

Multiple Comparisons

If the F test in One-Way ANOVA shows the population means are different, then often we want to further examine which means differ. A common way is to make pairwise comparisons.

If there are t treatments, there are $\binom{t}{2} = \frac{t!}{2!(t-2)!}$ pairwise comparisons.

e.g, if $t=3$, there are 3 pairwise comparisons (1 vs 2, 1 vs 3 and 2 vs 3) and if $t=4$, there are 6 pairwise comparisons (1 vs 2, 1 vs 3, 1 vs 4, 2 vs 3, 2 vs 4 and 3 vs 4).

Compare group i to j :

$$H_0 : \mu_i = \mu_j, H_a : \mu_i \neq \mu_j.$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{y}_i - \bar{y}_j}{\sqrt{MSE} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j}}}.$$

$t \sim t_\nu$ with $\nu = N - t$ under H_0 .

100(1 - α)% CI for $\mu_i - \mu_j$ is

$$\bar{y}_i - \bar{y}_j \pm t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}; \nu} \sqrt{MSE} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j}}.$$

Note MSE is based on t samples with d.f.= $N-t$.

One factor completely randomized design

example 5.1

Three covers on the box of cereal, 18 markets selected.

Cover 1: Sports hero: 52.4, 47.8, 52.4, 51.3, 50.0, 52.1

Cover 2: Child: 50.1, 45.2, 46.0, 46.5, 47.4, 46.2

Cover 3: Cereal Bowl: 49.2, 48.3, 49.0, 47.2, 48.6, 48.2

Is there a difference among the population means? Use $\alpha = 0.05$.

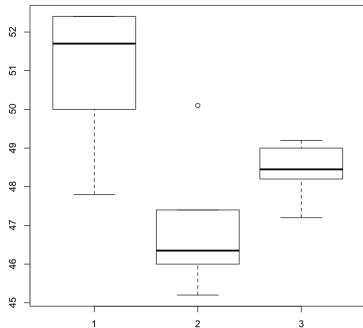
If there is a significant difference, get 95% CI for

$\mu_1 - \mu_2, \mu_1 - \mu_3, \mu_2 - \mu_3$ to see which means differ.

boxplot of data

```
> cover1=c(52.4, 47.8, 52.4, 51.3, 50.0, 52.1)
> cover2=c(50.1, 45.2, 46.0, 46.5, 47.4, 46.2)
> cover3=c( 49.2, 48.3, 49.0, 47.2, 48.6, 48.2)

> boxplot(cover1,cover2,cover3)
```



```

> y=c(cover1,cover2,cover3)
> treatment=c(rep(1,6),rep(2,6),rep(3,6))
> output=aov(y~factor(treatment))
> summary(output)

```

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-------------------|----|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| factor(treatment) | 2 | 51.57 | 25.784 | 11.43 | 0.000963 |
| Residuals | 15 | 33.83 | 2.255 | | |

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Summary of data:

$\bar{y}_1. = 51.0, \bar{y}_2. = 46.90, \bar{y}_3. = 48.42, s_1 = 1.81, s_2 = 1.72, s_3 = 0.71,$
 and $MSE = 2.26.$

Pairwise comparisons

CI for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$: $\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2 \pm t_{0.025,15} \sqrt{MSE} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} =$

$$51 - 46.90 \pm 2.131 \sqrt{2.26} * \sqrt{\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6}} = 4.10 \pm 1.85 = (2.25, 5.95).$$

Similarly, we can get

CI for $\mu_1 - \mu_3$: (0.73, 4.43)

CI for $\mu_2 - \mu_3$: (-3.37, 0.33).

```
> qt(0.025, 15)
```

```
[1] -2.13145
```

```
> qt(0.975, 15)
```

```
[1] 2.13145
```

Contrasts

A contrast is a linear combination of population means. It is a more general comparison of means.

contrast: $C = c_1\mu_1 + c_2\mu_2 + \dots + c_t\mu_t$ where c_i 's are constants such that $\sum c_i = 0$.

e.g., $C_1 = \mu_3 - \mu_4$

$C_2 = \frac{1}{2}\mu_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 - \frac{1}{3}\mu_3 - \frac{1}{3}\mu_4 - \frac{1}{3}\mu_5$ are contrasts.

