

The Noise Data

Participants listened to brief political discussions under 5 levels of background noise. "Discrimination score" is a measure of how well they could tell what was being said. There are 5 lines of data per case. The variables are

- Subject identification code
- Interest in topic (politics)
- Sex (0=Male, 1=Female)
- Age category (3 levels)
- Noise level
- Time (Order of noise level presentation)
- Discrimination score

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> library(lme4) # Package must be downloaded and installed
Loading required package: Matrix
> loud =
read.table("http://www.utstat.toronto.edu/~brunner/data/legal/noise.data.txt")
> colnames(loud) = c("ident", "interest", "sex", "age", "noise", "time", "discrim")
> head(loud,n=10) # Notice the univariate data format
   ident interest sex age noise time discrim
1      1       2.5  1   2     1    4    50.7
2      1       2.5  1   2     2    1    27.4
3      1       2.5  1   2     3    3    39.1
4      1       2.5  1   2     4    2    37.5
5      1       2.5  1   2     5    5    35.4
6      2       1.9  1   2     1    3    40.3
7      2       1.9  1   2     2    1    30.1
8      2       1.9  1   2     3    5    38.9
9      2       1.9  1   2     4    2    31.9
10     2       1.9  1   2     5    4    31.6

> attach(loud)
> agefactor = factor(age); noisefactor=factor(noise); timefactr = factor(time)
>
> ##### Sex by Noise Level #####
> table(sex,noise)/5 # There are 5 lines for each person
   noise
sex 1 2 3 4 5
  0 6 6 6 6 6
  1 6 6 6 6 6
> # Look at the means
> meanz = aggregate(discrim~sex+noise, FUN=mean)
> meantable = meanz[,3]; dim(meantable) = c(2,5)
> dimnames(meantable) = list(c("Male","Female"),1:5)
> # Add marginal means and round
> meantable = round(addmargins(meantable,FUN=mean),2); meantable

Margins computed over dimensions
in the following order:
1:
2:
      1   2   3   4   5   mean
Male  40.07 36.20 35.43 32.70 30.84 35.05
Female 39.57 37.46 35.18 36.07 32.05 36.06
mean  39.82 36.83 35.30 34.38 31.45 35.56
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> # Tests
> noisel = lmer(discrim ~ sex*noisefactor + (1 | ident))
> anova(noisel) # Matches the classical mixed model F statistics

Analysis of Variance Table
  Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
sex       1   17.05   17.05  0.4192
noisefactor 4 2289.31   572.33 14.0718
sex:noisefactor 4 142.42    35.61  0.8754

> # But there are no p-values. As of December 2016, avoid the lmerTest package.
> # Large-sample likelihood ratio tests: Full vs reduced
> noint = update(noisel, . ~ . - sex:noisefactor) # Reduced model
> anova(noint,noisel) # Compare classical p = 0.4793

refitting model(s) with ML (instead of REML)

Data: NULL

Models:
noint: discrim ~ sex + noisefactor + (1 | ident)
noisel: discrim ~ sex * noisefactor + (1 | ident)

      Df     AIC     BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
noint  8 2063.2 2092.9 -1023.6    2047.2
noisel 12 2067.7 2112.1 -1021.8    2043.7 3.5954     4     0.4635

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> # For a reduced model with interaction but missing a main effect, you
> # must make your own dummy variables. I will use effect coding.
> Sex = 2*sex-1
> n = length(discrim); Noisel = Noise2 = Noise3 = Noise4 = numeric(n)
> Noisel[noise==1] = 1; Noisel[noise==5] = -1
> Noise2[noise==2] = 1; Noise2[noise==5] = -1
> Noise3[noise==3] = 1; Noise3[noise==5] = -1
> Noise4[noise==4] = 1; Noise4[noise==5] = -1
> SN1 = Sex*Noisel; SN2 = Sex*Noise2; SN3 = Sex*Noise3; SN4 = Sex*Noise4
>
> full = lmer(discrim ~ Sex+Noisel+Noise2+Noise3+Noise4+SN1+SN2+SN3+SN4
+                  + (1 | ident))
> red = lmer(discrim ~ Sex+Noisel+Noise2+Noise3+Noise4 + (1 | ident))
> anova(red,full) # Checks

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Data: NULL

Models:
red: discrim ~ Sex + Noisel + Noise2 + Noise3 + Noise4 + (1 | ident)
full: discrim ~ Sex + Noisel + Noise2 + Noise3 + Noise4 + SN1 + SN2 +
full:     SN3 + SN4 + (1 | ident)

      Df     AIC     BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
red   8 2063.2 2092.9 -1023.6    2047.2
full 12 2067.7 2112.1 -1021.8    2043.7 3.5954     4     0.4635

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> # Main effect of sex
> nosex = update(full, . ~ . - Sex) # Reduced model
> anova(nosex,full) # Compare classical p = 0.5199

refitting model(s) with ML (instead of REML)

Data: NULL

Models:
nosex: discrim ~ Noise1 + Noise2 + Noise3 + Noise4 + SN1 + SN2 + SN3 +
nosex:      SN4 + (1 | ident)
full: discrim ~ Sex + Noise1 + Noise2 + Noise3 + Noise4 + SN1 + SN2 +
full:      SN3 + SN4 + (1 | ident)

      Df     AIC     BIC   logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
nosex  11 2066.1 2106.8 -1022.0    2044.1
full   12 2067.7 2112.1 -1021.8    2043.7  0.432      1      0.511

> # Main effect of noise
> nonoise = update(full, . ~ . -Noise1-Noise2-Noise3-Noise4)
> anova(nonoise,full)

refitting model(s) with ML (instead of REML)

Data: NULL

Models:
nonoise: discrim ~ Sex + SN1 + SN2 + SN3 + SN4 + (1 | ident)
full: discrim ~ Sex + Noise1 + Noise2 + Noise3 + Noise4 + SN1 + SN2 +
full:      SN3 + SN4 + (1 | ident)

      Df     AIC     BIC   logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
nonoise  8 2111.8 2141.4 -1047.9    2095.8
full     12 2067.7 2112.1 -1021.8    2043.7 52.133      4  1.294e-10 ***
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Signif. Codes:  0 '****' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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> # Sex by age by noise
> noise2 = lmer(discrim ~ sex*agefactor*noisefactor + (1 | ident)); anova(noise2)

Analysis of Variance Table
Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
sex           1    19.17   19.17  0.4730
agefactor      2   433.82  216.91  5.3510
noisefactor    4  2289.31  572.33 14.1189
sex:agefactor   2    30.16   15.08  0.3720
sex:noisefactor 4   142.42   35.61  0.8784
agefactor:noisefactor 8   334.43   41.80  1.0313
sex:agefactor:noisefactor 8   345.66   43.21  1.0659

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> # With a covariate
> noise3 = lmer(discrim ~ interest + sex*agefactor*noisefactor + (1 | ident))
> anova(noise3)

Analysis of Variance Table
Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
interest        1   260.00  260.00  6.4139
sex             1    22.07   22.07  0.5445
agefactor       2   584.43  292.22  7.2088
noisefactor     4  2289.31  572.33 14.1189
sex:agefactor   2     1.66    0.83  0.0205
sex:noisefactor 4   142.42   35.61  0.8784
agefactor:noisefactor 8   334.43   41.80  1.0313
sex:agefactor:noisefactor 8   345.66   43.21  1.0659

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