## **Chi-square Tests**

Data Analysis for Psychology in R 1

dapR1 Team

Department of Psychology
The University of Edinburgh

# Weeks Learning Objectives

- 1. Understand how to perform a  $\chi^2$  goodness-of-fit and interpret the results.
- 2. Understand how to perform a  $\chi^2$  test of independence and interpret the results.
- 3. Conduct and interpret the assumption checks for  $\chi^2$  tests.

## Topics for today

- Recording 1:
  - $\circ$  Types of  $\chi^2$  test
  - $\circ$  Worked example of  $\chi^2$  goodness-of-fit
  - Relative, observed and expected frequencies
- Recording 2:
  - $\circ$  Worked example of  $\chi^2$  goodness-of-fit
  - Inferential testing, and write up.
- Recording 3:
  - $\circ$  Worked example of  $\chi^2$  test of independence.
- Recording 4:
  - Residuals, assumptions and effect size measures.
- Bonus slides: For those who are interested, the full calculations for recording 2 are given in slides.

## Purpose

- $\chi^2$  goodness of fit test
  - The primary purpose is to test whether the collected data (observed frequencies) are consistent with a hypothesized/known distribution (expected frequencies).
- $\chi^2$  test of independence:
  - We have 2 categorical variables, drawn from a single population.
  - We want to know if the variables are independent or not.
  - If the category membership is dependent, then knowing what category someone is in on variable 1, helps us predict what category they would be in for variable 2.

# **Data Requirements**

- $\chi^2$  goodness of fit test
  - Single categorical variable
- $\chi^2$  test of independence:
  - Two categorical variables.

# Example: Goodness of fit

- Suppose we are interested in the distribution of students across three final year psychology options (Social, Differential, Developmental).
- We have data from 2014-15, and we want to know if the distribution is the same in 2015-16.

#### Data

```
head(class)
## # A tibble: 6 × 2
##
     ID
           course
##
     <chr> <fct>
## 1 ID1
           Differential
## 2 ID2
           Social
## 3 ID3
           Social
## 4 ID4
           Social
## 5 ID5
          Social
## 6 ID6
           Developmental
 • ID = Unique ID variable
 • course = factor with 3 levels (Social, Differential, Developmental)
```

# Observed frequencies

```
tab1 <- class %>%
  group_by(course) %>%
  tally()
```

#### tab1

```
## # A tibble: 3 × 2
## course n
## <fct> <int>
## 1 Differential 28
## 2 Social 62
## 3 Developmental 60
```

# Relative frequencies

- In 2014-15, the department had the following proportions:
  - Social = 0.50, or 50%
  - Differential = 0.30, or 30%
  - Developmental = 0.20, or 20%

## Relative frequencies

```
tab1 <- tab1 %>%
  transmute(
    course = course,
    relative = c(0.30, 0.50, 0.20),
    observed = n
)
```

tab1

# **Expected frequencies**

- Given this, and a total number of students (n=150) for the current year, we can calculate the expected frequencies for each area.
  - $\circ Expected = Relative * N$

# Put it together

```
tab1 <- tab1 %>%
  mutate(
    expected = relative*sum(observed)
)
```

#### tab1

```
## # A tibble: 3 × 4
        relative observed expected
##
   course
  <fct>
              <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 Differential
                 0.3
                         28
                                45
## 2 Social
                  0.5
                         62
                            75
## 3 Developmental
              0.2
                                30
                         60
```

## Time for a break

#### Welcome Back!

Now we have discussed how to calculate the core values from our data, let's think about our hypotheses, test statistic, and inferential testing.

# Hypotheses

$$H_0 = P(0.20, 0.50, 0.30) \ H_1 
eq P(0.20, 0.50, 0.30)$$

- ullet  $H_0$  says that the data follow a specific and known pattern or probabilities (frequencies)
- $H_1$  says they don't

#### Test statistic

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k rac{(E_i-O_i)^2}{E_i}$$

- $E_i$  = expected frequencies
- $O_i$  = observed frequencies
- $\sum_{i=1}^{k}$  = do the calculation starting from cell 1 through to cell k (k=number groups) and add them up.

#### **Null Distribution**

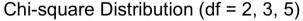
- Sampling distribution for  $\chi^2$  test is a  $\chi^2$  distribution.
- $\chi^2$  distribution describes the distribution of the sum of k squared independent standard normal variables.
  - o Huh?

