# ANALYSIS OF GENERAL MOTORS OIL TEST DATA

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report presents results from an analysis of the oil test data provided by General Motors. These data consist of 42 observations on four variables: PVIS (percent viscosity increase), WPD (weighted piston deposits), P\_reten (phosphorous retention), and New\_WPD (adjusted weighted piston deposits). These observations were collected on three oils and five labs. Two of these labs had two test stands each, and the other three had one test stand each. The main goals of the analysis were (1) to calculate the means of the four variables and (2) to estimate the standard deviations of the four variables, taking into account reproducibility (lab-to-lab variability) and repeatability (variability between replicates).

Exploratory analysis identified potentially problematic features of the data. The variable PVIS was found to have a non-normal distribution, a problem that was addressed by transforming this variable into its natural logarithm, log(PVIS), and using this transformed variable in the rest of the analysis. Another potential problem was the presence of an extreme outlier, observation 41, which has extreme values on log(PVIS), WPD, and P\_reten. However, after conducting further analysis both with and without this observation, it was found that its presence in the data did not significantly affect the results.

The main findings of the analysis are reported in Tables 1 and 2. Table 1 presents the estimates of the means of each variable by oil type. For each variable, common, rather than individual, means are reported for two of the oils. A common mean was estimated for two oils when the difference of their individual means was found not to be statistically significant. Table 2 presents the estimates of the standard deviation of Oil for each variable as well as estimates of reproducibility and repeatability.

**Table 1: Mean Estimates** 

Oil	log(PVIS)	WPD	P_reten	New_WPD
434-2	4.372330366	6.818214286	73.80928571	5.87214286
GMOD01	4.372330300	0.010214200	92 2E21 4296	E 0120 <b>2</b> 957
GMOD02	4.060780895	6.185714286	82.35214286	5.01392857

Table 2: Standard Deviation, Reproducibility, and Repeatability

	log(PVIS)	WPD	P_reten	New_WPD
STD(Oil)	0.17555	0.38936	4.91935	0.53114
Reproducibility	0.82382	1.07279	7.68313	1.47325
Repeatibility	0.67719	1.19416	6.33616	1.60520

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The data analyzed in this report consist of 42 observations on four variables: PVIS (percent viscosity increase), WPD (weighted piston deposits), P\_reten (phosphorous retention), and New\_WPD (adjusted weighted piston deposits). These observations were collected on three oils and five labs; two of these labs had two test stands each, and the other three had one test stand each. The analysis has two main goals: (1) to calculate the means of the four variables and (2) to estimate the standard deviations of the four variables, taking into account reproducibility (lab-to-lab variability) and repeatability (variability between replicates).

The first section of the report conducted an exploratory data analysis in order to uncover any features of the data that might pose problems for the main analysis. The exploratory analysis found that the variable PVIS had a non-normal distribution – a problem that was dealt with by transforming this variable into its natural logarithm, log(PVIS), and using the transformed variable in the subsequent analysis. The exploratory analysis also found an outlying observation that had extreme values on log(PVIS), WPD, and P\_reten. However, this observation was ultimately found not to be a problem since analyses in subsequent sections run both with and without this observation produced essentially the same results.

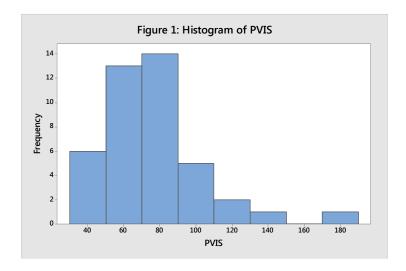
The second section of the report estimated the means of log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD. The approach was to use four separate fixed effects analysis of variance (ANOVA) models, one for each variable, each of which treated Oil, Lab, and Stand as factors that potentially influenced the variable in question. For each variable, the model as a whole and Oil in particular were found to be statistically significant. Four sets of multiple comparisons were then conducted to determine how the mean values of each variable differed by oil type. The results of these multiple comparisons thus made it possible to estimate the means of log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD for each type of oil.

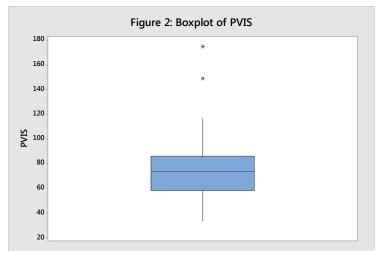
The third section of the report estimated the variance components of log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD and uses these estimates to calculate the standard deviation as well as reproducibility and repeatability for each variable. As in Section 2, this section relies on four ANOVA models, one for each variable. However, whereas a fixed effects model was used to estimate the means, a random effects model was used to estimate variance components. The use of a random effects model was necessary because a fixed effects model cannot be used to estimate variance components – and, similarly, a random effects model cannot be used to estimate the means.

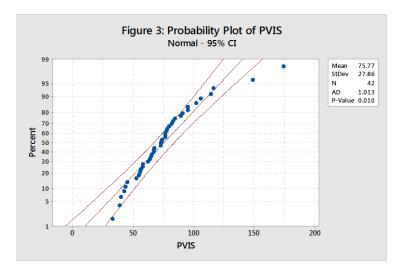
# 2. EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS

This section examines the distributions of the four response variables, PVIS, WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD with the goal of determining whether they have any problematic features that might affect the subsequent analysis. Figures 1, 2, and 3 contain, respectively, a histogram, boxplot, and normal probability plot for PVIS. The histogram is right-skewed indicating potential non-normality of the distribution. The boxplot indicates the presence of two potential outliers. These outliers have values of 174.6 and 148.9, which are 3.5 and 2.6 standard deviations, respectively,

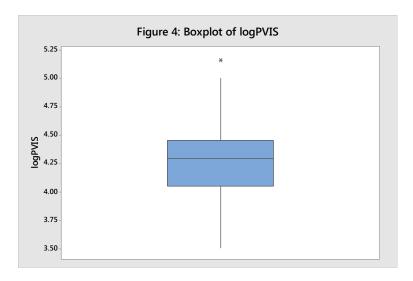
from the mean of 75.77. The probability plot has a curved pattern, which, as with the histogram, indicates that the data are non-normal. More formally, the p-value of 0.01 for the Anderson-Darling test (provided in figure 3) indicates rejection of the hypothesis of normality.

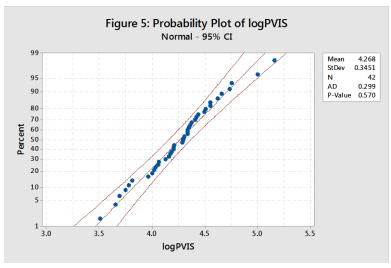




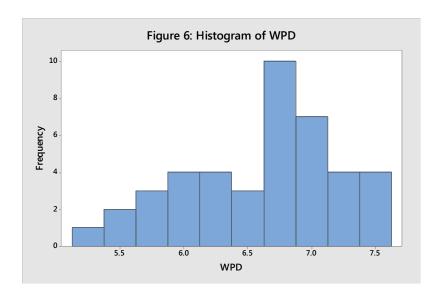


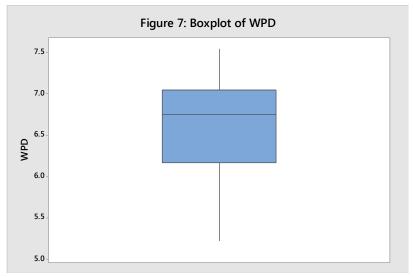
The non-normality of PVIS could potentially be addressed through a natural-logarithm transformation. The boxplot in Figure 4 indicates the presence of only one outlier once the variable is transformed into its natural logarithm. More importantly, the normal probability plot in Figure 5 shows that the natural logarithm of PVIS has a distribution much closer to normal than does the original variable. Given these results, the analyses that follow will focus on log(PVIS) rather than PVIS.

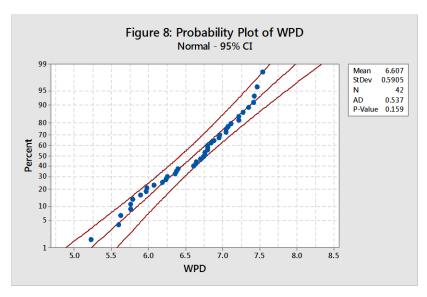




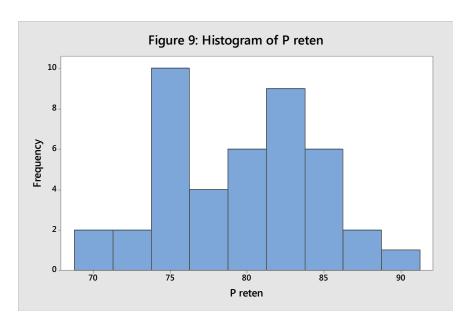
The variable WPD does not appear to have any of the problematic features of PVIS. Its histogram, boxplot, and normal probability plot, presented in Figures 6, 7, and 8, respectively, do not indicate that the distribution of WPD deviates seriously from normality, nor do they indicate the presence of significant outliers.

