

Normal Plot of Factorial Effects $\hat{\theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\theta}_I \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \text{Normal?}$

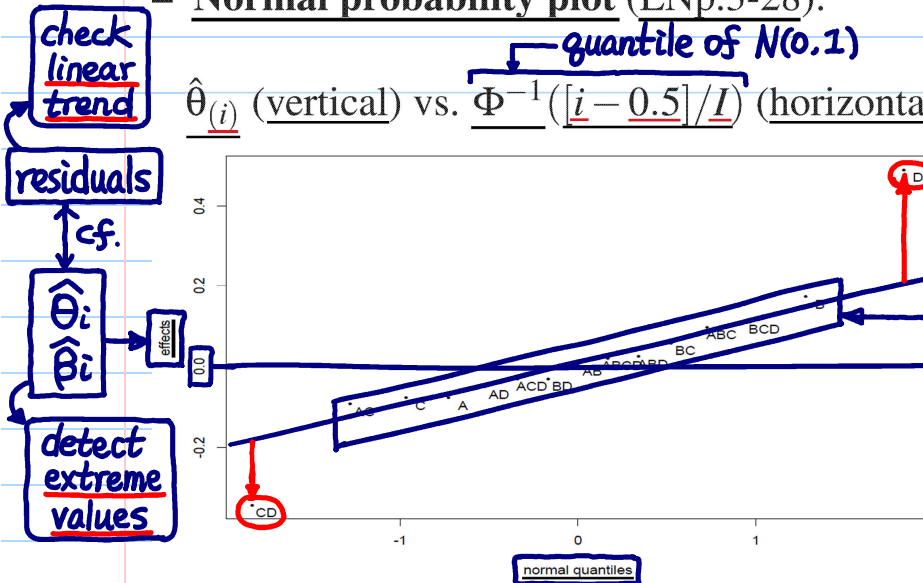
$2\hat{\beta}_i$ \leftarrow $\hat{\theta}_i$ \leftarrow # of effects

• Suppose $\hat{\theta}_i, i = 1, \dots, I$, are the factorial effect estimates (example in Table 4, LNp.5-11).

- Order them as $\hat{\theta}_{(1)} \leq \dots \leq \hat{\theta}_{(I)}$.

- Normal probability plot (LNp.3-28):

$\hat{\theta}_{(i)}$ (vertical) vs. $\Phi^{-1}([i-0.5]/I)$ (horizontal)



Recall.

- ① In unreplicated 2^k design,
 - \Rightarrow no df left for σ^2
 - \Rightarrow cannot do t-tests
 - \Rightarrow cannot detect effect significance
- ② Normal (probability) plot for residual
 - \Rightarrow check normality
 - \Rightarrow detect outlier

★ Assumption: the effect parameters of these estimated factorial effects are zero.

Figure 5: Normal Plot of Location Effects, Adapted Epitaxial Layer Growth Experiment

★ Under the conceptual model and 2^k full factorial design

$$Z = X\beta + \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I), \quad \text{where}$$

$$\beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_A \\ \beta_B \\ \vdots \\ \beta_{ABCD} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \hat{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_A \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\beta}_{ABCD} \end{bmatrix} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Z \quad \text{and}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \hat{\theta} = \hat{\beta} \sim N(\beta, (X^T X)^{-1} \sigma^2), \quad \text{where } (X^T X)^{-1} = \frac{1}{N} I \leftarrow \text{orthogonality}$$

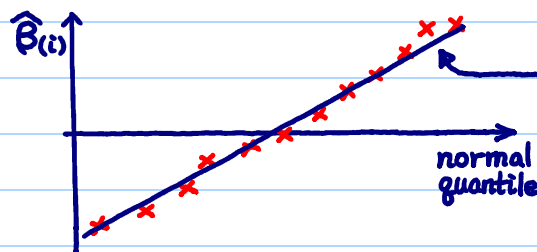
$\Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_A, \hat{\beta}_B, \dots, \hat{\beta}_{ABCD}$ are independent and have same variance

★ Under $H_0: \beta_{\text{effect}} = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_{\text{effect}} \sim N(0, (\sigma^2/N) I)$ run size 2^k

$\Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_A, \hat{\beta}_B, \dots, \hat{\beta}_{ABCD} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2/N) \Leftrightarrow \hat{\theta}_{\text{effect's}} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \frac{4\sigma^2}{N})$

\Rightarrow The normal plot of $\hat{\beta}_A, \hat{\beta}_B, \dots, \hat{\beta}_{ABCD}$ looks like

the required assumption for drawing normal plot



almost a straight line, and slope of the line

$\approx \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}} \rightarrow \hat{\beta}$ contains information of σ .

