

Ch 11. Question 9.

**Solution 1.** For part (a):

to check the design is BIBD(balanced incomplete block design), we need to check the following:

1. the design is binary, i.e., each treatment label appear either once or not at all in a block. It is easy to see this is satisfied.
2. we see that each pair of label appears together in  $\lambda = 2$  blocks.

So the design is really BIBD.

For part (b):

The randomization goes by two parts:

1. randomly assign the subjects to the blocks
2. within each block(subject), randomize the order in which the 3 levels of treatment factors are given to the subject.

for part (c):

There might be potential interaction between the block(subjects) and the treatment(drugs). If it is the case, then the treatment model (11.3.1) would not be adequate.

For part (d):

becareful here that treatment  $i = 2$  is really represented by label 1. (treatment 1 is labeled by 0).

```
T <- c(385, 582, 329, 674)
B<- c(417, 507, 469, 577)
n_2 <- c(1, 1, 0, 1)
Q_2 <- T[2] - sum(n_2*B)/3
Q_2
## [1] 81.66667
```

so we have verified that  $Q_2 = 81.667$ .

For part (e):

For any contrast  $\sum_i c_i \tau_i$  under the BIBD model, we have  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence interval as:

$$\sum_i c_i \tau_i \in \left( \frac{k}{\lambda v} \sum_i c_i Q_i \pm \frac{q_{v, bk-b-v+1, \alpha}}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sum_i c_i^2 \left( \frac{k}{\lambda v} \right) msE} \right)$$

So for  $\tau_3 - \tau_2$ , we have:

```
k <- 3
lambda <- 2
v <- 4
b <- 4
Q <- c(-79.333, 81.667, -158.667, 156.333)
msE <- 3.683
contrast <- c(0, -1, 1, 0)
CI.lower <- k/(lambda*v)*(Q[3] - Q[2]) -
  qtkey(0.05, v, df = b*k-b-v+1, lower.tail = FALSE)*sqrt(k/(lambda*v)*msE)
CI.upper <- k/(lambda*v)*(Q[3] - Q[2]) +
  qtkey(0.05, v, df = b*k-b-v+1, lower.tail = FALSE)*sqrt(k/(lambda*v)*msE)
cat('The 95% confidence interval for (', contrast, ') is [',
    CI.lower, ',', CI.upper, ']')

## The 95% confidence interval for ( 0 -1 1 0 ) is [ -96.25789 , -83.99261 ]
```

Since it does not include 0, we conclude that there is a difference between treatment 3 (labeled as drug number 2) and treatment 2 (labeled as drug number 1).

For part (f):

We want to test the hypothesis that:

$$H_0 : \tau_1 = \tau_2 = \tau_3 = \tau_4$$

against

$$H_1 : \tau_i \neq \tau_j, \text{ for some } i \neq j$$

```
k <- 3
lambda <- 2
v <- 4
ssTadj <- k/(lambda*v)*62578.335
msE <- 3.683
F <- (ssTadj/(v - 1))/msE
p <- pf(F, v-1, b*k-b-v+1, lower.tail=FALSE)
cat('The p value is', p)

## The p value is 3.506291e-08
```

we see that our p value for the test is smaller than  $\alpha = 0.05$ , so we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the drugs do have different treatment effect.