

Linear Statistical Models

Video 109 : Bonferroni in R

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Bonferroni test is not really a test, it's a way by which you adjust the critical values or P-values or α 's so that the test has an overall Family wise error rate bounded by some given α .

Here we take some standard test like the LSD test and apply the Bonferroni correction to it.

Following is the R-command with the Bonferroni correction:

```
library(agricolae) #loading the library
data(sweetpotato) #loading the dataset
model=lm(yield~virus ,data=sweetpotato)
out=LSD.test(model,"virus",group=T,p.adj="bonferroni")
```

The output is as follows:

```
$groups
      yield groups
oo 36.90000      a
ff 36.33333      a
cc 24.40000     ab
fc 12.86667      b
```

Observations from the R-output :

oo, ff and cc seem to be in the same group. cc and fc also appear to be in the same group. cc belongs to both the **a** lot on one side and the **b** lot on other side.

It is imperative to note that these groups are not transitive in nature. ff and cc belong to group **a**, cc and fc belong to group **b** , but ff does not belong to group **b**. The reason being here we are working with approximate equations. For instance if we say numbers arranged at distance of 1 unit are approximately equal, then 0.5 1.4 , 1.4 2 but 0.5 is not approximately equal to 2.