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Preface

- This book, an extended documentation of the **RJafroc** package, is undergoing extensive edits.
- It should not be used by the casual user until I give the go ahead.
- It bypasses the file size limits of **CRAN**, currently 5 MB, which severely limits the extent of the documentation that can be included with the CRAN version of the package.
- I welcome corrections and comments by the not-so-casual-user.
- Please use the GitHub website to raise issues and comments:
 - $-\ https://github.com/dpc10ster/RJafrocBook$

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Chapter 1

Introduction

- This is the book desribing the ${\bf RJafroc}$ package.
- The name of the book is RJafrocBook
- Modality and treatment are used interchangeably.
- Reader is a generic radiologist, or a computer aided detection algorithm, or any algorithmic "reader"
- TBA

1.1 References

DATA FORMATS

Chapter 2

ROC DATA FORMAT

2.1 Introduction

- The purpose of this vignette is to explain the data format of the input Excel file and to introduce the capabilities of the function DfReadDataFile(). Background on observer performance methods are in my book (Chakraborty, 2017).
- I will start with Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) data (Metz, 1978), as this is by far the simplest paradigm.
- In the ROC paradigm the observer assigns a rating to each image. A rating is an ordered numeric label, and, in our convention, higher values represent greater certainty or **confidence level** for presence of disease. With human observers, a 5 (or 6) point rating scale is typically used, with 1 representing highest confidence for *absence* of disease and 5 (or 6) representing highest confidence for *presence* of disease. Intermediate values represent intermediate confidence levels for presence or absence of disease.
- Note that location information associated with the disease, if applicable, is not collected.
- There is no restriction to 5 or 6 ratings. With algorithmic observers, e.g., computer aided detection (CAD) algorithms, the rating could be a floating point number and have infinite precision. All that is required is that higher values correspond to greater confidence in presence of disease.

2.2 Note to existing users

• The Excel file format has recently undergone changes resulting in 4 extra list members in the final created dataset object (i.e., 12 members

- instead of 8).
- Code should run on the old format Excel files as the 4 extra list members are simply ignored.
- Reasons for the change will become clearer in these vignettes
- Basically they are needed for generalization to other data collection paradigms instead of crossed, for example to the split-plot data acquisition paradigm, and for better data entry error control.

2.3 The Excel data format

- The Excel file has three worksheets.
- These are named
 - Truth,
 - NL (or FP),
 - LL (or TP).

2.4 Illustrative toy file

- Toy files are artificial small datasets intended to illustrate essential features of the data format.
- The examples shown in this vignette corresponds to Excel file inst/extdata/toyFiles/ROC/rocCr.xlsx in the project directory.
- To view these files one needs to clone the source files from GitHub.

2.5 The Truth worksheet

- The Truth worksheet contains 6 columns: CaseID, LesionID, Weight, ReaderID, ModalityID and Paradigm.
- For ROC data the first five columns contain as many rows as there are cases (images) in the dataset.
- CaseID: unique integers, one per case, representing the cases in the dataset.
- LesionID: integers 0 or 1, with each 0 representing a non-diseased case and each 1 representing a diseased case.
- In the current toy dataset, the non-diseased cases are labeled 1, 2 and 3, while the diseased cases are labeled 70, 71, 72, 73 and 74. The values do not have to be consecutive integers; they need not be ordered; the only requirement is that they be **unique**.
- Weight: Not used for ROC data, a floating point value, typically filled in with 0 or 1.

- ReaderID: a comma-separated listing of reader labels, each represented by a unique string, that have interpreted the case. In the example shown below each cell has the value 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 meaning that each of the readers, represented by the strings "0", "1", "2", "3" and "4", have interpreted all cases (hence the "crossed" design). With reader names that could be confused with integers, each cell in this column has to be text formatted as otherwise Excel will not accept it. [Try entering 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 in a numeric formatted Excel cell.]
- The reader names could just as well have been Rdr0, Rdr1, Rdr2, Rdr3, Rdr4. The only requirement is that they be unique strings.
- Look in in the inst/extdata/toyFiles/ROC directory for files rocCrStrRdrsTrts.xlsx and rocCrStrRdrsNonUnique.xlsx for examples of data files using longer strings for readers. The second file generates an error because the reader names are not unique.
- ModalityID: a comma-separated listing of modalities (one or more modalities), each represented by a unique string, that are applied to each case. In the example each cell has the value "0", "1". With treatment names that could be confused with integers, each cell has to be text formatted as otherwise Excel will not accept it.
- The treatment names could just as well have been Trt0, Trt1. Again, the only requirement is that they be unique strings.
- Paradigm: this column contains two cells, ROC and crossed. It informs
 the software that this is an ROC dataset, and the design is crossed, meaning each reader has interpreted each case in each modality (in statistical
 terminology: modality and reader factors are "crossed").
- There are 5 diseased cases in the dataset (the number of 1's in the LesionID column of the Truth worksheet).
- There are 3 non-diseased cases in the dataset (the number of 0's in the LesionID column).
- There are 5 readers in the dataset (each cell in the ReaderID column contains the string 0, 1, 2, 3, 4).
- There are 2 modalities in the dataset (each cell in the ModalityID column contains the string 0, 1).

2.6 The structure of an ROC dataset

In the following code chunk the first statement retrieves the name of the data file, located in a hidden directory that one need not be concerned with. The second statement reads the file using the function DfReadDataFile() and saves it to object x. The third statement shows the structure of the dataset object x.

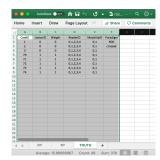


Figure 2.1: Truth worksheet for file rocCr.xlsx

```
x <- DfReadDataFile(rocCr, newExcelFileFormat = TRUE)
str(x)
#> List of 12
#> $ NL
                   : num [1:2, 1:5, 1:8, 1] 1 3 2 3 2 2 1 2 3 2 ...
#>
   $ LL
                   : num [1:2, 1:5, 1:5, 1] 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 ...
    $ lesionVector : int [1:5] 1 1 1 1 1
    $ lesionID
                   : num [1:5, 1] 1 1 1 1 1
    $ lesionWeight : num [1:5, 1] 1 1 1 1 1
#>
                   : chr "ROC"
    $ dataType
                   : Named chr [1:2] "0" "1"
    $ modalityID
    ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:2] "0" "1"
#>
                  : Named chr [1:5] "0" "1" "2" "3" ...
    $ readerID
     ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:5] "0" "1" "2" "3" ...
#>
#>
    $ design
                   : chr "CROSSED"
    $ normalCases : int [1:3] 1 2 3
   $ abnormalCases: int [1:5] 70 71 72 73 74
   $ truthTableStr: num [1:2, 1:5, 1:8, 1:2] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

- In the above code chunk flag newExcelFileFormat is set to TRUE as otherwise columns D F in the Truth worksheet are ignored and the dataset is assumed to be crossed, with dataType automatically determined from the contents of the FP and TP worksheets.
- Flag newExcelFileFormat = FALSE is for compatibility with older JAFROC format Excel files, which did not have these columns in the Truth worksheet. Its usage is deprecated.
- The dataset object x is a list variable with 12 members.
- The x\$NL member, with dimension [2, 5, 8, 1], contains the ratings of normal cases. The extra values in the third dimension, filled with NAs, are needed for compatibility with FROC datasets, as unlike ROC, false positives are possible on diseased cases.
- The x\$LL, with dimension [2, 5, 5, 1], contains the ratings of abnormal cases.

- The x\$lesionVector member is a vector with 5 ones representing the 5 diseased cases in the dataset.
- The x\$lesionID member is an array with 5 ones.
- The x\$lesionWeight member is an array with 5 ones.
- The lesionVector, lesionID and lesionWeight members are not used for ROC datasets. They are there for compatibility with FROC datasets.
- The dataType member indicates that this is an ROC dataset.
- The x\$modalityID member is a vector with two elements "0" and "1", naming the two modalities.
- The x\$readerID member is a vector with five elements "0", "1", "2", "3" and "4", naming the five readers.
- The x\$design member is CROSSED; specifies the dataset design, which
 is "CROSSED".
- The x\$normalCases member lists the integer names of the normal cases,
 1. 2. 3.
- The x\$abnormalCases member lists the integer names of the abnormal cases, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74.
- The x\$truthTableStr member quantifies the structure of the dataset, as explained in Chapter 00 Vignette #3-#5.

2.7 The false positive (FP) ratings

These are found in the FP or NL worksheet, see below.



Figure 2.2: FP worksheet for file rocCr.xlsx

- It consists of 4 columns, each of length 30 (= # of modalities times number of readers times number of non-diseased cases).
- ReaderID: the reader labels: 0, 1, 2, 3 and 4. Each reader label occurs 6 times (= # of modalities times number of non-diseased cases).
- ModalityID: the modality or treatment labels: 0 and 1. Each label occurs 15 times (= # of readers times number of non-diseased cases).
- CaseID: the case labels for non-diseased cases: 1, 2 and 3. Each label occurs 10 times (= # of modalities times # of readers).

- The label of a diseased case cannot occur in the FP worksheet. If it does the software generates an error.
- FP_Rating: the floating point ratings of non-diseased cases. Each row of this worksheet contains a rating corresponding to the values of ReaderID, ModalityID and CaseID for that row.

2.8 The true positive (TP) ratings

These are found in the TP or LL worksheet, see below.



Figure 2.3: TP worksheet for file rocCr.xlsx

- It consists of 5 columns, each of length 50 (= # of modalities times number of readers times number of diseased cases).
- ReaderID: the reader labels: 0, 1, 2, 3 and 4. Each reader label occurs 10 times (= # of modalities times number of diseased cases).
- ModalityID: the modality or treatment labels: 0 and 1. Each label occurs 25 times (= # of readers times number of diseased cases).
- LesionID: For an ROC dataset this column contains fifty 1's (each diseased case has one lesion).
- CaseID: the case labels for non-diseased cases: 70, 71, 72, 73 and 74. Each label occurs 10 times (= # of modalities times # of readers). The label of a non-diseased case cannot occur in the TP worksheet.
- TP_Rating: the floating point ratings of diseased cases. Each row of this worksheet contains a rating corresponding to the values of ReaderID, ModalityID, LesionID and CaseID for that row.

2.9 Correspondence between NL member of dataset and the FP worksheet

• The list member xNL is an array with dim = c(2,5,8,1).

- The first dimension (2) comes from the number of modalities.
- The second dimension (5) comes from the number of readers.
- The third dimension (8) comes from the **total** number of cases.
- The fourth dimension is alway 1 for an ROC dataset.
- The value of x\$NL[1,5,2,1], i.e., 5, corresponds to row 15 of the FP table, i.e., to ModalityID = 0, ReaderID = 4 and CaseID = 2.
- The value of x\$NL[2,3,2,1], i.e., 4, corresponds to row 24 of the FP table, i.e., to ModalityID 1, ReaderID 2 and CaseID 2.
- All values for case index > 3 are -Inf. For example the value of x\$NL[2,3,4,1] is -Inf. This is because there are only 3 non-diseased cases. The extra length is needed for compatibility with FROC datasets.

2.10 Correspondence between LL member of dataset and the TP worksheet

- The list member xLL is an array with dim = c(2,5,5,1).
 - The first dimension (2) comes from the number of modalities.
 - The second dimension (5) comes from the number of readers.
 - The third dimension (5) comes from the number of diseased cases.
 - The fourth dimension is alway 1 for an ROC dataset.
- The value of x\$LL[1,1,5,1], i.e., 4, corresponds to row 6 of the TP table, i.e., to ModalityID = 0, ReaderID = 0 and CaseID = 74.
- The value of x\$LL[1,2,2,1], i.e., 3, corresponds to row 8 of the TP table, i.e., to ModalityID = 0, ReaderID = 1 and CaseID = 71.
- There are no -Inf values in x\$LL: any(x\$LL == -Inf) = FALSE.

2.11 Correspondence using the which function

- Converting from **names** to **subscripts** (indicating position in an array) can be confusing.
- The following example uses the which function to help out.
- The first line says that the abnormalCase named 70 corresponds to subscript 1 in the LL array case dimension.
- The second line prints the NL rating for modalityID = 0, readerID = 1 and normalCases = 1.
- The third line prints the LL rating for modalityID = 0, readerID = 1 and abnormalCases = 70.
- The last line shows what happens if one enters an invalid value for name; the result is a numeric(0).
- Note that in each of these examples, the last dimension is 1 because we are dealing with an ROC dataset.

• The reader is encouraged to examine the correspondence between the NL and LL ratings and the Excel file using this method.

```
which(x$abnormalCases == 70)
#> [1] 1
x$NL[which(x$modalityID == "0"), which(x$readerID == "1"), which(x$normalCases == 1),1]
#> [1] 2
x$LL[which(x$modalityID == "0"), which(x$readerID == "1"), which(x$abnormalCases == 70),
#> [1] 5
x$LL[which(x$modalityID == "a"), which(x$readerID == "1"), which(x$abnormalCases == 70),
#> numeric(0)
```

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Chapter 3

FROC data format

3.1 Purpose

- Explain the data format of the input Excel file for FROC datasets.
- Explain the format of the FROC dataset.
- Explain the lesion distribution array returned by UtilLesionDistr().
- Explain the lesion weights array returned by UtilLesionWeightsDistr().
- Details on the FROC paradigm are in my book.

3.2 Introduction

- See my book Chakraborty (2017) for full details.
- In the Free-response Receiver Operating Characteristic (FROC) paradigm (Chakraborty, 1989) the observer searches each case for signs of localized disease and marks and rates localized regions that are sufficiently suspicious for disease presence.
- FROC data consists of **mark-rating pairs**, where each mark is a localized-region that was considered sufficiently suspicious for presence of a localized lesion and the rating is the corresponding confidence level.
- By adopting a proximity criterion, each mark is classified by the investigator as a lesion localization (LL) if it is close to a real lesion or a non-lesion localization (NL) otherwise.
- The observer assigns a rating to each region. The rating, as in the ROC paradigm, can be an integer or quasi-continuous (e.g., 0-100), or a floating point value, as long as higher numbers represent greater confidence in presence of a lesion at the indicated region.

3.3 The Excel data format

The Excel file has three worsheets. These are named Truth, NL or FP and LL or TP.

3.4 The Truth worksheet

The Truth worksheet contains 6 columns: CaseID, LesionID, Weight, ReaderID, ModalityID and Paradigm.

- Since a diseased case may have more than one lesion, the first five columns contain **at least** as many rows as there are cases (images) in the dataset.
- CaseID: unique integers, one per case, representing the cases in the dataset.
- LesionID: integers 0, 1, 2, etc., with each 0 representing a non-diseased case, 1 representing the *first* lesion on a diseased case, 2 representing the second lesion on a diseased case, if present, and so on.
- The non-diseased cases are labeled 1, 2 and 3, while the diseased cases are labeled 70, 71, 72, 73 and 74.
- There are 3 non-diseased cases in the dataset (the number of 0's in the LesionID column).
- There are 5 diseased cases in the dataset (the number of 1's in the LesionID column of the Truth worksheet).
- There are 3 readers in the dataset (each cell in the ReaderID column contains 0, 1, 2).
- There are 2 modalities in the dataset (each cell in the ModalityID column contains 0, 1).
- Weight: floating point; 0, for each non-diseased case, or values for each diseased case that add up to unity.
- Diseased case 70 has two lesions, with LesionIDs 1 and 2, and weights 0.3 and 0.7. Diseased case 71 has one lesion, with LesionID = 1, and Weight = 1. Diseased case 72 has three lesions, with LesionIDs 1, 2 and 3 and weights 1/3 each. Diseased case 73 has two lesions, with LesionIDs 1, and 2 and weights 0.1 and 0.9. Diseased case 74 has one lesion, with LesionID = 1 and Weight = 1.
- ReaderID: a comma-separated listing of readers, each represented by a unique integer, that have interpreted the case. In the example shown below each cell has the value 0, 1, 2. Each cell has to be text formatted. Otherwise Excel will not accept it.
- ModalityID: a comma-separated listing of modalities (or treatments), each
 represented by a unique integer, that apply to each case. In the example
 each cell has the value 0, 1. Each cell has to be text formatted.

• Paradigm: In the example shown below, the contents are FROC and crossed. It informs the software that this is an FROC dataset and the design is "crossed", as in Vignette #1.



Figure 3.1: Truth worksheet for file inst/extdata/toyFiles/FROC/frocCr.xlsx

3.5 The structure of an FROC dataset

The example shown above corresponds to Excel file inst/extdata/toyFiles/FROC/frocCr.xlsx in the project directory.

