

## **Lecture 6: Block Designs**

Montgomery: Chapter 4

**Nuisance Factor** (may be present in experiment)

- Has effect on response but its effect is not of interest
- If unknown → Protecting experiment through randomization
- If known (measurable) but uncontrollable → Analysis of Covariance (Chapter 15 or 14 Section 3)
- If known and controllable → Blocking

## Penicillin Experiment

In this experiment, four penicillin manufacturing processes ( $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$ ) were being investigated. Yield was the response. It was known that an important raw material, corn steep liquor, was quite variable. The experiment and its results were given below:

	blend 1	blend 2	blend 3	blend 4	blend 5
$A$	89 <sub>1</sub>	84 <sub>4</sub>	81 <sub>2</sub>	87 <sub>1</sub>	79 <sub>3</sub>
$B$	88 <sub>3</sub>	77 <sub>2</sub>	87 <sub>1</sub>	92 <sub>3</sub>	81 <sub>4</sub>
$C$	97 <sub>2</sub>	92 <sub>3</sub>	87 <sub>4</sub>	89 <sub>2</sub>	80 <sub>1</sub>
$D$	94 <sub>4</sub>	79 <sub>1</sub>	85 <sub>3</sub>	84 <sub>4</sub>	88 <sub>2</sub>

- Blend is a nuisance factor, treated as a block factor;
- (Complete) Blocking: all the treatments are applied within each block, and they are compared within blocks.
- Advantage: Eliminate blend-to-blend (between-block) variation from experimental error variance when comparing treatments.
- Cost: degree of freedom.

## Randomized Complete Block Design

- $b$  blocks each consisting of (partitioned into)  $a$  experimental units
- $a$  treatments are randomly assigned to the experimental units within each block
- Typically after the runs in one block have been conducted, then move to another block.
- Typical blocking factors: day, batch of raw material etc.
- Results in restriction on randomization because randomization is only within blocks.
- Data within a block are dependent on each other. When  $a = 2$ , randomized complete block design becomes paired two sample case.

## Statistical Model

- $b$  blocks and  $a$  treatments
- Statistical model is

$$y_{ij} = \mu + \tau_i + \beta_j + \epsilon_{ij} \quad \begin{cases} i = 1, 2, \dots, a \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, b \end{cases}$$

$\mu$  - grand mean

$\tau_i$  -  $i$ th treatment effect

$\beta_j$  -  $j$ th block effect

$\epsilon_{ij} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

- The model is additive because within a fixed block, the block effect is fixed; for a fixed treatment, the treatment effect is fixed across blocks. In other words, blocks and treatments do not interact.
- parameter constraints:  $\sum_{i=1}^a \tau_i = 0$ ;  $\sum_{j=1}^b \beta_j = 0$

## Estimates for Parameters

- Rewrite observation  $y_{ij}$  as:

$$y_{ij} = \bar{y}_{..} + (\bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{..}) + (\bar{y}_{.j} - \bar{y}_{..}) + (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{.j} + \bar{y}_{..})$$

- Compared with the model

$$y_{ij} = \mu + \tau_i + \beta_j + \epsilon_{ij},$$

- we have

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mu} &= \bar{y}_{..} \\ \hat{\tau}_i &= \bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{..} \\ \hat{\beta}_j &= \bar{y}_{.j} - \bar{y}_{..} \\ \hat{\epsilon}_{ij} &= y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{.j} + \bar{y}_{..}\end{aligned}$$

## Sum of Squares (SS)

- Can partition  $SS_T = \sum \sum (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{..})^2$  into

$$b \sum (\bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{..})^2 + a \sum (\bar{y}_{.j} - \bar{y}_{..})^2 + \sum \sum (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{.j} + \bar{y}_{..})^2$$

$$SS_{\text{Treatment}} = b \sum (\bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{..})^2 = b \sum \hat{\tau}_i^2 \quad \text{df} = a - 1$$

$$SS_{\text{Block}} = a \sum (\bar{y}_{.j} - \bar{y}_{..})^2 = a \sum \hat{\beta}_j^2 \quad \text{df} = b - 1$$

$$SS_E = \sum \sum (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{y}_{.j} + \bar{y}_{..})^2 = \sum \sum \hat{\epsilon}_{ij}^2 \quad \text{df} = (a - 1)(b - 1)$$

Hence:

- $SS_T = SS_{\text{Treatment}} + SS_{\text{Block}} + SS_E$

- The Mean Squares are

$$MS_{\text{Treatment}} = SS_{\text{Treatment}} / (a - 1), \quad MS_{\text{Block}} = SS_{\text{Block}} / (b - 1),$$

and  $MS_E = SS_E / (a - 1)(b - 1)$ .

