

Hypothesis Testing. Quantitative Variables

Basic Statistics with R
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Introduction

- Once the concept of hypothesis testing is established,
- Researchers face the problem of _which test should be applied at every possible situation_.
- Best (ideal) solution:
 - understand the problem and the questions addressed
 - know available tests for each problem
 - be aware of applicability assumptions of each test and how to check them.
- Easier to say than to do.
 - Sometimes cheatsheets may be helpful,
 - but be warned against a blind use,
 - **that is understand and be critic with the steps.**

How to choose the right statistical test

Example Data/Problem

- A study was designed to compare two distinct hypertension control programs.
- 60 individuals with HTA were randomly assigned to either one or the other group (30 per group)
- Blood pressure was measured each month during a year

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
numero	sexo	grupo	tas1	tad1	tas2	tad2	tas3	tad3
1	VARON	B	150	100	150	90	170	
2	MUJER	B	160	90	170	90	160	
3	MUJER	B	150	90	110	90	115	
4	VARON	A	120	80	140	90	140	
5	MUJER	A	150	85	145	85	160	
6	MUJER	B	140	75	160	70	135	
7	MUJER	A	150	100	140	90	130	
8	VARON	A	160	90	170	90	170	
9	MUJER	A	145	105	170	95	140	
10	MUJER	A	210	110				
11	MUJER	A	170	100	170	90	170	
12	MUJER	B	140	90	140	90	100	

Questions to answer

- Is diastolic (min) tension above 90, “on average”, at the beginning of the study.
- Are samples “comparable” at baseline?
 - In Age? Sex%? Sist? Diast?
- Has there been a change in BP between month 1 (first measure) and month 12?
- Has this change been different between treatment groups?



Let's think about it

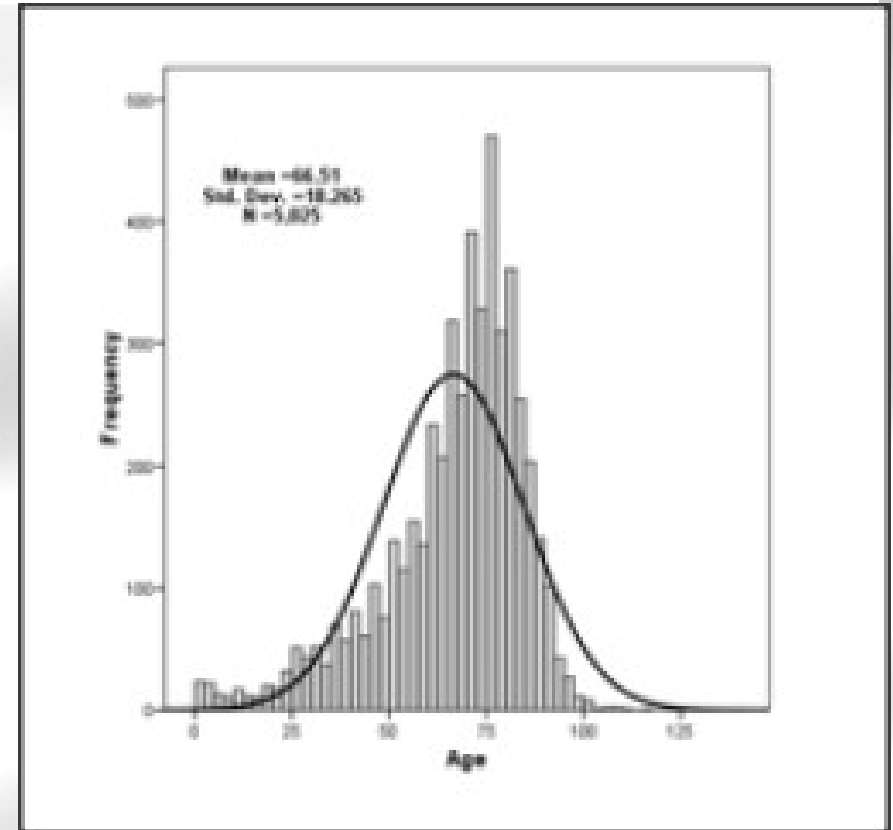
- Is diastolic (min) tension above 90, “on average”, at the beginning of the study.
 - *One variable. Test about the mean*
- Are samples “comparable” at baseline?
 - *Comparison between distinct individuals in two groups (A/B, Male/Fem)*
- Has there been a change in BP between month 1 (first measure) and month 12?
 - *Comparison between same individuals*

Our goal

- Learn how to do tests about characteristics of one variable.
- Distinct scenarios
 - One group, Two groups, Paired data
 - Normally or non normally distributed data
- We start checking normality
 - Depending on what we obtain →
 - Use parametric or non-parametric test
- Be flexible and comprehensive!

Normality test

- Some parametrical test assume data come from a normal population
- How can we check this assumption?
- What can we do if assumption is false?

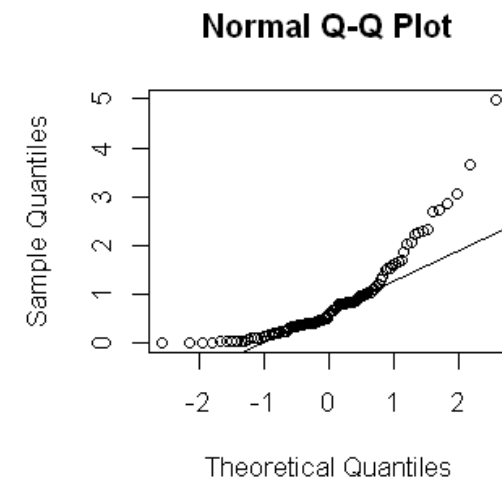
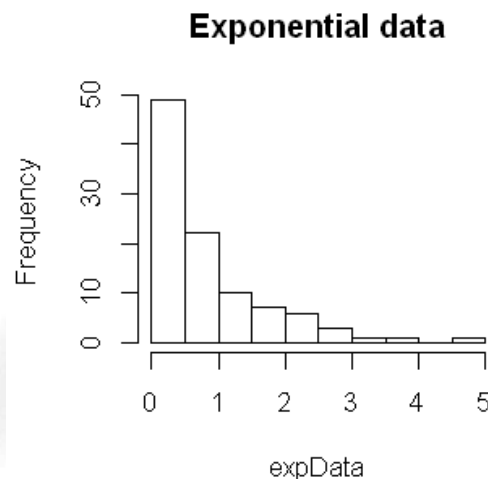
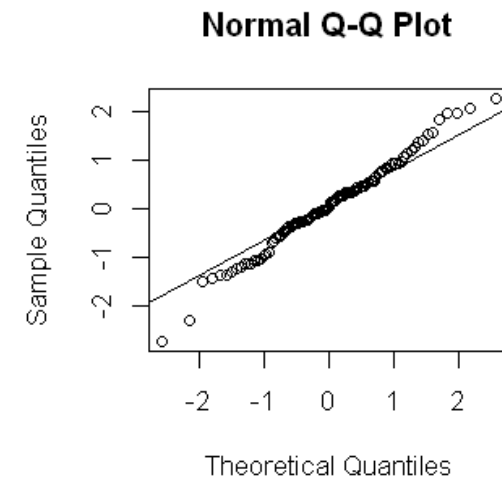
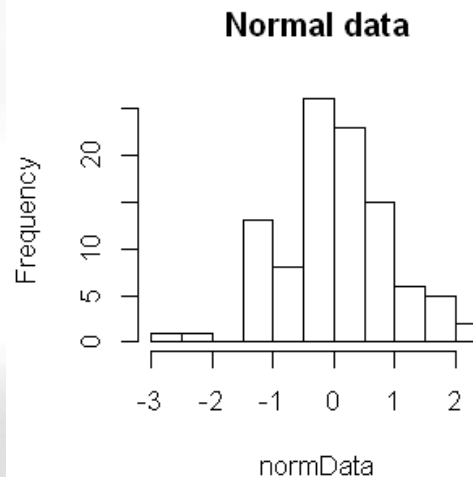


