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# t-tests, ANOVA

Experimental and Statistical Methods in  
Biological Sciences I

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# Outline for today

- Introduction to the basic concepts
- Demos and exercises
  - Simulations: different distributions
  - Testing for normality
  - t-tests
  - ANOVA

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Now...

1. Starters
2. Simulations of distributions
3. Tests for normality
4. t-tests
5. ANOVA

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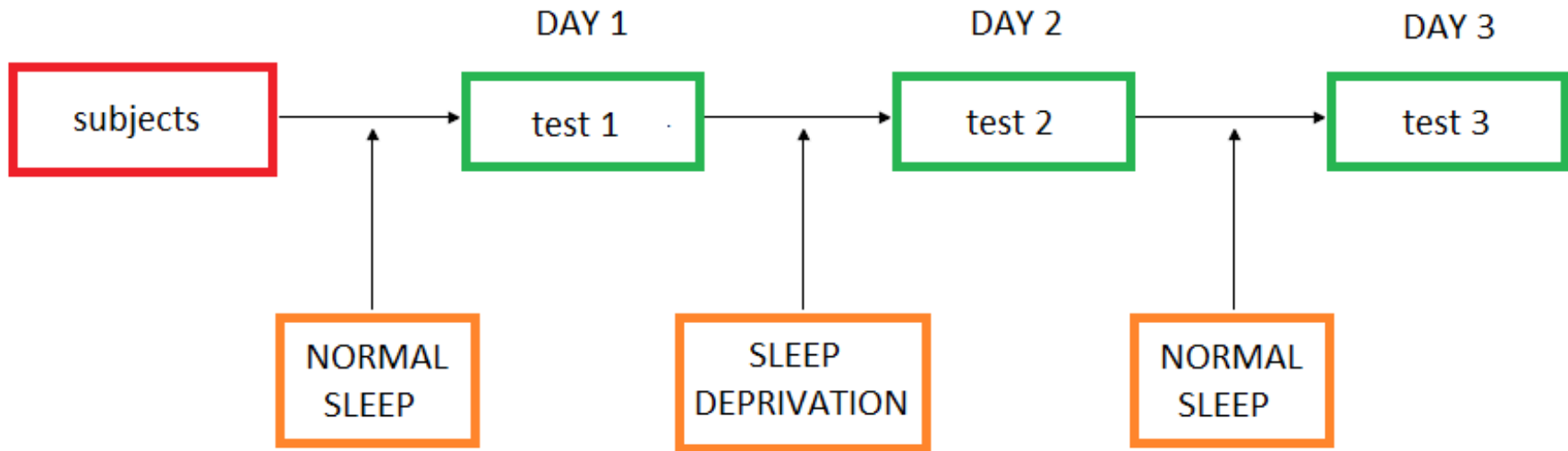
## 2. Simulations of distributions

- In exercises, we will simulate the shape of three different kinds of distributions:
  - The normal distribution
  - Student's t-distribution (relevant for t-tests)
  - Fisher's F-distribution (relevant for ANOVA)
- Don't worry about the R code for simulations – just copy+paste and play around with the parameters.

# Our data today...

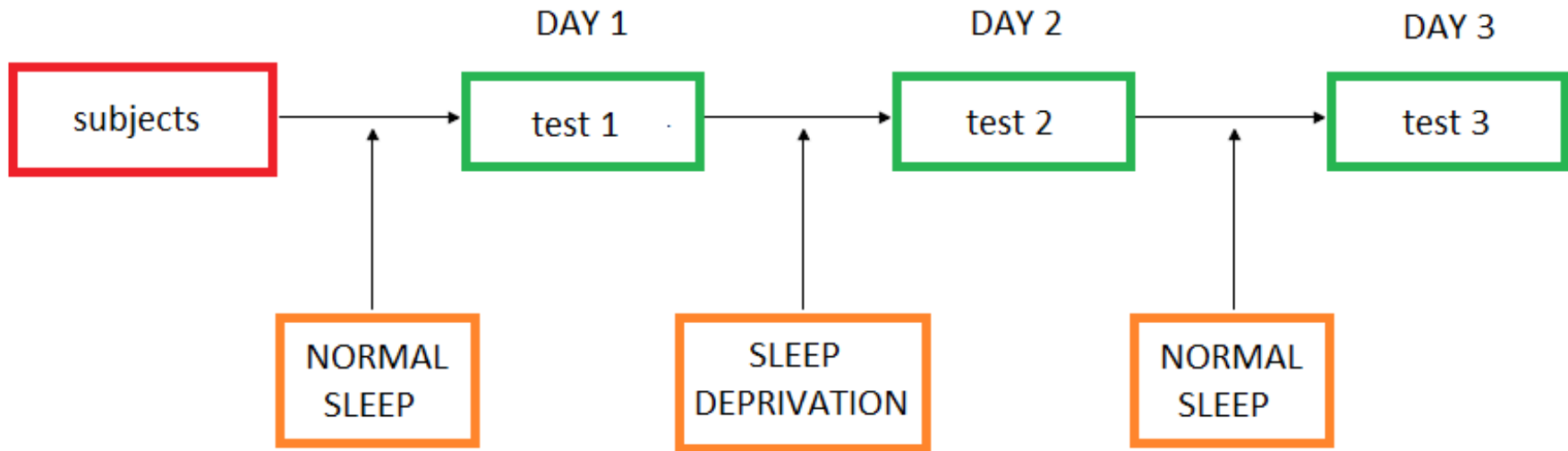
Variable	Type	Details
age group	categorical	1 = young 2 = old
education	categorical	1 = comp. school 2 = secondary 3 = higher
hormone treatment	categorical	user group control group
digit symbol task	continuous	at time points 1, 2, 3
benton task errors	continuous	at time points 1, 2,3