## Testing Basic Hypotheses

- $H_0 : \tau_1 = \tau_2 = \dots = \tau_a = 0$  vs  $H_1$  : at least one is not
- Can show:

$$E(\text{MS}_E) = \sigma^2$$

$$E(\text{MS}_{\text{Treatment}}) = \sigma^2 + b \sum_{i=1}^a \tau_i^2 / (a - 1)$$

$$E(\text{MS}_{\text{Block}}) = \sigma^2 + a \sum_{j=1}^b \beta_j^2 / (b - 1)$$

- Use F-test to test  $H_0$ :

$$F_0 = \frac{\text{MS}_{\text{Treatment}}}{\text{MS}_E} = \frac{\text{SS}_{\text{Treatment}} / (a - 1)}{\text{SS}_E / ((a - 1)(b - 1))}$$

- Caution testing block effects
  - Usually not of interest.
  - Randomization is restricted: Differing opinions on F-test for testing blocking effects.
  - Can use ratio  $\text{MS}_{\text{Block}}/\text{MSE}$  to check if blocking successful.
  - Block effects can be random effects. (considered fixed effects in this chapter)



### Analysis of Variance Table

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	$F_0$
Blocks	$SS_{\text{Block}}$	$b - 1$	$MS_{\text{Block}}$	
Treatment	$SS_{\text{Treatment}}$	$a - 1$	$MS_{\text{Treatment}}$	$F_0$
Error	$SS_E$	$(b - 1)(a - 1)$	$MS_E$	
Total	$SS_T$	$ab - 1$		

$$SS_T = \sum \sum y_{ij}^2 - y_{..}^2 / N$$

$$SS_{\text{Treatment}} = \frac{1}{b} \sum y_{i.}^2 - y_{..}^2 / N$$

$$SS_{\text{Block}} = \frac{1}{a} \sum y_{.j}^2 - y_{..}^2 / N$$

$$SS_E = SS_T - SS_{\text{Treatment}} - SS_{\text{Block}}$$

**Decision Rule:** If  $F_0 > F_{\alpha, a-1, (b-1)(a-1)}$  then reject  $H_0$

### Example

An experiment was designed to study the performance of four different detergents in cleaning clothes. The following “cleanness” readings (higher=cleaner) were obtained with specially designed equipment for three different types of common stains. Is there a difference between the detergents?

	Stain 1	Stain 2	Stain 3
Detergent 1	45	43	51
Detergent 2	47	46	52
Detergent 3	48	50	55
Detergent 4	42	37	49

$$\sum \sum y_{ij} = 565 \text{ and } \sum \sum y_{ij}^2 = 26867$$

$$y_{1.} = 139, y_{2.} = 145, y_{3.} = 153 \text{ and } y_{4.} = 128; y_{.1} = 182, y_{.2} = 176, \text{ and } y_{.3} = 207$$

$$SS_T = 26867 - 565^2/12 = 265$$

$$SS_{Trt} = (139^2 + 145^2 + 153^2 + 128^2)/3 - 565^2/12 = 111$$

$$SS_{Block} = (182^2 + 176^2 + 207^2)/4 - 565^2/12 = 135$$

$$SS_E = 265 - 111 - 135 = 19; F_0 = (111/3)/(19/6) = 11.6; P\text{-value} < 0.01$$

## Checking Assumptions (Diagnostics)

- Assumptions
  - Model is additive (no interaction between treatment effects and block effects) (additivity assumption)
  - Errors are independent and normally distributed
  - Constant variance
- Checking normality:
  - Histogram, QQ plot of residuals, Shapiro-Wilk Test.
- Checking constant variance
  - Residual Plot: Residuals vs  $\hat{y}_{ij}$
  - Residuals vs blocks
  - Residuals vs treatments

