

# 1 Completely Randomized Designs (CRD)

## Setup

- $g$ : the number of treatment group
- $N$ : the number of experimental units
- $n_i$ : the number of observations in each treatment group
  - $i = 1, \dots, g$
  - $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_g = N$

## Notation

Symbol	Meaning	Formula
$y_{i\cdot}$	Sum of all values in group $i$	$y_{i\cdot} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_{ij}$
$\bar{y}_{i\cdot}$	Mean of group $i$	$\bar{y}_{i\cdot} = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_{ij} = \frac{1}{n_i} y_{i\cdot}$
$y_{\cdot\cdot}$	Sum of all observations	$y_{\cdot\cdot} = \sum_{i=1}^g \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_{ij}$
$\bar{y}_{\cdot\cdot}$	Overall mean	$\bar{y}_{\cdot\cdot} = \frac{y_{\cdot\cdot}}{N}$

## Parameter Estimation

- Residual/error sum of squares

$$SS_E = \sum_{i=1}^g \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{i\cdot})^2$$

- Mean squared error

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = MS_E = \frac{1}{N - g} SS_E = \frac{1}{N - g} \sum_{i=1}^g (n_i - 1) s_i^2$$

- $s_i^2$ : empirical variance in group  $i$
- This is an unbiased estimator for  $\sigma^2$  ( $N - g$  instead of  $N$  in the denominator)
- The error estimate has  $N - g$  degrees of freedom ( $N$  observations,  $g$  parameters)

$$N - g = \sum_{i=1}^g (n_i - 1)$$

## Estimation Accuracy

Parameter	Estimator	Standard Error
$\mu$	$\bar{y}_{\cdot\cdot}$	$\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}}$
$\mu_i$	$\bar{y}_{i\cdot}$	$\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i}}$
$\alpha_i$	$\bar{y}_{i\cdot} - \bar{y}_{\cdot\cdot}$	$\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} - \frac{1}{N}}$
$\mu_i - \mu_j = \alpha_i - \alpha_j$	$\bar{y}_{i\cdot} - \bar{y}_{j\cdot}$	$\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} - \frac{1}{n_j}}$

- 95% confidence interval for  $\alpha_i$  is given by

$$\hat{\alpha}_i \pm qt_{0.975; N-g} \cdot \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} - \frac{1}{N}}$$

## One-Way ANOVA Table

Source	df	Sum of squares (SS)	Mean squares (MS)	F-ratio
Treatment	$g - 1$	$SS_{Trt}$	$MS_{Trt} = \frac{SS_{Trt}}{g - 1}$	$\frac{MS_{Trt}}{MS_E}$
Error	$N - g$	$SE_E$	$MS_E = \frac{SS_E}{N - g}$	

- $E[MS_{T_{rt}}] = \sigma^2 + \sum_{i=1}^g n_i \alpha_i / (g - 1)$
- $F$  follows an  $F$ -distribution with  $g - 1$  and  $N - g$  degrees of freedom:  $F_{g-1, N-g}$

### **F-Distribution**

- The  $F$ -distribution has two degrees of freedom parameters: One from the numerator and one from the denominator mean square (treatment and error)

$$F_{n,m} = \frac{\frac{1}{n}(X_1^2 + \dots + X_n^2)}{\frac{1}{m}(Y_1^2 + \dots + Y_m^2)} \quad \text{where } X_i, Y_j \text{ are i.i.d. } \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

- It holds that  $F_{1,n} = t_n^2$  (= the square of a  $t_n$ -distribution).  $F$ -test for the case  $g = 2$  is nothing else than the squared  $t$ -test

## **2 Specific Differences and Multiple Testing**

### **Sum of Squares a Contrast**

- Associate sum of squares

$$SS_c = \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^g c_i \bar{y}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^g \frac{c_i^2}{n_i}}$$

