



# Statistical Analysis of Research Stations Effect on the Yield of Varieties of Cowpea

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## ABSTRACT

A design of experiment is a plan to collect measurement or observation according to a pre arrange plan in such a way as to provide the basic for valid inference. This work was carried out to examine the research station effect on the yield of Cowpea varieties. The station are four locations in Nigeria (Kaduna, Shika, Mokwa and Kano). Eight different varieties of Cowpea were considered (Tg 1910-8F, Tg 1844 – 1E, Tg1019 – 2E, Tg1904 – 6F, Tg1910 – 2F, Tg1448 – 2E, Tg1908 – 1F, and Tg1740 – 2F). The data are secondary data, collected from International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) Ibadan, Oyo State. The result showed that research locations has no significant effect on the yields of cowpea varieties. The use of Randomized Complete Block Design (RCBD) design in Kaduna station, Shika station, Mokwa station and Kano station had 27.2%, 109.9%, 63.04% and 53.7% gain in experimental precision respectively.

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## Introduction

Cowpea, *vigna unguiculata* (L.) Walp is a grain legume grown mainly in the Savanna regions of the tropics and subtropics in Africa, Asia and South America. The value of cowpea lies in its high protein content and ability to tolerate drought. As a legume, cowpea also fixes atmospheric Nitrogen, allow it to grown on and improve poor soils. All the parts of Cowpea are used for food nutritious, providing protein, vitamins, and minerals. Cowpea grain contains about 25% protein, making it extremely valuable where many people cannot afford protein foods such as meat and fish.

According to FAO, about 7.56 million tonnes of cowpea are produced Worldwide annually on about 12.76million hectares. Sub-Saharan African accounts for about 70% of total World production. This work was carried out to examine the environmental effect on the yield of Cowpea varieties. The environments are typified by four locations namely Kaduna, Shika, Mokwa and Kano. Eight different varieties of Cowpea were considered, Tg 1910-8F, Tg 1844 – 1E, Tg1019 – 2E, Tg1904 – 6F, Tg1910 – 2F, Tg1448 – 2E, Tg1908 – 1F, and Tg1740 – 2F.

## Data

The data are secondary data, collected from International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) Ibadan, Oyo State.

## Method

### Complete Randomized Design (CRD)

Complete Randomized Design is a design in which treatments are assigned completely at random so that each experimental unit has equal chance of receiving any one treatment. Any difference among the experimental units receiving the same treatment is considered to be experimental error.

The Statistical Model is

$$y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + e_{ij}$$

$$e_{ij} = (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i)$$

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r e_{ij}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i)^2$$

$$\frac{\delta s}{\delta \mu} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i)$$

$$\text{Min} \frac{\delta s}{\delta \mu} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r \mu - \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r \alpha_i = 0$$

$$y_{..} - N\mu - \sum_{i=1}^t n_i \alpha_i$$

$$\mu = \frac{y_{..}}{N} = \bar{Y}_{..}$$

$$\frac{\delta s}{\delta \alpha_i} = -2 \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i)$$

$$\text{Min} \frac{\delta s}{\delta \alpha_i} = -2 \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i) = 0$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_{ij} - \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \mu - \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \alpha_i = 0$$

$$y_{i.} - n_i \mu - n_i \alpha_i = 0$$

$$\alpha_i = \frac{y_{i.}}{n_i} - \mu$$

$$\alpha_i = \frac{y_{i.}}{n_i} - \bar{y}_{..}$$

### Randomized Complete Block Design (RCBD)

The Randomized Complete Block Design is a bit of odd duck. The design itself is straight-forward randomized complete block design is one of most widely used designs in Agricultural research, the design is used when the experimental units can be grouped such that the number of units in a group is equal to the number of treatments.

With Randomized Complete Block Design, the experimenter divides participants into subgroups called blocks,

such that the variability within the blocks is less than the variability between blocks. Then, participants within each block are randomly assigned to treatment conditions. This design reduces variability and potential confounding. It produces a better estimate effect.

**Derivation of Parameters in the Model**

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + e_{ij}$$

The derivation of  $\mu$ ,  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  are obtained using the least square approach.