Testing normality

- We can use graphical methods or hypothesis tests
- Graphs
 - Check if it is a symmetric distribution
 - Probability graphs (QQ-plots)
- Hypothesis test (Normality)
 - Kolmogorov-Smirnov test
 - Kolmogorov-Liliefors test
 - Shapiro-Wilks test

Histograms and QQ-plots

- Histogram
 - It should be symmetric with gaussian shape.
- QQ-plot
 - Dots should be over the diagonal line
- Non normal data deviate from normal patterns.
- Difficult to quantify if there are few data

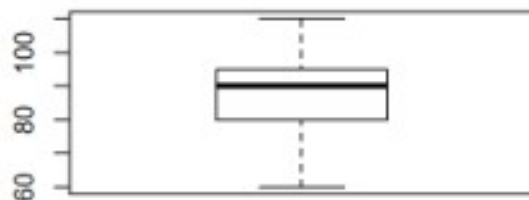
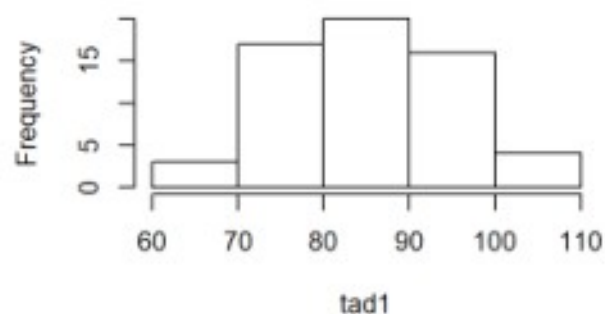
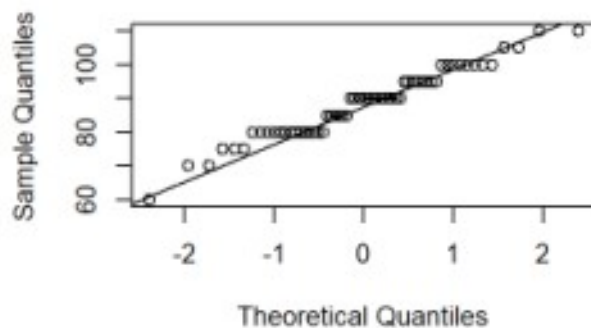


```
oldpar<-par(mfrow=c(1,1)) # Guarda los parámetros para el dibujo
par(mfrow=c(2,2)) # Dibuja cuatro gráficos por grafica
with(hta, boxplot(tad1, main="Box-plot") )

with(hta, hist(tad1) )

with(hta, qqnorm(tad1, main="Normal QQplot") )
;with(hta, qqline(tad1) )

par(oldpar) # Vuelve a los parámetros de dibujo originales
```

Box-plot**Histogram of tad1****Normal QQplot**

- Statistical normality test are more precise than graphs. It is possible to calculate a p-value.
- The most used tests are Kolmogorov-Smirnov and Shapiro-Wilks test.
- The hypothesis to test are:
 - H_0 : Data follow a normal distribution
 - H_1 : Data do not follow a normal distribution

Normality Test

```
```{r normtest , mysize=TRUE, size='\\small'}  
with(hta,shapiro.test(tad1)) # Shapiro Wilk test
...`
```

Shapiro-Wilk normality test

```
data: tad1
W = 0.96622, p-value = 0.09512
```

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# One sample t-test

- We do not use it very often.
- Very similar to estimation questions. It can be solved calculating a confidence interval
- Idea: We want to verify from a sample a previous hypothesis about the mean in a population
- *Can it be accepted that the initial TAD is 90 **or greater** in Hipertensive patients?*



# One sample Test

