

F-test exercises

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In a study of cheddar cheese from the LaTrobe Valley of Victoria, Australia, samples of cheese were analyzed for their chemical composition and were subjected to taste tests. Overall taste scores were obtained by combining the scores from several tasters.

`cheddar` is a data frame with 30 observations on the following 4 variables:

taste, a subjective taste score

Acetic, concentration of acetic acid (log scale)

H2S, concentration of hydrogen sulfide (log scale)

Lactic, concentration of lactic acid

The following model:

$$\text{Full Model: } \text{taste}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{Acetic}_i + \beta_2 \text{H2S}_i + \beta_3 \text{Lactic}_i + \epsilon_i$$

was fit in R and the output is shown below.

```
data(cheddar, package = "faraway")
# full model, aka Model 6
fit <- lm(taste ~ . , data = cheddar)
summary(fit)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = taste ~ ., data = cheddar)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -17.390  -6.612  -1.009   4.908  25.449
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -28.8768    19.7354  -1.463  0.15540
## Acetic       0.3277     4.4598   0.073  0.94198
## H2S          3.9118     1.2484   3.133  0.00425 **
## Lactic      19.6705     8.6291   2.280  0.03108 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 10.13 on 26 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6518, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6116
## F-statistic: 16.22 on 3 and 26 DF, p-value: 3.81e-06
```

These alternative models were also fit:

Model 1:	$\text{taste}_i = \beta_0$	RSS = 7662.9
Model 2:	$\text{taste}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{Acetic}_i + \epsilon_i$	RSS = 5348.7
Model 3:	$\text{taste}_i = \beta_1 \text{H2S}_i + \beta_2 \text{Lactic}_i + \epsilon_i$	RSS = 3601.8
Model 4:	$\text{taste}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{H2S}_i + \beta_2 \text{Lactic}_i + \epsilon_i$	RSS = 2669
Model 5:	$\text{taste}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (\text{Acetic}_i + \text{H2S}_i) + \beta_2 \text{Lactic}_i + \epsilon_i$	RSS = 2719.9
Model 6:	$\text{taste}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{Acetic}_i + \beta_2 \text{H2S}_i + \beta_3 \text{Lactic}_i + \epsilon_i$	RSS = 2668.4

1. Find the overall regression F-statistic. Where is this reported in the R output?
2. Find the F-statistic for testing the null hypothesis that $\beta_1 = 0$ in the full model. What distribution should this statistic be compared to? Identify the equivalent t-test statistic and p-value in the `lm` output.
3. Find the F-statistic for testing the null hypothesis that $\beta_1 = 0$ in **Model 2**. The p-value for this test is 0.0017, why is this conclusion different to the one above?
4. Find the F-statistic for testing the null hypothesis that $\beta_0 = \beta_1 = 0$ in the full model. Can you predict the conclusion from the R output?
5. Find the F-statistic for testing the null hypothesis that $\beta_1 = \beta_2$ in the full model. What distribution should this F-statistic be compared to?