# Assignment 3

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#### Question 1

a)

A Runs Test tests a set of binary variables  $X_1, ..., X_n$  to verify if the variables occur randomly.

 $H_0$ : variables occur randomly, i.e. knowing  $X_1, ..., X_n$  does not help predict  $X_{n+1}$ .

 $H_A$ : variables are not random, i.e. knowing some part of the sequence can help predict subsequent variables.

As the variables are binary, they will take the value 0 or 1. The number of 0s is  $n_0$  and the number of 1s is  $n_1$ , where:

$$n_0 = n - \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$n_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

To perform a Runs Test the observations are combined into one collection of  $n = n_0 + n_1$  observations and arranged in increasing order of magnitude or observation. They are labeled according to which set they originally came from. A run is a group of two or more sequential values of 0 or 1.

Let R denote the number of runs in the combined ordered sample of  $X \in \{0,1\}$ . Under  $H_0$ , R can be approximated as a normally distributed random variable, assuming both  $n_0$  and  $n_1$  are sufficiently large.

$$R = 1 + \sum_{i=2}^{n} I_{(X_i, X_{i-1})}$$
, where  $I_{(X_i, X_{i-1})} = 0$  if  $X_i = X_{i-1}$  and  $I_{(X_i, X_{i-1})} = 1$  if  $X_i \neq X_{i-1}$ 

$$\bar{R} = \frac{2n_0n_1}{n} + 1$$

$$Var(\bar{R}) = \frac{2n_0n_1(2n_0n_1 - n)}{n^2(n-1)}$$

With test statistic 
$$Z = \frac{R - \bar{R}}{\sqrt{Var(\bar{R})}}$$
 where  $Z \sim N(0,1)$ 

b)

A small number of runs (a small value for R) would indicate that  $X_i$  is more likely to be the same as  $X_{i-1}$ . A large number means that X is fluctuating regularly between values and X is less likely to be the same as  $X_{i-1}$ .

c)

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R <- 1 + sum(X[2:n] != X[1:n-1])
R_est <- 1 + 2*n_0*n_1/n
R_var <- (2*n_0*n_1*(2*n_0*n_1 - n))/(n^2*(n - 1))
Z <- (R - R_est)/sqrt(R_var)
p <- pnorm(Z)
cbind(R, R_est, R_var, Z, p)</pre>
```

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## R R_est R_var Z p
## [1,] 15 20.65957 7.974767 -2.004125 0.02252834
```

With p-value of 0.0225 we reject  $H_0$  at the 5% level. We conclude that values are not randomly ordered.

d)

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set.seed(101)

calc_R <- function(input)
  1 + sum(input[2:length(input)] != input[1:length(input)-1])

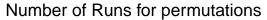
sample_R <- function(iter, input)
  input %>% sample() %>% calc_R()

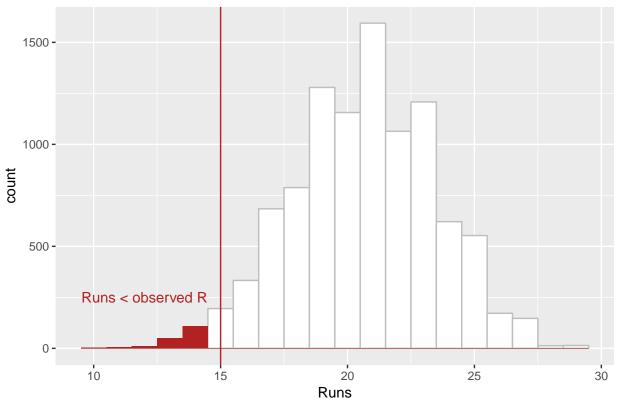
obs_R <- calc_R(X)

N <- 1e4
perm_R <- 1:N %>% sapply(sample_R, input = X)

p <- sum(perm_R < obs_R)/length(perm_R)
p</pre>
```

#### ## [1] 0.0179





Because the number of runs is not a continuous variable, there is some ambiguity around whether the p-value should be calculated comparing values < or <= or even using some half point. I have decided to use < as it gives the test the highest power.

Given this we find a p-value of 0.0179. We reject  $H_0$  at the 5% level. We conclude that values are not randomly ordered.

### Question 2

a)

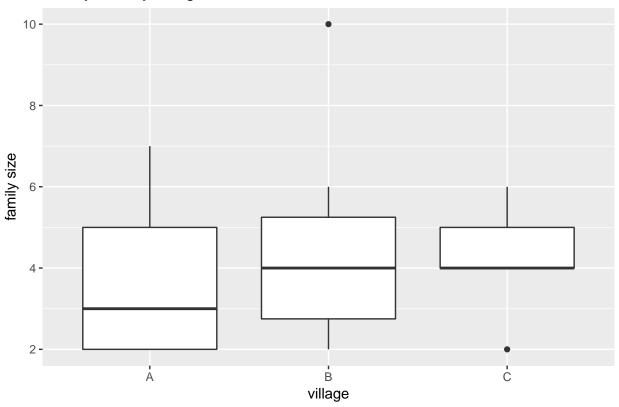
We could use a Poisson distribution

b)

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dataset <- data.frame(
    size = c(2, 3, 2, 7, 5, 5, 3, 2, 6, 10, 3, 2, 2, 5, 6, 4, 4, 5, 4, 4, 6, 5, 4, 2),
    village = rep(c("A", "B", "C"), c(9, 8, 7))
)

ggplot(dataset, aes(x = village, y = size)) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    ggtitle("Family size by village") +
    ylab("family size")</pre>
```

## Family size by village



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## village means
tapply(dataset$size, dataset$village, mean) %>% round(digits = 4)
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## A B C
## 3.8889 4.5000 4.2857
```

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set.seed(101)

calc_F <- function(input)
  lm(size ~ village, data = input) %>% anova() %>% .[["F value"]] %>% .[1]

sample_F <- function(iter, input)
  input %>% dplyr::mutate(village = sample(village)) %>% calc_F()

obs_F <- calc_F(dataset) %>% round(digits = 4)

N <- 1e4
perm_F <- 1:N %>% sapply(sample_F, input = dataset)

p <- sum(perm_F > obs_F)/length(perm_F)
p
```

### ## [1] 0.8275

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geom_vline(xintercept = obs_F, colour = "firebrick", linetype = "dashed") +
ggtitle("Histogram of the F Statistic") +
xlab("F statistic") +
geom_text(aes(x = 1, y = 150), label = "observed F", colour = "firebrick")
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## Histogram of the F Statistic