```
with(hta,t.test(tad1,mu=90)) # One sample T.test

##
One Sample t-test
##
data: tad1
t = -1.2137, df = 59, p-value = 0.2297
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 90
95 percent confidence interval:
85.80626 91.02707
sample estimates:
mean of x
88.41667
```

# Exercise 1

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- a) Check the normality of *tas1* variable in **hta** dataset
- b) Can it be accepted that the initial TAS is 120 in Hipertensive patients?
- c) Find the 95% confidence interval for the mean of *tas1* variable
- d) **Extra:** Can it be accepted that the initial TAS is *higher than* 120 in Hipertensive *women*?

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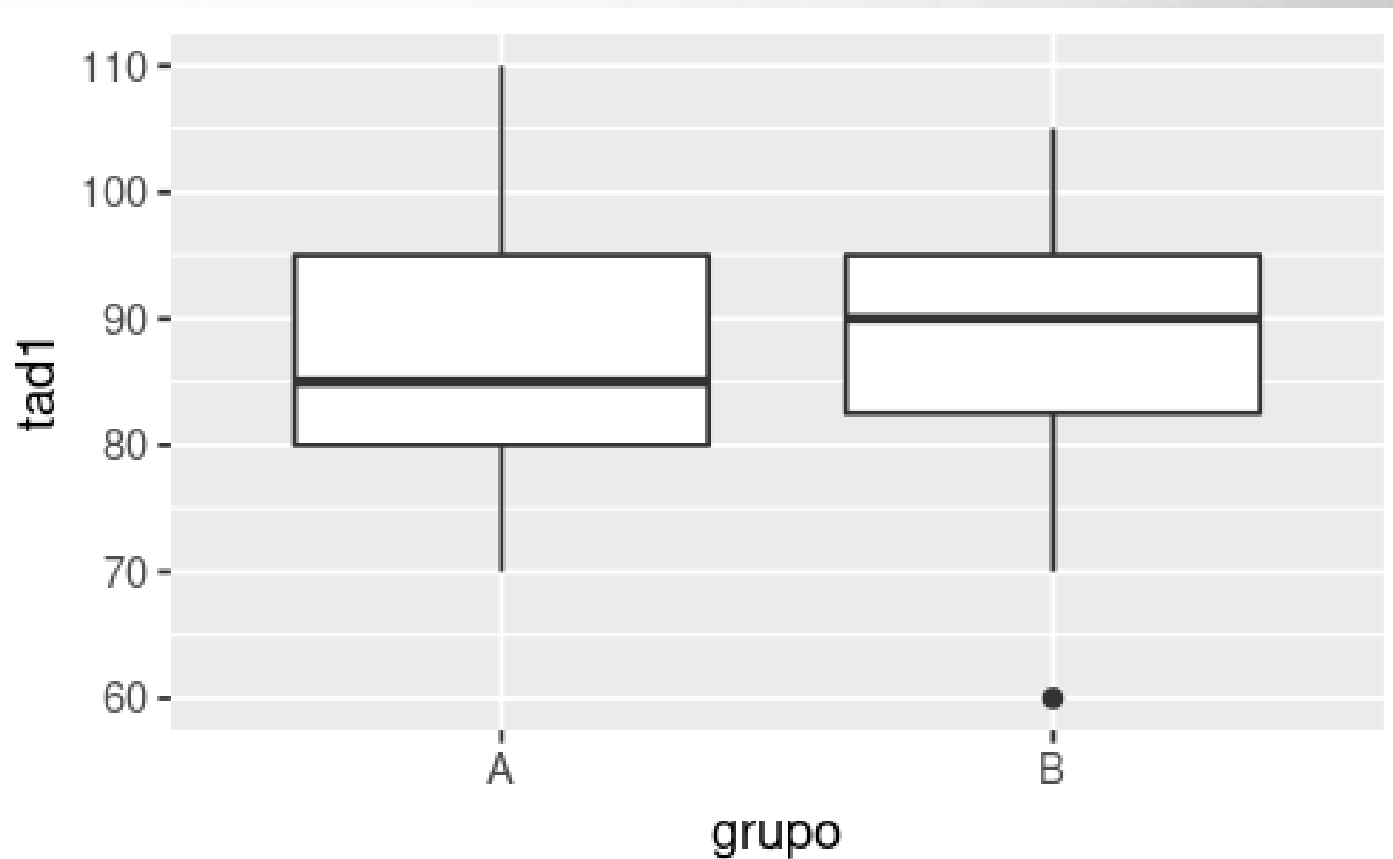
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# Questions to answer

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- Are samples comparable at baseline time
- Is blood pressure comparable between first and 12th measures

