

One-sample proportion tests

HYPOTHESIS TESTING IN R



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Chapter 1 recap

- Is a claim about an unknown population proportion feasible?
- Standard error of sample statistic calculated using bootstrap distribution.
- This was used to compute a standardized test statistic, ...
- which was used to calculate a p-value, ...
- which was used to decide which hypothesis made most sense.
- Here, we'll calculate the test statistic without using the bootstrap distribution.

Standardized test statistic for proportions

p : population proportion (unknown population parameter)

\hat{p} : sample proportion (sample statistic)

p_0 : hypothesized population proportion

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - \text{mean}(\hat{p})}{\text{standard error}(\hat{p})} = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\text{standard error}(\hat{p})}$$

Assuming H_0 is true, $p = p_0$, so

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\text{standard error}(\hat{p})}$$

Easier standard error calculations

$$SE(\bar{x}_{\text{child}} - \bar{x}_{\text{adult}}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{s_{\text{child}}^2}{n_{\text{child}}} + \frac{s_{\text{adult}}^2}{n_{\text{adult}}}}$$

$$SE_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p_0 * (1 - p_0)}{n}}$$

Assuming H_0 is true,

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0 * (1 - p_0)}{n}}}$$

This only uses sample information (\hat{p} and n) and the hypothesized parameter (p_0).

Why z instead of t?

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_{\text{child}} - \bar{x}_{\text{adult}})}{\sqrt{\frac{s_{\text{child}}^2}{n_{\text{child}}} + \frac{s_{\text{adult}}^2}{n_{\text{adult}}}}}$$

- s is calculated from \bar{x} , so \bar{x} is used to estimate the population mean *and* to estimate the population standard deviation.
- This increases uncertainty in our estimate of the population parameter.
- t-distribution has fatter tails than a normal distribution.
- This gives an extra level of caution.
- \hat{p} only appears in the numerator, so z-scores are fine.

Stack Overflow age categories

H_0 : The proportion of SO users under thirty is equal to 0.5.

H_A : The proportion of SO users under thirty is not equal to 0.5.

```
alpha <- 0.01
```

```
stack_overflow %>%  
  count(age_cat)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 2  
  age_cat      n  
  <chr>    <int>  
1 At least 30 1050  
2 Under 30   1216
```

Variables for z

```
p_hat <- stack_overflow %>%  
  summarize(prop_under_30 = mean(age_cat == "Under 30")) %>%  
  pull(prop_under_30)
```

```
0.5366
```

```
p_0 <- 0.50
```

```
n <- nrow(stack_overflow)
```

```
2266
```

