

Module 3A Questions:

1. In a one-way ANOVA with 3 groups, a rejection of the null hypothesis implies that:

- A. The 3-population means are equal to each other
- B. The 3-sample means are equal to each other
- C. Each population mean differs significantly from all other population means
- D. Some subset of population means differs from some other subset of population means
- E. Some subset of sample means differs from some other subset of sample means

2. A research team measures **weight gain in three diet groups:**

- Chow
- Low-fat
- High-fat (HFD)

They want to compare all three groups but are unsure whether to run three pairwise t-tests or a single ANOVA. Conceptually, why is ANOVA the appropriate statistical method here?

- A. ANOVA avoids inflating the Type I error rate that would occur if multiple t-tests were run.
- B. ANOVA is only used when sample sizes are equal.
- C. ANOVA works only when there is no variation within groups.
- D. ANOVA gives the same result as three t-tests but is faster to compute.

3. Researchers measure **glucose levels in mice from **three strains** (B6, BALB/c, CAST) after the same dietary intervention. They run a **one-way ANOVA** to test whether mean glucose differs between the strains. The ANOVA output shows:**

- A **large F-ratio**
- A **small p-value**

What does a *large* F-ratio tell you about how the data are structured?

- A. The differences *within* each strain are much larger than the differences *between* strains.
- B. The differences between strain means are large relative to the variation within each strain.
- C. All strains have nearly identical glucose levels.
- D. The sample size is too small to detect differences.