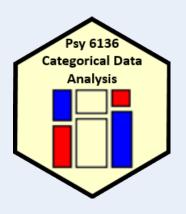
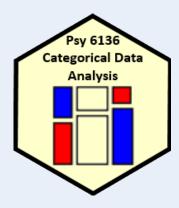


Categorical Data Analysis Course overview



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Course goals

This course is designed as a broad, applied introduction to the statistical analysis of categorical data, with an emphasis on:

Emphasis: visualization methods

- exploratory graphics: see patterns, trends, anomalies in your data
- model diagnostic methods: assess violations of assumptions
- model summary methods: provide an interpretable summary of your data

Emphasis: theory \Rightarrow practice

- Understand how to translate research questions into statistical hypotheses and models
- Understand the difference between simple, non-parametric approaches (e.g., χ^2 test for indpendence) and model-based methods (logistic regression, GLM)
- Framework for thinking about categorical data analysis in visual terms

Course outline

1. Exploratory and hypothesis testing methods

- Week 1: Overview; Introduction to R
- Week 2: One-way tables and goodness-of-fit test
- Week 3: Two-way tables: independence and association
- Week 4: Two-way tables: ordinal data and dependent samples
- Week 5: Three-way tables: different types of independence
- Week 6: Correspondence analysis

2. Model-based methods

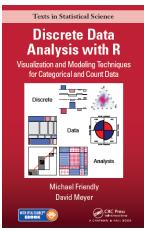
- Week 7: Logistic regression I
- Week 8: Logistic regression II
- Week 9: Multinomial logistic regression models
- Week 10: Log-linear models
- Week 11: Loglinear models: Advanced topics
- Week 12: Generalized Linear Models: Poisson regression
- Week 13: Course summary & additional topics

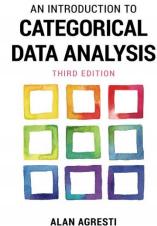
Textbooks

Main texts

- Friendly & Meyer (2016). Discrete Data Analysis with R: Visualizing
 & Modeling Techniques for Categorical & Count Data
 - 30% discount on Routledge web site (code: ADC22)
 - Draft chapters on http://euclid.psych.yorku.ca/www/psy6136
 - DDAR web site: https://ddar.datavis.ca
- Agresti (2007). An Introduction to Categorical Data Analysis, 3rd E.
 Wiley & Sons.

eBook available
PDF on course web site

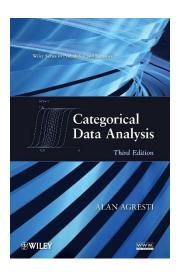


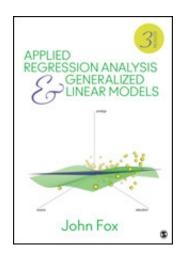


Textbooks

Supplementary readings

- Agresti (2013). Categorical Data Analysis, 3rd ed. [More mathematical, but the current Bible of CDA]
 - PDF available: https://bityl.co/FG9c
- Fox (2016). *Applied Regression Analysis and Generalized Linear Models*, 3rd ed.





Expectations & grading

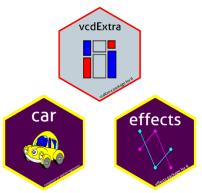
- I expect you will read chapters in DDAR & Agresti Intro each week
 - See Topic Schedule on course web site
 - R exercises: A few are listed as (ungraded) Assignments
 - Class discussion: Help make classes participatory

• Evaluation:

- (2 x 40%) Two take-home projects: Analysis & research report, based on assignment problems or your own data
- **(20%)**
 - Assignment portfolio: best work, enhanced
 - Research report on journal article(s) of theory / application of CDA
 - In-class presentation (~15 min) on application of general interest

What you need

- R, version >=3.6 [R 4.2 is current]
 - Download from https://cran.r-project.org/
- RStudio IDE, highly recommended
 - https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/
- R packages: see course web page
 - vcd
 - vcdExtra
 - car
 - effects
 - •



R script to install packages: https://friendly.github.io/6136/R/install-vcd-pkgs.R

What is categorical data?