- $SS_c$  has one degree of freedom, hence  $MS_c = SS_c$
- This is nothing else than the square of the  $t$ -statistic of our null hypothesis  $H_0 : \sum_{i=1}^g c_i \cdot \mu_i = 0$  (without the  $MS_E$  factor)
- $H_0 : \frac{MS_c}{MS_E} \sim F_{1, N-g}$

### **Orthogonal Contrasts**

- Two contrasts  $c$  and  $c^*$  are called orthogonal, if  $\sum_{i=1}^g c_i \cdot c_i^* / n_i = 0$
- Orthogonal contrasts contain independent information
- If there are  $g$  groups, one can find  $g - 1$  different orthogonal contrasts (1 dimension already used by global mean  $(1, \dots, 1)$ )
- Decomposition of Sum of Squares

$$SS_{c(1)} + SS_{c(2)} + \dots + SS_{c(g-1)} = SS_{T_{rt}}$$

### **Multiple Comparisons**

- Type I error: falsely rejecting  $H_0$
- Perform  $m$  tests  $H_{0,j}$  where  $j = 1, \dots, m$
- If all  $H_{0,j}$  are true and if all tests are independent, the probability of making at least one false rejection is given by

$$1 - (1 - \alpha)^m$$

- where  $\alpha$  is the individual significance level

- The more tests we perform, the more likely we are getting some significant result

### **Different Error Rates**

	$H_0$ true	$H_0$ false	Total
Significant	$V$	$S$	$R$
Not significant	$U$	$T$	$m - R$
Total	$m_0$	$m - m_0$	$m$

- Consider testing  $m$  hypotheses, whereof  $m_0$  are true
  - $V$ : Type I errors
  - $T$ : Type II errors
  - $R$ : Discoveries
- Comparison-wise error rate is type I error rate of an individual test
- Family-wise error rate is the probability of rejecting at least one of the true  $H_0$ 's

$$\text{FWER} = P(V \geq 1)$$

- The false discovery rate (FDR) is the expected fraction of false discoveries

$$\text{FDR} = E \left[ \frac{V}{R} \right]$$

### Confidence Intervals

- Typically, each  $H_0$  corresponds to a parameter
- We can construct confidence intervals for each of them
- We call these confidence intervals simultaneous at level  $(1 - \alpha)$  if the probability that all intervals cover the corresponding true parameter is  $1 - \alpha$

### Scheffe

- A method which controls for the search over any possible contrast
- These  $p$ -values are honest
- Theory
  - $SS_c \leq (g - 1)MS_{T_{rt}}$  for any contrast  $c$  (because  $SS_{T_{rt}} = SS_c + \dots$ )
  - $\frac{SS_c}{MS_E} \leq (g - 1) \frac{MS_{T_{rt}}}{MS_E}$
  - $\max_c \frac{SS_c/(g - 1)}{MS_E} \leq \frac{MS_{T_{rt}}}{MS_E} \sim F_{g-1, N-g}$
  - The price for the nice properties are low power (meaning: test will not reject often when  $H_0$  is not true)
- If  $F$ -test is not significant: Don't even have to start searching
- R
  - Calculate  $F$ -ratio  $\frac{MS_c}{MS_E}$  as if "ordinary" contrast
  - Use  $(g - 1) \cdot F_{g-1, N-g, 1-\alpha}$  as critical value (instead of  $F_{1, N-g, 1-\alpha}$ )

### Pairwise Comparison

- A pairwise comparison is nothing else than comparing two specific treatments
- This is a multiple testing problem because there are  $g \cdot \frac{g-1}{2}$  possible comparisons (basically a lot of two-sample  $t$ -tests)
  - Simplest solution: apply Bonferroni correction
  - Better (more powerful): Tukey Honest Significant Difference

### HSD

- Tukey HSD is better (more powerful) than Bonferroni if all pairwise comparisons are of interest
- Re-consider Bonferroni if only a subset of comparisons are of interest