# Our data today...



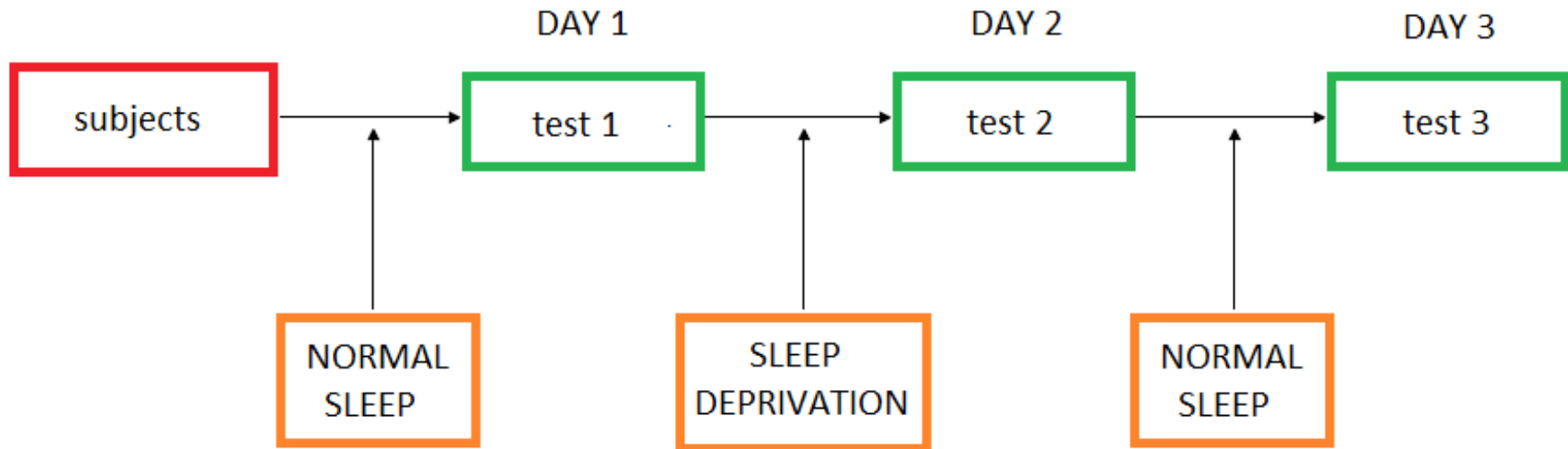


# Our data today...



Categories: age group, education, hormone treatment

# Our data today...



Longitudinal tests: Digit symbol task, Benton task errors

# Our data today...

## Digit symbol task

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
∨	⊃	÷	∧	X	⊂	⊄	⊆	⊇

2	1	3	1	4	2	1	3	5	3	2	1	4	2	1	3	1	2	4	1
⊃	∨	÷	∨	∧															

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
∨	⊃	÷	∧	X	⊂	⊄	⊆	⊇

2	1	3	1	2	1	3	1	4	2	4	2	5	1	4	3	5	2	6	2

1	6	5	2	4	7	3	5	1	7	6	3	8	5	3	6	4	2	1	8

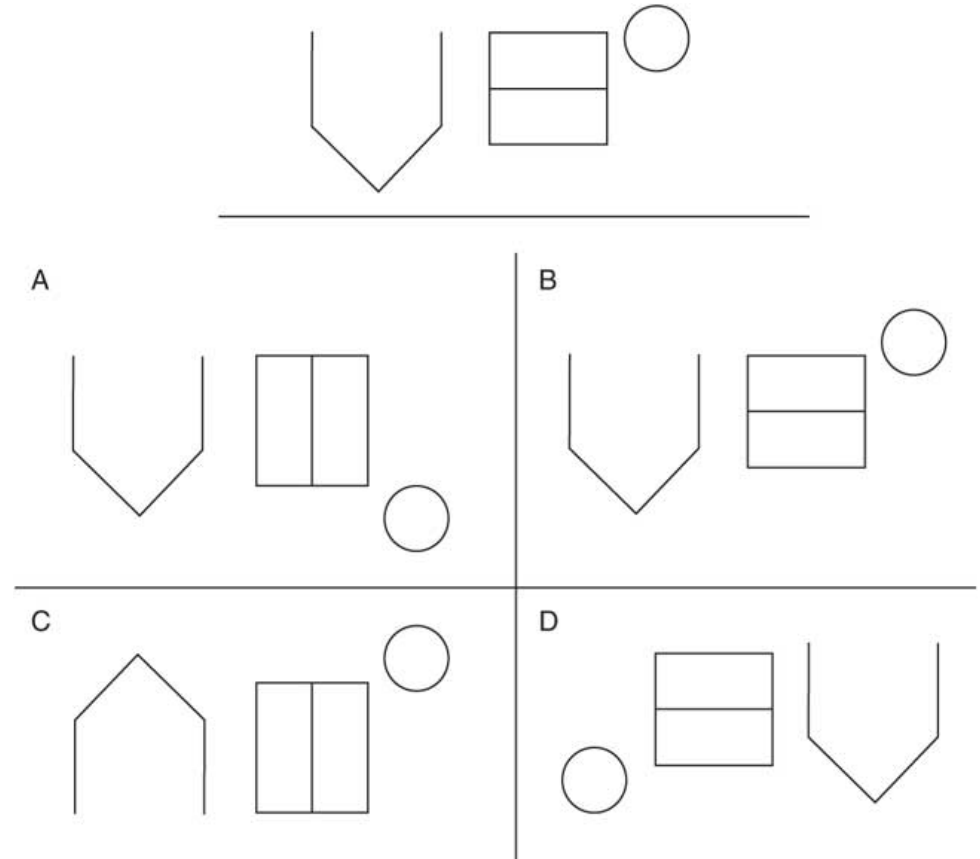
9	2	7	6	3	5	8	3	6	5	4	9	7	1	8	5	3	6	8	2

7	1	9	3	8	2	5	7	4	1	6	7	4	5	8	2	9	6	4	3

# Our data today...

## Benton Visual Retention Task



# 3. Testing for normality

Parametric tests have assumptions...

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- Sample size  $> 20$
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- Descriptive statistics:
  - Mean, st dev, median, skewness, ...
- Plotting:
  - Histograms with normal curve added
  - Quantile-quantile plots
- Tests:
  - Kolmogorov-Smirnov
  - Shapiro-Wilk

# 3. Testing for normality

Descriptive statistics: `describe`

- Mean, st dev, median, skewness, ...

```
> describe(deprivation[,5:10])
```

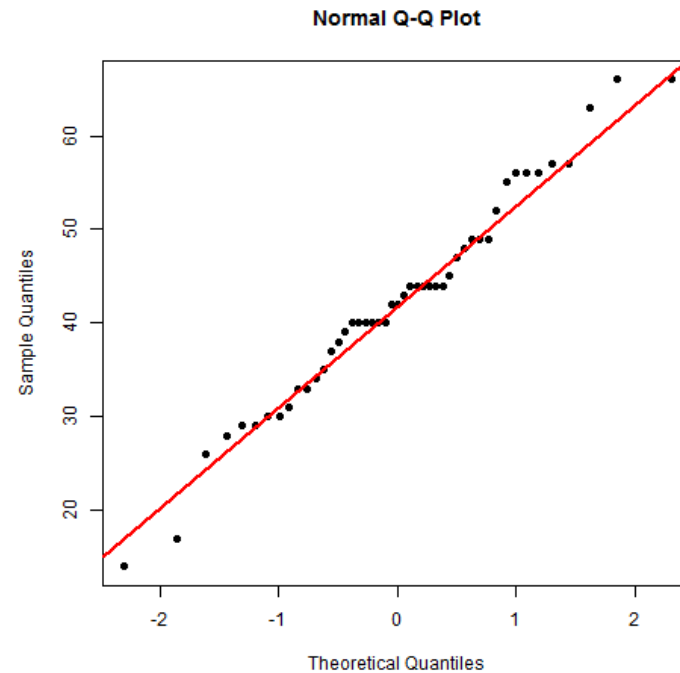
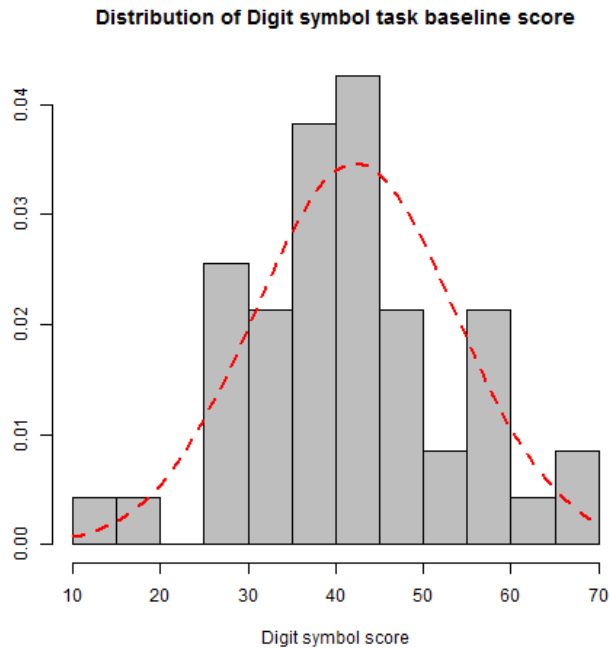
	var	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min	max	range	skew	kurtosis	se
digitsymbol_1	1	47	42.23	11.51	42	42.26	10.38	14	66	52	-0.05	-0.13	1.68
digitsymbol_2	2	47	42.91	12.40	44	42.49	10.38	17	70	53	0.28	-0.15	1.81
digitsymbol_3	3	47	48.49	13.81	48	48.08	11.86	15	81	66	0.23	0.28	2.01
bentonerror_1	4	47	6.04	2.42	6	5.97	2.97	2	11	9	0.20	-0.91	0.35
bentonerror_2	5	47	5.45	2.87	6	5.26	2.97	1	13	12	0.55	-0.06	0.42
bentonerror_3	6	47	3.77	2.42	4	3.64	2.97	0	11	11	0.63	0.61	0.35



