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Introduction to Statistics

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T-tests: summary

T-test in general
Used to compare means

One-sample t-test
Compare the mean of a sample to a given number

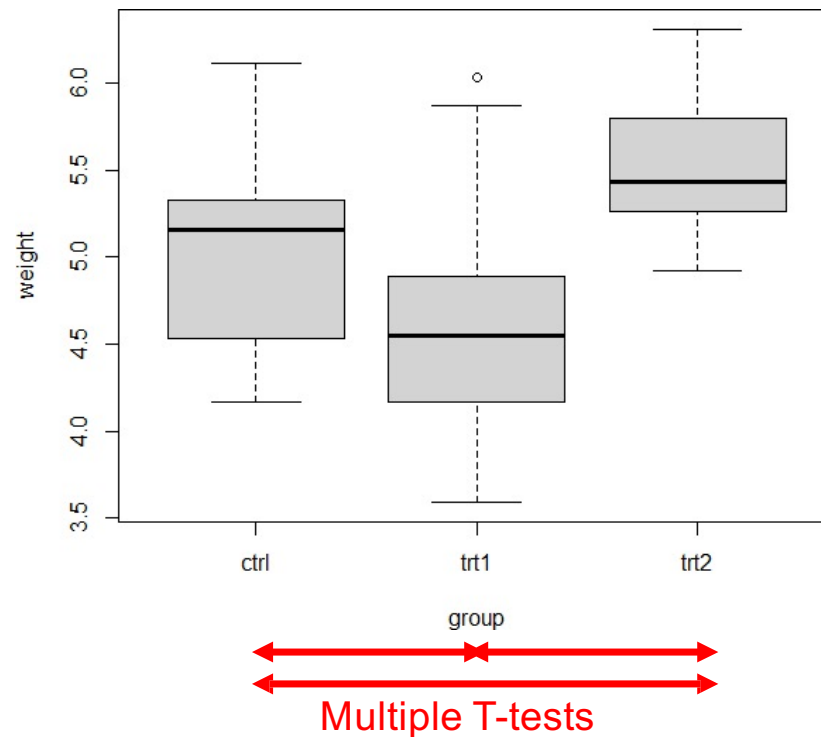
Two-sample t-test
Compare the means of two samples

Paired t-test
Compare the difference between pairs of related data points

One or two groups

How to compare the mean of 3 groups ?

Example: What is the effect of treatment conditions on plant growth (weight) ?



How to compare the mean of 20 groups ?

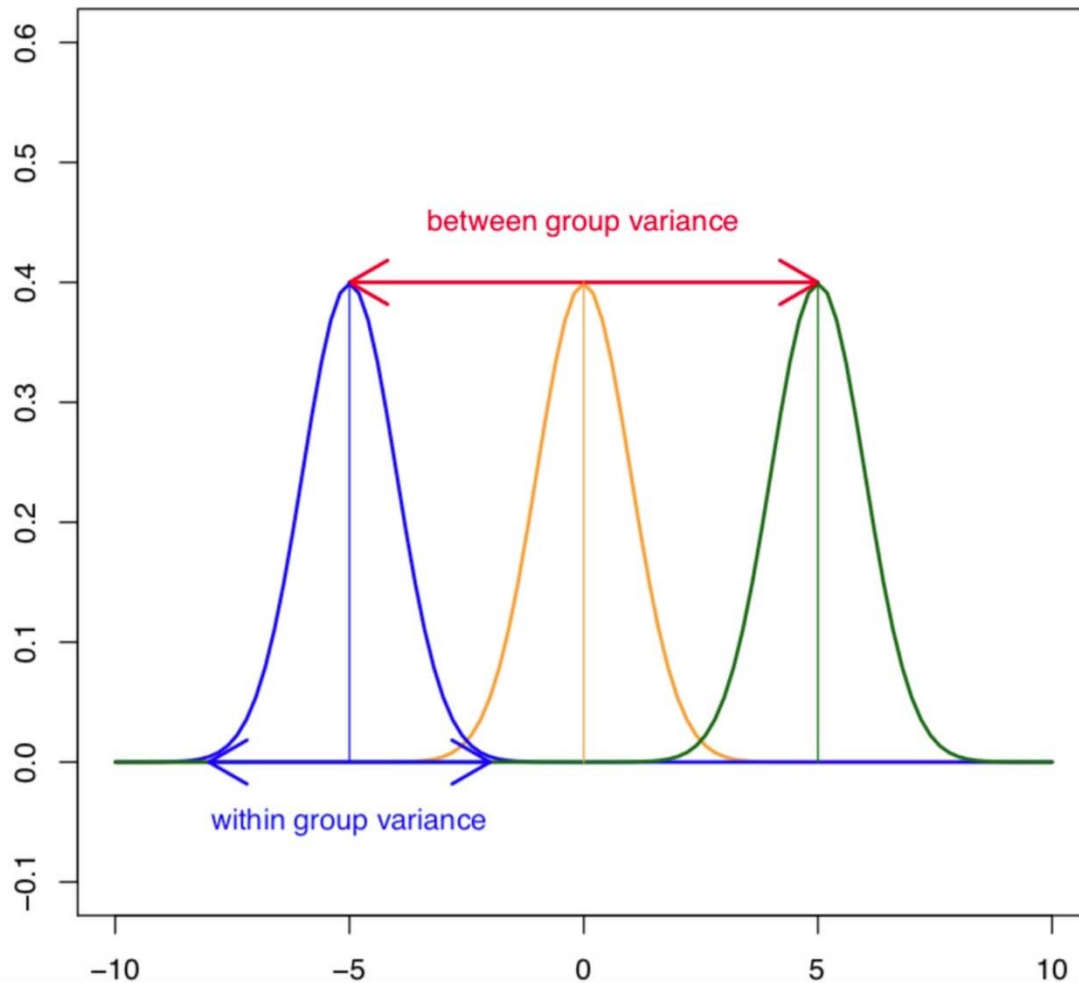
Multiple T-tests  Multiple testing correction !

