

## Practice Exercises: Lesson 5.3

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STAT 1201 Introduction to Probability and Statistics

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## **Exercises**

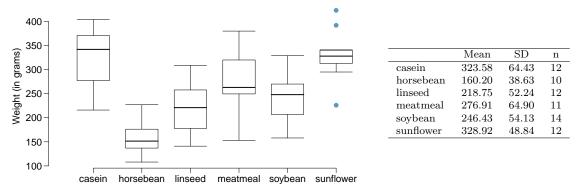
7.35 Fill in the blank. When doing an ANOVA, you observe large differences in means between groups. Within the ANOVA framework, this would most likely be interpreted as evidence strongly favoring the \_\_\_\_\_\_ hypothesis.

**7.36** Which test? We would like to test if students who are in the social sciences, natural sciences, arts and humanities, and other fields spend the same amount of time studying for this course. What type of test should we use? Explain your reasoning.

**7.37** Chicken diet and weight, Part III. In Exercises 7.27 and 7.29 we compared the effects of two types of feed at a time. A better analysis would first consider all feed types at once: casein, horsebean, linseed, meat meal, soybean, and sunflower. The ANOVA output below can be used to test for differences between the average weights of chicks on different diets.

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	$\Pr(>F)$
feed	5	$231,\!129.16$	46,225.83	15.36	0.0000
Residuals	65	$195,\!556.02$	3,008.55		

Conduct a hypothesis test to determine if these data provide convincing evidence that the average weight of chicks varies across some (or all) groups. Make sure to check relevant conditions. Figures and summary statistics are shown below.



**7.38 Teaching descriptive statistics.** A study compared five different methods for teaching descriptive statistics. The five methods were traditional lecture and discussion, programmed textbook instruction, programmed text with lectures, computer instruction, and computer instruction with lectures. 45 students were randomly assigned, 9 to each method. After completing the course, students took a 1-hour exam.

- (a) What are the hypotheses for evaluating if the average test scores are different for the different teaching methods?
- (b) What are the degrees of freedom associated with the F-test for evaluating these hypotheses?
- (c) Suppose the p-value for this test is 0.0168. What is the conclusion?

**7.39** Coffee, depression, and physical activity. Caffeine is the world's most widely used stimulant, with approximately 80% consumed in the form of coffee. Participants in a study investigating the relationship between coffee consumption and exercise were asked to report the number of hours they spent per week on moderate (e.g., brisk walking) and vigorous (e.g., strenuous sports and jogging) exercise. Based on these data the researchers estimated the total hours of metabolic equivalent tasks (MET) per week, a value always greater than 0. The table below gives summary statistics of MET for women in this study based on the amount of coffee consumed.<sup>36</sup>

	$Caffeinated \ coffee \ consumption$						
	$\leq 1 \text{ cup/week}$ 2-6 cups/week 1 cup/day 2-3 cups/day $\geq 4 \text{ cups/day}$						
Mean	18.7	19.6	19.3	18.9	17.5		
SD	21.1	25.5	22.5	22.0	22.0		
n	12,215	$6,\!617$	$17,\!234$	12,290	2,383	50,739	

(a) Write the hypotheses for evaluating if the average physical activity level varies among the different levels of coffee consumption.

(b) Check conditions and describe any assumptions you must make to proceed with the test.

(c) Below is part of the output associated with this test. Fill in the empty cells.

	Df	$\operatorname{Sum}\operatorname{Sq}$	Mean Sq	F value	$\Pr(>F)$
coffee					0.0003
Residuals		$25,\!564,\!819$			
Total		$25,\!575,\!327$			

(d) What is the conclusion of the test?

**7.40** Student performance across discussion sections. A professor who teaches a large introductory statistics class (197 students) with eight discussion sections would like to test if student performance differs by discussion section, where each discussion section has a different teaching assistant. The summary table below shows the average final exam score for each discussion section as well as the standard deviation of scores and the number of students in each section.

	Sec 1	Sec 2	Sec 3	Sec 4	Sec 5	Sec 6	Sec 7	Sec 8
$n_i$	33	19	10	29	33	10	32	31
$\bar{x}_i$	92.94	91.11	91.80	92.45	89.30	88.30	90.12	93.35
$s_i$	4.21	5.58	3.43	5.92	9.32	7.27	6.93	4.57

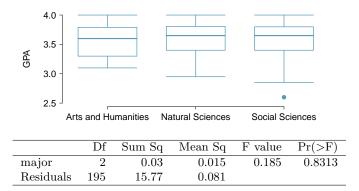
The ANOVA output below can be used to test for differences between the average scores from the different discussion sections.

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	$\Pr(>F)$
section	7	525.01	75.00	1.87	0.0767
Residuals	189	7584.11	40.13		

Conduct a hypothesis test to determine if these data provide convincing evidence that the average score varies across some (or all) groups. Check conditions and describe any assumptions you must make to proceed with the test.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup>M. Lucas et al. "Coffee, caffeine, and risk of depression among women". In: Archives of internal medicine 171.17 (2011), p. 1571.