# 3. Testing for normality

Plotting:

- Histograms with normal curve added: `hist`
- Quantile-quantile plots: `qqnorm`, `qqline`



# 3. Testing for normality

Tests:

- Kolmogorov-Smirnov: `ks.test`
- Shapiro-Wilk: `shapiro.test`

```
> shapiro.test(digitsymbol_1)

      Shapiro-Wilk normality test

data:  digitsymbol_1
W = 0.9809, p-value = 0.6287

> ks.test(digitsymbol_1, "pnorm", mean=mean(digitsymbol_1), sd=sd(digitsymbol_1))

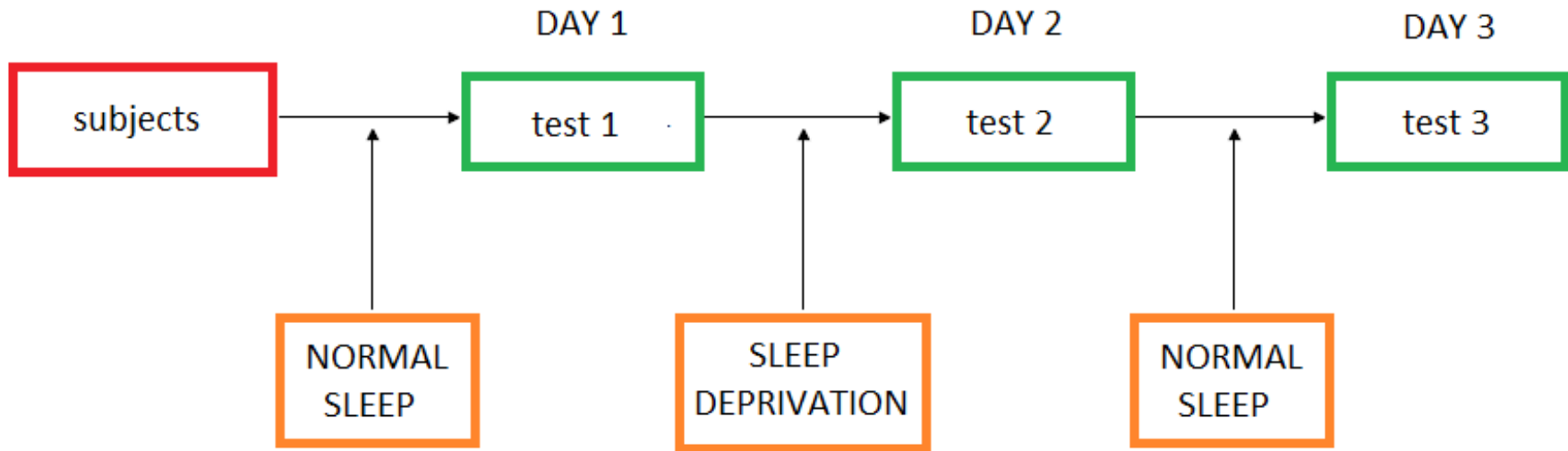
      One-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

data:  digitsymbol_1
D = 0.0986, p-value = 0.7506
alternative hypothesis: two-sided
```

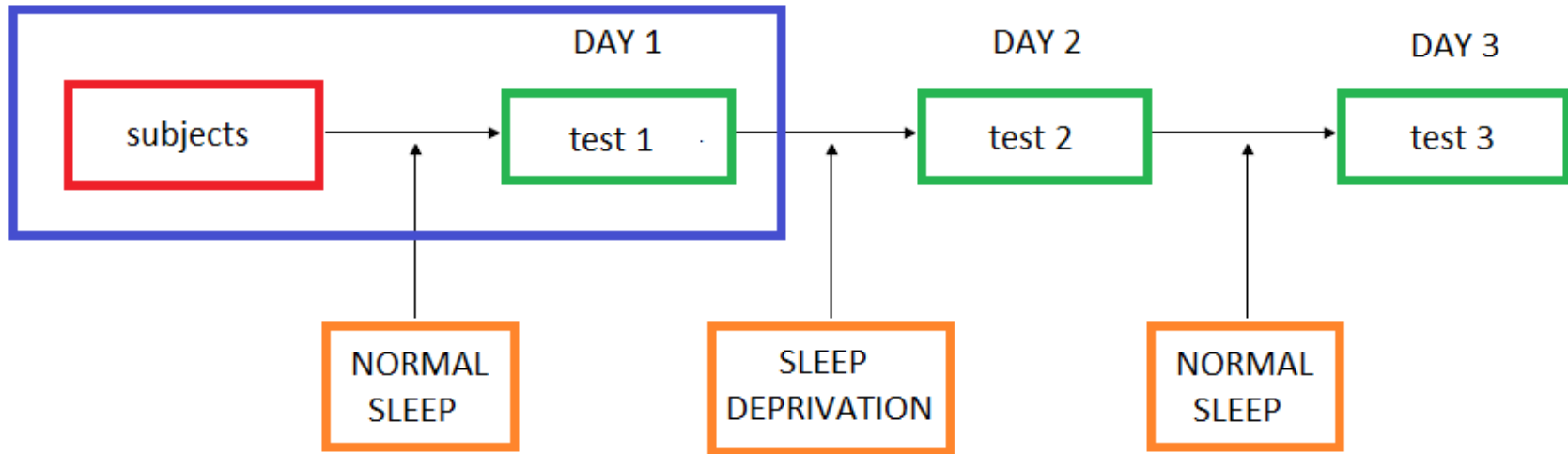
# 4. t-tests

- One-sample t-test
- Independent samples t-test
- Repeated measures t-test
  
- Assumptions – check for these before starting:
  - Normality
  - Sample size  $> 20$
  - Continuous variables

# Our data today...



## 4. t-tests: one-sample t-test



Example:

Does our sample mean in baseline Digit symbol task differ from the known population mean (=40)?