# Boxplot *tad1*, by group



# Compare a Quantitative variable in two groups

Null Hypothesis: There is not difference of the variable in two population or groups

Samples have been generated

## INDEPENDENT

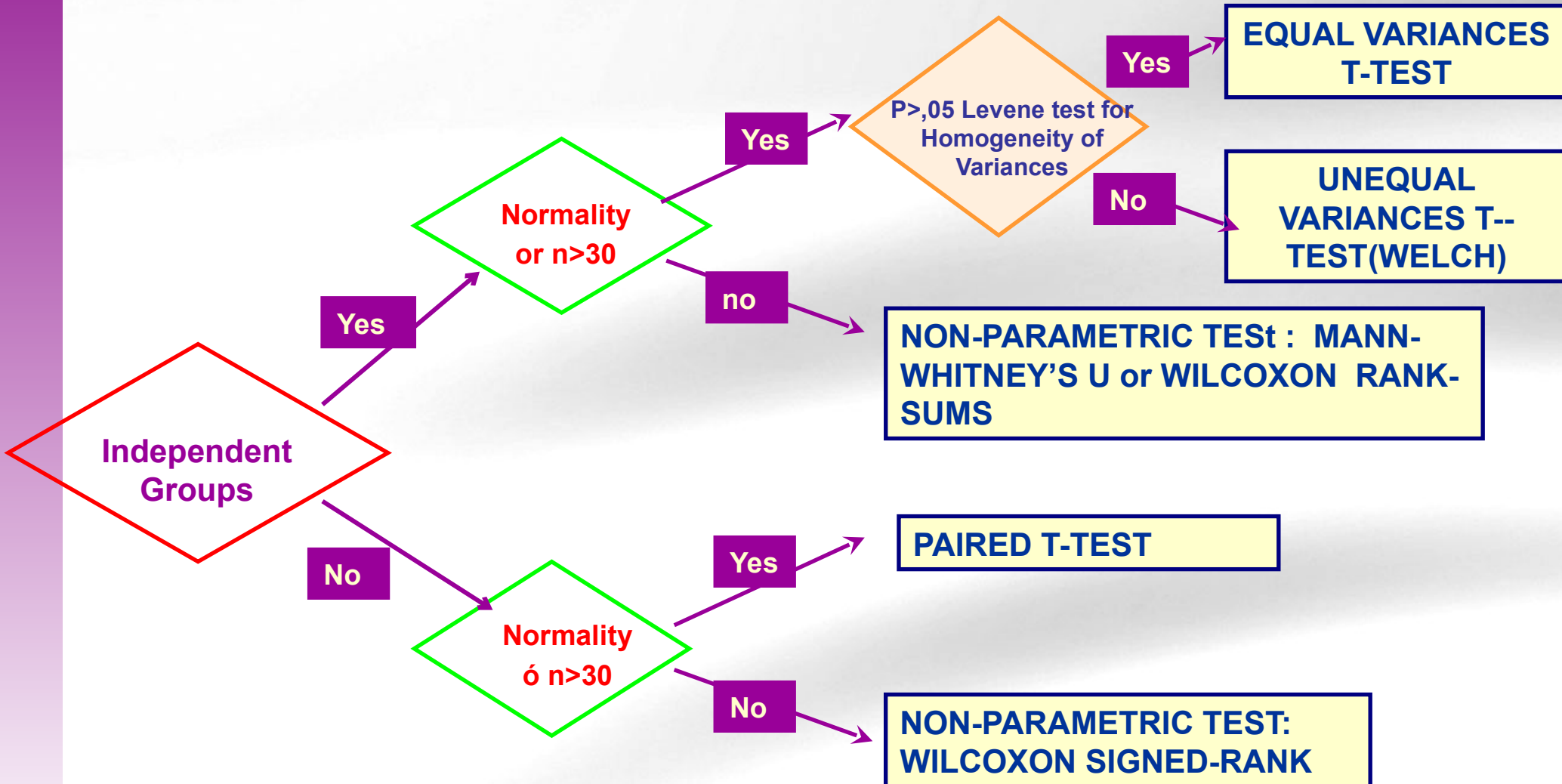
Selected individuals in a group have nothing to do with selected individuals in the other group.

## DEPENDENT

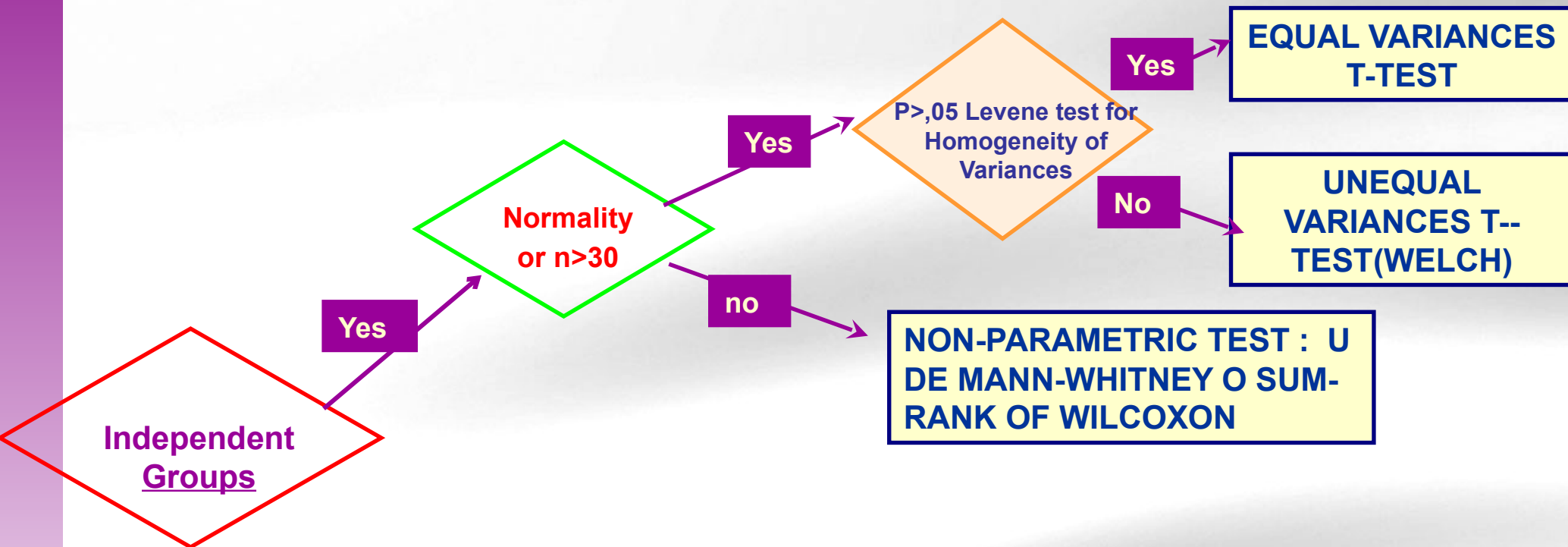
Each individual in a group has a correspondent in other group. These are ***paired data***.



# Two sample tests



# Two sample tests (1)



1. Data is normal (normality test) or sample size  $> 30$ .
2. Mean is a good summary statistic for this problem.
3. Test homogeneity of variances

# Test of homogeneity of variances

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```
> library(car)
> hta%>%
+ group_by(grupo) %>%
+ summarise(var = sd(tad1))
A tibble: 2 × 2
 grupo var
 <chr> <dbl>
1 A 10.6
2 B 9.79

> with(hta, leveneTest(tad1~factor(sexo), center="median"))
Levene's Test for Homogeneity of Variance (center = "median")
 Df F value Pr(>F)
group 1 1.3506 0.2499
 58
```

