# One-way row column design 

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One-way ANOVA \& pairwise comparison post hoc tests in a resolvable row column design.

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```
# (install &) load packages
pacman::p_load(
    conflicted,
    desplot,
    emmeans,
    ggtext,
    lme4,
    lmerTest,
    multcomp,
    multcompView,
```

```
    tidyverse)
# handle function conflicts
conflicts_prefer(dplyr::filter)
conflicts_prefer(dplyr::select)
conflicts_prefer(lmerTest::lmer)
```


## 1 Data

This example is taken from Chapter "3.10 Analysis of a resolvable row-column design" of the course material "Mixed models for metric data (3402-451)" by Prof. Dr. Hans-Peter Piepho. It considers data published in Kempton, Fox, and Cerezo (1996) from a yield trial laid out as a resolvable row-column design. The trial had 35 genotypes (gen), 2 complete replicates (rep) with 5 rows (row) and 7 columns (col). Thus, a complete replicate is subdivided into incomplete rows and columns.

### 1.1 Import

The data is available as part of the \{agridat \} package:

```
dat <- as_tibble(agridat::kempton.rowcol)
dat
# A tibble: 68 x 5
    rep row col gen yield
    <fct> <int> <int> <fct> <dbl>
1 R1 1 1 G20 3.77
    2 R1 1 2 G04 3.21
    3 R1 1 3 G33 4.55
    4 R1 1 4 G28 4.09
    5 R1 1 5 G07 5.05
    6 R1 1 6 G12 4.19
    7 R1 1 7 G30 3.27
    8 R1 
    9 R1 2 2 G14 4.3
10 R1 2 4 G21 3.86
# i 58 more rows
```


### 1.2 Format

For our analysis, gen, row and col should be encoded as factors. However, the desplot() function needs row and col as formatted as integers. Therefore we create copies of these columns encoded as factors and named rowF and colF:

```
dat <- dat %>%
    mutate(
        colF = as.factor(col),
        rowF = as.factor(row)
    )
```


### 1.3 Explore

We make use of dlookr: :describe() to conveniently obtain descriptive summary tables. Here, we get can summarize per block and per cultivar.

```
dat %>%
    group_by(gen) %>%
    dlookr::describe(yield) %>%
    select(2:sd) %>%
    arrange(desc(mean))
# A tibble: 35 x 5
        gen n na mean sd
        <fct> <int> <int> <dbl> <dbl>
    1 G19 2 0 6.07 1.84
    2G07 2 0 5.74 0.976
    3 G33 2 0 5.13 0.820
    4 G06 2 0 4.96 0.940
    5G09 2 0 4.94 1.68
    6 G11 2 0 4.93 1.03
    7 G14 2 0 4.92 0.877
    8 G27 2 0 4.89 1.80
    9 G03 2 0 4.78 0.0424
10 G25 2 0 4.78 0.361
# i 25 more rows
```

Additionally, we can decide to plot our data.

```
# sort genotypes by mean yield
gen_order <- dat %>%
    group_by(gen) %>%
    summarise(mean = mean(yield, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
    arrange(mean) %>%
    pull(gen) %>%
    as.character()
ggplot(data = dat) +
    aes(
        y = yield,
        x = gen,
        shape = rep
    ) +
    geom_line(
        aes(group = gen),
        color = "darkgrey"
    ) +
    geom_point() +
    scale_x_discrete(
        name = "Genotype",
        limits = gen_order
    ) +
    scale_y_continuous(
        name = "Yield",
        limits = c(0, NA),
        expand = expansion(mult =c(0, 0.05))
    ) +
    scale_shape_discrete(
        name = "Replicate"
    ) +
    guides(shape = guide_legend(nrow = 1)) +
    theme_classic() +
    theme(
        legend.position = "top",
        axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust = 0.5)
    )
```



Finally, since this is an experiment that was laid with a certain experimental design (= a resolvable row column design) - it makes sense to also get a field plan. This can be done via desplot() from \{desplot\}. In this case it is worth noting that there is missing data, as yield values for two plots are not present in the data.

