

STATISTICS 3
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- 7) In a psychological experiment the effects of reward on learning in children was examined. 20 children were randomly assigned to four groups with different level of reward (“constant reward”, “frequent reward”, “infrequent reward”, “no reward”). In each group the number of trials to learn a puzzle was measured.

| | Number of trials to learn a puzzle | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Constant reward | 12 | 13 | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| Frequent reward | 9 | 10 | 9 | 13 | 14 |
| Infrequent reward | 15 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 16 |
| No reward | 17 | 18 | 12 | 18 | 20 |

(Normal-distribution and variance homogeneity can be assumed.)

- a) Test if there is a global difference between the groups (type I error = 5%)
- b) Use an appropriate method to test the following hypotheses (type I error = 5%):
- Constant reward will produce different learning results than the average of the other conditions.
 - Frequent reward will produce different learning results than the average of infrequent or no reward
 - Infrequent reward will produce different results learning than no reward
- 8) Twenty patients with high systolic blood pressure were randomly allocated to one of four treatment medications (standard medication and three other medications). Someone wants to test each of the three other medications against the standard medication.

| | systolic blood pressure [mmHg] | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Standard medication | 145 | 155 | 170 | 160 | 155 |
| Medication A | 109 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 |
| Medication B | 142 | 143 | 141 | 142 | 142 |
| Medication C | 127 | 138 | 120 | 121 | 122 |

(Normal-distribution and variance homogeneity can be assumed.)

Choose an appropriate statistical test (type I error = 5%) for evaluating this research question.