### Multiple Comparison with a Control (MCC)

- Do  $g - 1$  (pairwise) comparisons with the control group
- Dunnett procedure constructs simultaneous confidence intervals for differences  $\mu_i - \mu_g$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, g - 1$  (assuming group  $g$  is control group)

## 3 Factorial Treatment Structure

### Setup

- Factor  $A$  with  $a$  levels
- Factor  $B$  with  $b$  levels
- $n > 1$  replicates for every combination (i.e. balanced design)
- Total of  $N = a \cdot b \cdot n$  observations

### Factorial Model

The two-way ANOVA model with interaction

$$Y_{ijk} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + (\alpha\beta)_{ij} + \epsilon_{ijk}$$

- $\alpha_i$  is the main effect of factor  $A$  at level  $i$
- $\beta_j$  is the main effect of factor  $B$  at level  $j$
- $(\alpha\beta)_{ij}$  is the interaction effect between  $A$  and  $B$  (not the product  $\alpha_i\beta_j$ )
- $\epsilon_{ijk}$  are i.i.d.  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma)$  errors
- Typically, sum-to-zero constraints are used
  - $\sum_{i=1}^a \alpha_i = 0, \sum_{j=1}^b \beta_j = 0 \implies a - 1$  and  $b - 1$  degrees of freedom
  - $\sum_{i=1}^a (\alpha\beta)_{ij} = 0, \sum_{j=1}^b (\alpha\beta)_{ij} = 0 \implies (a - 1) \cdot (b - 1)$  degrees of freedom

### Parameter Estimates

Parameter	Estimator
$\mu$	$\hat{\mu} = \bar{y}_{...}$
$\alpha_i$	$\hat{\alpha}_i = \bar{y}_{i..} - \bar{y}_{...}$
$\beta_j$	$\hat{\beta}_j = \bar{y}_{.j.} - \bar{y}_{...}$
$(\alpha\beta)_{ij}$	$\widehat{(\alpha\beta)}_{ij} = \bar{y}_{ij.} - \hat{\mu} - \hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\beta}_j$

### Sum of Squares

Source	df	Sum of squares
$A$	$a - 1$	$\sum_{i=1}^a b \cdot n \cdot \hat{\alpha}_i^2$
$B$	$b - 1$	$\sum_{j=1}^b a \cdot n \cdot \hat{\beta}_j^2$
$AB$	$(a - 1) \cdot (b - 1)$	$\sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b n \cdot \widehat{(\alpha\beta)}_{ij}^2$
Error	$(n - 1) \cdot ab$	$\sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b \sum_{k=1}^n (y_{ijk} - \bar{y}_{ij.})^2$
Total	$abn - 1$	$\sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b \sum_{k=1}^n (y_{ijk} - \bar{y}_{...})^2$

### ANOVA Table

Source	df	SS	MS	F
$A$	$a - 1$	$SS_A$	$\frac{SS_A}{a - 1}$	$\frac{MS_A}{MS_E}$
$B$	$b - 1$	$SS_B$	$\frac{SS_B}{b - 1}$	$\frac{MS_B}{MS_E}$
$AB$	$(a - 1) \cdot (b - 1)$	$SS_{AB}$	$\frac{SS_{AB}}{(a - 1)(b - 1)}$	$\frac{MS_{AB}}{MS_E}$
Error	$ab \cdot (n - 1)$	$SS_E$	$\frac{SS_E}{(n - 1)ab}$	

### Single Replicates

- If we have a factorial experiment with only one observation per factor-level combination, we cannot fit a full model anymore
- Reason: Perfect fit! All residuals are zero (i.e. # parameters = # observations)

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + (\alpha\beta)_{ij} + \epsilon_{ij}$$

- cannot distinguish between  $(\alpha\beta)_{ij}$  and  $\epsilon_{ij}$  in  $n = 1$  situation