## 4. t-tests: one-sample t-test

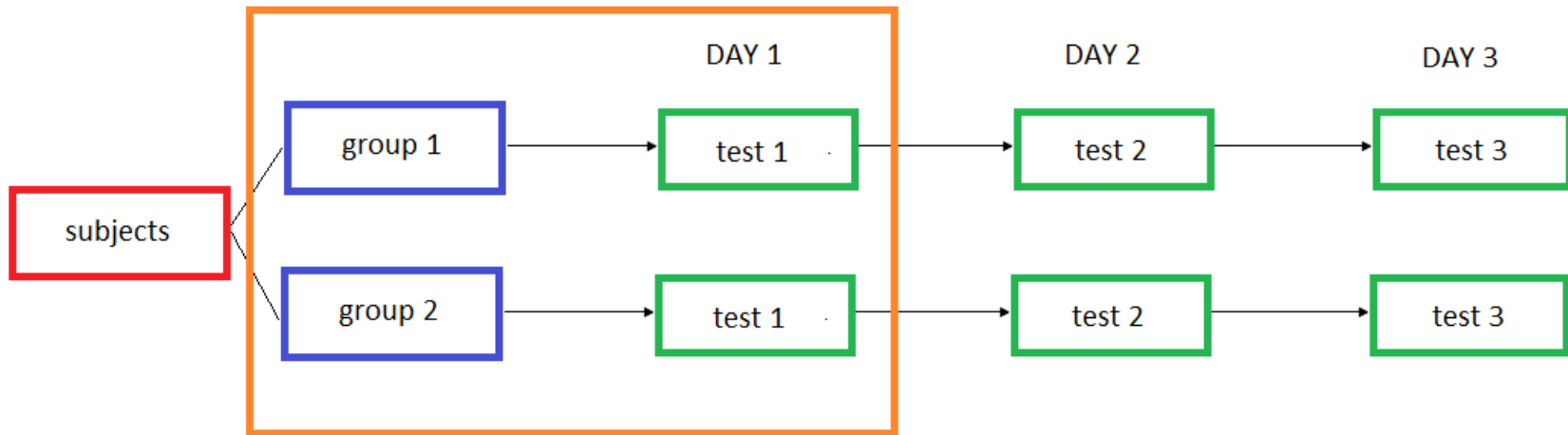
```
> t.test(digitsymbol_1, mu=40)
```

```
One Sample t-test
```

```
data:  digitsymbol_1  
t = 1.3304, df = 46, p-value = 0.1899  
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 40  
95 percent confidence interval:  
 38.85393 45.61415  
sample estimates:  
mean of x  
 42.23404
```

No differences between our sample mean and the population mean  
( $t(46) = 1.33, p > .05$ ).

# 4. t-tests: independent samples t-test



Example:

Do the baseline Digit task scores differ between younger and older participants?

## 4. t-tests: independent samples t-test

```
> t.test(digitsymbol_1 ~ age)
```

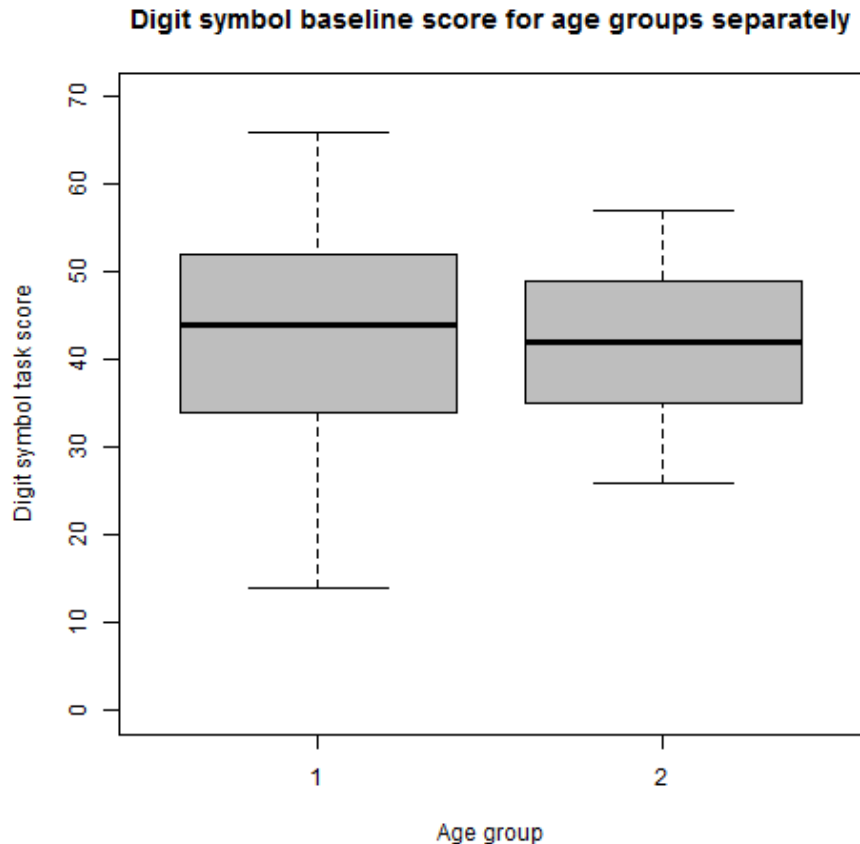
```
Welch Two Sample t-test
```

```
data:  digitsymbol_1 by age
t = 0.2655, df = 35.118, p-value = 0.7922
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -6.161346  8.015891
sample estimates:
mean in group 1 mean in group 2
 42.72727      41.80000
```

No differences between age groups in Digit symbol task scores  
( $t(35) = 0.27, p > .05$ ).

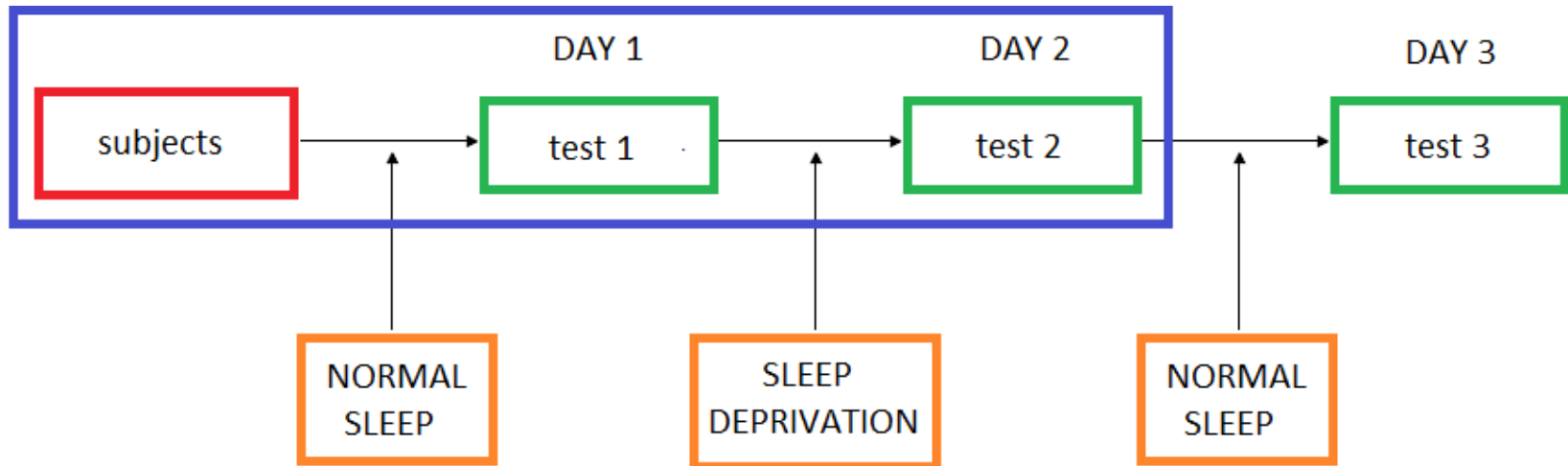


# 4. t-tests: independent samples t-test



```
> boxplot(digitsymbol_1 ~ age,  
          xlab="Age group",  
          ylab="Digit symbol task score",  
          main="Digit symbol baseline  
          score for age groups  
          separately",  
          col="grey",  
          ylim=c(0,70))
```

## 4. t-tests: repeated measures t-test



Example:

Does the Digit score task performance differ between baseline and when tested after sleep deprivation?

