## ANOVA & Pairwise Comparisons

- ANOVA for multiple condition designs
- Pairwise comparisons and RH Testing
- Alpha inflation
- LSD and HSD procedures
- Effect sizes for k-group ANOVA
- Power analysis for k-group ANOVA

# H0: Tested by ANOVA

Regardless of the number of IV conditions, the H0: tested using ANOVA (F-test) is ...

"all the IV conditions represent populations that have the same mean on the DV"

When you have only 2 IV conditions, the F-test of this H0: is sufficient

there are only three possible outcomes ...
T=C T<C T>C & only one matches the RH

With multiple IV conditions, the H0: is still that the IV conditions have the same mean DV...
T<sub>1</sub> = T<sub>2</sub> = C but there are many possible patterns

Only one pattern matches the Rh:

## Omnibus F vs. Pairwise Comparisons

<ul> <li>Omnibus F</li> </ul>	-
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- overall test of whether there are any mean DV differences among the multiple IV conditions
- Tests H0: that all the means are equal
- Pairwise Comparisons
  - specific tests of whether or not each pair of IV conditions has a mean difference on the DV
- How many Pairwise comparisons ??
  - Formula, with k = # IV conditions
    - # pairwise comparisons = [k \* (k-1)] / 2
  - or just remember a few of them that are common
    - 3 groups = 3 pairwise comparisons
    - 4 groups = 6 pairwise comparisons
    - 5 groups = 10 pairwise comparisons

How many Pairwise comparisons – revisited !!

There are two questions, often with different answers...

- 1. How many pairwise comparisons can be computed for this research design?
  - Answer → [k \* (k-1)] / 2
  - But remember → if the design has only 2 conditions the Omnibus-F is sufficient; no pairwise comparsons needed
- 2. How many pairwise comparisons are needed to test the RH:?
  - Must look carefully at the RH: to decide how many comparisons are needed
  - E.g., The ShortTx will outperform the control, but not do as well as the LongTx
    - This requires only 2 comparisons

ShortTx vs. control ShortTx vs. LongTx

#### Process of statistical analysis for multiple IV conditions designs

- Perform the Omnibus-F
  - test of H0: that all IV conds have the same mean
  - if you retain H0: -- quit
- Compute all pairwise mean differences (next page)
- Compute the minimum pairwise mean diff
- Compare each pairwise mean diff with minimum mean diff
  - if mean diff > min mean diff then that pair of IV conditions have significantly different means
  - be sure to check if the "significant mean difference" is in the hypothesized direction !!!

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Tx1 vs. Tx2	Tx1 vs. C	Tx2 vs. C
Sig Diff	Sig Diff	Not Diff

What to do when you have a RH:

The RH: was, "The treatments will be equivalent to each other, and both will lead to higher scores than the control."

Determine the pairwise comparisons, how the RH applied to each ...

 $Tx1 = Tx2 \qquad Tx1 > C$ 

C Tx2 > C

Tx1	Tx2	Cx
85	70	55

For this design, F(2,42)=4.54, p < .05 was obtained.

Compute the pairwise mean differences.

Tx1 vs. Tx2 15 Tx1 vs. C 30 Tx2 vs. C 15

Your turn !! The RH: was, "Treatment 1 leads to the best performance, but Treatment 2 doesn't help at all."

What predictions does the RH make ?

Tx1 > Tx2 Tx1 > C Tx2 = C

Tx1	Tx2	Cx
15	9	11

For this design, F(2,42)=5.14, p < .05 was obtained. The minimum mean difference is 3

Compute the pairwise mean differences and determine which are significantly different.

Tx1 vs. Tx2 <u>7</u> Tx1 vs. C <u>4</u> Tx2 vs. C <u>2</u>

Your Conclusions ?

Complete support for the RH: !!

Cont. Compute the pairwise mean differences.

Tx1 vs. Tx2 15 Tx1 vs. C 30 Tx2 vs. C 15

For this analysis the minimum mean difference is 18

Determine which pairs have significantly different means

Tx1 vs. Tx2	Tx1 vs. C	Tx2 vs. C
No Diff !	Sig Diff !!	No Diff !!

Determine what part(s) of the RH were supported by the pairwise comparisons ...

RH:	Tx1 = Tx2	Tx1 > C	Tx2 > C
results	Tx1 = Tx2	Tx1 > C	Tx2 = C
well ?	supported	supported	not supported

We would conclude that the RH: was partially supported !

