

One Way Fixed Effect Analysis Of Variance Under Variance Heterogeneity And A Solution Proposal

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Summary.In the first part of this study, the results of heteroscedasticity in one way fixed effect ANOVA have been examined with a close concern on large sample approximations of treatment and error mean sum of squares and distortion of the distribution of the F ratio. Second part includes the presentation of new and simple approximation procedure which intends to create an easy and applicable alternative. The purpose of this new approximation procedure is to preserve the actual Type I error rate at a level determined by the researcher and to increase the power as well. Third part of the study consist of a simulation study which was implemented to compare the actual significance level and power of the new approximation, conventional F test and two other alternatives (Welch Test, Kruskal-Wallis Test). Finally, some recommendations about the preference of these tests for different types of experimental conditions were given.

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1. Introduction

The purpose of analysis of variance is to test the population mean differences for statistical significance. This is accomplished by analyzing the variance of the response variable of the experiment into two parts. First one is due to random variation and second one is due to differences between population means. This relationship is shown at Eq.(1)

$$(1) \quad \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_{..})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_{i.})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^k n_i (\bar{Y}_{i.} - \bar{Y}_{..})^2$$

These two components are then used in a test procedure called F test which has a test statistics as in Eq.(2). Under the assumption $\forall_i = 1, 2, \dots, k$

$$Y_{ij} \sim NID(\mu_i, \sigma^2) \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n_i$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^k n_i (\bar{Y}_{i.} - \bar{Y}_{i..})}{k-1}}{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (\bar{Y}_{ij} - \bar{Y}_{i..})^2}{N-k}} = \frac{MSTr}{MSE} \sim F_{k-1, N-k}$$

In ANOVA, variance of the distributions in which the samples are drawn should be the same to validate the underlying probability distribution of the method and to confine the errors within the desired limits. Violation of this equality of variances assumption is called as heteroscedasticity in literature. In the case of heteroscedasticity, the distribution of response variable Y will be $\forall_i = 1, 2, \dots, k \quad Y_{ij} \sim NID(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2) \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n_i$ when the other two basic assumptions of analysis of variance hold. There are two main results of heteroscedasticity; distortion of the distribution of the F ratio and discrepancy between nominal and actual significance level.

1.1. Distribution of F Ratio

The numerator and denominator sums of squares of F ratio $\frac{MSTr}{MSE}$ are distributed as weighted sum of squares of independent normal random variables with weights σ_i^2 . When the variances differ between populations these weights are unequal and the distributions are not chi-square. By far the best article about the effect of unequal variances on the F test is Box (1954a) (G Rupert and Jr. Miller, 1986). Box developed the distribution theory for quadratic forms in the case of heteroscedasticity and applied it to the one-way classification. The ratio of mean squares is distributed approximately as $bF_{h', h}$ where

$$(3) \quad b = \frac{N-k}{N(k-1)} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k (N-n_i) \sigma_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k (n_i-1) \sigma_i^2}$$

$$(4) \quad h' = \frac{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k (N-n_i) \sigma_i^2 \right\}^2}{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \sigma_i^2 \right\}^2 + N \sum_{i=1}^k (N-2n_i) \sigma_i^4}$$

$$(5) \quad h = \frac{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k (n_i - 1) \sigma_i^2 \right\}^2}{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k (n_i - 1) \sigma_i^4 \right\}}$$

1.2. Discrepancy between nominal and actual significance level

An experimenter may wish to test the omnibus null hypothesis of equality of treatment means at nominal significance level $\alpha = 0.05$. But in reality this level may reach 3 or 4 times this level which is called as actual significance level because of the heterogeneity of variances problem (Wilcoxon et al 1986). Degree of this discrepancy depends mainly on the degree of heterogeneity of population variances and number of replications made with each treatment. To understand the effect of unequal variances on the F test, it suffices to examine the large sample case where all the n_i are large. (G Rupert and Jr. Miller, 1986). The denominator mean sum of squares is converging to its expected value, which is

$$(6) \quad E \left[\frac{1}{N-k} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{i.})^2 \right] = \frac{1}{N-k} \sum_{i=1}^k (n_i - 1) \sigma_i^2$$

where σ_i^2 is the variance of the observations from the i 'th population. Since $N - k = \sum_{i=1}^k (n_i - 1)$, the expectation of sum of squares error is a weighted average of the σ_i^2 and called as $\bar{\sigma}^2$. The expectation of the numerator mean sum of squares under H_0 is

