Midterm II Study Questions

- 1. Know how to calculate:
- -- anova summary for a two-way or three-way between-subjects factorial design experiment, given raw data
- -- for fixed, crossed, random and nested designs
- -- for one-way within designs
- -- simple main effects, simple interactions
- -- interaction contrasts (including two-way trend)
- -- trends or contrasts on the main effects
- -- post-hoc tests (Scheffe and Tukey) on cell means or main effect means, given appropriate formulas, tables, etc.
- --main effects and interactions in three-way or higher between-subjects designs, as well as relevant analytical comparisons, simple effects, etc.
- 2. Understand what is partitioned in the simple main effects, simple interactions, interaction contrasts, etc. What is the relationship between one-way between-subject anova and two-way between-subject anova?
- -- Express a factorial design in terms of a set of orthogonal contrasts on the cell means.
- 3. Know how to interpret the outcomes of the various analyses listed under #1. Given a research or theoretical question, be able to <u>select</u> an analysis that will address it appropriately.
- 4. Explain the concept of an interaction effect, and what it means to have no interaction.
- -- Be able to set up contrasts for a two-way factorial design that could be used to compute the SS for an interaction.
- -- Know how to extract the $\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}$ components of the linear model, how graphing them can help interpret the interaction and relate these to the SS for the interaction.
- -- From the Loftus article: how do you know when an interaction can be interpreted as reflecting a "real" interaction in the psychological processes? Discuss scale dependency of interactions, and transformations to reduce interactions.
- -- Should all possible interactions in a multi-way design be tested? What are the options for dealing with interactions that are <u>not</u> tested?

- 5. How can you tell when a factor is nested in another factor? Relate the partition for a nested design to the partition for a completely crossed design, and to the simple main effects tests in a crossed design.
- 6. What does it mean for a factor to be a random factor? Explain which error terms are different when a random factor other than subjects is involved in an experiment. Explain why the error terms are different when a random factor is involved.

Within-Subject Design

- 1. Conceptually, what are the advantages and disadvantages of within-subject design?
- 2. Statistically, when is within-subject design an advantage?
- 3. What are the statistical assumptions of within-subject anova? What is assumed to be independent in a within-subject anova?
 - -- What is a variance-covariance matrix?
 - -- What assumption is made about the variance-covariance matrix in withinsubject anova?
 - -- Calculate a variance-covariance matrix given the formula for covariance.
- 4. What are the options for dealing with an inflated Type I error when sphericity is violated?
- 5. What is partitioned when comparisons are constructed in a within-subject design using Keppel's (or the class) method? Why is it nice for the error to be partitioned? By partitioning the error, what is the experimenter implicitly admitting?
- 6. What is the linear model for with-in subject design? What are error terms for a with-subject factorial design?