C_2 compares the average of μ_1 and μ_2 to the average of μ_3, μ_4 and μ_5 .

Estimate \hat{C}

$$\hat{C} = c_1 \bar{y}_1 + \cdots + c_t \bar{y}_t.$$

If the t samples are random and independent samples from normal distributions with mean μ_i and common variance σ^2 , then each $\bar{y}_i \sim N(\mu_i, \frac{\sigma^2}{n_i})$. As \hat{C} is a linear combination of independent normal random variables, hence $\hat{C} \sim N(C, \sigma_{\hat{C}}^2)$ with

$$V(\hat{C}) = \sigma_{\hat{C}}^2 = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{c_1^2}{n_1} + \cdots + \frac{c_t^2}{n_t} \right).$$

Fact: Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k are independent random variables, for constants c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k ,

$$E(c_1 X_1 + c_2 X_2 + \cdots + c_k X_k) = c_1 E(X_1) + c_2 E(X_2) + \cdots + c_k E(X_k)$$

and

$$V(c_1 X_1 + c_2 X_2 + \cdots + c_k X_k) = c_1^2 V(X_1) + c_2^2 V(X_2) + \cdots + c_k^2 V(X_k)$$

An estimate of $\sigma_{\hat{C}}^2$ is $s_{\hat{C}}^2 = \text{MSE} \left(\frac{c_1^2}{n_1} + \cdots + \frac{c_t^2}{n_t} \right)$.

the standard error of \hat{C} is $s_{\hat{C}} = \sqrt{s_{\hat{C}}^2}$.

t test and CI

Fact: $t = \frac{\hat{C} - C}{s_{\hat{C}}} \sim t_{\nu}$ with $\nu = N - t$.

CI for C: $\hat{C} \pm t_{\alpha/2; N-t} s_{\hat{C}}$.

point estimate \pm multiplier \times standard error of point estimate

test $H_0 : C = 0, H_a : C \neq 0$.

test statistic $t = \frac{\hat{C}}{s_{\hat{C}}} \sim t_{N-t}$ under H_0 .

Estimate and test a contrast

Exercise: Use the data of example 5.1. Define contrast

$C = \mu_1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 - \frac{1}{2}\mu_3$ (compares mean 1 to the average of mean 2 and mean 3)

Test $H_0 : C = 0$ vs $H_a : C \neq 0$ at level of significance $\alpha = 0.05$.

Also find a 95% CI for C .

Solutions

Here $c_1 = 1, c_2 = -0.5, c_3 = -0.5$

$$\hat{C} = \bar{y}_1 - \frac{1}{2}\bar{y}_2 - \frac{1}{2}\bar{y}_3 = 51 - \frac{1}{2} * 46.90 - \frac{1}{2} * 48.42 = 3.34.$$

$$s_{\hat{C}}^2 = 2.26 * \left(\frac{1^2}{6} + \frac{(-0.5)^2}{6} + \frac{(-0.5)^2}{6} \right) = 0.565, s_{\hat{C}} = 0.752.$$

$$t = \frac{3.34}{0.752} = 4.44.$$

p-value = $2 * P(t > 4.44) = 0.0005$. Reject H_0 .

CI for C is $3.34 \pm 2.131 * 0.752 = (1.74, 4.94)$.

```
> 2*pt(-4.44, 15)
```

```
[1] 0.0004771517
```

Exercise

Exercise 5.7.

| Delay(min) | Angle(dgree) |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 30 | 140, 138, 140, 138, 142 |
| 45 | 140, 150, 120, 128, 130 |
| 60 | 118, 130, 128, 118, 118 |

Perform an F test to examine if there is a difference in the mean angle among the three delay times.

If the test is significant (at $\alpha = 0.05$), get three CIs for

$\mu_1 - \mu_2$, $\mu_1 - \mu_3$ and $\mu_2 - \mu_3$.

Also define a contrast $C = \frac{1}{2}\mu_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 - \mu_3$ (this contrast compares the mean angle of short and medium delay to mean angle of long delay). Test $H_0 : C = 0$ vs $H_a : C \neq 0$ and obtain a 95% CI for C .