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} & E \left[\frac{1}{k-1} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i (\bar{Y}_{i.} - \bar{Y}_{..})^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{k-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^k n_i E (\bar{Y}_{i.} - \mu)^2 - N E (\bar{Y}_{..} - \mu)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{k-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^k n_i \frac{\sigma_i^2}{n_i} - N \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k n_i \sigma_i^2}{N^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{N(k-1)} \sum_{i=1}^k (N - n_i) \sigma_i^2 \end{aligned}$$

This quantity is a different weighted average of the σ_i^2 and called as $\bar{\sigma}_*^2$. When the n_i are all equal, the two weighted averages agree ($\bar{\sigma}^2 = \bar{\sigma}_*^2$) which means the F ratio is centered near 1 as it should be. In this case the variance of the numerator should be controlled in order to see the effect of variance heterogeneity.

$$(8) \quad Var(MSTr) = \frac{2\bar{\sigma}^4}{k-1} \left[1 + \frac{(k-2)}{k(k-1)} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k (\sigma_i^2 - \bar{\sigma}^2)}{\bar{\sigma}^4} \right]^2$$

When the variances are equal the quantity in brackets in the above formula should be 1, but it obviously exceeds this when the σ_i^2 differ. Thus the actual variance is larger than the theoretical variance (the variance where the σ_i^2 equal) and the upper tail of the distribution of the F ratio has more mass in it than anticipated by the χ_{k-1}^2 distribution. For an observed F ratio the actual significance level is larger than the one calculated from the tables, but numerical studies indicate that the effect is not large. This conclusion is also born out in small samples (Box, 1954a, Scheffe, 1959). *When the n_i are unequal*, the effects can be more serious. Suppose that the large σ_i^2 happen to be associated with the large n_i . Then in $\bar{\sigma}^2$, the large σ_i^2 receive greater weight, where as in $\bar{\sigma}_*^2$ the small σ_i^2 receive greater weight. The expectation of the numerator mean squares is, therefore, less than the expectation of the denominator, and the center of the distribution of the F ratio is shifted below 1. The actual significance level is less than the one stated from the tables (nominal values). If the large σ_i^2 are associated with the small n_i , the shift goes in the opposite direction. The actual significance level exceeds its nominal level without too much disparity in the variances. Falsely reporting significant results when the small samples have the larger variances is a serious worry. To balance the experiment is very crucial if it is possible. Then unequal variances and other departures from assumptions have the least effect.

2. Different Solution Approaches

Over the years, many attempts have been made to find solutions that are robust in both Type I and Type II error rate performance while at the same time having nominal performance when the homogeneity of variance assumption is not violated. There are 6 main approaches proposed to solve the mentioned problem; Approximate Tests, Exact Tests, Nonparametric Tests, Data Transformations, Weighted Least Square Estimation Method and Robust Statistical Procedures.

2.1. A New And Simple Approximation

Consider k independent randomly sampled groups each measured on a normally distributed random variable (Y). Variances of the populations and sample size of the groups need not to be equal. Each of the k samples of size n_i will have sample mean \bar{Y}_i and each of the means will have a standard error $S_{\bar{Y}_i}$

$$(9) \quad S_{\bar{Y}_i} = \left[\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (Y_j - \bar{Y}_i)^2}{n_i (n_i - 1)} \right]^{1/2}$$