Use of Normal Plot to Detect Effect Significance

- **Deduction Step.** Null hypothesis H_0 : all factorial effects = 0 . Under H_0 , $\hat{\theta}_i \sim N(0, \sigma_*^2)$ and the resulting normal plot should follow a straight line.

effect sparsity

add the assumption in LNp.5-17

slope $\rightarrow \sigma_*$
intercept \rightarrow mean of $\hat{\theta}_i$'s

- **Induction Step.** By fitting a straight line to the middle group of points (around 0) in the normal plot, any effect whose corresponding point falls off the line is declared significant (Daniel, 1959).

Var($\hat{\theta}_i$), not the variance of the response.

- Unlike t - or F -test, no estimate of σ^2 is required. Method is especially suitable for unreplicated experiments. In t -test, s^2 (i.e., $\hat{\sigma}^2$) is the reference quantity. For unreplicated experiments, Daniel's idea is to use the normal curve as the reference distribution. \rightarrow compare to the empirical cdf of $\hat{\theta}_i$

- In Figure 5 (LNp.5-17), D, CD (and possibly B?) are significant. Method is informal and judgemental.

graphical method \Rightarrow subjective

Normal and Half Normal Plots

Recall. In t -tests, declare significant if $|t\text{-value}| > c$.
 $\Leftrightarrow |\hat{\theta}| > c \cdot \text{s.e.}(\hat{\theta})$
 $\quad \quad \quad \uparrow \equiv c'$
 $\Leftrightarrow |\hat{\theta}| > c'$

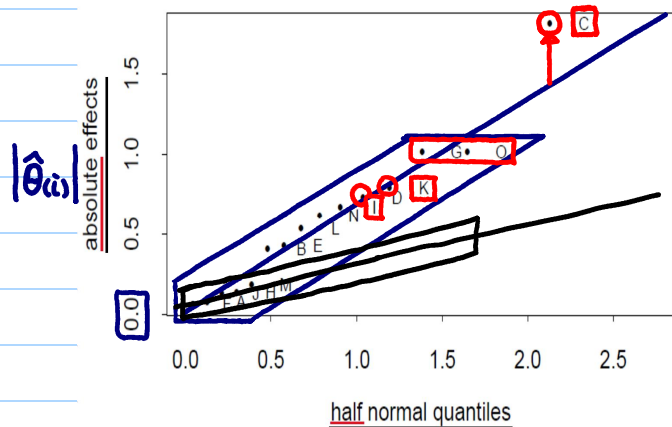
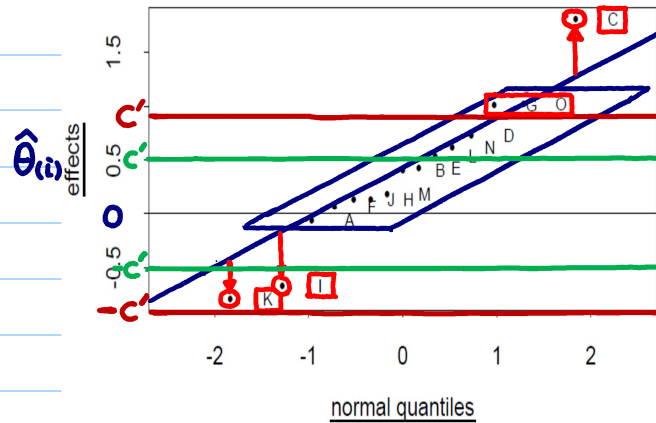


