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## 23. Repeated Measures

$\text{Var}(y)$

# Repeated Measures Studies

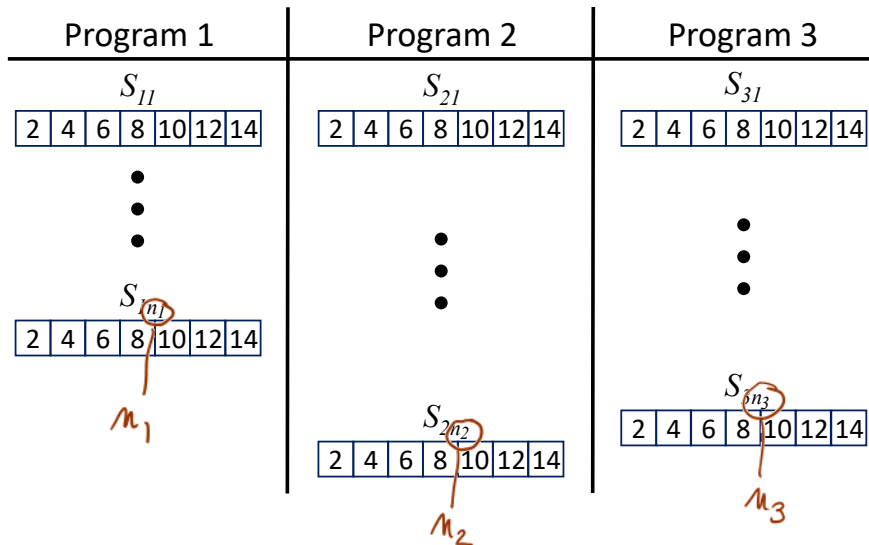
- Measure the experimental unit multiple times
  - Measurements often taken over time
  - Observations over time typically correlated
  - Longitudinal versus crossover study designs
  - Repeated measures analysis accounts for correlation
- pay attention to  
time points being  
equally  
spaced vs. not

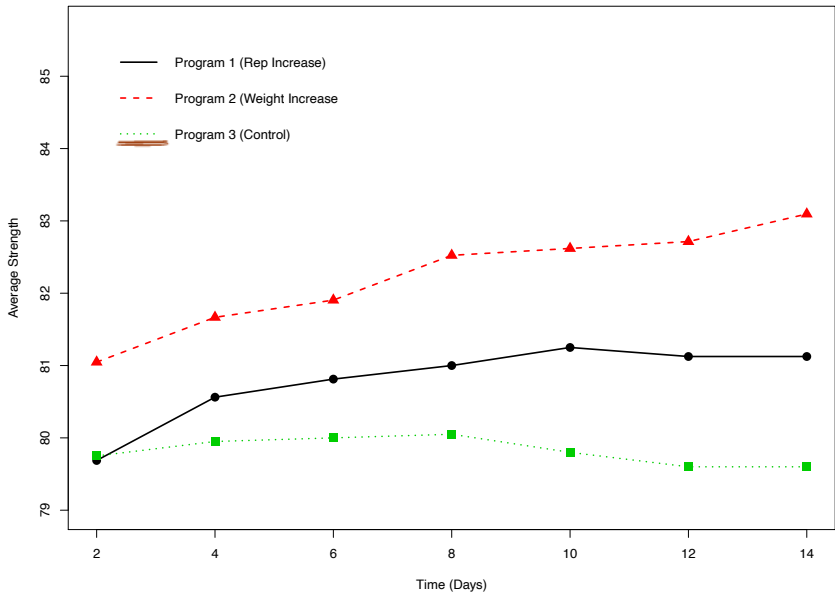
# Repeated Measures Example

In an exercise therapy study, subjects were assigned to one of three weightlifting programs

- i=1: The number of repetitions of weightlifting was increased as subjects became stronger.
- i=2: The amount of weight was increased as subjects became stronger.
- i=3: Subjects did not participate in weightlifting.