- We can still fit a model without interaction term, i.e. main effects only (= additive effects)
- If there is an underlying interaction term, we get an error estimate that is biased upwards (because it contains the error and the interaction term)
- Tests will be conservative ( $p$ -values will be too large), which is OK
- If we have no replicates and more than two factors, we would typically remove some of the higher-order interaction terms.
- This means: we put them into the error term (the df's of the error term will thus increase)
- Often: transformations of the response help getting rid of interactions

Source	df	Sum of squares (SS)
A	$a - 1$	$\sum_{i=1}^a b \cdot \hat{\alpha}_i^2$
B	$b - 1$	$\sum_{j=1}^b a \cdot \hat{\beta}_j^2$
Error	$(a - 1) \cdot (b - 1)$	$\sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b (y_{ij} - (\hat{\mu} + \hat{\alpha}_i + \hat{\beta}_j))^2$
Total	$ab - 1$	$\sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{..})^2$

- Alternative: Tukey one degree of freedom model for interaction

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + \lambda \alpha_i \beta_j + \epsilon_{ij}$$

- interaction is actually the product of the main effects
- $H_0 : \lambda = 0$

### Unbalanced Data

- We cannot estimate the parameters one at a time anymore
- Parameters have to be estimated simultaneously using the principle of least squares
- Sum of squares cannot be uniquely partitioned into different sources anymore
- Alternative to decomposition of sum of squares: using model comparison approach

### Different Types of Sum of Squares

Notation:  $SS(B | 1, A)$  is the reduction of the residual sum of squares when comparing the models  $(1, A, B)$  with  $(1, A)$

- Type I: Sequential sum of squares
  - Sequentially build up model
  - $SS(A | 1) \implies (1)$  vs.  $(1, A)$
  - $SS(B | 1, A) \implies (1, A)$  vs.  $(1, A, B)$
  - $SS(AB | 1, A, B) \implies (1, A, B)$  vs.  $(1, A, B, AB)$
  - Depends on ordering of factors
  - R: `aov`
- Type II: Hierarchical/partially sequential approach
  - Control for the influence of the largest hierarchical model not including the term of interest
  - $SS(A | 1, B) \implies (1, B)$  vs.  $(1, A, B)$
  - $SS(B | 1, A) \implies (1, A)$  vs.  $(1, A, B)$
  - $SS(AB | 1, A, B) \implies (1, A, B)$  vs.  $(1, A, B, AB)$
  - R: Function `Anova` in package `car`
- Type III: Fully adjusted/marginal approach
  - Control for all other terms
  - $SS(A | 1, B, AB) \implies (1, B, AB)$  vs.  $(1, A, B, AB)$
  - $SS(B | 1, A, AB) \implies (1, A, AB)$  vs.  $(1, A, B, AB)$
  - $SS(AB | 1, A, B) \implies (1, A, B)$  vs.  $(1, A, B, AB)$
  - R: `drop1`

### Comments

- With balanced data, we always get the same result, no matter what type we use.
- For main effects only models, Type II and Type III coincide.
- If there is a significant interaction, tests of the corresponding main effects are typically difficult to interpret (better to use individual models)

## 4 Randomized Complete Block Designs (RCBD)

### Paired $t$ -Test

- Compare two different eye-drops
- Every subject gets both treatments (meaning: one per eye at the same time)
- At the end, measure redness on quantitative scale in every eye
- For every patient, calculate the difference
- Perform standard one-sample  $t$ -test with these differences

### Setup

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + \epsilon_{ij}$$

- $\alpha_i$ : treatment effect
- $\beta_j$ : block effect
- By only using main effects, we implicitly assume that the effects are additive
- Due to the balanced design, we can use our standard estimates (one at a time) and sums of squares

