

Sample size calculation based on simulated data for the study: The relationship between eating and concentration

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using Superpower package by Lakens and colleagues

bookdown version of documentation: <https://aaroncaldwell.us/SuperpowerBook/>

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library(Superpower)
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specifying inputs to *ANOVA_design* function

need to find values for design, n, mu, sd, r, labelnames *design*: either tested hungry or satiated and with “hungry_good” or “full_good” manipulation. In a counterbalanced 2x2 between-groups design, no within group levels.

means: specifying the means of each group in a vector. The order matters. Setting the order to 1. hungry / “hungry_good” 2. hungry / “full_good” 3. satiated / “hungry_good” 4. satiated / “full_good” -> do labelnames accordingly

labelnames: syntax: (factor1, factor1_level1, factor1_level2, factor2, factor2_level1, factor2_level2)

standard deviation: for now assuming homogenous variance in all groups -> one value. Otherwise vector according to same ordering as mu vector. Since I am using small values for mu (around 1), the standard deviation should also not be too large. A value around 0.5 seems good.

sample size: fixed for now, later varied to get a power curve. Specified per group - n=20 means 20*4=80 subjects in total

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#design:
# "b" for between, "w" for within, "*" to combine
design="2b*2b"

#labelnames:
labelnames=c("hunger_manipulation", "hugnry", "satiated", "expectation", "hungry_good", "full_good")

# correlations
# zero for between subject designs
r=0

# standard deviation:
sd=0.5
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# sample size:  
n=30
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different theoretical approaches to specifying mu

simply setting mu to arbitrary values

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#means:  
# 2*2= 4 means to be specified  
mu_test=c(1,2,3,4)#to see whether I correctly ordered the labels  
#mu=c(1,-1,-1,1) #if only congruency between conditions had an effect  
mu=c(1,-1,0,2) #if satiated performance is better + congruency  
mu=c(1,0.5,0.8,1.2) #smaller differences for both interventions
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a more informed approach

procedure: 1. define wanted difference, d_hunger, for hunger intervention 2. specify means for each level of the hunger intervention based on d_hunger 3. define difference between the expectations 4. add the expectation difference on top of the hunger difference

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#### specifying mus based on effect size  
#with d= (mu_fed - mu_hungry)/sd  
# (assuming same sd for all)  
  
# fixing the difference between hungry / satiated a prior  
d_hunger=0.3  
  
mu_hungry=1  
#solving for mu_fed:  
mu_full=d_hunger *sd + mu_hungry  
  
# now adding the effect of expectations  
d_expectation=0.15  
  
mu_hungry_hgood=mu_hungry+d_expectation*sd  
mu_hungry_fgood=mu_hungry-d_expectation*sd  
mu_full_hgood=mu_full-d_expectation*sd  
mu_full_fgood=mu_full+d_expectation*sd  
mu=c(mu_hungry_hgood,mu_hungry_fgood,mu_full_hgood,mu_full_fgood)  
print(mu)
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## [1] 1.075 0.925 1.075 1.225
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plotting the assumed values for mu by simulating draws from a normal distribution

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set.seed(345)