Figure 6: Comparison of Normal and Half-Normal Plots

Visual Misjudgement with Normal Plot

• **Potential misuse of normal plot :**

- In Figure 6 (top, LNp.5-20), by following the procedure for detecting effect significance, one may declare C, K and I are significant, because they “deviate” from the middle straight line.
- This is wrong because it ignores the obvious fact that K and I are smaller than G and O in magnitude. $\leftarrow | \cdot | : \text{absolute value}$

⊖ This points to a potential visual misjudgement and misuse with the normal plot.

such visual misjudgement appears more often in the normal plot of factorial effect estimates, but rarely happens in the normal plot of residuals (Why? $\because \sum \hat{\epsilon}_i = 0$)

Half-Normal Plot

- **Idea:** Order the absolute $\hat{\theta}_i$ values as

$$|\hat{\theta}|_{(1)} \leq \dots \leq |\hat{\theta}|_{(I)}$$

Plot them on the positive axis of the normal distribution (thus the term “half-normal”).

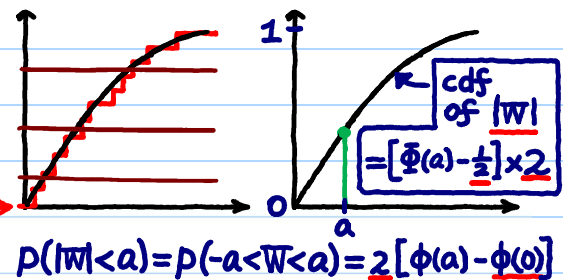
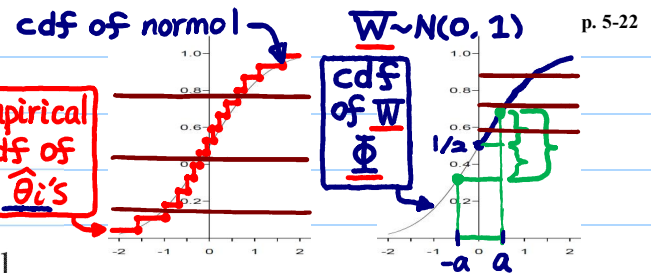
This would avoid the potential misjudgement between the positive and negative values.

- The half-normal probability plot consists of the points

$$(\Phi^{-1}(0.5 + 0.5[i - 0.5]/I), |\hat{\theta}|_{(i)}),$$

for $i = 1, \dots, 2^k - 1$.

- In Figure 6 (bottom, LNp.5-20), only C is declared significant. Notice that K and I no longer stand out in terms of the absolute values.
- For the rest of the book, half-normal plots will be used for detecting effect significance.



$$P(|W| < a) = P(-a < W < a) = 2[\Phi(a) - \Phi(0)]$$

If we want to include more effects into the fitted model, we can remove the effects that have been identified as significant, and redraw a half-normal plot using the remaining effects.

for exp'tal data with single replicate under saturate model

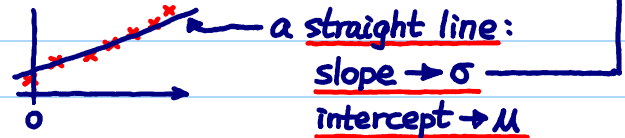
A Formal Test of Effect Significance: Lenth's Method

- Sometimes it is desirable to have a formal test that can assign p-values to the effects. The following method is also available in packages like SAS, JMP, or R.

Recall. ① normal plot / half-normal plot is subjective

② cannot do t-tests (\because no df left to estimate σ)

③ If W_1, \dots, W_n i.i.d. $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, in the normal plot of W_1, \dots, W_n



Assume the r effects on/close to a straight line have parameters being zero, i.e., $\hat{\theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\theta}_r$ i.i.d. $N(0, \sigma_*^2)$ (not $\text{Var}(Z)$ or $\text{Var}(E)$)
 \Rightarrow can use the concept in ③ to obtain information about σ_*^2 .

how? $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) \rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_* = \text{s.e.}(\hat{\theta})$



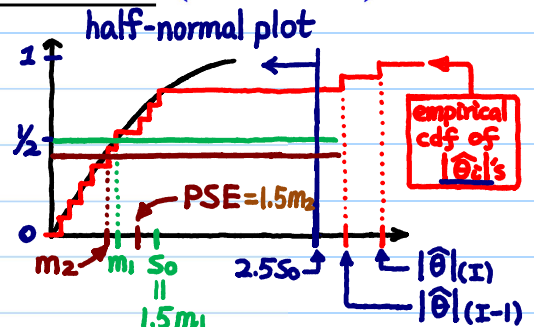
A Formal Test of Effect Significance (Contd.)