Effect of multiple comparisons

- ▶ Overall or **experimentwise significance level** α_e : probability of making at least 1 type I error among m tests. $\alpha_e \leq m\alpha$, where α is the significance level of each individual test.
- ▶ Overall **experimentwise confidence level** CL_e : probability that all confidence intervals are correct. $CL_e \geq 1 - m\alpha$, where $1 - \alpha$ is the confidence level of each individual CI.

A CI is correct means it contains the true parameter it tries to estimate.

Bonferroni method

Carry out each test at significance level $\frac{\alpha}{m}$ rather than α or multiply the p-value of each test by m then compare to α .
e.g., $m = 5$, if need $\alpha_e = 0.05$, reject each test if $p\text{-value} < 0.05/5 = 0.01$. or multiply each p-value by 5 then compare to 0.05.

In confidence interval, use critical value $t_{\alpha_e/(2m), \nu}$ rather than $t_{\alpha_e/2, \nu}$.

e.g., $m = 5$, if need $CL_e = 0.95$ (implying $\alpha_e = 0.05$), then use critical value in each CI $t_{0.025/5}$ instead of $t_{0.025}$.

In example 5.3. use critical value $t_{0.025/3, 15} = 2.69$ for the three CIs as $m = 3$.

in R, it is easier to use left tail probability in qt function.

$qt(\alpha_e/(2 * m), \nu)$ gives a negative critical value. Just drop the negative sign.

R code for pairwise tests with Bonferroni adjustment

```
g1 = c(9,12,10,8,15)
g2 = c(20,21,23,17,30)
g3 = c(6,5,8,16,7)
y = c(g1,g2,g3)
```

```
type = c(rep(1,5),rep(2,5),rep(3,5))
type = factor (type)
```

```
pairwise.t.test(y,type,p.adj="none")
pairwise.t.test(y,type,p.adj="bonf")
```

output

```
> pairwise.t.test(y,type,p.adj="none")
Pairwise comparisons using t tests with pooled SD
data:  y and type
      1      2
2 0.00089 -
3 0.37416 0.00019
P value adjustment method: none
```

```
>pairwise.t.test(y,type,p.adj="bonf")
Pairwise comparisons using t tests with pooled SD
data:  y and type
      1      2
2 0.00267 -
3 1.00000 0.00056
P value adjustment method: bonferroni
```

Note with Bonferroni adjustment, each p-value is multiplied by 3.

Tukey-Cramer method

With Bonferroni adjustment, we use a larger t critical value in each CI and multiply the p -value of each test by m .

We can also use the quantiles and tail probabilities of the q distribution (studentized range distribution) to achieve similar results.

Assume t independent random samples:

$$y_{11}, \dots, y_{1n} \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma^2),$$

....

$$y_{t1}, \dots, y_{tn} \sim N(\mu_t, \sigma^2).$$

Then under $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_t$,

$q = \frac{\bar{y}_{max} - \bar{y}_{min}}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n}}}$ (where S_p is the pooled sample standard

deviation) has a Studentized Range distribution with t and ν ($\nu = nt - t$, associated with S_p) degrees of freedom.

Tukey Test and CI

$$H_0 : \mu_i = \mu_j; H_a : \mu_i \neq \mu_j$$

$$\text{test statistic value } q^* = \frac{|\bar{y}_i - \bar{y}_j|}{\sqrt{MSE} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j}}} \sqrt{2},$$

$$\text{p-value} = P(q > q^*)$$

R code to get p-value: `1- ptukey(q*,t, nu)`.

CI: Let the experimentwise CL is $1 - \alpha_e$.

The critical value is $q_{\alpha_e, t, \nu} / \sqrt{2}$ where q_{α_e} is quantile of the q distribution with upper tail probability α_e , ν is the d.f. associated with MSE, and t is the number of groups to be compared.

$$\bar{y}_i - \bar{y}_j \pm \frac{q_{\alpha_e, t, \nu}}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{MSE} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j}}.$$

R code to get quantile of the q distribution `q0.05;3,15` :

```
> qtkey(0.95, 3, 15)
```

More general, `qtkey(CLe, t, N-t)`.

