### Interactions and Factorial ANOVA

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### Interactions

- Interaction between explanatory variables means "It depends."
- Relationship between one explanatory variable and the response variable *depends* on the value of the other explanatory variable.
- Can have
  - Quantitative by quantitative
  - Quantitative by categorical
  - Categorical by categorical

#### Quantitative by Quantitative

 $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_1 x_2 + \epsilon$  $E(Y|\mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_1 x_2$ 

For fixed  $x_2$ 

$$E(Y|\mathbf{x}) = (\beta_0 + \beta_2 x_2) + (\beta_1 + \beta_3 x_2) x_1$$

Both slope and intercept depend on value of x<sub>2</sub>

And for fixed  $x_1$ , slope and intercept relating  $x_2$  to E(Y) depend on the value of  $x_1$ 

## Quantitative by Categorical

- One regression line for each category.
- Interaction means slopes are not equal
- Form a product of quantitative variable by each dummy variable for the categorical variable
- For example, three treatments and one covariate: x<sub>1</sub> is the covariate and x<sub>2</sub>, x<sub>3</sub> are dummy variables
- $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3$  $+ \beta_4 x_1 x_2 + \beta_5 x_1 x_3 + \epsilon$

### **General principle**

- Interaction between A and B means
  - Relationship of A to Y depends on value of B
  - Relationship of B to Y depends on value of
- The two statements are formally equivalent

### Make a table

 $E(Y|\mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_4 x_1 x_2 + \beta_5 x_1 x_3$ 

Group	$x_2$	$x_3$	$E(Y \mathbf{x})$
1	1	0	$(\beta_0 + \beta_2) + (\beta_1 + \beta_4)x_1$
2	0	1	$(\beta_0 + \beta_3) + (\beta_1 + \beta_5)x_1$
3	0	0	$\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1$

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3	0	0	$\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1$

What null hypothesis would you test for

- Equal slopes
- Comparing slopes for group one vs three
- Comparing slopes for group one vs two
- Equal regressions
- Interaction between group and x<sub>1</sub>

## What to do if $H_0$ : $\beta_4 = \beta_5 = 0$ is rejected

- How do you test Group "controlling" for x<sub>1</sub>?
- A reasonable choice is to set x<sub>1</sub> to its sample mean, and compare treatments at that point.

## Categorical by Categorical

- Naturally part of factorial ANOVA in experimental studies
- Also applies to purely observational data

### **Factorial ANOVA**

More than one categorical explanatory variable

## **Factorial ANOVA**

- Categorical explanatory variables are called factors
- More than one at a time
- Primarily for true experiments, but also used with observational data
- If there are observations at all combinations of explanatory variable values, it's called a *complete* factorial design (as opposed to a fractional factorial).

## The potato study

- Cases are potatoes
- Inoculate with bacteria, store for a fixed time period.
- Response variable is percent surface area with visible rot.
- Two explanatory variables, randomly assigned
  - Bacteria Type (1, 2, 3)
  - Temperature (1=Cool, 2=Warm)

### Two-factor design

	Bacteria Type					
Temp	1	2	3			
1=Cool						
2=Warm						

Six treatment conditions

## Factorial experiments

- Allow more than one factor to be investigated in the same study: Efficiency!
- Allow the scientist to see whether the effect of an explanatory variable *depends* on the value of another explanatory variable: Interactions
- Thank you again, Mr. Fisher.

# Normal with equal variance and conditional (cell) means $\mu_{i,j}$

	Bacteria Type							
Temp	1	2	3					
1=Cool	$\mu_{1,1}$	$\mu_{1,2}$	$\mu_{1,3}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,1} + \mu_{1,2} + \mu_{1,3}}{3}$				
2=Warm	$\mu_{2,1}$	$\mu_{2,2}$	$\mu_{2,3}$	$\frac{\mu_{2,1} + \mu_{2,2} + \mu_{2,3}}{3}$				
	$\frac{\mu_{1,1} + \mu_{2,1}}{2}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,2} + \mu_{2,2}}{2}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,3} + \mu_{2,3}}{2}$	$\mu$				

### Tests

- Main effects: Differences among marginal means
- Interactions: Differences between differences (What is the effect of Factor A? It depends on the level of Factor B.)