We cannot reject H0: Variances cannot be considered to be distinct

# t-Test if variances are equal

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```
> with(hta,t.test(tad1~factor(grupo),var.equal=TRUE))
```

Two Sample t-test

```
data: tad1 by factor(grupo)
```

```
t = 0.15001, df = 58, p-value = 0.8813
```

```
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group A and group
B is not equal to 0
```

```
95 percent confidence interval:
```

```
-4.874549 5.664316
```

```
sample estimates:
```

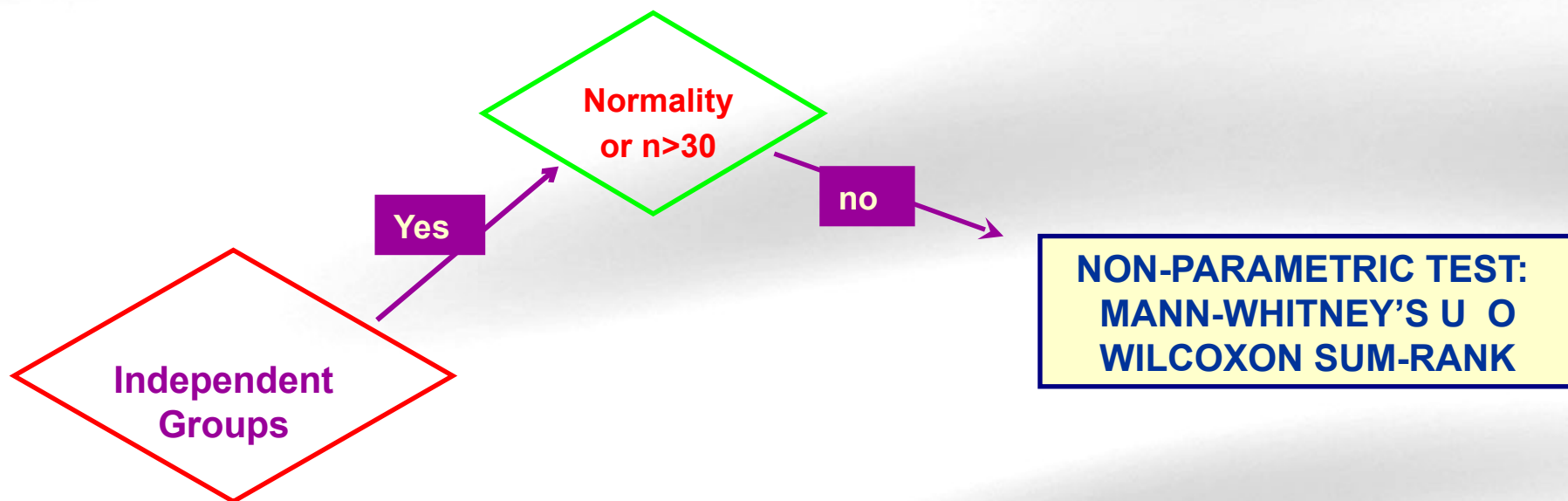
```
mean in group A mean in group B
```