Another solution ?

ANOVA = ANalysis Of Variance

allows to determine whether there are any **statistically significant differences** between the **means** of **three or more independent groups**

ANOVA – Schematic view



Within group variance = SS_{error}

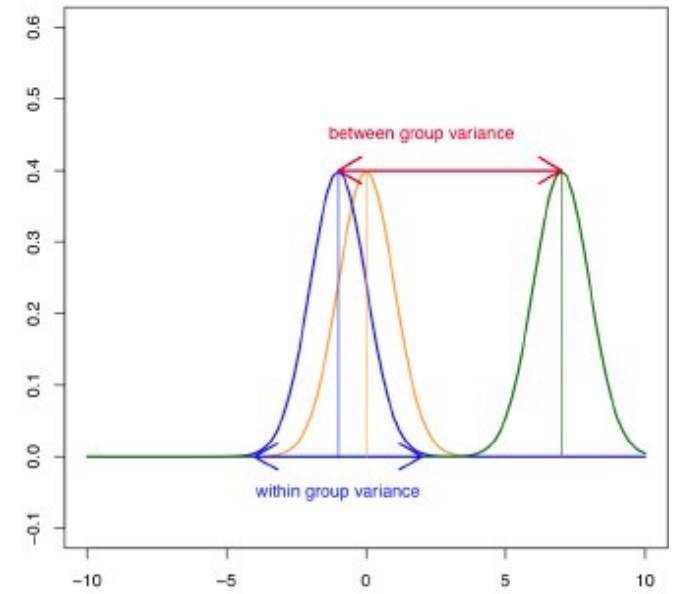
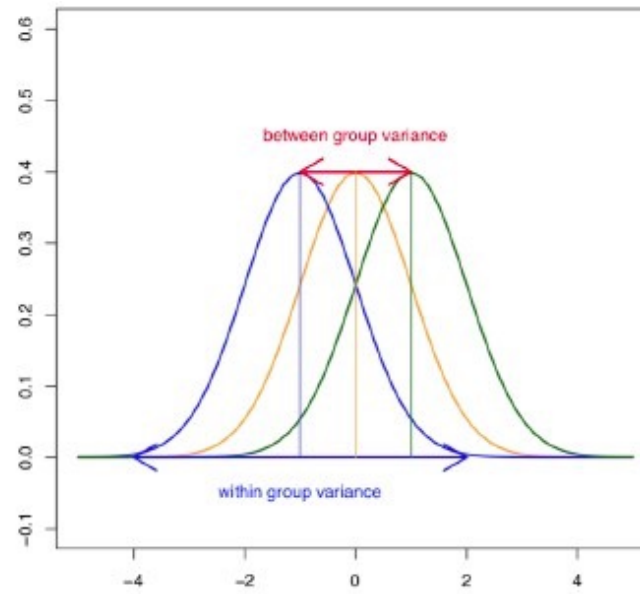
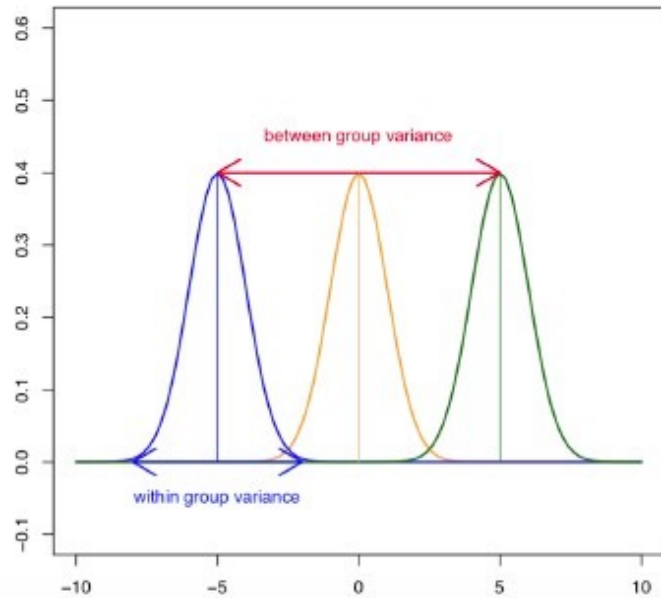
Assumption: $SS_{\text{error}} = SS_{\text{error}} = SS_{\text{error}}$

