

Statistical Inference Coursera Assignment Part 2

Now in the second portion of the project, we're going to analyze the ToothGrowth data in the R datasets package.

1. Load the ToothGrowth data and perform some basic exploratory data analyses
2. Provide a basic summary of the data.
3. Use confidence intervals and/or hypothesis tests to compare tooth growth by supp and dose. (Only use the techniques from class, even if there's other approaches worth considering)
4. State your conclusions and the assumptions needed for your conclusions.

Required packages:

```
library(ggplot2)
```

1. Load the ToothGrowth data and perform some basic exploratory data analyses

```
# Load the data ToothGrowth
data(ToothGrowth)
# Look at the structure of the data
str(ToothGrowth)
```

```
## '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 ...
## $ dose: num  0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.5 ...
```

```
# Look at the first 5 rows of the data
head(ToothGrowth, 5)
```

```
##      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
```

2. Provide a basic summary of the data.

```
# Look at the summary of the data
summary(ToothGrowth)
```

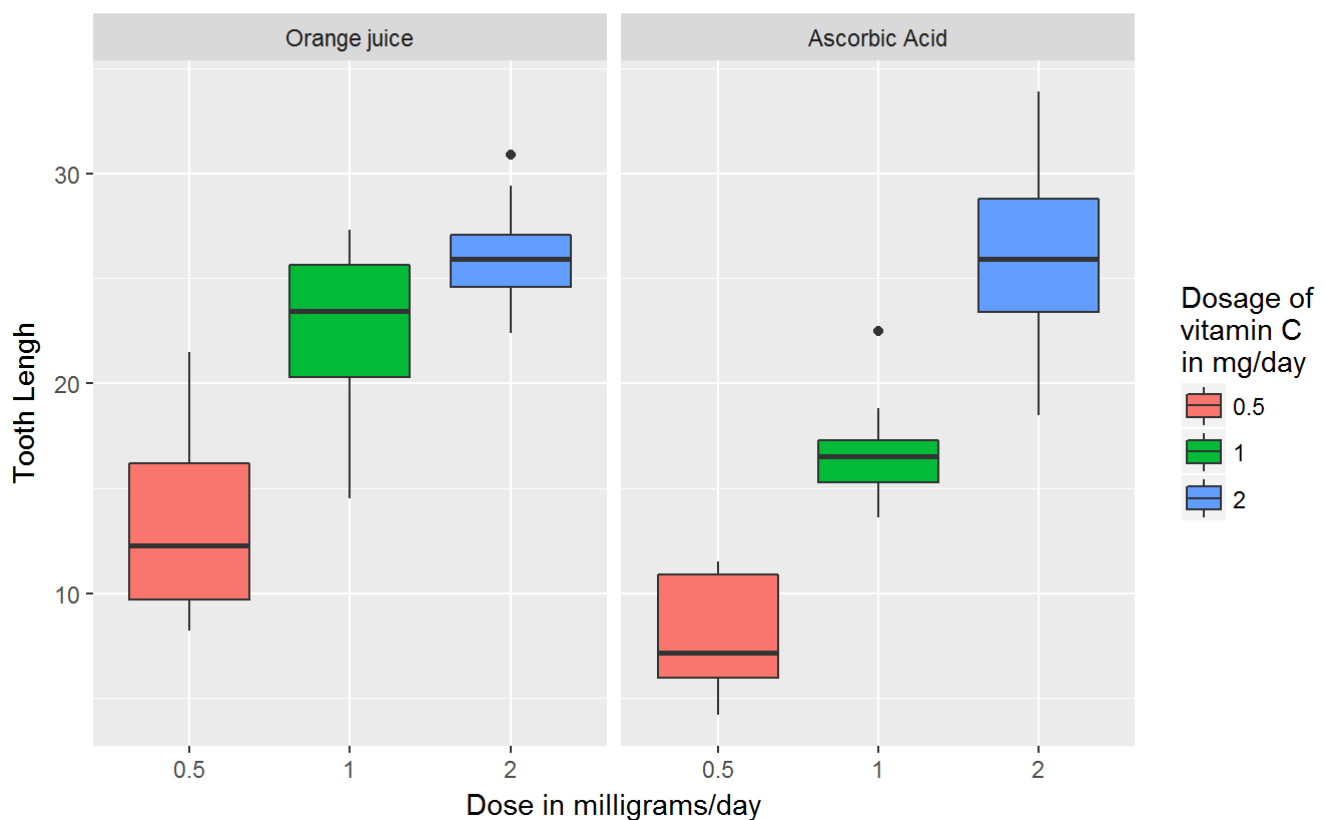
```
##      len      supp      dose
## Min.   : 4.20   OJ:30   Min.   :0.500
## 1st Qu.:13.07   VC:30   1st Qu.:0.500
## Median :19.25             Median :1.000
## Mean   :18.81             Mean   :1.167
## 3rd Qu.:25.27             3rd Qu.:2.000
## Max.   :33.90             Max.   :2.000
```

```
# Compare means of the different delivery methods
tapply(ToothGrowth$len, ToothGrowth$supp, mean)
```

```
##      OJ      VC
## 20.66333 16.96333
```

```
# Make a plot to look at data graphically
ggplot(ToothGrowth, aes(factor(dose), len, fill = factor(dose))) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  # facet_grid(.~supp)+
  facet_grid(.~supp, labeller = as_labeller(
    c("OJ" = "Orange juice",
      "VC" = "Ascorbic Acid"))) +
  labs(title = "Tooth growth of 60 guinea pigs
    by dosage and\nby delivery method of vitamin C",
    x = "Dose in milligrams/day",
    y = "Tooth Length") +
  scale_fill_discrete(name = "Dosage of\nvitamin C\nin mg/day")
```

