

**Inferential Analysis  
Testing Moderation  
in The Context of  
Chi-Square  
*And  
Python***

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## Testing Moderation

Like the first and second analysis, the “AddHealth” <sup>1</sup> was taken. In this time, the relationship between these two variables were taken into account:

11. You were happy			12. And what was your grade in mathematics?		
172	0	never or rarely	1552	1	A
1230	1	sometimes	1899	2	B
2690	2	a lot of the time	1521	3	C
2397	3	most of the time or all of the time	950	4	D or lower
6	6	refused	353	5	didn't take this subject
9	8	don't know	69	6	took the subject, but it wasn't graded this way
			4	96	refused
			128	97	legitimate skip
			28	98	don't know

The outcome of chi square is:

H1ED12	1	2	3	4	5	6	96	97	98
H1FS11									
1.0	237	320	301	235	73	22	1	33	8
2.0	605	797	680	384	150	22	0	44	8
3.0	687	735	506	280	121	19	0	41	8
6.0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
8.0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	4

chi-square value 2941.429079  
p value 0.000000

<sup>1</sup> Source: <http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth>

It indicates the relationship between grades in mathematics and how happy the students feel. Moreover, the results got through post hoc analysis are as follow:

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chi-square value 1150.361891
p value 4.31E-249
COMP1v2  1.0   96.0
H1FS11
1.0       237     1
2.0       605     0
3.0       687     0
6.0         0     3
COMP1v2      1.0   96.0
H1FS11
1.0       0.155003  0.25
2.0       0.395683  0.00
3.0       0.449313  0.00
6.0       0.000000  0.75

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The most significant interaction between these two variables is within the span 1 to 96 of the variable “grade in mathematics”. Therefore, the last two levels should not be considered because they do not have a significant association with the students’ happiness.

Finally, so as to know how strong is the relationship between grades in mathematics and how happy the students feel, a third variable was added. This new variable is how close is the student and his/her mother. The variables’ leves are:

*If MOM, ask Q.9-12.*

9. *[Point to show card 17.] How close do you feel to your*  
 {MOTHER/ADOPTIVE MOTHER/ STEPMOTHER/ FOSTER  
 MOTHER/etc.}?

25	1	not at all
156	2	very little
480	3	somewhat
1229	4	quite a bit
4239	5	very much
2	6	refused
370	7	legitimate skip <i>[no MOM]</i>

The results of moderation analysis through chi square are:

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How close do you feel to your mother? = 1
chi-square value 9.729167
p value 0.464567
How close do you feel to your mother? = 2
chi-square value 16.876652
p value 0.262811
How close do you feel to your mother? = 3
chi-square value 8.092535
p value 0.884450
How close do you feel to your mother? = 4
chi-square value 27.534213
p value 0.016393
How close do you feel to your mother? = 5
chi-square value 159.486696
p value 0.000000
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It's possible to see the strongest relationship when adding this new variable which is level "5", which means a strong feeling of closeness with his/her mother.

To sum up, there exists a significant statically relationship between grades in mathematics and how happy the students feel. In addition, feeling of closeness that students have with his/her mothers is also important. In particular, the closer the students are to their mothers, better grades in mathematics they have and they tend to be happier.

# Appendix

The Python code to reproduce this analysis is as below:

```
import numpy
import pandas
import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
import statsmodels.stats.multicomp as multi
import scipy.stats
import seaborn
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

data = pandas.read_csv('addhealth_pds.csv', low_memory=False)

data['H1FS11']=data['H1FS11'].replace(0, numpy.nan)
data['H1ED12']=data['H1ED12'].replace(0, numpy.nan)

data['H1FS11'] = pandas.to_numeric(data['H1FS11'], errors='coerce')
data['H1ED12'] = pandas.to_numeric(data['H1ED12'], errors='coerce')

ct=pandas.crosstab(data['H1FS11'], data['H1ED12'])
print (ct)

# column percentages
colsum=ct.sum(axis=0)
colpct=ct/colsum
print(colpct)

# chi-square
cs= scipy.stats.chi2_contingency(ct)
print ('chi-square value %f'%cs[0])
print ('p value %f'%cs[1])

#####Post Hoc Analysis

sub = data.copy()

for a in [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]:
    for b in range((a + 1),10):

        bb = b
        aa = a
        if b == 7:
            bb = 96
        if b == 8:
            bb = 97
        if b == 9:
            bb = 98
        if a == 7:
            aa = 96
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if a == 8:
    aa = 97

print ('-----')
recode1 = {aa: aa, bb: bb}
sub['COMP1v2'] = data['H1ED12'].map(recode1)

# contingency table of observed counts
ct1=pandas.crosstab(sub['H1FS11'], sub['COMP1v2'])

cs1= scipy.stats.chi2_contingency(ct1)
if (cs1[0] > 3.84) & (cs1[1] < 0.003) :
    print ('chi-square value %f'%cs1[0])
    print ('p value %.2E'%cs1[1])

    print (ct1)

    # column percentages
    colsum=ct1.sum(axis=0)
    colpct=ct1/colsum
    print(colpct)

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“” The Best one

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```

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##### Moderation Analysis  
for a in range(1, 6):

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print ('How close do you feel to your mother? = %d'%a)
sub2=data[(data['H1WP9']==a)]

ct=pandas.crosstab(sub2['H1FS11'], sub2['H1ED12'])

colsum=ct.sum(axis=0)
colpct=ct/colsum

```

```
# chi-square
cs= scipy.stats.chi2_contingency(ct)
print ('chi-square value %f'%cs[0])
print ('p value %f'%cs[1])
```