For each of the k samples, if we define a weight ω_i such that $\sum_{i=1}^k \omega_i = 1$

$$(10) \quad \omega_i = \frac{\frac{1}{S_{\bar{Y}_i}^2}}{\sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{1}{S_{\bar{Y}_i}^2} \right)}$$

The variance-weighted estimate of the common mean (Y^+) of Y becomes

$$(11) \quad Y^+ = \sum_{i=1}^k \omega_i \bar{Y}_i$$

Finally, for each of the k groups a one-sample t statistics is calculated as

$$(12) \quad t_i = \frac{\bar{Y}_i - Y^+}{S_{\bar{Y}_i}}$$

Under the usual assumptions, each of the t_i will be distributed as Student's t with $\nu_i = n_i - 1$ degrees of freedom. Several of the approximation methods that have appeared in the literature begin with the equivalent of the same derivation. After this step, this new approximation uses a normalizing transformation on each of the sample t_i values directly in order to transform the each t_i values in to standard normal deviate z_i . Several normalizing transformations for the t statistics have appeared in the literature. One of them is "Accurate Normalizing Transformations of a Student's t Variate" Bailey B.J.R (1980). Bailey offers a locally accurate normalizing transformation which is given as follows

$$(13) \quad z_i = \pm \frac{4\nu_i^2 + \frac{5(2z_c^2+3)}{24}}{4\nu_i^2 + \nu_i + \frac{(4z_c^2+9)}{12}} \nu_i^{1/2} \left\{ \log \left(1 + \frac{t_i^2}{\nu_i} \right) \right\}^{1/2}$$

$$(14) \quad B^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k z_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{4\nu_i^2 + \frac{5(2z_c^2+3)}{24}}{4\nu_i^2 + \nu_i + \frac{(4z_c^2+9)}{12}} \nu_i^{1/2} \left\{ \log \left(1 + \frac{(\bar{Y}_i - Y^+)^2}{S_{\bar{Y}_i}^2 \nu_i} \right) \right\}^{1/2} \right)^2$$

will be approximately distributed χ_{k-1}^2 . Decision rule that the tests uses is reject the null hypothesis of of equal means if B^2 exceeds the $1-\alpha$ quantile of a chi-square distribution with $k-1$ degrees of freedom. Let us call the first part of the z_i transformation as coefficient c , then ;

$$(15) \quad z_i = \pm c \left\{ \log \left(1 + \frac{t_i^2}{\nu_i} \right) \right\}^{1/2}$$

where

$$(16) \quad c = \frac{4\nu_i^2 + \frac{5(2z_c^2+3)}{24}}{4\nu_i^2 + \nu_i + \frac{(4z_c^2+9)}{12}} \nu_i^{1/2}$$

then

$$(17) \quad B^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k z_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \left(c \left\{ \log \left(1 + \frac{\left(\frac{\bar{Y}_i - Y^+}{S_{\bar{Y}_i}} \right)^2}{\nu_i} \right) \right\}^{1/2} \right)^2$$

can be written with the help of a table of c 's (Table1).

3. Simulation Study

Performance of the F, Welch (W), Kruskal-Wallis(KW), Alexender-Govern(AG) and new approximation (B^2) procedures have been examined by means of a simulation study. Simulated actual significance level and and power of the test have been obtained using different sample sizes and error variances for $k=3$, $k=6$ and $k=9$ groups by using nominal significance level 0.05. All means were equal to 0 when predicting actual significance level. Two different configurations of mean differences were used when assesing the power of the tests. The first pattern was $\mu_1 = 2$, $\mu_2 = 0$, $\mu_3 = 0$ while the second pattern was $\mu_1 = -1$, $\mu_2 = 0$, $\mu_3 = 1$ in which the means were equally spaced. Each configuration was executed 10000 times. All data were generated from normal distribution by using the 13'th version of statistical software MINITAB. Different experimental desings used in simulation study and all results were given in table section at the end of the paper.

4. Conclusions

Results have been interpreted according to number of treatments, number of replications and population variances. Interpretation criterion was the closeness of the actual significance level and nominal significance level ($\alpha_n = 0.05$).