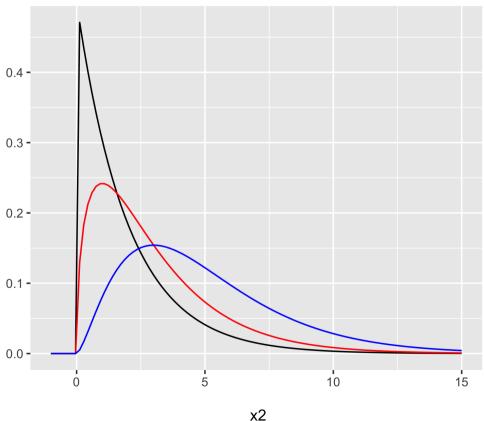
$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(E_i - O_i)^2}{E_i}$$

## **Null Distribution**

- $\bullet$  Parameter of the  $\chi^2$  distribution is degrees of freedom (df)
  - Just like *t*-test.
- df are determined by the number of categories ( k )
- Goodness of fit test has k-1 degrees of freedom.
  - Why?

### **Null Distribution**





- The plot shows  $\chi^2$  distributions for 2 (black), 3 (red), and 5 (blue) df's
- Note that as the df increase, the area under the curve for smaller values increases.
- What does that mean?
  - It means as we add up more things, we would expect the random fluctuations from 0 to to also increase.
  - In any given sample, even if the null is true in the population, sampling variability would mean we have some non-zero values.
  - So we need to account for this.

#### Calculation

```
tab1 <- tab1 %>%
  mutate(
    step1 = expected - observed,
    step2 = step1^2,
    step3 = step2/expected
tab1
## # A tibble: 3 × 7
           relative observed expected step1 step2 step3
  course
  <fct>
                  <dbl>
                           <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Differential
                      0.3
                                                   289 6.42
                                28
                                         45
                      0.5
                                   75 13 169 2.25
## 2 Social
                                62
                   0.2
## 3 Developmental
                                60
                                         30
                                              -30
                                                   900 30
 • Step1 = E_i - O_i
 • Step2 = (E_i - O_i)^2
 • Step3 = \frac{(E_i - O_i)^2}{E_i}
```

## Calculation

 $\bullet\,$  Last step is to sum the values for step 3 to get the  $\chi^2$ 

```
x2 <- sum(tab1$step3)
x2</pre>
```

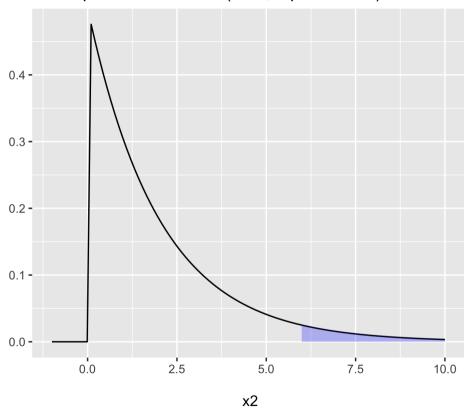
```
## [1] 38.67556
```

# Is my test significant?

- $\chi^2 = 38.68$
- Degrees of freedom = 3-1 = 2
- $\alpha = 0.05$

# Is my test significant?





# Is my test significant?

#### In R

```
gof_res <- chisq.test(tab1$observed, p = c(0.3, 0.5, 0.2))
gof_res

##

## Chi-squared test for given probabilities
##

## data: tab1$observed
## X-squared = 38.676, df = 2, p-value = 3.997e-09</pre>
```

## Write up

A  $\chi^2$  goodness of fit test was conducted in order to investigate whether the distribution of students across Social, Developmental and Differential classes was equivalent in 2014- 15 and 2015-16. The goodness of fit test was significant ( $\chi^2(2) = 38.68$ , p<.05) and thus the null hypothesis was rejected. The distribution of student's across courses differs between the two academic years.

## Time for a break

## Welcome Back!

We will now follow the same steps for a test of independence.

## Example: Independence

- I have conducted an experiment with three conditions (n=120, 40 per group)
- I want to check whether my participants are equally distributed based on some demographic variables.
  - Let's focus on whether English is participants first language
- Recall from an experimental design perspective, I want such things to be randomized across my groups.
  - So I would expect an even distribution.