- Lenth's Method

1. Compute the pseudo standard error (PSE)

$$\hat{\sigma}_*^{(2)} = \text{PSE} = 1.5 \times \text{median}_{\{|\hat{\theta}_i| < 2.5s_0\}} |\hat{\theta}_i|$$

$\uparrow \equiv m_2$



where the median is computed among the $|\hat{\theta}_i|$ with $|\hat{\theta}_i| < 2.5s_0$ and

$$\hat{\sigma}_*^{(1)} = s_0 = 1.5 \times \text{median}_{\{|\hat{\theta}_i| < 2.5s_0\}} |\hat{\theta}_i|$$

$\uparrow \equiv m_1$

$$\star P(|W| > 2.5) \approx 0.01$$

$N(0,1)$

⊖ Justification: If $\theta_i = 0$ and error is normal, s_0 is a consistent estimate of the standard deviation of $\hat{\theta}_i$.

Use of median gives "robustness" to outlying values.

Why?

\uparrow extremely large $|\hat{\theta}_i|$'s

$$\star \text{ If } \hat{\theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\theta}_r \text{ i.i.d. } N(0, \sigma_*^2), \text{ then } \text{median}_{\frac{|\hat{\theta}_i| \text{'s estimate}}{\sigma_*}} (|W|) = \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \approx \underline{1.5}$$

$N(0,1)$ \downarrow check LNp.5-22

A Formal Test of Effect Significance (Contd.)

2. Compute

$$t\text{-statistic} = \frac{\hat{\theta} - 0}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\theta})}$$

① test statistic $\rightarrow t_{PSE,i} = \frac{\hat{\theta}_i - 0}{PSE}$, for each i .

If $|t_{PSE,i}|$ exceeds the critical value given in Appendix H (textbook, p.701) or from software, $\hat{\theta}_i$ is declared significant.

↑ obtained from simulation

- Two versions of the critical values are considered next.

Two Versions of Lenth's Method

- Null hypothesis. H_0 : all θ_i 's = 0, normal error.
- Individual Error Rate (IER) \leftarrow cf. \rightarrow individual t-test

for some fixed i , a specific effect
 For $i = 1, \dots, I$, the IER_α at level α is determined by

$$\text{Prob}(|t_{PSE,i}| > \text{IER}_\alpha | H_0) = \alpha.$$

for all effects
 - Note: Because $\theta_i = 0$, $t_{PSE,i}$ has the same distribution under H_0 for all i .

\because under H_0 , $\hat{\theta}_i$'s are i.i.d. $\sim N(0, \sigma_*^2)$

- Experiment-wise Error Rate (EER) \leftarrow cf. \rightarrow multiple testing

$$\text{Prob}(|t_{PSE,i}| > \text{EER}_\alpha \text{ for at least one } i, i = 1, \dots, I | H_0)$$

Recall. Tukey's method \leftarrow cf. \rightarrow $= \text{Prob} \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq I} |t_{PSE,i}| > \text{EER}_\alpha \mid H_0 \right) = \alpha.$

of all effects



- $\text{EER}_\alpha > \text{IER}_\alpha$.
- EER accounts for the number of tests done in the experiment but often gives conservative results (less powerful). In screening experiments, IER is more powerful and preferable because many of the θ_i 's are negligible (recall the effect sparsity principle). The EER critical values can be inflated by considering many θ_i values. (Why?) \leftarrow many θ_i 's are actually very small & need not be tested