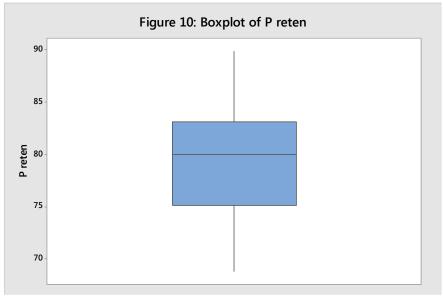


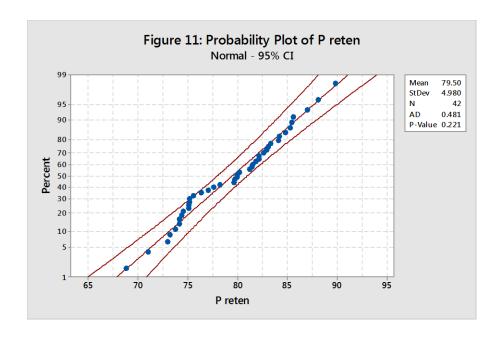




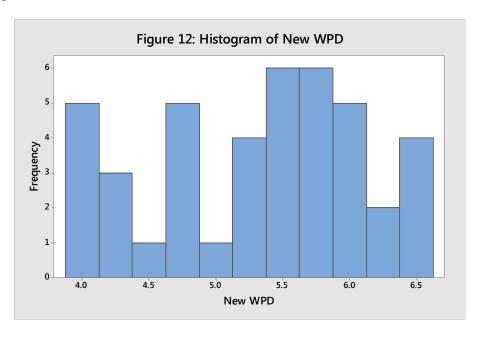
The histogram in Figure 9 reveals that the distribution of P\_reten takes a bimodal form. While this potentially bimodal feature is not in itself problematic, it is noteworthy that it is the result of the effect of the variable Oil on P\_reten. In particular, the first peak in Figure 9 represents the mode for oil 434-2, while the second peak represents the combined mode of oils GMOD01 and GMOD02. The boxplot and normal probability plot for P\_reten, as seen in Figures 10 and 11, indicate, respectively, that this variable has no major outliers and has a normal distribution.

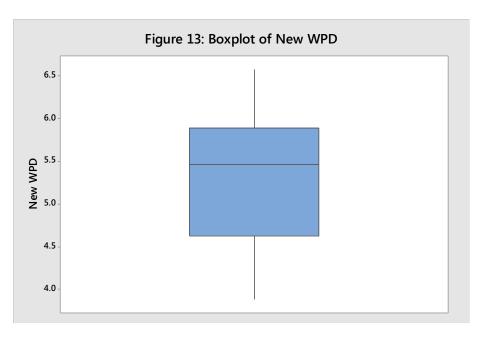


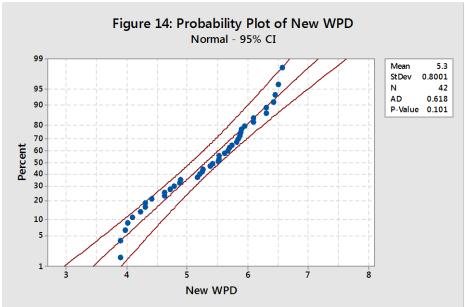




The histogram for New\_WPD, presented in figure 12, has a somewhat irregular shape, but, given the relatively small number of observations in the dataset, the pattern in the histogram is not in itself a cause for concern. The boxplot in Figure 13 shows that New\_WPD has no major outliers. Figure 14 indicates that New\_WPD's distribution deviates slightly from normality, but the Anderson-Darling *p*-value of 0.101 indicates that the level of deviation is not extreme and is within acceptable limits.







Finally, further analysis of the outlier identified in Figure 4, the boxplot for log(PVIS), indicates that this observation, which is observation 41 in the data set, also has extreme values on WPD and P\_reten. Not only does it have the highest value of log(PVIS) (5.16, 2.6 standard deviations above the mean), but it also has the lowest value of WPD (5.22, 2.4 standard deviations below the mean) and the highest value of P\_reten (89.85, 2.1 standard deviations above the mean). Since this observation was obtained from operationally valid tests, it will not be excluded from the analysis. However, in order to assess its impact on the results, the analyses that follow are carried out both with and without this observation.

# 3. ESTIMATING THE MEAN

This section uses ANOVA to find estimates of the mean values of log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD. Each response variable was analyzed individually using a multi-way ANOVA. The following model was used for each of the four variables:

$$y_{ijkl} = \mu + OIL_i + LAB_j + STAND_{k(j)} + \varepsilon_{(ijk)l}$$

$$i = 1,2,3$$

$$j = 1,2,3,4,5$$

$$k = 1,2, \text{ for labs A and G}$$

$$k = 1, \text{ for labs B, D, and F}$$

$$l = 1,2$$

$$\varepsilon_{(ijk)l} \sim N(0,\sigma^2) \text{ i. i. d.,}$$

where the subscript *l* represents the replicates for each combination of Oil, Lab, and Stand and "i.i.d." stands for "independently and identically distributed." In this model, the variables Oil, Lab, and Stand were all treated as fixed factors, and Stand was nested in Lab. Stand was treated as a nested variable because the stands are specific to the labs in which they are located and, thus, cannot be treated as identical across labs. No interaction terms were included in any of the three models as initial investigations showed them to be insignificant.

In the following presentation, the focus is on determining (1) whether the model as a whole is significant for log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD and (2) whether the variable Oil in particular has a significant effect on the mean value of each variable. If Oil does have an effect, the means of the oil types which are significantly different from one another will be estimated separately. An analysis of how the mean value of each variable differs among the different labs can be found in Appendix I. Further, a detailed examination of the validity of the assumptions underlying the model for each of the variables can be found in Appendix II.

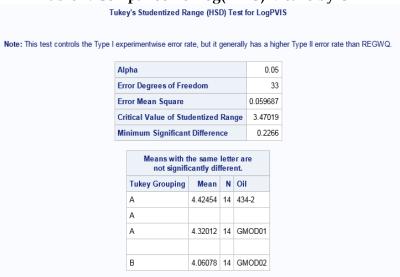
Table 3 presents the results from running the model with log(PVIS) as the response variable. The model is highly significant with a p-value of < 0.0001, and the p-values for Oil, Lab, and Stand are also significant at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level. The analysis was also run with the outlying observation (41) excluded, and the results obtained were essentially the same as those presented in Table 3.

Table 3: ANOVA Results for log(PVIS)

		[	Dependent \	/ariab	le: Lo	gPVI	S			
Source		DF	Sum of Sq	uares	Mea	n Sqı	uare	F Va	alue	Pr > F
Model		8	2.914	13832	0.	3642	6729		6.10	<.0001
Error		33	1.969	66589	0.	0596	8685			
Corrected	l Total	41	4.883	80421						
	R-Squ	ıare	Coeff Var	Root	MSE	Logi	PVISI	Mea	n	
	0.596	6694	5.723557	0.24	4309		4.26	848	1	
Sou	rce	DF	Type I SS	Mea	ın Sq	uare	F Va	lue	Pr>	F
Oil		2	0.98224787	0	.4911	2394	8	.23	0.00	13
Lab		4	1.33925295	5 0	.3348	1324	5	.61	0.00	15
Star	ıd(Lab)	2	0.59263750	0	.2963	1875	4	.96	0.01	30
Sou	rce	DF	Type III SS	Mea	an Sq	uare	F Va	lue	Pr>	F
Oil		2	0.98224787	7 0	).4911	2394	8	3.23	0.00	13
Lab		4	1.33925295	5 0	).3348	1324	5	.61	0.00	15
Stan	d(Lab)	2	0.59263750	) (	).2963	1875	4	1.96	0.01	30

Multiple comparisons were then conducted to investigate more precisely how the mean levels of log(PVIS) differ among the different types of oil. As shown in Table 4, the results indicate that oil GMOD02 has a lower mean log(PVIS) than both of the other two oils and that oils 434-2 and GMOD01 have mean values of log(PVIS) that are not significantly different from one another.

