

Midterm 1 Solution

Problem 1

- a) The factor is the safety program of two levels: with or without it;
- b) Though all the three principles randomization, replication and blocking were followed in the experiment, the primary one is blocking. Blocking helps elimination the variation between different plants.
- c) First rank the differences from the smallest to the largest. Because 9 is the second largest in a sample of 10 observations, $i = 9$. Hence,

$$\alpha_i = \frac{9 - 3/8}{10 + 1/4} = 0.84.$$

The z-value corresponding to $\alpha_i = 0.84$ is approximately 1.00. So, the point in the QQplot is (9,1).

- d) Let μ be the mean difference before and after the safety program was implemented. The hypotheses are

$$H_0 : \mu = 0 \text{ versus } H_1 : \mu > 0.$$

Using the sample of differences, $\bar{x}=5.2$, $s^2 = 16.62$. So

$$t_d = \frac{\bar{x} - 0}{s/\sqrt{n}} = 5.2/\sqrt{16.62}/\sqrt{10} = 4.03.$$

Because $t_d > t_{0.05}(9) = 1.83$, reject H_0 and conclude that the safety program is effective.

- e) Because the variance is known, $\sigma^2 = 16$, so we can use the z-test as follows.

$$z_o = \frac{\bar{x} - 0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = 5.2/4/\sqrt{10} = 4.11.$$

Because $z_o > z_{.05} = 1.645$, reject H_0 .

- f) The decision rule used in e) is reject H_0 if $Z_o = \frac{\bar{X}-0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} > z_{.05}$. When the mean difference is 4, that is, $\mu = 4$, the type II error of the decision rule is

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= P(\text{not reject } H_0 | \mu = 4) = P(z_o = \frac{\bar{X} - 0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq z_{.05} | \mu = 4) \\ &= P\left(\frac{Z - 4}{\sigma/\sqrt{10}} \leq z_{.05} - \frac{4}{\sigma/\sqrt{10}}\right) = P(Z \leq 1.645 - \sqrt{10}) = P(Z \leq -1.517) = 0.065. \end{aligned}$$

Because $\beta > .05$, the sample size is not large enough. In fact, one more observation is needed.

Problem 2 a) $\bar{y}_{..} = (26.41 + 22.69 + 19.60 + 26.16)/4 = 23.715$, and

$$SS_{\text{tr}} = \sum_{i=1}^4 n_i (\bar{y}_i - \bar{y}_{..})^2$$

$$= 5 * (26.41 - 23.715)^2 + 5 * (22.69 - 23.715)^2 + 5 * (19.60 - 23.715)^2 + 5 * (26.16 - 23.715)^2 = 156.12$$

or

$$SS_E = \sum_{i=1}^4 (n_i - 1) s_i^2 = 4 * (2.37)^2 + 4 * (2.23)^2 + 4 * (2.32)^2 + 4 * (2.26)^2 = 84.32$$

So the ANOVA table is

Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value
Between	3	156.12	52.04	9.87
Error	16	84.32	5.27	
Total	19	240.44		

Because $F_0 > F_{0.05}(4, 15) = 3.06$, conclude that dosage levels affect the bioactivity of the new drug.

b)

$$\hat{\tau}_2 = \bar{y}_{2.} - \bar{y}_{..} = 22.69 - 23.715 = -1.025.$$

c) The constant variance assumption seems to hold, because the sample variances at various levels of the factor are fairly close to each other.

d)

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \text{MSE} = 5.27.$$

e) It can be verified that the contrasts are mutually orthogonal and there are three of them, so they form a complete set of orthogonal contrasts.

f)

$$\hat{\Gamma}_2 = \hat{\mu}_2 - \hat{\mu}_3 = \bar{y}_{2.} - \bar{y}_{3.} = 22.69 - 19.60 = 3.09.$$

g) Because Γ_1, Γ_2 and Γ_3 form a complete set of orthogonal contrasts, the contrast SS of Γ_3 is

$$\begin{aligned} SS_{C_3} &= SS_{tr} - SS_{C_1} - SS_{C_2} \\ &= 156.12 - 0.156 - 23.808 = 132.16. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$F_0 = \frac{132.16}{5.27} = 25.08$$

and the P-value is less than 0.01.

h) Based on the results above, it appears that μ_1 and μ_4 are almost the same, and μ_2 and μ_3 are not dramatically different from each other; the middle levels are significantly different from the low and high levels.