

Non-parametric analogue to 1-way anova

There is a non-parametric test for a single factor with more than two levels. This is known as the 'Kruskal-Wallis' test.

- For the model $Y_{ij} = \mu + \tau_i + \epsilon_{ij}$, tests whether any two τ_i differ.
- makes same assumptions as Wilcoxon test
- still based upon ranks.

Kruskal-Wallis

This test is based upon the Kruskal-Wallis test statistic

$$H = \frac{12}{N(N+1)} \sum_i^k n_i (R_{.i} - R_{..})^2$$

Where $R_{..} = \frac{N+1}{2}$ and $R_{.i}$ is the mean rank in group i .

Kruskal-Wallis, Significance of H

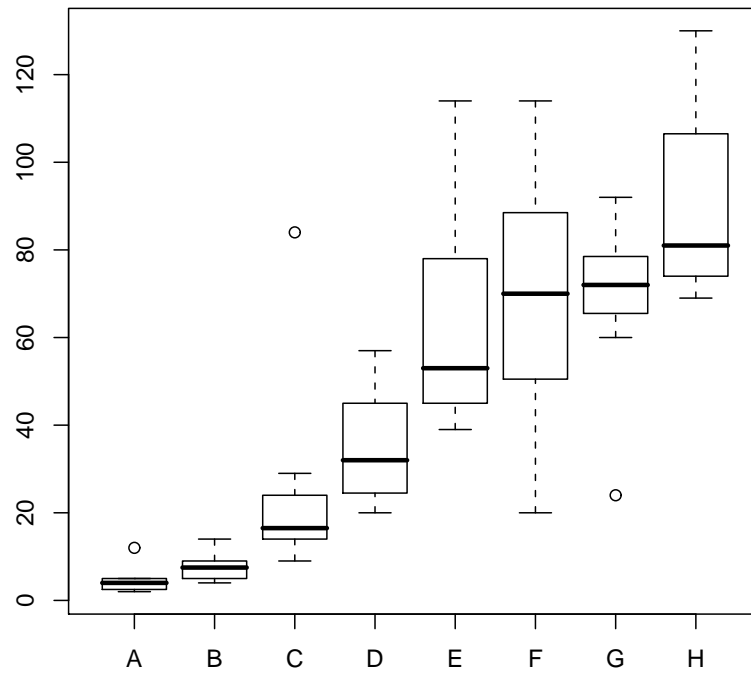
Under H_0 , H should have a sampling distribution defined by χ^2 with $df = k - 1$.

If you calculate an H , you can use the R function `pchisq(H,df)` to calculate the probability of observing that value under the null

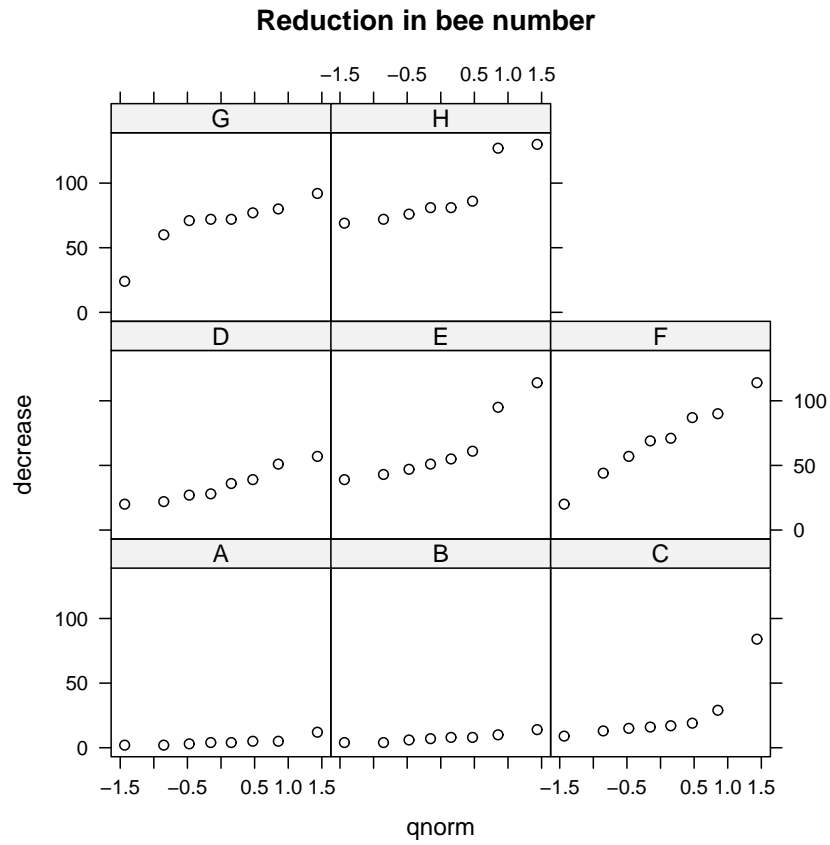
Kruskal-Wallis

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> data(OrchardSprays)
> boxplot(decrease ~ treatment, data = OrchardSprays, main = "Reduction in bee number")
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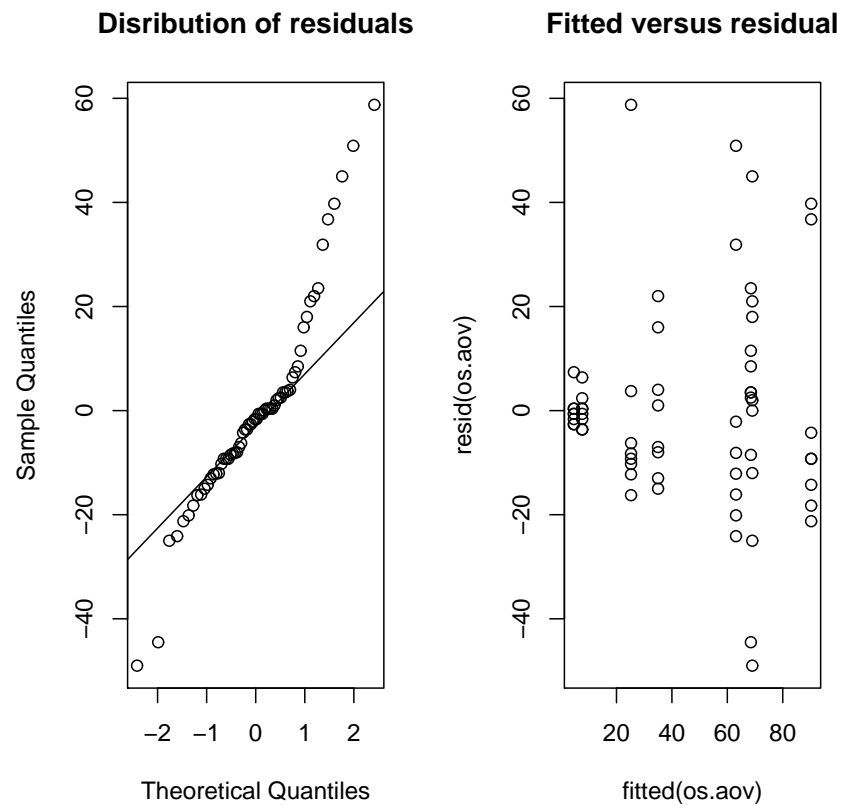
Reduction in bee number for different sprays



Kruskal-Wallis, cont



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Kruskal-Wallis, R implementation, cont

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> library(ctest)
> kruskal.test(decrease ~ treatment, data = OrchardSprays)
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Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test

data: decrease by treatment

Kruskal-Wallis chi-squared = 48.8735, df = 7, p-value = 2.402e-08