```
frocCr <- system.file("extdata", "toyFiles/FROC/frocCr.xlsx",</pre>
                        package = "RJafroc", mustWork = TRUE)
x <- DfReadDataFile(frocCr, newExcelFileFormat = TRUE)
str(x)
#> List of 12
#> $ NL
                  : num [1:2, 1:3, 1:8, 1:2] 1.02 2.89 2.21 3.01 2.14 ...
                  : num [1:2, 1:3, 1:5, 1:3] 5.28 5.2 5.14 4.77 4.66 4.87 3.01 3.27 3.31 3.19 ...
#> $ lesionVector : int [1:5] 2 1 3 2 1
#> $ lesionID : num [1:5, 1:3] 1 1 1 1 1 ...
#> $ lesionWeight : num [1:5, 1:3] 0.3 1 0.333 0.1 1 ...
                 : chr "FROC"
#> $ dataType
#> $ modalityID : Named chr [1:2] "0" "1"
#>
    ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:2] "0" "1"
                 : Named chr [1:3] "0" "1" "2"
#> $ readerID
   ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:3] "0" "1" "2"
#>
                 : chr "CROSSED"
#> $ design
#> $ normalCases : int [1:3] 1 2 3
#> $ abnormalCases: int [1:5] 70 71 72 73 74
#> $ truthTableStr: num [1:2, 1:3, 1:8, 1:4] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

 This follows the general description in Vignette #1. The differences are described below.

- The x\$dataType member indicates that this is an FROC dataset.
- The x\$lesionVector member is a vector whose contents reflect the number of lesions in each diseased case, i.e., 2, 1, 3, 2, 1 in the current example.
- The x\$lesionID member indicates the labeling of the lesions in each diseased case.

```
x$lesionID
         [,1] [,2] [,3]
#> [1,]
            1
                 2 -Inf
#> [2,]
            1 - Inf - Inf
#> [3,]
            1
                  2
                       3
#> [4,]
            1
                  2 -Inf
#> [5,]
            1 - Inf - Inf
```

- This shows that the lesions on the first diseased case are labeled 1 and 2. The -Inf is a filler used to denote a missing value. The second diseased case has one lesion labeled 1. The third diseased case has three lesions labeled 1, 2 and 3, etc.
- The lesionWeight member is the clinical importance of each lesion. Lacking specific clinical reasons, the lesions should be equally weighted; this is not true for this toy dataset.

```
x$lesionWeight
#>
              [,1]
                         [,2]
                                   [,3]
#> [1,] 0.3000000 0.7000000
                                   -Inf
#> [2,] 1.0000000
                                   -Inf
                         -Inf
#> [3,] 0.3333333 0.3333333
                             0.3333333
#> [4,] 0.1000000 0.9000000
                                   -Inf
#> [5,] 1.0000000
                         -Inf
                                   -Inf
```

• The first diseased case has two lesions, the first has weight 0.3 and the second has weight 0.7. The second diseased case has one lesion with weight 1. The third diseased case has three equally weighted lesions, each with weight 1/3. Etc.

3.6 The false positive (FP) ratings

These are found in the FP or NL worksheet, see below.

• It consists of 4 columns, of equal length. The common length is unpredictable. It could be zero if the dataset has no NL marks (a distinct possibility if the lesions are very easy to find and the modality and/or observer has high performance). All one knows is that the common length is an integer greater than or equal to zero.



Figure 3.2: Fig. 2: FP/NL worksheet for file inst/extdata/toyFiles/FROC/frocCr.xlsx

- In the example dataset, the common length is 22.
- ReaderID: the reader labels: these must be 0, 1, or 2, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- ModalityID: the modality labels: must be 0 or 1, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- CaseID: the labels of cases with NL marks. In the FROC paradigm, NL events can occur on non-diseased and diseased cases.
- FP_Rating: the floating point ratings of NL marks. Each row of this worksheet yields a rating corresponding to the values of ReaderID, ModalityID and CaseID for that row.
- For ModalityID 0, ReaderID 0 and CaseID 1 (the first non-diseased case declared in the Truth worksheet), there is a single NL mark that was rated 1.02, corresponding to row 2 of the FP worksheet.
- Diseased cases with NL marks are also declared in the FP worksheet. Some examples are seen at rows 15, 16 and 21-23 of the FP worksheet.
- Rows 21 and 22 show that caseID = 71 got two NL marks, rated 2.24, 4.01.
- That this is the *only* case with two marks determines the length of the fourth dimension of the x\$NL list member, 2 in the current example. Absent this case, the length would have been one.
- In general, the case with the most NL marks determines the length of the fourth dimension of the x\$NL list member.
- The reader should convince oneself that the ratings in x\$NL reflect the contents of the FP worksheet.

3.7 The true positive (TP) ratings

These are found in the TP or LL worksheet, see below.

• This worksheet can only have diseased cases. The presence of a non-

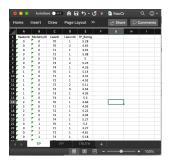


Figure 3.3: Fig. 3: TP/LL worksheet for file inst/extdata/toyFiles/FROC/frocCr.xlsx

diseased case in this worksheet will generate an error.

- The common vertical length, 31 in this example, is a-priori unpredictable. Given the structure of the Truth worsheet for this dataset, the maximum length would be 9 times 2 times 3, assuming every lesion is marked for each modality, reader and diseased case. The 9 comes from the total number of non-zero entries in the LesionID column of the Truth worksheet.
- The fact that the length is smaller than the maximum length means that there are combinations of modality, reader and diseased cases on which some lesions were not marked.
- As an example, the first lesion in CaseID equal to 70 was marked (and rated 5.28) in ModalityID 0 and ReaderID 0.
- The length of the fourth dimension of the x\$LL list member, 3 in the present example, is determined by the diseased case with the most lesions in the Truth worksheet.
- The reader should convince oneself that the ratings in x\$LL reflect the contents of the TP worksheet.

3.8 On the distribution of numbers of lesions in abnormal cases

Consider a much larger dataset, dataset11, with structure as shown below:

```
#> $ lesionWeight : num [1:115, 1:20] 0.167 0.25 0.143 1 0.333 ...
#> $ dataType : chr "FROC"

#> $ modalityID : Named chr [1:4] "1" "2" "3" "4"

#> .- attr(*, "names") = chr [1:4] "1" "2" "3" "4"

#> $ readerID : Named chr [1:5] "1" "2" "3" "4" ...

#> ..- attr(*, "names") = chr [1:5] "1" "2" "3" "4" ...

#> $ design : chr "CROSSED"

#> $ normalCases : int [1:43] 6 9 14 27 62 66 70 71 83 91 ...

#> $ abnormalCases: int [1:115] 1 2 3 5 7 8 10 11 13 17 ...

#> $ truthTableStr: num [1:4, 1:5, 1:158, 1:21] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

- Focus for now in the 115 abnormal cases.
- The numbers of lesions in these cases is contained in x\$lesionVector.

```
x$lesionVector

#> [1] 6 4 7 1 3 3 3 8 11 2 4 6 2 16 5 2 8 3 4 7 11 1 4 3 4

#> [26] 4 7 3 2 5 2 2 7 6 6 4 10 20 12 6 4 7 12 5 1 1 5 1 2 8

#> [51] 3 1 2 2 3 2 8 16 10 1 2 2 6 3 2 2 4 6 10 11 1 2 6 2 4

#> [76] 5 2 9 6 6 8 3 8 7 1 1 6 3 2 1 9 8 8 2 2 12 1 1 1 1 1

#> [101] 1 3 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 3 1 1 2 1
```

- For example, the first abnormal case contains 6 lesions, the second contains 4 lesions, the third contains 7 lesions, etc. and the last abnormal case contains 1 lesion.
- To get an idea of the distribution of the numbers of lesions per abnormal cases, one could interrogate this vector as shown below using the which() function:

```
for (el in 1:max(x$lesionVector)) cat(
  "abnormal cases with", el, "lesions = ",
 length(which(x$lesionVector == el)), "\n")
#> abnormal cases with 1 lesions = 25
#> abnormal cases with 2 lesions = 23
#> abnormal cases with 3 lesions = 13
#> abnormal cases with 4 lesions = 10
#> abnormal cases with 5 lesions = 5
#> abnormal cases with 6 lesions = 11
#> abnormal cases with 7 lesions = 6
#> abnormal cases with 8 lesions = 8
#> abnormal cases with 9 lesions = 2
#> abnormal cases with 10 lesions = 3
#> abnormal cases with 11 lesions = 3
#> abnormal cases with 12 lesions = 3
#> abnormal cases with 13 lesions = 0
```

```
#> abnormal cases with 14 lesions = 0
#> abnormal cases with 15 lesions = 0
#> abnormal cases with 16 lesions = 2
#> abnormal cases with 17 lesions = 0
#> abnormal cases with 18 lesions = 0
#> abnormal cases with 19 lesions = 0
#> abnormal cases with 20 lesions = 1
```

- This tells us that 25 cases contain 1 lesion
- Likewise, 23 cases contain 2 lesions
- Etc.

3.8.1 Definition of lesDistr array

 Let us ask what is the fraction of (abnormal) cases with 1 lesion, 2 lesions etc.

```
for (el in 1:max(x$lesionVector)) cat("fraction of abnormal cases with", el, "lesions :
                                             length(which(x$lesionVector == el))/leng
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 1 lesions = 0.2173913
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 2 lesions =
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 3 lesions = 0.1130435
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 4 lesions = 0.08695652
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 5 lesions = 0.04347826
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 6 lesions = 0.09565217
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 7 lesions = 0.05217391
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 8 lesions = 0.06956522
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 9 lesions = 0.0173913
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 10 lesions = 0.02608696
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 11 lesions = 0.02608696
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 12 lesions = 0.02608696
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 13 lesions = 0
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 14 lesions = 0
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 15 lesions = 0
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 16 lesions = 0.0173913
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 17 lesions = 0
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 18 lesions = 0
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 19 lesions = 0
#> fraction of abnormal cases with 20 lesions = 0.008695652
```

- This tells us that fraction 0.217 of (abnormal) cases contain 1 lesion
- And fraction 0.2 of (abnormal) cases contain 2 lesions
- Etc.

- This information is contained the the lesDistr array
- It is coded in the Utility function UtilLesionDistr()

```
lesDistr <- UtilLesionDistr(x)</pre>
lesDistr
         [,1]
                      [,2]
   [1,]
            1 0.217391304
#>
    [2,]
            2 0.200000000
    [3,]
            3 0.113043478
    [4,]
            4 0.086956522
#>
   [5,]
            5 0.043478261
   [6,]
            6 0.095652174
            7 0.052173913
    [7,]
            8 0.069565217
   [8,]
#> [9,]
            9 0.017391304
#> [10,]
           10 0.026086957
#> [11,]
           11 0.026086957
#> [12,]
           12 0.026086957
#> [13,]
           16 0.017391304
#> [14,]
           20 0.008695652
```

- The UtilLesionDistr() function returns an array with two columns and number of rows equal to the number of distinct values of lesions per case.
- The first column contains the number of distinct values of lesions per case, 14 in the current example.
- The second column contains the fraction of diseased cases with the number of lesions indicated in the first column.
- The second column must sum to unity

```
sum(UtilLesionDistr(x)[,2])
#> [1] 1
```

• The lesion distribution array will come in handy when it comes to predicting the operating characteristics from using the Radiological Search Model (RSM), as detailed in Chapter 17 of my book.

3.9 Definition of lesWghtDistr array

- This is returned by UtilLesionWeightsDistr().
- This contains the same number of rows as lesDistr.
- The number of columns is one plus the number of rows as lesDistr.
- The first column contains the number of distinct values of lesions per case, 14 in the current example.

- The second column contains the weights of cases with number of lesions per case corresponding to row 1.
- The third column contains the weights of cases with number of lesions per case corresponding to row 2.
- Etc.
- Missing values are filled with -Inf.

```
lesWghtDistr <- UtilLesionWeightsDistr(x)</pre>
cat("dim(lesDistr) =", dim(lesDistr),"\n")
\#> dim(lesDistr) = 14 2
cat("dim(lesWghtDistr) =", dim(lesWghtDistr),"\n")
\#> dim(lesWghtDistr) = 14 21
cat("lesWghtDistr = \n\n")
#> lesWqhtDistr =
lesWghtDistr
                                                  [.5]
                                                             [.6]
                                                                       [.7]
        [,1]
                   [,2]
                             [.3]
                                        [,4]
#>
    [1,]
           1 1.00000000
                             -Inf
                                        -Inf
                                                  -Inf
                                                             -Inf
                                                                       -Inf
#>
    [2,]
           2 0.50000000 0.50000000
                                        -Inf
                                                  -Inf
                                                             -Inf
                                                                       -Inf
#>
    [3,]
           3 0.33333333 0.33333333 0.333333333
                                                             -Inf
                                                  -Inf
                                                                       -Inf
           4 0.25000000 0.25000000 0.25000000 0.25000000
#>
    [4,]
                                                             -Inf
                                                                       -Inf
           5 0.20000000 0.20000000 0.20000000 0.20000000 0.20000000
    [5,]
                                                                       -Inf
#>
   16.7
           6 0.16666667 0.16666667 0.16666667 0.16666667 0.16666667
#>
    [7,]
           7 0.14285714 0.14285714 0.14285714 0.14285714 0.14285714 0.14285714
#>
    [8,]
           8 0.12500000 0.12500000 0.12500000 0.12500000 0.12500000
#>
   [9,]
           #> Γ10.7
          10 0.10000000 0.10000000 0.10000000 0.10000000 0.10000000 0.10000000
#> [11,]
          #> [12,]
          12 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333
#> [13,]
          16 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000
          20 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000
#>
  [14,]
#>
              [,8]
                        [,9]
                                  [,10]
                                            [,11]
                                                       [,12]
                                                                 [,13]
                                                                        [,14]
#>
    [1,]
              -Inf
                        -Inf
                                             -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#>
    [2,]
              -Inf
                        -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                             -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#>
   [3,]
              -Inf
                        -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                             -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#>
    [4,]
              -Inf
                         -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                             -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#>
   [5,]
              -Inf
                         -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                             -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#>
   [6,]
                                             -Inf
              -Inf
                         -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#>
   [7,] 0.14285714
                         -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                             -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
    [8,] 0.12500000 0.12500000
                                   -Inf
                                             -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
   [9,] 0.11111111 0.11111111 0.11111111
                                             -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                  -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#> [10,] 0.10000000 0.10000000 0.10000000 0.10000000
                                                                  -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                                         -Inf
-Inf
                                                                         -Inf
#> [12,] 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333 0.08333333
                                                                         -Inf
#> [13,] 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.06250000 0.0625
#> [14,] 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.05000000 0.0500
```

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```
[.15]
                   [,16]
                            [,17] [,18] [,19] [,20] [,21]
#>
    [1,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
#>
    [2,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
#>
    [3,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
#>
    [4,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
    [5,]
            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
#>
                    -Inf
                             -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
#>
    [6,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
#>
    [7,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
#>
    [8,]
            -Inf
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                    -Inf
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                                   -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
#>
    [9,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
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                                   -Inf
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                                                        -Inf
#> [10,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                 -Inf
                                                        -Inf
#> [11,]
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                             -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
#> [12,]
                                                        -Inf
            -Inf
                    -Inf
                            -Inf
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                 -Inf
#> [13,] 0.0625 0.0625 0.0625
                                   -Inf
                                          -Inf
                                                        -Inf
                                                 -Inf
#> [14,] 0.0500 0.0500 0.0500
                                   0.05
                                          0.05
```

- Row 3 corresponds to 3 lesions per case and the weights are 1/3, 1/3 and 1/3.
- Row 13 corresponds to 16 lesions per case and the weights are 0.06250000, 0.06250000, ..., repeated 13 times.
- Note that the number of rows is less than the maximum number of lesions per case (20).
- This is because some configurations of lesions per case (e.g., cases with 13 lesions per case) do not occur in this dataset.

