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Statistics for Data Science -1

Lecture 4.3: Association between two categorical variables-Relative frequencies

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High	2/20	18/20	20
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Section summary

- Concept of relative frequency: row relative frequency and column relative frequency.

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- ▶ A **stacked bar chart** represents the counts for a particular category. In addition, each bar is further broken down into smaller segments, with each segment representing the frequency of that particular category within the segment. A stacked bar chart is also referred to as a segmented bar chart.

Stacked bar chart using google sheets

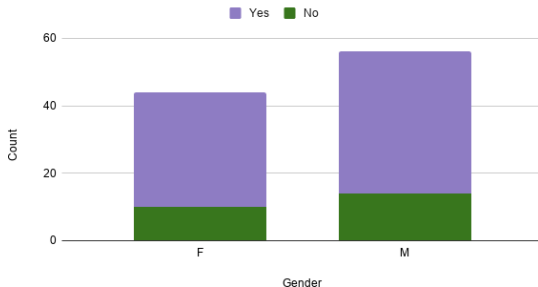
Step 1: Select the data you want to include in the contingency table.

Step 2: Click Insert - chart- choose stacked bar option

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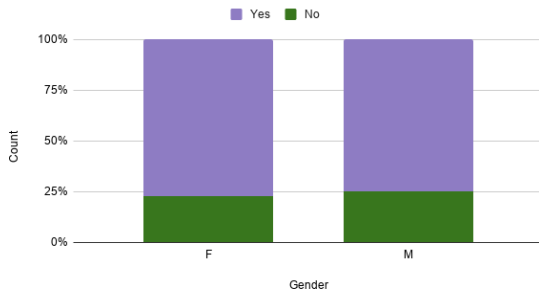
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Example 1: 100% Stacked bar chart

A 100% stacked bar chart is useful to part-to-whole relationships

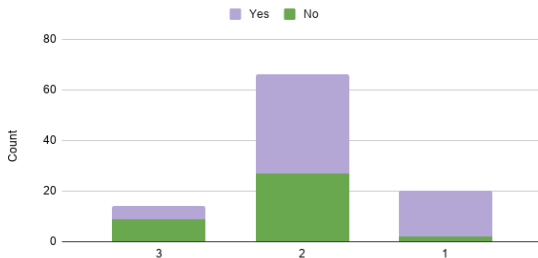
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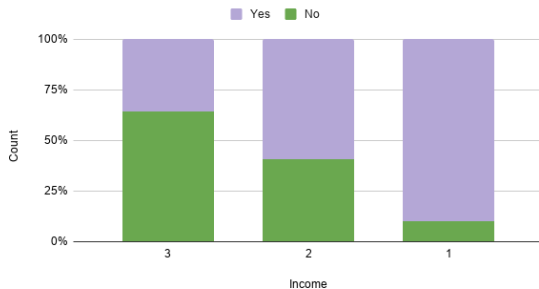
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- ▶ Understand whether two categorical variables are associated using the concept of relative frequencies.
- ▶ Graphical summary of association using stacked bar chart.