```
desplot(
    data = dat,
    form = gen ~ col + row | rep, # fill color per genotype, headers per replicate
    text = gen,
    cex = 0.7,
    shorten = "no",
    out1 = row, out1.gpar=list(col="black"), # lines between rows
    out2 = col, out2.gpar=list(col="black"), # lines between columns
    main = "Field layout",
    show.key = FALSE
)
```

Field layout

| R1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | R2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| G17 | G09 | G03 | G34 | G13 | G35 | G01 | G01 | G27 | G16 | G29 | G14 | G28 | G22 |
| G24 | G25 | G05 | G32 | G02 | G27 | G08 | G33 | G09 | G17 | G18 | G32 |  | G02 |
| G22 | G11 | G19 | G26 | G29 | G15 | G23 | G11 | G07 | G26 | G05 | G35 | G10 | G30 |
| G10 | G14 |  | G21 | G31 | G06 | G18 | G24 | G21 | G12 | G04 | G23 | G13 | G03 |
| G20 | G04 | G33 | G28 | G07 | G12 | G30 | G31 | G19 | G25 | G34 | G20 | G08 | G06 |

## 2 Model

Finally, we can decide to fit a linear model with yield as the response variable and gen as fixed effects, since our goal is to compare them to each other. Since the trial was laid out in rows and columns, we also need rowF and colF effects in the model, but these can be taken either as a fixed or as random effects. Since our goal is to compare genotypes, we will determine which of the two models we prefer by comparing the average standard error of a difference (s.e.d.) for the comparisons between adjusted genotype means - the lower the s.e.d. the better.

```
# blocks as fixed (linear model)
mod_frc <- lm(yield ~ gen + rep + rowF + colF,
    data = dat)
avg_sed_mod_frc <- mod_frc %>%
    emmeans(pairwise ~ "gen",
            adjust = "none") %>%
    pluck("contrasts") %>% # extract diffs
    as_tibble() %>% # format to table
    pull("SE") %>% # extract s.e.d. column
    mean() # get arithmetic mean
```

```
avg_sed_mod_frc
[1] 0.4828268
# blocks as random (linear mixed model)
mod_rrc <- lmer(yield ~ gen + rep + (1 | rowF) + (1 | colF),
    data = dat)
avg_sed_mod_rrc <- mod_rrc %>%
    emmeans(pairwise ~ "gen",
            adjust = "none",
            lmer.df = "kenward-roger") %>%
    pluck("contrasts") %>% # extract diffs
    as_tibble() %>% # format to table
    pull("SE") %>% # extract s.e.d. column
    mean() # get arithmetic mean
avg_sed_mod_rrc
[1] 0.4834463
```

As a result, we find that the model with fixed row and column effects has the slightly smaller s.e.d. and is therefore more precise in terms of comparing genotypes.

A Model assumptions met? (click to show)
It would be at this moment (i.e. after fitting the model and before running the ANOVA), that you should check whether the model assumptions are met. Find out more in the summary article "Model Diagnostics"

## 3 ANOVA

Based on our model, we can then conduct an ANOVA:

```
ANOVA <- anova(mod_frc)
ANOVA
```

```
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: yield
        Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr (>F)
gen 34 32.157 0.9458 5.6767 3.505e-05 ***
rep 1 24.901 24.9014 149.4615 2.778e-11 ***
rowF 4 1.436 0.3591 2.1553 0.107861
colF 6 4.794 0.7990 4.7956 0.002873 **
Residuals 22 3.665 0.1666
---
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Accordingly, the ANOVA's F-test did not find the cultivar effects to be statistically significant ( $\mathrm{p}<.001^{* * *}$ ).