```
88.62069
```

```
88.22581
```

**We cannot reject H0: Mean values are the same in group A and B (cannot be considered to be distinct)**

# Comparison between two groups, data non normal



# Non parametric tests

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- If data distribution is unknown or mean is not the best way to summarize data ...
  - Non parametric test are not based on the usual parameters from a distribution, such as  $\mu$  or  $\sigma^2$ .
  - Instead they may be based ...
    - On order statistics, such as median or percentiles
  - They take into account the whole distribution.

# Test based on ranks (Wilcoxon)

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- Based on substituting original values by “ranks” in a joint sample
  - 12, 5, 14, 16, 3   ranks are: 3, 2, 4, 5, 1
- Ranks only depend on the position of each value in the ordered sample.
  - 120, 95, 121, 130, 3 have the same ranks as values in the first sample
- 🏖 NP test are more robust than parametric ones
- 🔍 In the ideal situation where parametric tests are valid they are considered to be preferable.





# Wilcoxon rank sums test

```
> hta%>%
+ group_by(sexo) %>%
+ summarise(median =
median(tad1))
```

```
A tibble: 2 × 2
```

	sexo	median
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	<chr>	<dbl>
--	-------	-------

1	MUJER	90
---	-------	----

2	VARON	90
---	-------	----

```
> with(hta,wilcox.test(tad1~factor(grupo),
+
alternative='two.sided',
+
exact=TRUE,
correct=FALSE))
```

Wilcoxon rank sum test

data: tad1 by factor(grupo)

W = 432, p-value = 0.7926

alternative hypothesis: true location shift  
is not equal to 0

Warning message:

In wilcox.test.default(x = c(80, 85, 100,  
90, 105, 110, 100, 100, :

cannot compute exact p-value with ties

# Exercise 2

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- Is TAD comparable at baseline time between Men and women?
  - a) What is the Hypothesis that we want to test? Describe the null hypothesis and the alternative hypothesis.
  - b) What test would be appropriate to answer the question?
  - c) Compute and decide
  - d) Apply a non-parametric test and compare the results

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3	MUJER	B	150	90	110	90	115	
4	VARON	A	120	80	140	90	140	
5	MUJER	A	150	85	145	85	160	
6	MUJER	B	140	75	160	70	135	
7	MUJER	A	150	100	140	90	130	
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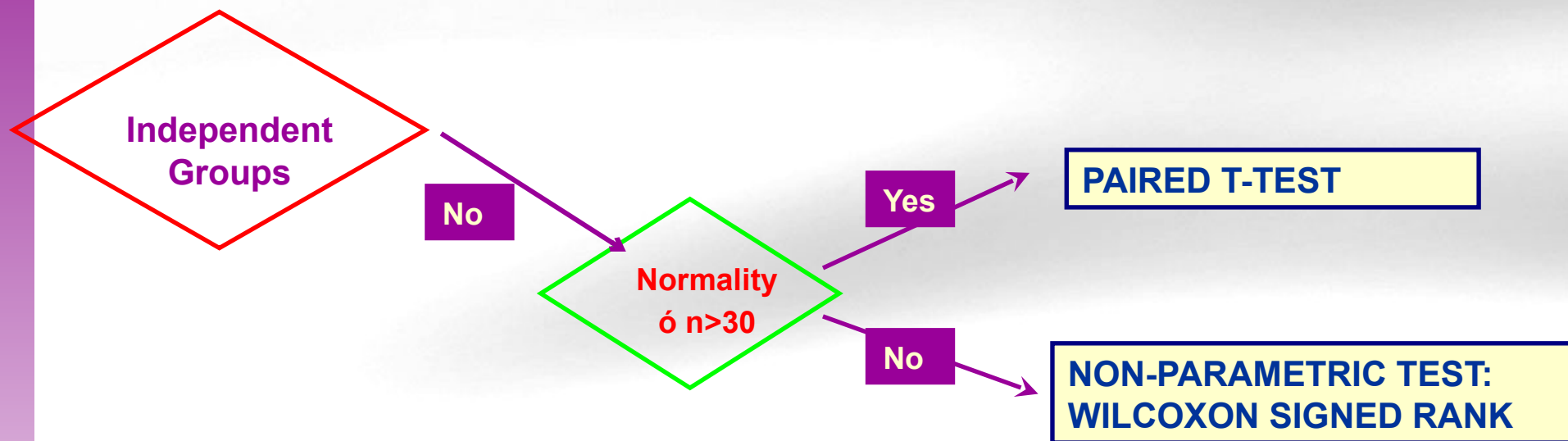
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# Two dependent groups



# Questions to answer

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- Are samples comparable at baseline time?
- Is blood pressure comparable between first and 12th measures?



# Paired T-test

```
with(hta,t.test(tad1,tad12,paired=TRUE))

##
Paired t-test
##
data: tad1 and tad12
t = 1.8507, df = 51, p-value = 0.07001
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal
95 percent confidence interval:
-0.2364274 5.8133505
sample estimates:
mean of the differences
2.788462
```

- P value is over 0.05

# Paired Sign-Rank Wilcoxon Test

