Lecture 12: Chapter 12

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# §12.1 ANOVA (Analysis of Variance) Tests

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The weights (in kg) of oak trees is given below for trees planted in the same plot but with different growth-enhancing methods applied. Use a 0.05 significance level to test the claim that the four treatment categories yield oak trees with the same mean weight. Does there appear to be a best method for enhancing growth of trees in this soil?





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We use StatCrunch to conduct the test.

What's our null and alternative hypotheses? Based on the output, do we reject or accept the null hypothesis? What does this mean? (Use  $\alpha = 0.05$ .)



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This model arises from the assumption that all the means are equal (our hull hypothesis). And thus, the sample means should follow

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x_{ij} = \mu_i + \epsilon_{ij},
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where  $i = 1, \ldots, l$  and  $j = 1, \ldots, n_i$  and  $\epsilon_{ii}$  all have  $N(0, \sigma)$  distribution.

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We always pool the standard deviation for a one-way ANOVA.

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We'll now discuss the by-hand computations for the one-way ANOVA.

#### Definition (sum of squares, degrees of freedom, and mean squares)

Sum of squares represent variation in the data. They are calculated by summing square deviations. There are three sources of variation in a one-way ANOVA.

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\mathsf{SST} = \mathsf{SSG} + \mathsf{SSE}
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The **degrees of freedom** are associated with each sum of squares.

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\mathsf{DFT}=\mathsf{DFG}+\mathsf{DFE}
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The **mean squares** are  $\frac{\text{sum of squares}}{\text{degrees of freedom}}$ .

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