## 4 Mean comparison

Besides an ANOVA, one may also want to compare adjusted yield means between cultivars via post hoc tests ( t -test, Tukey test etc.).

```
mean_comp <- mod_frc \(\%\) > \(\%\)
    emmeans (specs \(=\sim\) gen) \(\%>\%\) \# adj. mean per genotype
    cld(adjust \(=\) "none", Letters = letters) \# compact letter display (CLD)
mean_comp
    gen emmean \(S E\) df lower.CL upper.CL .group
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G15 } & 3.29 & 0.475 & 22 & 2.31 & 4.28 \\ \mathrm{ab}\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G04 } & 3.35 & 0.326 & 22 & 2.67 & 4.03\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { G23 } & 3.54 & 0.323 & 22 & 2.87 & 4.21 & \mathrm{ab}\end{array}\)
    G29 \(3.57 \quad 0.323 \quad 22 \quad 2.90 \quad 4.25 \mathrm{ab}\)
    G16 \(3.590 .47022 \quad 2.61 \quad 4.56\) abcde
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G26 } & 3.63 & 0.350 & 22 & 2.90 & 4.35\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G02 } & 3.71 & 0.347 & 22 & 2.99 & 4.43 \\ \text { abcd }\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{lllll}\text { G22 } & 3.79 & 0.327 & 22 & 3.12 \quad 4.47 \\ \text { abcde }\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G24 } & 3.82 & 0.351 & 22 & 3.09 & 4.54 \\ \text { abcdef }\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G31 } & 3.82 & 0.322 & 22 & 3.15 & 4.49 \\ \text { abcdef }\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G35 } & 3.94 & 0.324 & 22 & 3.27 & 4.61 \\ \text { abcdefg }\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G17 } & 4.07 & 0.326 & 22 & 3.39 & 4.75 \\ \text { abcdefgh }\end{array}\)
    \(\begin{array}{llllll}\text { G28 } & 4.12 & 0.320 & 22 & 3.45 & 4.78 \\ \text { abcdefgh }\end{array}\)
```

| G32 | 4.15 | 0.347 | 22 | 3.43 | 4.87 | abcdefgh |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| G30 | 4.18 | 0.352 | 22 | 3.45 | 4.91 | abcdefgh |
| G09 | 4.24 | 0.352 | 22 | 3.51 | 4.98 | abcdefghi |
| G25 | 4.28 | 0.326 | 22 | 3.60 | 4.95 | bcdefghi |
| G34 | 4.30 | 0.349 | 22 | 3.58 | 5.03 | bcdefghij |
| G20 | 4.32 | 0.337 | 22 | 3.62 | 5.02 | bcdefghij |
| G10 | 4.56 | 0.323 | 22 | 3.90 | 5.23 | cdefghij |
| G05 | 4.60 | 0.325 | 22 | 3.93 | 5.28 | defghijk |
| G14 | 4.61 | 0.322 | 22 | 3.94 | 5.28 | cdefghij |
| G13 | 4.66 | 0.322 | 22 | 3.99 | 5.32 | cdefghij |
| G11 | 4.69 | 0.347 | 22 | 3.98 | 5.41 | defghijk |
| G08 | 4.70 | 0.326 | 22 | 4.03 | 5.38 | efghij |
| G21 | 4.75 | 0.344 | 22 | 4.04 | 5.47 | defghijk |
| G27 | 4.80 | 0.323 | 22 | 4.13 | 5.48 | fghijkl |
| G18 | 4.84 | 0.322 | 22 | 4.18 | 5.51 | ghijkl |
| G33 | 4.88 | 0.325 | 22 | 4.21 | 5.56 | ghijkl |
| G01 | 4.88 | 0.343 | 22 | 4.17 | 5.60 | ghijkl |
| G12 | 4.98 | 0.322 | 22 | 4.31 | 5.65 | hijkl |
| G03 | 5.20 | 0.321 | 22 | 4.53 | 5.86 | ijkl |
| G07 | 5.21 | 0.323 | 22 | 4.54 | 5.88 | jkl |
| G06 | 5.59 | 0.326 | 22 | 4.92 | 6.27 | kl |
| G19 | 5.73 | 0.326 | 22 | 5.06 | 6.41 |  |

```
Results are averaged over the levels of: rep, rowF, colF
Confidence level used: 0.95
significance level used: alpha = 0.05
NOTE: If two or more means share the same grouping symbol,
        then we cannot show them to be different.
        But we also did not show them to be the same.
```

It can be seen that the compact letter display is kind of reaching its limit as the way differences are found to be statistically significant here is quite complex.

Note that if you would like to see the underlying individual contrasts/differences between adjusted means, simply add details = TRUE to the cld() statement. Furthermore, check out the Summary Article "Compact Letter Display".