## 4. t-tests: repeated measures t-test

```
> t.test(digitsymbol_1, digitsymbol_2, paired=T)
```

```
Paired t-test
```

```
data: digitsymbol_1 and digitsymbol_2
```

```
t = -0.786, df = 46, p-value = 0.4359
```

```
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
```

```
95 percent confidence interval:
```

```
-2.424453  1.062751
```

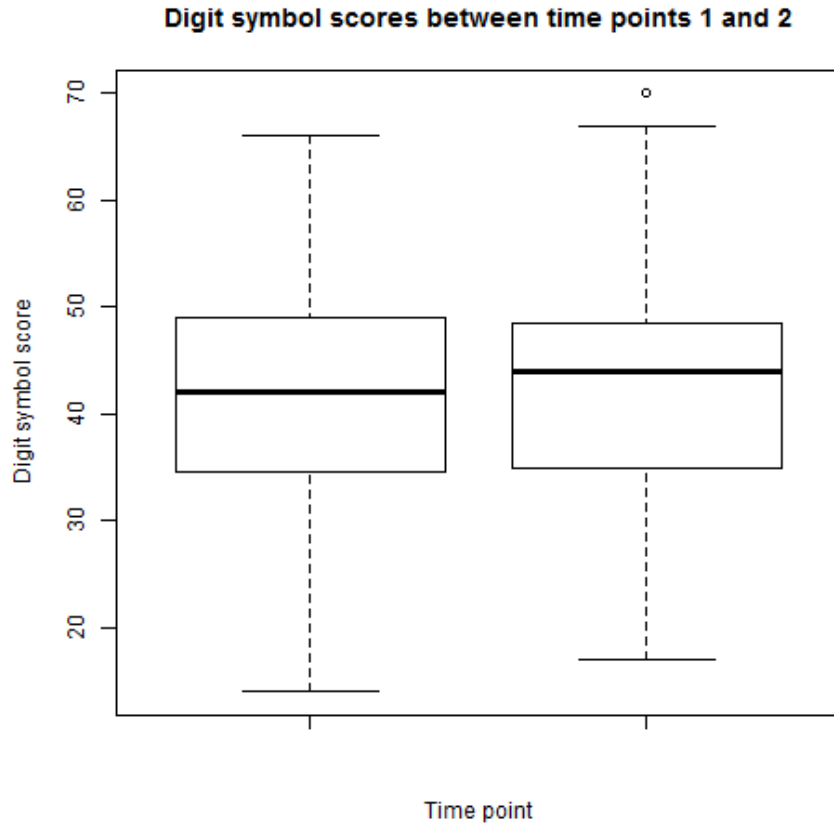
```
sample estimates:
```

```
mean of the differences
```

```
-0.6808511
```

No differences in Digit symbol task scores between baseline and when tested after sleep deprivation ( $t(36) = -0.79, p > .05$ ).

## 4. t-tests: repeated measures t-test

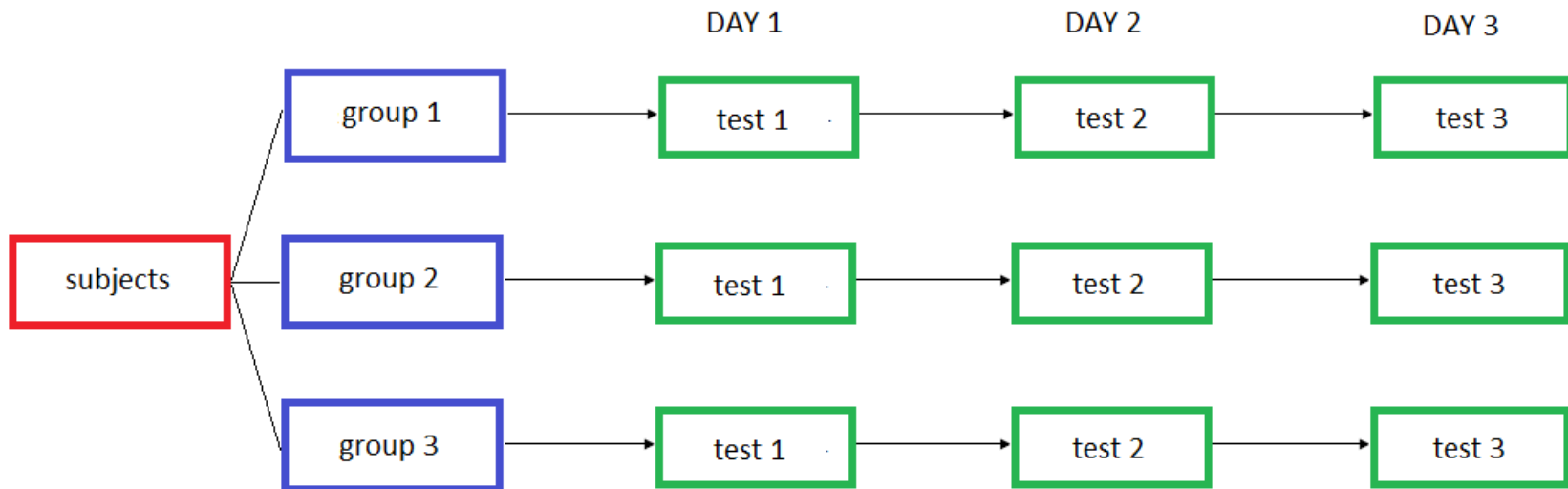


```
> boxplot(digitsymbol_1,  
  digitsymbol_2,  
  xlab="Time point",  
  ylab="Digit symbol score",  
  main="Digit symbol scores  
  between time points 1 and 2")
```

# But...

What if we have more than three groups?

What if we want to take into account multiple categorizations at the same time?



# 5. ANOVA

1. ANOVA assumptions
2. Different types of ANOVA
  - One-way between subject
  - Two-way between subject
  - One-way within subjects
  - (Two-way within subjects)
3. Post-hoc comparisons

# 5. ANOVA: assumptions

- ANOVA assumptions:
  - Dependent variable is continuous
  - One discrete variable defining group membership
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# 5. ANOVA: building your model

Note the notation in R:

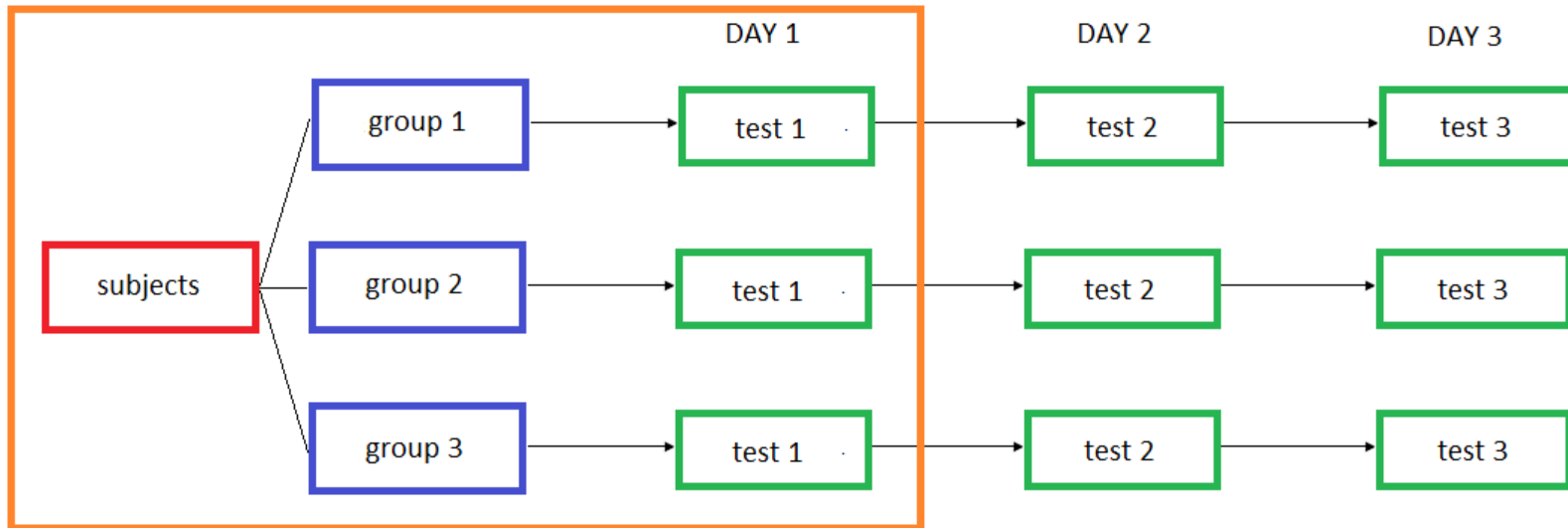
```
y ~ x # one main effect
y ~ x1 + x2 # two main effects
y ~ x1 * x2 (= y ~ x1 + x2 + x1*x2) # two main effects, interaction effect
```

where  $y$  = dependent variable

$x_1, x_2$  = independent variables



# 5. ANOVA: one-way between subjects



Example:

Do baseline Digit symbol task scores differ between education groups?

# 5. ANOVA: one-way between subjects

```
> A1 <- aov(digitsymbol_1 ~ education)
> summary(A1)
          Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
education  2    544   271.9    2.155  0.128
Residuals 44   5553   126.2
> model.tables(A1, "means")
Tables of means
Grand mean

42.23404

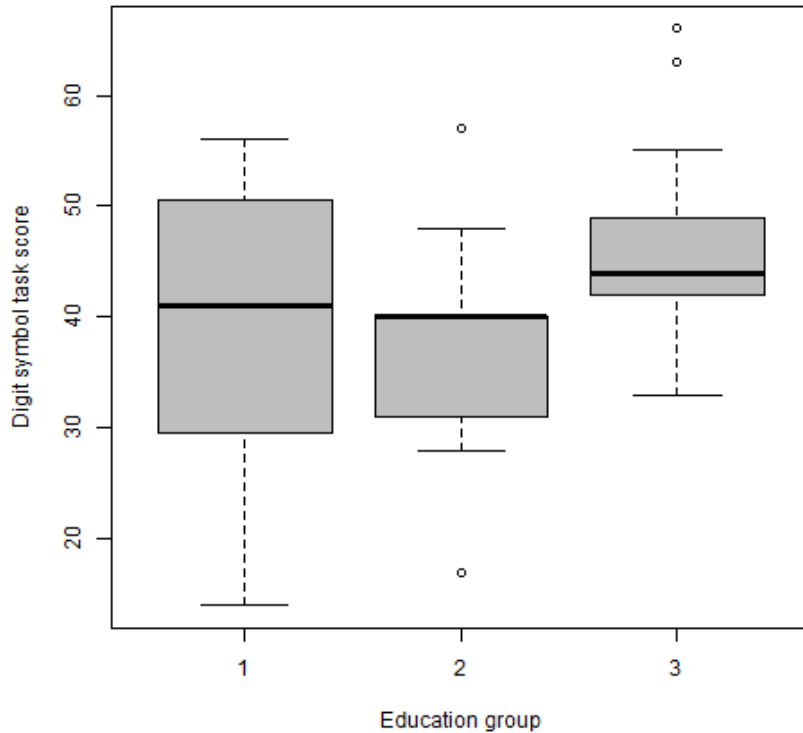
education
      1      2      3
rep 40.19 38.85 46.5
rep 16.00 13.00 18.0
```

```
aov(x ~ y)
summary(model)
model.tables
```

No differences between education groups in Digit symbol task scores  
( $F(2,44) = 2.16, p > .05$ ).

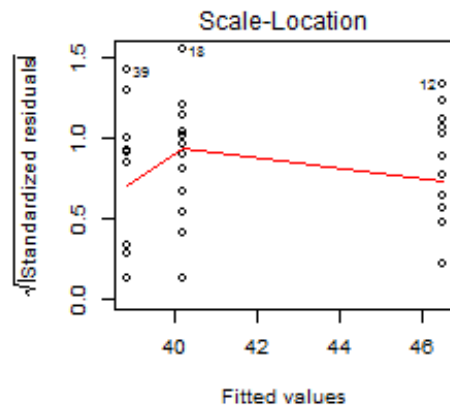
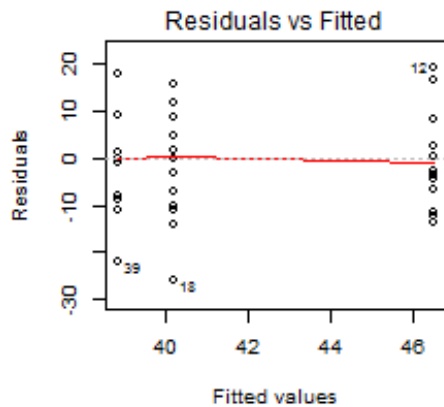
# 5. ANOVA: one-way between subjects

Digit symbol task baseline score in different education groups



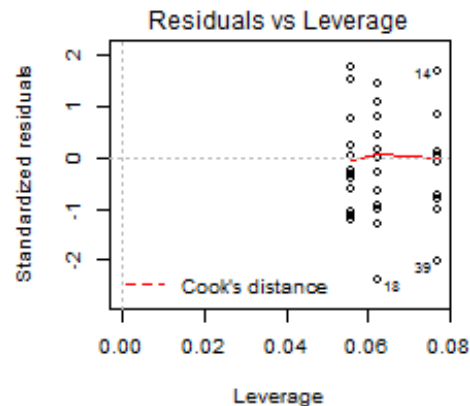
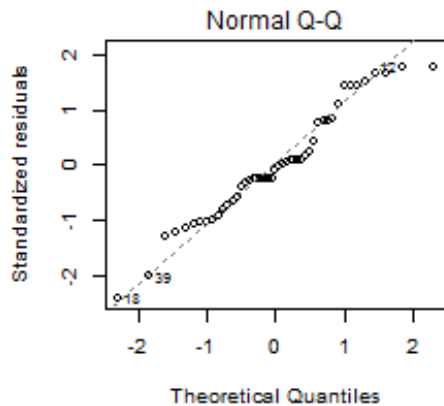
```
> boxplot(digitsymbol_1 ~ education,  
          xlab="Education group",  
          ylab="Digit symbol task score",  
          main="Digit symbol task baseline  
          score in different education  
          groups",  
          col="grey")
```

