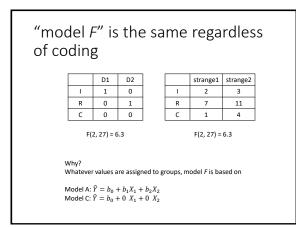
categorical predictors (part 5: "post-tests")

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review

- both contrast codes and dummy codes provide ways to compare groups using *single-df contrasts*
- why single *df*? because each comparison is about a single parameter
- some (most?) software defaults to dummy-coding
- whatever codes you use, *F* for the whole model (all of the predictors combined) will be the same





pairwise comparisons

- very often the contrasts of interest in a one-factor study are simply comparisons between all possible pairs of groups
- this is clunky to execute using orthogonal contrasts (or dummy coding)
- it requires redoing analyses multiple times (and in some cases generating irrelevant contrasts)
- the pairwise.t.test function is handy for executing only pairwise comparisons
- it comes with an argument that allows one to control Type I errors ...

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controlling Type I error rates

- if each hypothesis test one does comes with a .05 error rate ...
- ... doing many hypothesis tests leads to a familywise error rate of > .05
- FWER = the probability of at least one Type I error in a *family* of contrasts
- important digression: what is a family?
 - is it all the hypothesis tests you do in your career?
 - is it all the hypothesis tests you do in one manuscript?
 - is it all the hypothesis tests you do for one model?

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controlling Type I error rates

- use the Bonferroni (or Dunn-Bonferroni) procedure if your contrasts are *planned*
- if *c* = the number of contrasts you'll perform
- use an alpha level of .05/c to decide significance
- e.g., if you're doing 5 contrasts

$$\alpha = .05/_5 = .01$$

- alternatively, take each p and multiply it by c, and then compare to α (probably .05)

controlling the "false discovery rate"

- the Bonferroni procedure is designed to minimize the probability of at least one Type I error occurring
- other procedures are designed to minimize the proportion of Type I errors that occur (the "false discovery rate")
- a simple one is the Benjamini-Hochberg procedure

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BH procedure

- · for any family of contrasts
 - find *p*-values for contrasts
 - rank the *p*-values from p_1 to p_K (small to large)
 - if p_K < FWER, all are significant
 - if not, check if p_{K-1} < FWER / 2; all remaining significant
 if not, check if p_{K-2} < FWER / 3; etc.

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controlling Type I error rates

- for unplanned (post-hoc, data-snooping) contrasts, use Scheffe's procedure
- it's the method of last resort

writing about results

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or ...

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a little theory

(time permitting)

reminders about SSE and SSR

• in a design with three groups, Model A is

 $Y_{\rm ij}=\beta_0+\beta_1X_1+\beta_2X_2+\varepsilon_{\rm ij}$

· we can express predicted scores as follows

 $\hat{Y}_{\mathbf{ij}} = b_0 + b_1 X_1 + b_2 X_2 \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{Y}_{\mathbf{ij}} = \overline{Y}_{.\mathbf{j}}$

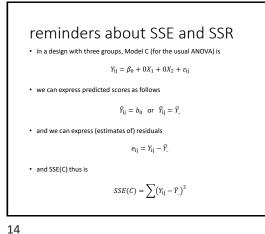
· and we can express (estimates of) residuals

 $e_{ij} = Y_{ij} - \overline{Y}_{.j}$

• and SSE(A) is

$$SSE(A) = \sum (Y_{ij} - \overline{Y}_{.j})^2$$

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reminders about SSE and SSR

• if we compare Model A to Model C, we get SSR

SSR = SSE(C) - SSE(A)

- SSR is the reduction (improvement) in SSE
- it can be re-expressed as follows

$$SSR = \sum n_j (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y}_j)^2$$

• or (less formally, but more clearly, I hope)

$$SSR = \sum n_{\text{group}} (\bar{Y}_{\text{group}} - \bar{Y}_{\text{overall}})^2$$

these SS values have aliases in the context of ANOVA

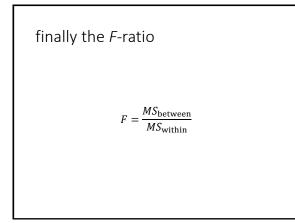
 $SSR = SS_{between}$ $SSE(A) = SS_{within}$ $SSE(C) = SS_{total}$

- SS_{between} is a measure of differences between groups, with sample size playing a role
- Why do group means differ? • real differences + noise
- SS_{within} is a measure of differences within groups
- Why do scores within groups differ?
 noise

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NOW MSS
the *df* associated with *SS*s can be used to calculate *MS* values, as follows

$$MS_{\text{between}} = \frac{SS_{\text{between}}}{k - 1}$$
$$MS_{\text{within}} = \frac{SS_{\text{within}}}{n - k}$$



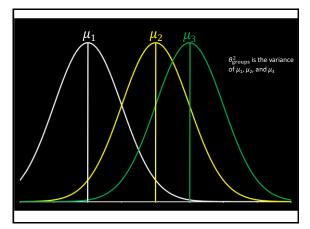
what contributes to the F-ratio?

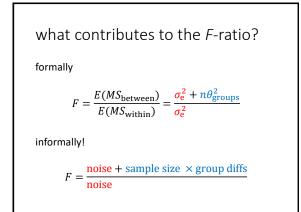
formally

$$F = \frac{E(MS_{\text{between}})}{E(MS_{\text{within}})} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{e}}^2 + n\theta_{\text{groups}}^2}{\sigma_{\text{e}}^2}$$

what?!

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why does this matter?

 $F = \frac{\text{noise} + \text{sample size} \times \text{group diffs}}{\text{noise}}$

- if noise is minimized, power goes up
- if sample size is increased, power goes up
- if groups are more different, power goes up
- this also is how an F-ratio is constructed: if there are no group diffs (it's 0), the numerator and denominator are both noise and F is expected to equal 1