A **categorical variable** is one for which the possible measured or assigned values consist of a discrete set of categories, which may be *ordered* or *unordered*. Some typical examples are:

- Gender, with categories {"male", "female", "trans"}
- Marital status: { "Never married", "Married", "Separated", "Divorced", "Widowed" }
- Party preference: {"NDP", "Liberal", "Conservative", "Green"}
- Treatment improvement: {"none", "some", "marked"}
- Age: {"0-9", "10-19", "20-29", "30-39", ... }.
- Number of children: $0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots$

Questions:

- Which of these are ordered (ordinal)?
- Which could be treated as numeric? How?
- Which have missing categories, sometimes ignored, or treated as "Other"

Categorical data: Structures

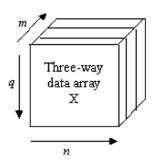
Categorical (frequency) data appears in various forms

- Tables: often the result of table() or xtabs()
 - 1-way
 - 2-way 2 × 2, r × c
 - 3-way

Gender compared to handedness

	Har	Handed				
	Left Right					
Female	7	46	53			
Male	5	5 63				
	12	109	121			

- Matrices: matrix(), with row & col names
- Arrays: array(), with dimnames()
- Data frames
 - Case form (individual observations)
 - Frequency form



1-way tables

Unordered factors

	Black	Brown	Red	Blond	
n	108	286	71	127	
90	0.18	0.48	0.12	0.21	

Hair color of 592 students

	BQ	Cons	Green	Liberal	NDP
n	104	392	126	404	174
응	0.087	0.33	0.1	0.34	0.14

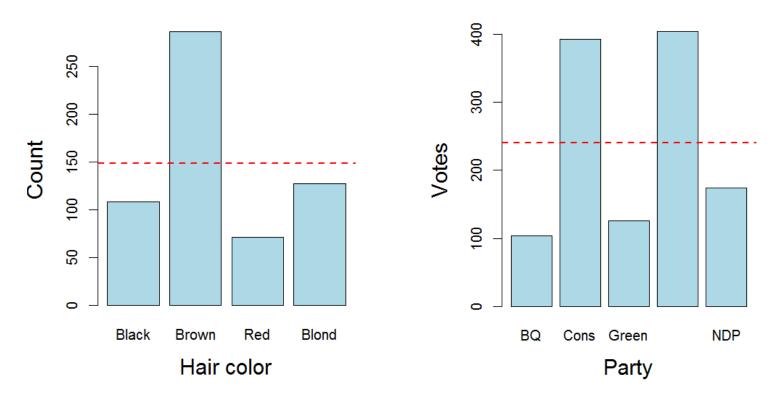
Voting intentions in Harris-Decima poll, 8/21/08

Questions:

- Are all hair colors equally likely?
- Aside from Brown hair, are others equally likely?
- Is there a diff in voting intentions for Liberal vs. Conservative

1-way tables

Even here, simple graphs are more informative than tables



But these don't really answer the questions. Why?

1-way tables

- Ordered, quantitative factors
 - Number of sons in Saxony families with 12 children

```
> data(Saxony, package="vcd")
> Saxony
nMales
    0    1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8    9   10   11   12
    3    24    104    286    670   1033   1343   1112   829   478   181   45    7
```

