

[B] Statistical Analysis for two factors:

Let the first factor allocated to main plots be A at m levels viz., a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m and the second factor allocated to subplots be B at n levels viz., b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n . The number of replications or blocks are r . Let us suppose that we want to test the effect of these two factors on the yield of crop.

Total number of replications or blocks = r

Total number of main plots = mr

Total number of sub-plots = mnr

The total number of main plots receiving any level a_i ($i=1, 2, \dots, m$) of factor A = r .

The total number of subplots in all r blocks receiving any level b_i ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$) of factor B = mnr .

Hypothesis:

H_{01} : The main or whole plot treatments do not differ significantly.

H_{02} : The subplot treatments do not differ significantly.

H₀₃ : The intersection effects between main plot treatment and sub plot treatment is not significant.

Now we arrange the data in the form of table - 1.

Table - 1:

Factor A \ Factor B	B ₁		B ₂		B _γ		Grand Total
	Levels		Levels		Levels		
	a ₁ a ₂ ... a _m	Total	a ₁ a ₂ ... a _m	Total		a ₁ a ₂ ... a _m	Total	
b ₁		
b ₂		
⋮		
b _n		
Total								

From table - 1, we prepare table - 2.

Table - 2

Blocks	Levels of factor - A						Total
	a_1	a_2	...	a_i	...	a_m	
B_1	$(a_1 B_1)$	$(a_2 B_1)$	...	$(a_i B_1)$	...	$(a_m B_1)$	(B_1)
B_2	$(a_1 B_2)$	$(a_2 B_2)$	...	$(a_i B_2)$	...	$(a_m B_2)$	(B_2)
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
B_k	$(a_1 B_k)$	$(a_2 B_k)$	...	$(a_i B_k)$	...	$(a_m B_k)$	(B_k)
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
B_r	$(a_1 B_r)$	$(a_2 B_r)$	...	$(a_i B_r)$	...	$(a_m B_r)$	(B_r)
Total	(a_1)	(a_2)	...	(a_i)	...	(a_m)	(G)

where (a_i) denotes the total yield of nr sub plots all having i^{th} level of factor A or (a_i) denotes the total yield of nr sub plots due to i^{th} level of factor A ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$).

(B_k) denote the total yield of mn sub-plots of k^{th} blocks ($k = 1, 2, \dots, r$).

$(a_i B_k)$ denotes the total yield of n subplots due to i^{th} level of factor A in k^{th} block.

From table 1, calculate C.F and (T.S.S)₁, as follows.

$$C.F = \frac{G^2}{mnr} = \frac{G^2}{N} ; N = mnr$$

$$(T.S.S)_1 = \sum \sum \sum (a_i b_j B_k)^2 ; \begin{matrix} i=1,2,\dots,m \\ j=1,2,\dots,n \\ k=1,2,\dots,r \end{matrix}$$

(Where $a_i b_j B_k$ denotes the value of the observation (say yield) of the experimental unit (say plot) receiving a_i level of factor A and b_j level of factor B from the replication B_k).

From table 2:

We calculate (T.S.S)₂, S.S (due to block A), S.S (due to factor A) and S.S (due to error (a)) as follows.

$$(T.S.S)_2 = \sum_i \sum_k \frac{[(a_i B_k)]^2}{n} - C.F$$

$$S.S \text{ (due to blocks)} = \sum_k \frac{[(B_k)]^2}{mn} - C.F$$