Bradley (1978) has stated that a test can said to be robust to a specific assumption violation if it protects actual significance level between $0.9\alpha_n < \alpha < 1.1\alpha_n$. This criterion is called as Bradley's stringent criterion of robustness and refers to $0.045 < \alpha < 0.055$ for nominal significance level of 0.05. Power values which directly change with Type I error rates have not been considered while comparing any two tests unless the actual Type I error rates of the tests are approximately equal. Power values for k=9 groups could not be given because of size problem. Recommended tests for different experimental designs were given at Table 9.

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Tables

df	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\alpha=0.05$	0.88552	1.28679	1.61365	1.89134	2.13569	2.35597	2.55794	2.74545	2.92116	3.08703
$\alpha=0.01$	0.92814	1.30814	1.62589	1.89933	2.14138	2.36026	2.56133	2.74821	2.92346	3.08898

Table 1: Coefficient of c's up to 10 degrees of freedom for $\alpha=0.05$ and $\alpha=0.01$

Pattern	i	K=3			K=6						K=9								
		1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
A ₁	n _i	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
	σ^2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
A ₂	n _i	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
	σ^2	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10
B ₁	n _i	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	σ^2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
B ₂	n _i	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	σ^2	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10
C ₁	n _i	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15
	σ^2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
C ₂	n _i	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15
	σ^2	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10
C ₃	n _i	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15
	σ^2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2
D ₁	n _i	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30
	σ^2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
D ₂	n _i	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30
	σ^2	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10	2	6	10
D ₃	n _i	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30
	σ^2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2	10	6	2

Table 2: Sample sizes and variances of the distributions for k=3, k=6 and k=9

Pattern	n	σ^2	F	W	KW	AG	B ²
A ₁	5,5,5	4,4,4	0.051	0.052	0.044	0.039	0.049
A ₂	5,5,5	2,6,10	0.059	0.059	0.054	0.044	0.049
B ₁	10,10,10	4,4,4	0.047	0.050	0.048	0.049	0.049
B ₂	10,10,10	2,6,10	0.054	0.053	0.053	0.047	0.048
C ₁	5,10,15	4,4,4	0.068	0.063	0.046	0.055	0.050
C ₂	5,10,15	2,6,10	0.029	0.055	0.029	0.048	0.049
C ₃	5,10,15	10,6,2	0.150	0.067	0.082	0.057	0.053
D ₁	10,20,30	4,4,4	0.069	0.051	0.045	0.051	0.051
D ₂	10,20,30	2,4,6	0.026	0.049	0.029	0.050	0.048
D ₃	10,20,30	10,6,2	0.160	0.052	0.088	0.045	0.049

Table 3 : Actual significance levels for different experimental designs of k = 3 groups

Pattern	n	σ^2	F	W	KW	AG	B ²
A ₁	5,5,5,5,5,5	4,4,4,4,4,4	0.051	0.080	0.036	0.055	0.051
A ₂	5,5,5,5,5,5	2,6,10,2,6,10	0.064	0.087	0.045	0.057	0.051
B ₁	10,10,10,10,10,10	4,4,4,4,4,4	0.049	0.058	0.041	0.05	0.048
B ₂	10,10,10,10,10,10	2,6,10,2,6,10	0.059	0.060	0.053	0.047	0.049
C ₁	5,10,15,5,10,15	4,4,4,4,4,4	0.061	0.063	0.042	0.059	0.054
C ₂	5,10,15,5,10,15	2,6,10,2,6,10	0.025	0.057	0.027	0.054	0.054
C ₃	5,10,15,5,10,15	10,6,2,10,6,2	0.180	0.083	0.091	0.058	0.056
D ₁	10,20,30,10,20,30	4,4,4,4,4,4	0.061	0.057	0.050	0.049	0.048
D ₂	10,20,30,10,20,30	2,6,10,2,6,10	0.026	0.047	0.028	0.047	0.051
D ₃	10,20,30,10,20,30	10,6,2,10,6,2	0.160	0.052	0.100	0.051	0.049