Problem 5.2:

time for ice cubes to melt in three beverages:

1. Coke 19,17, 15,14,18
2. Orange Juice 27,28, 30,26, 27
3. Water 10,11, 13,7,9

$$\bar{y}_1. = 16.6, \bar{y}_2. = 27.6, \bar{y}_3. = 10.0$$

MSE=3.87 with 12 d.f. ($F = 102.22$, P-value < 0.0001).

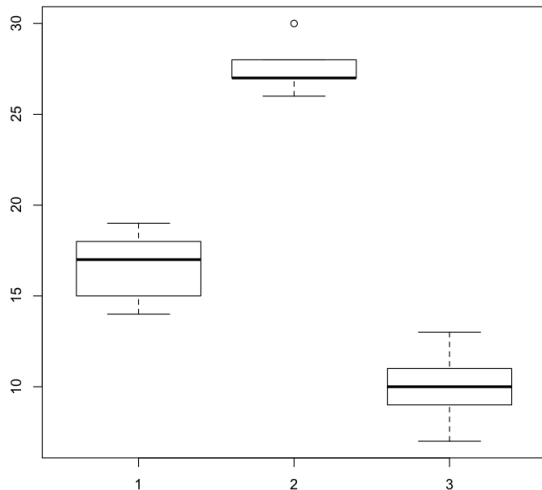
Get Tukey CIs for $\mu_1 - \mu_2, \mu_1 - \mu_3, \mu_2 - \mu_3$ with experimentwise confidence level 99%.

What critical value would you use for Bonferroni CIs?

Boxplot

```
> boxplot(y~type)
```

```
or > boxplot(coke,juice,water)
```



ANOVA table

```
> coke=c(19,17, 15,14,18)
> juice=c(27,28, 30,26, 27)
> water=c(10,11, 13,7,9)
> y=c(coke,juice,water)
> type=c(rep(1,5),rep(2,5),rep(3,5))
> type=factor(type)
> output=aov(y~type)
> anova(output)      #anova(output) can have higher precision
                     #than summary(output)
```

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: y

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|--------|---------|---------|---------------|
| type | 2 | 790.53 | 395.27 | 102.22 | 2.904e-08 *** |
| Residuals | 12 | 46.40 | 3.87 | | |

Solutions

Note $\alpha = 0.01$, $t = 3$, $\nu = 12$.

so $q_{0.01,3,12} = 5.046$, and the critical value is $5.046/\sqrt{2} = 3.568$.

```
> qtukey(0.99, 3, 12)
```

```
[1] 5.045934
```

The CIs are:

$$1 \text{ vs } 2: 16.6 - 27.6 \pm 3.568 * \sqrt{3.87} \sqrt{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5}} = (-15.44, -6.56)$$

$$1 \text{ vs } 3: 16.6 - 10 \pm 3.568 * \sqrt{3.87} \sqrt{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5}} = (2.16, 11.04).$$

$$2 \text{ vs } 3: 27.6 - 10 \pm 3.568 * \sqrt{3.87} \sqrt{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5}} = (13.16, 22.04).$$

The critical value for the Bonferroni CIs is 3.649.

```
> qt(0.01/6, 12)
```

```
[1] -3.648889
```

Tukey adjustment is less conservative than Bonferroni adjustment when making all pairwise comparisons.

R code for Tukey method

HSD: Honest Significant Difference

```
> output = aov(y~type)
```

```
> TukeyHSD(output,conf.level=.99)
```

```
Tukey multiple comparisons of means  
99% family-wise confidence level
```

```
Fit: aov(formula = y ~ type)
```

```
$type
```

| | diff | lwr | upr | p adj |
|-----|-------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 2-1 | 11.0 | 6.562637 | 15.437363 | 0.0000037 |
| 3-1 | -6.6 | -11.037363 | -2.162637 | 0.0005048 |
| 3-2 | -17.6 | -22.037363 | -13.162637 | 0.0000000 |

Tukey test

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_3$$

$$H_a : \mu_1 \neq \mu_3$$

$$q^* = \frac{|10 - 16.6|}{\sqrt{3.87} \sqrt{1/5 + 1/5}} * \sqrt{2} = 7.502$$

p-value = $P(q > 7.502) = 0.0005$ which matches the p-adj value in the R output.

```
> 1-ptukey(7.502, 3, 12)
[1] 0.0005066512
```