## 7. Categorical data

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# Analysis of categorical data

- Tables (frequency tables)
- Risk ratios (relative risks)
- Odds ratios
- Logistic regression



### **Table**

	Outcome				
Exposure	Yes	No	Total		
Yes	а	Ь	$n_1$		
No	С	d	$n_2$		
Total	a+c	b+d	n		

Hypothesis  $H_0$ : the probability of having the outcome is the same in the two exposure groups.

### The Guinea-Bissau data set

The data set called bissau.sav comes from rural Guinea-Bissau, West-Africa: 5273 children visited at age < 7 months and followed for approximately six months. Registration of vaccination status and deaths registered during follow-up.

GET FILE='P:\bissau.sav'.

### Crosstabs

```
CROSSTABS

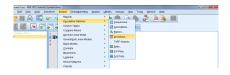
/TABLES=bcg BY dead

/FORMAT=AVALUE TABLES

/CELLS=COUNT ROW

/COUNT ROUND CELL.
```

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### Crosstabs

Note that ROW gives us row-percentages: risk of dying 3.8% and 4.9%, repsectively

bcg \* dead Crosstabulation

			d€	dead	
			1	2	Total
bcg	1	Count	124	3176	3300
		% within bcg	3,8%	96,2%	100,0%
	2	Count	97	1876	1973
		% within bcg	4,9%	95,1%	100,0%
Total		Count	221	5052	5273
		% within bcg	4,2%	95,8%	100,0%

### Crosstabs

- The risk of dying in the two BCG groups: 3.8% with BCG and 4.9% without BCG.
- We want to know if these probabilities are significantly different.
- We test the null hypothesis

 $H_0$ : the probability of dying is the same in the two groups.

### Observed table

	Outcome				
Exposure	Yes	No	Total		
Yes	а	Ь	$n_1$		
No	С	d	$n_2$		
Total	a+c	b+d	n		

### Hypothesis

 $H_0$ : probability of outcome is the same in the two exposure groups. probability of outcome under  $H_0$  is  $p = \frac{a+c}{n}$ .

# Expected table

Under  $H_0$  expected numbers in the four cells are:

	Outcome			
Exposure	Yes	No	Total	
Yes	$E(a) = p \times n_1$	$E(b) = (1 - p) \times n_1$ $E(d) = (1 - p) \times n_2$	$n_1$	
No	$E(c) = p \times n_2$	$E(d) = (1-p) \times n_2$	n <sub>2</sub>	
Total	a+c	b+d	n	

Chi-square test for testing  $H_0$  (observed - expected):

$$X^{2} = \frac{[a - E(a)]^{2}}{E(a)} + \frac{[b - E(b)]^{2}}{E(b)} + \frac{[c - E(c)]^{2}}{E(c)} + \frac{[d - E(d)]^{2}}{E(d)}$$

 $H_0$  is rejected if p-value < 0.05 which corresponds to  $X^2 > 3.84$ .



# Expected table

```
CROSSTABS
/TABLES=bcg BY dead
/FORMAT=AVALUE TABLES
/CELLS=COUNT ROW EXPECTED
/COUNT ROUND CELL.
```

#### bcg \* dead Crosstabulation

			dead		
			1	2	Total
bcg	1	Count	124	3176	3300
		Expected Count	138,3	3161,7	3300,0
		% within bcg	3,8%	96,2%	100,0%
	2	Count	97	1876	1973
		Expected Count	82,7	1890,3	1973,0
		% within bcg	4,9%	95,1%	100,0%
Total		Count	221	5052	5273
		Expected Count	221,0	5052,0	5273,0
		% within bcg	4,2%	95,8%	100,0%

# Risk of Dying and BCG - Chi-square test

#### Compute

$$X^{2} = \frac{[a - E(a)]^{2}}{E(a)} + \frac{[b - E(b)]^{2}}{E(b)} + \frac{[c - E(c)]^{2}}{E(c)} + \frac{[d - E(d)]^{2}}{E(d)}$$

i.e.

$$X^{2} = \frac{[124 - 138.3]^{2}}{138.3} + ... + \frac{[1876 - 1890.3]^{2}}{1890.3} = ...$$

or

```
CROSSTABS
/TABLES=bcg BY dead
/FORMAT=AVALUE TABLES
/STATISTICS=CHISQ
/CELLS=COUNT ROW
/COUNT ROUND CELL.
```

# Risk of Dying and BCG - Chi-square test

#### Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymptotic Significance (2- sided)	Exact Sig. (2- sided)	Exact Sig. (1- sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	4,129 <sup>a</sup>	1	,042		
Continuity Correction <sup>b</sup>	3,846	1	,050		
Likelihood Ratio	4,052	1	,044		
Fisher's Exact Test				,047	,026
Linear-by-Linear Association	4,128	1	,042		
N of Valid Cases	5273				

a. 0 cells (0,0%) have expected count less than 5. The minimum expected count is 82,69.

b. Computed only for a 2x2 table

# Risk of Dying and BCG - Chi-square test

The risk of dying in the two BCG groups: 3.76% and 4.92%.