#### Data

head(exp)

## 5 ID5

## 6 ID6

```
## # A tibble: 6 × 3
           condition lang
##
     ID
     <chr> <chr>
                     <chr>
##
## 1 ID1
           control
                     Yes
## 2 ID2
           control
                     No
## 3 ID3
           control
                     No
## 4 ID4
          control
                     Yes
```

control

control

- ID = Unique ID variable
- condition = experimental conditions (control, group1, group2)
- lang = binary Yes/No for English as first language

No

No

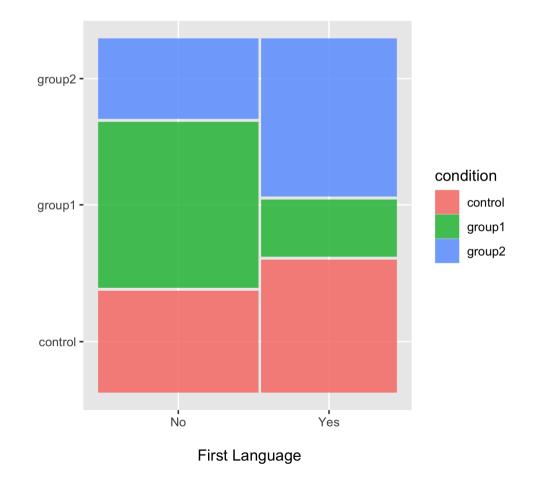
#### Tabular format

• It can be very useful to display data for two categorical variables as a contingency table.

```
tabs <- addmargins(table(exp$condition, exp$lang))
tabs</pre>
```

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

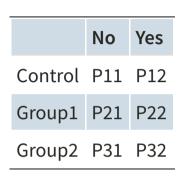
# Visualizing Data: Mosaic Plot



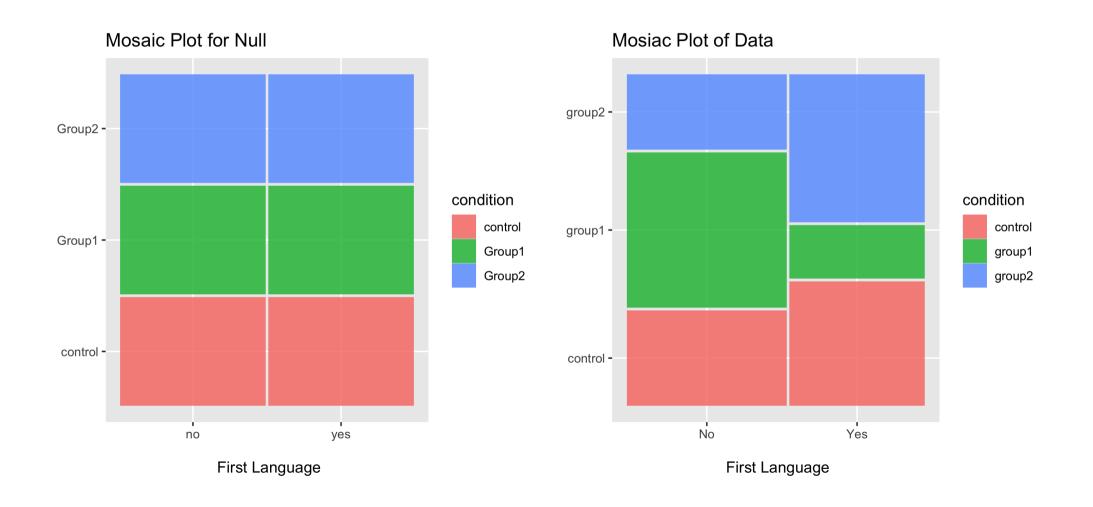
# Hypotheses

$$H_0: P_{11} = P_{12}, P_{21} = P_{22}, P_{31} = P_{32} \ H_1: P_{11} \neq P_{12} | P_{21} \neq P_{22} | P_{31} \neq P_{32}$$

- $H_0$  says the proportion of each cell in each row are equal.
- $H_1$  says at least one of these pairs are not equal.



#### Intuition about the null



### Test statistic

• The test statistic looks much the same as the statistic for the GoF test.