## Checking Assumptions (Continued)

- Additivity
  - Residual Plot: residuals vs  $\hat{y}_{ij}$
  - If residual plot shows curvilinear pattern, interaction between treatment and block likely exists
  - Interaction: block effects can be different for different treatments
- Formal test: Tukey's One-degree Freedom Test of Non-additivity
- If interaction exists, usually try transformation to eliminate interaction

## Treatments Comparison

- Multiple Comparisons/Contrasts
  - procedures (methods) are similar to those for Completely Randomized Design (CRD)
    - $n$  is replaced by  $b$  in all formulas
    - Degrees of freedom error is  $(b - 1)(a - 1)$
- Example : Comparison of Detergents
  - Tukey's Method ( $\alpha = .05$ )

$$q_{\alpha}(a, df) = q_{\alpha}(4, 6) = 4.896.$$

$$CD = \frac{q_{\alpha}(4,6)}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\text{MSE}\left(\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{b}\right)} = 4.896 \sqrt{\frac{19}{6*3}} = 5.001$$

### Comparison of Treatment Means

Treatments			
4	1	2	3
42.67	46.33	48.33	51.00
A	A		
	B	B	B

## Using SAS

```

options nocenter ls=78;
options colors=(none);
symbol1 v=circle; axis1 offset=(5);

data wash;
  input stain soap y @@;
  cards;
1 1 45 1 2 47 1 3 48 1 4 42 2 1 43 2 2 46 2 3 50 2 4 37 3 1 51 3 2
52 3 3 55 3 4 49 ;

proc glm;
  class stain soap;
  model y = soap stain;
  means soap / alpha=0.05 tukey lines;
  output out=diag r=res p=pred;

proc univariate noprint normal;
  qqplot res / normal (L=1 mu=0 sigma=est);
  histogram res /normal (L=1 mu=0 sigma=est) kernel(L=2 K=quadratic);

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run;
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proc gplot;
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  plot res*soap / haxis=axis1;
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```
  plot res*stain / haxis=axis1;
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```
  plot res*pred;
```

```
run;
```



## Output

Dependent Variable: y

Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	5	246.0833333	49.2166667	15.68	0.0022
Error	6	18.8333333	3.1388889		
Corrected Total	11	264.9166667			

R-Square	Coeff Var	Root MSE	y Mean
0.928908	3.762883	1.771691	47.08333

Source	DF	Type I SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
soap	3	110.9166667	36.9722222	11.78	0.0063
stain	2	135.1666667	67.5833333	21.53	0.0018