"The Problem" with making multiple pairwise comparisons -- "Alpha Inflation"

- As you know, whenever we reject H0:, there is a chance of committing a Type I error (thinking there is a mean difference when there really isn't one in the population)
  - The chance of a Type I error = the p-value
  - If we reject H0: because p < .05, then there's about a 5% chance we have made a Type I error</li>
- When we make multiple pairwise comparisons, the Type I error rate for each is about 5%, but that error rate "accumulates" across each comparison -- called "alpha inflation"
  - So, if we have 3 IV conditions and make the 3 pairwise comparisons possible, we have about ...

3 \* .05 = .15 or about a 15% chance of making at least one Type I error

# Alpha Inflation

 Increasing chance of making a Type I error the more pairwise comparisons that are conducted

## Alpha correction

- adjusting the set of tests of pairwise differences to "correct for" alpha inflation
- so that the overall chance of committing a Type I error is held at 5%, no matter how many pairwise comparisons are made

# LSD vs. HSD Pairwise Comparisons

Least Significant Difference (LSD) - Sensitive -- no correction for alpha inflation smaller minimum mean difference than for HSD More likely to find pairwise mean differences - Less likely to make Type II errors (Miss) - More likely to make Type I errors (False Alarm) Honest Significant Difference (HSD) - Conservative -- alpha corrected larger minimum mean difference than for LSD • Less likely to find pairwise mean differences More likely to make Type II errors Less likely to make Type I errors Golden Rule: Perform both!!! - If they agree, there is less chance of committing either a Type I or Type II error !!! LSD vs. HSD -- 3 Possible Outcomes for a

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- 1 Both LSD & HSD show a significant difference
  - having rejected H0: with the more conservative test (HSD) helps ensure that this is not a Type I error
- 2 Neither LSD nor HSD show a signif difference
  - having found H0: with the more sensitive test (LSD) helps ensure this isn't a Type II error
- Both of these are "good" results, in that there is agreement between the statistical conclusions drawn from the two pairwise comparison methods

LSD vs. HSD -- 3 Possible Outcomes for a Specific Pairwise Comparison

- 3 Significant difference from LSD, but no significant difference from HSD
  - This is a problem !!!
  - Is HSD right & the sigdif from LSD a Type I error (FA)?
  - Is the LSD is right & H0: from HSD a Type II error (miss) ?
  - There is a bias toward "statistical conservatism" in Psychology -- using more conservative HSD & avoiding Type I errors (False alarms)
- A larger study may solve the problem -- LSD & HSD may both lead to rejecting H0: with a more powerful study
- Replication is the best way to decide which is "correct"

Here's an example...

A study was run to compare 2 treatments to each other and to a no-treatment control. The resulting means and mean differences were ...

		171	172
Гх1	12.3		
Гx2	14.6	2.3	
Сх	19.9 <sup>°</sup>	**7.6 *	5.3
	Tx1 Tx2 Cx	Tx1 12.3 Tx2 14.6 Cx 19.9	Tx1 12.3 Tx2 14.6 2.3 Dx 19.9 *7.6 *

Conclusions:

<ul> <li>confident that</li> </ul>	Cx > Tx1	got w/ both lsd & hsc
<ul> <li>confident that</li> </ul>	Tx2 = Tx1	aot w/ both Isd & hsc

• not confident about Cx & Tx2

-- got w/ both lsd & hsd -- lsd & hsd differed

• next study should concentrate on these comparisons

### Effect Sizes for the k-BG or k-WG $\rightarrow$ Omnibus F

The effect size formula must take into account both the size of the sample (represented by dferror) and the size of the design (represented by the dfeffect).

r = 
$$\sqrt{(df_{effect} * F) / (F + df_{error})}$$

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Power Analyses for k-BG designs

Important Symbols

S is the total # of participants in that pairwise comp

n = S/2 is the # of participants in each condition

of that pairwise comparison

N = n \* k is the total number or participants in the study

#### Example

- the smallest pairwise effect size for a 3-BG study was .25
- with r = .25 and 80% power S = 120
- for each of the 2 conditions n = S / 2 = 120 / 2 = 60
- for the whole study N = n \* k = 60 \* 3 = 180

### Power Analyses for k-WG designs

Important Symbols

S is the total # of participants in that pairwise comp

For WG designs, every participant is in every condition, so...

S is also the number of participants in each condition

Example

- the smallest pairwise effect size for a 3-WG study was .20
- with r = .20 and 80% power S = 191
- for each condition of a WG design n = S = 191
- for the whole study N = S = 191