### Randomized Complete Block Designs (RCB)

- A blocking design uses a restricted randomization scheme. Each block gets its own randomization
- Blocking exists at the time of randomization
- We call a blocking design complete if every treatment is used in every block (every block contains all treatments)
- In the standard setup, we observe every treatment only once in every block, hence we have a total of  $r$  (the number of blocks) observations per treatment
- Therefore, we have no replicates (every combination of treatment and block is only observed once)
- If we only have one observation per treatment and block combination, we could only detect interaction effects having the form of Tukey's one degree of freedom interaction

### Factorials in Complete Block Designs

Source	df
Block	$r - 1$
$A$	$a - 1$
$B$	$b - 1$
$AB$	$(a - 1) \cdot (b - 1)$
Error	$(ab - 1) \cdot (r - 1)$
Total	$rab - 1$

- We can test the interaction  $AB$  even if we only have one replicate per  $AB$  combination per block

### How Much Does Blocking Increase Precision

- Squared standard errors for treatment means are
  - Randomized Complete Block Design (RCB):  $\frac{\sigma_{RCB}^2}{r}$
  - Completely Randomized Design (CRD):  $\frac{\sigma_{CRD}^2}{n}$

- If we want to have the same precision, we have to ensure that

$$\frac{\sigma_{RCB}^2}{r} = \frac{\sigma_{CRD}^2}{n}$$

- If we knew  $\sigma_{RCB}$  and  $\sigma_{CRD}$ , we would have to use a ratio of

$$\frac{n}{r} = \frac{\sigma_{CRD}^2}{\sigma_{RCB}^2}$$

- $\sigma_{RCB}^2$  is estimated by  $MS_E$  of our RCB

- CRD can be estimated using a properly weighted average of  $MS_E$  and  $MS_{Block}$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{CRD}^2 = w \cdot MS_{Block} + (1 - w) \cdot MS_E$$

- Relative efficiency is defined as

$$RE = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{CRD}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{RCB}^2} = \frac{n}{r}$$

- Sometimes multiply with correction factor for df's, only relevant for small samples
- A CRD would need  $\frac{n}{r}$  as many experimental units to achieve the same efficiency

## Latin Squares

- A Latin Square needs to have
  - $g$  treatments
  - two block factors having  $g$  levels each (the rows and the columns)
  - a total of  $g^2$  experimental units
- Each treatment appears exactly once in each row and exactly once in each column
  - A Latin Square is nothing else than an assignment of treatments to units with the side constraints
- We see only  $g^2$  out of  $g^3$  possible combinations (but the subset is selected in a smart, balanced way)

Source	df
Rows	$g - 1$
Columns	$g - 1$
Treatments	$g - 1$
Error	$(g - 1)(g - 2)$
Total	$g^2 - 1$

## 5 Random Effects

### Random Effects Model

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \epsilon_{ij}$$

- $\alpha_i$  i.i.d.  $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_\alpha^2)$
- $\epsilon_{ij}$  i.i.d.  $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$
- $\text{Var}(Y_{ij}) = \sigma_\alpha^2 + \sigma^2$
- $\text{Corr}(Y_{ij}, Y_{kl}) = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq k & \text{different machines} \\ \sigma_\alpha^2 / (\sigma_\alpha^2 + \sigma^2) & i = k, j \neq l & \text{same machine, intraclass correlation} \\ 1 & i = k, j = l & \text{same machine} \end{cases}$ 
  - Reason: Observations from the same machine “share” the same random value  $\alpha_i$  and are therefore correlated
- Conceptually, we could also put all the correlation structure into the error term and forget about the  $\alpha_i$ 's, i.e.  $Y_{ij} = \mu + \epsilon_{ij}$

### Random vs. Fixed Models

Term	Fixed effects model	Random effects model
$\alpha_i$	fixed, unknown constant	$\alpha_i$ i.i.d. $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_\alpha^2)$
Side constraint on $\alpha_i$	needed	not needed
$E[Y_{ij}]$	$\mu + \alpha_i$	$\mu$ , but $E[Y_{ij}   \alpha_i] = \mu + \alpha_i$
$\text{Var}(Y_{ij})$	$\sigma^2$	$\sigma_\alpha^2 + \sigma^2$
$\text{Corr}(Y_{ij}, Y_{kl})$	0 if $i \neq k$ or $j \neq l$ 1 if $i = k$ or $j = l$	