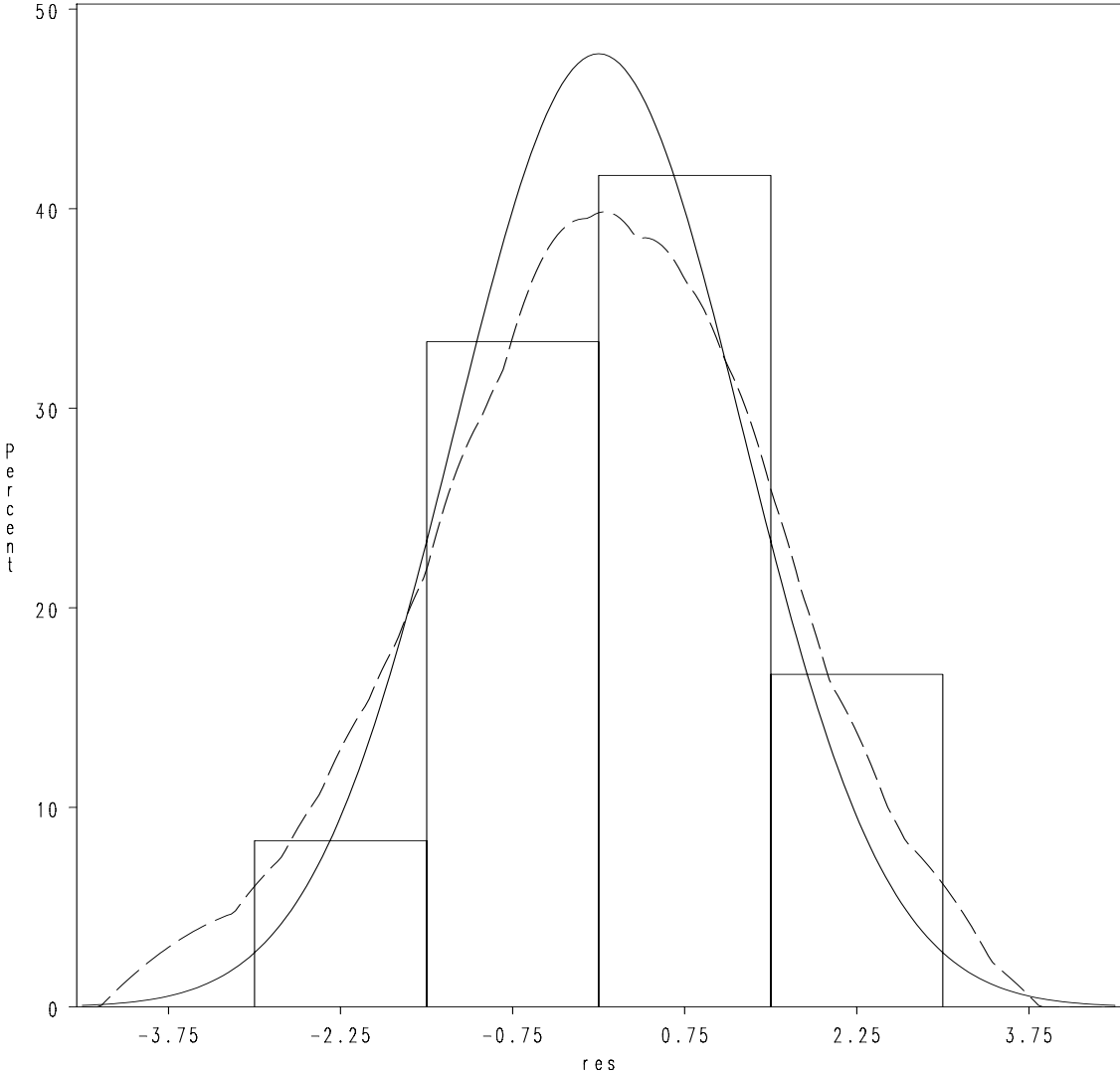
Source	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
soap	3	110.9166667	36.9722222	11.78	0.0063
stain	2	135.1666667	67.5833333	21.53	0.0018