- Measurements of strength ( $y$ ) were taken on days 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, and 14 for each subject.
- Source: Littel, Freund, and Spector (1991), SAS System for Linear Models.
- R code: RepeatedMeasures.R
- SAS code: RepeatedMeasures.sas





# A Linear Mixed-Effects Model

Let  $y_{ijk}$  be the strength measurement for program  $i$ , subject  $j$ , and time point  $k$ . Suppose

$$y_{ijk} = \underbrace{\mu + \alpha_i}_{\text{fixed effects}} + \underbrace{s_{ij}}_{\text{random effects}} + \underbrace{\tau_k}_{\text{fixed effects}} + \underbrace{\gamma_{ik}}_{\text{fixed effects}} + \underbrace{e_{ijk}}_{\text{random effects}}$$

where  $\mu, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \tau_1, \dots, \tau_7$ , and  $\gamma_{11}, \dots, \gamma_{37}$  are unknown real-valued parameters, and

$$s_{ij} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_s^2) \text{ independent of } e_{ijk} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_e^2).$$

Note that this model is the same model we would use for a split-plot experiment in which the whole-plot part of the experiment has a completely randomized design.

Subjects are the whole-plot experimental units, and measurement occasions within subject are treated like split-plot experimental units.



## ANOVA Table

Source	DF
Program <u>kt</u> fixed	3 - 1
Subject(Program) ran	$(16 - 1) + (21 - 1) + (20 - 1)$ $n_1 \quad n_2 \quad n_3$
Time fixed	7 - 1
Program $\times$ Time fixed	$(3 - 1)(7 - 1)$
Time $\times$ Subject(Program) ran	$(7 - 1)(57 - 3)$
C. Total	$57 \times 7 - 1$

The measurement occasions are not really split-plot experimental units because levels of the factor time (2, 4, . . . , 14) were not randomly assigned to measurement occasions.

Nonetheless, this split-plot model might be reasonable for some experiments where experimental units are measured repeatedly over time.

Average strength after  $2k$  days on the  $i$ th program is

$$\begin{aligned} E(\underline{y_{ijk}}) &= E(\underline{\mu} + \underline{\alpha_i} + \underline{s_{ij}} + \underline{\tau_k} + \underline{\gamma_{ik}} + \underline{e_{ijk}}) \\ &= \mu + \alpha_i + \underbrace{E(s_{ij})}_{=0} + \tau_k + \gamma_{ik} + \underbrace{E(e_{ijk})}_{=0} \\ &= \mu + \alpha_i + \tau_k + \gamma_{ik} \end{aligned}$$

for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  and  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 7$ .

= mean structure

The variance of any single observation is

$$\begin{aligned}\boxed{\text{Var}(y_{ijk})} &= \text{Var}(\cancel{\mu} + \cancel{\alpha_i} + s_{ij} + \cancel{\tau_k} + \cancel{\gamma_{ik}} + e_{ijk}) \\ &= \text{Var}(s_{ij} + e_{ijk}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{indep.}}{=} \text{Var}(s_{ij}) + \text{Var}(e_{ijk}) \\ &= \underline{\sigma_s^2} + \underline{\sigma_e^2}.\end{aligned}$$