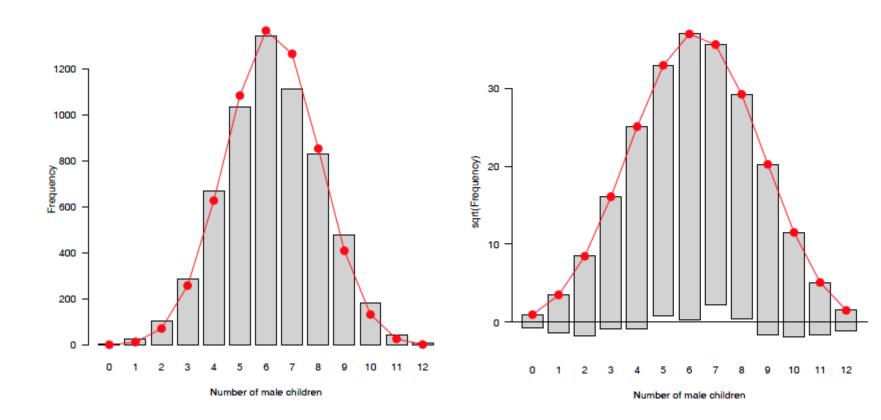
Questions:

- What is the form of this distribution?
- Is it useful to think of this as a binomial distribution?
- If so, is Pr(male) = 0.5 reasonable to describe the data?
- How could familities have > 10 children?

1-way tables: graphs

For a particular distribution in mind:

- Plot the data together with the fitted frequencies
- Better still: hanging rootogram: freq on sqrt scale; hang bars from fitted values



2-way tables: 2 x 2 x ...

Two-way

	Gender	Male	Female
Admit			
Admitted		1198	557
Rejected		1493	1278

Admission to graduate programs at UC Berkeley

Three-way, stratified by another factor

... by Department

		Dept	Α	В	C	D	E	F
Admit	Gender							
Admitted	Male		512	353	120	138	53	22
	Female		89	17	202	131	94	24
Rejected	Male		313	207	205	279	138	351
	Female		19	8	391	244	299	317

Questions:

- Is admission associated with gender?
- Does admission rate vary with department?

Larger tables

2-way
Actually, this is a 2D
margin of a 3-way table

<pre>> ftable(Eye ~ Sex + Hair, data=HairEyeColor)</pre>							
		Eye	Brown	Blue	Hazel	Green	
Sex	Hair						
Male	Black		32	11	10	3	
	Brown		53	50	25	15	
	Red		10	10	7	7	
	Blond		3	30	5	8	
Female	Black		36	9	5	2	
	Brown		66	34	29	14	
	Red		16	7	7	7	
	Blond		4	64	5	8	

3-way (& higher) can be "flattened" for a more convenient display

formula notation: row vars ~ col vars

Table form

- Table form is convenient for display, but information is implicit
 - a table has dimensions, dim() and dimnames()
 - the "observations" are the cells in the tables
 - the "variables" are the dimensions of the table (factors)
 - the cell value is the count or frequency

```
> dim(haireye)
[1] 4 4
> dimnames(haireye)
$Hair
[1] "Black" "Brown" "Red" "Blond"

$Eye
[1] "Brown" "Blue" "Hazel" "Green"
```

```
> names(dimnames(haireye)) # factor names
[1] "Hair" "Eye"
> prod(dim(haireye)) # of cells
[1] 16
> sum(haireye) # total count
[1] 592
```

Datasets: frequency form

Another common format is a dataset in frequency form

```
> as.data.frame(haireye)
    Hair
           Eye Freq
  Black Brown
                 68
 Brown Brown
                119
                 26
    Red Brown
 Blond Brown
                 20
 Black Blue
 Brown Blue
                 84
    Red Blue
                17
 Blond Blue
                94
  Black Hazel
                 15
10 Brown Hazel
                 54
    Red Hazel
                 14
12 Blond Hazel
                 10
13 Black Green
                 29
14 Brown Green
    Red Green
                 14
15
16 Blond Green
                 16
```

- Use as.data.frame(table)
- One row for each cell
- Columns: factors + Freq or count