N=120 #the required sample size, see below

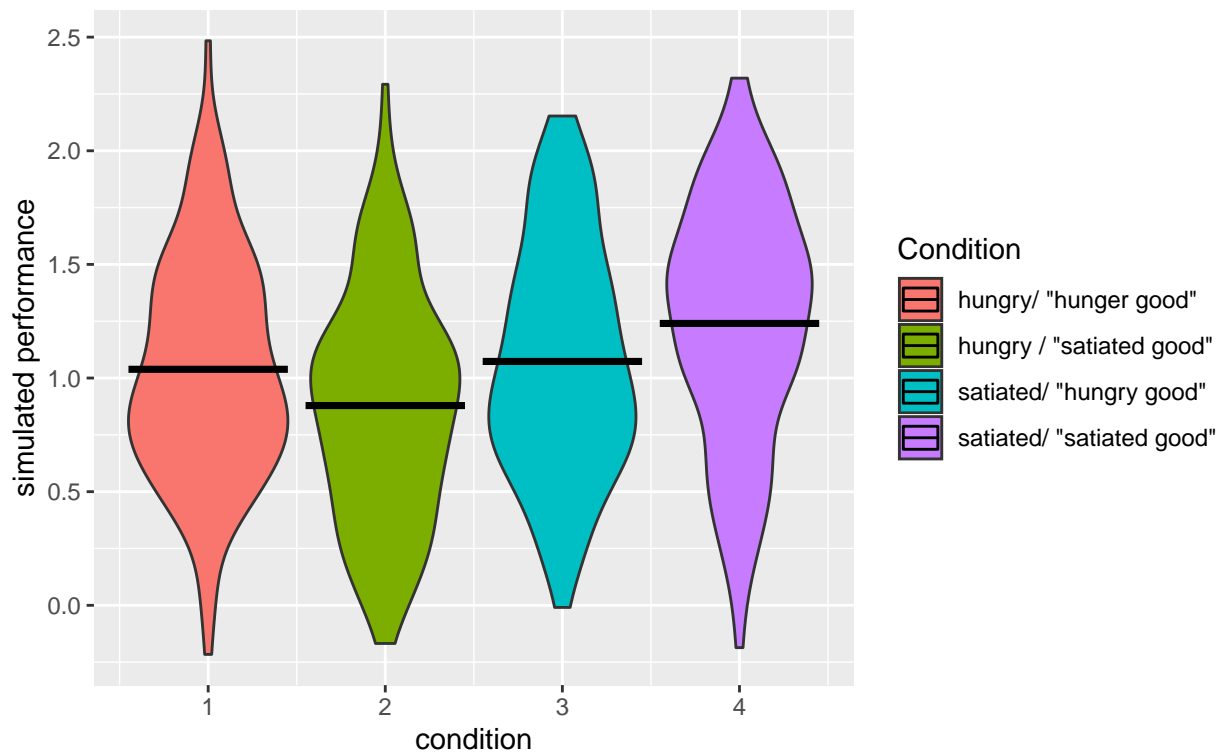
sim_hungry_hgood<-rnorm(N,mean=mu_hungry_hgood,sd=sd)
sim_hungry_fgood<-rnorm(N,mean=mu_hungry_fgood,sd=sd)
sim_full_hgood<-rnorm(N,mean=mu_full_hgood,sd=sd)
sim_full_fgood<-rnorm(N,mean=mu_full_fgood,sd=sd)
condition<-c(rep(1,length.out=N),rep(2,length.out=N),rep(3,length.out=N),rep(4,length.out=N))
condition<-as.factor(condition)
sim_perf<-c(sim_hungry_hgood,sim_hungry_fgood,sim_full_hgood,sim_full_fgood)
#sim_perf<-as.numeric(sim_perf)
DF<-data.frame(cbind(condition,sim_perf))
#View(DF)

library(ggplot2)
ggplot(data=DF, aes(x=condition , y=sim_perf, fill=factor(condition)))+
  geom_violin(scale="area")+
  stat_summary(fun="mean",
              geom="crossbar") +
  labs(x="condition",y="simulated performance",title="Violin plot for simulated performance split by con

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Violin plot for simulated performance split by condition

