Structure balance for experiments which are randomized in stages



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Now we can discuss whether Washunits[Types] is fixed or random.

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- The 8-df Residual gives the variability between Days plus the variability between Animals.

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tastings tier		meatloaves tier		treatments tier	
source	df	source	df	source	df
Mean	1	Mean	1	Mean	1
Replicates	2	Blocks	2		
Panellists[Reps]	33				
Time-orders[Reps]	15				
P#T[Reps]	165	Meatloaves[B]	15	Rosemary	1
				Irradiation	2
				R# I	2
				Residual	10
		Residual	150		









vector space $V_{\Gamma} = \mathbb{R}^{\Gamma}$

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- What happens if there are 2 or more stages of (random) allocation?

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Given an allocation of Γ to Ω , we can regard subspaces of V_{Γ} as subspaces of V_{Ω} and hence regard $\mathbf{Q}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{Q}_m$ as $\Omega \times \Omega$ matrices.

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All designs in the preceding examples are orthogonal.

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observations		
source	df	
Mean	1	
Colours	1	
Slides	7	
Colours # Slides	7	

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observations			treatments	
source	df	eff	source	df
Mean	1	1	Mean	1
Colours	1			
Slides	7	$\frac{1}{2}$	Within-rest	3
			Residual	4
Colours # Slides	7	1	Control-v-rest	1
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 $\mathscr{R} \longrightarrow \mathscr{Q} \longrightarrow \mathscr{P}$



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Theorem

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Superimposed Experiment in a Row-Column Design



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source	df	source	df	eff	source	df
Mean	1	Mean	1		Mean	1
Blocks	2					
Trees[Blocks]	27	Rootstocks	9	$\frac{1}{6}$	Viruses	4
					Residual	5
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Coincident randomizations

The two structurally balanced designs are chosen so that, for all **P**, **Q**, **R**

- ► either **PQ** is zero (after **P**, ignore **Q**)
- ► or **PR** is zero (after **P**, ignore **R**)
- or $\mathbf{P} \triangleright \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{P}$ (after \mathbf{P} , do \mathbf{Q} before \mathbf{R})
- or $\mathbf{P} \triangleright \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{P}$ (after \mathbf{P} , do \mathbf{R} before \mathbf{Q})

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Theorem

Given a pair of structurally balanced randomizations which are independent or coincident (or also unrandomized-inclusive if $V_{\Gamma} \cap \text{Mean}^{\perp}$ is orthogonal to $V_{\Gamma} \cap \text{Mean}^{\perp}$), the decompositions $\mathscr{P} \rhd \mathscr{Q}$ and $\mathscr{P} \rhd \mathscr{R}$ are compatible in the sense that if $\mathbf{A} \in \mathscr{P} \rhd \mathscr{Q}$ and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathscr{P} \rhd \mathscr{R}$ then $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$. Hence

$$\{\mathbf{AB}: \mathbf{A} \in \mathscr{P} \triangleright \mathscr{Q}, \ \mathbf{B} \in \mathscr{P} \triangleright \mathscr{R}\}$$

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If you want \mathcal{Q} - \mathcal{R} interactions, you should use a single randomization.

Telephone systems: Lewis and Russell (1998)



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tasks tier		pairs tier		pictures tier		systems tier	
Mean	1	Mean	1	Mean	1	Mean	1
Sessions	7	Pairs	7				
Times	3			Pictures	3		
Sessions # Times	21					systems	3
						residual	18