3.10 Summary

- The FROC dataset has far less regularity in structure as compared to an ROC dataset.
- The length of the first dimension of either xNL or xLL list members is the total number of modalities, 2 in the current example.
- The length of the second dimension of either x\$NL or x\$LL list members is the total number of readers, 3 in the current example.
- The length of the third dimension of x\$NL is the total number of cases, 8
 in the current example. The first three positions account for NL marks on
 non-diseased cases and the remaining 5 positions account for NL marks on
 diseased cases.
- The length of the third dimension of x\$LL is the total number of diseased cases, 5 in the current example.
- The length of the fourth dimension of x\$NL is determined by the case (diseased or non-diseased) with the most NL marks, 2 in the current example.
- The length of the fourth dimension of x\$LL is determined by the diseased case with the most lesions, 3 in the current example.

3.11 References

ROC SPLIT PLOT

Chapter 4

ROC split plot data format

4.1 Introduction

- The purpose of this vignette is to explain the data format of the input Excel file for an ROC *split-plot* dataset.
- In a split-plot dataset each reader interprets a different sub-set of cases in all modalities, i.e., the cases interpreted by different readers have no overlap.
- Each sub-set of cases can have different numbers of non-diseased and diseased cases.
- The example below assumes the same numbers of non-diseased and diseased cases.
- The data format has been extended to NewFormat to allow such datasets.

4.2 The Excel data format

As before, the Excel file has three worsheets named Truth, NL or FP and LL or TP. The Excel file corresponding to the example that follows is inst/extdata/toyFiles/ROC/rocSp.xlsx.

4.3 The Truth worksheet

The Truth worksheet contains 6 columns: CaseID, LesionID, Weight, ReaderID, ModalityID and Paradigm.

 The first five columns contain as many rows as there are cases in the dataset.

- CaseID: unique integers, one per case, representing the cases in the dataset
- LesionID: integers 0, representing non-diseased cases and 1 representing the diseased cases.
- The ReaderID column is a listing of readers each represented by a **unique string**. Note that, unlike the crossed design, the ReaderID column has single values. Each cell has to be text formatted.
- The non-diseased cases interpreted by reader with ReaderID value 1 are labeled 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, each with LesionID value 0.
- The diseased cases interpreted by this reader are labeled 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, each with LesionID value 1.
- The second reader, with ReaderID value 4, interprets five non-diseased cases labeled 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, each with LesionID value 0, and five diseased cases labeled 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40, each with LesionID value 1.
- The third reader, with ReaderID value 5, interprets five non-diseased cases labeled 46, 47, 48, 49 and 50, each with LesionID value 0 and five diseased cases labeled 51, 52, 53, 54 and 55, each with LesionID value 1.
- Weight: floating point value 0 this is not used for ROC data.
- ModalityID: a comma-separated listing of modalities, each represented by
 a unique string. In the example shown below each cell has the value 1,
 Each cell has to be text formatted.
- Paradigm: In the example shown in this vignette, the contents are ROC and split-plot.



Figure 4.1: Fig. 1: Truth worksheet for file inst/extdata/toyFiles/ROC/rocSp.xlsx

4.4 The structure of the ROC split plot dataset

• The example shown in Fig. 1 corresponds to Excel file inst/extdata/toyFiles/ROC/rocSp.xlsx in the project directory.

```
rocSp <- system.file("extdata", "toyFiles/ROC/rocSp.xlsx",</pre>
                       package = "RJafroc", mustWork = TRUE)
x <- DfReadDataFile(rocSp, newExcelFileFormat = TRUE)
str(x)
#> List of 12
#> $ NL
                  : num [1:2, 1:3, 1:30, 1] 1 1 -Inf -Inf -Inf ...
#> $ LL
                 : num [1:2, 1:3, 1:15, 1] 5 2.3 -Inf -Inf -Inf ...
#> $ lesionVector : int [1:15] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
#> $ lesionID : num [1:15, 1] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
#> $ lesionWeight : num [1:15, 1] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
#> $ dataType
                 : chr "ROC"
#> $ modalityID : Named chr [1:2] "1" "2"
    ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:2] "1" "2"
#> $ readerID : Named chr [1:3] "1" "4" "5"
   ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:3] "1" "4" "5"
#> $ design
                 : chr "SPLIT-PLOT"
#> $ normalCases : int [1:15] 6 7 8 9 10 21 22 23 24 25 ...
#> $ abnormalCases: int [1:15] 16 17 18 19 20 36 37 38 39 40 ...
#> \$ truthTableStr: num [1:2, 1:3, 1:30, 1:2] 1 1 NA NA NA NA 1 1 NA NA ...
```

- DfReadDataFile() flag newExcelFileFormat must be set to TRUE for split plot data.
- The dataset object ${\tt x}$ is a list variable with 12 members.
- There are 15 diseased cases in the dataset (the number of 1's in the LesionID column of the Truth worksheet) and 15 non-diseased cases (the number of 0's in the LesionID column).
- x\$NL, with dimension [2, 3, 30, 1], contains the ratings of normal cases.
 The extra values in the third dimension, filled with NAs, are needed for compatibility with FROC datasets.
- x\$LL, with dimension [2, 3, 15, 1], contains the ratings of abnormal cases.
- The x\$lesionVector member is a vector with 15 ones representing the 15 diseased cases in the dataset.
- The x\$lesionID member is an array with 15 ones (this member is needed for compatibility with FROC datasets).
- The x\$lesionWeight member is an array with 15 ones (this member is needed for compatibility with FROC datasets).
- The dataType member is ROC which specifies the data collection method ("ROC", "FROC", "LROC" or "ROI").
- The x\$modalityID member is a vector with two elements "1" and "2", naming the two modalities.

- The x\$readerID member is a vector with three elements "1", "4" and "5", naming the three modalities.
- The x\$design member is SPLIT-PLOT; specifies the dataset design, which can be either "CROSSED" or "SPLIT-PLOT".
- The x\$normalCases member lists the names of the normal cases, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50.
- The x\$abnormalCases member lists the names of the abnormal cases, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55.
- The x\$truthTableStr member quantifies the structure of the dataset, as explained next. It is used in the DfReadDataFile() function to check for data entry errors.

4.5 The truthTableStr member

- This is a 2 x 3 x 30 x 2 array, i.e., I x J x K x (maximum number of lesions per case plus 1). The plus 1 is needed to accommodate normal cases with lesionID = 0. [Zero is not a valid array subscript in R.]
- Each entry in this array is either 1, meaning the corresponding interpretation exists, or NA, meaning the corresponding interpretation does not exist
- For example, x\$truthTableStr[1,1,1,1] is 1. This means that an interpretation exists for the first treatment (modalityID = 1), first reader (readerID = 1) and first (normal) case (caseID = 6 and lesionID = 0). This example corresponds to row 2 in the TRUTH worksheet.
- The following shows that the first reader interprets the first five normal cases in both modalities.

```
x$truthTableStr[,1,1:15,1]
         [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8]
                                                      [,9]
                                                           [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,]
                       1
                             1
                                   1
                                       NA
                                             NA
                                                  NA
                                                        NA
                                                               NA
                                                                      NA
#> [2,]
                  1
                                                        NA
                                                               NA
                                                                            NA
                                                                                   NA
            1
                       1
                             1
                                   1
                                       NA
                                             NA
                                                  NA
                                                                      NA
                                                                                          NA
#>
         [,15]
#> [1,]
            NA
#> [2,]
```

• In the following all elements are NA because normal cases correspond to lesionID = 1.

```
x$truthTableStr[,1,1:15,2]
                                                [,8]
         [,1]
              [,2] [,3]
                          [,4] [,5] [,6]
                                           [,7]
                                                      [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,]
           NA
                                  NA
                                       NA
                                             NA
                                                   NA
                                                        NA
                                                               NA
                                                                      NA
                                                                             NA
                                                                                   NA
                      NA
                            NA
                                                                                          NA
#> [2,]
           NA
                 NA
                      NA
                            NA
                                  NA
                                       NA
                                             NA
                                                   NA
                                                        NA
                                                               NA
                                                                      NA
                                                                             NA
                                                                                   NA
                                                                                          NA
         [,15]
```

```
#> [1,] NA
#> [2,] NA
```

• The following shows that the second reader interprets the next group of five normal cases, indexed 6 through 10, in both modalities.

```
x$truthTableStr[,2,1:15,1]
         [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,]
           NA
                NA
                           NA
                                NA
                                       1
                                            1
                                                  1
                                                        1
                                                              1
                                                                    NA
                                                                          NA
                                                                                 NA
                                                                                        NA
#> [2,]
           NA
                NA
                      NA
                           NA
                                 NA
                                       1
                                             1
                                                  1
                                                        1
                                                                    NA
                                                                           NA
                                                                                 NA
                                                                                        NA
        [,15]
           NA
#> [1,]
#> [2,]
           NA
```

• The following shows that the third reader interprets the next group of five normal cases, indexed 11 through 15, in both modalities.

```
x$truthTableStr[,3,1:15,1]
        [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,]
          NA
                NA
                     NA
                           NA
                                NA
                                      NA
                                           NA
                                                 NA
                                                      NA
                                                             NA
                                                                     1
                                                                           1
                                                                                  1
                                                                                        1
#> [2,]
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                                                                                  1
          NA
                NA
                     NA
                           NA
                                NA
                                      NA
                                           NA
                                                 NA
                                                      NA
                                                             NA
                                                                                        1
#>
        [,15]
#> [1,]
             1
#> [2,]
```

• The following shows that the first reader interprets the first group of five abnormal cases, indexed 16 through 20, in both modalities.

```
x$truthTableStr[,1,16:30,2]
        [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,]
                                               NA
                                                     NA
                                                           NA
                                                                  NA
           1
                1
                   1
                           1
                                 1
                                     NA
                                          NA
                                                                        NA
                                                                              NA
                                                                                     NA
#> [2,]
           1
                 1
                      1
                           1
                                 1
                                     NA
                                          NA
                                                NA
                                                     NA
                                                           NA
                                                                  NA
                                                                        NA
                                                                              NA
                                                                                     NA
        [,15]
#> [1,]
           NA
#> [2,]
```

 In the following all elements are NA because abnormal cases correspond to lesionID = 2.

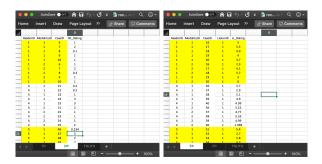


Figure 4.2: Fig. 2 FP/TP worksheets; LEFT=FP, (b) RIGHT=TP

4.6 The false positive (FP) ratings

- These are found in the FP or NL worksheet, see Fig. 2, left panel.
- This worksheet has the ratings of non-diseased cases.
- The common vertical length is 30 in this example (2 modalities times 3 readers times 5 non-diseased cases per reader).
- ReaderID: the reader labels: these must be from 1, 4 or 5, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- ModalityID: the modality labels: 1 or 2, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- CaseID: the labels of non-diseased cases. Each CaseID ReaderID combination must be consistent with that declared in the Truth worsheet.
- NL_Rating: the floating point ratings of non-diseased cases. Each row of this worksheet yields a rating corresponding to the values of ReaderID, ModalityID and CaseID for that row.

```
[,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 0.2 0.2
                               1
                                    3
                                        3 -Inf -Inf -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 2.0 1.0
                                1
                                    1
                                        2 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
     [,15]
#> [1,] -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf
x$NL[,3,1:15,1]
     [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
5
                                                     2
2
                                                     2
                                                          2
     [,15]
#> [1,] 2.00
#> [2,] 0.33
```

- The first line of the above code shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the first five non-diseased cases with CaseIDs 6,7,8,9,10 (indexed 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and appearing in the first five columns) interpreted by the first reader (ReaderID 1).
- The second line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the next five non-diseased cases with CaseIDs 21,22,23,24,25 (indexed 6, 7, 8, 9, 10and appearing in the next five columns) interpreted by the second reader (ReaderID 4).
- The third line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the final five nondiseased cases with CaseIDs 46,47,48,49,50 (indexed 11, 12, 13, 14, 15and appearing in the final five columns) interpreted by the third reader (ReaderID 5).
- Values such as x\$NL[,,16:30,1], which are there for compatibility with FROC data, are all filled with -Inf.

4.7 The true positive (TP) ratings

- These are found in the TP or LL worksheet, see Fig. 2, right panel.
- This worksheet has the ratings of diseased cases.
- The common vertical length is 30 in this example (2 modalities times 3 readers times 5 diseased cases per reader).
- ReaderID: the reader labels: these must be from 1, 4 or 5, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- ModalityID: the modality labels: 1 or 2, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- CaseID: the labels of diseased cases. Each CaseID ReaderID combination must be consistent with that declared in the Truth worsheet.

• LL_Rating: the floating point ratings of diseased cases. Each row of this worksheet yields a rating corresponding to the values of ReaderID, ModalityID and CaseID for that row.

```
x$LL[,1,1:15,1]
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,] 5.0 5.5 4.9 4 3.7 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
#> [2,] 2.3 4.1 5.7 5 6.0 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
                                                          -Inf
      [,15]
#> [1,] -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf
x$LL[,2,1:15,1]
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 2.70 2.90 5.10 4.90 4.990 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
\#>[2,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 5.22 4.77 5.33 4.99 1.999 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
      [,15]
#> [1,] -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf
x$LL[,3,1:15,1]
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
2.7
5.4
                                                       2.7
      [,15]
#>
#> [1,]
         5
#> [2,]
```

- The first line of code shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the first five diseased cases with CaseIDs 16,17,18,19,20 (indexed 1, 2, 3, 4, 5and appearing in the first five columns) interpreted by the first reader (ReaderID 1).
- The second line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the next five diseased cases with CaseIDs 36,37,38,39,40 (indexed 6, 7, 8, 9, 10and appearing in the next five columns) interpreted by the second reader (ReaderID 4).
- The third line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the final five nondiseased cases with CaseIDs 51,52,53,54,55 (indexed 11, 12, 13, 14, 15and appearing in the final five columns) interpreted by the third reader (ReaderID 5).

4.8 Summary

 The FROC dataset has far less regularity in structure as compared to an ROC dataset.

- The length of the first dimension of either xNL or xLL list members is the total number of modalities, 2 in the current example.
- The length of the second dimension of either x\$NL or x\$LL list members is the total number of readers, 3 in the current example.
- The length of the third dimension of x\$NL is the total number of cases, 8 in the current example. The first three positions account for NL marks on non-diseased cases and the remaining 5 positions account for NL marks on diseased cases.
- The length of the third dimension of xLL is the total number of diseased cases, 5 in the current example.
- The length of the fourth dimension of x\$NL is determined by the case (diseased or non-diseased) with the most NL marks, 2 in the current example.
- The length of the fourth dimension of x\$LL is determined by the diseased case with the most lesions, 3 in the current example.

4.9 References

SPLIT-PLOT DATASETS

Chapter 5

FROC ROC DATA FORMAT SPLIT PLOT

5.1 Introduction

- The purpose of this vignette is to explain the data format of the input Excel file for an FROC *split-plot* dataset.
- In a split-plot dataset each reader interprets a sub-set of cases in all modalities.
- The cases interpreted by different readers have no overlap.
- It is assumed, for now, that each sub-set of cases has the same numbers of non-diseased and diseased cases.

5.2 The Excel data format

The Excel file has three worsheets named Truth, NL or FP and LL or TP.

5.3 The Truth worksheet

The Truth worksheet contains 6 columns: CaseID, LesionID, Weight, ReaderID, ModalityID and Paradigm.

• The first five columns contain as many rows as there are non-diseased cases (9) plus total number of lesions (27) in the dataset (each row with a non-zero LesionID corresponds to a lesion).

- CaseID: unique integers, one per case, representing the cases in the dataset
- LesionID: integers 0, 1, 2, etc., with each 0 representing a non-diseased case, 1 representing the *first* lesion on a diseased case, 2 representing the second lesion on a diseased case, if present, and so on.
- The three non-diseased cases interpreted by reader with ReaderID value 0 are labeled 1, 2, 3, while the diseased cases interpreted by this reader are labeled 70, 71, 72, 73 and 74, with LesionID values ranging from 1 to 3.
- The second reader, with ReaderID value 1, interprets three non-diseased cases labeled 4, 5 and 6, each with LesionID value 0, and five diseased cases labeled 80, 81, 82, 83 and 84, with LesionID values ranging from 1 to 3.
- The third reader, with ReaderID value 2, interprets three non-diseased cases labeled 7, 8 and 9, each with LesionID value 0 and five diseased cases labeled 90, 91, 92, 93 and 94, with LesionID values ranging from 1 to 3.
- Weight: floating point value adding upto unity for diseased cases as required for FROC data.
- ModalityID: a comma-separated listing of modalities, each represented by a unique integer. In the example shown below each cell has the value 0,
 1. Each cell has to be text formatted.
- Paradigm: In the example shown below, the contents are FROC and split-plot.