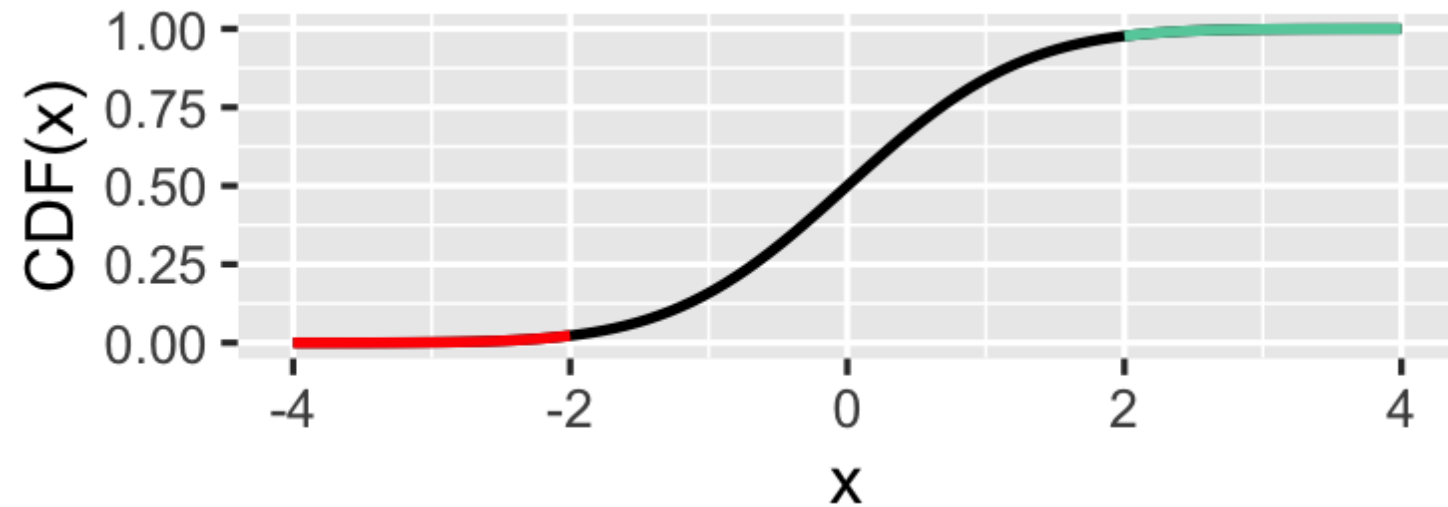
Calculating the z-score

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0 * (1 - p_0)}{n}}}$$

```
numerator <- p_hat - p_0  
denominator <- sqrt(p_0 * (1 - p_0) / n)  
z_score <- numerator / denominator
```

3.487

Calculating the p-value



Left-tailed ("less than")

```
p_value <- pnorm(z_score)
```

Right-tailed ("greater than")

```
p_value <- pnorm(z_score, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

Two-tailed ("not equal")

```
p_value <- pnorm(z_score) +  
  pnorm(z_score, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

```
p_value <- 2 * pnorm(z_score)
```

```
0.000244
```

```
p_value <= alpha
```

```
TRUE
```

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Comparing two proportions

H_0 : The proportion of SO users who are hobbyists is the same for those under thirty as those at least thirty.

$$H_0: p_{\geq 30} - p_{< 30} = 0$$

H_A : The proportion of SO users who are hobbyists is different for those under thirty as those at least thirty.

$$H_A: p_{\geq 30} - p_{< 30} \neq 0$$

```
alpha <- 0.05
```

Calculating the z-score

$$z = \frac{(\hat{p}_{\geq 30} - \hat{p}_{< 30}) - 0}{\text{SE}(\hat{p}_{\geq 30} - \hat{p}_{< 30})}$$

$$\text{SE}(\hat{p}_{\geq 30} - \hat{p}_{< 30}) = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p} \times (1 - \hat{p})}{n_{\geq 30}} + \frac{\hat{p} \times (1 - \hat{p})}{n_{< 30}}}$$

\hat{p} is a *pooled estimate* for p (common unknown proportion of successes).

$$\hat{p} = \frac{n_{\geq 30} \times \hat{p}_{\geq 30} + n_{< 30} \times \hat{p}_{< 30}}{n_{\geq 30} + n_{< 30}}$$

We only need to calculate 4 numbers: $\hat{p}_{\geq 30}$, $\hat{p}_{< 30}$, $n_{\geq 30}$, $n_{< 30}$.

Getting the numbers for the z-score

```
stack_overflow %>%  
  group_by(age_cat) %>%  
  summarize(  
    p_hat = mean(hobbyist == "Yes"),  
    n = n()  
  )
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 3  
  age_cat      p_hat      n  
  <chr>      <dbl> <int>  
1 At least 30  0.773  1050  
2 Under 30    0.843  1216
```

z_score

-4.217

Proportion tests using `prop_test()`

```
library(infer)
stack_overflow %>%
  prop_test(
    hobbyist ~ age_cat,                # proportions ~ categories
    order = c("At least 30", "Under 30"), # which p-hat to subtract
    success = "Yes",                   # which response value to count proportions of
    alternative = "two-sided",          # type of alternative hypothesis
    correct = FALSE                    # should Yates' continuity correction be applied?
  )
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 6
  statistic chisq_df    p_value alternative lower_ci upper_ci
  <dbl>     <dbl>    <dbl>    <chr>         <dbl>    <dbl>
1      17.8         1 0.0000248 two.sided      0.0605    0.165
```

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Chi-square test of independence

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Revisiting the proportion test

```
library(infer)
stack_overflow %>%
  prop_test(
    hobbyist ~ age_cat,
    order = c("At least 30", "Under 30"),
    alternative = "two-sided",
    correct = FALSE
  )
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 6
  statistic chisq_df    p_value alternative lower_ci upper_ci
  <dbl>     <dbl>    <dbl>    <chr>         <dbl>   <dbl>
1    17.8         1 0.0000248 two.sided     0.0605  0.165
```

Independence of variables

Previous hypothesis test result: there is evidence that the `hobbyist` and `age_cat` variables have an association.

If the proportion of successes in the response variable is the same across all categories of the explanatory variable, the two variables are *statistically independent*.

¹ Response and explanatory variables are defined in "Introduction to Regression in R", Chapter 1.