Table 4: Comparison of log(PVIS) Means by Oil



Based on the findings in Table 4, Table 5 presents mean estimates for the different types of oil. Since the multiple comparison found oils 434-2 and GMOD01 not to have significantly different means, a common mean value of log(PVIS) was estimated for these two oils.

Table 5: Mean Estimates for log(PVIS)

Oil	Mean
434-2 & GMOD01	4.372330366
GMOD02	4.060780895

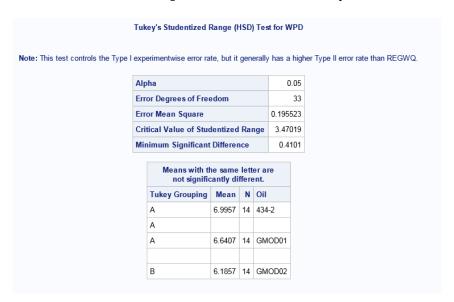
Table 6 presents the results from running the model with WPD as the response variable. The model as a whole is significant with a p-value of 0.0004, and the main effects for both Oil and Lab are significant with p-values of 0.0001 and 0.0086, respectively, while the effect for Stand is highly insignificant with a p-value of 0.8943. The analysis on WPD was also run with the outlying observation (41) excluded, and the results were essentially the same as those presented in Table 6.

Table 6: ANOVA Results for WPD

				D	ependent \	/aria	ble: W	PD				
Sou	ırce		DF	Sı	um of Squa	ires	Mean	Sq	uare	F V	alue	Pr > F
Mod	del		8		7.84176	190	0.98	802	2024		5.01	0.0004
Erro	or		33		6.45225	000	0.19	955	2273			
Cor	rected T	otal	41		14.29401	190						
		R-S	quar	е	Coeff Var	Roo	t MSE	w	PD M	ean		
		0.5	4860	5	6.692206	0.4	142180		6.607	381		
	Source		DF	1	Type I SS	Mea	n Squa	re	F Va	lue	Pr>	F
	Oil		2	4.	61603333	2	308016	67	11	1.80	0.00	01
	Lab		4	3.	18188690	0	795471	73	4	4.07	0.00	86
	Stand(	Lab)	2	0.	04384167	0	.021920	83	(	0.11	0.89	43
	Source		DF	Ty	ype III SS	Mea	n Squa	ıre	F Va	lue	Pr>	F
	Oil		2	4.	.61603333	2	.308016	67	1	1.80	0.00	01
	Lab		4	3.	.18188690	0	.795471	73		4.07	0.00	86
	Stand(l	_ab)	2	0	04384167	0	.021920	183		0.11	0.89	43

Multiple comparisons were then conducted to investigate more precisely how the mean levels of WPD differed among the different types of oil. As shown in Table 7, the results indicate that oil GMOD02 has a lower mean WPD value than both of the other two oils and that oils 434-2 and GMOD01 have mean values of WPD that are not significantly different from one another. The results of this multiple comparison procedure are unchanged if the insignificant factor, Stand, is left out of the model.

Table 7: Comparison of WPD Means by Oil



Based on the findings in Table 7, Table 8 presents mean estimates for the different types of oil. Since the multiple comparison found oils 434-2 and GMOD01 not to have significantly different means, a common mean value of WPD was estimated for these two oils.

**Table 8: Mean Estimates for WPD** 

Oil	Mean
434-2 & GMOD01	6.818214286
GMOD02	6.185714286

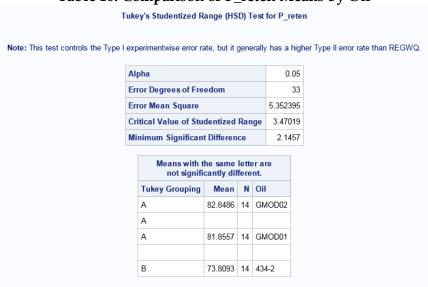
Table 9 presents the results from running the model with P\_reten as the response variable. The model as a whole is significant with a p-value of < 0.0001, and the main effects for both Oil and Lab are significant with p-values of < 0.0001 and 0.0004, respectively, while the effect for Stand is insignificant with a p-value of 0.5631. The analysis of P\_reten was also run with the outlying observation (41) excluded, and the results were essentially the same as those presented in Table 9.

Table 9: ANOVA Results for P\_reten

			ا	Dependent \	/ariab	le: P_	reter	1			
So	urce		DF	Sum of Squ	iares	Mea	n Squ	are	F Va	lue	Pr > F
Мо	del		8	840.33	32990	10	5.041	624	19	.63	<.0001
Err	or		33	176.62	9050		5.352	395			
Co	rrected	Total	41	1016.96	2040						
		R-Sq	uare	Coeff Var	Root	MSE	P_re	ten	Mean		
		0.82	6317	2.909928	2.31	3524		79.	50452		
	Source	е	DF	Type I SS	Mea	an Sq	uare	F V	alue	Pr	F
	Oil		2	688.0508333	34	14.025	4167	6	4.28	<.00	001
	Lab		4	146.0258905	5 3	36.506	4726		6.82	0.00	004
	Stand	(Lab)	2	6.2562667	,	3.128	281333 0		0.58	0.56	31
	Source	е	DF	Type III SS	Mea	an Sq	uare	F V	alue	Pr	> F
	Oil		2	688.0508333	3 34	14.025	4167	6	4.28	<.00	001
	Lab		4	146.0258905	5 3	36.506	4726		6.82	0.00	004
	Stand	(Lab)	2	6.2562667	,	3.128	1333		0.58	0.56	31

Multiple comparisons were then conducted to investigate more precisely how the mean levels of P\_reten differed among the different types of oil. As shown in Table 10, the results indicate that oil 434-2 has a lower mean P\_reten value than both of the other two oils and that oils GMOD01 and GMOD02 have mean values of P\_reten that are not significantly different from one another. The results of this multiple comparison procedure are unchanged if the insignificant factor, Stand, is left out of the model.

Table 10: Comparison of P\_reten Means by Oil



Based on the findings in Table 10, Table 11 presents mean estimates for the different types of oil. Since the multiple comparison found oils GMOD01 and GMOD02 not to have significantly different means, a common mean value of P\_reten is estimated for these two oils.

**Table 11: Mean Estimates for P\_reten** 

Oil	Mean
434-2	73.80928571
GMOD01 & GMOD02	82.35214286

Table 12 presents the results from running the model with New\_WPD as the response variable. The model as a whole is significant with a p-value of 0.0003, and the main effects for both Oil and Lab are significant with p-values of 0.0001 and 0.0074, respectively, while the effect for Stand is insignificant with a p-value of 0.9084.

Table 12: ANOVA Results for New WPD

	Table 12: ANOVA							<u>v</u>	rD	'		
			D	ependent \	/ariab	le: Ne	ew_WI	PD				
Sour	се		DF	Sum of So	quares	Me	an Sq	uare	F V	alue	Pr	> F
Mode	el		8	14.579	999524		1.8224	9940		5.15	0.0	003
Error	r		33	11.669	960476		0.3536	2439				
Corre	ected	Total	41	26.24	960000							
							1					
		R-Squa	are	Coeff Var	Root	MSE	New_	WPD	) Mea	an		
		0.555	437	11.22006	0.59	4663		5.	3000	00		
	Sou	rce	DF	Type I S	S Me	an So	quare	F Va	lue	Pr >	F	
	Oil		2	8.5697285	7	4.284	86429	1:	2.12	0.00	01	
	Lab		4	5.9421000	0	1.485	52500		4.20	0.00	74	
	Stan	ıd(Lab)	2	0.0681666	7	0.034	08333		0.10	0.90	84	
	Soul	rce	DF	Type III S	S Me	an S	quare	F Va	alue	Pr >	F	
	Oil		2	8.5697285	57	4.284	86429	1	2.12	0.00	01	
	Lab		4	5.9421000	00	1.485	52500		4.20	0.00	74	
	Stan	d(Lab)	2	0.0681666	67	0.034	08333		0.10	0.90	84	

Multiple comparisons were then conducted to investigate more precisely how the mean levels of New\_WPD differed among the different types of oil. As shown in Table 13, the results indicate that oil 434-2 has a higher mean New\_WPD value than both of the other two oils and that oils GMOD01 and GMOD02 have mean values of New\_WPD that are not significantly different from one another. The results of this multiple comparison procedure are unchanged if the insignificant factor, Stand, is left out of the model.