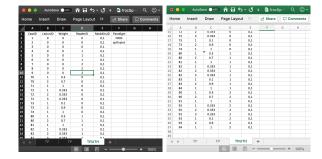


Figure 5.1: Two views of Truth worksheet for file frocSp.xlsx

5.4 The structure of the FROC split plot dataset

The example shown in Fig. 1 corresponds to Excel file inst/extdata/toyFiles/FROC/frocSp.xlsx in the project directory.

```
frocSp <- system.file("extdata", "toyFiles/FROC/frocSp.xlsx",</pre>
                       package = "RJafroc", mustWork = TRUE)
x <- DfReadDataFile(frocSp, newExcelFileFormat = TRUE)
str(x)
#> List of 12
#> $ NL
                  : num [1:2, 1:3, 1:24, 1:3] 1.02 2.89 -Inf -Inf -Inf ...
#> $ LL
                  : num [1:2, 1:3, 1:15, 1:3] 5.28 5.2 -Inf -Inf -Inf ...
#> $ lesionVector : int [1:15] 2 1 3 2 1 2 1 3 2 1 ...
#> $ lesionID : num [1:15, 1:3] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
#> $ lesionWeight : num [1:15, 1:3] 0.3 1 0.333 0.1 1 ...
                 : chr "FROC"
#> $ dataType
#> $ modalityID : Named chr [1:2] "0" "1"
   ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:2] "0" "1"
                 : Named chr [1:3] "0" "1" "2"
#> $ readerID
    ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:3] "0" "1" "2"
               : chr "SPLIT-PLOT"
#> $ design
#> $ normalCases : int [1:9] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
#> $ abnormalCases: int [1:15] 70 71 72 73 74 80 81 82 83 84 ...
#> \$ truthTableStr: num [1:2, 1:3, 1:24, 1:4] 1 1 NA NA NA NA 1 1 NA NA \ldots
```

- Flag newExcelFileFormat must be set to TRUE for split plot data.
- The dataset object x is a list variable with 12 members.
- Note that the dataType member is FROC and the design member is SPLIT-PLOT.
- There are 15 diseased cases in the dataset (the number of 1's in the LesionID column of the Truth worksheet) and 9 non-diseased cases (the number of 0's in the LesionID column).
- The x\$lesionVector member is a vector with 15 ones representing the 15 diseased cases in the dataset.
- The x\$lesionID member is a 15 x 3 array labeling the lesions in the dataset.
- The x\$lesionWeight member is a 15 x 3 array.

```
x$lesionVector
#> [1] 2 1 3 2 1 2 1 3 2 1 2 1 3 2 1
x$lesionID
#> [,1] [,2] [,3]
#> [1,] 1 2 -Inf
#> [2,] 1 -Inf -Inf
#> [3,] 1 2 3
```

```
[4,]
                  2 -Inf
#>
    [5,]
               -Inf -Inf
    [6,]
                  2 -Inf
#>
             1
    [7,]
               -Inf -Inf
#>
#>
    [8,]
             1
                  2
                        3
    [9,]
                  2 - Inf
#>
             1
#>
   [10,]
               -Inf -Inf
             1
   [11,]
             1
                  2 -Inf
#> [12,]
               -Inf -Inf
             1
#> [13,]
                  2
                  2 -Inf
#> [14,]
             1
#> [15,]
             1 - Inf - Inf
x$lesionWeight
#>
               [,1]
                                     [,3]
                          [,2]
#>
    [1,] 0.3000000 0.7000000
                                     -Inf
    [2,] 1.0000000
                          -Inf
                                     -Inf
    [3,] 0.3333333 0.3333333 0.3333333
#>
    [4,] 0.1000000 0.9000000
#>
                                     -Inf
    [5,] 1.0000000
                          -Inf
                                     -Inf
    [6,] 0.3000000 0.7000000
                                     -Inf
    [7,] 1.0000000
#>
                          -Inf
                                     -Inf
#>
    [8,] 0.3333333 0.3333333 0.3333333
    [9,] 0.1000000 0.9000000
                                     -Inf
#> [10,] 1.0000000
                          -Inf
                                     -Inf
#> [11,] 0.3000000 0.7000000
                                     -Inf
#> [12,] 1.0000000
                          -Inf
                                     -Inf
#> [13,] 0.3333333 0.3333333 0.33333333
#> [14,] 0.1000000 0.9000000
                                     -Inf
#> [15,] 1.0000000
                          -Inf
                                     -Inf
```

- The x\$truthTableStr member is a 2 x 3 x 24 x 4 array, i.e., I x J x K x (maximum number of lesions per case plus 1). The plus 1 is needed to accommodate normal cases with lesionID = 0.
- Each entry in this array is either 1, meaning the corresponding interpretation exists, or NA, meaning the corresponding interpretation does not exist
- For example, x\$truthTableStr[1,1,1,1] is 1. This means that an interpretation exists for the first treatment (modalityID = 0), first reader (readerID = 0) and first (normal) case caseID = 1 and lesionID = 0. This example corresponds to row 2 in the TRUTH worksheet.
- x\$truthTableStr[1,1,4,1] is NA, which means an interpretation does not exist for the first treatment, first reader and fourth (normal) case.
- However, x\$truthTableStr[1,2,4,1] is 1, which means an interpretation does exist for the first treatment, second reader and fourth (normal) case. This example corresponds to row 5 in the TRUTH worksheet.

- Likewise, x\$truthTableStr[1,1,10,3] is 1, which means an interpretation does exist for the first treatment, first reader, tenth (abnormal) case and lesionID = 2. This example corresponds to row 12 in the TRUTH worksheet.
- As an aside, in the FROC paradigm an interpretation need not yield a
 mark-rating pair. An interpretation means the reader was "exposed to"
 and had the opportunity to mark the corresponding treatment-readercase-lesion combination.
- The reader should confirm that the contents of x\$truthTableStr summarizes the structure of the data in the TRUTH worksheet.

5.5 The false positive (FP) ratings

These are found in the FP or NL worksheet, see Fig. 2.

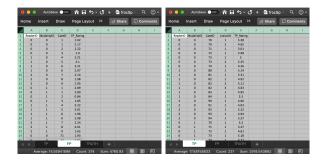


Figure 5.2: NL/FP worksheet, left, and LL/TP worksheet, right, for file froc Sp.xlsx

- This worksheet has the ratings of non-diseased cases.
- The common vertical length is 30 in this example (2 modalities times 3 readers times 5 non-diseased cases per reader).
- ullet ReaderID: the reader labels: these must be from 0, 1 or 2, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- ModalityID: the modality labels: 0 or 1, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- CaseID: the labels of non-diseased cases. Each CaseID, ModalityID, ReaderID combination must be consistent with that declared in the Truth worsheet.
- FP_Rating: the floating point ratings of non-diseased cases. Each row of this worksheet yields a rating corresponding to the values of ReaderID, ModalityID and CaseID for that row. Each CaseID, ModalityID, ReaderID combination must be consistent with that declared in the Truth worsheet.

```
x$NL[,1,1:9,1]
#>      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9]
#> [1,] 1.02 2.22 1.90 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
#> [2,] 2.89 0.84 1.85 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
x$NL[,2,1:9,1]
#>      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9]
#> [1,] -Inf -Inf -Inf 2.21 3.10 2.21 -Inf -Inf -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf -Inf -Inf 3.22 3.01 1.96 -Inf -Inf -Inf
x$NL[,3,1:9,1]
#>      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9]
#> [1,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 2.14 1.98 1.95
#> [2,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 2.24 4.01 1.65
```

- The first line of the above code shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the first three non-diseased cases with CaseIDs 1,3,3 (indexed 1, 2, 3 and appearing in the first three columns) interpreted by the first reader (ReaderID 0).
- The second line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the next three non-diseased cases with CaseIDs 4,5,6 (indexed 4, 5, 6 and appearing in the next three columns) interpreted by the second reader (ReaderID 1).
- The third line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the final three non-diseased cases with CaseIDs 7,8,9 (indexed 7, 8, 9and appearing in the final three columns) interpreted by the third reader (ReaderID 2).
- Values such as x\$NL[,,16:30,1], which are there for compatibility with FROC data, are all filled with -Inf.

5.6 The true positive (TP) ratings

These are found in the TP or LL worksheet, see below.

- This worksheet has the ratings of diseased cases.
- The common vertical length is 30 in this example (2 modalities times 3 readers times 5 diseased cases per reader).
- ReaderID: the reader labels: these must be from 0, 1 or 2, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- ModalityID: the modality labels: 0 or 1, as declared in the Truth worksheet.
- CaseID: the labels of diseased cases. Each CaseID, ModalityID, ReaderID combination must be consistent with that declared in the Truth worsheet.
- TP_Rating: the floating point ratings of diseased cases. Each row of this worksheet yields a rating corresponding to the values of ReaderID, ModalityID and CaseID for that row. Each CaseID, ModalityID,

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ReaderID combination must be consistent with that declared in the Truth worsheet.

```
x$LL[,1,1:15,1]
     [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
[,15]
#> [1,] -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf
x$LL[,2,1:15,1]
    [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#> [1,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 5.14 3.31 4.92 4.95 5.30 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf 4.77 3.19 5.20 5.39 5.01 -Inf -Inf -Inf -Inf
    [,15]
#> [1,] -Inf
#> [2,] -Inf
x$LL[,3,1:15,1]
     [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13] [,14]
#>
    [,15]
#> [1,] 5.27
#> [2,] 4.78
```

- The first line of code shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the first five diseased cases with CaseIDs 70,71,72,73,74 (indexed 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and appearing in the first five columns) interpreted by the first reader (ReaderID 0).
- The second line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the next five diseased cases with CaseIDs 80,81,82,83,84 (indexed 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and appearing in the next five columns) interpreted by the second reader (ReaderID 1).
- The third line shows the ratings, in both modalities, of the final five nondiseased cases with CaseIDs 90,91,92,93,94 (indexed 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and appearing in the final five columns) interpreted by the third reader (ReaderID 2).

5.7 Summary

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5.8 References

QUICK START

Chapter 6

QUICK START DBM1

6.1 Introduction

- This vignette is intended for those seeking a quick transition from Windows JAFROC to RJafroc.
- Described first is the structure of an RJafroc dataset followed by how to read a JAFROC format Excel file to create an RJafroc dataset.

6.2 An ROC dataset

Dataset dataset03 corresponding to the Franken ROC data (Franken et al., 1992) is predefined. The following code shows the structure of this dataset.

```
#> $ abnormalCases: int [1:67] 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 ...
#> $ truthTableStr: num [1:2, 1:4, 1:100, 1:2] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

- It is a list with 8 members. The false positive ratings are contained in {NL}, an array with dimensions [1:2,1:4,1:100,1]. The first index corresponds to treatments, and since the dataset has 2 treatments, the corresponding dimension is 2. The second index corresponds to readers, and since the dataset has 4 readers, the corresponding dimension is 4. The third index corresponds to the total number of cases. Since the dataset has 100 cases, the corresponding dimension is 100. But, as you can see from the code below, the entries in this array for cases 34 through 100 are -Inf: i.e., all(dataset03\$NL[1,1,34:100,1] == -Inf) = TRUE.
- This is because in the ROC paradigm false positive are not possible on diseased cases. So the actual FP ratings are contained in the first 33 elements of the array. How did I know that there are 33 non-diseased cases? This can be understood in several ways.
- LL is an array with dimensions [1:2,1:4,1:67,1]. This implies 67 diseased cases, and by subtraction from 100, there must be 33 non-diseased cases.
- The list member lesionVector is a vector with length 67, implying 33 non-diseased cases.
- The list members lesionID and lesionWeight are arrays with dimensions [1:67,1] containing ones. Again, these imply 67 diseased cases.
- The fields lesionVector, lesionID and lesionWeight, while not needed for ROC data, are needed for the FROC paradigm.

The dataType list member is the character string "ROC", characterizing the ROC dataset.

```
dataset03$dataType
#> [1] "ROC"
```

The modalityID list member is a character string with two entries, "TREAT1" and "TREAT2", corresponding to the two modalities.

```
dataset03$modalityID
#> TREAT1 TREAT2
#> "TREAT1" "TREAT2"
```

The readerID list member is a character string with four entries, "READER_1", "READER_3" and "READER_4" corresponding to the four readers.

```
dataset03$readerID
#> READER_1 READER_2 READER_3 READER_4
#> "READER_1" "READER_2" "READER_3" "READER_4"
```

Here are the actual ratings for cases 1:34.

```
dataset03$NL[1,1,1:33,1]
#> [1] 3 1 2 2 2 2 2 4 1 1 4 2 1 2 4 2 1 2 1 2 4 2 3 2 2 2 4 3 2 2 2 5 3
```

- This says that for treatment 1 and reader 1, (non-diseased) case 1 was rated 3, case 2 was rated 1, cases 3-7 were rated 2, case 8 was rated 4, etc.
- As another example, for treatment 2 and reader 3, the FP ratings are:

```
dataset03$NL[2,3,1:33,1]
#> [1] 3 1 2 2 2 2 4 4 2 3 2 2 1 3 2 4 2 3 2 2 2 2 2 4 2 2 1 2 2 2 2 4 2
```

6.3 Creating a dataset from a JAFROC format file

There is a file RocData.xlsx that is part of the package installation. Since it is a system file one must get its name as follows.

```
fileName <- "RocData.xlsx"
sysFileName <- system.file(paste0("extdata/",fileName), package = "RJafroc", mustWork = TRUE)</pre>
```

Next, one uses ${\tt DfReadDataFile}()$ as follows, assuming it is a JAFROC format file.

```
#> ...- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:5] "0" "1" "2" "3" ...
#> $ design : chr "CROSSED"
#> $ normalCases : int [1:69] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
#> $ abnormalCases: int [1:45] 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 ...
#> $ truthTableStr: num [1:2, 1:5, 1:114, 1:2] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

Analysis is illustrated for dataset03, but one could have used the newly created dataset ds.

