
Rhat mu 1 sigma 1 lp__ 1

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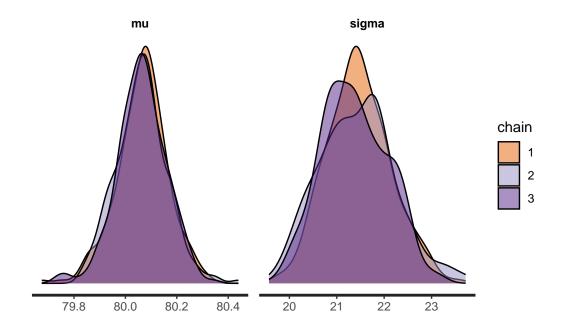
traceplot(fit)



pairs(fit, pars = c("mu", "sigma"))



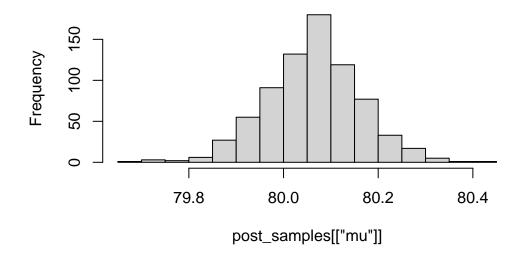
stan_dens(fit, separate_chains = TRUE)



```
post_samples <- extract(fit)
head(post_samples[["mu"]])

[1] 80.10919 80.12381 80.12142 80.06299 80.03194 79.99977
hist(post_samples[["mu"]])</pre>
```

Histogram of post_samples[["mu"]]



```
median(post_samples[["mu"]])

[1] 80.06706

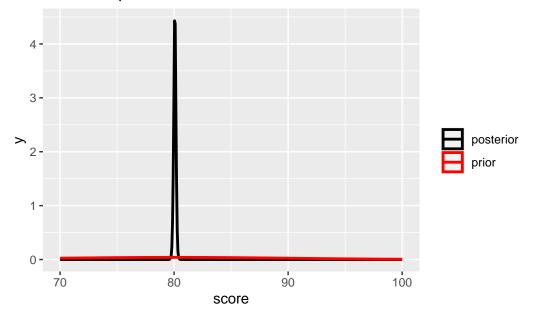
# 95% bayesian credible interval
quantile(post_samples[["mu"]], 0.025)

2.5%
79.86062
```

```
quantile(post_samples[["mu"]], 0.975)
  97.5%
80.25431
  dsamples <- fit |>
    gather_draws(mu, sigma) # gather = long format
  dsamples
# A tibble: 1,500 x 5
# Groups:
            .variable [2]
   .chain .iteration .draw .variable .value
    <int>
               <int> <int> <chr>
                                       <dbl>
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                        10 mu
                                        80.1
# ... with 1,490 more rows
  # wide format
  fit |> spread_draws(mu, sigma)
# A tibble: 750 x 5
   .chain .iteration .draw
                              mu sigma
    <int>
               <int> <int> <dbl> <dbl>
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6
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                         6 80.1 21.3
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7
                   7
                         7
                            80.1 20.4
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8
        1
                   8
                         8 80.1 20.5
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9
                  9
                        9 80.0 21.4
10
       1
                 10
                       10 80.1 21.7
# ... with 740 more rows
  # quickly calculate the quantiles using
  dsamples |>
    median_qi(.width = 0.8)
# A tibble: 2 x 7
  .variable .value .lower .upper .width .point .interval
            <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>
 <chr>
             80.1
                                   0.8 median qi
1 mu
                    79.9
                           80.2
2 sigma
             21.4
                    20.5
                           22.4
                                   0.8 median qi
  dsamples |>
    filter(.variable == "mu") |>
    ggplot(aes(.value, color = "posterior")) + geom_density(size = 1) +
    xlim(c(70, 100)) +
    stat_function(fun = dnorm,
          args = list(mean = mu0,
                      sd = sigma0),
          aes(colour = 'prior'), size = 1) +
    scale_color_manual(name = "", values = c("prior" = "red", "posterior" = "black")) +
    ggtitle("Prior and posterior for mean test scores") +
    xlab("score")
```

Prior and posterior for mean test scores



The estimates changed. Previously, the median of mu is 86.80 and median of sigma is 20.44, but now the median of mu is 80.07 and median of sigma is 21.40.

