

One-Factor ANOVA Example Calculations

Examples of Model I and Model II Study Questions:

Model I:

- A. Are the mean numbers of zooplankton ml⁻¹ different in the Elizabeth, James, and York Rivers?
- B. Are there differences in the amount of cell damage resulting from the five most common cryopreservation techniques?

Model II:

- A. Are the mean numbers of zooplankton ml⁻¹ different in rivers in Virginia? Since we cannot sample from every river in Virginia, test this by sampling from three randomly chosen rivers.
- B. Is the level of cell damage caused by a particular cryopreservation technique more different among tissue samples or within a single sample?

Example Calculations:

Note that a single datum (like the first value in group 1, 36) is denoted X_{ij} where i is the group and j is the observation number within the group. The number of observations within a group is n and the number of groups is k .

Treatment Group		
1	2	3
36	46	40
39	47	50
43	47	44
38	47	48
37	43	50

Step 1:

$\sum X_{ij}$	193	230	232
n_i	5	5	5
$\sum X_{ij}^2$	7479	10592	10840

Step 2:

$\sum \sum X_{ij}$	655
$\sum n_i$	15
$\sum \sum X_{ij}^2$	28911

Step 3:

$$\sum \frac{(\sum X_{ij})^2}{n_i} = \frac{(193)^2}{5} + \frac{(230)^2}{5} + \frac{(232)^2}{5} = 28795$$

Step 4: Correction Term (CT)

$$CT = \frac{(\sum \sum X_{ij})^2}{\sum n_i} = \frac{(655)^2}{15} = 28602$$

Step 5: Total Sum of Squares (SS_T)

$$SS_T = \left(\sum \sum (X_{ij}^2) \right) - CT = 28911 - 28602 = 309$$

Step 6: Among-Groups Sum of Squares (SS_A)

$$SS_A = \text{Step 3} - CT = \sum \frac{(\sum X_{ij})^2}{n_i} - CT = 28795 - 28602 = 193$$

Step 7: Within-Groups (Error) Sum of Squares (SS_E)

$$SS_E = SS_T - SS_A = 309 - 193 = 116$$

Step 8: Mean Square Calculations

Among Groups Mean Square: $MS_A = \frac{SS_A}{k-1} = \frac{193}{2} = 96.5$

Within Groups Mean Square: $MS_E = \frac{SS_E}{(\sum n_i) - k} = \frac{116}{12} = 9.7$

Step 9: Calculate the F-statistic

$$F_{\text{calc}} = \frac{MS_A}{MS_E} = \frac{96.5}{9.7} = 9.95$$

Step 10: Compare F_{calc} to the critical value from the F-table (B.4):

numerator degrees of freedom: $v_1 = k - 1 = 2$

denominator degrees of freedom: $v_2 = \sum n_{ij} - k = 15 - 3 = 12$

Using 0.05 significance level,

$$F_{\alpha(1), v_1, v_2} = F_{0.05, 2, 12} = 3.89$$

You can also get an approximate P value from the table by reading across the row to find the α interval in which the calculated F falls. In this case, it is between $\alpha = 0.005$ and 0.001

Step 11: State your conclusions

Since $9.95 > 3.89$, we reject H_0 at the 95% confidence level (or the 0.05 significance level) and conclude that:

Model I: There is a significant difference among the treatment (group) means.

OR

Model II: There is significant variation among the groups.

Step 12: Present your results in an ANOVA table

Source	df	SS	MS	F	P
Among Groups	2	193	96.5	9.95	< 0.005
Error	12	116	9.7		
Total	14	309			

Step 13: Follow-up calculations

For a significant F test:

Model I: follow-up with a multiple comparison procedure to identify which groups were different from the others.

Model II: follow-up with calculation of variance components to identify how much of the variation is due to the treatment.

For a non-significant F test, you may want to follow-up with a post-hoc power calculation based on the minimum biologically-significant difference.