One-way row column design

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One-way ANOVA & pairwise comparison post hoc tests in a resolvable row column design.

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	# (install &) load packages	
	<pre>pacman::p_load(</pre>	
	conflicted,	
	desplot,	
	emmeans,	
	ggtext,	
	lme4,	
	<pre>lmerTest,</pre>	
	multcomp,	
	multcompView,	

```
tidyverse)

# handle function conflicts
conflicts_prefer(dplyr::filter)
conflicts_prefer(dplyr::select)
conflicts_prefer(lmerTest::lmer)
```

1 Data

This example is taken from Chapter "3.10 Analysis of a resolvable row-column design" of the course material "Mixed models for metric data (3402-451)" by Prof. Dr. Hans-Peter Piepho. It considers data published in Kempton, Fox, and Cerezo (1996) from a yield trial laid out as a resolvable row-column design. The trial had 35 genotypes (gen), 2 complete replicates (rep) with 5 rows (row) and 7 columns (col). Thus, a complete replicate is subdivided into incomplete rows and columns.

1.1 Import

The data is available as part of the {agridat} package:

```
dat <- as_tibble(agridat::kempton.rowcol)</pre>
dat
# A tibble: 68 x 5
   rep
           row
                  col gen
                             yield
   <fct> <int> <int> <fct> <dbl>
 1 R1
              1
                    1 G20
                              3.77
 2 R1
              1
                    2 G04
                              3.21
 3 R1
              1
                    3 G33
                              4.55
 4 R1
              1
                    4 G28
                              4.09
 5 R1
              1
                    5 G07
                              5.05
 6 R1
              1
                    6 G12
                              4.19
              1
                    7 G30
                              3.27
 7 R1
              2
                              3.44
 8 R1
                    1 G10
 9 R1
              2
                              4.3
                    2 G14
              2
                    4 G21
                              3.86
10 R1
# i 58 more rows
```

1.2 Format

For our analysis, gen, row and col should be encoded as factors. However, the desplot() function needs row and col as formatted as integers. Therefore we create copies of these columns encoded as factors and named rowF and colF:

```
dat <- dat %>%
  mutate(
    colF = as.factor(col),
    rowF = as.factor(row)
)
```

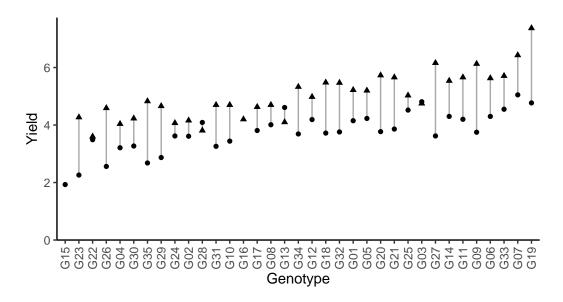
1.3 Explore

We make use of dlookr::describe() to conveniently obtain descriptive summary tables. Here, we get can summarize per block and per cultivar.

```
dat %>%
  group_by(gen) %>%
  dlookr::describe(yield) %>%
  select(2:sd) %>%
  arrange(desc(mean))
# A tibble: 35 x 5
  gen
             n
                               sd
                  na mean
   <fct> <int> <int> <dbl> <dbl>
                      6.07 1.84
 1 G19
             2
                   0
 2 G07
             2
                   0 5.74 0.976
             2
                   0 5.13 0.820
 3 G33
             2
                   0 4.96 0.940
4 G06
             2
                   0 4.94 1.68
5 G09
             2
                   0 4.93 1.03
 6 G11
7 G14
             2
                   0 4.92 0.877
8 G27
             2
                   0 4.89 1.80
             2
                   0 4.78 0.0424
9 G03
10 G25
             2
                   0 4.78 0.361
# i 25 more rows
```

Additionally, we can decide to plot our data.

```
# sort genotypes by mean yield
gen_order <- dat %>%
  group_by(gen) %>%
  summarise(mean = mean(yield, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  arrange(mean) %>%
  pull(gen) %>%
  as.character()
ggplot(data = dat) +
  aes(
   y = yield,
   x = gen,
    shape = rep
  ) +
  geom_line(
    aes(group = gen),
    color = "darkgrey"
  geom_point() +
  scale_x_discrete(
    name = "Genotype",
    limits = gen_order
  ) +
  scale_y_continuous(
   name = "Yield",
    limits = c(0, NA),
    expand = expansion(mult = c(0, 0.05))
  ) +
  scale_shape_discrete(
    name = "Replicate"
  ) +
  guides(shape = guide_legend(nrow = 1)) +
  theme_classic() +
  theme(
    legend.position = "top",
    axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust = 0.5)
  )
```



Finally, since this is an experiment that was laid with a certain experimental design (= a resolvable row column design) - it makes sense to also get a field plan. This can be done via desplot() from {desplot}. In this case it is worth noting that there is missing data, as yield values for two plots are not present in the data.

```
desplot(
  data = dat,
  form = gen ~ col + row | rep, # fill color per genotype, headers per replicate
  text = gen,
  cex = 0.7,
  shorten = "no",
  out1 = row, out1.gpar=list(col="black"), # lines between rows
  out2 = col, out2.gpar=list(col="black"), # lines between columns
  main = "Field layout",
  show.key = FALSE
)
```

