

12 Chi-squared (χ^2) Tests for Goodness-of-fit and Independence

The chi-squared tests are for H_0 : “The frequency distribution of _____ events observed in a sample is _____ with a particular distribution” against H_A : “Not H_0 ”. We consider two of its forms: the test for goodness-of-fit of counts for one categorical variable to a distribution and the test for independence of two categorical variables.

Each uses a *chi-square* statistic of the form

$$X^2 = \sum \frac{[(\text{observed count}) - (\text{expected count})]^2}{\text{expected count}}$$

This is a measure of _____.

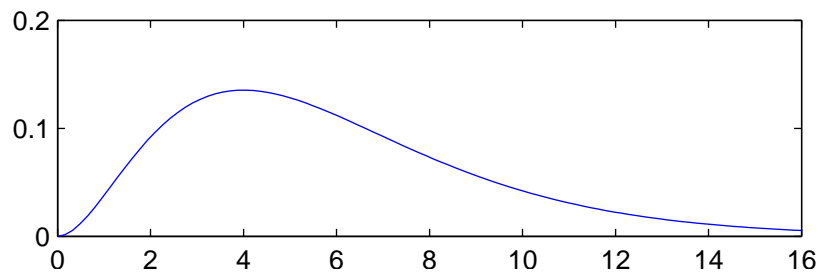
If expected counts are all at least _____, and under a suitable H_0 , then X^2 fits a χ^2 distribution.

The Chi-Square Distributions

(Background: if Z_1, \dots, Z_ν are independent, $N(0, 1)$ random variables, then $X^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\nu} Z_i^2 \sim \chi_\nu^2$.)

A χ^2 distribution is specified by its degrees of freedom, ν . Here are some of its properties:

- $X^2 \geq 0$ (it's a measure of distance)
- $X^2 = 0 \implies$ observed and expected counts are _____
- Large $X^2 \implies$ observed counts aren't _____
- Each χ_ν^2 density function is skewed _____
- e.g. Here's χ_6^2 :



- The χ^2 table gives, in row ___ and column ___, the point $\chi_{\nu,\alpha}^2$ with area α to its right.
e.g. $\chi_{6,0.05}^2 =$ _____ (draw)

The Chi-Square Test For Goodness-of-Fit

Recall the z -test for a population proportion, $H_0 : \pi = \pi_0$ vs. $H_A : \pi \neq \pi_0$, for which an outcome takes one of _____ values, success or failure. The *chi-square test for goodness-of-fit* generalizes to the case of an outcome taking any of _____ values of a categorical variable, testing H_0 : “These categorical data came from the specified distribution” vs. H_A : _____.

e.g. The Nice family gives trick-or-treaters a scoop of _____ M&Ms. The Naughty family gives _____ M&Ms. Anna, Teresa, Margaret, Monica, Andrew, Mary, and Philip return from trick-or-treating, and their father says, “Where did you get the M&Ms?” They know they visited only one of the Nice and Naughty homes, but can’t remember which one. Their father says, “Throw away the M&Ms.” The children _____. Their mother (a _____) says, “Let’s figure out their source.” She investigates and finds these color distributions:

	Brown	Yellow	Green	Red	Total
Nice supply	20%	25%	40%	15%	100%
Naughty supply	50%	20%	10%	20%	100%
Anna, . . . , & Philip (sample)	12	15	17	6	$n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

From which family did the kids get their M&Ms?

Test H_0 : “The kids got M&Ms from the Nice family” vs. H_A : “They did not”.