Adding covariates

Now let's see how kid's test scores are related to mother's education. We want to run the simple linear regression

$$Score = \alpha + \beta X$$

where X = 1 if the mother finished high school and zero otherwise.

kid3.stan has the stan model to do this. Notice now we have some inputs related to the design matrix X and the number of covariates (in this case, it's just 1).

Let's get the data we need and run the model.

```
iter = 1000,
              seed = 1)
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids3' NOW (CHAIN 1).
Chain 1:
Chain 1: Gradient evaluation took 5.5e-05 seconds
Chain 1: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.55 seconds.
Chain 1: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 1:
Chain 1: Iteration:
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Chain 1: Iteration: 200 / 1000 [ 20%]
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Chain 1: Iteration: 400 / 1000 [ 40%]
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SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids3' NOW (CHAIN 4).
Chain 4:
Chain 4: Gradient evaluation took 2.2e-05 seconds
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Question 3

a) Confirm that the estimates of the intercept and slope are comparable to results from lm()

fit2

Inference for Stan model: kids3.
4 chains, each with iter=1000; warmup=500; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=500, total post-warmup draws=2000.

```
75%
                             sd
                                    2.5%
                                               25%
                                                         50%
                                                                          97.5%
            mean se_mean
alpha
           78.00
                     0.07 1.94
                                   74.12
                                             76.74
                                                       78.06
                                                                79.33
                                                                          81.67
beta[1]
           11.18
                     0.08 2.19
                                    7.00
                                              9.66
                                                       11.17
                                                                12.60
                                                                          15.56
                     0.02 0.66
                                   18.59
                                             19.39
                                                       19.81
                                                                20.25
                                                                          21.23
sigma
           19.83
                     0.04 1.21 -1517.35 -1514.93 -1514.03 -1513.44 -1512.98
        -1514.33
lp__
        n_eff Rhat
alpha
          804 1.01
beta[1]
          846 1.01
         1042 1.00
sigma
```

```
lp__ 758 1.00
```

Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Fri Feb 10 17:34:24 2023. For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size, and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at convergence, Rhat=1).

```
model<-lm(kid_score~as.factor(mom_hs), data=kidiq)
summary(model)</pre>
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = kid_score ~ as.factor(mom_hs), data = kidiq)
```

Residuals:

```
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -57.55 -13.32 2.68 14.68 58.45
```

Coefficients:

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

(Intercept) 77.548 2.059 37.670 < 2e-16 ***
as.factor(mom_hs)1 11.771 2.322 5.069 5.96e-07 ***
---

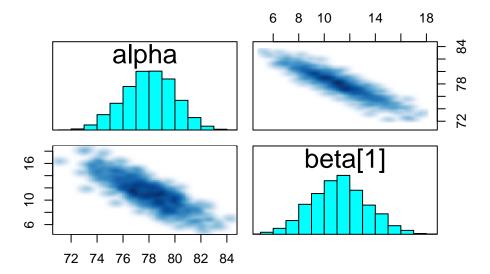
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Residual standard error: 19.85 on 432 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.05613, Adjusted R-squared: 0.05394 F-statistic: 25.69 on 1 and 432 DF, p-value: 5.957e-07

We see that the stan estimates alpha and beta are very similar to the intercept and slope from the lm model.

b) Do a pairs plot to investigate the joint sample distributions of the slope and intercept. Comment briefly on what you see. Is this potentially a problem?

```
pairs(fit2, pars = c("alpha", "beta[1]"))
```

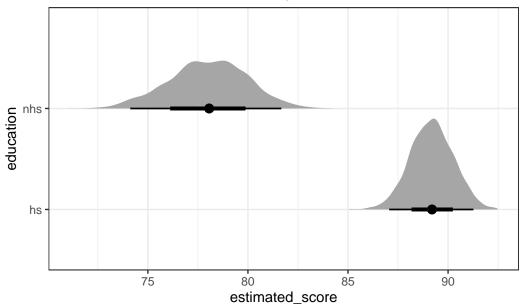


We see that if we sample high values of alpha, we are likely to sample low values of beta (which is expected when we fit a straight line on the data). This is a potential problem because we will get narrower results when sampling these parameters, which makes the sampling process inefficient.

Plotting results

It might be nice to plot the posterior samples of the estimates for the non-high-school and high-school mothered kids. Here's some code that does this: notice the beta[condition] syntax. Also notice I'm using spread_draws, because it's easier to calculate the estimated effects in wide format





Question 4

Add in mother's IQ as a covariate and rerun the model. Please mean center the covariate before putting it into the model. Interpret the coefficient on the (centered) mum's IQ.