Finally, we can create a plot that displays both the raw data and the results, i.e. the comparisons of the adjusted means that are based on the linear model.

```
# reorder genotype factor levels according to adjusted mean
my_caption <- "Black dots represent raw data. Red diamonds and error bars represent adjust
```

```
ggplot() +
    # green/red dots representing the raw data
    geom_point(
        data = dat,
        aes(y = yield, x = gen)
    ) +
    # red diamonds representing the adjusted means
    geom_point(
        data = mean_comp,
        aes(y = emmean, x = gen),
        shape = 18,
        color = "red",
        position = position_nudge(x = 0.2)
    ) +
    # red error bars representing the confidence limits of the adjusted means
    geom_errorbar(
        data = mean_comp,
        aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL, x = gen),
        color = "red",
        width = 0.1,
        position = position_nudge(x = 0.2)
    ) +
    # red letters
    geom_text(
        data = mean_comp,
        aes(y = upper.CL, x = gen, label = str_trim(.group)),
        color = "red",
        angle = 90,
        hjust = -0.2,
        position = position_nudge(x = 0.2)
    ) +
    scale_x_discrete(
        name = "Cultivar",
        limits = as.character(mean_comp$gen)
    ) +
    scale_y_continuous(
        name = "Yield",
        # limits = c(0, NA),
        expand = expansion(mult = c(0, 0.05))
    ) +
    coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0, NA)) +
```

```
labs(caption = my_caption) +
theme_classic() +
theme(plot.caption = element_textbox_simple(margin = margin(t = 5)),
        plot.caption.position = "plot",
        axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust = 0.5))
```



Black dots represent raw data. Red diamonds and error bars represent adjusted means with $95 \%$ confidence limits per cultivar. Means followed by a common letter are not significantly different according to the t -test.

## 5 Bonus

Here are some other things you would maybe want to look at for the analysis of this dataset.

### 5.1 Variance components

To extract variance components from our models, we unfortunately need different functions per model since only of of them is a mixed model and we used different functions to fit them.

```
# Residual Variance
summary(mod_frc)$sigma^2
```

[1] 0.1666074

```
# Both Variance Components
as_tibble(VarCorr(mod_rrc))
# A tibble: 3 x 5
    grp var1 var2 vcov sdcor
    <chr> <chr> <chr> <dbl> <dbl>
1 \mp@code { c o l F ~ ( I n t e r c e p t ) ~ < N A > ~ 0 . 1 4 4 ~ 0 . 3 8 0 }
2 \text { rowF (Intercept) <NA> 0.0293 0.171}
3 Residual <NA> <NA> 0.167 0.409
```


### 5.2 Efficiency

The efficiency of a resolvable design can be calculated as its mean s.e.d. compared to the ( mean $^{1}$ ) s.e.d. of the analogous RCBD, i.e. leaving out the incomplete block effects within the replicates. Above, we have already calculated the mean s.e.d. of our resolvable design so we can square it and get avg_sed_mod_frc^2 which is 0.23312 . Accordingly, we can fit a model leaving out the incomplete block effects and get the s.e.d. just like before and also square it:

```
avg_sed_mod_RCBD <- lm(yield ~ gen + rep, data = dat) %>%
    emmeans(pairwise ~ "gen",
            adjust = "none",
            lmer.df = "kenward-roger") %>%
    pluck("contrasts") %>% # extract diffs
    as_tibble() %>% # format to table
    pull("SE") %>% # extract s.e.d. column
    mean()
avg_sed_mod_RCBD^2
[1] 0.3257469
```

Finally, the efficiency of this resolvable design is then

```
avg_sed_mod_RCBD^2 / avg_sed_mod_frc^2
```

[1] 1.397325
meaning that the resolvable design is more efficient since the efficiency is $>1$.

[^0]Kempton, R. A., P. N. Fox, and M. Cerezo. 1996. Statistical Methods for Plant Variety Evaluation. Springer Netherlands. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-94-009-1503-9.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ In this scenario, all s.e.d. of the RCBD model would be identical so we don't really need to get the average, but could instead argue that there is only one constant s.e.d.