Table 4 : Actual significance levels for different experimental designs of k = 6 groups

Pattern	n	σ^2	F	W	KW	AG	B ²
A ₁	5,5,5,5,5,5,5,5	4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4	0.049	0.098	0.029	0.060	0.048
A ₂	5,5,5,5,5,5,5,5	2,6,10,2,6,10,2,6,10	0.060	0.100	0.036	0.057	0.046
B ₁	10,10,10,10,10,10,10,10	4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4	0.049	0.064	0.041	0.049	0.047
B ₂	10,10,10,10,10,10,10,10	2,6,10,2,6,10,2,6,10	0.067	0.059	0.051	0.049	0.044
C ₁	5,10,15,5,10,15,5,10,15	4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4	0.055	0.070	0.039	0.060	0.046
C ₂	5,10,15,5,10,15,5,10,15	2,6,10,2,6,10,2,6,10	0.023	0.063	0.024	0.058	0.045
C ₃	5,10,15,5,10,15,5,10,15	10,6,2,10,6,2,10,6,2	0.200	0.077	0.098	0.056	0.046
D ₁	10,20,30,10,20,30,10,20,30	4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4	0.051	0.055	0.043	0.053	0.047
D ₂	10,20,30,10,20,30,10,20,30	2,6,10,2,6,10,2,6,10	0.027	0.050	0.025	0.049	0.049
D ₃	10,20,30,10,20,30,10,20,30	10,6,2,10,6,2,10,6,2	0.200	0.055	0.100	0.047	0.046

Table 5 : Actual significance levels for different experimental designs of k= 9 groups

Pattern	n	σ^2	μ	F	W	KW	AG	B ²
A ₁₁	5,5,5	4,4,4	2,0,0	0.27	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.24
A ₁₂	5,5,5	4,4,4	-1,0,1	0.21	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.18
A ₂₁	5,5,5	2,6,10	2,0,0	0.20	0.25	0.20	0.25	0.26
A ₂₂	5,5,5	2,6,10	-1,0,1	0.17	0.17	0.15	0.15	0.16
B ₁₁	10,10,10	4,4,4	2,0,0	0.58	0.55	0.53	0.54	0.55
B ₁₂	10,10,10	4,4,4	-1,0,1	0.45	0.43	0.42	0.42	0.42
B ₂₁	10,10,10	2,6,10	2,0,0	0.42	0.57	0.48	0.57	0.57
B ₂₂	10,10,10	2,6,10	-1,0,1	0.31	0.35	0.30	0.35	0.35
C ₁₁	5,10,15	4,4,4	2,0,0	0.46	0.35	0.33	0.32	0.31
C ₁₂	5,10,15	4,4,4	-1,0,1	0.46	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.35
C ₂₁	5,10,15	2,6,10	2,0,0	0.21	0.46	0.21	0.44	0.44
C ₂₂	5,10,15	2,6,10	-1,0,1	0.21	0.34	0.19	0.33	0.33
C ₃₁	5,10,15	10,6,2	2,0,0	0.44	0.18	0.27	0.16	0.16
C ₃₂	5,10,15	10,6,2	-1,0,1	0.46	0.24	0.32	0.26	0.26
D ₁₁	10,20,30	4,4,4	2,0,0	0.77	0.68	0.66	0.63	0.64
D ₁₂	10,20,30	4,4,4	-1,0,1	0.77	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68
D ₂₁	10,20,30	2,6,10	2,0,0	0.51	0.82	0.57	0.81	0.81
D ₂₂	10,20,30	2,6,10	-1,0,1	0.48	0.65	0.45	0.64	0.64
D ₃₁	10,20,30	10,6,2	2,0,0	0.66	0.35	0.45	0.32	0.32
D ₃₂	10,20,30	10,6,2	-1,0,1	0.71	0.51	0.56	0.52	0.51

Table 6 : Predicted power values for different experimental designs of k=3 groups