# 5. ANOVA: one-way between subjects

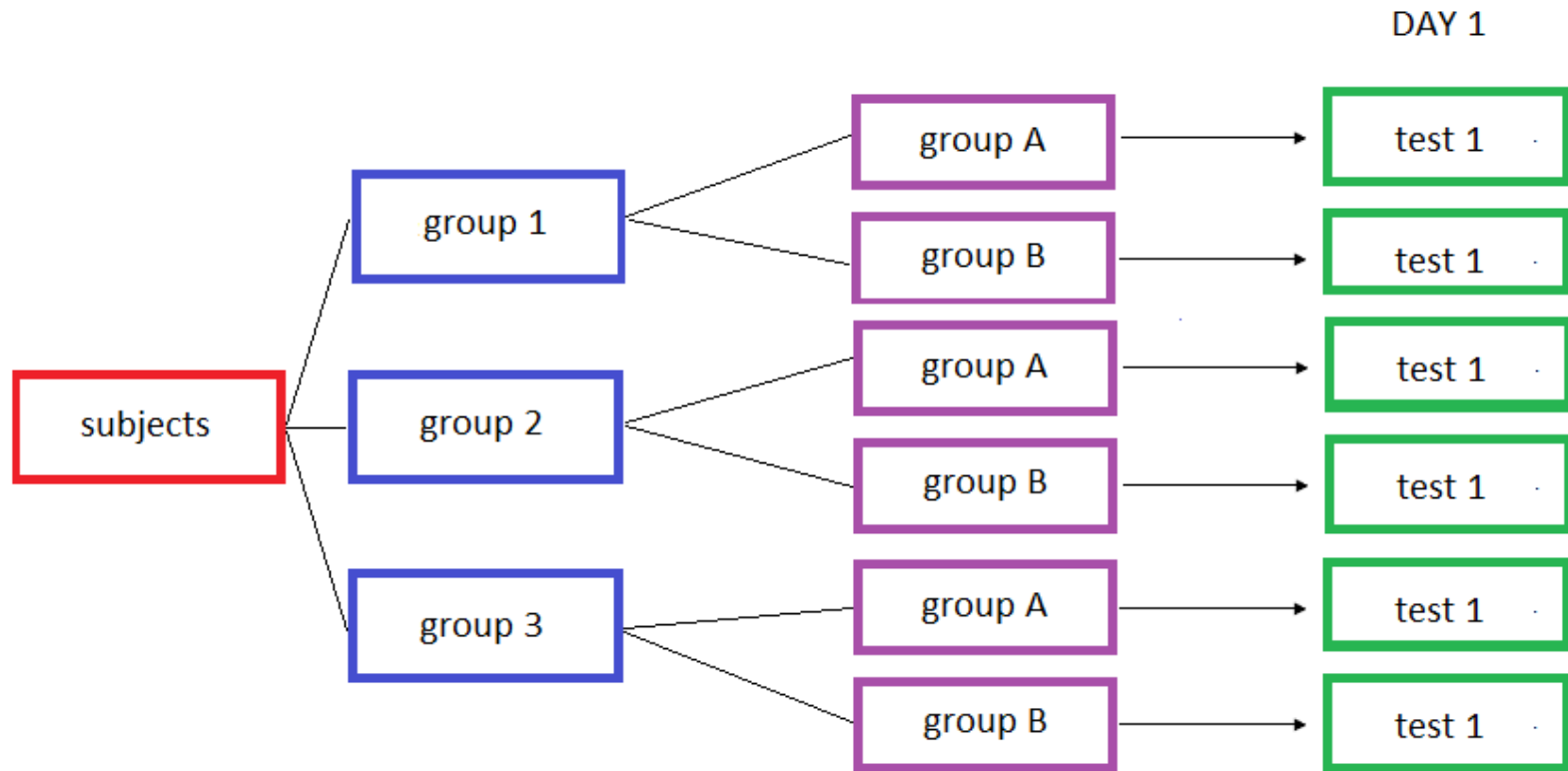


Diagnostic plots:

```
> layout(matrix(c(1,2,3,4),2,2))  
> plot(A1)
```



# 5. ANOVA: two-way between subjects



Example:

Do education and age effect the baseline Digit symbol task scores?

# 5. ANOVA: two-way between subjects

```
> A2 <- aov(digitsymbol_1 ~education * age)
> summary(A2)

      Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
education  2    544   271.9   2.276  0.115
age        1     3     2.9   0.024  0.877
education:age  2    652   326.2   2.731  0.077 .
Residuals 41   4897   119.4

---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
> model.tables(A2, "means")
```

```
Tables of means
```

```
Grand mean
```

```
42.23404
```

```
education
```

```
1 2 3
```

```
40.19 38.85 46.5
```

```
rep 16.00 13.00 18.0
```

```
age
```

```
1 2
```

```
42.5 42
```

```
rep 22.0 25
```

```
education:age
```

```
age
```

```
education 1 2
```

```
1 37.75 42.62
```

```
rep 8.00 8.00
```

```
2 35.00 41.25
```

```
rep 5.00 8.00
```

```
3 51.44 41.56
```

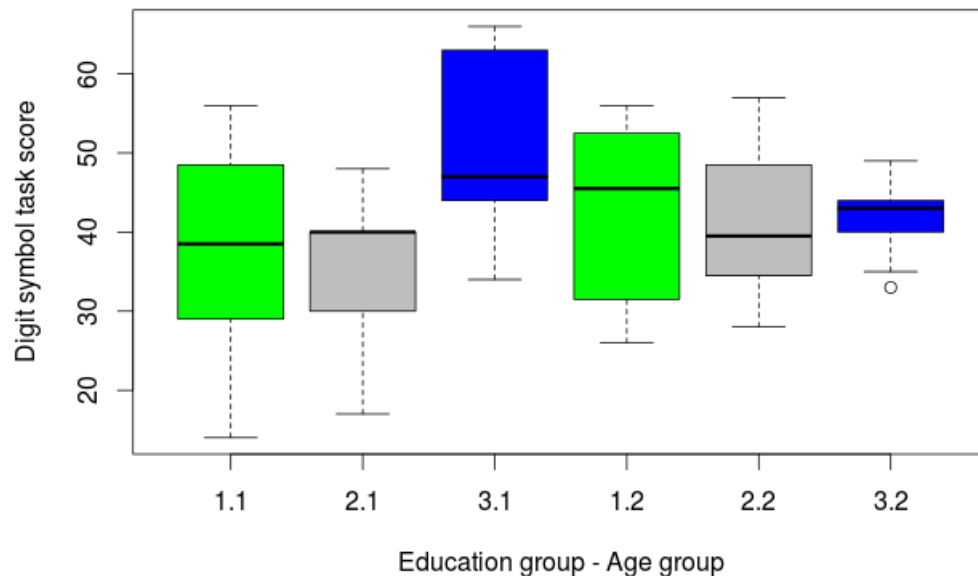
```
rep 9.00 9.00
```

```
aov(y ~ x1 * x2)
summary(model)
model.tables
```

No differences between education groups in Digit symbol task scores ( $F(2,44) = 2.16, p > .05$ ).