6.4 Analyzing the ROC dataset

This illustrates the StSignificanceTesting() function. The significance testing method is specified as "DBMH" and the figure of merit FOM is specified as "Wilcoxon".

```
ret <- StSignificanceTesting(dataset03, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "DBMH")
print(ret)
#> $fomArray
            RdrREADER_1 RdrREADER_2 RdrREADER_3 RdrREADER_4
#> TrtTREAT1 0.8534600 0.8649932
                                     0.8573044
                                                 0.8152420
#> TrtTREAT2 0.8496156
                          0.8435097 0.8401176
                                                 0.8143374
#>
#> $anovaY
#>
        Source
                         SS DF
#> 1
       Row1_T 0.02356541 1 0.023565410
#> 2
       Row2_R 0.20521800
                            3 0.068406000
       Row3_C 52.52839868 99 0.530589886
#> 3
#> 4
     Row4_TR 0.01506079
                            3 0.005020264
       Row5_TC 6.41004881 99 0.064747968
#> 5
#> 6
       Row6_RC 39.24295381 297 0.132131158
      Row7_TRC 22.66007764 297 0.076296558
#> 8 Row8_Total 121.08532315 799
#>
#> $anovaYi
#> Source DF TrtTREAT1 TrtTREAT2
       R 3 0.04926635 0.02415991
        C 99 0.29396753 0.30137032
#> 3
        RC 297 0.10504787 0.10337984
#>
#> $varComp
                       varC
                                   varTR
                                                varTC
                                                          varRC
                                                                   varErr
            varR.
#> 1 3.775568e-05 0.05125091 -0.0007127629 -0.002887147 0.0279173 0.07629656
```

```
#> $FTestStatsRRRC
      fRRRC ndfRRRC ddfRRRC
                           pRRRC
#>
#> $ciDiffTrtRRRC
              TrtDiff Estimate StdErr DF t PrGTt CILower
#>
#> 1 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.01085482 0.005010122 3 2.166577 0.1188379 -0.005089627
#> 1 0.02679926
#>
#> $ciAvqRdrEachTrtRRRC
#> Treatment Area StdErr DF CILower CIUpper
#> 1 TrtTREAT1 0.8477499 0.02440215 70.12179 0.7990828 0.8964170
#> 2 TrtTREAT2 0.8368951 0.02356642 253.64403 0.7904843 0.8833058
#>
#> $FTestStatsFRRC
#> fFRRC ndfFRRC ddfFRRC pFRRC
#> $ciDiffTrtFRRC
            Treatment Estimate StdErr DF t PrGTt
#>
#> 1 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.01085482 0.01799277 99 0.6032876 0.547697 -0.02484675
#> CIUpper
#> 1 0.04655638
#>
#> $ciAvgRdrEachTrtFRRC
#> Treatment Area StdErr DF CILower CIUpper
#> 1 TrtTREAT1 0.8477499 0.02710939 99 0.7939590 0.9015408
#> 2 TrtTREAT2 0.8368951 0.02744860 99 0.7824311 0.8913591
#>
#> $msAnovaEachRdrFRRC
#> Source DF RdrREADER_1 RdrREADER_2 RdrREADER_3 RdrREADER_4
C 99 0.2038747746 0.22344191 0.21424677 2.854199e-01
#> 3 TC 99 0.0915587344 0.08027926 0.06122898 6.057067e-02
#>
#> $ciDiffTrtEachRdrFRRC
       Reader
                     Treatment Estimate StdErr DF
#>
#> 1 RdrREADER_1 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.0038444143 0.04279223 99 0.08983908
#> 2 RdrREADER 2 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.0214834916 0.04006975 99 0.53615233
#> 3 RdrREADER_3 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.0171867933 0.03499399 99 0.49113552
#> 4 RdrREADER_4 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.0009045681 0.03480536 99 0.02598933
#> PrGTt CILower CIUpper
#> 1 0.9285966 -0.08106465 0.08875348
#> 2 0.5930559 -0.05802359 0.10099057
```

```
#> 3 0.6244176 -0.05224888 0.08662247
#> 4 0.9793182 -0.06815683 0.06996596
#>
#> $FTestStatsRRFC
       fRRFC ndfRRFC ddfRRFC
                    1
#> 1 4.694058
                            3 0.1188379
#> $ciDiffTrtRRFC
               Treatment
                           Estimate
                                         StdErr DF
#> 1 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.01085482 0.005010122 3 2.166577 0.1188379 -0.005089627
       CIUpper
#> 1 0.02679926
#> $ciAvgRdrEachTrtRRFC
     Treatment
                    Area
                             StdErr DF
                                         CILower
                                                    CIUpper
#> 1 TrtTREAT1 0.8477499 0.01109801 3 0.8124311 0.8830687
#> 2 TrtTREAT2 0.8368951 0.00777173 3 0.8121620 0.8616282
```

6.5 Explanation of the output

The function returns a long unwieldy list. Let us consider them one by one. The function UtilOutputReport(), which can generate an Excel file report, making it much easier to visualize the results, is described in another vignette.

6.5.1 FOMs

• fomArray contains the [1:2,1:4] FOM values.

This shows the 2 x 4 array of FOM values.

6.5.2 Pseudovalue ANOVA table

 anovaY, where the Y denotes that these are pseudovalue based, is the ANOVA table.

```
ret$anovaY
#>
        Source
#> 1
        Row1_T
               0.02356541 1 0.023565410
#> 2 Row2_R 0.20521800 3 0.068406000
       Row3_C 52.52839868 99 0.530589886
#> 3
#> 4
      Row4_TR 0.01506079
                           3 0.005020264
#> 5
      Row5_TC 6.41004881 99 0.064747968
#> 6 Row6_RC 39.24295381 297 0.132131158
#> 7 Row7_TRC 22.66007764 297 0.076296558
#> 8 Row8_Total 121.08532315 799
```

6.5.3 Pseudovalue ANOVA table, each treatment

• anovaYi is the ANOVA table for individual treatments.

```
ret$anovaYi

#> Source DF TrtTREAT1 TrtTREAT2

#> 1 R 3 0.04926635 0.02415991

#> 2 C 99 0.29396753 0.30137032

#> 3 RC 297 0.10504787 0.10337984
```

The 0 and 1 headers come from the treatment names.

6.5.4 Pseudovalue Variance Components

• varComp is the variance components (needed for sample size estimation).

```
ret$varComp

#> varR varC varTR varTC varRC varErr

#> 1 3.775568e-05 0.05125091 -0.0007127629 -0.002887147 0.0279173 0.07629656
```

6.5.5 Random-reader random-case (RRRC) analysis

• ret\$FTestStatsRRRC\$fRRRC is the F-statistic for testing the NH that the treatments have identical FOMs. RRRC means random-reader random-case generalization.

```
ret$FTestStatsRRRC$fRRRC
#> [1] 4.694058
```

6.5.5.1 F-statistic and p-value for RRRC analysis

 ret\$FTestStatsRRRC\$ddfRRRC is the denominator degrees of freedom of the F-statistic.

```
ret$FTestStatsRRRC$ddfRRRC
#> [1] 3
```

• ret\$FTestStatsRRRC\$pRRRC is the p-value of the test.

```
ret$FTestStatsRRRC$pRRRC
#> [1] 0.1188379
```

6.5.5.2 Confidence Intervals for RRRC analysis

• ciDiffTrtRRC is the 95% confidence interval of reader-averaged differences between treatments.

• ciAvgRdrEachTrtRRRC is the 95% confidence interval of reader-averaged FOMs for each treatments.

```
ret$ciAvgRdrEachTrtRRRC
#> Treatment Area StdErr DF CILower CIUpper
#> 1 TrtTREAT1 0.8477499 0.02440215 70.12179 0.7990828 0.8964170
#> 2 TrtTREAT2 0.8368951 0.02356642 253.64403 0.7904843 0.8833058
```

6.5.6 Fixed-reader random-case (FRRC) analysis

6.5.6.1 F-statistic and p-value for FRRC analysis

• ret\$FTestStatsFRRC\$fFRRC is the F-statistic for fixed-reader random-case analysis.

```
ret$FTestStatsFRRC$fFRRC

#> [1] 0.363956
```

• ret\$FTestStatsFRRC\$ndfFRRC is the numerator degrees of freedom of the F-statistic, always one less than the number of treatments.

```
ret$FTestStatsFRRC$ndfFRRC
#> [1] 1
```

• ret\$FTestStatsFRRC\$ddfFRRC is the denominator degrees of freedom of the F-statistic, for fixed-reader random-case analysis.

```
ret$FTestStatsFRRC$ddfFRRC
#> [1] 99
```

• ret\$FTestStatsFRRC\$pFRRC is the p-value for fixed-reader random-case analysis.

```
ret$FTestStatsFRRC$pFRRC
#> [1] 0.547697
```

6.5.6.2 Confidence Intervals for FRRC analysis

• ciDiffTrtFRRC is the 95% CI of reader-average differences between treatments for fixed-reader random-case analysis

• ret\$ciAvgRdrEachTrtFRRC is the 95% CI of reader-average FOMs of each treatment for fixed-reader random-case analysis

```
ret$ciAvgRdrEachTrtFRRC

#> Treatment Area StdErr DF CILower CIUpper

#> 1 TrtTREAT1 0.8477499 0.02710939 99 0.7939590 0.9015408

#> 2 TrtTREAT2 0.8368951 0.02744860 99 0.7824311 0.8913591
```

6.5.6.3 ANOVA for FRRC analysis

• ret\$msAnovaEachRdrFRRC is the mean-squares ANOVA for each reader

```
ret$msAnovaEachRdrFRRC

#> Source DF RdrREADER_1 RdrREADER_2 RdrREADER_3 RdrREADER_4

#> 1 T 1 0.0007389761 0.02307702 0.01476929 4.091217e-05

#> 2 C 99 0.2038747746 0.22344191 0.21424677 2.854199e-01

#> 3 TC 99 0.0915587344 0.08027926 0.06122898 6.057067e-02
```

6.5.6.4 Confidence Intervals for FRRC analysis

• ciDiffTrtFRRC is the CI for reader-averaged treatment differences, for fixed-reader random-case analysis

```
ret$ciDiffTrtFRRC

#> Treatment Estimate StdErr DF t PrGTt CILower

#> 1 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.01085482 0.01799277 99 0.6032876 0.547697 -0.02484675

#> CIUpper

#> 1 0.04655638
```

6.5.7 Random-reader fixed-case (RRFC) analysis

6.5.7.1 F-statistic and p-value for RRFC analysis

 $\bullet\,$ ret\$FTestStatsRRFC\$fRRFC is the F-statistic for for random-reader fixed-case analysis

```
ret$FTestStatsRRFC$fRRFC
#> [1] 4.694058
```

- ${\tt ret\$FTestStatsRRFC\$ddfRRFC} \ {\tt is the \ ddf \ for \ for \ random-reader \ fixed-case} \\ analysis$

```
ret$FTestStatsRRFC$ddfRRFC
#> [1] 3
```

• ret\$FTestStatsRRFC\$pRRFC is the p-value for for random-reader fixed-case analysis

```
ret$FTestStatsRRFC$pRRFC
#> [1] 0.1188379
```

6.5.7.2 Confidence Intervals for RRFC analysis

• ciDiffTrtRRFC is the CI for reader-averaged inter-treatment FOM differences for random-reader fixed-case analysis

```
ret$ciDiffTrtRRFC

#> Treatment Estimate StdErr DF t PrGTt CILower

#> 1 TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2 0.01085482 0.005010122 3 2.166577 0.1188379 -0.005089627

#> CIUpper

#> 1 0.02679926
```

• ciAvgRdrEachTrtRRFC is the CI for treatment FOMs for each reader for random-reader fixed-case analysis

```
ret$ciAvgRdrEachTrtRRFC

#> Treatment Area StdErr DF CILower CIUpper

#> 1 TrtTREAT1 0.8477499 0.01109801 3 0.8124311 0.8830687

#> 2 TrtTREAT2 0.8368951 0.00777173 3 0.8121620 0.8616282
```

6.6 ORH significance testing

Simply change method = "DBMH" to method = "ORH".

```
ret <- StSignificanceTesting(dataset03, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "ORH")
str(ret)
#> List of 14
#> $ fomArray
                         : num [1:2, 1:4] 0.853 0.85 0.865 0.844 0.857 ...
   ..- attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
    ....$ : chr [1:2] "TrtTREAT1" "TrtTREAT2"
   ....$ : chr [1:4] "RdrREADER_1" "RdrREADER_2" "RdrREADER_3" "RdrREADER_4"
#> $ meanSquares
                        :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 3 variables:
#>
    ..$ msT : num 0.000236
    ..$ msR : num 0.000684
    ..$ msTR: num 5.02e-05
                         :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 6 variables:
#> $ varComp
    ..$ varR : num 2.33e-05
    ..$ varTR: num -0.000684
    ..$ cov1 : num 0.000792
    ..$ cov2 : num 0.000484
    ..$ cov3 : num 0.000513
    ..$ var : num 0.00153
#> $ FTestStatsRRRC
                         :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 4 variables:
#> ..$ fRRRC : num 4.69
```

```
#> ..$ ndfRRRC: num 1
    ..$ ddfRRRC: num 3
    ..$ pRRRC : num 0.119
#> $ ciDiffTrtRRRC :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 8 variables:
   ..$ Treatment: chr "TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2"
#>
    ..$ Estimate : num 0.0109
    ..$ StdErr : num 0.00501
    ..$ DF : num 3
#>
#>
    ..$ t
               : num 2.17
    ..$ PrGTt : num 0.119
#>
    ..$ CILower : num -0.00509
#>
   ..$ CIUpper : num 0.0268
#> $ ciAvqRdrEachTrtRRRC : 'data.frame': 2 obs. of 6 variables:
   ..$ Treatment: Factor w/ 2 levels "TrtTREAT1", "TrtTREAT2": 1 2
    ..$ Area : num [1:2] 0.848 0.837
#>
   ..$ StdErr : num [1:2] 0.0244 0.0236
#>
    ..$ DF : num [1:2] 70.1 253.6
    ..$ CILower : num [1:2] 0.799 0.79
   ..$ CIUpper : num [1:2] 0.896 0.883
#> $ FTestStatsFRRC :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 4 variables:
   ..$ fFRRC : num 0.364
#>
#>
   ..$ ndfFRRC: num 1
   ..$ ddfFRRC: num Inf
    ..$ pFRRC : num 0.546
#> $ ciDiffTrtFRRC :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 8 variables:
   ..$ Treatment: chr "TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2"
   ..$ Estimate : num 0.0109
#>
#> ..$ StdErr : num 0.018
#> ..$ DF
               : num Inf
               : num 0.603
    ..$ t
#>
#> ..$ PrGTt : num 0.546
    ..$ CILower : num -0.0244
#>
    ..$ CIUpper : num 0.0461
#> $ ciAuqRdrEachTrtFRRC :'data.frame': 2 obs. of 6 variables:
   ..$ Treatment: Factor w/ 2 levels "TrtTREAT1", "TrtTREAT2": 1 2
   ..$ Area : num [1:2] 0.848 0.837
#>
    ..$ StdErr : num [1:2] 0.0271 0.0274
#>
#>
    ..$ DF : num [1:2] Inf Inf
    ..$ CILower : num [1:2] 0.795 0.783
    ..$ CIUpper : num [1:2] 0.901 0.891
#>
#> $ ciDiffTrtEachRdrFRRC:'data.frame': 4 obs. of 9 variables:
   ..$ Reader : Factor w/ 4 levels "RdrREADER_1",..: 1 2 3 4
#>
   ..$ Treatment: Factor w/ 1 level "TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2": 1 1 1 1
    ..$ Estimate : num [1:4] 0.003844 0.021483 0.017187 0.000905
#>
    ..$ StdErr : num [1:4] 0.0428 0.0401 0.035 0.0348
```

```
#> ..$ DF : num [1:4] Inf Inf Inf
               : num [1:4] 0.0898 0.5362 0.4911 0.026
    ..$ t
    ..$ PrGTt : num [1:4] 0.928 0.592 0.623 0.979
   ..$ CILower : num [1:4] -0.08 -0.0571 -0.0514 -0.0673
#> ..$ CIUpper : num [1:4] 0.0877 0.1 0.0858 0.0691
#> $ varCovEachRdr :'data.frame': 4 obs. of 3 variables:
   ..$ Reader: Factor w/ 4 levels "RdrREADER_1",..: 1 2 3 4
   ..$ Var : num [1:4] 0.00148 0.00152 0.00138 0.00173
   ..$ Cov1 : num [1:4] 0.000562 0.000716 0.000765 0.001124
#> $ FTestStatsRRFC :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 4 variables:
   ..$ fRRFC : num 4.69
#> ..$ ndfRRFC: num 1
#> ..$ ddfRRFC: num 3
    ..$ pRRFC : num 0.119
#> $ ciDiffTrtRRFC :'data.frame': 1 obs. of 8 variables:
   ..$ Treatment: chr "TrtTREAT1-TrtTREAT2"
#>
    ..$ Estimate : num 0.0109
    ..$ StdErr : num 0.00501
   ..$ DF : num 3
   ..$ t
               : num 2.17
   ..$ PrGTt : num 0.119
#>
#>
    ..$ CILower : num -0.00509
   ..$ CIUpper : num 0.0268
#> $ ciAvgRdrEachTrtRRFC : 'data.frame': 2 obs. of 6 variables:
   ..$ Treatment: Factor w/ 2 levels "TrtTREAT1", "TrtTREAT2": 1 2
   ..$ Area : num [1:2] 0.848 0.837
   ..$ StdErr : num [1:2] 0.0111 0.00777
#> ..$ DF : num [1:2] 3 3
    ..$ CILower : num [1:2] 0.812 0.812
#>
#> ..$ CIUpper : num [1:2] 0.883 0.862
```

6.7 References

QUICK START DBM2

7.1 Introduction

This vignette illustrates significance testing using the DBMH method. But, instead of the unwieldy output in *QuickStartDBMH.html*, it generates an Excel output file containing the following worksheets:

- Summary
- FOMs
- RRRC
- FRRC
- RRFC
- ANOVA

7.2 Generating the Excel output file

This illustrates the UtilOutputReport() function. The significance testing method is "DBMH", the default, and the figure of merit FOM is "Wilcoxon". Note ReportFileExt = "xlsx" telling the function to create an Excel output file. The Excel output is created in a temporary file.

```
ret <- UtilOutputReport(dataset03, FOM = "Wilcoxon", overWrite = TRUE, ReportFileExt = "xlsx")
#>
#> Output file name is: /var/folders/d1/mx6dcbzx3v39r260458z2b200000gn/T//Rtmp5iYB0q/RJafrod
```

7.3 ORH significance testing

```
Simply change method = "DBMH" (the default) to method = "ORH".
```

```
ret <- UtilOutputReport(dataset03, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "ORH", overWrite = TRUE,
#>
#> Output file name is: /var/folders/d1/mx6dcbzx3v39r260458z2b200000gn/T//Rtmp5iY
```

SAMPLE SIZE

BACKGROUND ON THE F-DISTRIBUTION

8.1 Introduction

Since it plays an important role in sample size estimation, it is helpful to examine the behavior of the F-distribution. In the following ndf = numerator degrees of freedom, ddf = denominator degrees of freedom and ncp = non-centrality parameter (i.e., the Δ appearing in Eqn. (11.6) of (Chakraborty, 2017)).