Illustration with Adapted Epi-Layer Growth Experiment

1. In Table 4 (LNp.5-11),

- closer to zero
 - $\text{median}|\hat{\theta}_i| = 0.078$, ← median of 15 $|\hat{\theta}_i|$'s
 - $s_0 = 1.5 \times 0.078 = 0.117$.
 - trimming constant $2.5s_0 = 2.5 \times 0.117 = 0.292$, which eliminates 0.490 (D) and 0.345 (CD). → 2 out of 15 effects
- $\text{median}_{\{|\hat{\theta}_i| < 2.5s_0\}}|\hat{\theta}_i| = 0.058$ ← median of 13 smaller $|\hat{\theta}_i|$'s
- $PSE = 1.5 \times 0.058 = 0.087$ ← cf. → s.e. ($\hat{\theta}_i$)

The corresponding $|t_{PSE}|$ values appear in Table 6 (LNp.5-28).

2. Choose $\alpha = 0.01$.

- larger
 - $IER_{0.01} = 3.63$ for $I = 15$. By comparing with the $|t_{PSE}|$ values, D and CD are significant at 0.01 level.
 - $EER_{0.01} = 6.45$ (for $I = 15$). No effect is detected as significant.
- Analysis of the $|t_{PSE}|$ values for $\ln s^2$ (Table 6, LNp.5-28) detects no significant effect (details on textbook, p.182), thus confirming the half-normal plot analysis in Figure 4.10 of section 4.8 (textbook, p.179).

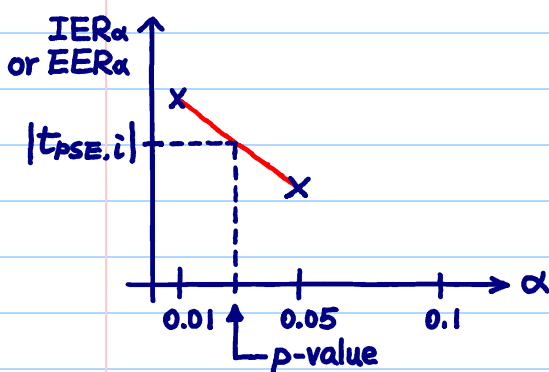


$|t_{PSE}|$ Values for Adapted Epi-Layer Growth Experiment

Table 6: $|t_{PSE}|$ Values, Adapted Epitaxial Layer Growth Experiment

Effect	\bar{y}	$\ln s^2$
A	0.90	0.25
B	1.99	1.87
C	0.90	1.78
D	$\sqrt{5.63}$	0.89
AB	0.09	0.71
AC	1.07	0.41
AD	0.57	0.46
BC	0.67	1.27
BD	0.34	0.16
CD	$\sqrt{3.97}$	1.35
ABC	1.13	0.51
ABD	0.29	0.67
ACD	0.34	0.00
BCD	1.26	0.05
ABCD	0.23	1.63

unreplicated



$Y_x \sim N(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2)$
 $E(Y_x)$
 $\mu_x \approx \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_D \chi_D + \hat{\beta}_{CD} \chi_{CD}$
 $\sigma_x^2 \approx \text{a constant}$
 $\text{Var}(Y_x)$

- p-values of effects can be obtained from packages or by interpolating the critical values in the tables in appendix H (textbook, p.701). (See textbook, p.182 for illustration).

❖ Reading: textbook, 4.9

Nominal-the-Best Problem ← Recall. objective in LNp.5-1

- There is a nominal or target value t (=14.5 in the case) based on engineering design requirements.
- Define a quantitative loss due to deviation of y_x from t .

Quadratic loss: $L(y_x, t) = \not{f} \cdot (y_x - t)^2$. $-E(y_x) + E(y_x)$

argmin \not{x} → $E(L(y_x, t)) = \not{f} \cdot \text{Var}(y_x) + \not{f} \cdot [E(y_x) - t]^2$.

↑ variance ↑ bias²

$\mu_x = E(y_x) \approx X_1 \hat{\beta}_1$

$\ln \sigma_x^2 = \ln(\text{Var}(y_x)) \approx X_2 \hat{\beta}_2$

- **Two-step procedure for nominal-the-best problem:**

- (i) Select levels of some factors to minimize $\text{Var}(y_x)$.
- (ii) Select the level of a factor not in (i) to move $E(y_x)$ closer to t .