Tooth growth of 60 guinea pigs
by dosage and
by delivery method of vitamin C



3. Use confidence intervals and/or hypothesis tests to compare tooth growth by supp and dose.

```
# Comparison by delivery method for the same dosage
t05 <- t.test(len ~ supp,
  data = rbind(ToothGrowth[(ToothGrowth$dose == 0.5) &
                           (ToothGrowth$supp == "OJ"), ],
               ToothGrowth[(ToothGrowth$dose == 0.5) &
                           (ToothGrowth$supp == "VC"), ]),
  var.equal = FALSE)

t1 <- t.test(len ~ supp,
  data = rbind(ToothGrowth[(ToothGrowth$dose == 1) &
                           (ToothGrowth$supp == "OJ"), ],
               ToothGrowth[(ToothGrowth$dose == 1) &
                           (ToothGrowth$supp == "VC"), ]),
  var.equal = FALSE)

t2 <- t.test(len ~ supp,
  data = rbind(ToothGrowth[(ToothGrowth$dose == 2) &
                           (ToothGrowth$supp == "OJ"), ],
               ToothGrowth[(ToothGrowth$dose == 2) &
                           (ToothGrowth$supp == "VC"), ]),
  var.equal = FALSE)

# Make summary of the conducted t.tests, which compare the delivery methods by dosage
# take p-values and CI
summaryBYsupp <- data.frame(
  "p-value" = c(t05$p.value, t1$p.value, t2$p.value),
  "Conf.Low" = c(t05$conf.int[1], t1$conf.int[1], t2$conf.int[1]),
  "Conf.High" = c(t05$conf.int[2], t1$conf.int[2], t2$conf.int[2]),
  row.names = c("Dosage .05", "Dosage 1", "Dosage 2"))

# Show the data table
summaryBYsupp
```

##		p.value	Conf.Low	Conf.High
##	Dosage .05	0.006358607	1.719057	8.780943
##	Dosage 1	0.001038376	2.802148	9.057852
##	Dosage 2	0.963851589	-3.798070	3.638070

4. State your conclusions and the assumptions needed for your conclusions.

With 95% confidence we reject the null hypothesis, stating that there is no difference in the tooth growth by the delivery method for .5 and 1 milligrams/day. We observe p-values less than the threshold of .05 and the confidence levels don't include 0. So, for dosage of .5 milligrams/day and 1 milligrams/day does matter the delivery method. With 95% confidence we fail to reject the null hypothesis, stating that there is no difference in the tooth growth by the delivery method for 2 milligrams/day. We observe p-values more than the threshold of .05 and the confidence levels include 0. So, for dosage of 2 milligrams/day the delivery method doesn't matter.