Job satisfaction and age category

```
stack_overflow %>%  
  count(age_cat)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 2  
  age_cat      n  
  <chr>    <int>  
1 At least 30 1050  
2 Under 30   1211
```

```
stack_overflow %>%  
  count(job_sat)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 x 2  
  job_sat      n  
  <fct>    <int>  
1 Very dissatisfied 159  
2 Slightly dissatisfied 342  
3 Neither 201  
4 Slightly satisfied 680  
5 Very satisfied 879
```

Declaring the hypotheses

H_0 : Age categories are independent of job satisfaction levels.

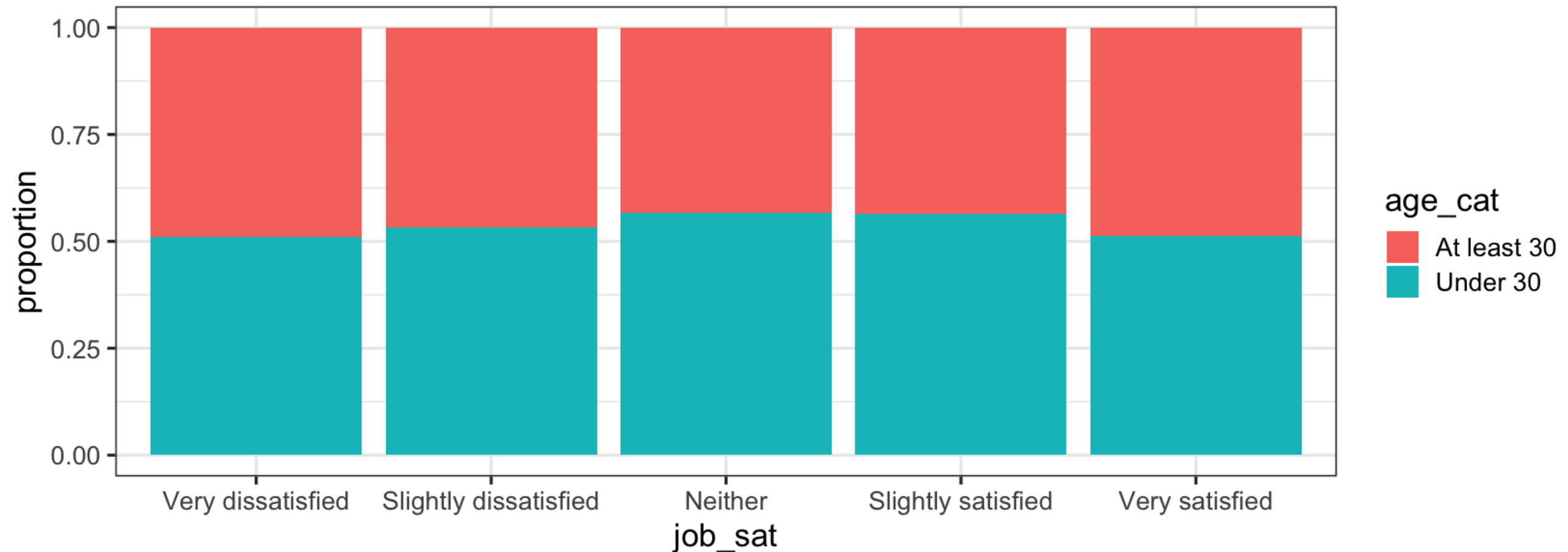
H_A : Age categories are not independent of job satisfaction levels.

```
alpha <- 0.1
```

- Test statistic denoted χ^2 .
- Assuming independence, how far away are the observed results from the expected values?

Exploratory visualization: proportional stacked bar plot

```
ggplot(stack_overflow, aes(job_sat, fill = age_cat)) +  
  geom_bar(position = "fill") +  
  ylab("proportion")
```



Chi-square independence test using `chisq_test()`

```
library(infer)
stack_overflow %>%
  chisq_test(age_cat ~ job_sat)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  statistic chisq_df p_value
    <dbl>     <int>   <dbl>
1     5.55         4    0.235
```