# To understand the interaction, plot the means



### **Either Way**



### Non-parallel profiles = Interaction



# Main effects for both variables, no interaction



### Main effect for Bacteria only



## Main Effect for Temperature Only



# Both Main Effects, and the Interaction



# Should you interpret the main effects?



### A common error

- Categorical explanatory variable with p categories
- *p* dummy variables (rather than *p*-1)
- And an intercept
- There are p population means represented by p+1 regression coefficients - not unique

## But suppose you leave off the intercept

- Now there are p regression coefficients and p population means
- The correspondence is unique, and the model can be handy -- less algebra
- Called cell means coding

## Cell means coding: *p* indicators and no intercept

 $E[Y|\boldsymbol{X} = \boldsymbol{x}] = \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3$ 

Drug	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$\beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3$
А	1	0	0	$\mu_1 = \beta_1$
В	0	1	0	$\mu_2 = \beta_2$
Placebo	0	0	1	$\mu_3 = \beta_3$

Add a covariate: x<sub>4</sub>

$$E[Y|X = x] = \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_4 x_4$$

Drug	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$egin{array}{c} eta_1x_1+eta_2x_2+eta_3x_3+eta_4x_4 \end{array}$
Α	1	0	0	$eta_1+eta_4x_4$
В	0	1	0	$eta_2+eta_4x_4$
Placebo	0	0	1	$eta_3+eta_4 x_4$

### Contrasts

 $c = a_1 \mu_1 + a_2 \mu_2 + \dots + a_p \mu_p$ 

$$\widehat{c} = a_1 \overline{Y}_1 + a_2 \overline{Y}_2 + \dots + a_p \overline{Y}_p$$

where  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_p = 0$ 

### In a one-factor design

- Mostly, what you want are tests of contrasts,
- Or collections of contrasts.
- You could do it with any dummy variable coding scheme.
- Cell means coding is often most convenient.
- With  $\beta = \mu$ , test  $H_0$ :  $L\beta = h$
- Can get a confidence interval for any single contrast using the *t* distribution.

### **Testing Contrasts in Factorial Designs**

	Bacteria Type						
Temp	1	2	3				
1=Cool	$\mu_{1,1}$	$\mu_{1,2}$	$\mu_{1,3}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,1} + \mu_{1,2} + \mu_{1,3}}{3}$			
2=Warm	$\mu_{2,1}$	$\mu_{2,2}$	$\mu_{2,3}$	$\frac{\mu_{2,1} + \mu_{2,2} + \mu_{2,3}}{3}$			
	$\frac{\mu_{1,1} + \mu_{2,1}}{2}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,2} + \mu_{2,2}}{2}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,3} + \mu_{2,3}}{2}$	$\mu$			

- Differences between marginal means are definitely contrasts
- Interactions are also sets of contrasts

### Interactions are sets of Contrasts

	Bacteria Type						
Temp	1	2	3				
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2=Warm	$\mu_{2,1}$	$\mu_{2,2}$	$\mu_{2,3}$	$\frac{\mu_{2,1} + \mu_{2,2} + \mu_{2,3}}{3}$			
	$\frac{\mu_{1,1} + \mu_{2,1}}{2}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,2} + \mu_{2,2}}{2}$	$\frac{\mu_{1,3} + \mu_{2,3}}{2}$	$\mu$			

•  $H_0: \mu_{1,1} - \mu_{2,1} = \mu_{1,2} - \mu_{2,2} = \mu_{1,3} - \mu_{2,3}$ 

• 
$$H_0: \mu_{1,2} - \mu_{1,1} = \mu_{2,2} - \mu_{2,1}$$
 and  
 $\mu_{1,3} - \mu_{1,2} = \mu_{2,3} - \mu_{2,2}$  32

### Interactions are sets of Contrasts



- $H_0: \mu_{1,1} \mu_{2,1} = \mu_{1,2} \mu_{2,2} = \mu_{1,3} \mu_{2,3}$
- $H_0: \mu_{1,2} \mu_{1,1} = \mu_{2,2} \mu_{2,1}$  and  $\mu_{1,3} - \mu_{1,2} = \mu_{2,3} - \mu_{2,2}$  33

### Equivalent statements

- The effect of A depends upon B
- The effect of B depends on A

$$H_0: \mu_{1,1} - \mu_{2,1} = \mu_{1,2} - \mu_{2,2} = \mu_{1,3} - \mu_{2,3}$$

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 and  
 $\mu_{1,3} - \mu_{1,2} = \mu_{2,3} - \mu_{2,2}$ 

### Three factors: A, B and C

- There are three (sets of) main effects: One each for A, B, C
- There are three two-factor interactions
  - A by B (Averaging over C)
  - A by C (Averaging over B)
  - B by C (Averaging over A)
- There is one three-factor interaction: AxBxC

# Meaning of the 3-factor interaction

- The form of the A x B interaction depends on the value of C
- The form of the A x C interaction depends on the value of B
- The form of the B x C interaction depends on the value of A
- These statements are equivalent. Use the one that is easiest to understand.

