

## Question 1)

Using linear contrasts on the data from the Handicap Study (case0601), the **Bonferroni method** was applied to construct simultaneous confidence intervals for hypothesis tests comparing the following types of mobility handicaps:

$$1) \mu_2 = \mu_3 \quad 2) \mu_2 = \mu_5 \quad 3) \mu_3 = \mu_5$$

Where  $\mu_2$  = mean score for Group: Amputee

$\mu_3$  = mean score for Group: Crutches

$\mu_5$  = mean score for Group: Wheelchair

Statistical software produced the following estimates, p-values, and **confidence intervals** for the group comparisons of interest, which suggest a **significant** difference **only in the first case**:

| Parameter            | Estimate    | Standard Error | t Value | Pr >  t | 97.5% Confidence Limits |             |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Amputee vs. Crutches | -0.93571429 | 0.30859610     | -3.03   | 0.0035  | -1.64379159             | -0.22763698 |

| Parameter              | Estimate    | Standard Error | t Value | Pr >  t | 97.5% Confidence Limits |            |
|------------------------|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|------------|
| Amputee vs. Wheelchair | -0.28928571 | 0.30859610     | -0.94   | 0.3520  | -0.99736302             | 0.41879159 |

| Parameter               | Estimate   | Standard Error | t Value | Pr >  t | 97.5% Confidence Limits |            |
|-------------------------|------------|----------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|------------|
| Crutches vs. Wheelchair | 0.64642857 | 0.30859610     | 2.09    | 0.0401  | -0.06164873             | 1.35450588 |

## Question 2)

Multiple comparison procedures verified the following 95% confidence interval half-widths:

| Procedure    | Score | Procedure  | Score | Procedure | Score |
|--------------|-------|------------|-------|-----------|-------|
| LSD          | 1.233 | Dunnett    | 1.545 | Scheffé   | 1.957 |
| Tukey-Kramer | 1.735 | Bonferroni | 1.794 |           |       |

The code run to verify the procedural estimates and the output generated are reproduced below:

### LSD

Proc Glm Data = Work.Import;

Class Handicap;

Model Score = Handicap;

Means Handicap / LSD CLDIFF;

Run; Quit;

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                        | 0.05     |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>     | 65       |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>            | 2.666484 |
| <b>Critical Value of t</b>          | 1.99714  |
| <b>Least Significant Difference</b> | 1.2326   |

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                          |                       |         |     |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------|-----|
| Handicap Comparison   | Difference Between Means | 95% Confidence Limits |         |     |
| Crutche - Wheelch   | 0.5786                   | -0.6540               | 1.8112  |     |
| Crutche - None  | 1.0214                   | -0.2112               | 2.2540  |     |
| Crutche - Amputee   | 1.4929                   | 0.2602                | 2.7255  | *** |
| Crutche - Hearing   | 1.8714                   | 0.6388                | 3.1040  | *** |
| Wheelch - Crutche   | -0.5786                  | -1.8112               | 0.6540  |     |
| Wheelch - None  | 0.4429                   | -0.7898               | 1.6755  |     |
| Wheelch - Amputee   | 0.9143                   | -0.3183               | 2.1469  |     |
| Wheelch - Hearing   | 1.2929                   | 0.0602                | 2.5255  | *** |
| None - Crutche  | -1.0214                  | -2.2540               | 0.2112  |     |
| None - Wheelch  | -0.4429                  | -1.6755               | 0.7898  |     |
| None - Amputee  | 0.4714                   | -0.7612               | 1.7040  |     |
| None - Hearing  | 0.8500                   | -0.3826               | 2.0826  |     |
| Amputee - Crutche   | -1.4929                  | -2.7255               | -0.2602 | *** |
| Amputee - Wheelch   | -0.9143                  | -2.1469               | 0.3183  |     |
| Amputee - None  | -0.4714                  | -1.7040               | 0.7612  |     |
| Amputee - Hearing   | 0.3786                   | -0.8540               | 1.6112  |     |
| Hearing - Crutche   | -1.8714                  | -3.1040               | -0.6388 | *** |
| Hearing - Wheelch   | -1.2929                  | -2.5255               | -0.0602 | *** |
| Hearing - None  | -0.8500                  | -2.0826               | 0.3826  |     |
| Hearing - Amputee   | -0.3786                  | -1.6112               | 0.8540  |     |

**Dunnett**

Proc Glm Data = Work.Import;

Class Handicap;

Model Score = Handicap;

Means Handicap / Dunnett("None") CLDIFF;

Lsmeans Handicap / ADJUST = Dunnett PDIFF = Control("None");

Run; Quit;

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                          | 0.05     |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>       | 65       |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>              | 2.666484 |
| <b>Critical Value of Dunnett's t</b>  | 2.50316  |
| <b>Minimum Significant Difference</b> | 1.5449   |