- A note on the sampling mechanism
  - Fixed: Draw new random errors only, everything else is kept constant
  - Random: Draw new “treatment effects” and new random errors

Notes:

- Hierarchy is typically less problematic in random effects model
- More modern and flexible approach for estimating variance: Restricted Maximum-Likelihood estimator (REML)
- General rule: Variances are difficult to estimate in the sense that you will need a lot of observations to have some reasonable accuracy  
item Approximate confidence intervals (or tests) can be obtained by calling the function `confint`
- Exact tests (simulation based) for variance components can be found in the package `RLRsim`
- Typically, we are more interested in the accuracy of the variance component estimates (confidence intervals) than in tests of the form  $(H_0 : \sigma_\alpha^2 = 0 \text{ vs. } H_A : \sigma_\alpha^2 > 0)$
- We can also get “estimates” (more precisely: conditional means) of the random effects  $\alpha_i$  with the function `ranef`
- As a new addition, we can also do QQ-plots of the  $\alpha_i$ ’s (not only of the residuals)

## ANOVA for Random Effects Models

One-way ANOVA ( $A$  random,  $n$  observations per cell)

Source	df	SS	MS	E[MS]
$A$	$g - 1$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\sigma^2 + n\sigma_\alpha^2$
Error	$N - g$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\sigma^2$

Two-way ANOVA ( $A, B, AB$  random,  $n$  observations per cell)

Source	df	SS	MS	E[MS]
$A$	$a - 1$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\sigma^2 + b \cdot n \cdot \sigma_\alpha^2 + n \cdot \sigma_{\alpha\beta}^2$
$B$	$b - 1$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\sigma^2 + a \cdot n \cdot \sigma_\beta^2 + n \cdot \sigma_{\alpha\beta}^2$
$AB$	$(a - 1)(b - 1)$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\sigma^2 + n \cdot \sigma_{\alpha\beta}^2$
Error	$ab(n - 1)$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\sigma^2$

- In a fixed effects model, the sum (or mean) of these interaction terms is zero by definition.
- In the random effects model, this is only true for the expected value, but not for an individual realization!
- We can test the interaction  $AB$  even if we only have one replicate per  $AB$  combination per block. Why?

## 6 Nested and Mixed Effects

### Fully Nested Design

$$Y_{ijklm} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_{j(i)} + \gamma_{k(ij)} + \delta_{l(ijk)} + \epsilon_{m(ijkl)}$$

### ANOVA Table for Fully Nested Design (Balanced Design)

$$SS_{Total} = SS_A + SS_{B(A)} + SS_{C(AB)} + SS_{D(ABC)} + SS_E$$

Random effects and a balanced design

Source	df	E[MS]
$A$	$a - 1$	$\sigma + n\sigma_\delta^2 + nd\sigma_\gamma^2 + ncd\sigma_\beta^2 + nbcd\sigma_\alpha^2$
$B(A)$	$a(b - 1)$	$\sigma + n\sigma_\delta^2 + nd\sigma_\gamma^2 + ncd\sigma_\beta^2$
$C(AB)$	$ab(c - 1)$	$\sigma + n\sigma_\delta^2 + nd\sigma_\gamma^2$
$D(ABC)$	$abc(d - 1)$	$\sigma + n\sigma_\delta^2$
Error	$abcd(n - 1)$	$\sigma$

## 7 Split-Plot Designs

- A split-plot design is a special case of a design with factorial treatment structure.
- The standard split-plot design consists of two experiments with different experimental units of different “size”.
  - In the split-plot would, whole plots act as blocks
  - Each experiment has its own randomization
  - Each experiment has its own idea of experimental unit
- Split-plot designs can arise in more complicated forms