- A factor in step (ii) is an adjustment factor if it has a significant effect on $E(y_x)$ but not on $\text{Var}(y_x)$.

a factor whose effects appears in $\hat{\beta}_1$, but not $\hat{\beta}_2$

- Procedure is effective only if an adjustment factor can be found. This is often done on engineering ground.

If an adjustment factor does not exist, some trade-off between (i) and (ii) is required.

- Examples of adjustment factors: deposition time in surface film deposition process, mold size in tile fabrication, location and spacing of markings on the dial of a weighing scale.

❖ **Reading:** textbook, 4.10

Why Take $\ln s^2$? → as a response of linear model

- It maps s^2 over $(0, \infty)$ to $\ln s^2$ over $(-\infty, \infty)$.

Regression and ANOVA assume the responses are nearly normal, i.e. over $(-\infty, \infty)$.

- Better for variance prediction.

response ← approximate linear structure
 $s^2 \in (0, \infty)$
 $\ln(s^2) \in (-\infty, \infty)$ | $X\beta + \epsilon \in (-\infty, \infty)$

- Suppose $z_x = \ln s_x^2$.
- $\hat{z}_x =$ predicted value of $\ln \sigma_x^2$
- $e^{\hat{z}_x} =$ predicted value of σ_x^2 , always nonnegative.

- Most physical laws have a multiplicative component.
Log converts multiplicity into additivity.

produce "constant" error variance in the model:
 $\ln s_x^2 = X\beta + \epsilon$

- Variance stabilizing property: next slide.

error part of y :

$\epsilon = \epsilon_1 \times \dots \times \epsilon_k$

Assume independence and zero means:

$\text{Var}(\epsilon) = \text{Var}(\epsilon_1) \times \dots \times \text{Var}(\epsilon_k)$ ← cf

$\ln(\text{Var}(\epsilon)) = \sum_{i=1}^k \ln(\text{Var}(\epsilon_i))$

may get a better approximation by linear structure $X\beta$ and follow normal.

ln s² as a Variance Stabilizing Transformation

- Assume $y_{x,j} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2)$, $j = 1, \dots, n_x$. Then,

$$(n_x - 1)s_x^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{n_x} (y_{x,j} - \bar{y}_x)^2 \sim \sigma_x^2 \chi_{n_x-1}^2,$$

and a random variable

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E(\ln S_x^2) &=? \\ \text{Var}(\ln S_x^2) &=? \end{aligned} \right\} \leftarrow \ln s_x^2 = \ln \sigma_x^2 + \ln \left(\chi_{n_x-1}^2 / (n_x - 1) \right) \leftarrow W_x \quad (3)$$

- W_x : a random variable, h : a smooth function, by δ -method,

$$E(h(W_x)) \approx h(E(W_x)) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Var}(h(W_x)) \approx [h'(E(W_x))]^2 \text{Var}(W_x) \quad (4)$$

- Suppose $W_x \sim \chi_{v_x}^2 / v_x$. Then, $E(W_x) = 1$ and $\text{Var}(W_x) = 2/v_x$.

- Take $h = \ln$. Applying (4) to $W_x (\sim \chi_{v_x}^2 / v_x)$ leads to

In LM, $Z_x \sim N(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2)$

$$E(\ln(W_x)) \approx \ln(E(W_x)) = \ln(1) = 0, \rightarrow E(\ln S_x^2) \approx \ln \sigma_x^2$$

$$\text{Var}(\ln(W_x)) \approx [h'(1)]^2 (2/v_x) = 2/v_x. \rightarrow \text{Var}(\ln S_x^2) \approx 2/v_x$$

cf. \rightarrow

In (3), $v_x = n_x - 1$, we have $\ln s_x^2 \sim N(\ln \sigma_x^2, 2(n_x - 1)^{-1})$.
The variance of $\ln s_x^2$, i.e., $2(n_x - 1)^{-1}$, is nearly constant for $n_x - 1 \geq 9$.

a constant if we have same # of replicates for each run.