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                          |                                    |        |  |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|--|
| Handicap Comparison   | Difference Between Means | Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits |        |  |
| Crutche - None  | 1.0214                   | -0.5235                            | 2.5664 |  |
| Wheelch - None  | 0.4429                   | -1.1021                            | 1.9878 |  |
| Amputee - None  | -0.4714                  | -2.0164                            | 1.0735 |  |
| Hearing - None  | -0.8500                  | -2.3949                            | 0.6949 |  |

| Handicap | Score LSMEAN | H0:LSMean=Control<br>Pr >  t |
|----------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Amputee  | 4.42857143   | 0.8597                       |
| Crutche  | 5.92142857   | 0.2918                       |
| Hearing  | 4.05000000   | 0.4516                       |
| None     | 4.90000000   |                              |
| Wheelch  | 5.34285714   | 0.8836                       |

**Tukey-Kramer**

Proc Glm Data = Work.Import;

Class Handicap;

Model Score = Handicap;

Means Handicap / Tukey CLDIFF;

Lsmeans Handicap / Adjust = Tukey;

Run; Quit

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                               | 0.05     |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>            | 65       |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>                   | 2.666484 |
| <b>Critical Value of Studentized Range</b> | 3.96804  |
| <b>Minimum Significant Difference</b>      | 1.7317   |

| <b>Handicap</b> | <b>Score LSMEAN</b> | <b>LSMEAN Number</b> |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Amputee</b>  | 4.42857143          | 1                    |
| <b>Crutche</b>  | 5.92142857          | 2                    |
| <b>Hearing</b>  | 4.05000000          | 3                    |
| <b>None</b>     | 4.90000000          | 4                    |
| <b>Wheelch</b>  | 5.34285714          | 5                    |

**Least Squares Means for effect Handicap**  
**Pr > |t| for H0: LSMean(i)=LSMean(j)**

**Dependent Variable: Score**

| <b>i/j</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>1</b>   |          | 0.1233   | 0.9725   | 0.9400   | 0.5781   |
| <b>2</b>   | 0.1233   |          | 0.0278   | 0.4686   | 0.8812   |
| <b>3</b>   | 0.9725   | 0.0278   |          | 0.6443   | 0.2348   |
| <b>4</b>   | 0.9400   | 0.4686   | 0.6443   |          | 0.9517   |
| <b>5</b>   | 0.5781   | 0.8812   | 0.2348   | 0.9517   |          |

**Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by \*\*\*.**

| <b>Handicap Comparison</b> | <b>Difference Between Means</b> | <b>Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits</b> |         |     |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---------|-----|
| <b>Crutche - Wheelch</b>   | 0.5786                          | -1.1532                                   | 2.3103  |     |
| <b>Crutche - None</b>      | 1.0214                          | -0.7103                                   | 2.7532  |     |
| <b>Crutche - Amputee</b>   | 1.4929                          | -0.2389                                   | 3.2246  |     |
| <b>Crutche - Hearing</b>   | 1.8714                          | 0.1397                                    | 3.6032  | *** |
| <b>Wheelch - Crutche</b>   | -0.5786                         | -2.3103                                   | 1.1532  |     |
| <b>Wheelch - None</b>      | 0.4429                          | -1.2889                                   | 2.1746  |     |
| <b>Wheelch - Amputee</b>   | 0.9143                          | -0.8174                                   | 2.6460  |     |
| <b>Wheelch - Hearing</b>   | 1.2929                          | -0.4389                                   | 3.0246  |     |
| <b>None - Crutche</b>      | -1.0214                         | -2.7532                                   | 0.7103  |     |
| <b>None - Wheelch</b>      | -0.4429                         | -2.1746                                   | 1.2889  |     |
| <b>None - Amputee</b>      | 0.4714                          | -1.2603                                   | 2.2032  |     |
| <b>None - Hearing</b>      | 0.8500                          | -0.8817                                   | 2.5817  |     |
| <b>Amputee - Crutche</b>   | -1.4929                         | -3.2246                                   | 0.2389  |     |
| <b>Amputee - Wheelch</b>   | -0.9143                         | -2.6460                                   | 0.8174  |     |
| <b>Amputee - None</b>      | -0.4714                         | -2.2032                                   | 1.2603  |     |
| <b>Amputee - Hearing</b>   | 0.3786                          | -1.3532                                   | 2.1103  |     |
| <b>Hearing - Crutche</b>   | -1.8714                         | -3.6032                                   | -0.1397 | *** |
| <b>Hearing - Wheelch</b>   | -1.2929                         | -3.0246                                   | 0.4389  |     |
| <b>Hearing - None</b>      | -0.8500                         | -2.5817                                   | 0.8817  |     |
| <b>Hearing - Amputee</b>   | -0.3786                         | -2.1103                                   | 1.3532  |     |

**Bonferroni**

Proc Glm Data = Work.Import;

Class Handicap;

Model Score = Handicap;

Means Handicap / Bon CLDIFF;

Lsmeans Handicap / Adjust = Bon;

Run; Quit;