Between group variance = SS_{group}

$$SS_{\text{total}} = SS_{\text{group}} + SS_{\text{error}}$$

ANOVA – Schematic view

If $SS_{\text{group}} > SS_{\text{error}}$ \longrightarrow at least two means are different

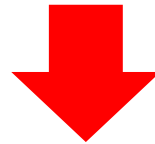


ANOVA – Hypothesis testing

- H_0 : all group means are equal
- H_1 : at least one mean is different
- A simple model formula in R with one factor is written as

`plant weight ~ treatment`

`y ~ x`



`modeled by`

ANOVA – in R

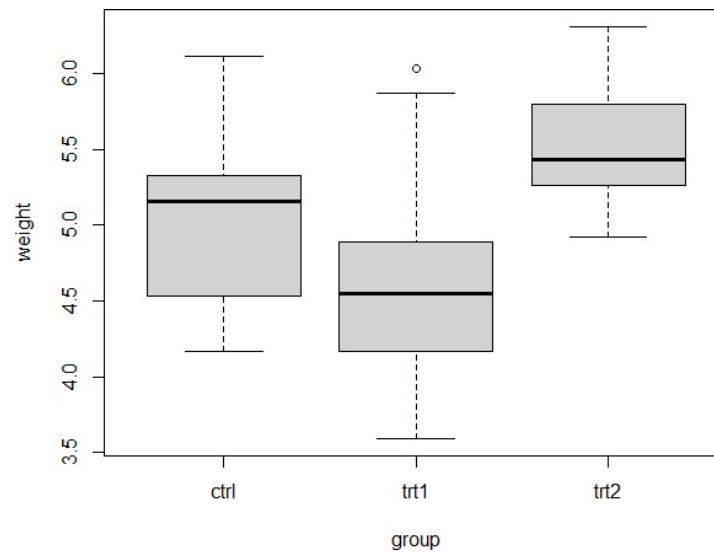
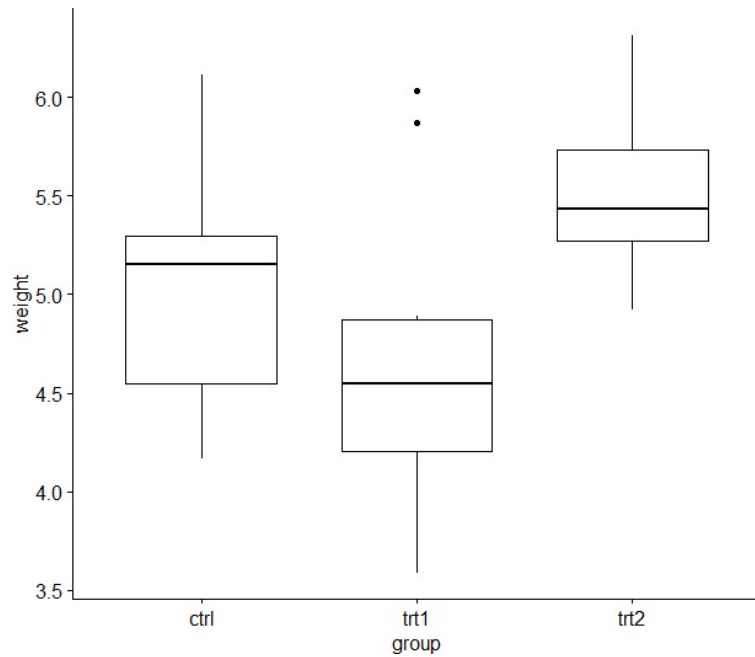
```
# read data
> PlantGrowth <- read.csv("PlantGrowth.csv", header = T)
> dim(PlantGrowth)
> levels(PlantGrowth$group)
> summary(PlantGrowth)

# if the levels are not automatically in the correct order, re-order them as follow:
> PlantGrowth <- PlantGrowth %>% reorder_levels(group, order = c("ctrl", "trt1",
"trt2"))

# compute some summary statistics (count, mean and sd) per group
> PlantGrowth %>% group_by(group) %>% get_summary_stats(weight, type = "mean_sd")
# A tibble: 3 x 5
  group variable      n  mean    sd
  <fct> <chr>      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 ctrl  weight      10   5.03 0.583
2 trt1  weight      10   4.66 0.794
3 trt2  weight      10   5.53 0.443
```