The covariance between any two different observations from the same subject is

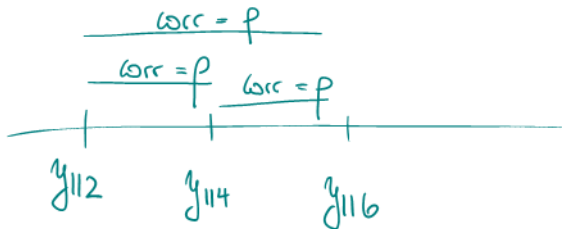
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(y_{ijk}, y_{ij\ell}) &= \text{Cov}(\mu + \alpha_i + s_{ij} + \tau_k + \gamma_{ik} + e_{ijk}, \\ &\quad \mu + \alpha_i + s_{ij} + \tau_\ell + \gamma_{i\ell} + e_{ij\ell}) \\ &= \text{Cov}(s_{ij} + e_{ijk}, s_{ij} + e_{ij\ell}) \\ &= \text{Cov}(s_{ij}, s_{ij}) + \overset{= 0}{\text{Cov}(s_{ij}, e_{ij\ell})} \\ &\quad + \overset{= 0}{\text{Cov}(e_{ijk}, s_{ij})} + \underset{= 0}{\text{Cov}(e_{ijk}, e_{ij\ell})} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\text{Var}(s_{ij}) = \sigma_s^2.}}\end{aligned}$$

The correlation between  $y_{ijk}$  and  $y_{ijl}$  is

$$\frac{\sigma_s^2}{\sigma_s^2 + \sigma_e^2} \equiv \rho.$$

regardless of time  
point we assume  
the same correlation:

Observations taken on different subjects are uncorrelated.



matrix for 1 individual (out of the 57)

For the set of observations taken on a single subject, we have

$$\text{Var} \left( \begin{bmatrix} y_{ij1} \\ y_{ij2} \\ \vdots \\ y_{ij7} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_e^2 + \sigma_s^2 & \sigma_s^2 & \cdots & \sigma_s^2 \\ \sigma_s^2 & \sigma_e^2 + \sigma_s^2 & \cdots & \sigma_s^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_s^2 & \sigma_s^2 & \sigma_s^2 & \sigma_e^2 + \sigma_s^2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \sigma_e^2 \mathbf{I}_{7 \times 7} + \sigma_s^2 \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^\top_{7 \times 7}.$$

This is known as a compound symmetric covariance structure.

$\sigma_e^2$  &  $\sigma_s^2$  requiring estimation

Using  $n_i$  to denote the number of subjects in the  $i$ th program, we can write this model in the form

$$\mathbf{y} = \underline{\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \underline{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{e}.$$

To make things slightly easier to write, let

$$\mathbf{y}_{ij} = [y_{ij1}, y_{ij2}, y_{ij3}, y_{ij4}, y_{ij5}, y_{ij6}, y_{ij7}]^\top$$

and

$$\mathbf{e}_{ij} = [e_{ij1}, e_{ij2}, e_{ij3}, e_{ij4}, e_{ij5}, e_{ij6}, e_{ij7}]^\top$$

for all  $i = 1, 2, 3$  and all  $j = 1, \dots, n_i$ .



$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{11} \\ y_{12} \\ \vdots \\ y_{1n_1} \\ \hline y_{21} \\ y_{22} \\ \vdots \\ y_{2n_2} \\ \hline y_{31} \\ y_{32} \\ \vdots \\ y_{3n_3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu & \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 & \text{time} & \text{interaction} & \text{error} \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & I_{7 \times 7} \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & I_{7 \times 7} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & I_{7 \times 7} \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 0_{7 \times 1} & 1_{7 \times 1} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 7} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \\ \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \\ \tau_4 \\ \tau_5 \\ \tau_6 \\ \tau_7 \\ \gamma_{11} \\ \gamma_{12} \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_{37} \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix is partitioned into three main sections:
 

- Control:** The first three columns ( $\mu, \alpha_1, \alpha_2$ ).
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$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_{11} \\ s_{12} \\ \vdots \\ s_{1n_1} \\ s_{21} \\ s_{22} \\ \vdots \\ s_{2n_2} \\ s_{31} \\ s_{32} \\ \vdots \\ s_{3n_3} \end{bmatrix}}_u + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e_{11} \\ e_{12} \\ \vdots \\ e_{1n_1} \\ e_{21} \\ e_{22} \\ \vdots \\ e_{2n_2} \\ e_{31} \\ e_{32} \\ \vdots \\ e_{3n_3} \end{bmatrix}}_e$$