σ_x^2 only appears in the mean structure of $\ln(S_x^2)$

❖ Reading: textbook, 4.11 (exercise) Compare the result with $E(S_x^2)$ and $\text{Var}(S_x^2)$

Epi-layer Growth Experiment Revisited

- Original data from Shoemaker, Tsui and Wu (1991) **★ Conceptual model:**

Table 2 (LN p.5-2) \leftarrow cf.
 2⁴ design

Table 7: Design Matrix and Thickness Data, Original Epitaxial Layer Growth Experiment

Design	original response (6 replicates)								unreplicated				
	A	B	C	D	Thickness (y)				\bar{y}	s^2	$\ln s^2$		
- - - +	-	-	-	+	14.812	14.774	14.772	14.794	14.860	14.914	14.821	0.003	-5.771
- - - -	-	-	-	-	13.768	13.778	13.870	13.896	13.932	13.914	13.860	0.005	-5.311
- - + +	-	-	+	+	14.722	14.736	14.774	14.778	14.682	14.850	14.757	0.003	-5.704
- - + -	-	-	+	-	13.860	13.876	13.932	13.846	13.896	13.870	13.880	0.001	-6.984
- + - +	-	+	-	+	14.886	14.810	14.868	14.876	14.958	14.932	14.888	0.003	-5.917
- + - -	-	+	-	-	14.182	14.172	14.126	14.274	14.154	14.082	14.165	0.004	-5.485
- + + +	-	+	+	+	14.758	14.784	15.054	15.058	14.938	14.936	14.921	0.016	-4.107
- + + -	-	+	+	-	13.996	13.988	14.044	14.028	14.108	14.060	14.037	0.002	-6.237
+ - - +	+	-	-	+	15.272	14.656	14.258	14.718	15.198	15.490	14.932	0.215	-1.538
+ - - -	+	-	-	-	14.324	14.092	13.536	13.588	13.964	14.328	13.972	0.121	-2.116
+ - + +	+	-	+	+	13.918	14.044	14.926	14.962	14.504	14.136	14.415	0.206	-1.579
+ - + -	+	-	+	-	13.614	13.202	13.704	14.264	14.432	14.228	13.907	0.226	-1.487
+ + - +	+	+	-	+	14.648	14.350	14.682	15.034	15.384	15.170	14.878	0.147	-1.916
+ + - -	+	+	-	-	13.970	14.448	14.326	13.970	13.738	13.738	14.032	0.088	-2.430
+ + + +	+	+	+	+	14.184	14.402	15.544	15.424	15.036	14.470	14.843	0.327	-1.118
+ + + -	+	+	+	-	13.866	14.130	14.256	14.000	13.640	13.592	13.914	0.070	-2.653

$$Z_x \sim \beta_0 + \beta_A \chi_A + \dots + \beta_{AB} \chi_A \chi_B + \dots + \beta_{ABC} \chi_A \chi_B \chi_C + \dots + \beta_{ABCD} \chi_A \chi_B \chi_C \chi_D + \epsilon$$

\leftarrow constant variance

① Use $Z_x = \bar{y}_x$ to build a mean model

(Q: Why not use $Z_x = y_x$ to build a mean model?

Ans. $\text{Var}(y_x)$ not regarded constant over X)

(Q: Why \bar{y}_x better than y_x ?

Ans. $0 < \text{Var}(y_x) = \sigma_x^2$
 $0 < \text{Var}(\bar{y}_x) = \sigma_x^2/6$)

② Use $Z_x = \ln S_x^2$ to build a variance model

Epi-layer Growth Experiment: Effect Estimates

Table 8: Factorial Effects, Original Epitaxial Layer Growth Experiment

$(X^T X)^{-1} X^T Z$
 \uparrow
 $16I$

$2\hat{\beta}_i = \hat{\theta}_i$

Effect	\bar{y}	$\ln s^2$
A	-0.055	3.834
B	0.142	0.078
C	-0.109	0.077
D	0.836	0.632
AB	-0.032	-0.428
AC	-0.074	0.214
AD	-0.025	0.002
BC	0.047	0.331
BD	0.010	0.305
CD	-0.037	0.582
ABC	0.060	-0.335
ABD	0.067	0.086
ACD	-0.056	-0.494
BCD	0.098	0.314
ABCD	0.036	0.109