Table 13: Comparison of New\_WPD Means by Oil



Based on the findings in Table 13, Table 14 presents mean estimates for the different types of oil. Since the multiple comparison found oils GMOD01 and GMOD02 not to have significantly different means, a common mean value of New\_WPD is estimated for these two oils.

Table 14: Mean Estimates for New\_WPD

Oil	Mean
434-2	5.87214286
GMOD01 & GMOD02	5.01392857

Finally, Table 15 summarizes the mean estimates for log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD by oil type. It also provides the sample standard deviation of each oil and variable individually.

**Table 15: Mean Estimates with Standard Deviations** 

Variable	Oil	Mean	Standard Deviation
	434-2	4.372330	0.330082
log(PVIS)	GMOD01	4.372330	0.175825
	GMOD02	4.060781	0.400314
	434-2	6.818214	0.458706
WPD	GMOD01	0.010214	0.481160
	GMOD02	6.185714	0.550031
	434-2	73.809286	1.853821
P_reten	GMOD01	82.352143	3.122816
	GMOD02	62.332143	3.480263
	434-2	5.872143	0.607734
New_WPD	GMOD01	5.013929	0.692898
	GMOD02	5.013929	0.714522

# 4. ESTIMATNG THE STANDARD DEVIATION

This section proceeds by first estimating the variance components for log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD and then using these estimates to calculate the standard deviation as well as reproducibility and repeatability for each variable. To estimate the variance components for log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD, four separate ANOVA models are used, one for each variable. In contrast to the ANOVA models used in Section 3, the models in this section treat Oil, Lab, and Stand as random rather than fixed factors. This adjustment constitutes a change in the assumptions underlying the models. Whereas a fixed effects model is needed to perform multiple comparisons and estimate means, a random effects model, in which the variance of each factor is treated as a parameter, is necessary to estimate the variance components.

The same model is used to estimate the variance components for WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD. The preceding analysis showed that, in contrast to log(PVIS), the variable Stand does not have a significant effect on WPD, P\_reten, or New\_WPD, which means that Stand can be left out of the model used to estimate the variance components for these three variables. The model for WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD is as follows.

$$y_{ijk} = \mu + OIL_i + LAB_j + \varepsilon_{ijk}$$
  
 $i = 1,2,3$   
 $j = 1,2,3,4,5$   
 $k = 1,2,3,4$ , for labs A and G  
 $k = 1,2$ , for labs B, D, and F

$$\varepsilon_{ijk} \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \ i.i.d.$$

$$OIL_i \sim N(0, \sigma_{OIL}^2) \ i.i.d.$$

$$LAB_i \sim N(0, \sigma_{LAB}^2) \ i.i.d.$$

Table 16 presents the results from estimating the model with WPD as the response variable. The low p-values (< 0.05) for both Oil and Lab indicate that, as expected, the variance components associated with these two variables,  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$  and  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$ , are greater than zero.

Table 16: Random Effects ANOVA Results for WPD

		The SAS	System		
		The GLM P	Procedure		
9	Source	Type III Exp	ected Mean Sq	uare	
(	Dil	Var(Error) + 1	14 Var(Oil)		
I	ab	Var(Error) + 8	3.1429 Var(Lab)		
Tests of Hy	pothes	The SAS The GLM Fes for Randor		sis of Varia	ance
	[	ependent Va	riable: WPD		
Source	DF	Type III SS	riable: WPD	F Value	Pr > F
Source Oil					Pr > F
	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F

In order to find actual numerical values for the variance components of WPD, the first step is to note that taking the variance of both sides of the model listed above gives the following equation,

$$\sigma_{Total}^2 = \sigma_{OIL}^2 + \sigma_{LAB}^2 + \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2.$$

The Type III Expected Mean Square column in Table 16 provides the formulas by which  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$ ,  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$ , and  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2$  can be estimated. The formulas given by this table can be written as

$$E(MS_{OIL})=\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2+14\sigma_{OIL}^2$$
 and 
$$E(MS_{LAB})=\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2+8.1429\sigma_{LAB}^2,$$
 where  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2=E(MSE)$ .

The calculation of the coefficients for  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$  and  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$  in the equations for  $E(MS_{OIL})$  and  $E(MS_{LAB})$ , respectively, are obtained using the equations for expected mean squares for unbalanced data. The present data are unbalanced because not all types of observations have the same number of replicates (i.e., labs A and G have twice the number of replicates that labs B, D, and F have). The coefficient for  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$  in the equation for  $E(MS_{OIL})$  is thus calculated using the following expression,

$$\frac{N-k_1}{a-1}$$

where N is the total number of observations, a is the number of oil types, and  $k_1$  is given by the following formula in which  $n_i$  equals the number of observations for each oil type,

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i}^{a} n_{i.}^2 = \frac{1}{42} (14^2 + 14^2 + 14^2) = 14$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{N-k_1}{a-1} = \frac{42-14}{2} = 14.$$

In the equation for  $E(MS_{LAB})$ , the coefficient for  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$  is calculated from the following expression,

$$\frac{N-k_2}{b-1}$$

where b is the number of labs, and  $k_2$  is given by the following formula in which  $n_{.j}$  equals the number of observations in each lab,

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{b} n_{i,j}^2 = \frac{1}{42} (12^2 + 12^2 + 6^2 + 6^2 + 6^2) = 9.4286$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{N - k_2}{b - 1} = \frac{42 - 9.4286}{4} = 8.1429.$$

Based on the mean square values in the SAS output in Table 16 and the above equations, point estimates of these variance components can be calculated as follows,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = MSE = 0.185603,$$
 
$$\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 = \frac{MS_{OIL} - MSE}{14} = \frac{2.308017 - 0.185603}{14} = 0.151601, \text{ and}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These formulas are found in Hardeo Sahai and Mario Miguel Ojeda. 2005. *Analysis of Variance for Random Models, Volume II: Unbalanced Data.* Boston: Birkhauser, pp.167-169.

$$\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 = \frac{MS_{LAB} - MSE}{8.1429} = \frac{0.795472 - 0.185603}{8.1429} = 0.074896.$$

The total variance,  $\sigma_{Total}^2$ , is estimated as the sum of these different variance components

$$\hat{\sigma}_{Total}^2 = \hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = 0.412100.$$

These variance components are then used to calculate the standard deviation of Oil as well as reproducibility and repeatability for WPD. Repeatability is calculated based on the estimated variance of the error term,  $\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2$ , while the calculation of reproducibility is based on the estimated variance of lab,  $\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2$ , and the number of degrees of freedom for Lab as reported in Table 16.

$$STD(0il) = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2} = \sqrt{0.151601} = 0.38936$$
 
$$Repeatability = 1.96 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2} = 1.96 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{0.185603} = 1.19416$$
 
$$Reproducibility = 1.96 \times \sqrt{df_{LAB}} \times \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2} = 1.96 \times \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{0.074896} = 1.07279$$

Table 17 presents the results obtained from estimating the model with P\_reten as the response variable. The low p-values (< 0.05) for both Oil and Lab indicate that the variance components for these two variables,  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$  and  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$ , are greater than zero.

Table 17: Random Effects ANOVA Results for P\_reten

		The SAS	System		
		The GLM P	rocedure		
Sou	ırce	Type III Exp	ected Mean Sq	uare	
Oil		Var(Error) + 1	14 Var(Oil)		
Lab	)	Var(Error) + 8	3.1429 Var(Lab)		
Tests of Hypo	thes	The SAS The GLM P es for Randor		is of Varia	ance
	De	pendent Var	iable: P_reten		
Source	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Oil	2	688.050833	344.025417	65.84	<.0001
Lab	4	146.025890	36.506473	6.99	0.0003
		182.885317	5.225295		

As with the variance components of WPD, the variance components of P\_reten are related to one another by the following equation,

$$\sigma_{Total}^2 = \sigma_{OIL}^2 + \sigma_{LAB}^2 + \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2$$
.