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                          | 0.05     |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>       | 65       |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>              | 2.666484 |
| <b>Critical Value of t</b>            | 2.90602  |
| <b>Minimum Significant Difference</b> | 1.7936   |

| <b>Handicap</b> | <b>Score LSMEAN</b> | <b>LSMEAN Number</b> |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Amputee</b>  | 4.42857143          | 1                    |
| <b>Crutche</b>  | 5.92142857          | 2                    |
| <b>Hearing</b>  | 4.05000000          | 3                    |
| <b>None</b>     | 4.90000000          | 4                    |
| <b>Wheelch</b>  | 5.34285714          | 5                    |

| Least Squares Means for effect Handicap<br>Pr >  t  for H0: LSMean(i)=LSMean(j) |        |        |        |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Dependent Variable: Score   |        |        |        |        |        |
| i/j   | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      |
| <b>1</b>  |        | 0.1838 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 |
| <b>2</b>  | 0.1838 |        | 0.0349 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 |
| <b>3</b>  | 1.0000 | 0.0349 |        | 1.0000 | 0.4010 |
| <b>4</b>  | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.0000 |        | 1.0000 |
| <b>5</b>  | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 0.4010 | 1.0000 |        |

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                                 |   |         |         |
|---|---------------------------------|---|---------|---------|
| <b>Handicap Comparison</b>                                      | <b>Difference Between Means</b> | <b>Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits</b> |         |         |
| <b>Crutche - Wheelch</b>  | 0.5786                          | -1.2150                                   | 2.3721  |         |
| <b>Crutche - None</b>   | 1.0214                          | -0.7721                                   | 2.8150  |         |
| <b>Crutche - Amputee</b>  | 1.4929                          | -0.3007                                   | 3.2864  |         |
| <b>Crutche - Hearing</b>  | 1.8714                          | 0.0779                                    | 3.6650  | **<br>* |
| <b>Wheelch - Crutche</b>  | -0.5786                         | -2.3721                                   | 1.2150  |         |
| <b>Wheelch - None</b>   | 0.4429                          | -1.3507                                   | 2.2364  |         |
| <b>Wheelch - Amputee</b>  | 0.9143                          | -0.8793                                   | 2.7079  |         |
| <b>Wheelch - Hearing</b>  | 1.2929                          | -0.5007                                   | 3.0864  |         |
| <b>None - Crutche</b>   | -1.0214                         | -2.8150                                   | 0.7721  |         |
| <b>None - Wheelch</b>   | -0.4429                         | -2.2364                                   | 1.3507  |         |
| <b>None - Amputee</b>   | 0.4714                          | -1.3221                                   | 2.2650  |         |
| <b>None - Hearing</b>   | 0.8500                          | -0.9436                                   | 2.6436  |         |
| <b>Amputee - Crutche</b>  | -1.4929                         | -3.2864                                   | 0.3007  |         |
| <b>Amputee - Wheelch</b>  | -0.9143                         | -2.7079                                   | 0.8793  |         |
| <b>Amputee - None</b>   | -0.4714                         | -2.2650                                   | 1.3221  |         |
| <b>Amputee - Hearing</b>  | 0.3786                          | -1.4150                                   | 2.1721  |         |
| <b>Hearing - Crutche</b>  | -1.8714                         | -3.6650                                   | -0.0779 | **<br>* |
| <b>Hearing - Wheelch</b>  | -1.2929                         | -3.0864                                   | 0.5007  |         |
| <b>Hearing - None</b>   | -0.8500                         | -2.6436                                   | 0.9436  |         |
| <b>Hearing - Amputee</b>  | -0.3786                         | -2.1721                                   | 1.4150  |         |

**Scheffé**

Proc Glm Data = Work.Import;

Class Handicap;

Model Score = Handicap;

Means Handicap / Scheffe CLDIFF;

Lsmeans Handicap / Adjust = Scheffe;

Run; Quit;

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                          | 0.05     |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>       | 65       |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>              | 2.666484 |
| <b>Critical Value of F</b>            | 2.51304  |
| <b>Minimum Significant Difference</b> | 1.9568   |

| <b>Handicap</b> | <b>Score LSMEAN</b> | <b>LSMEAN Number</b> |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Amputee</b>  | 4.42857143          | 1                    |
| <b>Crutche</b>  | 5.92142857          | 2                    |
| <b>Hearing</b>  | 4.05000000          | 3                    |
| <b>None</b>     | 4.90000000          | 4                    |
| <b>Wheelch</b>  | 5.34285714          | 5                    |

| <b>Least Squares Means for effect Handicap</b><br><b>Pr &gt;  t  for H0: LSMean(i)=LSMean(j)</b> |          |          |          |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>Dependent Variable: Score</b>   |          |          |          |          |          |
| <b>i/j</b>   | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> |
| <b>1</b>   |          | 0.2238   | 0.9840   | 0.9642   | 0.7007   |
| <b>2</b>   | 0.2238   |          | 0.0682   | 0.6051   | 0.9265   |
| <b>3</b>   | 0.9840   | 0.0682   |          | 0.7545   | 0.3656   |
| <b>4</b>   | 0.9642   | 0.6051   | 0.7545   |          | 0.9715   |
| <b>5</b>   | 0.7007   | 0.9265   | 0.3656   | 0.9715   |          |