```
SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids3' NOW (CHAIN 1).
Chain 1:
Chain 1: Gradient evaluation took 2.9e-05 seconds
```

```
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SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids3' NOW (CHAIN 2).
Chain 2:
Chain 2: Gradient evaluation took 2.5e-05 seconds
Chain 2: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.25 seconds.
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SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids3' NOW (CHAIN 3).
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Chain 3: Gradient evaluation took 2.4e-05 seconds
Chain 3: 1000 transitions using 10 leapfrog steps per transition would take 0.24 seconds.
Chain 3: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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SAMPLING FOR MODEL 'kids3' NOW (CHAIN 4).
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Chain 4: Gradient evaluation took 2.4e-05 seconds
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Chain 4: Adjust your expectations accordingly!
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Chain 4:
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Chain 4:
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fit3

Inference for Stan model: kids3.
4 chains, each with iter=1000; warmup=500; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=500, total post-warmup draws=2000.

	mean se	_mean	sd	2.5%	25%	50%	75%	97.5%
alpha	82.33	0.06	1.89	78.71	81.05	82.37	83.61	86.13
beta[1]	5.67	0.07	2.13	1.48	4.23	5.70	7.12	9.80
beta[2]	0.56	0.00	0.06	0.45	0.53	0.57	0.60	0.68
sigma	18.14	0.02	0.60	17.00	17.73	18.11	18.55	19.35
lp	-1474.44	0.05	1.42	-1477.94	-1475.13	-1474.08	-1473.40	-1472.67
	n_eff Rhat							
alpha	970 1.00							
beta[1]	937 1.00							
beta[2]	1280 1.00							
sigma	1447 1.00							
lp	984 1.01							

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Interpret the coefficient on the (centered) mum's IQ: For every one unit increase in centered mom's IQ, the expected kid's test score increases 0.56, holding all other variables (mom's high school degree status) constant.

Question 5

Confirm the results from Stan agree with lm()

```
kidiq<-kidiq|>
    mutate(mom_iq_center=mom_iq-mean(mom_iq))
  summary(lm(kid_score~as.factor(mom_hs)+mom_iq_center,data=kidiq))
Call:
lm(formula = kid_score ~ as.factor(mom_hs) + mom_iq_center, data = kidiq)
Residuals:
   Min
            1Q Median
                            ЗQ
                                   Max
-52.873 -12.663 2.404 11.356 49.545
Coefficients:
                  Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                              1.94370 42.250 < 2e-16 ***
                  82.12214
                              2.21181
as.factor(mom_hs)1 5.95012
                                       2.690 0.00742 **
                              0.06057 9.309 < 2e-16 ***
mom_iq_center
                   0.56391
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 18.14 on 431 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.2141, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2105
F-statistic: 58.72 on 2 and 431 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

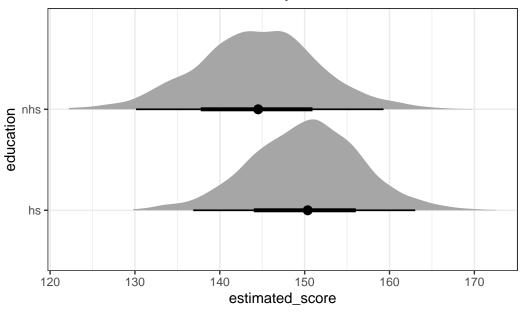
We see that stan's coefficient estimates are similar to the ones from lm model.

Question 6

Plot the posterior estimates of scores by education of mother for mothers who have an IQ of 110.

```
theme_bw() +
ggtitle("Posterior estimates of scores by education level of mother")
```

Posterior estimates of scores by education level of mother



Question 7

Generate and plot (as a histogram) samples from the posterior predictive distribution for a new kid with a mother who graduated high school and has an IQ of 95.

```
post_samples <- extract(fit3)
alpha <- post_samples[["alpha"]]
beta1 <- post_samples[["beta"]][,1]
beta2 <- post_samples[["beta"]][,2]

lin_pred <- alpha + beta1 + beta2*95
hist(lin_pred)</pre>
```

Histogram of lin_pred