The Type III Expected Mean Square column given by SAS in Table 17 provides the formulas by which the values of  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$ ,  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$  and  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2$  are estimated. Specifically,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{s}^{2} = MSE = 5.225295$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 = \frac{MS_{OIL} - MSE}{14} = \frac{344.025417 - 5.225295}{14} = 24.20001$$
, and

$$\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 = \frac{MS_{LAB} - MSE}{8.1429} = \frac{36.506473 - 5.225295}{8.1429} = 3.841528.$$

The total variance,  $\sigma_{Total}^2$ , can be estimated as,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{Total}^2 = \hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = 33.26683.$$

These variance components are then used to calculate the standard deviation of Oil as well as the reproducibility and repeatability for P\_reten. Similarly to WPD, repeatability is calculated based on the estimated variance of the error term,  $\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2$ , while the calculation of reproducibility is based on the estimated variance of lab,  $\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2$ , and the number of degrees of freedom for Lab as reported in Table 17.

$$STD(Oil) = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2} = \sqrt{24.20001} = 4.91935$$
   
  $Repeatability = 1.96 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{5.225295} = 6.33616$    
  $Reproducibility = 1.96 \times \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{3.841528} = 7.68313$ 

Table 18 presents the results obtained from estimating the model with New\_WPD as the response variable. The low *p*-values (< 0.05) for both Oil and Lab indicate that the variance components for these two variables,  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$  and  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$ , are greater than zero.

Table 18: Random Effects ANOVA Results for New\_WPD

		The SAS					
:	Source Type III Expected Mean Square						
(	Oil	Var(Error) + 1	14 Var(Oil)				
	Lab	Var(Error) + 8	3.1429 Var(Lab)				
Tests of H			rocedure n Model Analys		ance		
	Dep	endent Varia	ble: New_WPD				
Source	Dep	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F		
Source Oil		I	_				
	DF	Type III SS	Mean Square	F Value			

As with the variance components of WPD and P\_reten, the variance components of New\_WPD are related to one another by the following equation,

$$\sigma_{Total}^2 = \sigma_{OIL}^2 + \sigma_{LAB}^2 + \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2.$$

The Type III Expected Mean Square column given by SAS in Table 18 provides the formulas by which the values of  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$ ,  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$  and  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2$  are estimated. Specifically,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = MSE = 0.335365,$$
 
$$\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 = \frac{MS_{OIL} - MSE}{14} = \frac{4.284864 - 0.335365}{14} = 0.282107, \text{ and}$$
 
$$\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 = \frac{MS_{LAB} - MSE}{8.1429} = \frac{1.485525 - 0.335365}{8.1429} = 0.141247.$$

The total variance,  $\sigma^2_{Total}$ , can be estimated as

$$\hat{\sigma}_{Total}^2 = \hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = 0.758719.$$

These variance components are then used to calculate the standard deviation of Oil as well as the reproducibility and repeatability for New\_WPD. Similarly to WPD and P\_reten, repeatability is calculated based on the estimated variance of the error term,  $\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2$ , while the calculation of reproducibility is based on the estimated variance of lab,  $\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2$ , and the number of degrees of freedom for Lab as reported in Table 18.

$$STD(Oil) = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2} = \sqrt{0.282107} = 0.53114$$
 
$$Repeatability = 1.96 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{0.335365} = 1.60520$$
 
$$Reproducibility = 1.96 \times \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{0.141247} = 1.47325$$

The estimation of the variance components of log(PVIS) requires a different model from that used to estimate the variance components of WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD. Since the analysis in the preceding section found that Stand had a significant effect on log(PVIS), Stand must be included in the model for log(PVIS). In this model, Oil, Lab, and Stand are all random effects, and Stand is nested in Lab. As in the fixed effects models in Section 3, Stand is treated as nested in Lab because the stands are specific to the labs in which they are located and, thus, cannot be treated as identical across labs. The model for log(PVIS) can be written as,

$$y_{ijk} = \mu + OIL_i + LAB_j + STAND_{k(j)} + \varepsilon_{(ijk)l}$$

$$i = 1,2,3$$

$$j = 1,2,3,4,5$$

$$k = 1,2, \text{ for labs A and G}$$

$$k = 1, \text{ for labs B, D, and F}$$

$$l = 1,2$$

$$\varepsilon_{(ijk)l} \sim N(0,\sigma^2) \text{ i. i. d.}$$

$$OIL_i \sim N(0,\sigma^2_{OIL}) \text{ i. i. d.}$$

$$LAB_j \sim N(0,\sigma^2_{LAB}) \text{ i. i. d.}$$

$$STAND_{k(j)} \sim N(0,\sigma^2_{STAND(LAB)}) \text{ i. i. d.}$$

Table 19 presents the results obtained from estimating this model. The low p-values (< 0.05) for Oil and Stand indicate that the variance components for these two variables,  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$  and  $\sigma_{STAND(LAB)}^2$ , are greater than zero. The high p-value for Lab, on the other hand, indicates that the variance component for Lab,  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$ , is not significantly different from zero.

Table 19: Random Effects ANOVA Results for log(PVIS)

				The S	AS	System					
				The GI	M P	rocedure					
	Source	Source Type III Expected Mean Square									
	Oil		Var(i	Error) + 1	4 Va	ır(Oil)					
	Lab		Var(l	Error) + 6	Var	(Stand(Lab))	+ 8.	1429 \	√ar(L	ab)	
	Stand(La	ab)	Var(l	Error) + 6	Var	(Stand(Lab))					
				The C	AS	Cuetam					
	Tests of H	ypot		The Gl es for Ra	_M P	System Procedure m Model Ar able: LogP	-	sis of \	Varia	ance	
	Tests of H	ypot		The Gl es for Ra	_M P ndor Vari	Procedure m Model Ar	VIS	sis of \		Pr	
So	urce	ypot	Dep	The Gl es for Ra pendent	_M P ndor Vari	Procedure m Model Ar able: LogP	VIS	F Va			> F
So:	urce	ypot	De <sub>l</sub>	The Gles for Rapendent	_M P ndor Vari SS 248	Procedure m Model Ar able: LogP	VIS are	F Va	lue	Pr	> F
So Oil Sta	urce		De p	The GI es for Ra pendent Type III 0.982	M P ndor Vari SS 248	Procedure m Model Ar able: LogP Mean Squ 0.491	vis are 124 319	F Va	lue 3.23	Pr:	> F
So Oil Sta	urce ind(Lab)		Dep DF 2 2 33	The GI es for Ra pendent  Type III  0.982  0.592	M P ndor Vari SS 248 637 666	Procedure m Model Ar able: LogP Mean Squ 0.491	vis are 124 319 687	F Va	lue 3.23	Pr: 0.00	> F
So Oil Sta	urce ind(Lab) or: MS(Eri	ror)	De position DF 2 2 33	The Gles for Rapendent Type III 0.982 0.592 1.969	M P ndor Vari SS 248 637 666	Procedure m Model Ar able: LogP Mean Squ 0.491 0.296 0.059	vis are 124 319 687	F Va	lue 3.23 4.96	0.00 0.0°	> F
So Oil Sta	urce and(Lab) or: MS(Err	ror)	Dep DF 2 2 33	The Gles for Ra pendent  Type III  0.982  0.592  1.969	M P ndor Vari SS 248 637 666	Mean Square	vis are 124 319 687	F Va	lue 3.23 4.96	0.00 0.0°	> F

The variance components of log(PVIS) are related to one another by the following equation, which is found by taking the variance of both sides of the model listed earlier for log(PVIS),

$$\sigma_{Total}^2 = \sigma_{OIL}^2 + \sigma_{LAB}^2 + \sigma_{STAND(LAB)}^2 + \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2.$$

The Type III Expected Mean Square column in Table 19 provides the formulas by which  $\sigma_{OIL}^2$ ,  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$ ,  $\sigma_{STAND(LAB)}^2$ , and  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2$  are estimated.