| <b>Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***.</b> |                                 |   |        |  |
|--|---------------------------------|---|--------|--|
| <b>Handicap Comparison</b>   | <b>Difference Between Means</b> | <b>Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits</b> |        |  |
| <b>Crutche - Wheelch</b>   | 0.5786                          | -1.3782                                   | 2.5354 |  |
| <b>Crutche - None</b>  | 1.0214                          | -0.9354                                   | 2.9782 |  |
| <b>Crutche - Amputee</b>   | 1.4929                          | -0.4640                                   | 3.4497 |  |
| <b>Crutche - Hearing</b>   | 1.8714                          | -0.0854                                   | 3.8282 |  |
| <b>Wheelch - Crutche</b>   | -0.5786                         | -2.5354                                   | 1.3782 |  |
| <b>Wheelch - None</b>  | 0.4429                          | -1.5140                                   | 2.3997 |  |
| <b>Wheelch - Amputee</b>   | 0.9143                          | -1.0425                                   | 2.8711 |  |
| <b>Wheelch - Hearing</b>   | 1.2929                          | -0.6640                                   | 3.2497 |  |
| <b>None - Crutche</b>  | -1.0214                         | -2.9782                                   | 0.9354 |  |
| <b>None - Wheelch</b>  | -0.4429                         | -2.3997                                   | 1.5140 |  |
| <b>None - Amputee</b>  | 0.4714                          | -1.4854                                   | 2.4282 |  |
| <b>None - Hearing</b>  | 0.8500                          | -1.1068                                   | 2.8068 |  |
| <b>Amputee - Crutche</b>   | -1.4929                         | -3.4497                                   | 0.4640 |  |
| <b>Amputee - Wheelch</b>   | -0.9143                         | -2.8711                                   | 1.0425 |  |
| <b>Amputee - None</b>  | -0.4714                         | -2.4282                                   | 1.4854 |  |
| <b>Amputee - Hearing</b>   | 0.3786                          | -1.5782                                   | 2.3354 |  |
| <b>Hearing - Crutche</b>   | -1.8714                         | -3.8282                                   | 0.0854 |  |
| <b>Hearing - Wheelch</b>   | -1.2929                         | -3.2497                                   | 0.6640 |  |
| <b>Hearing - None</b>  | -0.8500                         | -2.8068                                   | 1.1068 |  |
| <b>Hearing - Amputee</b>   | -0.3786                         | -2.3354                                   | 1.5782 |  |

## Question 3)

## 1) Problem

After an initial ANOVA test (HW #5) verified that, for at least two of the groups, there is a statistically significant difference in mean income for those with <12, 12, 13-15, 16, and >16 years of education, a series of multiple comparisons procedures were run to compare every group to every other group (Tukey-Kramer), as well as every other group to the control group of 12 years of education (Dunnett), to test for differences in the respective group means.

## 2) Assumptions

As in HW #5, an initial assessment of this study design from the NLSY (which uses random probability sampling to estimate population means) and of the available data indicated that the assumption of **independence** should hold. To assess **normality** and **variance**, statistical software was used to produce distribution and probability histograms and QQ-plots of untransformed and logarithmic transformed data before determining that the total sample size ( $n = 2584$ ) was sufficiently large and the relative variability sufficiently small to satisfy these assumptions, allowing for some general right-skewedness, and forgoing the logarithmic transformation.

## 3) Test Selection and Execution

Firstly, when comparing every group to every other group, the Tukey procedure is appropriate, and in this case, because sample sizes are substantially different for each group ( $n = 136; 1020; 648; 406; 136; 374$ ), the **Tukey-Kramer** modification is especially suitable for setting the familywise confidence level (95%) and providing the correct intervals. To produce the required output (Figure 1), the following code was run using statistical software:

**Tukey-Kramer**

```
Proc Glm Data = Work.Import1;
Class Educ;
Model Income2005 = Educ;
Means Educ / Tukey CLDIFF;
Lsmeans Educ / Adjust = Tukey;
Run; Quit;
```

Figure 1:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                               | 0.05    |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>            | 2579    |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>                   | 1.92E9  |
| <b>Critical Value of Studentized Range</b> | 3.86039 |

Figure 1 (cont.):

| Educ  | Income2005<br>LSMEAN | LSMEAN<br>Number |
|-------|----------------------|------------------|
| 12    | 36864.8961           | 1                |
| 13-15 | 44875.9568           | 2                |
| 16    | 69996.9729           | 3                |
| <12   | 28301.4485           | 4                |
| >16   | 76855.4626           | 5                |

| Least Squares Means for effect Educ<br>Pr >  t  for H0: LSMean(i)=LSMean(j) |        |        |        |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Dependent Variable: Income2005  |        |        |        |        |        |
| i/j   | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      |
| 1   |        | 0.0026 | <.0001 | 0.2031 | <.0001 |
| 2   | 0.0026 |        | <.0001 | 0.0006 | <.0001 |
| 3   | <.0001 | <.0001 |        | <.0001 | 0.1861 |
| 4   | 0.2031 | 0.0006 | <.0001 |        | <.0001 |
| 5   | <.0001 | <.0001 | 0.1861 | <.0001 |        |

Statistically significant differences in pairs of means and their respective confidence intervals and p-values are highlighted in the tables.