```
with(hta,wilcox.test(tad1,tad12,
 exact=TRUE, paired=TRUE))
```

```
##
```

```
Wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity correction
```

```
##
```

```
data: tad1 and tad12
```

```
V = 478.5, p-value = 0.05333
```

```
alternative hypothesis: true location shift is not equal to 0
```

# Exercise 3

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- Is systolic blood pressure (TAS) comparable between first and 12th measures?

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# Question to answer

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drug 1  
drug 3



drug 2

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Could we use Student's t test? We will see with an example:

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drug 3









drug 2

To know which of the drugs is the best one, one could think to perform the following comparison using a t test:

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Comparisons with separate t test would be:









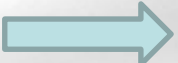
			<u>Chance of Type I error</u>	<u>Chance of Accept H0</u>
	<u>vs</u>		$\alpha = 5\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%$
	<u>vs</u>		$\alpha = 5\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%$
	<u>vs</u>		$\alpha = 5\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%$



# Question to answer

Could we use Student's t test? We will see with an example:

Comparisons with t test would be:







		<u>Chance of Type I error</u>	<u>Chance of Accept H0</u>
	vs 	 $\alpha = 5\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%$
	vs 	 $\alpha \approx 10\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%*95\%$
	vs 	 $\alpha \approx 15\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%*95\%*95\%$



# Question to answer

Could we use Student's t test? We will see with an example:

Comparisons with t test would be:

		<u>Chance of Type I error</u>	<u>Chance of Accept <math>H_0</math></u>
	vs 	$\alpha = 5\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%$
	vs 	$\alpha \approx 10\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%*95\%$
	vs 	$\alpha \approx 15\%$	$1-\alpha = 95\%*95\%*95\%$

**Would be easier not reject the null hypothesis when it was wrong (more false positives)**

# Analysis of the variance

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## Null Hypothesis

The means of all population are equal

$$H_0 \quad \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_k$$

## Alternative Hypothesis

Not all the means are equal. At least there are two different means

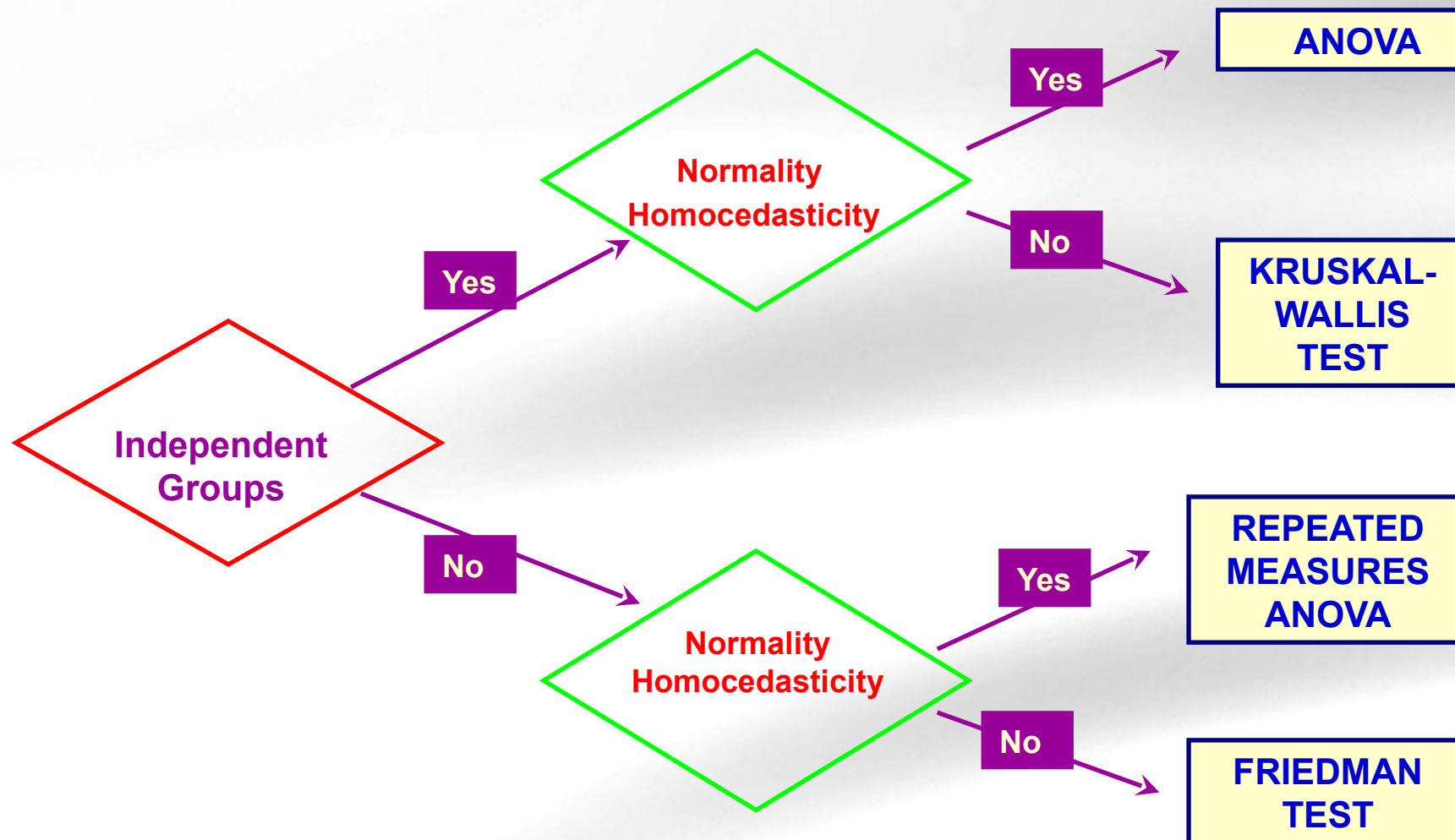
$$H_a \exists i, j \quad \mu_i \neq \mu_j$$

## Post-hoc ANOVA tests

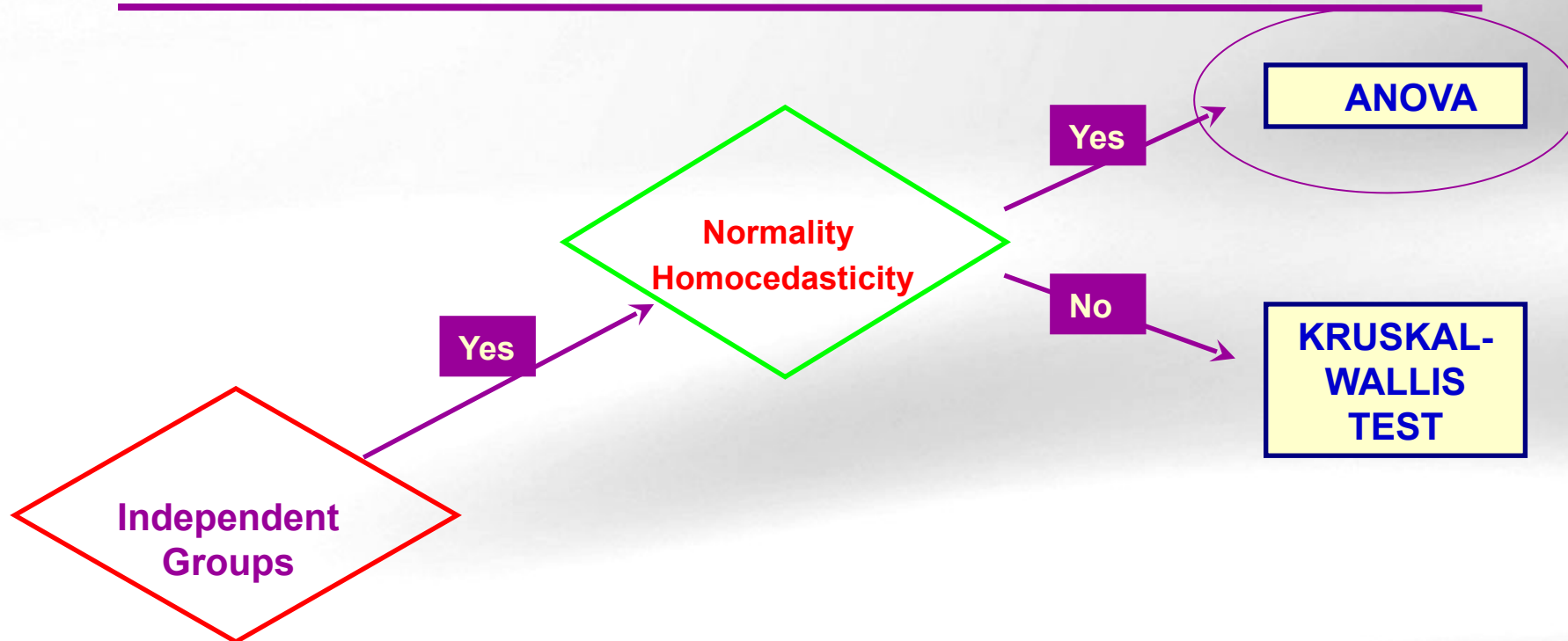
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- If we wish to compare all means against all means the number of tests increases quickly (to compare all pairs of means if there are  $k$  groups  $(k*k-1)/2$  tests are required).
- This is usually called **multiple comparisons** and common methods of adjustment are Tukey, Fisher HSD or Bonferroni.

# Three or more groups



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# Read diabetes data