ANOVA – in R

```
# create a box plot of weight by group:  
> ggboxplot(PlantGrowth, x = "group", y = "weight")  
> boxplot(PlantGrowth$weight ~ PlantGrowth$group, xlab="group", ylab="weight")
```



ANOVA – in R

```
> anova.res <- aov(PlantGrowth$weight ~ PlantGrowth$group)
```

Call:

```
  aov(formula = PlantGrowth$weight ~ PlantGrowth$group)
```

Terms:

	PlantGrowth\$group	Residuals
Sum of Squares	3.76634	10.49209
Deg. of Freedom	2	27

Residual standard error: 0.6233746

Estimated effects may be unbalanced

```
> summary(anova.res)
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
PlantGrowth\$group	2	3.766	1.8832	4.846	0.0159 *
Residuals	27	10.492	0.3886		

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Source of variation	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean squares	F ratio
Between groups (factor)	SSB	k-1	MSB=SSB/k-1	F=MSB/MSW
Within groups (error)	SSW	n-k	MSW=SSW/n-k	
Total	SST=SSB+SSW	n-1		

$$SSB = \sum_{j=1}^k n_j (\bar{X}_j - \bar{X})^2$$

$$SSW = \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (X_{ij} - \bar{X}_j)^2$$

$$SST = \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (X_{ij} - \bar{X})^2$$

ANOVA assumptions

- Independence of observations
- Equal variance

```
>PlantGrowth %>% levene_test(weight ~ group)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 4
```

	df1	df2	statistic	p
	<int>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	2	27	1.12	0.341

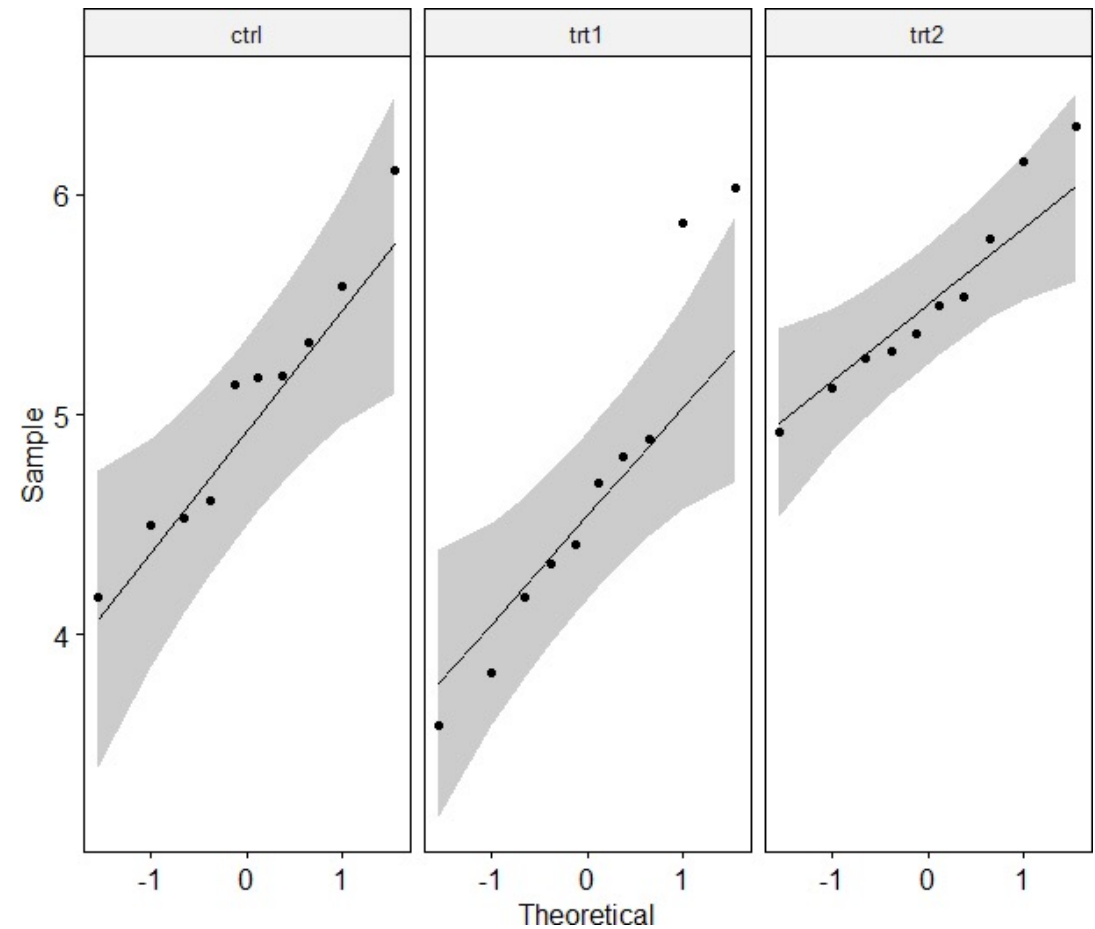
$$W = \frac{n-k}{k-1} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k n_i \left(\frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} |F_{ij} - \bar{F}_i| - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} |F_{ij} - \bar{F}_i| \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \left(|F_{ij} - \bar{F}_i| - \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} |F_{ij} - \bar{F}_i| \right)^2} \sim F(k-1, n-1)$$

ANOVA assumptions

- Normal distribution