black bars indicate means

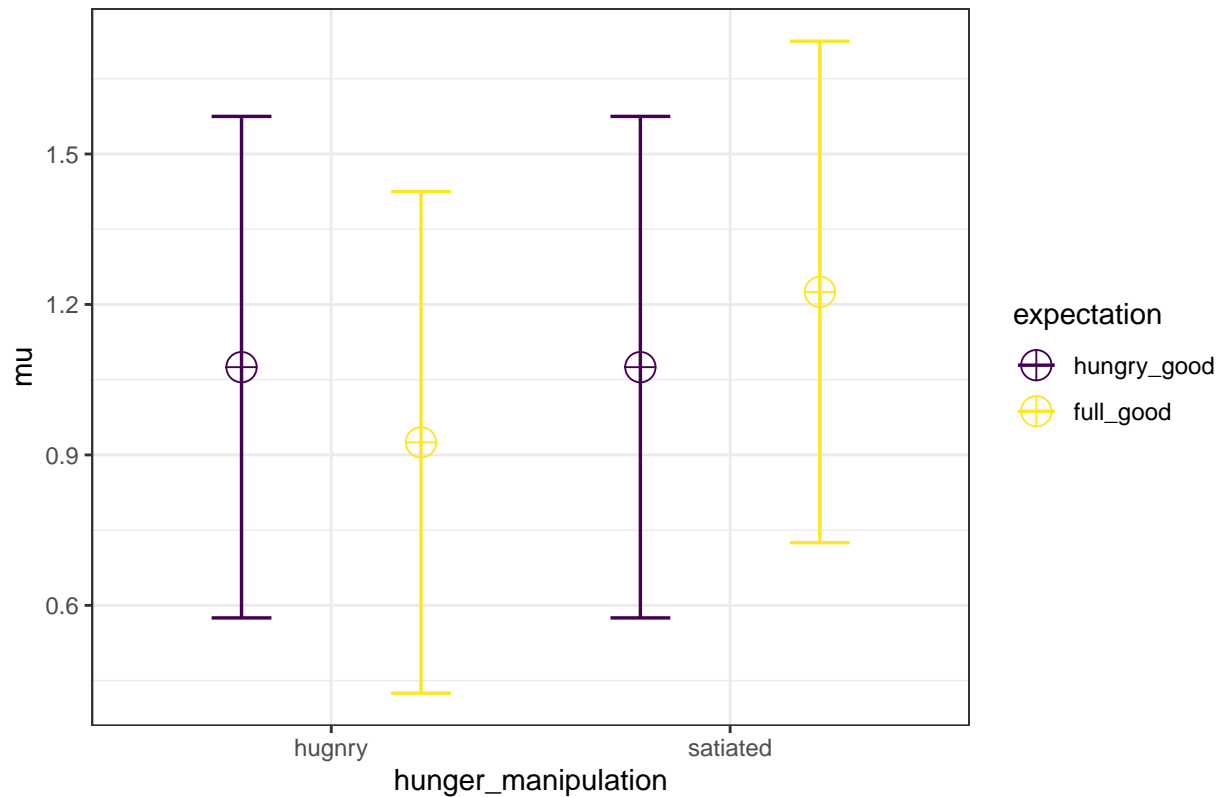


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# different plot
#plot(density(sim_hungry_hgood),col="red",lwd=3)
#lines(density(sim_hungry_fgood),col="yellow",lwd=3)
#lines(density(sim_full_hgood),col="green",lwd=3)
#lines(density(sim_full_fgood),col="blue",lwd=3)
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entering the values into design function:

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design_result<-ANOVA_design(design = design,
  n = n,
  mu = mu,
  sd = sd,
  labelnames = labelnames)
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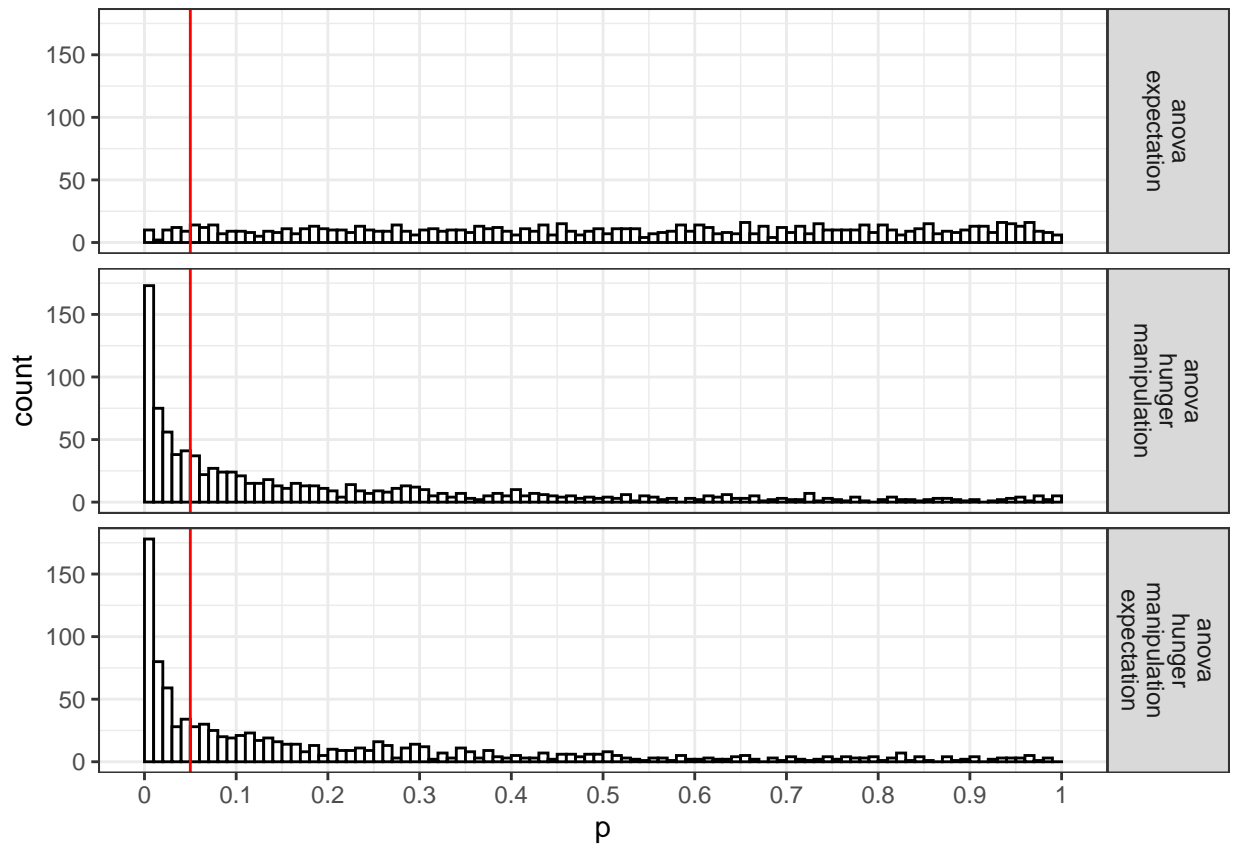
Means for each condition in the design



