

1. (a) *You are told to analyze the experimental results assuming a randomized complete block design (RCBD) was run. Prepare an ANOVA table to test the hypotheses regarding fertilizers. Using an $\alpha = .05$ level, what do you conclude?*

At the $\alpha = 0.05$ significance level, based on a p-value less than 0.001 there is strong evidence at least one of the fertilizers had a different true mean percent coverage after accounting for row.

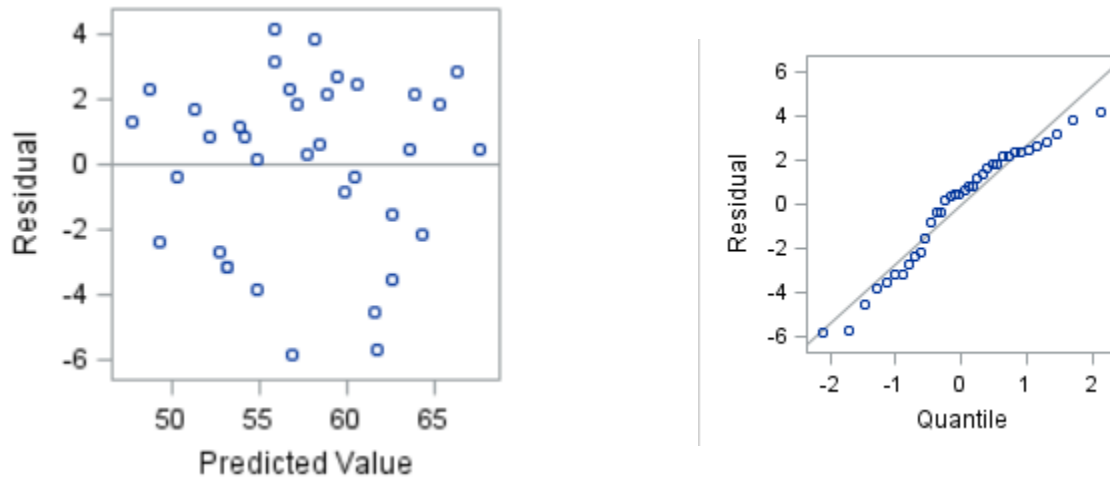
Source	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
FERT	5	832.3333333	166.4666667	16.47	<.0001
ROW	5	100.0000000	20.0000000	1.98	0.1168

- (b) *(2pt) Perform Tukey's test on the fertilizer means. What do you conclude?*

At the 95% family wise confidence level using Tukey's adjustment for multiple comparisons, there is strong evidence after accounting for row, average percent coverage from plots with fertilizer E are lower than plots with fertilizers C, A, and D. Similarly, there is strong evidence average percent coverage from plots with fertilizer F are lower than plots with fertilizers A and D and strong evidence average percent coverage from plots with fertilizer C is lower than plots with fertilizer D.

Means with the same letter are not significantly different.				
Tukey Grouping		Mean	N	FERT
	A	64.833	6	D
	A			
B	A	61.167	6	A
B				
B	C	59.000	6	C
	C			
D	C	55.500	6	B
D	C			
D	C	54.500	6	F
D				
D		50.000	6	E

- (c) *(1pt) Make a normal probability plot of the residuals and a plot of residuals vs predicted values. Comment on the results.*



The residuals vs. predicted plot shows more variability in the center than on the edges, particularly with residuals ranging from 4 to -6 in the center of the plot and ranging from around -2 to 2 on the edges of the plot. The Normal Q-Q plot shows slight curvature, especially on the edges and in the center of the plot. It may not be reasonable to assume HOv nor normality, with HOv being more concerning.

CODE FOR RCBD ANALYSIS

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PROC GLM DATA=in PLOTS = (ALL);
CLASS row fert;
MODEL cover = fert row / SS3 SOLUTION;
MEANS rows;
MEANS fert / TUKEY CLDIFF LINES;
RUN;
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- (d) (5pt) Unfortunately, the experiment was set up by another researcher who used a latin square design with plot column as the second blocking variable. Reanalyze the data as a latin square design by answering questions (a), (b), and (c) again.

a)

