



## Other aspects of the RCBD

- The RCBD utilizes an *additive model*
  - Can't explore interaction between treatments and blocks
- Treatments and/or blocks as random effects
  - Analysis is the same but interpretation is different
    - If blocks are random (e.g., selection of raw material batches) then assume treatment effect is the same throughout the *population* of blocks.
    - Any interaction between treatments and blocks will not affect the test on treatment means (interaction will affect both treatment and error mean squares)



## What about missing values?

- What happens if one of the measurements in your experiment is missing?
  - An error in measurement gives a result you know isn't right
  - Damage to a machine prevents you from completing a test
  - Etc.
- Inexact method – estimate the missing value and go on with the analysis
  - Reduce error degrees of freedom by 1 for each missing value
  - Danger – increase in “false” significance
- Exact method – general regression significance test
  - Test on *unbalanced* data (treatment and block not *orthogonal*)
  - Use Minitab or other computer application
    - in Minitab, use GLM model in ANOVA menu (2-Way ANOVA requires balanced designs)



## Sample size

- Sample sizing in the RCBD refers to the number of blocks to run
- Can use Minitab sample size calculator with:
  - number of levels = treatment level
  - sample size = number of blocks
- Example 4.2, pg. 134
  - note the difference between the results using the OC curve approach and Minitab



## The Latin square design

- Latin square designs are used to simultaneously control (or eliminate) two sources of nuisance variability
- Latin squares are not used as much as the RCBD in industrial experimentation
- A significant assumption is that the three factors (treatments, nuisance factors) do not interact
  - If this assumption is violated, the Latin square design will not produce valid results



## The rocket propellant problem – A Latin square design

■ TABLE 4.8  
Latin Square Design for the Rocket Propellant Problem

Batches of Raw Material	Operators				
	1	2	3	4	5
1	A = 24	B = 20	C = 19	D = 24	E = 24
2	B = 17	C = 24	D = 30	E = 27	A = 36
3	C = 18	D = 38	E = 26	A = 27	B = 21
4	D = 26	E = 31	A = 26	B = 23	C = 22
5	E = 22	A = 30	B = 20	C = 29	D = 31

- This is a *5x5 Latin square design*
- Latin letters (A, B, C, D, E) are the treatment levels
- The experiment is designed such that every treatment level is tested once at each combination of nuisance factors

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## Other Latin squares designs ...

- 4 different fonts (treatments) tested for reading speed on different computer screens and in different ambient light levels (4 levels each)
- 3 different material types (treatments) tested for strength at different material lengths and measuring device (3 levels each)
- Note that once the design is complete, the order of the trials in the experiment is *randomized*

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## Statistical analysis of the Latin square design

- The statistical (effects) model is

$$y_{ijk} = \mu + \alpha_i + \tau_j + \beta_k + \varepsilon_{ijk} \begin{cases} i = 1, 2, \dots, p \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, p \\ k = 1, 2, \dots, p \end{cases}$$

- The statistical analysis (ANOVA) is much like the analysis for the RCBD.
- See the ANOVA table, page 140
- Using Minitab (GLM) for the analysis ...

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■ TABLE 4.9

### Analysis of Variance for the Latin Square Design

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	$F_0$
Treatments	$SS_{\text{Treatments}} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p y_{.j}^2 - \frac{y_{..}^2}{N}$	$p - 1$	$\frac{SS_{\text{Treatments}}}{p - 1}$	$F_0 = \frac{MS_{\text{Treatments}}}{MS_E}$
Rows	$SS_{\text{Rows}} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p y_{i.}^2 - \frac{y_{..}^2}{N}$	$p - 1$	$\frac{SS_{\text{Rows}}}{p - 1}$	
Columns	$SS_{\text{Columns}} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^p y_{.k}^2 - \frac{y_{..}^2}{N}$	$p - 1$	$\frac{SS_{\text{Columns}}}{p - 1}$	
Error	$SS_E$ (by subtraction)	$(p - 2)(p - 1)$	$\frac{SS_E}{(p - 2)(p - 1)}$	
Total	$SS_T = \sum_i \sum_j \sum_k y_{ijk}^2 - \frac{y_{..}^2}{N}$	$p^2 - 1$		

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## Other designs

- Crossover designs
  - Repeated Latin squares in an experiment in which order (or time period) matters
  - See figure 4.7, pg. 145
- Graeco-Latin squares
  - Extension of the Latin squares design with 3 nuisance variables
    - Let each Greek letter indicate the 3<sup>rd</sup> nuisance factor level
    - Each combination of row variable, column variable, Greek letter, and Latin letter appears once and only once.
    - See example 4.4, pg. 147

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## Homework: Due Tuesday, 9/15

- 3.17
- 3.19
- 3.24
  
- 4.7
- 4.19
- 4.20
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