

STA 674

Regression Analysis And Design Of Experiments

Experiments with a Single Factor – Lecture 2

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- Last time, we introduced the concept of the cell means model and illustrated this using an example.
- This time, we'll focus more on the formal statistical expression of the research question(s) involved and how do those point toward the proper inferential procedures.

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Research Questions

Consider the research questions in the experiments that we have looked at so far:

- Example 1: Is it better to run than to walk in the rain?
- Example 2: Cancer Drug Trial – does the new drug increase time to recurrence?
- Example 3: Reading Comprehension – do the different methods of instruction affect reading comprehension scores?

What do these questions mean?

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Research Questions

We are *really* interested in are questions about the **treatment means**.

- Example 1: *On average* do people get less water on them if they run than if they walk in the rain?
- Example 2: Cancer Drug Trial – *On average* is the time to recurrence greater for patients on the drug than for patients on the placebo?
- Example 3: Reading Comprehension – Is there a difference between the *average* increase in reading comprehension for the three treatments?

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Cell Means Model

Notation:

1. Let t denote the number of treatments
 2. Let r denote the number of experimental units for each treatment
 3. Let y_{ij} denote the response for the j^{th} experimental unit assigned to the i^{th} treatment
- The cell or treatment means model states that:

$$y_{ij} = \mu_i + e_{ij}$$

where

- μ_i is the mean response for treatment i
- e_{ij} is the error for the j^{th} experimental unit assigned to treatment i and we assume $e_{ij} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, independent.

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Research Questions

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- Let μ_1 and μ_2 denote the average amount of water absorbed by people who walk and run in the rain. Does $\mu_1 = \mu_2$?
- Example 2: Cancer Drug Trial – Let μ_1 and μ_2 denote the average time to recurrence for patients on the placebo and patients on the drug. Does $\mu_1 = \mu_2$?
- Example 3: Reading Comprehension – Is there a difference between the *average* increase in reading comprehension for the three treatments?
- Let μ_1 , μ_2 , and μ_3 denote the average change in reading comprehension scores for students in the three groups.

Does $\mu_1 = \mu_2$, $\mu_1 = \mu_3$, and $\mu_2 = \mu_3$?

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Example: Reading Comprehension

Research Question

Is there a difference between the *average* increase in reading comprehension for the three treatments?

- The cell means model is:

$$y_{ij} = \mu_i + e_{ij}$$

where

- μ_1 is the mean for students in the Basal treatment,
- μ_2 is the mean for students in the DRTA group,
- μ_3 is the mean for students in the Strat group.

We want to test the hypothesis:

- $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3$ versus $H_a: \mu_j \neq \mu_k$ for some j and k

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Example: Reading Comprehension

Fit model using PROC GLM

```
/* Fit model using PROC GLM */;  
PROC GLM DATA=READING;  
CLASS group;  
MODEL score=group;  
RUN;
```

| Source | DF | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|----|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model | 2 | 84.9392399 | 42.4696199 | 7.24 | 0.0016 |
| Error | 56 | 328.6878788 | 5.8694264 | | |
| Corrected Total | 58 | 413.6271186 | | | |

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Example: Reading Comprehension

Fit model using PROC GLM

```
/* Fit model using PROC GLM and compute treatment means*/;  
PROC GLM DATA=READING;  
  CLASS Group;  
  MODEL score=group;  
  LSMEANS group / CL;  
RUN;
```

| Group | Score LSMEAN | 95% Confidence Limits | |
|-------|--------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Basal | 5.533333 | 4.280234 | 6.786432 |
| DRTA | 6.227273 | 5.192560 | 7.261985 |
| Strat | 8.363636 | 7.328924 | 9.398349 |