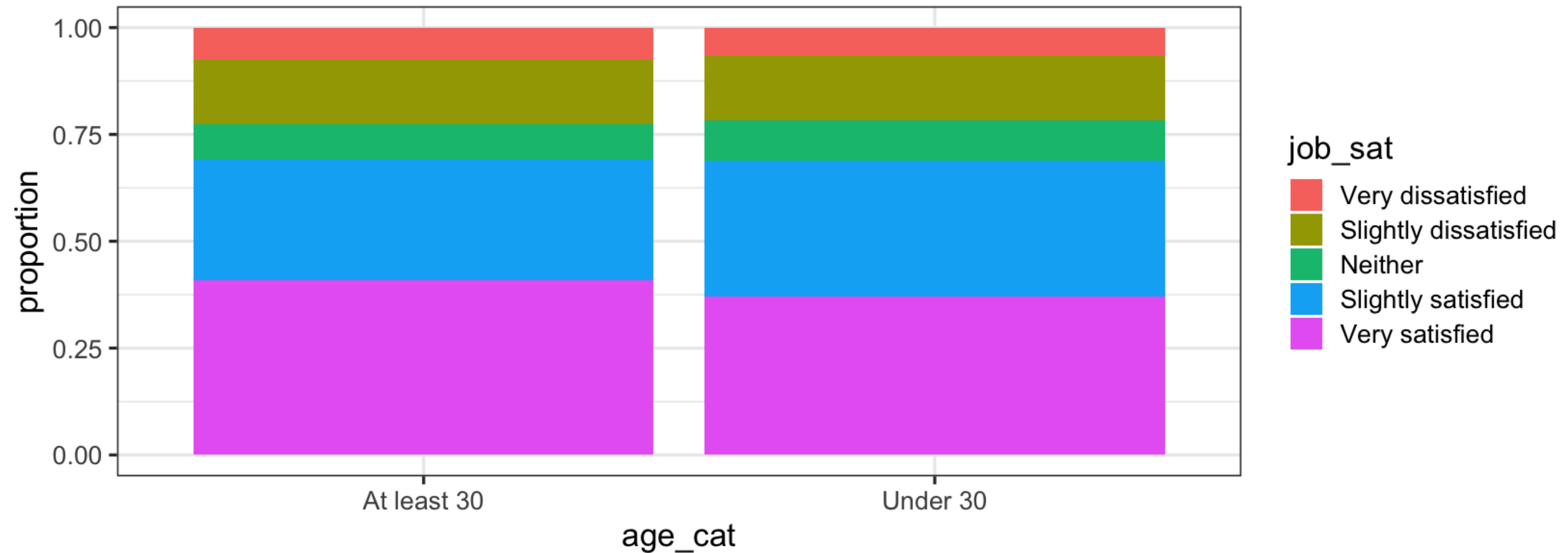
Degrees of freedom:

$(\text{No. of response categories} - 1) \times (\text{No. of explanatory categories} - 1)$

$$(2 - 1) * (5 - 1) = 4$$

Swapping the variables?

```
ggplot(stack_overflow, aes(age_cat, fill = job_sat)) +  
  geom_bar(position = "fill") +  
  ylab("proportion")
```



chi-square both ways

```
library(infer)
stack_overflow %>%
  chisq_test(age_cat ~ job_sat)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  statistic chisq_df p_value
    <dbl>     <int>   <dbl>
1     5.55         4    0.235
```

Ask

Are the variables X and Y independent?

```
library(infer)
stack_overflow %>%
  chisq_test(job_sat ~ age_cat)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  statistic chisq_df p_value
    <dbl>     <int>   <dbl>
1     5.55         4    0.235
```

Not

Is variable X independent from variable Y?

What about direction and tails?

```
args(chisq_test)
```

```
function (x, formula, response = NULL, explanatory = NULL, ...)
```

- Observed and expected counts squared must be non-negative.
- chi-square tests are almost always right-tailed.¹

¹ Left-tailed chi-square tests are used in statistical forensics to detect if a fit is suspiciously good because the data was fabricated. Chi-square tests of variance can be two-tailed. These are niche uses though.

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Chi-square goodness of fit tests

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Purple links

You search for a coding solution online and the first result link is purple because you already visited it. How do you feel?

```
purple_link_counts <- stack_overflow %>%  
  count(purple_link)
```

```
# A tibble: 4 x 2  
  purple_link      n  
  <fct>          <int>  
1 Hello, old friend 1330  
2 Amused           409  
3 Indifferent      426  
4 Annoyed          290
```

Declaring the hypotheses

```
hypothesized <- tribble(  
  ~ purple_link, ~ prop,  
  "Hello, old friend", 1 / 2,  
  "Amused",            , 1 / 6,  
  "Indifferent",       , 1 / 6,  
  "Annoyed",           , 1 / 6  
)
```

H_0 : The sample matches with the hypothesized distribution.