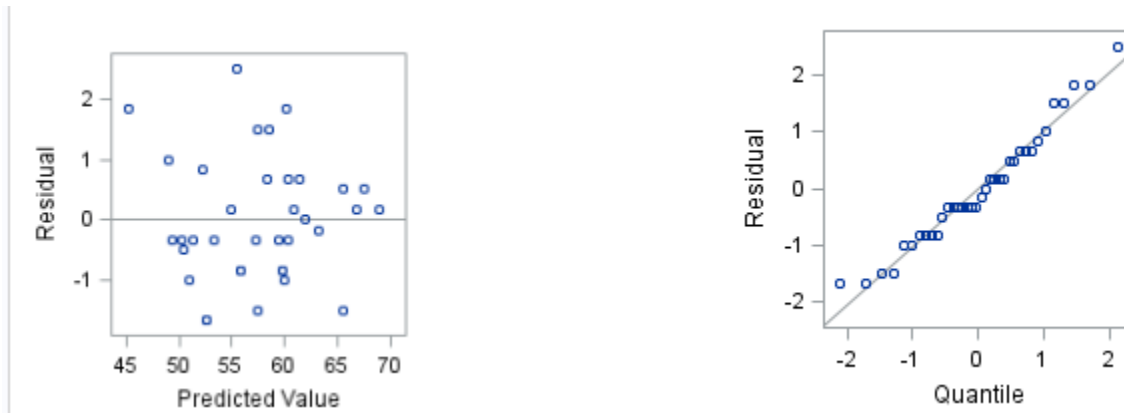
At the $\alpha = 0.05$ significance level using a latin squares design, based on a p-value less than 0.001 there is strong evidence at least one of the fertilizers had a different true mean percent coverage after accounting for row.

Source	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
ROW	5	100.0000000	20.0000000	10.81	<.0001
COL	5	215.6666667	43.1333333	23.32	<.0001
FERT	5	832.3333333	166.4666667	89.98	<.0001

b)

At the 95% family-wise confidence level using Tukey's multiple comparison adjustment, with a latin squares design analysis, there was strong evidence the true mean percent coverage from plots with fertilizer E was lower than the true mean coverage from plots fertilized with all other fertilizers. Similarly, there was strong evidence the true mean percent coverage from plots with fertilizer F was lower than the true mean coverage from plots with fertilizers C, A, and D. There was strong evidence the true mean percent coverage from plots fertilized with fertilizer C was lower than the true mean percent coverage from plots fertilized with fertilizer D. There was strong evidence the true mean percent coverage for plots fertilized with fertilizer D was higher than all that from plots fertilized with all other fertilizers.

Means with the same letter are not significantly different.			
Tukey Grouping	Mean	N	FERT
A	64.8333	6	D
B	61.1667	6	A
B			
B	59.0000	6	C
C	55.5000	6	B
C			
C	54.5000	6	F
D	50.0000	6	E



c)

Though at first glance we see more variation in the center of the residuals than on the edges, looking closer we notice the scale of the residual axis only goes between roughly 2 and -2. While non-constant variance is present, the degree is small as signified by the scale of the residual axis. We can visually see the latin squares design analysis from the step-wise nature of the Normal Q-Q plot. While there are slight deviations from normality, they appear less extreme given the step-wise/gridded nature of the residuals.

CODE FOR LATIN SQUARES ANALYSIS

```
proc glm data = in plots = (all);
class row col fert;
model cover = row col fert /ss3;
means row col;
means fert /tukey alpha=0.05;
output out=diag p=pred r=resid;
title 'LATIN SQUARES ANALYSIS';
run;
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(e) (1pt) Identify any significant changes that occurred between analyses.

Significant changes occurred in the multiple comparisons and in the residuals vs. predicted plots. Notable fertilizers D and E resulted in significant difference in mean percent coverage from all other fertilizers. HOV and normality appear to be more reasonably met in the latin squares analysis.

Level of ROW	N	COVER	
		Mean	Std Dev
1	6	55.1666667	5.15428624
2	6	56.1666667	5.26940857
3	6	56.8333333	5.87934237
4	6	57.8333333	6.55489639
5	6	58.8333333	6.40052081
6	6	60.1666667	6.64580068

Level of COL	N	COVER	
		Mean	Std Dev
1	6	59.5000000	4.41588043
2	6	60.1666667	5.87934237
3	6	59.1666667	6.76510655
4	6	57.5000000	6.34822810
5	6	55.3333333	5.64505683
6	6	53.3333333	4.67618078

- (f) (2pt) Calculate the row block and column block means. In terms of a physical context, interpret any patterns (if they exist) across the row and column means.

It appears that moving down the rows from 1 to 6 the mean percent coverage increases, as does the row standard deviation with a slight deviation from the increasing pattern.

Column means decrease from columns 4 to 6 and column standard deviations are smallest on the edges (1 and 6) and increase towards the center, being most variable.

All other problems are hand written.

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