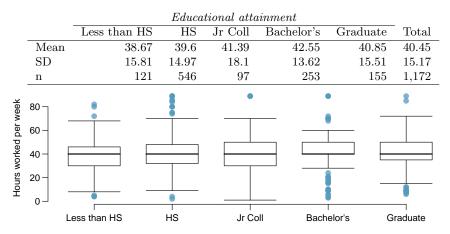
**7.41 GPA and major**. Undergraduate students taking an introductory statistics course at Duke University conducted a survey about GPA and major. The side-by-side box plots show the distribution of GPA among three groups of majors. Also provided is the ANOVA output.



- (a) Write the hypotheses for testing for a difference between average GPA across majors.
- (b) What is the conclusion of the hypothesis test?

(c) How many students answered these questions on the survey, i.e. what is the sample size?

**7.42** Work hours and education. The General Social Survey collects data on demographics, education, and work, among many other characteristics of US residents.<sup>37</sup> Using ANOVA, we can consider educational attainment levels for all 1,172 respondents at once. Below are the distributions of hours worked by educational attainment and relevant summary statistics that will be helpful in carrying out this analysis.



- (a) Write hypotheses for evaluating whether the average number of hours worked varies across the five groups.
- (b) Check conditions and describe any assumptions you must make to proceed with the test.
- (c) Below is part of the output associated with this test. Fill in the empty cells.

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F-value	$\Pr(>F)$
degree			501.54		0.0682
Residuals		$267,\!382$			
Total					

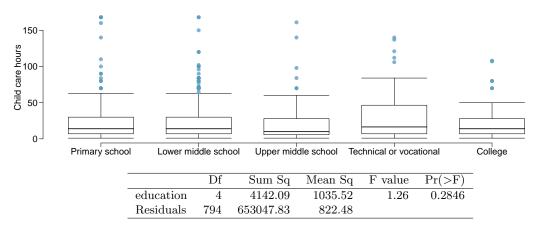
(d) What is the conclusion of the test?

**7.43** True / False: ANOVA, Part I. Determine if the following statements are true or false in ANOVA, and explain your reasoning for statements you identify as false.

- (a) As the number of groups increases, the modified significance level for pairwise tests increases as well.
- (b) As the total sample size increases, the degrees of freedom for the residuals increases as well.
- (c) The constant variance condition can be somewhat relaxed when the sample sizes are relatively consistent across groups.
- (d) The independence assumption can be relaxed when the total sample size is large.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup>National Opinion Research Center, General Social Survey, 2018.

**7.44** Child care hours. The China Health and Nutrition Survey aims to examine the effects of the health, nutrition, and family planning policies and programs implemented by national and local governments.<sup>38</sup> It, for example, collects information on number of hours Chinese parents spend taking care of their children under age 6. The side-by-side box plots below show the distribution of this variable by educational attainment of the parent. Also provided below is the ANOVA output for comparing average hours across educational attainment categories.



- (a) Write the hypotheses for testing for a difference between the average number of hours spent on child care across educational attainment levels.
- (b) What is the conclusion of the hypothesis test?

**7.45 Prison isolation experiment, Part II.** Exercise 7.31 introduced an experiment that was conducted with the goal of identifying a treatment that reduces subjects' psychopathic deviant T scores, where this score measures a person's need for control or his rebellion against control. In Exercise 7.31 you evaluated the success of each treatment individually. An alternative analysis involves comparing the success of treatments. The relevant ANOVA output is given below.

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	$\Pr(>F)$
treatment	2	639.48	319.74	3.33	0.0461
Residuals	39	3740.43	95.91		
			Spooled	= 9.793 or	df = 39

- (a) What are the hypotheses?
- (b) What is the conclusion of the test? Use a 5% significance level.
- (c) If in part (b) you determined that the test is significant, conduct pairwise tests to determine which groups are different from each other. If you did not reject the null hypothesis in part (b), recheck your answer. Summary statistics for each group are provided below

	Tr 1	Tr 2	Tr 3
Mean	6.21	2.86	-3.21
SD	12.3	7.94	8.57
n	14	14	14

**7.46** True / False: ANOVA, Part II. Determine if the following statements are true or false, and explain your reasoning for statements you identify as false.

If the null hypothesis that the means of four groups are all the same is rejected using ANOVA at a 5% significance level, then ...

- (a) we can then conclude that all the means are different from one another.
- (b) the standardized variability between groups is higher than the standardized variability within groups.
- (c) the pairwise analysis will identify at least one pair of means that are significantly different.
- (d) the appropriate  $\alpha$  to be used in pairwise comparisons is 0.05 / 4 = 0.0125 since there are four groups.

 $<sup>^{38}\</sup>mathrm{UNC}$  Carolina Population Center, China Health and Nutrition Survey, 2006.