# Contingency Tables Chi-Square Tests of Independence

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# Section 1

- Tests
  - Pearson
  - LRT

## Framework

With a multinomial,  $\mu_{ij}=n\pi_{ij}$  and we wish to test

$$\mathsf{H}_0: \mu_{ij} = \mu_{ij}^0$$

Under the assumption of independence

$$\mu_{ij}^0 = n\pi_{ij}$$
$$= n(\pi_{i+})(\pi_{+j})$$

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and the MLEs under independence, are

$$\hat{\mu}_{ij} = n\hat{\pi}_{i+}\hat{\pi}_{+j}$$

$$= n\frac{n_{i+}}{n}\frac{n_{+j}}{n}$$

$$= \frac{(n_{i+})(n_{+j})}{n}$$

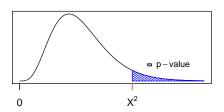
#### Pearson

The Pearson chi-square test statistic, with the condition that  $\hat{\mu}_{ij}>5 \ \forall i,j$  is asymptotically

$$X^{2} = \sum_{ii} \frac{(n_{ij} - \hat{\mu}_{ij})^{2}}{\hat{\mu}_{ij}} \stackrel{\text{H}_{0}}{\sim} \chi^{2}_{(I-1)(J-1)}$$

with p-value  $P\left(\chi^2_{(I-1)(J-1)} \geq X^2
ight)$  (area to the right of the test statistic)

$$\chi^2_{(J-1)(J-1)}$$
 distribution



# Example (Job Satisfaction)

Data from General Social Survey (1991)

Income					
	Dissat	Little	Moderate	Very	Total
< 5k	2	4	13	3	22
5k - 15k	2	6	22	4	34
15k - 25k	0	1	15	8	24
> 25k	0	3	13	8	24
Total	4	14	63	23	104

> job\_test=chisq.test(job); job\_test

data: job

X-squared = 11.524, df = 9, p-value = 0.2415

Warning: Chi-squared approximation may be incorrect

# Example (continued)

Warning because many expected frequencies are < 5

As p-value is large, with **caution/reservations**, we conclude that we fail to reject the null of independence.

## Likelihood Ratio

$$H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$$
 vs  $H_1: \theta \in \Theta_1$ 

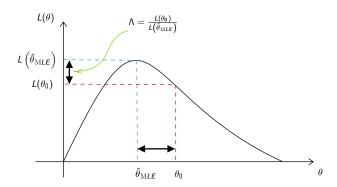
The likelihood ratio is given by

$$\Lambda = \frac{\text{maximum likelihood when } \textit{H}_0 \text{ is true}}{\text{maximum likelihood when parameters are unrestricted}}$$

So if the ratio is close to 1 it implies that the estimated parameter(s) under the null are close in proximity to the unrestricted MLEs and hence null is plausible.

## Likelihood Ratio

For example,  $H_0: \theta=\theta_0$ . To determine if the null value  $\theta_0$  is plausible, compare it to the maximum likelihood estimate  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}}$ , by seeing how close the likelihood functions are at  $\theta_0$  and  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}}$ .



## Likelihood Ratio Test

The Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT) statistic is asymptotically

$$G^2 = -2 \log \Lambda \stackrel{\mathsf{H_0}}{\sim} \chi_{df}^2$$

 $\label{eq:degrees} \mbox{degrees of freedom} = \mbox{no. of parameters in general} \\ - \mbox{no. of parameters under $H_0$}$ 

# LRT for multinomial

For an  $I \times J$  table the likelihood is

$$L(\pi_{ij}; n_{ij}) = \frac{n!}{n_{11}! \cdots n_{IJ}!} \pi_{11}^{n_{11}} \cdots \pi_{IJ}^{n_{IJ}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Lambda = \frac{\left(\frac{n_{i+} n_{+j}}{n^2}\right)^{n_{ij}}}{\left(\frac{n_{ij}}{n}\right)^{n_{ij}}}$$

Ignoring constants and recalling  $\hat{\mu}_{ij} = (n_{i+}n_{+j})/n$ ,

$$G^2 = 2\sum_{ij} n_{ij} \log \left(\frac{n_{ij}}{\hat{\mu}_{ij}}\right)$$

with (I-1)(J-1) degrees of freedom...shown next.

## LRT for multinomial

- In general, there are IJ groupings in the multinomial with IJ,  $\pi_{ij}$ 's, hence IJ-1 free parameters in general.
- ullet Under  $H_0$ , I-1 free  $\pi_{i+}$ 's and J-1 free  $\pi_{+j}$ 's

$$df = (IJ - 1) - [(I - 1) + (J - 1)]$$
  
=  $(I - 1)(J - 1)$ 

# Example (Job Satisfaction continued)

- > library(DescTools)
- > GTest(job)

data: job

G = 13.467, X-squared df = 9, p-value = 0.1426

#### Remark

- No warning message was given for  $G^2$
- As  $n \to \infty$ ,  $X^2 \stackrel{d}{\to} \chi^2$  faster than  $G^2 \stackrel{d}{\to} \chi^2$ , but they are usually similar and asymptotically equivalent, i.e.  $X^2 G^2 \stackrel{d}{\to} 0$
- These tests treat X and Y as nominal and reordering rows or columns has no effect. Methods for ordinal tests (section 2.5 of textbook as well as author's other textbooks) do exist

# Standardized residuals

- Once we have established a dependence in the data, it is of interest to explore where the dependence lies
- Which cells in the table have higher/lower counts than expected (under independence)?
- To explore this, we can look at standardized residuals

# Definition (Standardized/Adjusted Residuals)

$$r_{ij} = rac{n_{ij} - \hat{\mu}_{ij}}{\sqrt{\hat{\mu}_{ij}(1 - p_{i+})(1 - p_{+j})}} \stackrel{\mathsf{H}_0}{\sim} N(0, 1)$$

Hence,  $|r_{ij}| > 2$  considered significant.

## Example (Job Satisfaction continued)

#### Residuals are:

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# Partitioning chi-squared statistics

The sum of two independent chi-squared random variables also follows a chi-squared distribution

#### Lemma

Let  $\chi^2_{\nu_1}$  and  $\chi^2_{\nu_2}$  be independent. Then,

$$\chi^2_{\nu_1} + \chi^2_{\nu_2} \sim \chi^2_{\nu_1 + \nu_2}$$

The  $G^2$  statistic can be partitioned into separate components to help represent certain aspects of the association.

 Income						
	Dissat	Little	Moderate	Very	$G^2$	df
Low					0.30	3
< 5k	2	4	13	3		
5k - 15k	2	6	22	4		
High					1.19	3
15k - 25k	0	1	15	8		
> 25k	0	3	13	8		
Low vs High					11.98	3
< 15 <i>k</i>	4	10	35	7		
> 15 <i>k</i>	0	4	28	16		
					13.47	9

- Note that the partitioned  $G^2$  values sum to the full table value
- Within low salary or high salary jobs, we see a very small  $G^2$  value
- If we collapse the two low category groups into one, and collapse the two high salary categories into one, then we see a larger  $G^2$  value
- $G^2=11.98$  with 3 degrees of freedom gives a p-value of 0.007. Much different story than looking at the full table

# We learned

Can test for independence using

- Pearson
- LRT
- $\bullet$  and that LRT  $G^2$  may be partitioned