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# to check that design is correctly specified:
#plot(design_result)

simulation_result <- ANOVA_power(design_result,
  alpha_level = 0.05,
  nsims = 1e3,
  verbose = FALSE)

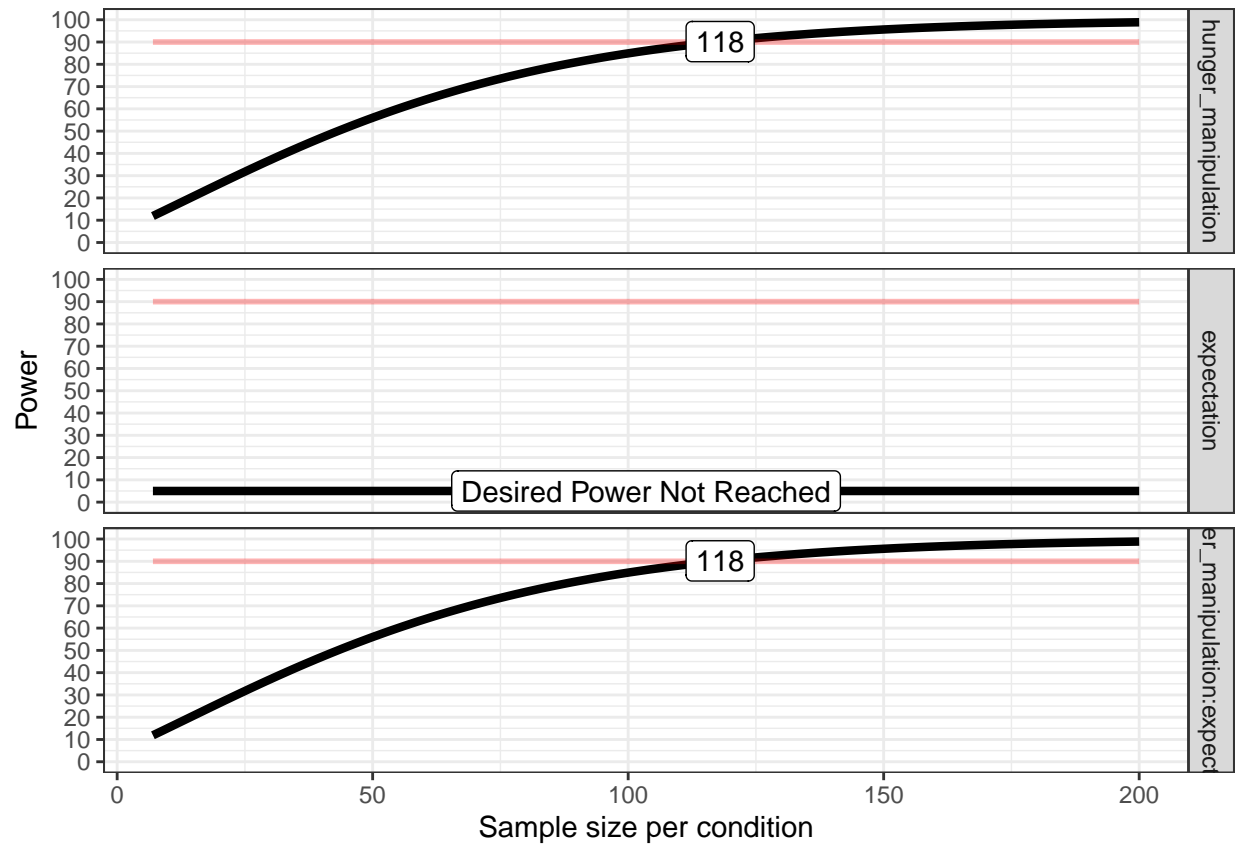
plot(simulation_result$plot1,main="p_value distribution ANOVA")
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#plot(simulation_result$plot2,main="p_value distribution paired comparisons")
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looking at different sample sizes:

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plot_power(design_result, max_n = 200,alpha_level = 0.05,desired_power=90)
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## Achieved Power and Sample Size for ANOVA-level effects
##           variable                label    n achieved_power
## 1      hunger_manipulation  Desired Power Achieved 118      90.19
## 2           expectation  Desired Power Not Reached 200       5.00
## 3 hunger_manipulation:expectation  Desired Power Achieved 118      90.19
## desired_power
## 1          90
## 2          90
## 3          90
```