Expected Counts

Let $k = \#$ category values = _____. If n is the sample size and π_i is the expected proportion in category i under H_0 , the *expected count* of each type is $E_i = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. The test statistic is

$$X^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}, \text{ whose value for the M\&Ms is } \chi^2 =$$

Under H_0 , $X^2 \sim \chi_\nu^2$, where $\nu = k - 1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. The P -value is $P(X_3^2 > \underline{\hspace{2cm}}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Conclusion:

Next, test H_0 : “The kids got M&Ms from the Naughty family” vs. H_A : “They did not”. Here

$$\chi^2 =$$

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The Chi-Square Test for Independence

The *chi-square test for independence* tests H_0 : “Categorical variables A and B are independent” against H_A : “There is _____ between A and B ”.

e.g. Here is a *contingency table* of _____ that relates the education level and smoking status of a SRS of 459 French men. Are education and smoking related?

Education	Smoking status				Total
	Nonsmoker	Former	Moderate	Heavy	
Primary	56	54	41	36	
Secondary	37	43	27	32	139
University	53	28	36	16	133
Total	_____	125	104	84	_____

Test H_0 : “Education and smoking _____” vs. H_A : “There’s _____ between education and smoking”.

Expected Counts

Under H_0 , $P(\text{Primary and Nonsmoker}) = \text{_____}$, so the expected count in the Primary / Nonsmoker cell is _____

More generally, let

- $O_{ij} = \text{_____}$ count in row i and column j
- $O_{i.} = \text{_____}$ i total, $O_{.j} = \text{_____}$ j total
- $O_{..} = \text{_____}$ total
- $I = \# \text{_____}$, $J = \# \text{_____}$

Then, under H_0 , the *expected cell count* in row i and column j is $E_{ij} = \frac{O_{i.}O_{.j}}{O_{..}} = \frac{(\text{row total})(\text{column total})}{\text{table total}}$.

Here are the 12 expected counts:

Education	Smoking status				Total
	Nonsmoker	Former	Moderate	Heavy	
Primary	_____	50.9	42.4	34.2	187
Secondary	44.2	37.9	31.5	25.4	139
University	42.3	36.2	30.1	_____	133
Total	146	125	104	84	459

The chi-square statistic is $X^2 = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J \frac{(O_{ij} - E_{ij})^2}{E_{ij}}$. For the smokers, its value χ^2 has 12 terms:

Education	Smoking status			
	Nonsmoker	Former	Moderate	Heavy
Primary	_____	.19	.04	.09
Secondary	1.2	.7	.6	1.7
University	2.7	1.9	1.1	_____

The table sum is $\chi^2 = 13.3$. The required degrees of freedom is $\nu = (\text{\#rows} - 1)(\text{\#columns} - 1) =$ _____, and the P -value is $P(X_6^2 > 13.3) =$ _____.

Conclusion:

R for χ^2 tests

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rm(list=ls()) # Remove all variables to start with a clean slate.

# Test goodness-of-fit of kids' sample of M&Ms to Nice distribution.
kids.sample = c(12,15,17,6)
Nice.population = c(.20, .25, .40, .15)
chisq.test(x=kids.sample, p=Nice.population)

# Make comparative bar plots.
colors = c("Brown", "Yellow", "Green", "Red")
layout(matrix(data=1:2, nrow=2, ncol=1)) # Allow two graphs in one plot.
barplot(height=kids.sample, names.arg=colors, main="M&M's sample")
barplot(height=Nice.population, names.arg=colors, main="Nice population")
layout(1) # Return to one graph per plot.

# Do it again for the Naughty population.
Naughty.population = c(.50, .20, .10, .20)

layout(matrix(data=1:2, nrow=2, ncol=1)) # Allow two graphs in one plot.
barplot(height=kids.sample, names.arg=colors, main="M&M's sample")
barplot(height=Naughty.population, names.arg=colors, main="Naughty population")
layout(1) # Return to one graph per plot.

chisq.test(x=kids.sample, p=Naughty.population)

# Test independence of education and smoking.

# matrix(data, nrow, ncol, byrow=FALSE) fills an nrow by ncol matrix,
# by column, from the vector data.
(French.men = matrix(data = c(56,37,53, 54,43,28, 41,27,36, 36,32,16),
  nrow=3, ncol=4, byrow=FALSE))
chisq.test(French.men)
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