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = MSE = 0.059687,$$
 
$$\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 = \frac{MS_{OIL} - MSE}{14} = \frac{0.491124 - 0.059687}{14} = 0.03081693,$$
 
$$\hat{\sigma}_{STAND(LAB)}^2 = \frac{MS_{STAND(LAB)} - MSE}{6} = \frac{0.296319 - 0.059687}{6} = 0.03943867, \text{ and}$$
 
$$\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 = \frac{MS_{LAB} - MS_{STAND(LAB)}}{8.1429} = \frac{0.334813 - 0.296319}{8.1429} = 0.004727308.$$

The equation for estimating  $\sigma_{LAB}^2$  can be obtained by noting that since

$$E(MS_{STAND(LAB)}) = \sigma_{\varepsilon}^{2} + 6\sigma_{STAND(LAB)}^{2},$$

the equation for the expected mean square of lab, which is

$$E(MS_{LAB}) = \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2 + 6\sigma_{STAND(LAB)}^2 + 8.1429\sigma_{LAB}^2,$$

can be simplified to the following

$$E(MS_{LAB}) = E(MS_{STAND(LAB)}) + 8.1429\sigma_{LAB}^{2},$$

Based on the above calculations, the total variance,  $\sigma_{Total}^2$ , can then be estimated as:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{Total}^2 = \hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{STAND(LAB)}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = 0.1346699.$$

These variance components are then used to calculate the standard deviation of Oil as well as the reproducibility and repeatability for log(PVIS). Similarly to WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD, repeatability is calculated based on the estimated variance of the error term,  $\hat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2$ . However, given the different model used to calculate the variance components of log(PVIS), the calculation of reproducibility for log(PVIS) differs from that used for the previous three variables, as it takes into account the estimated variances of both Lab,  $\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2$ , and Stand,  $\hat{\sigma}_{STAND(LAB)}^2$ .

$$STD(Oil) = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{OIL}^2} = \sqrt{0.03081693} = 0.17555$$

*Repeatability* = 
$$1.96 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{0.059687} = 0.67719$$

$$Reproducibility = 1.96 \times \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{LAB}^2 + \hat{\sigma}_{STAND(LAB)}^2} = 1.96 \times \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{0.004727308 + 0.03943867}$$
$$= 0.82382$$

Finally, Tables 20 and 21 summarize the findings from this section. Table 20 reports the variance components of log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD. Table 21 presents the standard deviation of Oil as well as reproducibility and repeatability for each variable.

**Table 20: Variance Component Estimates** 

	log(PVIS)	WPD	P_reten	New_WPD
Var(Oil)	0.030817	0.151601	24.20001	0.282107
Var(Lab)	0.004727	0.074896	3.841528	0.141247
Var(Stand)	0.039439			
Var(Error)	0.059687	0.185603	5.225295	0.335365
Total variance	0.134670	0.412100	33.26683	0.758719

Table 21: Standard Deviation, Reproducibility, and Repeatability

	log(PVIS)	WPD	P_reten	New_WPD
STD(Oil)	0.17555	0.38936	4.91935	0.53114
Reproducibility	0.82382	1.07279	7.68313	1.47325
Repeatability	0.67719	1.19416	6.33616	1.60520

# 5. CONCLUSION

This report has analyzed the oil test data provided by General Motors. It began with an exploratory analysis of the distribution of the four variables, PVIS, WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD. The main result of this section was that PVIS was transformed into its natural logarithm, log(PVIS), in order to correct its non-normal distribution. An outlier was also discovered, but subsequent analysis determined that this outlier did not have a significant effect on the results of the analysis.

Estimation of the means of log(PVIS), WPD, P\_reten, and New\_WPD by oil type was carried out with four fixed effects ANOVA models, one for each variable. All four models, which included Oil, Lab, and Stand as factors, were found to be statistically significant. Oil and Lab were also found to be significant in all four models, although Stand was only significant in the model for log(PVIS). Since Oil was significant in all four models – indicating that the mean of each variable differs by oil type – four sets of multiple comparisons were undertaken to determine exactly how the mean value of each variable differed by Oil. These multiple comparisons demonstrated that oil GMOD02 has a lower mean log(PVIS) and lower mean WPD than both of the other two oils and that oil 434-2 has a significantly lower mean P\_reten value and a significantly higher New\_WPD value than do the other two oils. These results then allowed estimation of the mean of each variable by oil type.

The estimation of the standard deviations of the four variables, taking into account reproducibility (lab-to-lab variability) and repeatability (variability between replicates), was carried out with four random effects ANOVA models, one for each variable. Since Stand was found not to have a significant effect on WPD, P\_reten, or New\_WPD, the variance components estimated for these two variables were limited to variance by Lab, variance by Oil, and random error. In contrast, since Stand did have a significant effect on log(PVIS), variance by Stand was estimated for this variable in addition to variance by Lab, variance by Oil, and random error. The variance components estimated for each variable were then used to calculate its standard deviation as well as reproducibility and repeatability.

# APPENDIX I: MULTIPLE COMPARISONS BY LAB

Table 22 presents results for multiple comparisons of mean log(PVIS) value by Lab. The results indicate that lab B is different from labs G and F in regard to log(PVIS), while lab F is also different from labs A and D.

Table 22: Comparison of log(PVIS) Means by Lab

		Studentized	Range (HSD) Tes	st for LogPVIS	
Note	e: This t	test controls t	the Type I experime	entwise error ra	ite.
	Alpha			0.05	
	Error	Degrees of F	reedom	33	
	Error	Mean Squar	e	0.059687	
	Critica	al Value of S	tudentized Rang	e 4.07897	
	Cor		gnificant at the 0 ndicated by ***.	.05 level	
La Compa		Difference Between Means	Simultaneous 95		•
В-	- D	0.17667	-0.23016	0.5835	1
В-	Α.	0.23432	-0.11800	0.5866	5
В-	G	0.36210	0.00977	0.7144	2 ***
В-	·F	0.62149	0.21466	1.0283	2 ***
D -	В	-0.17667	-0.58351	0.2301	6
D -	Α	0.05765	-0.29468	0.4099	7
D -	G	0.18542	-0.16690	0.5377	5
D -	- F	0.44482	0.03799	0.8516	5 ***
Α-	В	-0.23432	-0.58665	0.1180	0
Α-	D	-0.05765	-0.40997	0.2946	3
Α -	G	0.12778	-0.15990	0.4154	5
Α.	·F	0.38717	0.03484	0.7395	) ***
G -	В	-0.36210	-0.71442	-0.0097	7 ***
G -	- D	-0.18542	-0.53775	0.1669	0
G -	Α.	-0.12778	-0.41545	0.1599	0
G -	- F	0.25939	-0.09293	0.6117	2
F-	В	-0.62149	-1.02832	-0.2146	5 ***
F-	D	-0.44482	-0.85165	-0.0379	9 ***
F-	Α	-0.38717	-0.73950	-0.0348	4 ***
F-	G	-0.25939	-0.61172	0.0929	3

Table 23 presents results for multiple comparisons of mean WPD value by Lab. The results indicate that lab D is significantly different from labs B and G in regard to mean WPD value.

Table 23: Comparison of WPD Means by Lab

			,			
Note	: This t	test controls	the Type I experime	entwise error i	rate.	
	Alpha 0.05					
	Error I	Degrees of F	reedom	33		
	Error I	Mean Squar	e	0.195523		
	Critica	al Value of S	tudentized Range	e 4.07897		
	Coi		ignificant at the 0 ndicated by ***.	.05 level		
		Difference				
La Compa	_	Between Means	Simultaneous 95 Limi		ce	
D -	F	0.2567	-0.4797	0.99	30	
D -	Α	0.6017	-0.0360	1.23	93	
D -	G	0.7542	0.1165	1.39	18 ***	
D -	В	0.7833	0.0470	1.519	97 ***	
F-	D	-0.2567	-0.9930	0.479	97	
F-	Α	0.3450	-0.2927	0.982	27	
F-	G	0.4975	-0.1402	1.13	52	
F-	В	0.5267	-0.2097	1.26	30	
Α -	D	-0.6017	-1.2393	0.036	50	
Α -	F	-0.3450	-0.9827	0.29	27	
Α -	G	0.1525	-0.3682	0.67	32	
Α -	В	0.1817	-0.4560	0.819	93	
G -	D	-0.7542	-1.3918	-0.11	55 ***	
G -	F	-0.4975	-1.1352	0.140	02	
G -	Α	-0.1525	-0.6732	0.36	32	
G -	В	0.0292	-0.6085	0.666	68	
В-	D	-0.7833	-1.5197	-0.04	70 ***	
В-	F	-0.5267	-1.2630	0.20	97	
В-	Α	-0.1817	-0.8193	0.456	60	
В-	G	-0.0292	-0.6668	0.60	35	

Table 24 presents results for multiple comparisons of mean P\_reten value by lab. The results indicate that lab A is significantly different from labs F and G in regard to mean P\_reten value.