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^c rac{(\hat{E_{ij}} - O_{ij})^2}{\hat{E_{ij}}}$$

- What is different?
  - $\circ \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^c$  simply means sum the quantities for all cells in all rows (r) and columns (c)
  - $\circ$  But why  $\hat{E_{ij}}$ ? Why the hat?

## **Expected frequencies**

- Remember in the GoF test we knew the expected frequencies because we had known proportions and known sample size.
  - Here we do not have that.
- So we have to estimate the expected frequencies from the data.
  - $\circ$  Hence we use  $\hat{E}$  to show this is an estimate.

$$\hat{E_{ij}} = rac{R_i C_j}{N}$$

- Where
  - $\circ R_i$  = the row marginal for a cell i
  - $\circ$   $C_i$  = the column marginal for a cell j
  - $\circ$  N = total sample size
- Here we will show the calculation for one cell (for the cell by cell calculations see the additional material).

### Calculation: Controls-No

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$\hat{E_{11}} = rac{R_1 C_1}{N} = rac{40*65}{120} = rac{2600}{120} = 21.67$$

$$\frac{(\hat{E_{11}} - O_{11})^2}{\hat{E_{11}}} = \frac{(21.67 - 19)^2}{21.67} = \frac{7.1289}{21.67} = 0.33$$

# **Null Distribution**

- Again, we evaluate the  $\chi^2$  test of independence statistic against the  $\chi^2$ -distribution.
- Here:

$$df = (r-1)(c-1)$$

- Note, r and c are just the number of levels for each categorical variable.
- ullet In our example (r-1)(c-1)=(3-1)(2-1)=2\*1=2
  - $\circ$  Thus using the same  $\alpha$ =0.05, we would have the same critical value = 5.99

### In R

```
con <- table(exp$condition, exp$lang)
ind_res <- chisq.test(con)
ind_res

##
## Pearson's Chi-squared test
##
## data: con
## X-squared = 13.964, df = 2, p-value = 0.0009286</pre>
```

# Write up

A  $\chi^2$  test of independence was performed to examine whether the distribution of English first language speakers was consistent across experimental conditions (n=120). The relation between these variables was significant (\$\chi^2\$(2) = 13.96, p <.05). Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis.

# Time for a break

For your mid-lecture exercise, please look over the full calculations of the test statistic for this example in the additional slides.

# Welcome Back!

Our last recording for this week will look at cell residuals, assumptions, corrections and effect size.

# Output

- Here I want to make brief comment about analysis objects.
- The object ind\_res contains the output of our analysis.
  - This has lots of elements to it.
- We can view and work with these by using the \$ sign

```
names(ind_res)

## [1] "statistic" "parameter" "p.value" "method" "data.name" "observed"

## [7] "expected" "residuals" "stdres"
```

### Residuals

- For example, lets look at the residuals.
- The Pearson residuals tell us which cells in the contingency table had the greatest differences.

#### ind\_res\$residuals

```
##
## No Yes
## control -0.5728919 0.6227992
## group1 2.0051216 -2.1797970
## group2 -1.4322297 1.5569979
```

# Assumptions

- Sufficiently large N to approximate a normal sampling distribution
  - We saw last semester this actually begins to happen pretty fast.
- Expected and observed cell frequencies are sufficiently large.
  - If either drop below 5, then there is not really enough data.
- Each observation appears in only 1 cell.
  - Data are independent.
  - If data are dependent, we can use a McNemar test.

#### Yate's correction

- Our  $\chi^2$  test only approximates a  $\chi^2$  sampling distribution.
- When we have a 2x2 table with df=1, it turns out this approximation is not very good.
  - So for 2x2 tables we apply Yate's continuity correction.
  - This subtracts 0.5 from each cell deviation.
  - It is the default in R when we have a 2x2 table.

# Effect size

- Three possibilities:
  - Phi coefficient (for 2x2 tables)
  - Odds ratios
  - Cramer's V
- We will discuss odds ratios more in year 2, so let's look at Phi and Cramer's V.

### Effect size

• The equations for both measures are shown below:

$$Phi = \sqrt{rac{\chi^2}{N}}$$
  $CramerV = \sqrt{rac{\chi^2}{N*min(r-1,c-1)}}$ 

• Cramer's V generalizes Phi to larger contingency tables.

