610 Handout – R2

One-way between groups contrasts

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1. Enter the Data

For this exercise we'll continue using the data from class handout #3, in which we are trying testing for variance in "score" due to "group". See handout R1 on entering data.

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	tach(da coup = a	atal) as.factor(q	roup)		Factor A				
> da	-		± '	level 1	level 2	level 3	level 4	level5	
c	group so	core		8	4	5	3	6	
1	1	8		6	5	3	4	7	
2	1	6		7	5	3	2	5	
3	1	7		7	6	6	2	4	
				6	3	2	3	6	

2. Do a specific pairwise test of two of the means

Is group1 significantly different from group2? First make a separate variable for the set of scores in each group. The following command makes a new vector, *group1*, which contains only the scores from participants in group1, and then does the same for *group2*.

```
> group1 = score[group=="1"]
                                       #single equal sign means "set equal to"
                                       #double means "evaluates as equal to"
> group2 = score[group=="2"]
> group1
[1] 8 6 7 7 6
                                              By default R assumes that variance is NOT
> group2
                                              equal, and so unless you say otherwise it will
[1] 4 5 5 6 3
                                              use the Welch method to adjust your degrees
> t.test(group1,group2, var.equal=T)
                                              of freedom and your p-value. By setting
                                              var.equal=T, we are able to take advantage
         Two Sample t-test
                                              of our friend the pooled variance.
data: group1 and group2
t = 3.4785, df = 8, p-value = 0.008338
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.741555 3.658445
sample estimates:
mean of x mean of y
       6.8
                   4.6
```

The above t-test compares the scores from group1with the scores from group2. The means of the two groups are significantly different, t(8)=3.4785, p<.01.

If appropriate given our design, we could instead perform a paired t-test. Note that here we don't bother creating new variables like we did above. We could have, but this is quicker.

This parameter says to show us

3. Create and test a set of Helmert contrasts

R can automatically create and then test a set of Helmert contrasts. First we create the set of contrasts:

```
> coefs = contr.helmert(5)
                                         #"5" because we have 5 groups
> coefs
                                         #displays the contrasts
  [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
1
    -1
           -1
                 -1
                       -1
                       -1
                             Each column is a contrast.
2
     1
           -1
                 -1
            2
                 -1
                       -1
                             Each row is a group.
3
      0
                  3
                       -1
4
      0
            0
5
      0
            0
                  0
                         4
```

R allows you to set the "contrasts" attribute of a factor. This attribute will just hang out in the background for now, waiting to spring into action when we perform an ANOVA.

> contrasts(group) = coefs # sets the contrasts attribute of factor group

```
Run the anova... > anoval = aov(score~group)
```

...then ask for the summary, including the four contrasts.

```
> summary(anoval, split=list(group=c(1,2,3,4))
           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                        Pr(>F)
group
            4 48.240 12.060 9.0000 0.0002508 ***
 group: C1 1 12.100 12.100 9.0299 0.0069971 **
 group: C2 1 12.033
                      12.033 8.9801 0.0071289 **
 group: C3 1 19.267
                      19.267 14.3781 0.0011441 **
 group: C4 1 4.840
                       4.840
                              3.6119 0.0718780 .
Residuals
           20 26.800
                       1.340
Signif. codes: 0 `***' 0.001 `**' 0.01 `*' 0.05 `.' 0.1 ` ' 1
```

4. Test all polynomial trends

Similar to the Helmert contrasts, you can tell R to create contrasts to test for polynomial trends in your groups.

<pre>> coefs2 = contr.poly(5)</pre>	#"5" because we have 5 groups
<pre>> contrasts(group) = coefs2</pre>	#set the contrasts attribute of group
<pre>> anova2 = aov(score~group)</pre>	#do the anova

Let's label our contrasts this time. First we'll create a list of four labels for our four contrasts, then we'll use that list with the split parameter when we ask for the summary.

```
> polylabels = list("linear"=1, "quadratic"=2, "cubic"=3, "quartic"=4)
```

```
> summary(anova2, split=list(group=polylabels))
                  Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                               Pr(>F)
                      48.24
                              12.06 9.0000 0.0002508 ***
                    4
group
                       8.82
                               8.82 6.5821 0.0184486 *
                   1
 group: linear
                              34.30 25.5970 5.997e-05 ***
 group: quadratic 1
                      34.30
 group: cubic
                   1
                       2.88
                               2.88 2.1493 0.1581860
 group: quartic
                       2.24
                                2.24 1.6716 0.2107755
                   1
Residuals
                   20 26.80
                               1.34
_ _ _
Signif. codes: 0 `***' 0.001 `**' 0.01 `*' 0.05 `.' 0.1 ` ' 1
```

5. Test a specific one-way contrast

Let's say that we're interested in testing the following contrasts:

<u>group1 and group3</u> versus <u>group2 and group5</u> (1,-1,1,0,-1) <u>group4</u> versus <u>all others</u> (-1,-1,-1,4,-1)

First make a matrix with the two sets of contrast coefficients.

> coefs= cbind(c(1,-1,1,0,-1), c(-1,-1,-1,4,-1))

Set the "contrasts" attribute of factor group.

```
> contrasts(group) = coefs
```

Next create a list of names for the contrasts, to help you interpret the output. We are testing two contrasts, so we need to provide a label for contrast #1 and another label for contrast #2.

> contrastlabels = list("land3_vs_4and5"=1, "4_vs_others"=2)

So go ahead and do that ANOVA now. Include the *split* parameter so R shows you the contrasts, using the contrast labels you gave it. Just for kicks, ask for the intercept too.

```
> summary(anoval, intercept=T, split=list(group=contrastlabels) )
```

Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F) (Intercept) 1 556.96 556.96 415.6418 7.486e-15 *** 4 48.24 12.06 9.0000 0.0002508 *** group 0.1493 0.7033289 group: land3_vs_4and5 1 0.20 0.20 23.04 17.1940 0.0004994 *** group: 4_vs_others 1 23.04 Residuals 20 26.80 1.34 _ _ _ Signif. codes: 0 `***' 0.001 `**' 0.01 `*' 0.05 `.' 0.1 ` ' 1

So we find that there is not a significant difference in the first contrast F(1,20)=0.15, p>.05, but there is in the second, F(1,20)=17.19, p<.001.