# To graph a three-factor interaction

- Make a separate mean plot (showing a 2-factor interaction) for each value of the third variable.
- In the potato study, a graph for each type of potato

### Four-factor design

- Four sets of main effects
- Six two-factor interactions
- Four three-factor interactions
- One four-factor interaction: The nature of the three-factor interaction depends on the value of the 4th factor
- There is an F test for each one
- And so on ...

# As the number of factors increases

- The higher-way interactions get harder and harder to understand
- All the tests are still tests of sets of contrasts (differences between differences of differences ...)
- But it gets harder and harder to write down the contrasts
- Effect coding becomes easier

## Effect coding

Like indicator dummy variables with intercept, but put -1 for the last category.

Bact	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>
1	1	0
2	0	1
3	-1	-1

Temperature	Т
1=Cool	1
2=Warm	-1

 $E(Y|\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 B_1 + \beta_2 B_2 + \beta_3 T + \beta_4 B_1 T + \beta_5 B_2 T$ 

# Interaction effects are products of dummy variables

 $E(Y|\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 B_1 + \beta_2 B_2 + \beta_3 T + \beta_4 B_1 T + \beta_5 B_2 T$ 

- The A x B interaction: Multiply each dummy variable for A by each dummy variable for B
- Use these products as additional explanatory variables in the multiple regression
- The A x B x C interaction: Multiply each dummy variable for C by each product term from the A x B interaction
- Test the sets of product terms simultaneously

### Make a table

 $E(Y|\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 B_1 + \beta_2 B_2 + \beta_3 T + \beta_4 B_1 T + \beta_5 B_2 T$ 

Bact	Temp	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	Т	B <sub>1</sub> T	B <sub>2</sub> T	$E(Y \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x})$
1	1	1	0	1	1	0	$\beta_0 + \beta_1 + \beta_3 + \beta_4$
1	2	1	0	-1	-1	0	$\beta_0 + \beta_1 - \beta_3 - \beta_4$
2	1	0	1	1	0	1	$\beta_0 + \beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_5$
2	2	0	1	-1	0	-1	$\beta_0 + \beta_2 - \beta_3 - \beta_5$
3	1	-1	-1	1	-1	-1	$\beta_0 - \beta_1 - \beta_2 + \beta_3 - \beta_4 - \beta_5$
3	2	-1	-1	-1	1	1	$\beta_0 - \beta_1 - \beta_2 - \beta_3 + \beta_4 + \beta_5$

### **Cell and Marginal Means**

	Bacteria Type									
Tmp	1	2	3							
1=C	$\beta_0 + \beta_1 + \beta_3 + \beta_4$	$\beta_0 + \beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_5$	$\begin{array}{c} \beta_0-\beta_1-\beta_2\\ +\beta_3-\beta_4-\beta_5 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \beta_0 \\ +\beta_3 \end{array}$						
2=W	$\beta_0 + \beta_1 - \beta_3 - \beta_4$	$\beta_0 + \beta_2 - \beta_3 - \beta_5$	$\begin{array}{c} \beta_0-\beta_1-\beta_2\\ -\beta_3+\beta_4+\beta_5 \end{array}$	$egin{array}{c} eta_0 \ -eta_3 \end{array}$						
	$\beta_0 + \beta_1$	$\beta_0 + \beta_2$	$\beta_0 - \beta_1 - \beta_2$	$\beta_0$						

### We see

- Intercept is the grand mean
- Regression coefficients for the dummy variables are deviations of the marginal means from the grand mean
- What about the interactions?

 $E(Y|\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 B_1 + \beta_2 B_2 + \beta_3 T + \beta_4 B_1 T + \beta_5 B_2 T$ 

### A bit of algebra shows

 $\mu_{1,1} - \mu_{2,1} = \mu_{1,2} - \mu_{2,2}$  is equivalent to  $\beta_4 = \beta_5$ 

 $\mu_{1,2} - \mu_{2,2} = \mu_{1,3} - \mu_{2,3}$  is equivalent to  $\beta_4 = -\beta_5$ 

So 
$$\beta_4 = \beta_5 = 0$$

# Factorial ANOVA with effect coding is pretty automatic

- You don't have to make a table unless asked.
- It always works as you expect it will.
- Hypothesis tests are the same as testing sets of contrasts.
- Covariates present no problem. Main effects and interactions have their usual meanings, "controlling" for the covariates.
- Plot the "least squares means" (Y-hat at x-bar values for covariates).

## Again

- Intercept is the grand mean
- Regression coefficients for the dummy variables are deviations of the marginal means from the grand mean
- Test of main effect(s) is test of the dummy variables for a factor.
- Interaction effects are products of dummy variables.

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