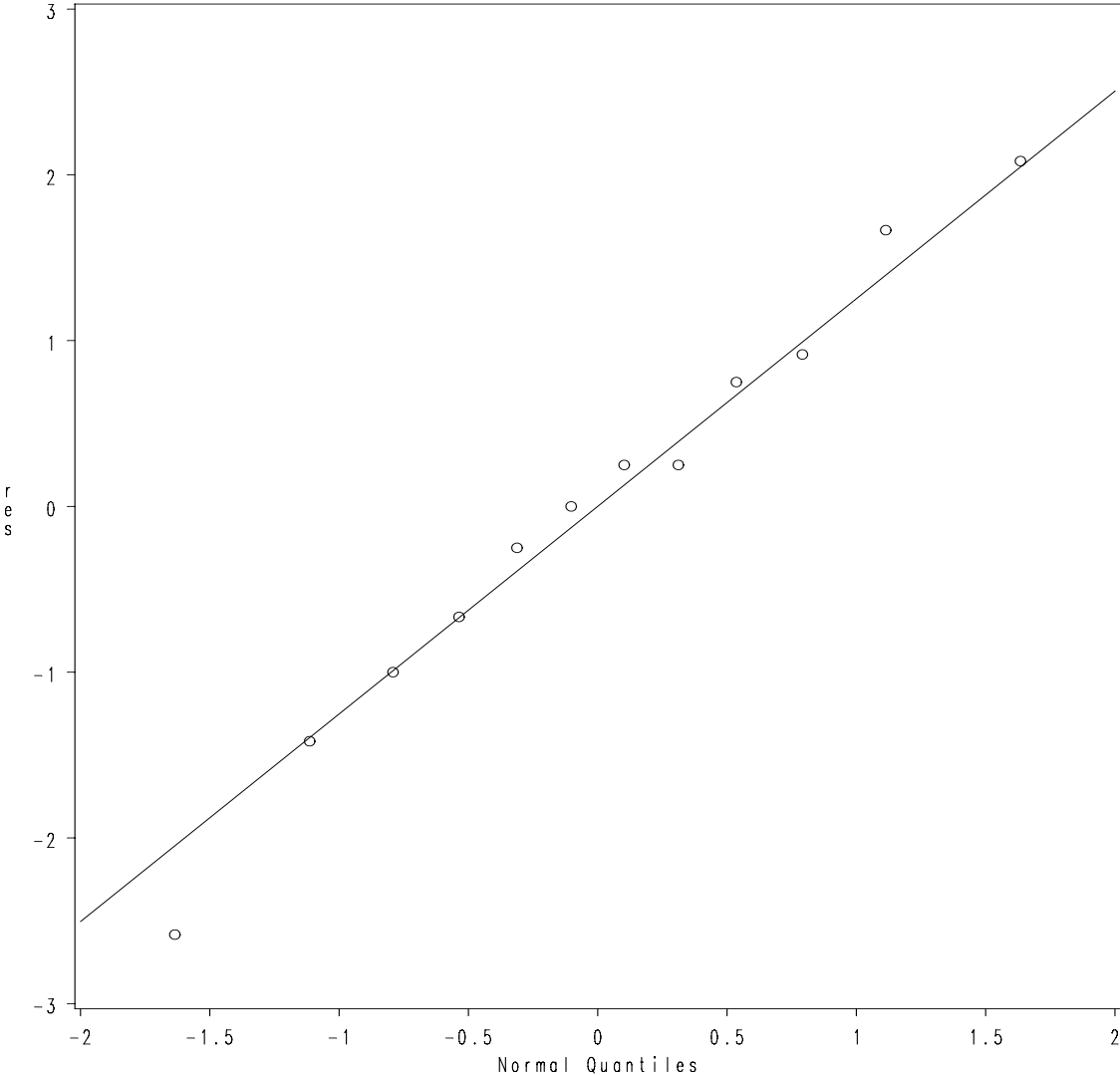
Tukey's Studentized Range (HSD) Test for res