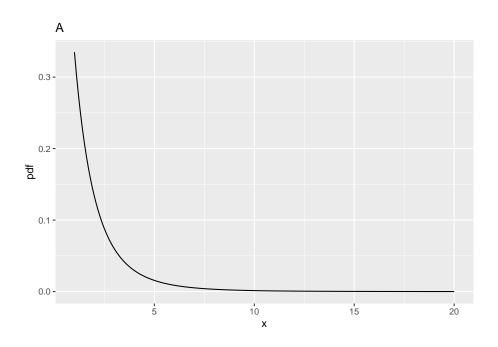
The use of three R functions is demonstrated.

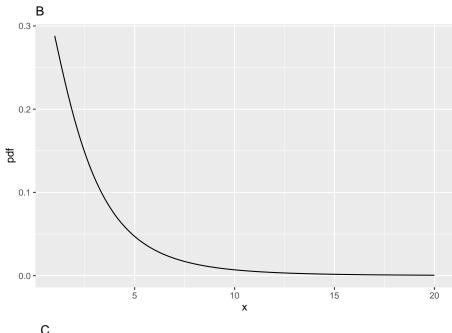
- qf(p,ndf,ddf) is the quantile function of the F-distribution for specified values of p, ndf and ddf, i.e., the value x such that fraction p of the area under the F-distribution lies to the right of x. Since ncp is not included as a parameter, the default value, i.e., zero, is used. This is called the *central* F-distribution.
- df(x,ndf,ddf,ncp) is the probability density function (pdf) of the F-distribution, as a function of x, for specified values of ndf, ddf and ncp.
- pf(x,ndf,ddf,ncp) is the probability (or cumulative) distribution function of the F-distribution for specified values of ndf, ddf and ncp.

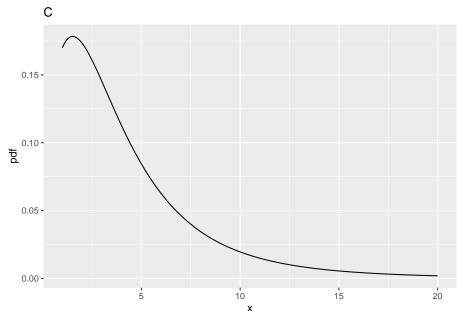
8.2 Effect of ncp for ndf = 2 and ddf = 10

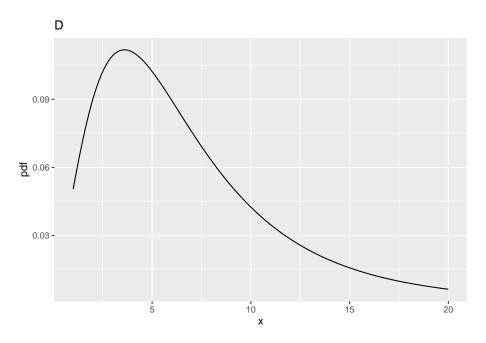
- Four values of ncp are considered (0, 2, 5, 10) for ddf = 10.
- fCrit is the critical value of the F distribution, i.e., that value such that fraction α of the area is to the right of the critical value.

```
ndf \leftarrow 2; ddf \leftarrow 10; ncp \leftarrow c(0,2,5,10)
alpha <- 0.05
fCrit <- qf(1-alpha, ndf,ddf)
x \leftarrow seq(1, 20, 0.1)
myLabel <- c("A", "B", "C", "D")</pre>
myLabelIndx <- 1</pre>
pFgtFCrit <- NULL
for (i in 1:length(ncp))
  y <- df(x,ndf,ddf,ncp=ncp[i])</pre>
  pFgtFCrit <- c(pFgtFCrit, 1-pf(fCrit, ndf, ddf, ncp = ncp[i]))</pre>
}
for (i in 1:length(ncp))
  y <- df(x,ndf,ddf,ncp=ncp[i])
  curveData <- data.frame(x = x, pdf = y)</pre>
  curvePlot <- ggplot(data = curveData, mapping = aes(x = x, y = pdf)) +</pre>
    geom_line() +
    ggtitle(myLabel[myLabelIndx]);myLabelIndx <- myLabelIndx + 1</pre>
  print(curvePlot)
fCrit_2_10 <- fCrit # convention fCrit_ndf_ddf</pre>
```









	ndf	ddf	fCrit	ncp	pFgtFCrit
A	2	10	4.102821	0	0.0500000
В	2	10	4.102821	2	0.1775840
\overline{C}	2	10	4.102821	5	0.3876841
D	2	10	4.102821	10	0.6769776

8.3 Comments

8.3.1 Fig. A

- This corresponds to ncp = 0, i.e., the *central* F-distribution.
- The integral under this distribution is unity (this is also true for all plots in this vignette).
- The critical value, fCrit in the above code block, is the value of x such that the probability of exceeding x is α. The corresponding parameter alpha is defined above as 0.05.
- In the current example fCrit = 4.102821. Notice the use of the quantile function qf() to determine this value, and the default value of ncp, namely zero, is used; specifically, one does not pass a 4th argument to qf().
- The decision rule for rejecting the NH uses the NH distribution of the F-statistic, i.e., reject the NH if F >= fCrit. As expected, prob > fCrit = 0.05 because this is how fCrit was defined.

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8.3.2 Fig. B

- This corresponds to ncp = 2, ndf = 2 and ddf = 10.
- The distribution is slightly shifted to the right as compared to Fig. A, thereby making it more likely that the observed value of the F-statistic will exceed the critical value determined for the NH distribution.
- In fact, prob > fCrit = 0.177584, i.e., the *statistical power* (compare this to Fig. A where prob > fCrit was 0.05).

8.3.3 Fig. C

- This corresponds to ncp = 5, ndf = 2 and ddf = 10.
- Now prob > fCrit = 0.3876841.
- Power has increased compared to Fig. B.

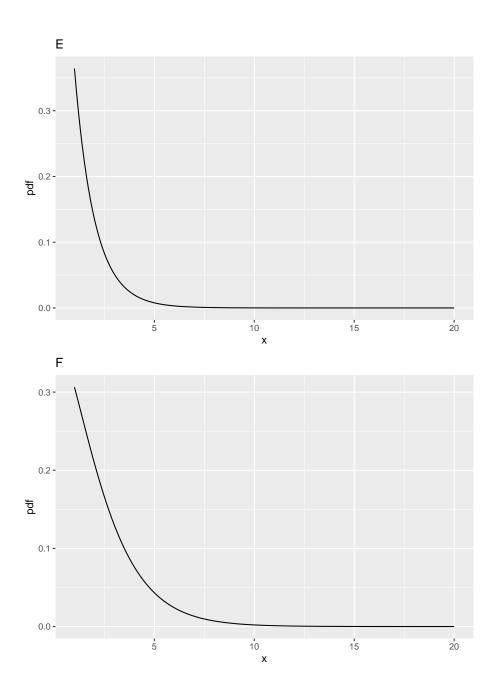
8.3.4 Fig. D

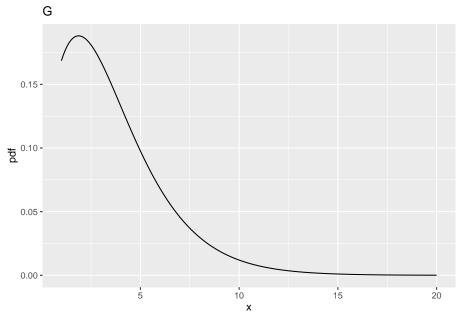
- This corresponds to ncp = 10, ndf = 2 and ddf = 10.
- Now prob > fCrit is 0.6769776.
- Power has increased compared to Fig. C.
- The effect of the shift is most obvious in Fig. C and Fig. D.
- Considering a vertical line at x=4.102821, fraction 0.6769776 of the probability distribution in Fig. D lies to the right of this line
- Therefore the NH is likely to be rejected with probability 0.6769776.

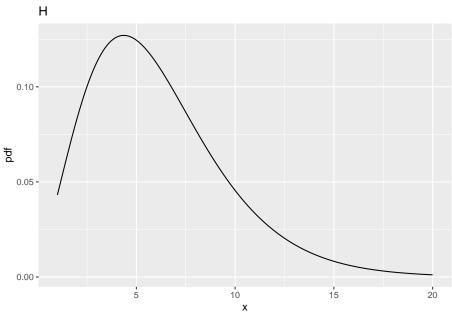
8.3.5 Summary

The larger that non-centrality parameter, the greater the shift to the right of the F-distribution, and the greater the statistical power.

8.4 Effect of ncp for ndf = 2 and ddf = 100







	ndf	ddf	fCrit	ncp	pFgtFCrit
A	2	10	4.102821	0	0.0500000
В	2	10	4.102821	2	0.1775840
\overline{C}	2	10	4.102821	5	0.3876841
D	2	10	4.102821	10	0.6769776
\mathbf{E}	2	100	3.087296	0	0.0500000
F	2	100	3.087296	2	0.2199264
G	2	100	3.087296	5	0.4910802
Η	2	100	3.087296	10	0.8029764

8.5 Comments

- All comparisons in this sections are at the same values of ncp defined above.
- And between ddf = 100 and ddf = 10.

8.5.1 Fig. E

- This corresponds to ncp = 0, ndf = 2 and ddf = 100.
- The critical value is fCrit_2_100 = 3.0872959. Notice the decrease compared to the previous value for ncp = 0, i.e., 4.102821, for ddf = 10.
- One expects that increasing ddf will make it more likely that the NH will be rejected, and this is confirmed below.
- All else equal, statistical power increases with increasing ddf.

8.5.2 Fig. F

- This corresponds to ncp = 2, ndf = 2 and ddf = 100.
- The probability of exceeding the critical value is prob > fCrit_2_100 = 0.2199264, greater than the previous value, i.e., 0.177584 for ddf = 10.

8.5.3 Fig. G

- This corresponds to ncp = 5, ndf = 2 and ddf = 100.
- The probability of exceeding the critical value is prob > fCrit_2_100 = 0.4910802.
- This is greater than the previous value, i.e., 0.3876841 for ddf = 10.

8.5.4 Fig. H

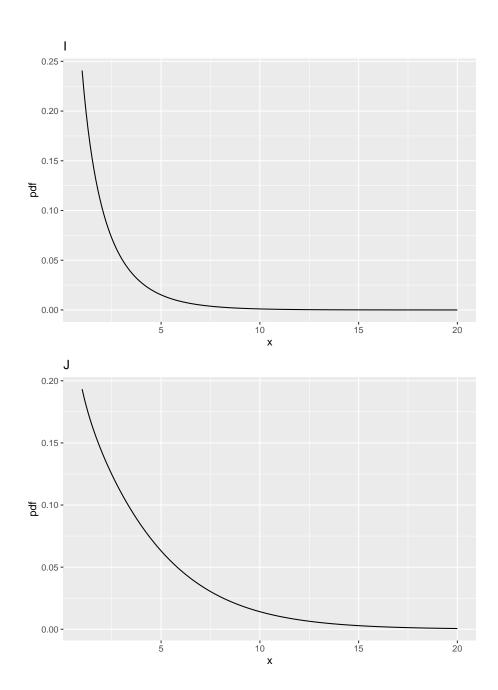
• This corresponds to ncp = 10, ndf = 2 and ddf = 100.

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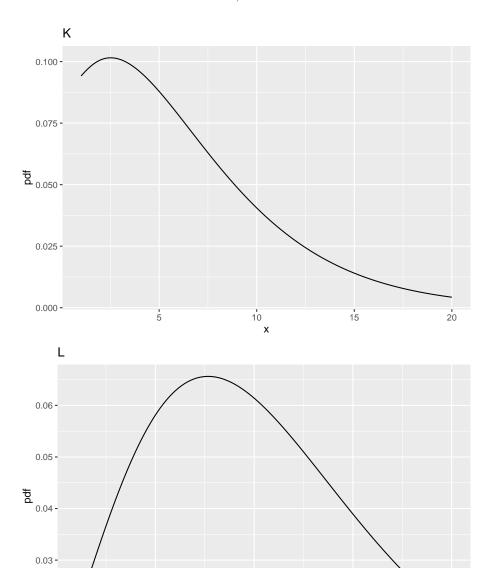
• The probability of exceeding the critical value is prob > fCrit_2_100 is 0.8029764.

• This is greater than the previous value, i.e., 0.6769776 for $\mathtt{ddf} = 10$.

8.6 Effect of ncp for $\mathtt{ndf} = 1, \mathtt{ddf} = 100$



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	ndf	ddf	fCrit	ncp	pFgtFCrit
A	2	10	4.102821	0	0.0500000
В	2	10	4.102821	2	0.1775840
\overline{C}	2	10	4.102821	5	0.3876841
D	2	10	4.102821	10	0.6769776
$\overline{\mathbf{E}}$	2	100	3.087296	0	0.0500000
F	2	100	3.087296	2	0.2199264
G	2	100	3.087296	5	0.4910802
Η	2	100	3.087296	10	0.8029764
I	1	100	3.936143	0	0.0500000
J	1	100	3.936143	2	0.2883607
K	1	100	3.936143	5	0.6004962
\overline{L}	1	100	3.936143	10	0.8793619

8.7 Comments

- All comparisons in this sections are at the same values of ncp defined above and at ddf = 100.
- And between ndf = 1 and ndf = 2.

8.7.1 Fig. I

- This corresponds to ncp = 0, ndf = 1 and ddf = 100.
- The critical value is $fCrit_1_100 = 3.936143$.
- Notice the increase in the critical value as compared to the corresponding value for ndf = 2, i.e., 3.0872959.
- One might expect power to decrease, but see below.

8.7.2 Fig. J

- This corresponds to ncp = 2, ndf = 1 and ddf = 100.
- Now prob > fCrit_1_100 = 0.2883607, larger than the previous value 0.2199264.
- The power has actually increased.

8.7.3 Fig. K

- This corresponds to ncp = 5, ndf = 1 and $ddf = 100^{\circ}$,
- Now prob > fCrit_1_100 = 0.6004962, larger than the previous value 0.4910802.
- Again, the power has actually increased.

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8.7.4 Fig. L

- This corresponds to ncp = 10, ndf = 1 and ddf = 100
- Now prob > fCrit_1_100 is 0.8793619, larger than the previous value 0.8029764.
- The power has actually increased.

8.8 Summary

- Power increases with increasing ddf and ncp.
- The effect of increasing ncp is quite dramatic. This is because power depends on the square of ncp.
- Decreasing ndf also increases power. At first glance this may seem counterintuitive, as fCrit has gone up, but is explained by the differing shapes of the two distributions: the pdf is broader for ndf = 1 as compared to ndf = 2 (compare Fig. L to H).

8.9 References

ROC-DBMH sample size from first principles

9.1 Introduction

The starting point is a **pilot** study. The variability in this dataset (specifically the variance components, subsequently converted to mean squares), obtained by running the significance testing function **StSignificanceTesting()**, is used to extrapolate to the necessary numbers of readers and cases, in the **pivotal** study, to achieve the desired power. In this example, the observed effect size in the pilot study is used as the anticipated effect size for the pivotal study – this is generally not a good idea as discussed in **Chapter 11** under "Cautionary notes". Shown below, and the reader should confirm, is a first principles implementation of the relevant formulae in **Chapter 11**.