- We see from the Chi-square test that the probability of dying differs significantly between the groups.
- How can we quantify this?
  - Risk difference

$$4.92 - 3.76 = 1.16$$

Relative risk

$$\frac{4.92}{3.76} = 1.31$$
 or  $\frac{3.76}{4.92} = \frac{1}{1.31}$ 

- SPSS will not estimate the risk difference.
- If you want SPSS to calculate relative risk

SPSS 'assumes' that the reference group is the first row and the outcome of interest in the first column.



### Risk Ratio

	Outcome				
Exposure	Yes	No	Total		
Yes	а	Ь	$n_1$		
No	С	d	$n_2$		
Total	a+c	b+d	n		

#### Risk ratio:

$$\mathsf{RR} = \frac{\mathsf{probability} \ \mathsf{of} \ \mathsf{outcome} \ \mathsf{among} \ \mathsf{exposed}}{\mathsf{probability} \ \mathsf{of} \ \mathsf{outcome} \ \mathsf{among} \ \mathsf{not-exposed}} = \frac{\mathsf{a}/\mathsf{n}_1}{\mathsf{c}/\mathsf{n}_2}.$$

The  $H_0$  corresponds to RR = 1.



	Outcome			
Exposure	Yes	No	Total	
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No	С	d	$n_2$	

Let  $p = a/n_1$  be the probability of outcome among exposed. Odds can then be defined as

odds = 
$$\frac{p}{1-p} = \frac{a/n_1}{1-a/n_1} = \frac{a/n_1}{b/n_1} = \frac{a}{b}$$

does not contain any other information than the probability. If the probability is higher odds are higher and vice versa.



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#### Odds ratio:

$$\mathsf{OR} = \frac{\mathsf{odds} \; \mathsf{of} \; \mathsf{outcome} \; \mathsf{among} \; \mathsf{exposed}}{\mathsf{odds} \; \mathsf{of} \; \mathsf{outcome} \; \mathsf{among} \; \mathsf{not-exposed}} = \frac{a/b}{c/d} = \frac{a \times d}{b \times c}$$

The  $H_0$  corresponds to OR = 1.



### RR and OR in CROSSTABS

```
/TABLES=bcg BY dead
/FORMAT=AVALUE TABLES
/STATISTICS=RISK
/CELLS=COUNT ROW
/COUNT ROUND CELL.
```

### output

#### Risk Estimate

		95% Confidence Interval	
	Value	Lower	Upper
Odds Ratio for bcg (1 / 2)	,755	,575	,991
For cohort dead = 1	,764	,589	,991
For cohort dead = 2	1,012	1,000	1,024
N of Valid Cases	5273		

# Exercise using the bissau data 1

- Do DTP-vaccinated children (variable dtp) die more often than DTP-unvaccinated children?
- 2 Calculate the odds ratio (OR) and corresponding 95% confidence interval.



### $R \times C$ tables

### We can also compare more than two groups

```
/TABLES=region BY dead
/FORMAT=AVALUE TABLES
/STATISTICS=CHISQ
/CELLS=COUNT ROW
/COUNT ROUND CELL.
```

### The null hypothesis

 $H_0$ : the risk of dying is the same in the five groups

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region \* dead Crosstabulation

l			de	ead	
			1	2	Total
region	1	Count	50	1065	1115
		% within region	4,5%	95,5%	100,0%
	2	Count	69	1246	1315
		% within region	5,2%	94,8%	100,0%
	5	Count	44	1041	1085
		% within region	4,1%	95,9%	100,0%
	7	Count	24	771	795
		% within region	3,0%	97,0%	100,0%
	8	Count	34	929	963
		% within region	3,5%	96,5%	100,0%
Total		Count	221	5052	5273
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### Null hypothesis $H_0$ : risk of dying is the same in the five groups

#### **Chi-Square Tests**

	Value	df	Asymptotic Significance (2- sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	7,707 <sup>a</sup>	4	,103
Likelihood Ratio	7,782	4	,100
Linear-by-Linear Association	5,514	1	,019
N of Valid Cases	5273		

a. 0 cells (0,0%) have expected count less than 5. The minimum expected count is 33,32.