Field layout

R1							R2						
G17	G09	G03	G34	G13	G35	G01	G01	G27	G16	G29	G14	G28	G22
G24	G25	G05	G32	G02	G27	G08	G33	G09	G17	G18	G32		G02
G22	G11	G19	G26	G29	G15	G23	G11	G07	G26	G05	G35	G10	G30
G10	G14		G21	G31	G06	G18	G24	G21	G12	G04	G23	G13	G03
G20	G04	G33	G28	G07	G12	G30	G31	G19	G25	G34	G20	G08	G06

2 Model

Finally, we can decide to fit a linear model with yield as the response variable and gen as fixed effects, since our goal is to compare them to each other. Since the trial was laid out in rows and columns, we also need rowF and colF effects in the model, but these can be taken either as a fixed or as random effects. Since our goal is to compare genotypes, we will determine which of the two models we prefer by comparing the average standard error of a difference (s.e.d.) for the comparisons between adjusted genotype means - the lower the s.e.d. the better.

As a result, we find that the model with fixed row and column effects has the slightly smaller s.e.d. and is therefore more precise in terms of comparing genotypes.

⚠ Model assumptions met? (click to show)

It would be at this moment (i.e. after fitting the model and before running the ANOVA), that you should check whether the model assumptions are met. Find out more in the summary article "Model Diagnostics"

3 ANOVA

Based on our model, we can then conduct an ANOVA:

```
ANOVA <- anova(mod_frc)
ANOVA
```

```
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: yield
          Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                       Pr(>F)
          34 32.157 0.9458
                             5.6767 3.505e-05 ***
gen
           1 24.901 24.9014 149.4615 2.778e-11 ***
rep
           4 1.436 0.3591
                             2.1553 0.107861
rowF
                             4.7956 0.002873 **
colF
           6 4.794 0.7990
Residuals 22 3.665 0.1666
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Accordingly, the ANOVA's F-test did not find the cultivar effects to be statistically significant (p < .001****).

4 Mean comparison

Besides an ANOVA, one may also want to compare adjusted yield means between cultivars via post hoc tests (t-test, Tukey test etc.).

```
mean_comp <- mod_frc %>%
  emmeans(specs = ~ gen) %>% # adj. mean per genotype
  cld(adjust = "none", Letters = letters) # compact letter display (CLD)
mean_comp
 gen emmean
               SE df lower.CL upper.CL .group
 G15
       3.29 0.475 22
                         2.31
                                  4.28
                                        ab
 G04
       3.35 0.326 22
                         2.67
                                  4.03
                                        a
 G23
                                  4.21
       3.54 0.323 22
                         2.87
                                        ab
 G29
       3.57 0.323 22
                         2.90
                                  4.25
                                        ab
 G16
       3.59 0.470 22
                         2.61
                                  4.56
                                        abcde
 G26
       3.63 0.350 22
                         2.90
                                  4.35
                                        abc
 G02
       3.71 0.347 22
                         2.99
                                  4.43
                                        abcd
 G22
       3.79 0.327 22
                         3.12
                                  4.47
                                        abcde
 G24
       3.82 0.351 22
                         3.09
                                  4.54
                                        abcdef
                                  4.49
 G31
       3.82 0.322 22
                         3.15
                                        abcdef
 G35
       3.94 0.324 22
                         3.27
                                  4.61
                                        abcdefg
 G17
       4.07 0.326 22
                         3.39
                                  4.75
                                        abcdefgh
 G28
       4.12 0.320 22
                         3.45
                                  4.78
                                        abcdefgh
```

```
G32
      4.15 0.347 22
                                  4.87
                                         abcdefgh
                         3.43
G30
      4.18 0.352 22
                         3.45
                                  4.91
                                         abcdefgh
G09
      4.24 0.352 22
                         3.51
                                  4.98
                                         abcdefghi
G25
      4.28 0.326 22
                         3.60
                                  4.95
                                         bcdefghi
G34
      4.30 0.349 22
                         3.58
                                  5.03
                                          bcdefghij
G20
      4.32 0.337 22
                         3.62
                                  5.02
                                         bcdefghij
G10
      4.56 0.323 22
                         3.90
                                  5.23
                                           cdefghij
G05
      4.60 0.325 22
                         3.93
                                  5.28
                                            defghijk
      4.61 0.322 22
                                  5.28
                                           cdefghij
G14
                         3.94
G13
      4.66 0.322 22
                         3.99
                                  5.32
                                           cdefghij
G11
      4.69 0.347 22
                         3.98
                                  5.41
                                            defghijk
G08
      4.70 0.326 22
                         4.03
                                  5.38
                                             efghij
G21
      4.75 0.344 22
                         4.04
                                  5.47
                                            defghijk
G27
      4.80 0.323 22
                         4.13
                                  5.48
                                              fghijkl
G18
      4.84 0.322 22
                         4.18
                                  5.51
                                               ghijkl
G33
      4.88 0.325 22
                         4.21
                                  5.56
                                               ghijkl
      4.88 0.343 22
                         4.17
G01
                                  5.60
                                               ghijkl
G12
      4.98 0.322 22
                         4.31
                                  5.65
                                                hijkl
G03
      5.20 0.321 22
                         4.53
                                  5.86
                                                 ijkl
G07
      5.21 0.323 22
                         4.54
                                  5.88
                                                  jkl
G06
      5.59 0.326 22
                         4.92
                                  6.27
                                                   kl
G19
      5.73 0.326 22
                                  6.41
                                                    1
                         5.06
```