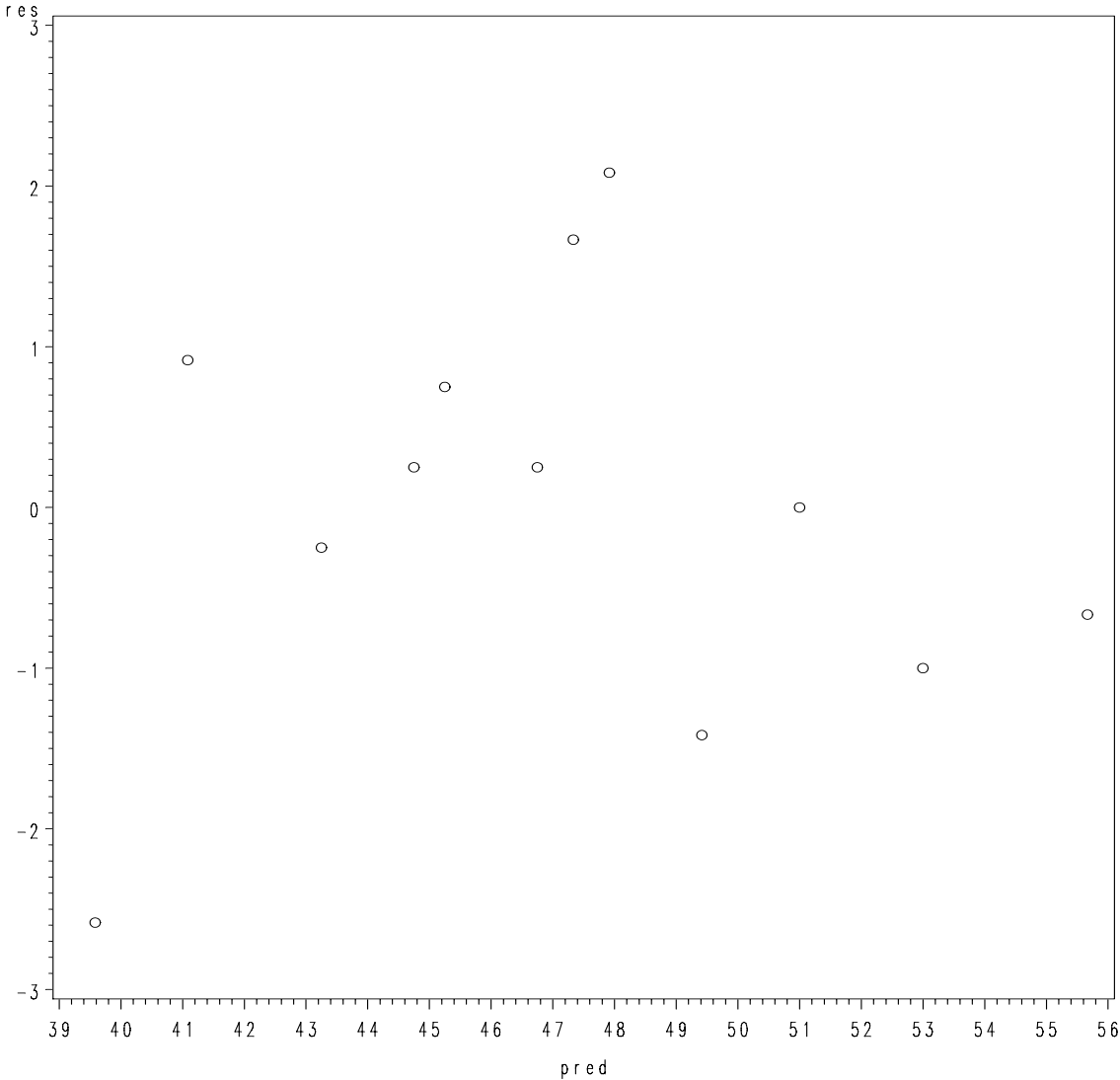
Alpha	0.05
Error Degrees of Freedom	6
Error Mean Square	3.138889
Critical Value of Studentized Range	4.89559
Minimum Significant Difference	5.007

Means with the same letter are not significantly different.

Tukey Grouping	Mean	N	soap
A	51.000	3	3
A			
A	48.333	3	2
A			
B A	46.333	3	1
B			
B	42.667	3	4







## Tukey's Test for Non-additivity

- Additivity assumption (or no interaction assumption) is crucial for block designs or experiments.
- To check the interaction between block and treatment **fully** needs  $(a - 1)(b - 1)$  degree of freedom. It is not affordable when without replicates.
- Instead consider a special type of interaction. Assume following model (pages 190-193 or pages 178-181)

$$y_{ij} = \mu + \tau_i + \beta_j + \gamma\tau_i\beta_j + \epsilon_{ij}$$

- $H_0 : \gamma = 0$  vs  $H_1 : \gamma \neq 0$

Sum of Squares caused by possible interaction:

$$SS_N = \frac{\left[ \sum_i \sum_j y_{ij} y_{i.} y_{.j} - y_{..} (SS_{\text{Trt}} + SS_{\text{Blk}} + y_{..}^2 / ab) \right]^2}{ab SS_{\text{Trt}} SS_{\text{Blk}}} \quad df = 1.$$

Remaining error SS:  $SS'_E = SS_E - SS_N$ ,  $df = (a - 1)(b - 1) - 1$

Test Statistic:

$$F_0 = \frac{SS_N / 1}{SS'_E / [(a - 1)(b - 1) - 1]} \sim F_{1, (a-1)(b-1)-1}$$

- Decision rule: Reject  $H_0$  if  $F_0 > F_{\alpha, 1(a-1)(b-1)-1}$ .

### A Convenient Procedure to Calculate $SS_N$ , $SS'_E$ and $F_0$

- 1 Fit additive model  $y_{ij} = \mu + \tau_i + \beta_j + \epsilon_{ij}$
- 2 Obtain  $\hat{y}_{ij}$  and  $q_{ij} = \hat{y}_{ij}^2$
- 3 Fit the model  $y_{ij} = \mu + \tau_i + \beta_j + q_{ij} + \epsilon_{ij}$

Use the test for  $q_{ij}$  in the ANOVA table with type III SS and ignore the tests for the treatment and block factors.



