

# HW 5: Correlations and linear models. Tests for categorical variables

## 1. Vowel reduction in Russian

Pavel Duryagin ran an experiment on perception of vowel reduction in Russian language. The dataset `shva` includes the following variables:

*time1* - reaction time 1

*duration* - duration of the vowel in the stimuli (in milliseconds, ms)

*time2* - reaction time 2

*f1*, *f2*, *f3* - the 1st, 2nd and 3rd formant of the vowel measured in Hz (for a short introduction into formants, see here)

*vowel* - vowel classified according the 3-fold classification (*A* - *a* under stress, *a* - *a/o* as in the first syllable before the stressed one, *y* (stands for shva) - *a/o* as in the second etc. syllable before the stressed one or after the stressed syllable, cf. *g[y]g[a]t[A]l[y]* *gogotala* ‘guffawed’).

In this part, we will ask you to analyse correlation between *f1*, *f2*, and *duration*. The dataset is available [https://raw.githubusercontent.com/agricolamz/2018-MAG\\_R\\_course/master/data/duryagin\\_ReductionRussian.txt](https://raw.githubusercontent.com/agricolamz/2018-MAG_R_course/master/data/duryagin_ReductionRussian.txt).

### 1.0

Read the data from file to the variable `shva`.

### 1.1

Scatterplot *f1* and *f2* using `ggplot()`. Design it to look like the following.

### 1.2

Plot the boxplots of *f1* and *f2* for each vowel using `ggplot()`. Design it to look like this and this.

```
# f1 boxplot
```

```
# f2 boxplot
```

### 1.3

Calculate Pearson’s correlation of *f1* and *f2* (all data)

1.4 Calculate Pearson’s correlation of *f1* and *f2* for each vowel

## 2 Linear regressions

### 2.1.1

Use the linear regression model to predict **f2** by **f1**.

### 2.1.2

Write down the equation for **f2** using coefficients from the model (e.g.  $y = b + kx$ )

### 2.1.3

Provide the adjusted  $R^2$

### 2.1.4

Add the regression line in the scatterplot 1.1.

### 2.1.5

Make a scatter plot for **f1** and **f2** grouped by vowels. Use `ggplot()` and `facet_wrap()`.

### 2.2.1

Use the linear regression model to predict **f2** by **f1** and **vowel**.

### 2.2.2

What is the intercept of the model?

### 2.2.3

Provide the adjusted  $R^2$

### 2.2.4

Write down your general conclusions about the relationship between **f1**, **f2**, and **vowels**.

## 3. Dutch causative constructions

When the Dutch use two near-synonymous periphrastic causative verbs, *doen* and *laten*?

De politie deed/liet de auto stoppen.

lit. the police did/let the car stop

'The police stopped the car'

This is a data set on two rival constructions with *doen* and *laten* sampled from the newspaper corpora. The data frame includes 500 observations on the following 7 variables:

- **Aux** – verb: a factor with levels **doen** and **laten**
- **CrSem** – the semantic class of the Causer: a factor with levels **Anim** (animate) and **Inanim** (inanimate)
- **CeSem** – the semantic class of the Causee: a factor with levels **Anim** (animate) and **Inanim** (inanimate)
- **CdEvSem** – the semantic domain of the caused event expressed by the Effected Predicate: a factor with levels **Ment** (mental) and **NonMent** (e.g. physical or social)
- **CeSynt** – the syntactic status of the Causee: a factor with levels **Clause**, **Impl** (implicit, not expressed), **NP** (noun phrase), **PP** (prepositional phrase)
- **EPTrans** – transitivity or intransitivity of the effected predicate, a factor with two levels **Tr** and **Intr**
- **Country** – a factor with levels **BE** (Belgium) and **NL** (Netherlands)
- **Domain** – a factor with four levels for newspaper domains.

Data from Natalya Levshina’s **RLing** package available (here)[[https://raw.githubusercontent.com/agricolamz/2018-MAG\\_R\\_course/master/data/dutch\\_causatives.csv](https://raw.githubusercontent.com/agricolamz/2018-MAG_R_course/master/data/dutch_causatives.csv)] Read more on the constructions in Levshina, Geerarts, Speelman 2014.

### 3.0

Read the data from file to the variable **d\_caus**.

```
d_caus <- read.csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/agricolamz/2018-MAG_R_course/master/data/dutch_causatives.csv")
summary(d_caus)
```

```
##      Aux      CrSem      CeSem      CdEvSem      CeSynt      EPTrans
## doen : 85    Anim  :408    Anim  :317    Ment   :101    Clause: 22    Intr:239
## laten:415    Inanim: 92    Inanim:183    NonMent:399    Impl  :134    Tr   :261
##                                     NP    :268
##                                     PP    : 76
## Country Domain
## BE:220    E: 86
## NL:280    F:116
##          M:150
##          P:148
```

### 3.1

We are going to test whether the association between **Aux** and other categorical variables (**Aux** ~ **CrSem**, **Aux** ~ **CeSem**, etc) is statistically significant. The association with which variable should be analysed using Fisher’s Exact Test and not using Pearson’s Chi-squared Test? Is this association statistically significant?

### 3.2.

Test the hypothesis that **Aux** and **EPTrans** are not independent with the help of Pearson’s Chi-squared Test.

### 3.3

Provide expected frequencies for Pearson's Chi-squared Test of **Aux** and **EPTrans** variables.

### 3.4.

Calculate the odds ratio for observed frequencies of **Aux** and **EPTrans** For  $2 \times 2$  contingency table

$$\begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array}$$

one can find *odds ratio* as  $(a/c)/(b/d)$ .

#### 3.4.1

Find odds ratio for expected frequencies of **Aux** and **EPTrans**

What can you say about odds ratio of expected frequencies for arbitrary data?

### 3.5

Calculate effect size for this test using Cramer's V ( $\phi$ ).

### 3.6.

Report the results of independence test using the following template:

We have / have not found a significant association between variables ... and ... ( $p < 0.001$ ). The odds

### 3.7

Visualize the distribution using mosaic plot. Use `mosaic()` function from `vcd` library.

Below is an example of how to use `mosaic()` with three variables.

```
# mosaic(~ Aux + CrSem + Country, data=d_caus, shade=TRUE, legend=TRUE)
```

### 3.8

Why is it not recommended to run multiple Chisq tests of independence on different variables within your dataset without adjusting for the multiplicity? (i.e. just testing all the pairs of variables one by one)

### 3.9

Provide a short text (300 words) describing the hypothesis of this study and the results of your analysis.