```
Results are averaged over the levels of: rep, rowF, colF
Confidence level used: 0.95
significance level used: alpha = 0.05
NOTE: If two or more means share the same grouping symbol,
then we cannot show them to be different.
But we also did not show them to be the same.
```

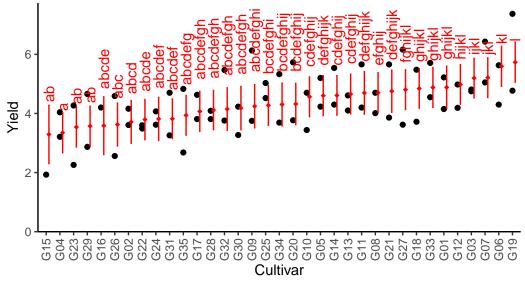
It can be seen that the compact letter display is kind of reaching its limit as the way differences are found to be statistically significant here is quite complex.

Note that if you would like to see the underlying individual contrasts/differences between adjusted means, simply add details = TRUE to the cld() statement. Furthermore, check out the Summary Article "Compact Letter Display".

Finally, we can create a plot that displays both the raw data and the results, *i.e.* the comparisons of the adjusted means that are based on the linear model.

```
# reorder genotype factor levels according to adjusted mean
my_caption <- "Black dots represent raw data. Red diamonds and error bars represent adjust</pre>
```

```
ggplot() +
  # green/red dots representing the raw data
 geom_point(
    data = dat,
    aes(y = yield, x = gen)
  # red diamonds representing the adjusted means
  geom_point(
   data = mean_comp,
    aes(y = emmean, x = gen),
   shape = 18,
    color = "red",
    position = position_nudge(x = 0.2)
  ) +
  # red error bars representing the confidence limits of the adjusted means
  geom_errorbar(
   data = mean_comp,
    aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL, x = gen),
    color = "red",
   width = 0.1,
   position = position_nudge(x = 0.2)
  ) +
  # red letters
  geom_text(
   data = mean_comp,
    aes(y = upper.CL, x = gen, label = str_trim(.group)),
   color = "red",
    angle = 90,
   hjust = -0.2,
    position = position_nudge(x = 0.2)
  ) +
  scale_x_discrete(
   name = "Cultivar",
   limits = as.character(mean_comp$gen)
  ) +
  scale_y_continuous(
   name = "Yield",
   # limits = c(0, NA),
   expand = expansion(mult = c(0, 0.05))
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0, NA)) +
```



Black dots represent raw data. Red diamonds and error bars represent adjusted means with 95% confidence limits per cultivar. Means followed by a common letter are not significantly different according to the t-test.

5 Bonus

Here are some other things you would maybe want to look at for the analysis of this dataset.

5.1 Variance components

To extract variance components from our models, we unfortunately need different functions per model since only of of them is a mixed model and we used different functions to fit them.

```
# Residual Variance
summary(mod_frc)$sigma^2
[1] 0.1666074
```

```
# Both Variance Components
as_tibble(VarCorr(mod_rrc))
# A tibble: 3 x 5
           var1
                       var2
                               vcov sdcor
 grp
  <chr>
           <chr>
                       <chr> <dbl> <dbl>
1 colF
           (Intercept) <NA> 0.144 0.380
2 rowF
           (Intercept) <NA>
                            0.0293 0.171
3 Residual <NA>
                       <NA>
                            0.167 0.409
```

5.2 Efficiency

The efficiency of a resolvable design can be calculated as its mean s.e.d. compared to the (mean¹) s.e.d. of the analogous RCBD, i.e. leaving out the incomplete block effects within the replicates. Above, we have already calculated the mean s.e.d. of our resolvable design so we can square it and get avg_sed_mod_frc^2 which is 0.23312. Accordingly, we can fit a model leaving out the incomplete block effects and get the s.e.d. just like before and also square it:

Finally, the efficiency of this resolvable design is then

```
avg_sed_mod_RCBD^2 / avg_sed_mod_frc^2
[1] 1.397325
```

meaning that the resolvable design is more efficient since the efficiency is > 1.

¹In this scenario, all s.e.d. of the RCBD model would be identical so we don't really need to get the average, but could instead argue that there is only one constant s.e.d.

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