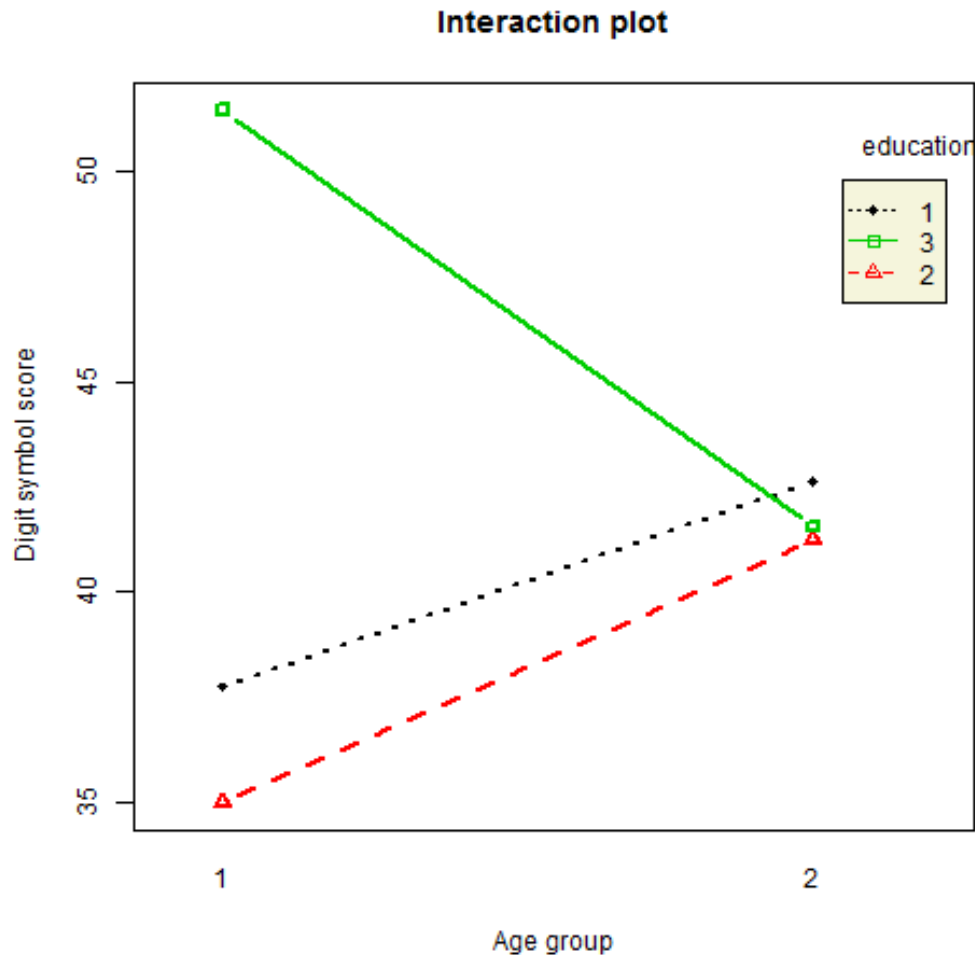
# 5. ANOVA: two-way between subjects

Digit symbol task baseline score by Education and Age



```
· boxplot(digitsymbol_1 ~  
  education * age,  
  xlab="Education group - Age  
  group",  
  ylab="Digit symbol task score",  
  main="Digit symbol task  
  baseline score by Education and  
  Age",  
  col=c("green", "grey", "blue"))
```

# 5. ANOVA: two-way between subjects



```
interaction.plot(age,  
education, digit_symbol_1,  
type="b", col=c(1:3),  
leg.bty="o", leg.bg="beige",  
lwd=2, pch=c(18,24,22),  
xlab="Age group",  
ylab="Digit symbol score",  
main="Interaction plot")
```



# 5. ANOVA: two-way between subjects

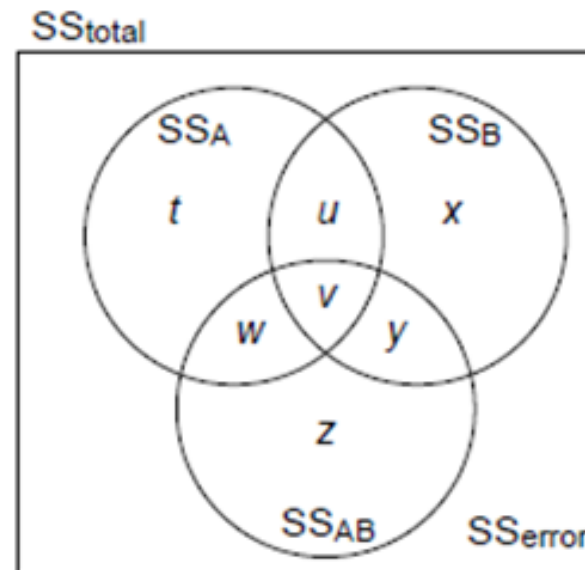
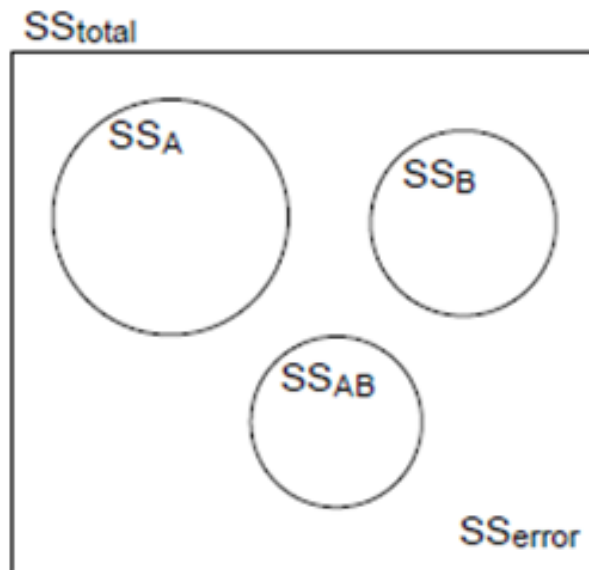
- Note: Type of sum of squares!!
  - the order in which independent variables are fed
  - sequential, hierarchical, or orthogonal
- R ([aov](#)) uses Type I by default
- e.g. SPSS uses Type III by default

# 5. ANOVA: two-way between subjects

Type of sum of squares:

Type III: orthogonal

Type I: nonorthogonal



# 5. ANOVA: two-way between subjects

Type of sum of squares: how to compare different types

- take type I SS with `aov` first
- check other types with `Anova()`

# 5. ANOVA: post-hoc comparisons

I get significant ANOVA, but what causes the difference between groups?

E.g., after the simple one-way ANOVA:

```
Anova1 <- aov(digitsymbol_1 ~ education)
```

```
pairwise.t.test(digitsymbol_1, education, p.adj="none")
```

```
pairwise.t.test(digitsymbol_1, education, p.adj="bonf")
```

```
pairwise.t.test(digitsymbol_1, education, p.adj="holm")
```

```
TukeyHSD(Anova1)
```



# 5. ANOVA: post-hoc comparisons

BUT...

- Better than post-hoc tests are the planned comparisons, i.e. contrasts!
- We will learn how to do this in R when using regression next week...

# Other things regarding exercises...

Data can be presented either in a wide or long format: function `reshape` modifies the format

wide format:

ID	age	edu	ht	ds1	ds2	ds3	bt1	bt2	bt3
1	1	1	user	35	36	39	10	11	7
2	2	2	control	45	42	47	5	5	4
3	1	3	control	40	39	49	6	8	3

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# Other things regarding exercises...

	ID	age	edu	ht	time	ds_score	bt_score
long	1	1	1	user	1	35	10
format:	1	1	1	user	2	36	11
	1	1	1	user	3	39	7
(remember	2	2	2	control	1	45	5
'naming'	2	2	2	control	2	42	5
dataset?)	2	2	2	control	3	47	4
	3	1	3	control	1	40	6
	3	1	3	control	2	39	8
	3	1	3	control	3	49	3





# For exercises and homework

Remember to report your results properly:

- Not just R code
- But written report and interpretation of the results
- Should include the standard reporting of values (see lecture slides)