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                          |                                    |        |     |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|-----|
| Educ Comparison   | Difference Between Means | Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits |        |     |
| >16 - 16  | 6858                     | -1714                              | 15431  |     |
| >16 - 13-15   | 31980                    | 24212                              | 39747  | *** |
| >16 - 12  | 39991                    | 32760                              | 47221  | *** |
| >16 - <12   | 48554                    | 36577                              | 60531  | *** |
| 16 - >16  | -6858                    | -15431                             | 1714   |     |
| 16 - 13-15  | 25121                    | 17550                              | 32692  | *** |
| 16 - 12   | 33132                    | 26113                              | 40151  | *** |
| 16 - <12  | 41696                    | 29845                              | 53546  | *** |
| 13-15 - >16   | -31980                   | -39747                             | -24212 | *** |
| 13-15 - 16  | -25121                   | -32692                             | -17550 | *** |
| 13-15 - 12  | 8011                     | 2002                               | 14020  | *** |
| 13-15 - <12   | 16575                    | 5293                               | 27856  | *** |
| 12 - >16  | -39991                   | -47221                             | -32760 | *** |
| 12 - 16   | -33132                   | -40151                             | -26113 | *** |
| 12 - 13-15  | -8011                    | -14020                             | -2002  | *** |
| 12 - <12  | 8563                     | -2355                              | 19482  |     |
| <12 - >16   | -48554                   | -60531                             | -36577 | *** |
| <12 - 16  | -41696                   | -53546                             | -29845 | *** |
| <12 - 13-15   | -16575                   | -27856                             | -5293  | *** |
| <12 - 12  | -8563                    | -19482                             | 2355   |     |



Secondly, when comparing every other group to the control group of 12 years of education, the **Dunnett** procedure is appropriate to account for the correlation due to the common appearance of the reference group average, setting the familywise confidence level (95%) and providing the correct intervals by using a multivariate t-distribution that accounts for the correlation. To produce the required output (Figure 2), the following code was run using statistical software:

**Dunnett**

Figure 2:

```
Proc Glm Data = Work.Import1;
```

```
Class Educ;
```

```
Model Income2005 = Educ;
```

```
Means Educ / Dunnett("12") CLDIFF;
```

```
Lsmeans Educ / Adjust = Dunnett PDIFF = Control("12");
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| <b>Alpha</b>                         | 0.05    |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>      | 2579    |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>             | 1.92E9  |
| <b>Critical Value of Dunnett's t</b> | 2.48068 |

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                          |                                    |       |     |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|-----|
| Educ Comparison   | Difference Between Means | Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits |       |     |
| >16 - 12  | 39991                    | 33420                              | 46561 | *** |
| 16 - 12   | 33132                    | 26754                              | 39511 | *** |
| 13-15 - 12  | 8011                     | 2551                               | 13472 | *** |
| <12 - 12  | -8563                    | -18486                             | 1359  |     |

| Educ  | Income2005 LSMEAN | H0:LSMean=Control<br>Pr >  t |
|-------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| 12    | 36864.8961        |                              |
| 13-15 | 44875.9568        | 0.0011                       |
| 16    | 69996.9729        | <.0001                       |
| <12   | 28301.4485        | 0.1180                       |
| >16   | 76855.4626        | <.0001                       |

Statistically significant differences in pairs of means and their respective confidence intervals and p-values are highlighted in the tables.

#### 4) Interpretation and Conclusion

On the basis of the results of the **Tukey-Kramer** procedure, one would identify a statistically significant difference in means at the ( $\alpha = .05$ ) level for all pairwise group comparisons **excluding** those between individuals with **(12 and <12)** and **(16 and >16)** years of education. This would suggest that although graduating (12) or not graduating high school (<12) has relatively little impact on differences in mean income for the populations of concern, there is a significant difference between those with some college study (13-15) and those without (12), and likewise, between those who have graduated college (16) and those who have not (13-15). The other end of the education-level spectrum produced similar results, indicating that there is relatively little difference in mean income between those with (>16) and without (16) advanced degrees.

On the basis of the **Dunnett** procedure, one would identify a statistically significant difference in means at the ( $\alpha = .05$ ) level for all pairwise group comparisons between the **control (12)** and every other group **excluding** those with (<12) years of education—a determination consistent with the results of the Tukey-Kramer procedure. This would suggest that although there is relatively little difference in group mean income at the bottom of the education-level spectrum, that difference becomes increasingly significant with higher levels of education, with an especially large increase as one moves from the non-graduate (13-15) to the graduate (16) level.

#### Bonus Question)

##### 1) Problem

Firstly, with the limited data on mean achievement test scores from the Equity in Group Learning Study (ex0522), a linear contrast was formed to see if the performance of low-ability students increases steadily with the ability of the best student in the group. Assuming equidistant levels of group ability, the contrast estimate and 95% confidence interval were identified using the following group coefficients:

(Low = -3; Low-Medium = -1; Medium-High = +1; High = +3)

Secondly, a **Dunnett** multiple comparisons procedure was run to determine which group composition differences are associated with different levels of test performance, using the (High-ability) group as the control.

##### 2) Assumptions

Assuming the results were derived from each student being assessed only once, the assumption of **independence** should hold. Though the individual observations were not provided in the data set, visual assessment of the table of group means and standard deviations suggested likewise that the assumptions of **normality** and **variance** should hold also. For verification, scatterplots, histograms, and residual plots were produced using statistical software (Figure 3), providing rough evidence of a **linear trend** amongst the groups **consistent with the contrast estimation**:

Figure 3:

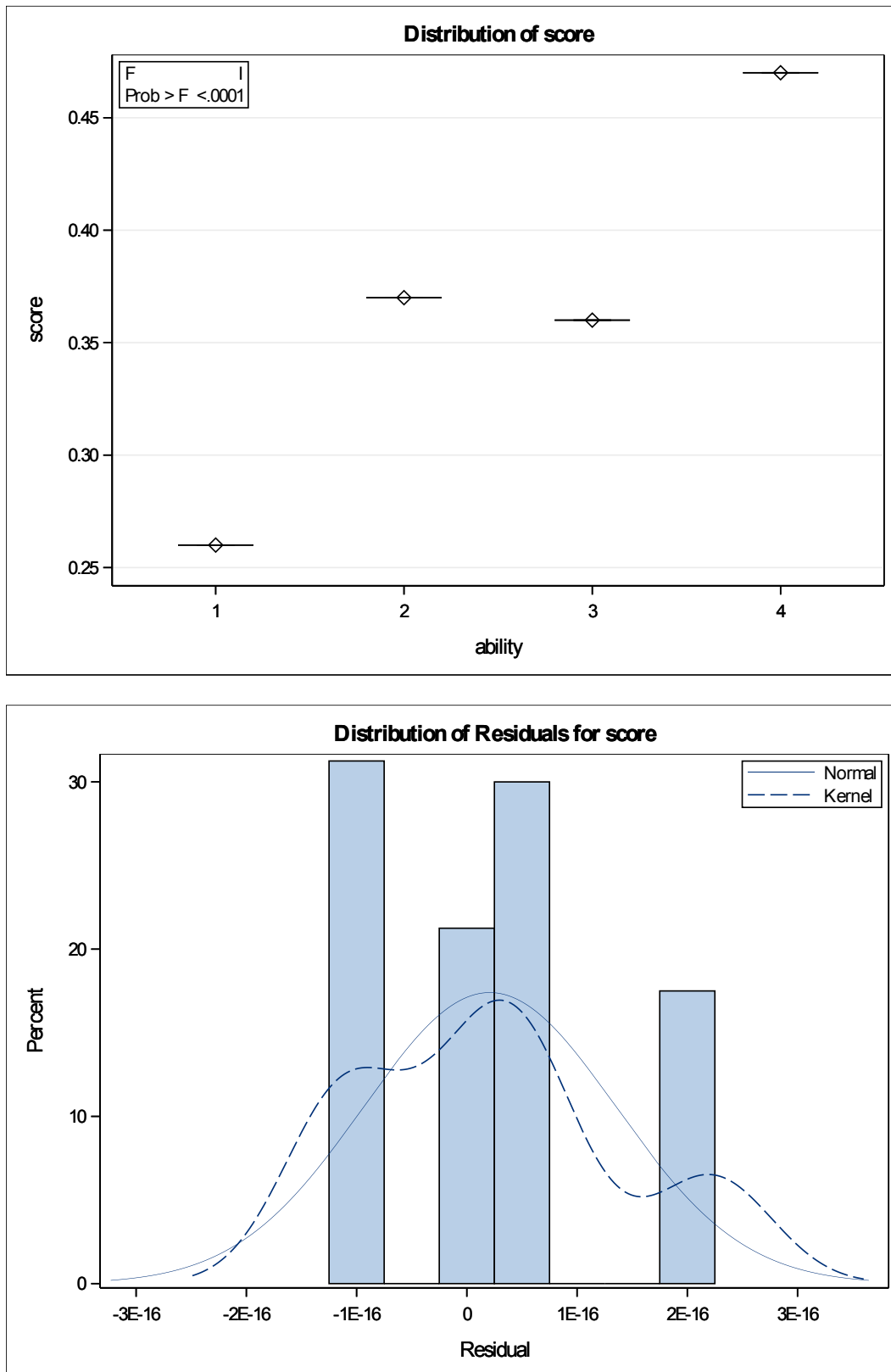
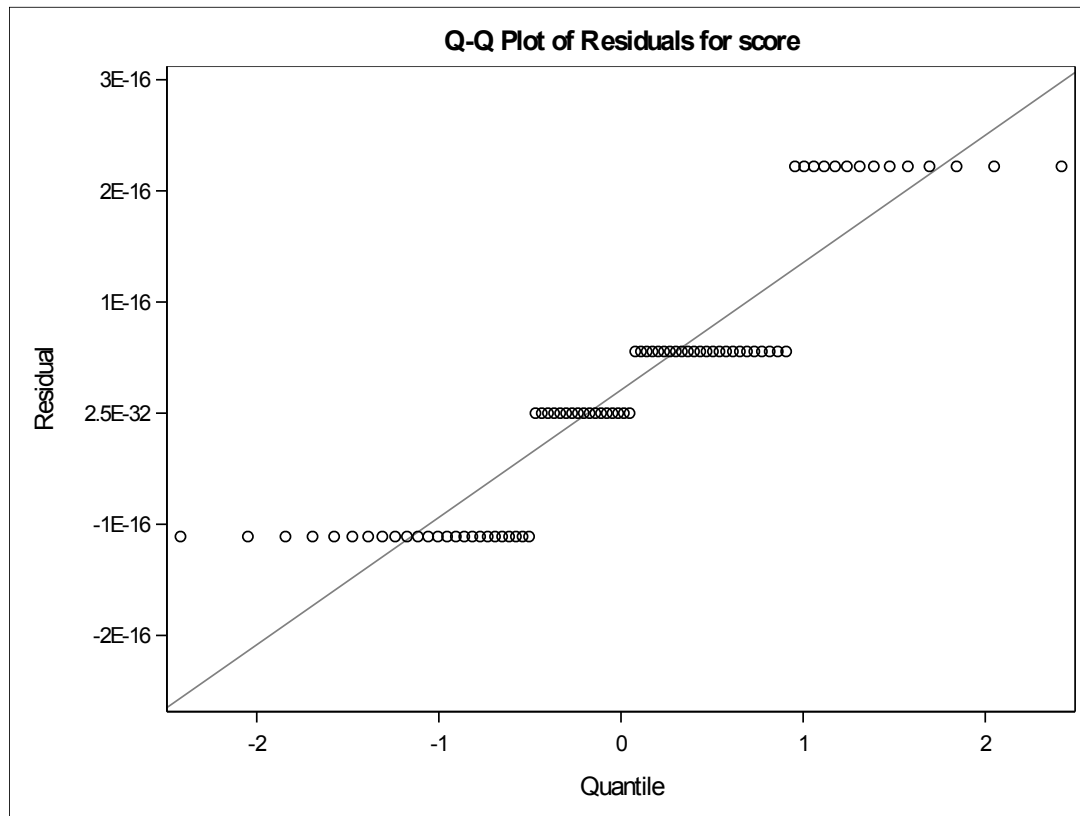


Figure 3 (Cont.):



### 3) Contrast Estimate and Confidence Interval

Because individual observations were not available for analysis, the mean value for each group was replicated by the number of observations per group ( $n = 17; 24; 25; 14$ ), and the pooled standard deviation (from  $s = .14; .21; .17; .21$ ) and contrast estimate was computed by hand:

$$s_p = \sqrt{\frac{(n_1-1)(s_1^2) + (n_2-1)(s_2^2) + (n_3-1)(s_3^2) + (n_4-1)(s_4^2)}{(n_1+n_2+n_3+n_4)-4}} = .18478 \quad t_{crit,76} \approx 1.99$$

$$g = C_1\bar{x}_1 + C_2\bar{x}_2 + C_3\bar{x}_3 + C_4\bar{x}_4 = -3(.26) + -1(.37) + 1(.36) + 3(.47) = .62$$

$$SE(g) = s_p * \sqrt{\frac{C_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{C_2^2}{n_2} + \frac{C_3^2}{n_3} + \frac{C_4^2}{n_4}} = .18478 * 1.276298 = .235829$$

$$95\% \text{ CI} = .62 \pm (1.99).235829 = (.1507, 1.0893) \quad t_{stat} = \frac{.62-0}{.235829} = 2.6290$$

$$\text{P-Val (One-sided)} = .00518$$

Providing evidence of linear trend, the P-value and confidence interval produced by the contrast estimate indicate a statistically significant determination that the performance of low-ability students increases steadily with the ability of the best student in the group.

Secondly, the **Dunnett** multiple comparisons procedure was run with statistical software, using the (High-ability) group as the control, suggesting (Figure 4), on the basis of the limited (replicated) data, that a **statistically significant difference results from pairwise comparisons of every other group with the (High-ability) group**:

Figure 4:

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                         | 0.05    |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>      | 76      |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>             | 0       |
| <b>Critical Value of Dunnett's t</b> | 2.37207 |

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                          |                                    |         |     |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|-----|
| ability Comparison  | Difference Between Means | Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits |         |     |
| 2 - 4   | -0.1000                  | -0.1000                            | -0.1000 | *** |
| 3 - 4   | -0.1100                  | -0.1100                            | -0.1100 | *** |
| 1 - 4   | -0.2100                  | -0.2100                            | -0.2100 | *** |

| ability | score LSMEAN | H0:LSMean=Control<br>Pr >  t |
|---------|--------------|------------------------------|
| 1       | 0.26000000   | <.0001                       |
| 2       | 0.37000000   | <.0001                       |
| 3       | 0.36000000   | <.0001                       |
| 4       | 0.47000000   |                              |

These results were verified with respect to those produced by a **Tukey-Kramer** procedure identifying figures for **all pairwise group comparisons**, output for which is included below:

Figure 5:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                               | 0.05    |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>            | 76      |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>                   | 0       |
| <b>Critical Value of Studentized Range</b> | 3.71485 |

| <b>ability</b> | <b>score LSMEAN</b> | <b>LSMEAN Number</b> |
|----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>1</b>       | 0.26000000          | 1                    |
| <b>2</b>       | 0.37000000          | 2                    |
| <b>3</b>       | 0.36000000          | 3                    |
| <b>4</b>       | 0.47000000          | 4                    |

| Least Squares Means for effect ability<br>Pr >  t  for H0: LSMean(i)=LSMean(j) |          |          |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Dependent Variable: score  |          |          |          |          |
| <b>i/j</b>   | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> |
| <b>1</b>   |          | <.0001   | <.0001   | <.0001   |
| <b>2</b>   | <.0001   |          | <.0001   | <.0001   |
| <b>3</b>   | <.0001   | <.0001   |          | <.0001   |
| <b>4</b>   | <.0001   | <.0001   | <.0001   |          |

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                                 |   |         |     |
