

STATISTICS FOR EES — EXERCISE SHEET 7

1. To measure the effect of three different fertilizers, a field was subdivided into 18 equal plots and the plots were randomly assigned to three groups A, B, C in which different fertilizers were applied. The following table shows the logarithmized yields.

fertilizer	yield						
A	2.89	2.81	2.78	2.89	2.77		
B	2.73	2.88	2.89	2.82	2.90	2.85	
C	2.84	2.81	2.80	2.66	2.83	2.58	2.80

- Calculate the corresponding anova table without using the R commands like `anova`, `lm`, `drop1` and `aov`. Compute the F statistic and test the null hypothesis that fertilizers do not differ in their effect on the yield.
 - Write down the mathematical model underlying your anova and all its underlying assumptions in precise mathematical terms.
 - Use the R commands `lm` and `anova` to check your results from (a).
2. In file `songtime.csv` in column “song.t” you find the total times (in minutes) that male bird of a certain species spent singing within a period of 15 Minutes under various conditions: presence or absence of a female (column “fem”), presence or absence of another male (column “mal”), presence of (a visual model of) a potential predator (cat, dog, hawk, none; column “pred”). The measurement were taken with 25 different individual, column “ind”, for each individual repeatedly on different days.
- Fit an anova model to the data and test whether the different factors influence the average total song time. Account for possible individual effects. Use the packages `lme4` to fit the model.
 - In particular, test whether the effect of the presence of a male depends on the presence of a female.
 - Predict with the best-fitting model the total time that an average male will spend singing in a 15 min interval if a female and another male is present but no predator (model).
 - Specify the fitted models with and without interaction term for the effects of the presence of a female and of another male in precise mathematical terms. Specify all assumptions of these models.
3. **(Optional; for those who watched the videos on Wilcoxon tests)** Catfish were caught in three different lakes to examine whether the three populations differ in the sizes of the fish. The file `catfish.txt` contains the weight of the fish in kg.

- Visualize the data in an appropriate way.
- Apply a Kruskal-Wallis test to the data step-by-step, i.e. without using the `kruskal.test()` command.

- (c) Check your results with the R command `kruskal.test()`.
- (d) Apply an anova to the data and compare the results to those of the Kruskal-Wallis test. How can the differences be explained?
- (e) Which conclusions do you draw for the catfish?

4. (Inspired by Ouattara et al., 2009, *Animal Behaviour* 78:35–44) Females of Campbell’s mona monkeys can produce several different alarm calls, the main types being “wak-oos”, “hoks” and “trill” calls. In a research project over several months you present three different visual predator models (eagle, leopard and snake) several times per day in randomized order to a group of monkeys, and you record for two females (A and B) how often which alarm call was used in which case.

- (a) In 87 cases female A was the one who gave the warning call. The following table shows how often she used the different calls in the different cases:

	wak-oos	hoks	trill
eagle	16	5	7
leopard	6	8	20
snake	7	15	3

Perform a statistical test to check whether A’s choice of the warning call depends on the species of the predator model. Summarize the result of the test in a sentence that refers explicitly to the application context.

- (b) How much did the case eagle/hoks contribute to the test statistic?
- (c) Explain the number of degrees of freedom and find in the quantile table the threshold value for significance on the 5% level.
- (d) (Advanced!) In 72 cases female B was the one who called, and the the following table shows how often she used which call in which case:

	wak-oos	hoks	trill
eagle	8	4	7
leopard	5	11	15
snake	4	10	8

Test for differences between females A and B in how the distribution of call types depends on the predator species. Summarize the result of the test in a sentence that refers explicitly to the application context.

5. In a study¹ about the alkaline-phosphatase gene, three distinguishable alleles “S”, “I” and “F” were found. The following numbers of genotypes were observed in 332 persons: SS: 141, SF: 111, FF: 28, SI: 32, FI: 15, II: 5.

- (a) Compute the relative allele frequencies for S, I and F.
- (b) Use the allele frequencies to compute the expectation values for the genotypes in a sample of 332 persons, assuming a Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium for this gene.
- (c) Is the observed deviation from Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium significant?

¹Harris (1966) Enzyme polymorphism in Man. *Proc. Roy. Soc. B* **164**:1153-64