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + e_{ij}$$

$$e_{ij} = Y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i - \beta_j$$

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r e_{ij}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i - \hat{\alpha}_j)^2$$

Differentiating with respect to  $\mu$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \mu} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij} - bt - b \sum_{i=1}^t \hat{\alpha}_i - t \sum_{j=1}^r \hat{\alpha}_j = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij} - bt = 0$$

$$\frac{\sum \sum y_{ij}}{bt} = i$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \hat{\alpha}_i} = -2 \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - i - \hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) = 0$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij} - bi - b\hat{\alpha}_i - \sum_{j=1}^r \hat{\alpha}_j$$

$$\frac{\sum y_{ij}}{b} = \frac{bi}{b} = \hat{\alpha}_i$$

$$\frac{\sum y_{ij}}{b} = i = \hat{\alpha}_i$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \hat{\alpha}_j} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^t (y_{ij} - i - \hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^t y_{ij} - t\hat{\alpha}_j - \sum_{i=1}^t \hat{\alpha}_i - t\hat{\alpha}_j$$

$$\frac{\sum y_{ij}}{t} = \frac{t\hat{\alpha}_j}{t} = \hat{\alpha}_j$$

$$\frac{\sum Y_{ij}}{t} - \mu = \beta_j \quad t \quad t$$

$$\frac{\sum Y_{ij}}{t} - i = \hat{\alpha}$$

$$S_{min} = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r e_{ij}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - \mu - \alpha_i - \hat{\alpha}_j)^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - i - \hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r (y_{ij} - i - \hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) - \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r \hat{\alpha}_i (y_{ij} - i - \hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) - \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r \hat{\alpha}_j (y_{ij} - i - \hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij}^2 - i \sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^t \hat{\alpha}_i \sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r \hat{\alpha}_j y_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r \hat{\alpha}_i \hat{\alpha}_j - \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r \hat{\alpha}_j \hat{\alpha}_i$$

$$\left[ \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^r y_{ij}^2 - \frac{\sum Y_{ij}^2}{bt} \right] - \left[ \frac{\sum Y_{ij}^2}{t} - \frac{\sum Y_{ij}^2}{bt} \right] - \left[ \frac{\sum Y_{ij}^2}{b} - \frac{\sum Y_{ij}^2}{bt} \right]$$

Total Sum of Square Treatment Sum of Square

Block Sum of Square

Error Sum of Square = Total SS - Treatment SS - Block SS

Total SS = Treatment SS + Block SS + Error SS

**The Analysis of Variance Table**

Source of Variation	Degree of Freedom	Sum of Square	Mean Square	F-Ratio
Treatment	t-1	SST	SST/t-1	MST/MSE
Block	r-1	SSB	SSB/ r-1	MSB/MSE
Error	(t-1)(r-1)	SSE	SSE/(t-1)(r-1)	
Total	(rt -1)	SSTOTAL		

**Hypothesis Testing**

The equality of the treatment effects tested in order to show whether there are significant differences in the cowpea varieties (Treatments) as against the alternative hypothesis.

This can be shown mathematically

**Treatments**

Ho:  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_8 = 0$

H1:  $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2 \neq \dots \neq \alpha_8 \neq 0$  for at least one of the varieties

**Blocks**

Ho:  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_8 = 0$

H1:  $\beta_1 \neq \beta_2 \neq \dots \neq \beta_8 \neq 0$  for at least one of the block.

**Blocking Efficiency**

Blocking is the process by which experiment materials are portioned into sets or blocks of homogeneous units. The purpose of this is to reduce experimental error by isolating all possible sources of variation.

Blocking maximizes the differences among plots of the same block as small as possible. The result of every RCBD experiment is examined to see the achievement of this objective. The relative efficiency (RE) is completed to determine the magnitude of the variation in experimental error due to blocking.

$$R.E = \frac{(r-1)Eb + r(t-1)Ee}{(rt-1)Ee} \times 100$$

Where

Eb = Block Mean Square or Replication Mean Square

Ee = Error Mean Square in RCBD analysis of variance

If R.E > 100 we say RCBD is more efficient than CRD

If R.E = 100 we say, RCBD = CRD

If R.E < 100 we say, CRD is more efficient than RCBD.

**Blocking Efficiency for Experiments**

The relative efficiency (R.E) due to blocking for the design under experiment may be computed as follows:

Relative Efficiency for Experiment I (Kaduna)

$$R.E = \frac{(r-1)Eb + r(t-1)Ee}{(rt-1)Ee} \times 100$$

Where Eb = 66389 Ee = 17404 t = 8 r = 4

Then,

$$(4-1) 66389 + 4(8-1) 17403 \quad \times 100$$

$$\frac{(4 \times 8 - 1) 17403}{\dots} = 127.2\%$$

The use of RCBD design at Kaduna station produced 27.2% increase in experimental precision.