|---|---------------------------------|---|---------|-----|
| <b>ability Comparison</b>                                       | <b>Difference Between Means</b> | <b>Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits</b> |         |     |
| <b>4 - 2</b>  | 0.1000                          | 0.1000                                    | 0.1000  | *** |
| <b>4 - 3</b>  | 0.1100                          | 0.1100                                    | 0.1100  | *** |
| <b>4 - 1</b>  | 0.2100                          | 0.2100                                    | 0.2100  | *** |
| <b>2 - 4</b>  | -0.1000                         | -0.1000                                   | -0.1000 | *** |
| <b>2 - 3</b>  | 0.0100                          | 0.0100                                    | 0.0100  | *** |
| <b>2 - 1</b>  | 0.1100                          | 0.1100                                    | 0.1100  | *** |
| <b>3 - 4</b>  | -0.1100                         | -0.1100                                   | -0.1100 | *** |
| <b>3 - 2</b>  | -0.0100                         | -0.0100                                   | -0.0100 | *** |
| <b>3 - 1</b>  | 0.1000                          | 0.1000                                    | 0.1000  | *** |
| <b>1 - 4</b>  | -0.2100                         | -0.2100                                   | -0.2100 | *** |
| <b>1 - 2</b>  | -0.1100                         | -0.1100                                   | -0.1100 | *** |
| <b>1 - 3</b>  | -0.1000                         | -0.1000                                   | -0.1000 | *** |

As a final comparison and verification of results, the achievement test scores of the (**High-ability**) students (**Display 5.25**) were used to run another **Tukey-Kramer** procedure to assess all pairwise group mean differences in that data set, output for which is included below:

Figure 6:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| <b>Alpha</b>                               | 0.05    |
| <b>Error Degrees of Freedom</b>            | 101     |
| <b>Error Mean Square</b>                   | 0       |
| <b>Critical Value of Studentized Range</b> | 3.69438 |

| ability | score LSMEAN | LSMEAN Number |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1       | 0.75000000   | 1             |
| 2       | 0.77000000   | 2             |
| 3       | 0.72000000   | 3             |
| 4       | 0.85000000   | 4             |

| Least Squares Means for effect ability<br>Pr >  t  for H0: LSMean(i)=LSMean(j) |        |        |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Dependent Variable: score  |        |        |        |        |
| i/j  | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      |
| 1  |        | <.0001 | <.0001 | <.0001 |
| 2  | <.0001 |        | <.0001 | <.0001 |
| 3  | <.0001 | <.0001 |        | <.0001 |
| 4  | <.0001 | <.0001 | <.0001 |        |

| Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by ***. |                          |                                    |         |     |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|-----|
| ability Comparison  | Difference Between Means | Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits |         |     |
| 4 - 2   | 0.0800                   | 0.0800                             | 0.0800  | *** |
| 4 - 1   | 0.1000                   | 0.1000                             | 0.1000  | *** |
| 4 - 3   | 0.1300                   | 0.1300                             | 0.1300  | *** |
| 2 - 4   | -0.0800                  | -0.0800                            | -0.0800 | *** |
| 2 - 1   | 0.0200                   | 0.0200                             | 0.0200  | *** |
| 2 - 3   | 0.0500                   | 0.0500                             | 0.0500  | *** |
| 1 - 4   | -0.1000                  | -0.1000                            | -0.1000 | *** |
| 1 - 2   | -0.0200                  | -0.0200                            | -0.0200 | *** |
| 1 - 3   | 0.0300                   | 0.0300                             | 0.0300  | *** |
| 3 - 4   | -0.1300                  | -0.1300                            | -0.1300 | *** |
| 3 - 2   | -0.0500                  | -0.0500                            | -0.0500 | *** |
| 3 - 1   | -0.0300                  | -0.0300                            | -0.0300 | *** |

On the basis of the above information, there is statistically significant evidence to suggest that all group composition differences are associated with different levels of test performance.