H_A : The sample does not match with the hypothesized distribution.

```
# A tibble: 4 x 2  
  purple_link      prop  
  <chr>          <dbl>  
1 Hello, old friend 0.5  
2 Amused           0.167  
3 Indifferent       0.167  
4 Annoyed           0.167
```

The test statistic, χ^2 , measures how far observed results are from expectations in each group.

```
alpha <- 0.01
```

¹ tribble is short for "row-wise tibble"; not to be confused with the alien species from Star Trek

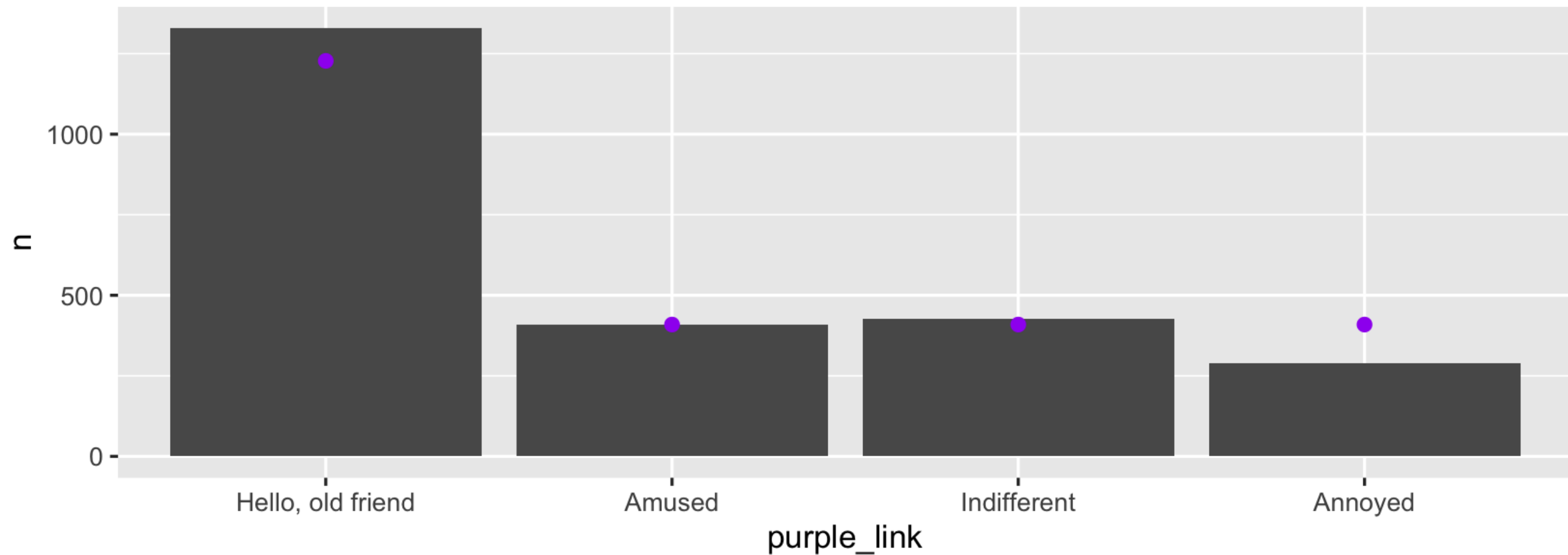
Hypothesized counts by category

```
n_total <- nrow(stack_overflow)
hypothesized <- tribble(
  ~ purple_link, ~ prop,
  "Hello, old friend", 1 / 2,
  "Amused",             , 1 / 6,
  "Indifferent",        , 1 / 6,
  "Annoyed",            , 1 / 6
) %>%
  mutate(n = prop * n_total)
```

```
# A tibble: 4 x 3
  purple_link      prop      n
  <chr>          <dbl> <dbl>
1 Hello, old friend 0.5    1228.
2 Amused           0.167   409.
3 Indifferent      0.167   409.
4 Annoyed          0.167   409.
```

Visualizing counts

```
ggplot(purple_link_counts, aes(purple_link, n)) +  
  geom_col() +  
  geom_point(data = hypothesized, color = "purple")
```



chi-square goodness of fit test using `chisq_test()`

```
hypothesized_props <- c(  
  "Hello, old friend" = 1 / 2,  
  Amused               = 1 / 6,  
  Indifferent          = 1 / 6,  
  Annoyed              = 1 / 6  
)
```

```
library(infer)  
stack_overflow %>%  
  chisq_test(  
    response = purple_link,  
    p = hypothesized_props  
  )
```

```
# A tibble: 1 x 3  
  statistic chisq_df      p_value  
    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>  
1     44.0      3 0.000000000154
```

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