### Cramer's V

- There is no base R calculation for Cramer's V.
- It is included in the lsr package for the Navarro book.
- Else we can construct it ourselves.

### Cramer's V

```
## X-squared
## 0.3411211
```

# Summary of today

- We have looked at tests for categorical data:
  - 1. Against a known distribution
  - 2. As a test of independence.
- We have considered the calculations, inferential tests, and interpretations.

# **Additional Materials**

```
##
## Pearson's Chi-squared test
##
## data: con
## X-squared = 13.964, df = 2, p-value = 0.0009286
```

• Let's do all the steps to calculate  $\chi^2$  and the exact p-value.

• Let's start with the expected values

$$\hat{E_{ij}} = rac{R_i C_j}{N}$$

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$\hat{E_{11}} = rac{R_1 C_1}{N} = rac{40*65}{120} = rac{2600}{120} = 21.67$$

ullet As we have the same number of participants in each condition, this is also the expected value for  $\hat{E_{21}}$  and  $\hat{E_{31}}$ 

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$\hat{E_{12}} = rac{R_1 C_2}{N} = rac{40*55}{120} = rac{2200}{120} = 18.33$$

ullet As we have the same number of participants in each condition, this is also the expected value for  $\hat{E_{22}}$  and  $\hat{E_{23}}$ 

• We can check these against the information in the output to the R analysis

```
ind_res$expected
```

```
##
## No Yes
## control 21.66667 18.33333
## group1 21.66667 18.33333
## group2 21.66667 18.33333
```

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$\frac{(\hat{E_{11}} - O_{11})^2}{\hat{E_{11}}} = \frac{(21.67 - 19)^2}{21.67} = \frac{7.1289}{21.67} = 0.33$$

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$rac{(\hat{E_{21}} - O_{21})^2}{\hat{E_{21}}} = rac{(21.67 - 31)^2}{21.67} = rac{87.05}{21.67} = 4.02$$

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$rac{(\hat{E_{31}} - O_{31})^2}{\hat{E_{31}}} = rac{(21.67 - 15)^2}{21.67} = rac{44.49}{21.67} = 2.05$$

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$\frac{(\hat{E_{12}} - O_{12})^2}{\hat{E_{12}}} = \frac{(18.33 - 21)^2}{18.33} = \frac{7.1289}{18.33} = 0.39$$

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$\frac{(\hat{E_{22}} - O_{22})^2}{\hat{E_{22}}} = \frac{(18.33 - 9)^2}{18.33} = \frac{87.05}{18.33} = 4.75$$

```
## No Yes Sum
## control 19 21 40
## group1 31 9 40
## group2 15 25 40
## Sum 65 55 120
```

$$rac{(\hat{E_{32}} - O_{32})^2}{\hat{E_{32}}} = rac{(18.33 - 25)^2}{18.33} = rac{44.49}{18.33} = 2.43$$

• Last step is to add them up:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^c rac{(\hat{E_{ij}} - O_{ij})^2}{\hat{E_{ij}}}$$

```
x2i <- 0.33 + 4.02 + 2.05 + 0.39 + 4.75 + 2.43
x2i
```

## [1] 13.97

• And check against the R results (tiny bit of rounding error)

```
##
## Pearson's Chi-squared test
##
## data: con
## X-squared = 13.964, df = 2, p-value = 0.0009286
```

• And the p-value

```
1 - pchisq(13.964, 2)
```

## [1] 0.0009284445

• The Pearson's residuals are calculated as:

$$Residual_{ij} = rac{(E_{ij} - O_{ij})}{\sqrt{E_{ij}}}$$

• So let's do one residual and then look at the output of our analysis:

$$Residual_{11} = rac{(E_{11} - O_{11})}{\sqrt{E_{11}}} = rac{(21.67 - 19)}{\sqrt{21.67}} = rac{2.67}{4.655105} = 0.57$$

ind\_res\$residuals

```
##
## No Yes
## control -0.5728919 0.6227992
## group1 2.0051216 -2.1797970
## group2 -1.4322297 1.5569979
```

- Hold on....why is our calculation positive, and the R results negative?
- This is just an interpretation point.
  - $\circ$  In our calculation, we have used  $E_{ij}-O_{ij}$
  - $\circ$  If instead we calculate  $O_{ij}-E_{ij}$ , then we would get the same absolute value but negative.
  - Why not try it.