### Example 5-2 from Montgomery

- Impurity in chemical product is affected by temperature and pressure. We will assume temperature is a blocking factor. The data is shown below. We will test for non-additivity.

	Pressure				
Temp	25	30	35	40	45
100	5	4	6	3	5
125	3	1	4	2	3
150	1	1	3	1	2

$$SS_N = 0.0985, SS'_E = 1.9015, F_0 = .36, P - \text{value} = 0.566$$

Do Not Reject, there appears to be no interaction between block and treatment.

## SAS Code

```

options nocenter ls=75;
data impurity;
input trt blk y @@;
cards;
1 1 5 1 2 3 1 3 1 2 1 4 2 2 1 2 3 1 3 1 6 3 2 4 3 3 3
4 1 3 4 2 2 4 3 1 5 1 5 5 2 3 5 3 2
;
proc glm;
class blk trt;
model y=blk trt;
output out=one r=res p=pred;

data two;
set one;
q=pred*pred;

proc glm data=two;
class blk trt;
model y=blk trt q/ss3; run;

```

## Output

From the first model statement:

Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	6	34.93333333	5.82222222	23.29	0.0001
Error	8	2.00000000	0.25000000		
Corrected Total	14	36.93333333			

Source	DF	Type I SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
blk	2	23.33333333	11.66666667	46.67	<.0001
trt	4	11.60000000	2.90000000	11.60	0.0021

## Output

Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	7	35.03185550	5.00455079	18.42	0.0005
Error	7	1.90147783	0.27163969		
Corrected Total	14	36.93333333			

Source	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
blk	2	1.25864083	0.62932041	2.32	0.1690 XXX
trt	4	1.09624963	0.27406241	1.01	0.4634 XXX
q	1	0.09852217	0.09852217	0.36	0.5660

XXX: not meaningful for testing blocks and treatments

## RCBD with Replicates

- $a$  treatments ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, a$ )
- $b$  blocks ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, b$ )
- $n$  observations for each treatment in each block ( $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$ )

$$y_{ijl} = \mu + \tau_i + \beta_j + \epsilon_{ijl} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} i = 1, 2, \dots, a \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, b \\ l = 1, 2, \dots, n \end{array} \right.$$

- Similar assumptions as before.  $N = abn$  and many more degree of freedom to get around. It allows interaction (but we have to be really careful about the possible interaction)

**Assume no interaction between Ttr and Blk: ANOVA**

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	$F$
Blocks	$SS_{\text{Block}}$	$b - 1$	$MS_{\text{Block}}$	
Treatment	$SS_{\text{Treatment}}$	$a - 1$	$MS_{\text{Treatment}}$	$F_0$
Error	$SS_E$	$abn - b - a + 1$	$MS_E$	
Total	$SS_T$	$abn - 1$		

For multiple comparison,  $df_E$  becomes  $abn - a - b + 1$  and the number of replicates for a fixed treatment now is  $bn$  instead of  $n$ . Hence, the formulas need to be modified accordingly.

### Do not assume no interaction between Trt and Blk: ANOVA

- Assess additivity (no interaction) by Sum of Squares due to interaction  $SS_{\text{Trt} \times \text{Blk}}$ .
- Interaction and error are not confounded; their SS's are separated

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	$F$
Blocks	$SS_{\text{Block}}$	$b - 1$	$MS_{\text{Block}}$	
Treatment	$SS_{\text{Treatment}}$	$a - 1$	$MS_{\text{Treatment}}$	$F_0$
Blk*Trt	$SS_{\text{Blk} \times \text{Trt}}$	$(b - 1)(a - 1)$	$MS_{\text{Blk} \times \text{Trt}}$	
Error	$SS_E$	$ab(n - 1)$	$MS_E$	
Total	$SS_T$	$abn - 1$		

- Usually, we do not want to see large (significant)  $SS_{\text{Blk} \times \text{Trt}}$  because this will (1) affect the interpretation of the results and (2) the prediction of the fitted model. Sometimes, transformation is considered to eliminate interaction.