```
> PlantGrowth %>% group_by(group)
%>% shapiro_test(weight)
# A tibble: 3 x 4
  group variable statistic      p
  <fct> <chr>      <dbl> <dbl>
1 ctrl  weight      0.957 0.747
2 trt1  weight      0.930 0.452
3 trt2  weight      0.941 0.564

> ggqqplot(PlantGrowth, "weight",
  facet.by = "group")
```



Post-hoc tests

- A significant one-way ANOVA is generally followed up by Tukey post-hoc tests to perform multiple pairwise comparisons between groups

```
>tukey.res <- PlantGrowth %>% tukey_hsd(weight ~ group)
# A tibble: 3 x 9
  term  group1 group2 null.value estimate conf.low conf.high p.adj p.adj.signif
* <chr> <chr>  <chr>      <dbl>     <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl> <dbl>  <chr>
1 group ctrl  trt1         0    -0.371   -1.06    0.320  0.391    ns
2 group ctrl  trt2         0     0.494   -0.197    1.19  0.198    ns
3 group trt1  trt2         0     0.865    0.174    1.56  0.012    *
```

ANOVA is parametric

- ANOVA assumptions
 - Independence of observations
 - Equal variance
 - Normal distribution
- if the above assumptions are not met: non-parametric alternative:
Kruskal-Wallis test

```
> kruskal.res <- PlantGrowth %>% kruskal_test(weight ~ group)
> kruskal.res
# A tibble: 1 x 6
  .y.      n statistic    df      p method
* <chr> <int>    <dbl> <int>  <dbl> <chr>
1 weight    30      7.99      2 0.0184 Kruskal-Wallis
```


Two-way ANOVA

- Example: the combined effect of treatment type and concentration on the growth (weight) of plants

Concentration	Treatment type		
	Control	Treatment 1	Treatment 2
	Low		
	High		

ANOVA – Hypothesis testing

- A model formula in R with x factors is written as

`y ~ x1+x2+x3`
`Response ~ predictors`

- Some useful symbols

`+` add more variables
`-` leave out variables
`:` interaction between two terms
`*` include the terms and the interactions $a*b=a+b+a:b$
`^n` adds all terms and all interactions up to order n
`I ()` include a mathematical expression

Two-way ANOVA

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	Low		
	High		

Plant growth ~ treatment type * concentration

ANOVA – in R

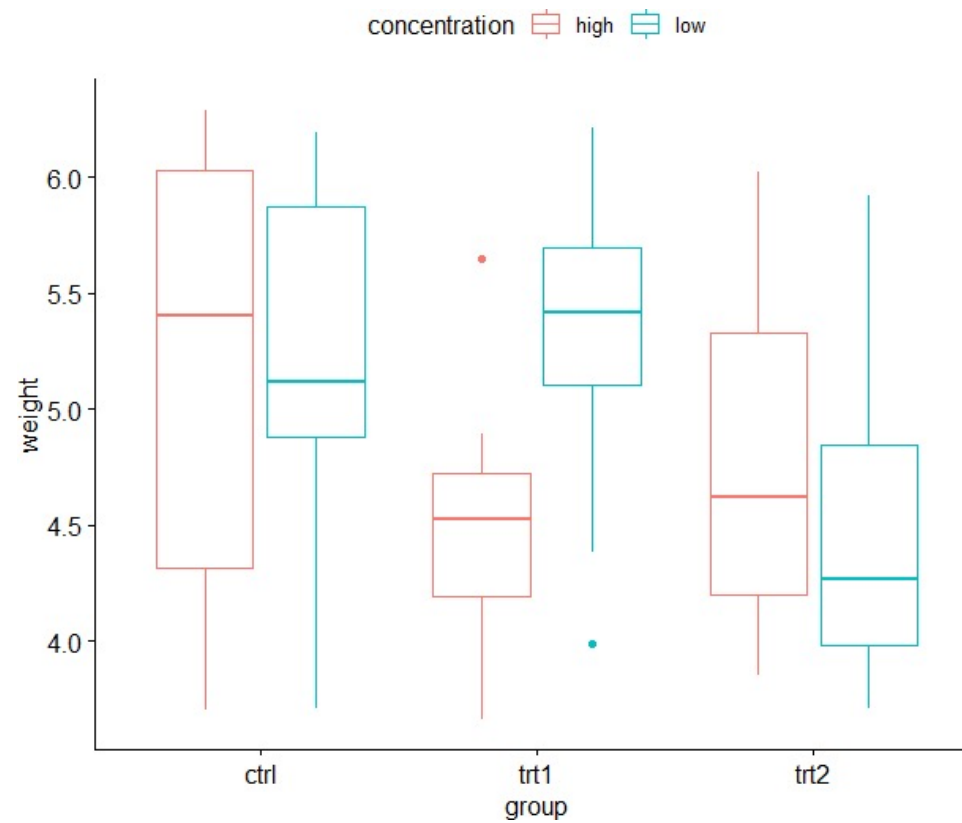
```
# compute some summary statistics (count, mean and sd) per group
>PlantGrowth_new %>% group_by(group, concentration) %>%
  get_summary_stats(weight, type = "mean_sd")
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 6
```

	group	concentration	variable	n	mean	sd
	<chr>	<chr>	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	ctrl	high	weight	10	5.16	1.00
2	ctrl	low	weight	10	5.24	0.755
3	trt1	high	weight	10	4.51	0.552
4	trt1	low	weight	10	5.30	0.69
5	trt2	high	weight	10	4.77	0.745
6	trt2	low	weight	10	4.55	0.775

ANOVA – in R

