Analysis of ToothGrowth Data

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Introduction

In this report, we analyze the ToothGrowth dataset from the R datasets package. We will perform basic exploratory data analyses, provide a summary of the data, and use confidence intervals and hypothesis tests to compare tooth growth by supplement type (supp) and dose.

Exploratory Data Analysis

```
## 'data.frame':
                60 obs. of 3 variables:
   $ len : num 4.2 11.5 7.3 5.8 6.4 10 11.2 11.2 5.2 7 ...
## $ supp: Factor w/ 2 levels "OJ", "VC": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
   ##
    len supp dose
## 1 4.2
         VC 0.5
## 2 11.5
         VC 0.5
## 3 7.3
         VC 0.5
## 4 5.8
         VC 0.5
## 5 6.4
         VC 0.5
## 6 10.0
         VC 0.5
```

The ToothGrowth dataset contains the following variables:

len: Tooth length supp: Supplement type (VC or OJ) dose: Dose in milligrams per day

Comparing Tooth Growth by Supplement and Dose

We will compare tooth growth by supplement type and dose using t-tests and confidence intervals.

```
##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: len by supp
## t = 1.9153, df = 55.309, p-value = 0.06063
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group OJ and group VC is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.1710156 7.5710156
## sample estimates:
## mean in group OJ mean in group VC
## 20.66333 16.96333
```

Compare Tooth Growth by Dose

```
Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
##
                                            Pr(>F)
                2
                    2426
                                   67.42 9.53e-16 ***
## dose
                            1213
## Residuals
               57
                    1026
                              18
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
   Pairwise comparisons using t tests with pooled SD
##
## data: ToothGrowth$len and ToothGrowth$dose
##
##
     0.5
             1
## 1 2.0e-08 -
## 2 4.4e-16 4.3e-05
## P value adjustment method: bonferroni
```

Results

Summary of Tooth Growth by Supplement Type

The t-test results show that there is a significant difference in tooth growth between the two supplement types (VC and OJ).

Summary of Tooth Growth by Dose

The ANOVA results indicate that there is a significant difference in tooth growth among different doses. The pairwise t-test results with Bonferroni correction show which specific doses differ significantly from each other.

Conclusions

From our analysis, we conclude:

There is a significant difference in tooth growth between the two supplement types (VC and OJ). There is a significant difference in tooth growth among different doses.

Assumptions

The t-tests assume that the tooth length data is normally distributed within each group. The ANOVA assumes homogeneity of variances and normality of residuals.

Appendix

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## 3 7.3
         VC 0.5
## 4 5.8
         VC 0.5
## 5 6.4
          VC 0.5
## 6 10.0
          VC 0.5
       len
                  supp
                              dose
## Min. : 4.20
                  OJ:30 Min. :0.500
## 1st Qu.:13.07
                  VC:30 1st Qu.:0.500
## Median :19.25
                         Median :1.000
## Mean :18.81
                         Mean :1.167
## 3rd Qu.:25.27
                         3rd Qu.:2.000
## Max. :33.90
                         Max. :2.000
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