Table 24: Comparison of P\_reten Means by Lab

	,		l Range (HSD) Tes		
Note:	This t	est controls t	the Type I experime	entwise error r	ate.
I	Alpha	0.05			
E	Error I	Degrees of F	reedom	33	
E	Error I	Mean Squar	e	5.352395	
C	Critica	I Value of S	tudentized Range	4.07897	
	Соі		gnificant at the 0.	05 level	
Lab Compar		Difference Between Means	Simultaneous 95		e
F - 6	3	1.0267	-2.3097	4.363	31
F - E	3	2.1200	-1.7326	5.972	26
F - D	)	2.2433	-1.6092	6.095	59
F - A	4	5.1117	1.7753	8.448	31 ***
G - F	F	-1.0267	-4.3631	2.309	97
G - E	В	1.0933	-2.2431	4.429	97
G - [	D	1.2167	-2.1197	4.553	31
G - A	4	4.0850	1.3608	6.809	2 ***
B - F	F	-2.1200	-5.9726	1.732	26
B - 6	3	-1.0933	-4.4297	2.243	31
В - Е	)	0.1233	-3.7292	3.975	59
B - A	4	2.9917	-0.3447	6.328	31
D - F	F	-2.2433	-6.0959	1.609	92
D - 0	3	-1.2167	-4.5531	2.119	97
D - E	3	-0.1233	-3.9759	3.729	92
D - A	4	2.8683	-0.4681	6.204	17
A - F	F	-5.1117	-8.4481	-1.775	3 ***
A - 0	3	-4.0850	-6.8092	-1.360	)8 ***
A - E	3	-2.9917	-6.3281	0.344	17
A - E	)	-2.8683	-6.2047	0.468	31

Table 25 presents results for multiple comparisons of mean New\_WPD value by lab. The results indicate that lab D is significantly different from labs A and G in regard to mean New\_WPD value.

Table 25: Comparison of New\_WPD Means by Lab

#### Tukey's Studentized Range (HSD) Test for New\_WPD Note: This test controls the Type I experimentwise error rate. Alpha 0.05 **Error Degrees of Freedom** 33 Error Mean Square 0.353624 Critical Value of Studentized Range 4.07897 Comparisons significant at the 0.05 level are indicated by \*\*\*. Difference Between Simultaneous 95% Confidence Limits Lab Comparison Means -0.5386 D-F 0.4517 1.4419 D - A 0.9567 0.0991 1.8143 D - B 0.9583 -0.0319 1.9486 1.0800 0.2224 1.9376 D - G F - D -0.4517 -1.4419 0.5386 0.5050 -0.3526 1.3626 F-A 1.4969 F-B 0.5067 -0.4836 F-G 0.6283 -0.2293 1.4859 -0.0991 -0.9567 -1.8143 A - D A - F -0.5050 -1.3626 0.3526 0.8593 A - B 0.0017 -0.8559 A - G 0.1233 -0.5769 0.8235 B - D -0.9583 -1.9486 0.0319 B-F -0.5067 -1.4969 0.4836 B-A -0.0017 -0.8593 0.8559 B-G -0.7359 0.9793 0.1217 G - D -0.2224 -1.0800 -1.9376 G-F -0.6283 -1.4859 0.2293 G - A -0.1233 -0.8235 0.5769 G-B -0.1217 -0.9793 0.7359

# APPENDIX II: CHECKING VALIDITY OF ANOVA ASSUMPTIONS

This appendix uses a series of residual plots to assess the validity of the assumptions underlying the four ANOVA models used in Section 3. The model with log(PVIS) as the response is examined first. Figure 15 presents the normal probability plot of this model's residuals, and this plot indicates slight departure from normality. However, this departure is small enough that the Anderson-Darling test (p-value = 0.088) does not reject the hypothesis if normality at  $\alpha = 0.05$ . It is noteworthy that, to the extent that the plot below departs from normality, this departure is due primarily to the observation in the upper-right corner, which is the outlier, observation 41.

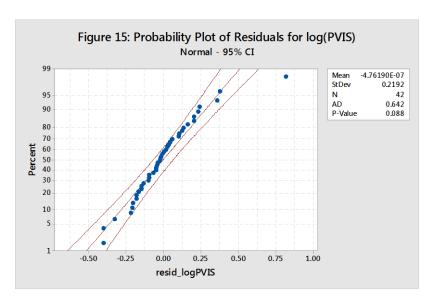
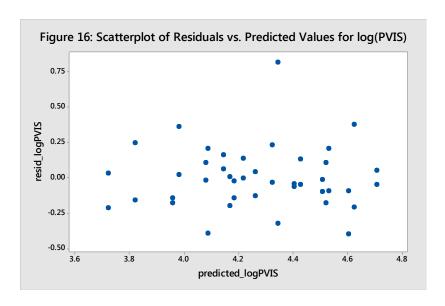
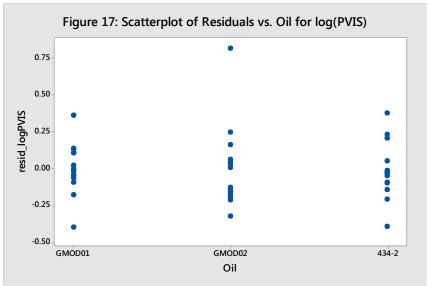
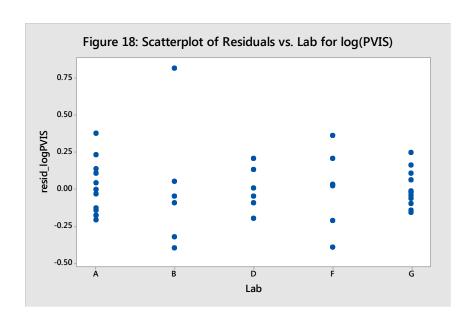
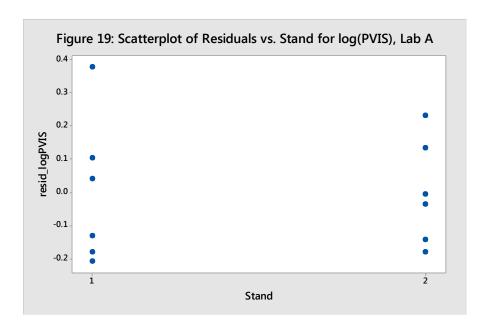


Figure 16 presents a plot of the model's residuals against the predicted values of log(PVIS), while Figures 17, 18, 19, and 20 present plot these residuals against the variables Oil, Lab, and Stand. Since Stand is nested in Lab, there are two plots for this variable – one for each of the labs with multiple stands, which are labs A and G. None of the plots in any of these figures reveals anything problematic. The residuals appear to have equal variance for different values of the grouping variables and for different values of the predicted outcome, indicating that the assumption of constant variance of the error term is valid.









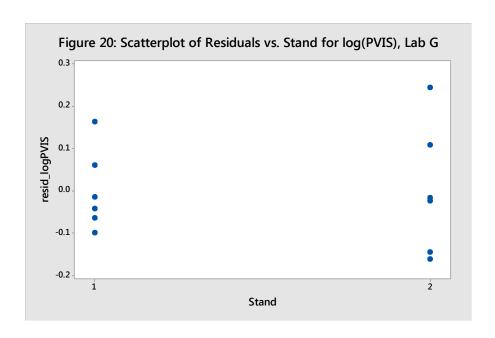
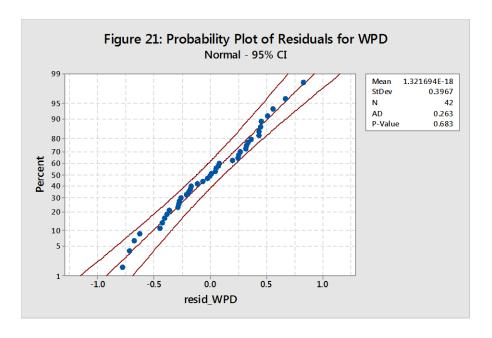
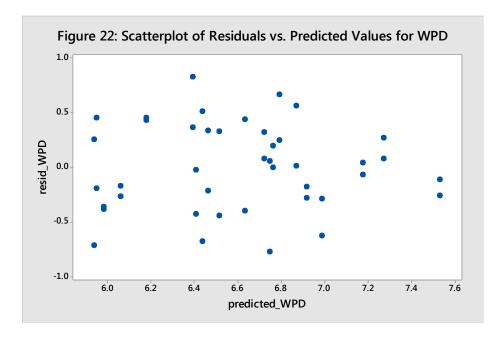


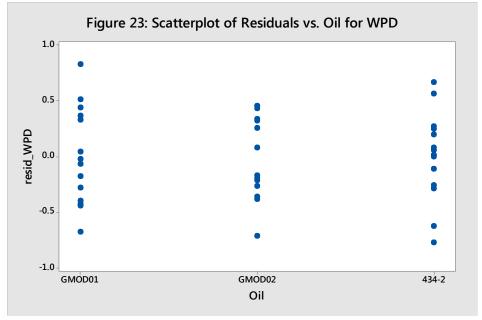
Figure 21 presents the normal probability plot of the residuals from the model with WPD as response, and it shows no major departures from normality, indicating that the assumption of a normally distributed error term is valid.