```
# visualization  
> ggboxplot(PlantGrowth_new, x = "group", y = "weight", color = "concentration")
```



ANOVA – in R – check assumptions

- Independence of observations
- Equal variance

```
>PlantGrowth_new %>% levene_test(weight ~ group*concentration)
# A tibble: 1 x 4
   df1    df2 statistic      p
  <int> <int>    <dbl> <dbl>
1     5    54    0.898 0.489
```

ANOVA – in R – check assumptions

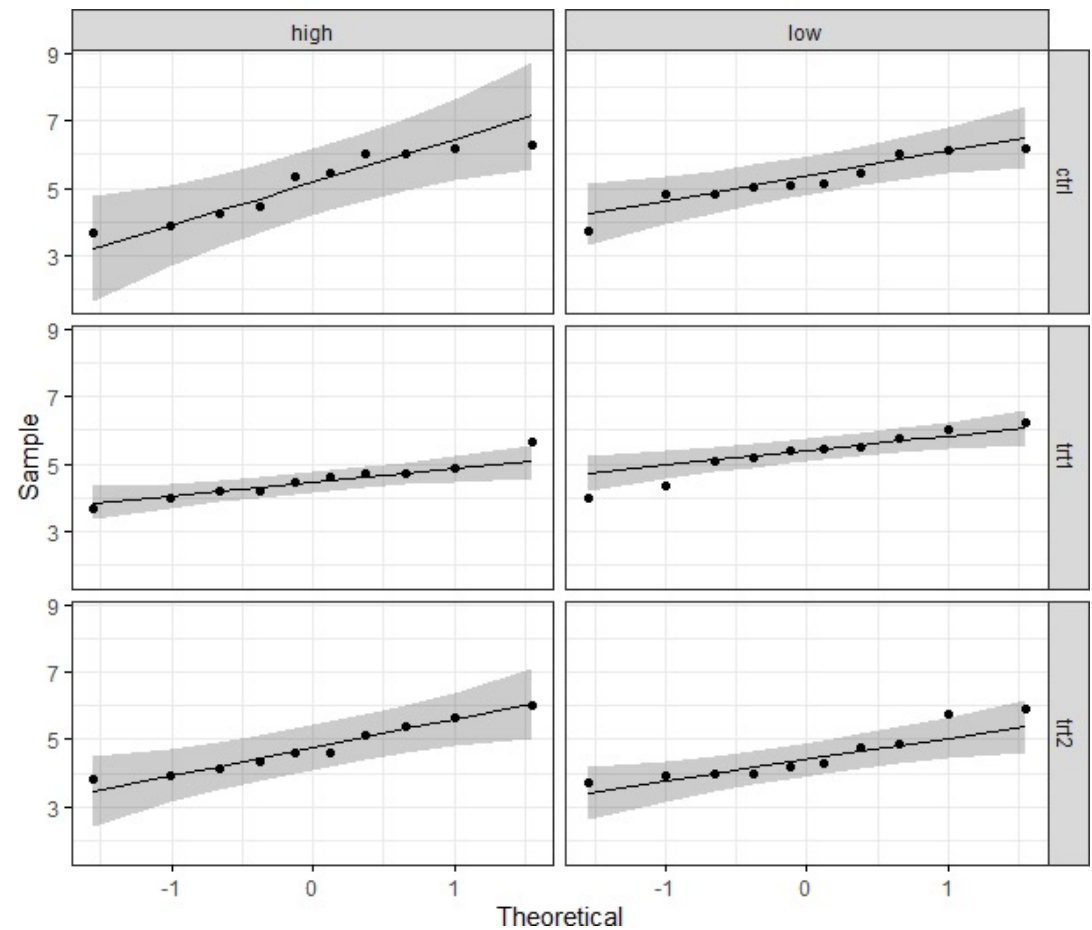
- Normal distribution