```
library(readxl)
library(dplyr)
library(magrittr)
diabetes <- read_excel("datasets/diabetes.xls")
sapply(diabetes, class)
```

```
numpacie mort tempsviu edat bmi edatdiag
"numeric" "character" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric"
tabac sbp dbp ecg chd
"character" "numeric" "numeric" "character" "character"
```

```
diabetes_factor <- diabetes %>%
 mutate_if(sapply(diabetes, is.character), as.factor) %>%
 select (-numpacie)
```

```
diabetes_factor %>%
 group_by(ecg) %>%
 summarise(n=n(),
 mean = mean(edat),
 sd=sd(edat))
```

```
A tibble: 3 x 4
ecg n mean sd
<chr> <int> <dbl> <dbl>
1 Anormal 11 64.9 6.76
2 Frontera 27 53.8 11.4
3 Normal 111 50.5 11.5
```



```
anova<-aov(edat~ecg,data=diabetes)
summary(anova)
```

```
Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
ecg 2 2166 1083.0 8.619 0.00029 ***
Residuals 146 18347 125.7

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.
```

# Multicomparison

```
library(multcomp)
tuk <- glht(anova, linfct = mcp(ecg = "Tukey"))

print(summary(tuk)) # pairwise tests
```

```
##
Simultaneous Tests for General Linear Hypotheses
##
Multiple Comparisons of Means: Tukey Contrasts
##
##
Fit: aov(formula = edat ~ ecg, data = diabetes_factor)
##
Linear Hypotheses:
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	
## Frontera - Anormal == 0	-11.094	4.010	-2.767	0.016496	*
## Normal - Anormal == 0	-14.405	3.543	-4.065	0.000217	***
## Normal - Frontera == 0	-3.310	2.405	-1.376	0.345732	

```

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Adjusted p values reported -- single-step method)
```





```
print(confint(tuk, level=0.95)) # confidence intervals
```

```

Simultaneous Confidence Intervals

Multiple Comparisons of Means: Tukey Contrasts

Fit: aov(formula = edat ~ ecg, data = diabetes_factor)

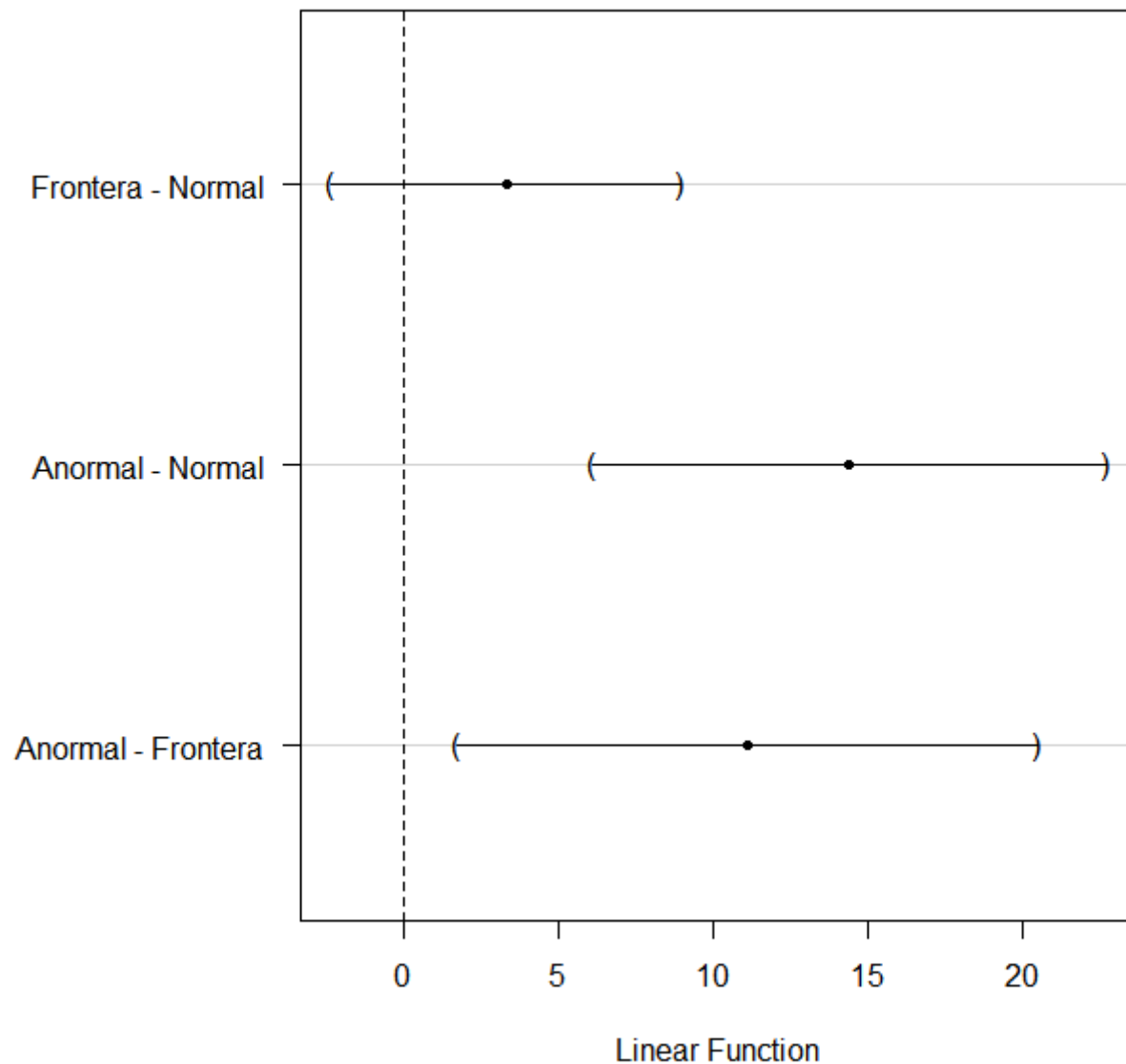
Quantile = 2.3459
95% family-wise confidence level

Linear Hypotheses:

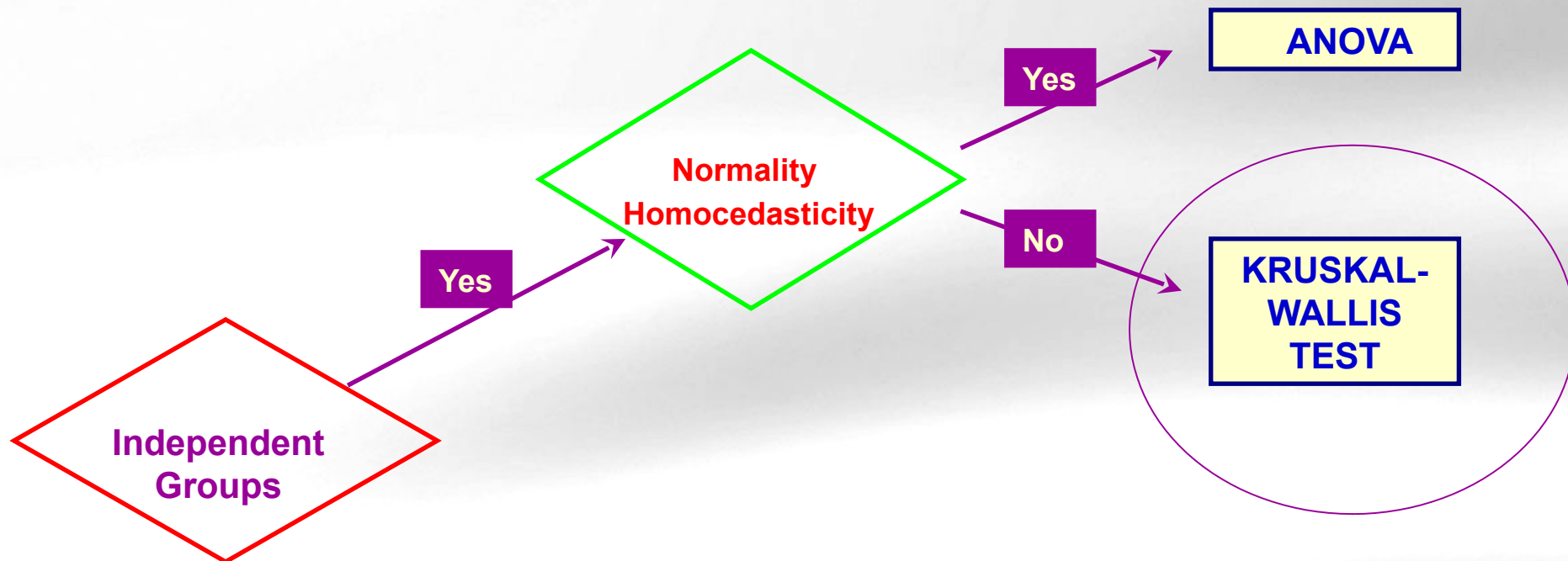
Estimate lwr upr
Frontera - Anormal == 0 -11.0943 -20.5009 -1.6876
Normal - Anormal == 0 -14.4046 -22.7173 -6.0919
Normal - Frontera == 0 3103 -8.9534 2.3328
```

```
plot(confint(tuk))
```

95% family-wise confidence level



# Three or more groups



# Kruskal-Wallis Test

```
diabetes_factor%>%
 group_by(ecg) %>%
 summarise(median = median(edat))
```

```
A tibble: 3 x 2
ecg median
<fct> <dbl>
1 Anormal 64
2 Frontera 53
3 Normal 49
```

```
kruskal.test(edat~ecg,data=diabetes_factor)
```

```
##
Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test
##
data: edat by ecg
Kruskal-Wallis chi-squared = 17.483, df = 2, p-value = 0.0001
```



## Dunn Test for multiple comparison

```
library(dunn.test)
with(diabetes_factor,dunn.test(edat,ecg,method="bonferroni"))
```

```
Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test
```

```
##
```

```
data: edat and ecg
```

```
Kruskal-Wallis chi-squared = 17.4826, df = 2, p-value = 0
```

```
##
```

```
##
```

```
Comparison of edat by ecg
(Bonferroni)
```

```
Col Mean-|
```

```
Row Mean | Anormal Frontera
```

```
-----+-----
```

```
Frontera | 2.721182
```

```
| 0.0098*
```

```
|
```

```
Normal | 4.075469 1.467464
```

```
| 0.0001* 0.2134
```

```
##
```

# Exercise 5

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- Are there differences between systolic pressure (*sbp*) and *ECG* in diabetic patients?
  - a) For each variable, perform some descriptives and check normality assumptions
  - b) Set the hypothesis contrast and perform the test
  - c) If needed, apply a post-hoc test for multiple comparisons to test which groups are different.
  - d) **Extra:** Analyze the relation between the follow-up time (*tempsviu*) and the *ECG*.



# Exercise 6

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*Indica que tipo de análisis o que pruebas estadísticas utilizarías en cada uno de los casos e indica también si es necesario hacer algún tipo de prueba adicional para llevar a cabo el análisis. Formula la hipótesis de trabajo de acuerdo con las hipótesis seleccionadas.*

**e) Se estudia un grupo de 33 pacientes afectados de Carcinoma hepatocelular, un grupo de 22 afectados únicamente de cirrosis y un grupo control de 31 donantes de sangre. Se determina la actividad celular NK y el número de células CK en los tres grupos. (Nota: la media de actividad celular es de 39 unidades líticas / $10^7$  de linfocitos y la mediana es de 28 y la media del número de células es de 178 y la mediana de 163)**

# Questions to answer

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- Is diastolic (min) tension above 90, “on average”, at the beginning of the study.
- Are samples “comparable” at baseline?
  - In Age? Sex%? Sist? Diast?
- Has there been a change in BP between month 1 (first measure) and month 12?