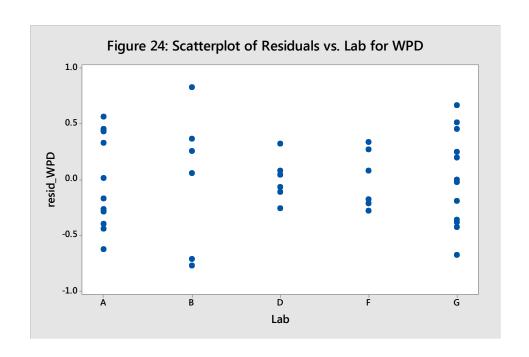


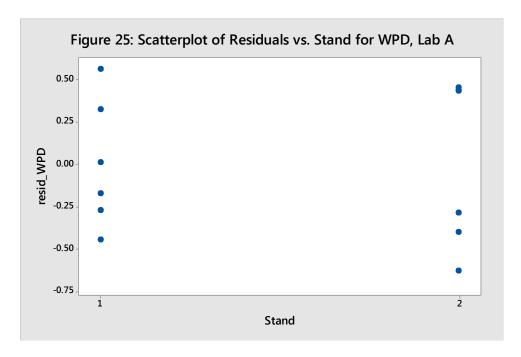
The plots of the residuals against Oil, Lab, and Stand and against the predicted values of WPD, presented in Figures 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26, reveal nothing particularly troublesome. The residuals based on observations from labs D and F appear to have slightly lower variance than

the residuals based on the observations from the other three labs. Nonetheless, there do not appear to be major departures from the assumption of an error term with constant variance.









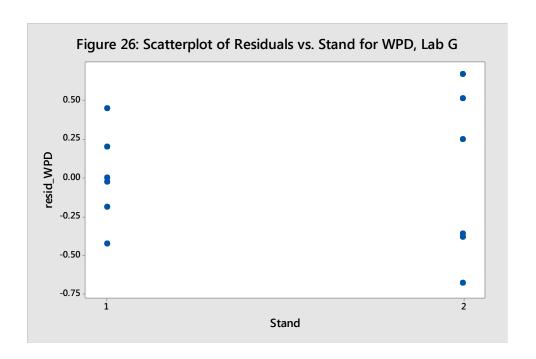
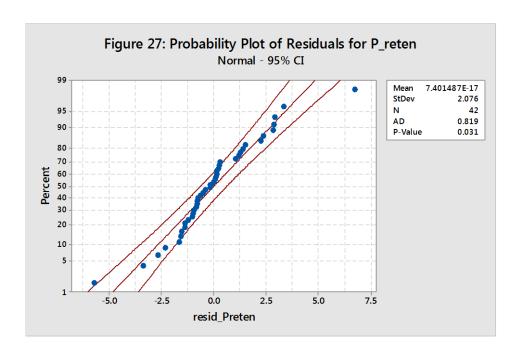
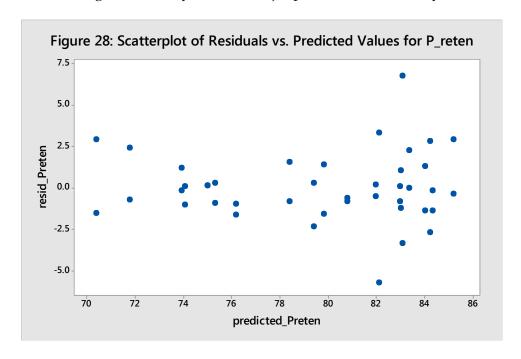
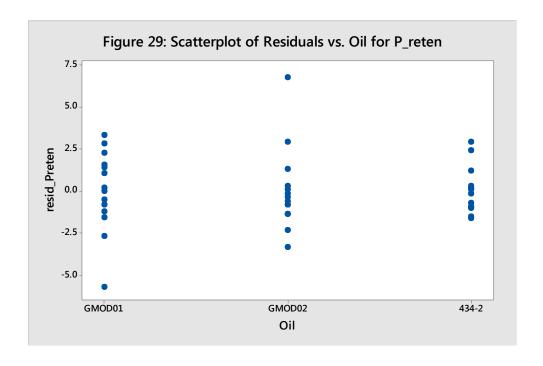


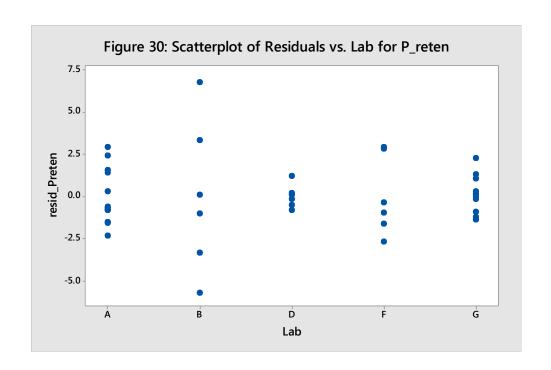
Figure 27 presents the normal probability plot of the residuals from the model with P\_reten as the response. It indicates some departure from normality, as extreme observations at either end of the plot create something of an S-shape. The Anderson-Darling test rejects the hypothesis of normality with a p-value of 0.031. It is noteable that the plot would look significantly more normal without the observation in the upper-right corner, which is the outlier, observation 41.

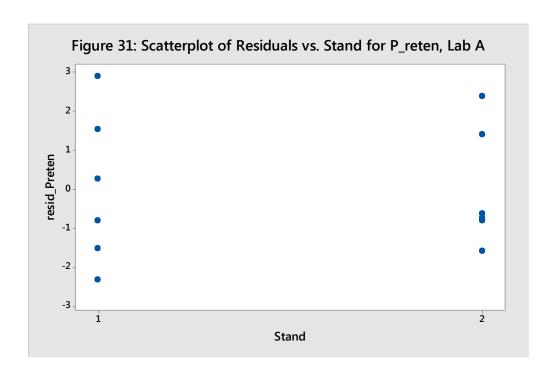


The plots of the residuals against Oil, Lab, and Stand and against the predicted response, presented in Figures 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32, have one potentially problematic feature. The plot of the residuals against lab indicates that labs B and D have somewhat different variances, as the residuals for lab B have a wide spread and those for lab D are closely packed together. However, these findings are unlikely to create major problems for the analysis.









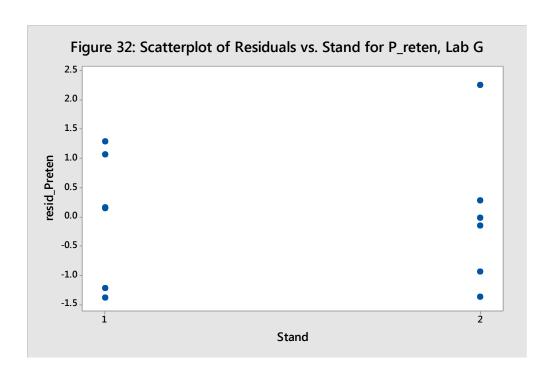
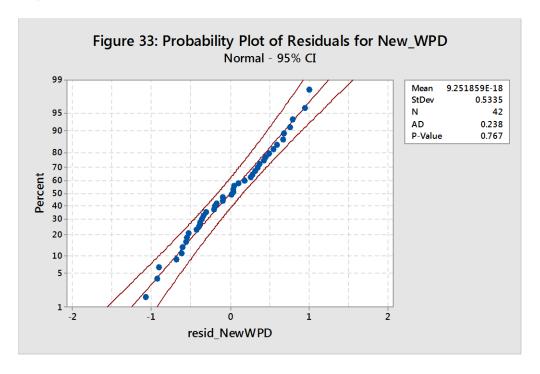


Figure 33 presents the normal probability plot of the residuals from the model with New\_WPD as response, and it shows no major departures from normality, indicating that the assumption of a normally distributed error term is valid.



The plots of the residuals against Oil, Lab, and Stand and against the predicted values of New\_WPD, presented in Figures 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38, reveal nothing particularly troublesome. The residuals based on observations from labs D and F appear to have slightly lower variance than the residuals based on the observations from the other three labs. Nonetheless, there do not appear to be major departures from the assumption of an error term with constant variance.