Pattern	n	σ^2	μ	F	W	KW	AG	B ²
A ₁₁	5,5,5,5,5,5	4,4,4,4,4,4	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.39	0.35	0.31	0.32	0.33
A ₁₂	5,5,5,5,5,5	4,4,4,4,4,4	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.29	0.26	0.22	0.29	0.25
A ₂₁	5,5,5,5,5,5	2,6,10,2,6,10	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.26	0.34	0.72	0.42	0.35
A ₂₂	5,5,5,5,5,5	2,6,10,2,6,10	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.22	0.22	0.57	0.24	0.20
B ₁₁	10,10,10,10,10,10	4,4,4,4,4,4	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.77	0.72	0.25	0.84	0.73
B ₁₂	10,10,10,10,10,10	4,4,4,4,4,4	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.62	0.57	0.17	0.70	0.58
B ₂₁	10,10,10,10,10,10	2,6,10,2,6,10	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.58	0.75	0.64	0.86	0.76
B ₂₂	10,10,10,10,10,10	2,6,10,2,6,10	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.42	0.47	0.41	0.57	0.54
C ₁₁	5,10,15,5,10,15	4,4,4,4,4,4	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.62	0.49	0.44	0.42	0.42
C ₁₂	5,10,15,5,10,15	4,4,4,4,4,4	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.62	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.48
C ₂₁	5,10,15,5,10,15	2,6,10,2,6,10	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.27	0.62	0.28	0.61	0.61
C ₂₂	5,10,15,5,10,15	2,6,10,2,6,10	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.27	0.44	0.24	0.44	0.45
C ₃₁	5,10,15,5,10,15	10,6,2,10,6,2	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.59	0.25	0.39	0.20	0.20
C ₃₂	5,10,15,5,10,15	10,6,2,10,6,2	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.62	0.34	0.43	0.34	0.34
D ₁₁	10,20,30,10,20,30	4,4,4,4,4,4	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.98	0.84	0.84	0.82	0.82
D ₁₂	10,20,30,10,20,30	4,4,4,4,4,4	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.92	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86
D ₂₁	10,20,30,10,20,30	2,6,10,2,6,10	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.69	0.95	0.76	0.94	0.95
D ₂₂	10,20,30,10,20,30	2,6,10,2,6,10	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.65	0.82	0.63	0.83	0.83
D ₃₁	10,20,30,10,20,30	10,6,2,10,6,2	2,0,0,2,0,0	0.83	0.49	0.62	0.42	0.42
D ₃₂	10,20,30,10,20,30	10,6,2,10,6,2	-1,0,1,-1,0,1	0.87	0.69	0.75	0.64	0.69

Table 7 : Predicted power values for different experimental designs of k=6 groups

A ₁	Balanced-Small sample- Homoscedasticity	C ₂	Unbalanced-Small sample-Heteroscedasticity (Positive pairings)
A ₂	Balanced-Small sample-Heteroscedasticity	C ₃	Unbalanced-Small sample-Heteroscedasticity (Negative pairings)
B ₁	Balanced-Large sample-Homoscedasticity	D ₁	Unbalanced-Large sample-Homoscedasticity
B ₂	Balanced-Large sample-Heteroscedasticity	D ₂	Unbalanced-Large sample-Heteroscedasticity (Positive pairings)
C ₁	Unbalanced-Small sample-Homoscedasticity	D ₃	Unbalanced-Large sample-Heteroscedasticity (Negative pairings)

Table 8 : Codes of designs used in this simulation study

		Homoscedasticity	Heteroscedasticity	
Balanced	Small sample	F-B ²	B ²	
	Large sample	F-AG-B ²	KW-AG	
Unbalanced	Small sample	B ²	PP: B ²	NP: B ²
	Large sample	KW-AG-B ²	PP: W-AG-B ²	NP: W-AG-B ²

PP: Positive Pairings
NP: Negative Pairings

Table 9: Recommended tests with different experimental designs