9.2 Sample size estimation using the DBMH method

The Van Dyke dataset in file VanDyke.lrc, in "MRMC" format, is regarded as a pilot study. The command rocData <- DfReadDataFile(fileName, format = "MRMC") reads the data and saves it to a dataset object rocData. For more on data formats click here. The next line uses the function StSignificanceTesting() to apply method = "DBMH" analysis, the default, using the FOM = "Wilcoxon" figure of merit. The next line extracts the variance components varYTR, varYTC and varYEps (the Y's denote pseudovalue based values). The next line extracts the effect size.

```
alpha <- 0.05
rocData <- dataset02 ##"VanDyke.lrc"
#fileName <- dataset03 ## "Franken1.lrc"
retDbm <- StSignificanceTesting(dataset = rocData, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "DBMH")
varYTR <- retDbm$varComp$varTR;varYTC <- retDbm$varComp$varTC;varYEps <- retDbm$varComp
effectSize <- retDbm$ciDiffTrtRRRC$Estimate</pre>
```

The *observed* effect size is effectSize = -0.0438003, which, in this example, is used as the *anticipated* effect size, generally not a good idea. **See Chapter 11 for nuances regarding the choice of this all important value.** The following code snippet reveals the names and array indexing of the pseudovalue variance components.

```
retDbm$varComp
#> varR varC varTR varTC varRC varErr
#> 1 0.001534999 0.02724923 0.0002004025 0.0119753 0.01226473 0.0399716
```

For example, the treatment-reader pseudovalue variance component is the third element of retDbm\$varComp.

9.2.1 Random reader random case (RRRC)

This illustrates random reader random case sample size estimation. Assumed are 10 readers and 163 cases in the pivotal study. The non-centrality parameter is defined by:

$$\Delta = \frac{JK\sigma_{Y;\tau}^2}{\left(\sigma_{Y;\varepsilon}^2 + \sigma_{Y:\tau RC}^2\right) + K\sigma_{Y;\tau R}^2 + J\max\left(\sigma_{Y:\tau C}^2, 0\right)}$$

```
#RRRC

J <- 10;K <- 163

ncp <- (0.5*J*K*(effectSize)^2)/(K*varYTR+max(J*varYTC,0)+varYEps)

MS <- UtilMeanSquares(rocData, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "DBMH")

ddf <- (MS$msTR+max(MS$msTC-MS$msTRC,0))^2/(MS$msTR^2)*(J-1)

FCrit <- qf(1 - alpha, 1, ddf)

Power1 <- 1-pf(FCrit, 1, ddf, ncp = ncp)</pre>
```

The next line calculates the non centrality parameter, ncp = 8.1269825. Note that effectSize enters as the square. The UtilMeanSquares() function returns the mean-squares as a list (ignore the last two rows of output for now).

```
str(MS)
#> List of 9
#> $ msT
               : num 0.547
#> $ msR
               : num 0.437
               : num 0.397
#> $ msC
#> $ msTR
               : num 0.0628
               : num 0.0521
#> $ msTC
#> $ msRC
               : num 0.0645
#> $ msTRC
               : num 0.04
#> $ msCSingleT: num [1:2] 0.336 0.16
  $ msCSingleR: num [1:5] 0.1222 0.2127 0.1365 0.0173 0.1661
```

The next line calculates ddf = 12.822129. The remaining lines calculate the critical value of the F-distribution, FCrit = 4.680382 and statistical power = 0.7494133, which by design is close to 80%, i.e., the numbers of readers and cases were chosen to achieve this value.

9.2.2 Fixed reader random case (FRRC)

This code illustrates fixed reader random case sample size estimation. Assumed are 10 readers and 133 cases in the pivotal study.

```
#FRRC
ncp <- (0.5*J*K*(effectSize)^2)/(max(J*varYTC,0)+varYEps)
ddf <- (K-1)
FCrit <- qf(1 - alpha, 1, ddf)
Power2 <- 1-pf(FCrit, 1, ddf, ncp = ncp)</pre>
```

This time non centrality parameter, ncp = 7.9873835, ddf = 132, FCrit = 3.912875 and statistical power = 0.8011167. Again, be design, this is close to 80%. Note that when readers are regarded as a fixed effect, fewer cases are needed to achieve the desired power. Freezing out a source of variability results in a more stable measurement and hence fewer cases are needed to achieve the desired power.

9.2.3 Random reader fixed case (RRFC)

This code illustrates random reader random case sample size estimation. Assumed are 10 readers and 53 cases in the pivotal study.

```
#RRFC
ncp <- (0.5*J*K*(effectSize)^2)/(K*varYTR+varYEps)</pre>
```

```
ddf <- (J-1)
FCrit <- qf(1 - alpha, 1, ddf)
Power3 <- 1-pf(FCrit, 1, ddf, ncp = ncp)</pre>
```

This time non centrality parameter, ncp = 10.0487164, ddf = 9, FCrit = 5.117355 and statistical power = 0.8049666. Again, be design, this is close to 80%.

9.3 Summary

For 10 readers, the numbers of cases needed for 80% power is largest (163) for RRRC, intermediate (133) for FRRC and least for RRFC (53). For all three analyses, the expectation of 80% power is met.

9.4 References

ROC-DBMH sample size using RJafroc

10.1 Introduction

This illustrates the RJafroc implementation of sample-size estimation. Default α is 0.05 and default power $(1-\beta)$ is 0.8. Three functions are provided. Each of these functions can be used with method "DBMH" (illustrated here, the default) or method = "ORH" (next vignette). Illustrated below, for the most part, is the random-reader random-case (RRRC) option, i.e., option = "RRRC". The last two examples illustrate fixed-reader random-case (FRRC) option = "FRRC" and random-reader fixed-case (RRFC) option = "RRFC" options.

- SsPowerGivenJK() Statistical power for specified numbers of readers and cases in an ROC study.
- SsPowerTable() Generate a power table, i.e., combinations of numbers of readers and cases yielding the desired power.
- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ Number of cases, for specified number of readers, to achieve desired power.

10.2 Illustration of SsPowerGivenJK() using method = "DBMH"

The selected dataset corresponds to the Van Dyke data.

```
power <- SsPowerGivenJK(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 6, K = 112, option = "RRRC")</pre>
```

The returned value is a list containing the expected power power, the non-centrality parameter ncp, the denominator degrees of freedom ddf and the F-statistic f. The numerator degrees of freedom ndf is always I - 1, i.e., unity for this dataset.

```
str(power)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 4 variables:
#> $ powerRRRC: num 0.556
#> $ ncpRRRC : num 4.8
#> $ ddfHRRRC : num 23.1
#> $ fRRRC : num 4.28
```

Expected power is 0.5555789.

10.3 Illustration of SsPowerTable() using method = "DBMH"

```
powTab <- SsPowerTable(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "DBMH", option = "RRRC")</pre>
```

Now show the power table powTab. Note that the last column is always close to 0.8, the desired power. The 2nd and 3rd columns show the number of readers and number of cases to achieve the desired power.

```
powTab
#>
       numReaders numCases power
#> 1
               3
                    >2000 <NA>
#> 2
               3
                    >2000 <NA>
#> 3
               4
                     1089
                           0.8
#> 4
                     1089
                            0.8
                4
#> 5
                     344 0.801
               5
#> 6
               5
                      344 0.801
#> 7
               6
                      251 0.801
#> 8
               6
                      251 0.801
#> 9
               7
                      211 0.801
#> 10
               7
                      211 0.801
#> 11
               8
                      188 0.801
#> 12
               8
                      188 0.801
#> 13
               9
                      173 0.801
                      173 0.801
#> 14
```

<i>#> 15</i>	10	163 0.802
<i>#> 16</i>	10	163 0.802
#> 17	11	155 0.801
<i>#> 18</i>	11	155 0.801
<i>#> 19</i>	12	149 0.802
<i>#> 20</i>	12	149 0.802
<i>#> 21</i>	13	144 0.801
#> 22	13	144 0.801
<i>#> 23</i>	14	140 0.802
#> 24	14	140 0.802
<i>#> 25</i>	<i>15</i>	137 0.802
<i>#> 26</i>	<i>15</i>	137 0.802
#> 27	16	134 0.802
<i>#> 28</i>	16	134 0.802
<i>#> 29</i>	17	131 0.801
<i>#> 30</i>	17	131 0.801
<i>#> 31</i>	18	129 0.801
<i>#> 32</i>	18	129 0.801
<i>#> 33</i>	19	127 0.801
<i>#> 34</i>	19	127 0.801
<i>#> 35</i>	20	126 0.802
<i>#> 36</i>	20	126 0.802
<i>#> 37</i>	21	124 0.801
<i>#> 38</i>	21	124 0.801
<i>#> 39</i>	22	123 0.802
#> 40	22	123 0.802
#> 41	23	122 0.802
#> 42	23	122 0.802
#> 43	24	121 0.803
#> 44	24	121 0.803
#> 45	25	120 0.802
#> 46	25	120 0.802
#> 47	26	119 0.802
#> 48	26	119 0.802
#> 49	27	118 0.802
#> 50	27	118 0.802
#> 51	28	117 0.801
#> 52	28	117 0.801
#> 53	29	117 0.803
#> 54 #> 55	<i>29</i>	117 0.803
#> 55 #> 56	<i>30</i>	116 0.802
	30 31	116 0.802
#> 57 #> 58	31 21	115 0.801 115 0.801
#> 58 #> 59	<i>31</i>	115 0.801
#/ 03	32	110 0.003

<i>#> 60</i>	32	115 0.803
	33	114 0.801
<i>#> 62</i>	33	114 0.801
<i>#> 63</i>	34	114 0.803
<i>#> 64</i>	34	114 0.803
	<i>35</i>	113 0.801
	<i>35</i>	113 0.801
	36	113 0.802
	36	113 0.802
	37	112 0.8
	37	112 0.8
	38	112 0.802
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	39	112 0.803
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	40	111 0.801
	40	111 0.801
	41	111 0.802
	41	111 0.802
	42	111 0.803
	42	111 0.803
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	46	110 0.803
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	48	109 0.802
	48	109 0.802
	49	109 0.802
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	50	109 0.803
	50 51	109 0.803
#> 97 #> 00	51 51	108 0.8
#> 98 #> 99	<i>51</i>	108 0.8
	<i>52</i>	108 0.801
	<i>52 53</i>	108 0.801
	53 53	108 0.802 108 0.802
	53 54	108 0.802
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<i>#> 105</i>	<i>55</i>	108 0.803	
<i>#> 106</i>	<i>55</i>	108 0.803	
<i>#> 107</i>	<i>56</i>	107 0.8	
<i>#> 108</i>	<i>56</i>	107 0.8	
<i>#> 109</i>	57	107 0.801	
<i>#> 110</i>	57	107 0.801	
<i>#> 111</i>	58	107 0.801	
<i>#> 112</i>	58	107 0.801	
<i>#> 113</i>	<i>59</i>	107 0.802	
<i>#> 114</i>	59	107 0.802	
<i>#> 115</i>	60	107 0.802	
<i>#> 116</i>	60	107 0.802	
<i>#> 117</i>	61	107 0.803	
<i>#> 118</i>	61	107 0.803	
<i>#> 119</i>	62	107 0.803	
<i>#> 120</i>	62	107 0.803	
<i>#> 121</i>	63	106 0.8	
#> 122	63	106 0.8	
<i>#> 123</i>	64	106 0.801	
#> 124	64	106 0.801	
#> 125	65	106 0.801	
#> 126	65	106 0.801	
#> 127	66	106 0.802	
#> 128	66	106 0.802	
#> 129	<i>6</i> 7	106 0.802	
#> 130	67	106 0.802	
#> 131	68	106 0.802	
#> 132	68	106 0.802	
#> 133	69	106 0.803	
#> 134 #> 135	69	106 0.803	
#> 135	70	106 0.803 106 0.803	
#> 136	70	106 0.804	
#> 137 #> 138	71 71	·	
#> 130 #> 139	71 72	106	
#> 139 #> 140	72	105 0.8	
#> 140 #> 141	73	105 0.801	
#> 141 #> 142	73 73	105 0.801	
#> 142 #> 143	73 74	105 0.801	
#> 143 #> 144	74	105 0.801	
#> 144 #> 145	75	105 0.801	
#> 145 #> 146	75 75	105 0.801	
#> 140 #> 147	76	105 0.802	
#> 147 #> 148	76	105 0.802	
#> 149	77	105 0.802	
140	, ,	100 0.000	

#>	150	77	105	0.802
#>	151	78	105	0.802
	152	78	105	0.802
#>	153	79	105	0.803
#>	154	79	105	0.803
#>	155	80	105	0.803
#>	156	80	105	0.803
#>	157	81	105	0.803
#>	158	81	105	0.803
#>	159	82	105	0.803
#>	160	82		0.803
#>	161	83	104	0.8
	162	83	104	0.8
#>	163	84	104	0.8
#>	164	84		0.8
#>	165	<i>85</i>	104	0.801
#>	166	<i>85</i>	104	0.801
#>	167	86		0.801
#>	168	86	104	0.801
#>	169	87	104	0.801
#>	170	87	104	0.801
#>	171	88	104	0.801
#>	172	88	104	0.801
#>	173	89	104	0.802
#>	174	89	104	0.802
#>	175	90	104	0.802
#>	176	90		0.802
#>	177	91		0.802
	178	91		0.802
	179	92		0.802
	180	92		0.802
	181	93		0.802
	182			0.802
	183	94		0.803
	184	94		0.803
	185	95		0.803
	186	95		0.803
	187	96		0.803
	188	96		0.803
	189	97		0.803
	190	97		0.803
	191	98		0.804
	192	98		0.804
	193	99		0.804
#>	194	99	104	0.804

10.4 Illustration of SsSampleSizeKGivenJ() using method = "DBMH"

This function illustrates how the number of cases for 10 readers, used in Vignette 2, were chosen. In all but one example the default value of the desiredPower argument is used, namely 0.8 (if the argument is absent, its default value is used).

10.4.1 RRRC

```
ncases <- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 10, method = "DBMH", option = "RRF
str(ncases)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 2 variables:
#> $ KRRRC : num 163
#> $ powerRRRC: num 0.802
```

ncases is a list containing the number of cases 163 and expected power 0.8015625. Compare the number of cases to the RRRC value used in vignette 2.

10.4.1.1 Non default value of desiredPower

This is illustrated below for 90% desired power.

```
ncases <- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 10, method = "DBMH", option = "RRF
str(ncases)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 2 variables:
#> $ KRRRC : num 236
#> $ powerRRRC: num 0.9
```

The required number of cases is 236 and expected power is 0.9003501.

10.4.2 FRRC

```
ncases <- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 10, method = "DBMH", op
str(ncases)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 2 variables:
#> $ KFRRC : num 133
#> $ powerFRRC: num 0.801
```

The required number of cases is 133 and expected power is 0.8011167. Compare the number of cases to the FRRC value used in vignette 2.

10.4.3 RRFC

```
ncases <- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 10, method = "DBMH", op
str(ncases)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 2 variables:
#> $ KRRFC : num 53
#> $ powerRRFC: num 0.805
```

The required number of cases is 53 and expected power is 0.8049666. Compare the number of cases to the RRFC value used in vignette 2.

ROC-ORH sample size using RJafroc

11.1 Introduction

The use of the functions introduced in vignette 3, but this time using the ORH method to estimate the variance components, is illustrated here. The reader should confirm that these give the same results as the corresponding ones obtained using the DBMH method. When the figure of merit is the empirical AUC, the two methods can be shown to be identical.

11.2 Illustration of SsPowerGivenJK() using method = "ORH"

```
power <- SsPowerGivenJK(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 6, K = 251, method = "ORH", option = "RF
```

The returned value is a list containing the expected power, the non-centrality parameter, the denominator degrees of freedom and the F-statistic (the numerator degrees of freedom is always one less than the number of treatments, i.e., unity in this example).

```
str(power)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 4 variables:
#> $ powerRRRC: num 0.801
#> $ ncpRRRC : num 8.91
```

```
#> $ ddfHRRC : num 16.1
#> $ fRRC : num 4.49
```

Expected power is 0.8005403.