```
> PlantGrowth_new %>% group_by(group, concentration) %>% shapiro_test(weight)
# A tibble: 6 x 5
  group concentration variable statistic      p
  <chr> <chr>          <chr>      <dbl>   <dbl>
1 ctrl  high          weight      0.883 0.143
2 ctrl  low           weight      0.914 0.313
3 trt1  high          weight      0.963 0.817
4 trt1  low           weight      0.941 0.562
5 trt2  high          weight      0.943 0.585
6 trt2  low           weight      0.867 0.093
```


ANOVA – in R – check assumptions

- Normal distribution

```
>ggqqplot(PlantGrowth_new,  
"weight", ggtheme = theme_bw()) +  
facet_grid(group ~ concentration)
```



ANOVA – in R

```
> anova.res <- aov(PlantGrowth_new$weight ~ PlantGrowth_new$group *  
PlantGrowth_new$concentration)  
> summary(anova.res)
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F	value	Pr(>F)
PlantGrowth_new\$group	2	2.980	1.4898	2.548	0.0876	.
PlantGrowth_new\$concentration	1	0.700	0.6998	1.197	0.2788	
PlantGrowth_new\$group:PlantGrowth_new\$concentration	2	2.734	1.3668	2.338	0.1063	
Residuals	54	31.575	0.5847			

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ANOVA – in R

Source of variation	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean squares	F ratio
Factor A	SSA	a-1	MSA = SSA/(a-1)	MSA/MSE
Factor B	SSB	b-1	MSB = SSB/(b-1)	MSB/MSE
Interaction	SSAB	(a-1)(b-1)	SSAB = MSAB/(a-1)(b-1)	MSAB/MSE
Error	SSE	ab(n _{ij} -1)	SSE = MSE/(ab(n _{ij} -1))	
Total	SST	n-1		

X_{ijk} : value of k^{th} observation of level i of factor A and level j of factor B

n_i : number of observations of level i of factor A

n_j : number of observations of level j of factor B

n_{ij} : number of observations of level i of factor A and level j of factor B

$$SSA = \sum_{i=1}^a n_i (\bar{X}_i - \bar{X})^2$$

$$SSB = \sum_{j=1}^b n_j (\bar{X}_j - \bar{X})^2$$

$$SSAB = \sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b n_{ij} (\bar{X}_{ij} - \bar{X}_i - \bar{X}_j + \bar{X})^2$$

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b \sum_{k=1}^{n_{ij}} (X_{ijk} - \bar{X}_{ij})^2$$

$$SST = \sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b \sum_{k=1}^{n_{ij}} (X_{ijk} - \bar{X})^2$$

Confidence intervals

Confidence intervals

- Confidence interval is related to the p-value.
- It is a measure of the study's precision.
- P-value answers the question:

"Is there a statistically significant difference between the two treatments ?"
- The point estimate and its confidence interval answer the questions:

"What is the size of that treatment difference?"

"How precisely did this trial determine or estimate the treatment difference?"

Confidence intervals - representation

- Width of a confidence interval:



Confidence Limits: The upper and lower end points of the confidence interval.

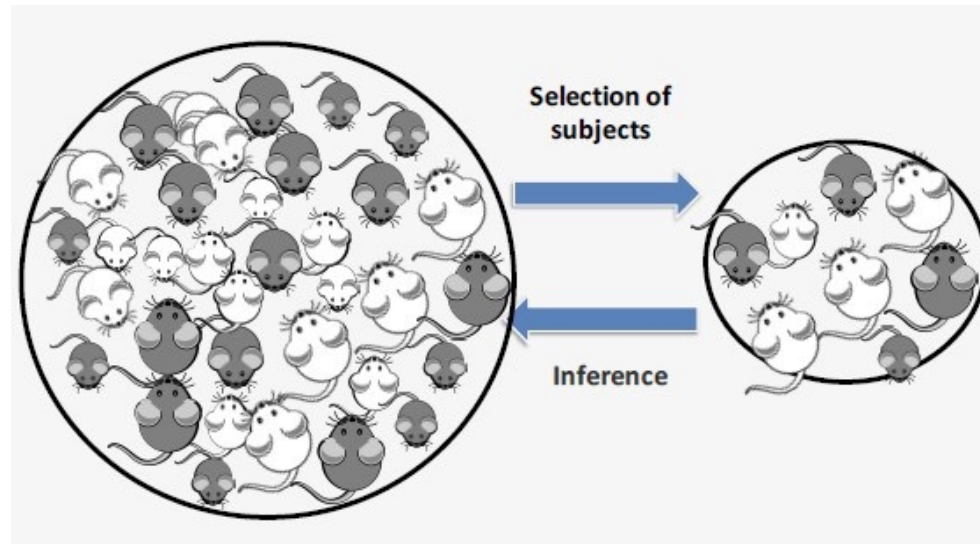
- A narrow CI implies high precision
- A wide CI implies poor precision (usually due to inadequate sample size)