# Exercise using the bissau data 2

The variable ethnic indicates the ethnic group the child belongs to.

Is mortality associated with this variable?

### Logistic regression

Logistic regression is like a linear regression, but here the outcome is discrete with two levels (yes/no, died/survived). Look again at the  $2 \times 2$  table

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Yes	а	Ь	$n_1$	
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$odds = \frac{p}{1 - p} =$	$=rac{a/a}{1-a}$		$= \frac{a/n_1}{b/n_1}$	$=\frac{a}{b}$

Outcome

## Logistic regression for $2 \times 2$ table

What is modeled in a logistic regression is the natural logarithm of the odds of outcome:

$$ln(odds) = ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X,$$

where X is the exposure covariate. We call  $\ln(\text{odds})$  the log-odds. Assume that the exposure is coded like

$$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathsf{Exposed} \\ 0 & \mathsf{Non-exposed} \end{cases}$$

The log-odds of outcome among exposed (X = 1) is

$$\ln\left(\frac{p_1}{1-p_1}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times 1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1.$$

The log-odds of outcome among non-exposed (X = 0) is

$$\ln\left(\frac{p_0}{1-p_0}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times 0 = \beta_0.$$

The difference in log-odds between exposed and non-exposed is

$$\ln\left(\frac{p_1}{1-p_1}\right) - \ln\left(\frac{p_0}{1-p_0}\right) = (\beta_0 + \beta_1) - \beta_0 = \beta_1$$

Using the rule of logarithms

$$\ln(a) - \ln(b) = \ln(\frac{a}{b})$$

we get

$$\ln\left(\frac{p_1/(1-p_1)}{p_0/(1-p_0)}\right) = \beta_1$$

and this means that the odds ratio between exposed and non-exposed is

$$OR = exp(\beta_1).$$

Estimation of the regression coefficients is done using maximum likelihood.

# Logistic regression

```
LOGISTIC REGRESSION VARIABLES dead

/METHOD=ENTER bcg
/CONTRAST (bcg)=Indicator
/PRINT=CI(95)
/CRITERIA=PIN(0.05) POUT(0.10) ITERATE(20) CUT(0.5).
```

#### request confidence interval for OR

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```

# Logistic regression

For the case of a  $2\times 2$  table the logistic regression model is just a more complicated way of getting the OR with a general way of writing the model

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the exposure covariate X was coded

$$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathsf{Exposed} \\ 0 & \mathsf{Non-exposed} \end{cases}$$

## Logistic regression exercise

#### Using the Bissau data

- Make a logistic regression where outcome is dead and exposure is dtp.
- ② Interpret the results and compare with the results from the exercise using CROSSTABS.

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this general framework also works for linear effect of X (e.g. age).



### Linear effect of covariate

- The response or outcome is discrete with two categories.
- Covariates  $(X_1, X_2, X_3, \cdots)$ : The effect of the X's can be modelled as a linear effect (comparing risk for X = x to risk for X = x + 1)
- Indicate categorical X's

# Multiple logistic regression

The response (or outcome) is discrete with two categories.

$$\ln(\text{odds}) = \ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \cdots,$$

The interpretation is still that  $\exp(\beta_1)$  is an odds ratios, but now adjusted for the covariates  $X_2, X_3, \cdots$ . Same idea as in multiple linear regression.

# Logistic regression: coding of the outcome variable

SPSS models the probability

$$P(Y=1)$$

if  $Y \in \{0, 1\}$ .

But what about dead?

Recode

$$\texttt{dead2} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1, & \texttt{dead} = 1 \\ 0, & \texttt{dead} = 2 \end{array} \right.$$

# Multiple logistic regression

### the effect of bcg adjusted for the (linear) effect of age

```
LOGISTIC REGRESSION VARIABLES dead2
/METHOD=ENTER agemm bcg
/CONTRAST (bcg)=Indicator
/CRITERIA=PIN(.05) POUT(.10) ITERATE(20) CUT(.5).
```

#### output

#### Variables in the Equation

								95% C.I.for EXP(B)	
		В	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	Lower	Upper
Step 1 <sup>a</sup>	bcg(1)	,345	,148	5,433	1	,020	1,412	1,056	1,887
	agemm	-,049	,039	1,530	1	,216	,953	,882	1,029
	Constant	3,051	,128	567,488	1	,000	21,138		

a. Variable(s) entered on step 1: bcg, agemm.

# Multiple logistic regression exercise

### Using the Bissau data

- Make a logistic regression where outcome is dead and exposure is dtp and agemm. Interpret the parameters.
- Now control for bcg in the logistic regression model. What happened to the effect of dtp?