11.3 Illustration of SsPowerTable() using method = "ORH"

```
powTab <- SsPowerTable(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "ORH", option = "RRRC")</pre>
```

Now show the power table powTab.

```
powTab
      numReaders numCases power
#>
#> 1
             3 >2000 <NA>
                 >2000 <NA>
#> 2
              3
             4 1089 0.8
#> 3
           ,
4
5
5
6
6
#> 4
                   1089 0.8
                   344 0.801
#> 5
#> 6
                    344 0.801
#> 7
                    251 0.801
           251 0.801
7 211 0.801
7 211 0.801
8 188 0.801
8 188 0.801
9 173 0.00
#> 8
#> 9
#> 10
#> 11
#> 12
#> 13
                    173 0.801
             9
#> 14
#> 15
             10
                    163 0.802
#> 16
             10
                    163 0.802
#> 17
            11
                    155 0.801
#> 18
            11
                    155 0.801
#> 19
             12
                    149 0.802
#> 20
             12
                    149 0.802
#> 21
             13
                     144 0.801
#> 22
             13
                    144 0.801
#> 23
                    140 0.802
             14
#> 24
             14
                    140 0.802
#> 25
             15
                    137 0.802
#> 26
             15
                    137 0.802
#> 27
              16
                     134 0.802
```

<i>#> 28</i>	16	134 0.802
<i>#> 29</i>	17	131 0.801
<i>#> 30</i>	17	131 0.801
<i>#> 31</i>	18	129 0.801
<i>#> 32</i>	18	129 0.801
<i>#> 33</i>	19	127 0.801
<i>#> 34</i>	19	127 0.801
<i>#> 35</i>	20	126 0.802
<i>#> 36</i>	20	126 0.802
#> 37	21	124 0.801
<i>#> 38</i>	21	124 0.801
<i>#> 39</i>	22	123 0.802
#> 40	22	123 0.802
#> 41	23	122 0.802
#> 42	23	122 0.802
#> 43	24	121 0.803
#> 44	24	121 0.803
#> 45	25	120 0.802
#> 46	25	120 0.802
#> 47	26	119 0.802
#> 48	26	119 0.802
#> 49	27	118 0.802
#> 50	27	118 0.802
#> 51	28	117 0.801
#> 52	28	117 0.801
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Since the default FOM = "Wilcoxon", the table is identical to that generated in vignette 3, which used method = "DBMH".

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11.4 Illustrations of SsSampleSizeKGivenJ() using method = "ORH"

11.4.1 For RRRC generalization

```
ncases <- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 10, method = "ORH", option = "RRRC</pre>
```

ncases is a list containing the number of cases ncases\$KRRRC and expected power ncases\$powerRRRC.

```
str(ncases)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 2 variables:
#> $ KRRRC : num 163
#> $ powerRRRC: num 0.802
```

The required number of cases is 163 and expected power is 0.8015625.

11.4.2 For FRRC generalization

```
ncases <- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 10, method = "ORH", option = "FRRO
```

The required number of cases is 133 and expected power is 0.8011167.

11.4.3 For RRFC generalization

```
ncases <- SsSampleSizeKGivenJ(dataset02, FOM = "Wilcoxon", J = 10, method = "ORH", option = "RRFC"
```

The required number of cases is 53 and expected power is 0.8049666.

Chapter 12

Choosing a realistic effect size

12.1 Introduction

- The value of the true FOM difference between the treatments, i.e., the true effect-size (ES) is, of course, unknown. If it were known, there would be no need to conduct an ROC study. One would simply adopt the treatment with the higher FOM. Sample-size estimation involves making an educated guess regarding the ES, called the *anticipated* ES, and denoted by d. To quote (ICRU, 2008): "any calculation of power amounts to specification of the anticipated effect-size". Increasing the anticipated ES will increase statistical power but may represent an unrealistic expectation of the true difference between the treatments, in the sense that it overestimates the ability of technology to achieve this much improvement. An unduly small might be clinically insignificant, besides requiring a very large sample-size to achieve sufficient power.
- There is a key difference between *statistical* significance and *clinical* significance. An effect-size in AUC units could be so small, e.g., 0.001, as to be clinically insignificant, but by employing a sufficiently large sample size one could design a study to detect this small and clinically meaningless difference with high probability, i.e., high statistical power.
- What determines clinical significance? A small effect-size, e.g., 0.01 AUC units, could be clinically significant if it applies to a large population, where the small benefit in detection rate is amplified by the number of patients benefiting from the new treatment. In contrast, for an "orphan" disease, i.e., one with very low prevalence, an effect-size of 0.05 might not

be enough to justify the additional cost of the new treatment. The improvement might have to be 0.1 before it is worth it for a new treatment to be brought to market. One hates to monetize life and death issues, but there is no getting away from it, as cost/benefit issues determine clinical significance. The arbiters of clinical significance are engineers, imaging scientists, clinicians, epidemiologists, insurance companies and those who set government health care policies. The engineers and imaging scientists determine whether the effect-size the clinicians would like is feasible from technical and scientific viewpoints. The clinician determines, based on incidence of disease and other considerations, e.g., altruistic, malpractice, cost of the new device and insurance reimbursement, what effect-size is justifiable. Cohen has suggested that d values of 0.2, 0.5, and 0.8 be considered small, medium, and large, respectively, but he has also argued against their indiscriminate usage. However, after a study is completed, clinicians often find that an effect-size that biostatisticians label as small may, in certain circumstances, be clinically significant and an effect-size that they label as large may in other circumstances be clinically insignificant. Clearly, this is a complex issue. Some suggestions on choosing a clinically significant effect size are made in Chapter 11.

- Does one even need to perform a pivotal study? If the pilot study returns a significant difference, one has rejected the NH and that is all there is to it. There is no need to perform the pivotal study, unless one "tweaks" the new treatment and/or casts a wider sampling net to make a stronger argument, perhaps to the FDA, that the treatments are indeed generalizable, and that the difference is in the right direction (new treatment FOM > conventional treatment FOM). If a significant difference is observed in the opposite direction (e.g., new treatment FOM < conventional treatment FOM) one cannot justify a pivotal study with an expected effect-size in the "other or favored" direction; see example below. Since the Van Dyke pilot study came close to rejecting the NH and the observed effect size, see below, is not too small, a pivotal study is justified.
- This vignette discusses choosing a realistic effect size based on the pilot study. Illustrated first is using Van Dyke dataset, regarded as the pilot study.

12.2 Illustration of SsPowerGivenJK() using method = "ORH"

```
rocData <- dataset02 ##"VanDyke.lrc"
#fileName <- dataset03 ## "Franken1.lrc"
retDbm <- StSignificanceTesting(dataset = rocData, FOM = "Wilcoxon", method = "DBMH")</pre>
```

```
str(retDbm$ciDiffTrtRRRC)
#> 'data.frame': 1 obs. of 8 variables:
#> $ TrtDiff : chr "TrtO-Trt1"
#> $ Estimate: num -0.0438
#> $ StdErr : num 0.0207
#> $ DF : num 15.3
#> $ t : num -2.11
#> $ PrGTt : num 0.0517
#> $ CILower : num -0.088
#> $ CIUpper : num 0.000359
```

- Lacking any other information, the observed effect-size is the best estimate of the effect-size to be anticipated. The output shows that the FOM difference, for treatment 0 minus treatment 1, is -0.0438003. In the actual study treatment 1 is the new modality which hopes to improve upon 0, the conventional modality. Since the sign is negative, the difference is going the right way and is justified in moving forward with planning a pivotal study. [If the difference went the other way, there is little justification for a pivotal study].
- The standard error of the difference is 0.0207486.
- An optimistic, but not unduly so, effect size is given by:

```
effectSizeOpt <- abs(retDbm$ciDiffTrtRRRC$Estimate) + 2*retDbm$ciDiffTrtRRRC$StdErr
```

- The observed effect-size is a realization of a random variable. The lower limit of the 95% confidence interval is given by -0.0879595 and the upper limit by 3.5885444×10^{-4} . CI's generated like this, with independent sets of data, are expected to encompass the true value with 95% probability. The lower end (greatest magnitude of the difference) of the confidence interval is -0.0852976, and this is the optimistic estimate. Since the sign is immaterial, one uses as the optimistic estimate the value 0.0852976.
- While the sign is immaterial for sample size estimates, the decision to conduct the pivotal most certainly is material. If the sign went the other way, with the new modality lower than the conventional modality, one would be unjustified in conducting a pivotal study.

12.3 References

Chapter 13

Simulate an FROC split plot dataset

13.1 This vignette is under construction!!

- This is a follow-up on the recently added (v1.3.1) capability to read a split-plot dataset.
- Lacking an actual split-plot dataset to test the routines, I decided to simulate one.
- The simulated dataset is of dataType FROC and the number of cases interpreted by each reader is reader-dependent.
- This makes it really exercise the validity of the DfReadDataFile function.
- In my experience, the dataset\$truthTableStr member is invaluable in catching data entry errors so much of this vignette focuses on it.

13.2 The starting point is an actual crossed FROC dataset

The example shown below begins with the Excel file inst/extdata/FrocData.xlsx in the project directory (this corresponds to the 5-modality FED dataset dataseet04 (Zanca et al., 2009) with modalities 1, 2 and 3 removed). The first statement retrieves the name of the data file, located in a hidden directory that one need not be concerned with. The second statement reads the file using DfReadDataFile() and saves it to object x1. The next statement extracts the truthTableStr list member, saves it to t1 and shows its structure.

- There are 100 normal and 100 abnormal cases in this two-modality fourreader crossed dataset.
- Note that t1 is the original crossed dataset truthTableStr.
- Recall from earlier vignette that for the fourth subscript of t1 the value 1 applies to cases with no lesions (normals), value 2 applies to cases with one lesion, value 3 applies to cases with two lesions and 4 applies to cases with three lesions.
- The value for any allowed interpretation is 1 and otherwise it is NA.

13.3 Understanding truthTableStr object t1

• The following line yields 200 (=2*100) as reader 1 (second subscript) provides interpretations in both modalities (first subscript is blank meaning both modalities) for all 100 normal cases (third subscript is 1:100 and fourth subscript is 1) and therefore each of these interpretations yields a TRUE (i.e., 1).

```
sum(!is.na(t1[,1,1:100,1]))
#> [1] 200
```

• The following line yields 0 as the third subscript is 1:100, implying normal cases, but the fourth subscript is 2:4, implying abnormal cases and therefore each of these interpretations yields an NA and !is.na(NA) equals FALSE (i.e., zero).

```
sum(!is.na(t1[,1,1:100,2:4]))
#> [1] 0
```

• The following line also yields 800 = 2x4x100 as readers 1:4 provide interpretations in both modalities for all normal cases and each interpretation yields a 1.

```
sum(!is.na(t1[,,1:100,1]))
#> [1] 800
```

• The following line yields 200 (=2*100) because the fourth subscript (2) applies to abnormal cases with at least one lesion, and each abnormal case is guaranteed to have at least one lesion (i.e., a 1 entry in the LesionID column of the Excel Truth worksheet) and each of these interpretations yields a 1.

```
sum(!is.na(t1[,1,101:200,2]))
#> [1] 200
```

• The following line yields 62 (=2x31) because the fourth subscript (3) applies to abnormal cases with at least two lesions, and inspection of the LesionID column in the original Excel file reveals that 31 abnormal cases have two lesions.

```
sum(!is.na(t1[,1,101:200,3]))
#> [1] 62
```

• The following line yields 22 (=2x11) because the fourth subscript (4) applies to abnormal cases with three lesions. Inspection of the LesionID column reveals that 11 abnormal cases have three lesions.

```
sum(!is.na(t1[,1,101:200,4]))
#> [1] 22
```

• The following line yields 242 (=200+31+11), the number of rows in the Truth worksheet.

```
sum(!is.na(t1[1,1,,]))
#> [1] 242
```

13.4 Modify a crossed FROC workbook to simulate a split-plot FROC design

- We create a simulated split-plot FROC dataset starting from a crossed FROC dataset.
- The basic idea is to modify interpretations that do not belong to a specified split-plot design.
- This was done (one could say the "hard way") by manually making apppropriate changes to inst/extdata/FrocData.xlsx and saving the results to inst/extdata/toyFiles/FROC/FrocDataSpVaryK1K2.xlsx. The filename is intended to emphasize that the numbers of normal and abnormal cases can be reader-dependent, as long as they individually add up to 100.

- We divided the 100 normal and 100 abnormal cases into 4 groups of normal and abnormal cases, where each group is interpreted by one reader only.
- The first groups of cases, interpreted by reader 1 (label "1"), consists of 23 normal (case labels "100:122") and 24 abnormal (case labels "0:23") cases.
- The second groups of cases, interpreted by reader 2 (label "3"), consists of 27 normal (case labels "123:149") and 26 abnormal (case labels "24:49") cases.
- The third groups of cases, interpreted by reader 3 (label "4"), consists of 22 normal (case labels "150:171") and 23 abnormal (case labels "51:73") cases
- The fourth groups of cases, interpreted by reader 4 (label "5"), consists of 28 normal (case labels "172:199") and 27 abnormal (case labels c("50,74:99")) cases.

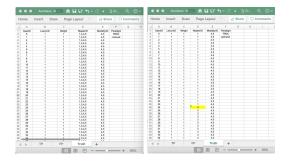


Figure 13.1: Truth worksheets; (a) LEFT=FrocData.xlsx, original crossed dataset; (b) RIGHT=FrocDataSpVaryK1K2.xlsx, modified split-plot dataset

- The above figure shows that the ReaderID column for cases 0:23 has been replaced with a 1, meaning that only reader 1 interprets these cases in both modalities. This yields 24 abnormal cases for reader 1 in each modality. Normal cases for this reader are 100:122.
- Not shown above: all interpretations by reader 1 occurring for cases outside of 0:23 and 100:122 in the other two worksheets (TP and FP) are deleted.
- The ReaderID column for cases 24:49 are replaced by 3, corresponding to the second reader. All interpretations by this reader for cases outside of 24:49 in the other two worksheets are deleted. Normal cases for this reader are 123:149 and observations outside of this range in the TP and FP worsheets are deleted.
- The ReaderID column for cases 51:73 are replaced by 4, corresponding to the third reader. All interpretations by this reader for cases outside of 51:73 in the other two worksheets are deleted. Normal cases for this reader are 150:171 and observations outside of this range in the TP and FP worsheets are deleted.

- The ReaderID column for cases 50 and 74:79 are replaced by 5, corresponding to the fourth reader. All interpretations by this reader for cases outside of the specified range in the other two worksheets are deleted. Normal cases for this reader are 172:199 and observations outside of this range in the TP and FP worsheets are deleted.
- The modified file is read by the code chunk below. The read function explicitly tests that observations outside of the specified ranges in the Truth sheet are not present in the other two worksheets.

13.5 Example of deletion of interpretations

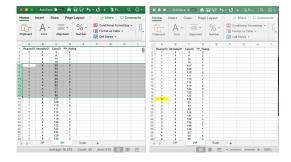


Figure 13.2: FP worksheets; (a) LEFT=FrocDataFP.xlsx, original crossed dataset; (b) RIGHT=FrocDataSpVaryK1K2FP.xlsx, modified split-plot dataset

- The two figures above illustrate deletion of interpretations.
- The left panel shows the FP worksheet for the original crossed data.
- For reader 1 and modality 4 it contains cases 29, 30, 44, ..., 91, 96 that do not belong to the split-plot dataset for this reader.
- Specifically, they are outside of 0:23 and 100:122, the allowed ranges for this reader.
- These are deleted, see right panel of above figure. The next allowed cases for this reader are 107, 109,...., 122.
- The procedure is repeated for all readers and both TP and FP sheets.

13.6 Understanding truthTableStr object t2

• The following line below yields 46 (= 2x23) as reader 1 (second subscript) provides interpretations in both modalities (first subscript is blank) for all normal cases (third subscript is 1:100 and fourth subscript is 1) and there are 23 normal cases interpreted by reader 1.

```
sum(!is.na(t2[,1,1:100,1]))
#> [1] 46
```

• The following line confirms the first line, with a 1 contribution coming from each case in range 1:23.

```
sum(!is.na(t2[,1,1:23,1]))
#> [1] 46
```

• The following line yields 48 = 2x24) because the fourth subscript (2) applies to abnormal cases with at least one lesion, and we know that this reader has interpreted 24 abnormal cases.

```
sum(!is.na(t2[,1,101:124,2]))
#> [1] 48
```

• The following line yields 54 (= 2x27) because the fourth subscript (1) applies to normal cases and we know that reader 2 has interpreted 27 normal cases.

```
sum(!is.na(t2[,2,,1]))
#> [1] 54
```

• The following line yields 52 (= 2x26) because the fourth subscript (2:4) applies to abnormal cases with at least one lesion, and we know that reader 2 has interpreted 26 abnormal cases.

```
sum(!is.na(t2[,2,,2:4]))
#> [1] 52
```

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