Confidence intervals – computation

- $CI = (\text{Sample statistic}) \pm [(\text{confidence level}) \times (\text{Sampling variability measure})]$
 - Sample statistic: observed magnitude of effect or association (e.g., odds ratio, risk ratio, difference in mean)
 - Confidence level: $(1.0 - \alpha)$, usually expressed as a percentage (e.g. 90%, 95% or 99%).
 - Sampling variability: a measure of how high the sampling variability is. Ex: Standard error (S.E.) of the estimate is a measure of variability

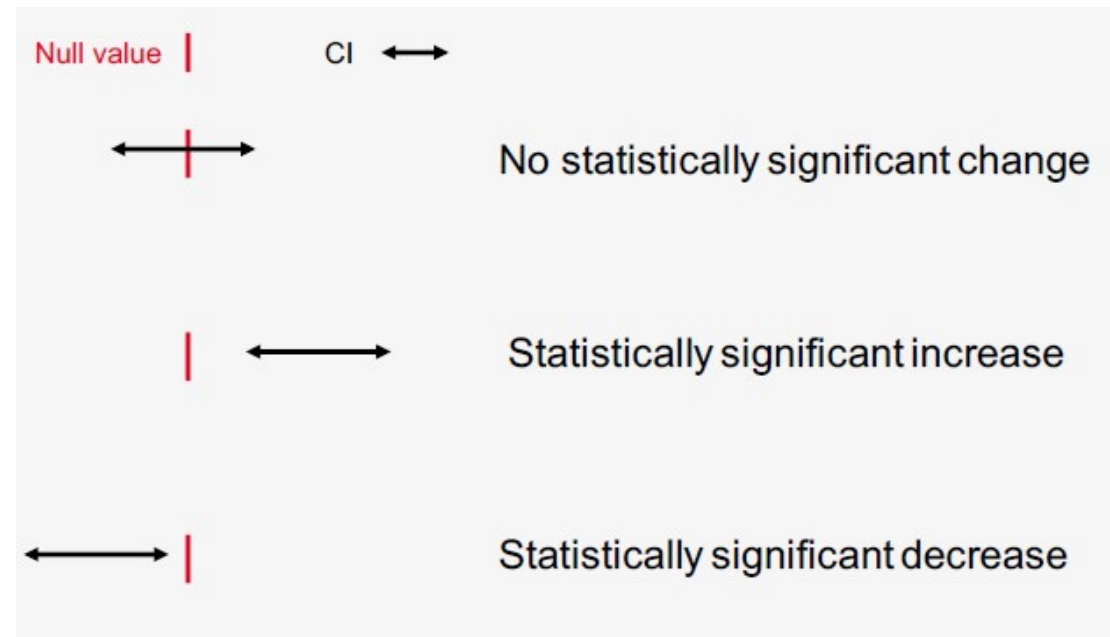
Confidence intervals – interpretation

- 95% C.I. means that true estimate of effect (ex: difference in mean, risk, rate) lies within 2 standard errors of the population mean 95 times out of 100 (given some assumptions).



Confidence intervals – interpretation

- If the 95% confidence interval does **NOT** include the null value, then we declare a “**statistically significant**” association.
- If the 95% confidence interval includes the null value, then the test result is “**not statistically significant**.”



Confidence intervals – interpretation

- Interpretation of C.I. for means: does the interval include 0 ?
- Interpretation of C.I. for ratio: does the interval include 1 ?
- Connection between P-values and C.I.s
 - If a 95% CI includes the null effect, the Pvalue is > 0.05 (and we would fail to reject the null hypothesis)
 - If the 95% CI excludes the null effect, the Pvalue is < 0.05 (and we would reject the null hypothesis)

Confidence intervals – interpretation

<u>Exposure:</u>	alcohol intake (high versus low)
<u>Outcome:</u>	Incidence of breast cancer
<u>Risk Ratio:</u>	1.32 (point estimate)
<u>p-value:</u>	0.14 (not statistically significant)
<u>95% C.I.:</u>	0.87 - 1.98



Women with high alcohol intake are 1.32 times (or 32%) more likely to develop breast cancer compared to women with low alcohol intake. However, we are 95% confident that the true value (risk) of the population lies between 0.87 and 1.98
=> not significant !