

Toothgrowth Report By Charlie Chen

Overview

This is a report on the Toothgrowth dataset in R. We will examine which combination of supp and dosage is most beneficial to toothgrowth.

Report

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data("ToothGrowth") ## Loading the ToothGrowth dataset
names(ToothGrowth) ## Examine the column names

## [1] "len" "supp" "dose"

## Examine the class of each column
class(ToothGrowth[,1])

## [1] "numeric"

class(ToothGrowth[,2])

## [1] "factor"

class(ToothGrowth[,3])

## [1] "numeric"

head(ToothGrowth) ## Get a peek at the dataset

##      len supp dose
## 1  4.2   VC  0.5
## 2 11.5   VC  0.5
## 3  7.3   VC  0.5
## 4  5.8   VC  0.5
## 5  6.4   VC  0.5
## 6 10.0   VC  0.5

summary(ToothGrowth) ## Summary of the data

##      len      supp      dose
##  Min.   : 4.20    OJ:30    Min.   :0.500
## 1st Qu.:13.07    VC:30    1st Qu.:0.500
##  Median :19.25                Median :1.000
##  Mean   :18.81                Mean   :1.167
## 3rd Qu.:25.27                3rd Qu.:2.000
##  Max.   :33.90                Max.   :2.000

library(dplyr)

## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 3.5.3
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##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

grouped <- ToothGrowth %>%
  group_by(supp, dose) %>% ## Group the data by supp and dose
  mutate(supp_dose = gsub(' ', '_', paste(supp, dose))) ## Add a column that c
ombines column supp and dose

head(grouped)

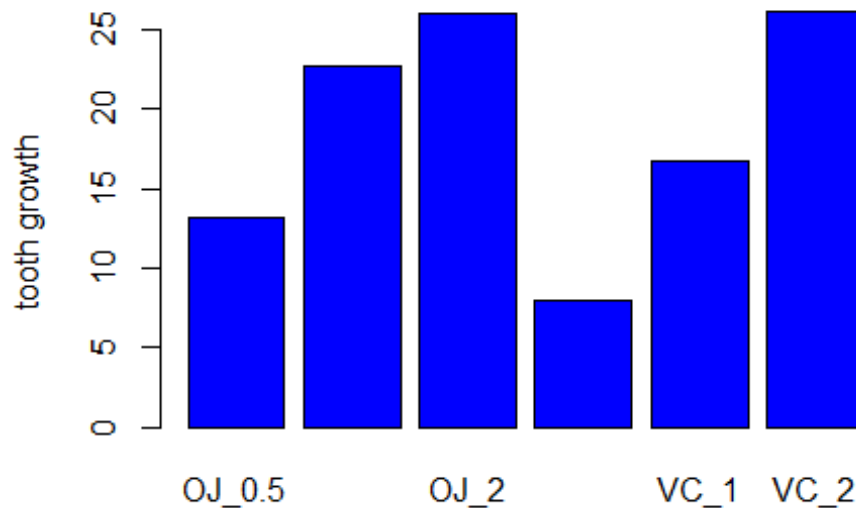
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
## # Groups:   supp, dose [1]
##   len supp  dose supp_dose
##   <dbl> <fct> <dbl> <chr>
## 1  4.2 VC    0.5 VC_0.5
## 2 11.5 VC    0.5 VC_0.5
## 3  7.3 VC    0.5 VC_0.5
## 4  5.8 VC    0.5 VC_0.5
## 5  6.4 VC    0.5 VC_0.5
## 6 10 VC    0.5 VC_0.5

grouped_summary <- ToothGrowth %>%
  group_by(supp, dose) %>% ## Group the data by supp and dose
  summarize_all(mean) %>% ## Get the mean of each group
  mutate(supp_dose = gsub(' ', '_', paste(supp, dose))) ## Add a column that c
ombines column supp and dose

grouped_summary

## # A tibble: 6 x 4
## # Groups:   supp [2]
##   supp  dose  len supp_dose
##   <fct> <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
## 1 OJ    0.5 13.2 OJ_0.5
## 2 OJ    1 22.7 OJ_1
## 3 OJ    2 26.1 OJ_2
## 4 VC    0.5 7.98 VC_0.5
## 5 VC    1 16.8 VC_1
## 6 VC    2 26.1 VC_2

barplot(grouped_summary$len, ylab = 'tooth growth', names.arg = grouped_summa
ry$supp_dose, col = 'blue') ## barplot the tooth growth vs supp + dose used
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## From the graph, we can see pretty clearly that using dosage of 2 is the way to go, regardless if you use OJ or VC, since OJ_2 and VC_2 have the same amount of toothgrowth.
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## We are, however, interested in if OJ_2 outperforms OJ_1 by a statistically significant margin
## So we perform a t test, assuming unequal variance and alpha = 0.05
t.test(grouped$len[grouped$supp_dose == 'OJ_2'], grouped$len[grouped$supp_dose == 'OJ_1'], alternative = "greater", var.equal = FALSE)$p.value
## [1] 0.01959757
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Conclusion

We can see from the graph and the t-test that using a dosage of 2 is the way and only way to go if you are looking for maximum tooth growth. OJ_2 and VC_2 exhibit the same amount of toothgrowth while OJ_2 outperforms OJ_1 by a statistically significant (assuming alpha = 0.05 and unequal variance for the two sets of data) margin.