- There can be more than one whole-plot factor
- There can be more than one factor on the split-plot level
- For each level (whole plot or split plot) of the experiment, we have to introduce a corresponding random effect which acts as the experimental error on that level
- The main effect of the whole-plot factor is estimated less precisely, and the test is less powerful (compared to the split-plot level)
  - Price for laziness on the whole-plot level (only a few observations)

## 8 Incomplete Block Designs

- In a complete block design, we could estimate the difference in each block with the same precision
- We call a design disconnected if we can build two groups of treatments such that it never happens that we see members of both groups together in the same block
  - In a disconnected design, it is not possible to estimate all treatment differences (with a fixed effects model)

### Balanced Incomplete Block Designs (BIBDs)

- BIBD: all treatment pairs occur together in the same block equally often (we denote this number by  $\lambda$ ).
- The precision (variance) of the estimated treatment differences  $\alpha_i - \alpha_j$  is the same no matter what combination of  $i$  and  $j$  we are considering.
  - We can estimate all treatment differences with the same accuracy!
- Setup:
  - $g$ : number of treatments
  - $b$ : number of blocks
  - $k$ : number of units per block with  $k < g$  (i.e. block size)
  - $r$ : number of replicates per treatment
  - $N$ : total number of units

$$N = b \cdot k = g \cdot r$$

- A necessary but not sufficient condition for a BIBD to exist

$$\lambda \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{r \cdot (k-1)}{g-1}$$

- $\frac{r \cdot (k-1)}{g-1}$  must be a whole number
- Even if the condition is fulfilled, it might be the case that you cannot find a BIBD

### Unreduced BIBDs

- We can always find a BIBD for every setting of  $k < g$
- Unreduced BIBD
  - The number of combinations is  $\binom{g}{k}$  (i.e.  $\frac{g!}{k!(g-k)!}$ )

### (B)IBD: Intra-Block Analysis

- We do not observe all treatment  $\times$  block combinations, the “usual” estimates are not working, and we need computer to find the least squares estimates
- We use Type III sum of squares to test treatment effects adjusted for block effects

### (B)IBD: Inter-Block Analysis

- It is possible to recover some information about the treatment by comparing different blocks
- The analysis when treating the block factor as random

### Partially Balanced Incomplete Block Designs

- Some treatment pairs occur together more often than other pairs

### Row-Column Incomplete Block Designs

- A row-column incomplete block design is a design where we block on rows and columns and one or both are incomplete blocks.

### Row-Orthogonal Design

- The rows are complete blocks, while the columns form a BIBD.

### Youden Square

- A Youden Square is rectangular such that
  - columns (rows) form a BIBD
  - rows (columns): each treatment appears equally often in each row (column)
- Columns form a BIBD, while rows form an RCBD

## 9 Power

- Error rates
  - Type I error: Reject  $H_0$  even though it is true
  - Type II error: Fail to reject  $H_0$  even though  $H_A$  holds
  - The probability of a type I error is controlled by the significance level  $\alpha$
  - The probability of a type II error is denoted by  $\beta$  (it is not being controlled)
- The power of a statistical test is defined as

$$P[\text{reject } H_0 \text{ given that a certain setting in the alternative } H_A \text{ holds}] = 1 - \beta$$

- Calculating power is like a “thought experiment”: We do not need data, but a precise specification of the parameter setting under  $H_A$  that we believe in
- General rule: The more observations you have, the larger the power

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- In an RCB, we can never test interactions between block and treatment. (False)
- Blocking can increase precision, even if the p-value corresponding to the block factor is not significant. (True)
- If we change the (family-wise) significance level from 5% to 10%, all the confidence intervals would be shorter and thus some treatment differences that were not significant may become significant.
- Type I sum of squares and Type II sum of squares of the main effects do typically not coincide for one main effect if the design is unbalanced.