**Relative Efficiency for Experiment II (Shika)**

$$R.E = \frac{(r-1)Eb + r(t-1)Ee}{(rt-1)Ee} \times 100$$

Where Eb = 156154 Ee = 12640 t = 8 r = 4

Then,

$$(4-1) 156154 + 4(8-1) 12640 \quad \times 100$$

$$\frac{(4 \times 8 - 1) 12640}{\dots} = 209.9\%$$

There was a gain of 109.9% in experimental precision with use of RCBD at Shika.

**Relative Efficiency For Experiment III (Mokwa)**

$$R.E = \frac{(r-1)Eb + r(t-1)Ee}{(rt-1)Ee} \times 100$$

Where Eb = 124235 Ee = 16534 t = 8 r = 4

Then,  

$$\frac{(4 - 1) 124235 + 4( 8 - 1) 16534}{(4 \times 8 - 1) 16534} \times 100$$
 = 163.04%

The use of RCBD design at Mokwa station produced 63.04% gain in experimental precision.

**Relative Efficiency for Experiment IV(Kano)**

$$R.E = \frac{(r - 1)Eb + r(t - 1) Ee}{(rt - 1)Ee} \times 100$$

Where Eb = 117592 Ee = 18252 t = 8 r = 4

Then,  

$$\frac{(4 - 1) 117592 + 4( 8 - 1) 18252}{(4 \times 8 - 1) 18252} \times 100$$
 = 153.7%

The relative efficiency has gained 53.7% in experimental precision with the use of RCBD.

**Relative Efficiency for all Experimental Stations**

$$R.E = \frac{(r - 1)Eb + r(t - 1) Ee}{(rt - 1)Ee} \times 100$$

Where Eb = 1062340 Ee = 85627 t = 8 r = 4

Then,  

$$\frac{(4 - 1) 1062340 + 4( 8 - 1) 85627}{(4 \times 8 - 1) 85627} \times 100$$
 = 210.4%

The use of RCBD design at all stations produced 110.4% increase in experimental precision.

**Discussion of Results**

The analysis showed that experiment I, II, III, and IV (Kaduna, Shika, Mokwa and Kano) have no significant effect on the yields of cowpea varieties in all research stations at 5% level of significant. The use of RCBD design in Kaduna station, Shika station, Mokwa station and Kano station had 27.2%, 109.9%, 63.04% and 53.7% gain in experimental precision respectively and the use of RCBD design at all stations produced 110.4% increase in experimental precision.

**Appendix**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	7	40402	5772		0.3316
block	3	199167	66389	3.8148	0.01505 *
Residuals	53	922368	17403		

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**Data view from experiment II (SHIKA)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	7	50722	7246	0.5733	0.7743
block	3	468461	156154	12.3543	3.063e-06 ***
Residuals	53	669901	12640		

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**Data view from experiment III (MOKWA)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	7	153719	21960	1.3282	0.2555950
block	3	372706	124235	7.5140	0.0002795 ***
Residuals	53	876296	16534		

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**Data view from experiment IV (KANO)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	7	79722	11389	0.6240	0.7337742
block	3	352775	117592	6.4428	0.0008423 ***
Residuals	53	967342	18252		

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**Analysis of Cowpea Varieties From Research Station to Another**

**Variety I (Tg 1910-8F)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	3	63797	21266	0.7676	0.5339
Residuals	12	332447	27704		

**Variety II (Tg 1844-1E)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	3	97268	32423	2.3042	0.1288
Residuals	12	168856	14071		

**Variety III (Tg 1019-2E)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	3	13254	4418.1	0.3432	0.7946
Residuals	12	154468	12872.3		

**Variety IV (Tg 1904-6F)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	3	43613	14538	0.4933	0.6936
Residuals	12	353676	29473		

**Variety V (Tg 1910-2F)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	3	14335	4778.4	0.3579	0.7845
Residuals	12	160221	13351.7		

**VARIETY VI (Tg 1448-2E)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	3	19548	6516.1	0.2396	0.8671
Residuals	12	326355	27196.3		

**Variety VII (Tg 1908-1F)**

**Analysis of Variance Table**

**Response: observation**

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	3	32434	10811	0.5716	0.6444

Residuals 12 226964 18914

### Variety VIII (Tg 1740-2F)

#### Analysis of Variance Table

Response: observation

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F	value
Treatment	3	33169		11056.4	
		1.2169	0.3459		
Pr(>F)					

Residuals 12 109028 9085.7

#### Data view from all locations

#### Analysis of Variance

#### Analysis of Variance Table

Response: observation

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Treatment	7	73385	10484	1.7753	0.111791
Block	3	140402	46801	7.9253	0.000185 ***
Residuals	53	312979	5905		

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