Understand the meaning of these effect estimates, e.g.,
 $ME(A) = -0.055$
 \parallel
 $\bar{Z}(A+) - \bar{Z}(A-)$
 $INT(A, B) = -0.032$
 \parallel
 $ME(A|B+) - ME(A|B-)$
 \vdots



Epi-layer Growth Experiment: Half-Normal Plots

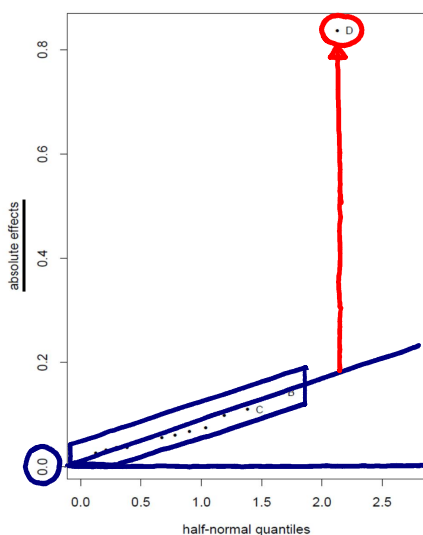


Figure 7 : Location effects (\bar{y}_x)

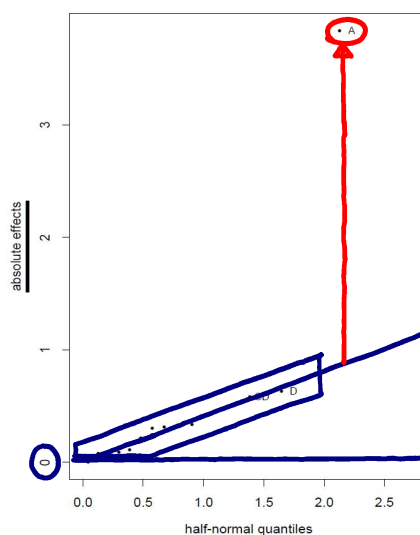


Figure 8 : Dispersion effects ($\ln s_x^2$)

(exercise) Perform Lenth's method to identify significant effects

Epi-layer Growth Experiment: Analysis and Optimization

- From the two plots, ME D is significant for $z = \bar{y}$ and ME A is significant for $z = \ln s^2$. Fitted models:

location model $\rightarrow \hat{y}_x = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_D x_D = 14.389 + 0.418 x_D$

dispersion model $\rightarrow \ln \hat{s}_x^2 = \hat{\gamma}_0 + \hat{\gamma}_A x_A = -3.772 + 1.917 x_A$

positive sign \Rightarrow increasing effect

ME(D)/2

used to reach the target value, i.e., $E(y_x) \approx 14.5$

used to minimize variance

ME(A)/2

Factor D is an adjustment factor.

All the effects related to factors B and C do not appear in the fitted models.

- Two-step procedure:

qualitative factor

B, C could be important variables with small expt'l range

useful information?

(i) Choose A at $-$ level (continuous rotation)

Why not set $A = -2, -3, \dots$

quantitative factor

(ii) Choose $x_D = 0.266$ to satisfy $14.5 = 14.389 + 0.418 x_D$. (If $D = 30$ and 40 sec for $x_D = -1$ and $+1$, $x_D = 0.266$ corresponds to $35 + 0.266(5) = 36.33$ sec.)

- Predicted variance

(Q: What if D is a qualitative factor?)

cf.

$\ln(\hat{\sigma}^2) \leftarrow \hat{\sigma}^2 = \exp[-3.772 + 1.917(-1)] = (0.058)^2 \approx 0.0034$
 $= -5.695$

optimal setting			
x_A	x_B	x_C	x_D
-1	?	?	0.266

This is too optimistic! Predicted values should be validated with a confirmation experiment.

(Note. s_x^2 estimates subplot error variance)

Q: Do we have information about the whole-plot error variance?

Ans. Check Fig. 7 in LNp.5-34

Reading: textbook, 4.12

check LNp.5-3