Datasets: case form

Raw data often arrives in case form

```
> expand.dft(as.data.frame(haireye)) |>
   as tibble() |>
   mutate(age = round( runif( n =
      sum(haireye), min=17, max=29)))
# A tibble: 592 x 3
  Hair Eye age
  <chr> <chr> <dbl>
1 Black Brown 19
2 Black Brown 19
3 Black Brown 27
              23
4 Black Brown
              19
5 Black Brown
                 29
 6 Black Brown
                 25
7 Black Brown
8 Black Brown
              29
 9 Black Brown
              17
10 Black Brown
                 2.3
# ... with 582 more rows
```

- One obs. per case
- # rows = sum of counts
- vcdExtra::expand.dft()
 expands frequency form
- case form is required if there are continuous variables
- case form is tidy
- not all CDA functions play well with tibbles

Categorical data analysis: Methods

Methods for categorical data analysis fall into two main categories

Non-parametric, randomization-based methods

- Make minimal assumptions
- Useful for hypothesis-testing:
 - Are men more likely to be admitted than women?
 - Are hair color and eye color associated?
 - Does the binomial distribution fit these data?
- Mostly for two-way tables (possibly stratified)
- R:
 - Pearson Chi-square: chisq.test()
 - Fisher's exact test (for small expected frequencies): fisher.test()
 - Mantel-Haenszel tests (ordered categories: test for *linear* association):
 CMHtest()
- SAS: PROC FREQ can do all the above
- SPSS: Crosstabs

Categorical data analysis: Methods

Model-based methods

- Must assume random sample (possibly stratified)
- Useful for estimation purposes: Size of effects (std. errors, confidence intervals)
- More suitable for multi-way tables
- Greater flexibility; fitting specialized models
 - Symmetry, quasi-symmetry, structured associations for square tables
 - Models for ordinal variables
- R: glm() family, Packages: car, gnm, vcd, ...
 - estimate standard errors, covariances for model parameters
 - confidence intervals for parameters, predicted Pr{response}
- SAS: PROC LOGISTIC, CATMOD, GENMOD, INSIGHT (Fit YX), ...
- SPSS: Hiloglinear, Loglinear, Generalized linear models

Models: Response vs. Association

Response models

- Sometimes, one variable is a natural discrete response.
- Q: How does the response relate to explanatory variables?
 - Admit ∼ Gender + Dept
 - Party ∼ Age + Education + Urban
- ⇒ Logit models, logististic regression, generalized linear models

Association models

- Sometimes, the main interest is just association among variables
- Q: Which variables are associated, and how?
 - Berkeley data: [Admit Gender]? [Admit Dept]? [Gender Dept]
 - Hair-eye data: [Hair Eye]? [Hair Sex]? [Eye, Sex]
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Response models

Analysis methods for categorical outcome (response) variables have close parallels with those for quantitative outcomes

	Quantitative outcome	Categorical outcome
Continuous predictor	Regression: lm(y ~ x1 + x2)	Logistic regression: glm() Loglinear model: loglm() Ordered: prop. odds model: polr()
Categorical predictor	ANOVA: Im(y ~ A + B) Ordered: polynomial contrasts	χ² tests: chisq.test() Ordered: CMH tests, CMHtest() Loglinear model: loglm()
Both	ANCOVA: $Im(y \sim A + B + x)$	Logistic regression: glm() Loglinear model: loglm()

All use similar model formulas:

Response models

For quantitative outcomes, Im() for everything, formula notation

For categorical outcomes, different modeling functions for different outcome types

```
glm(binary ~ X + A, family="binomial")  # logistic regression
glm(Freq ~ X + A, family="poisson")  # poisson regression
MASS::polr(multicat ~ X + A)  # ordinal regression
nnet::multinom(multicat ~ X + A)  # multinomial regression
loglin(table, margins)  # loglinear model
MASS::loglm(Freq ~ .)  # loglinear model, . = A+B+C+ ...
MASS::loglm(Freq ~ .^2)  # + all two-way associations
```

Data display: Tables vs. Graphs

If I can't picture it, I can't understand it.

Albert Einstein

Getting information from a table is like extracting sunlight from a cucumber. Farquhar & Farquhar, 1891

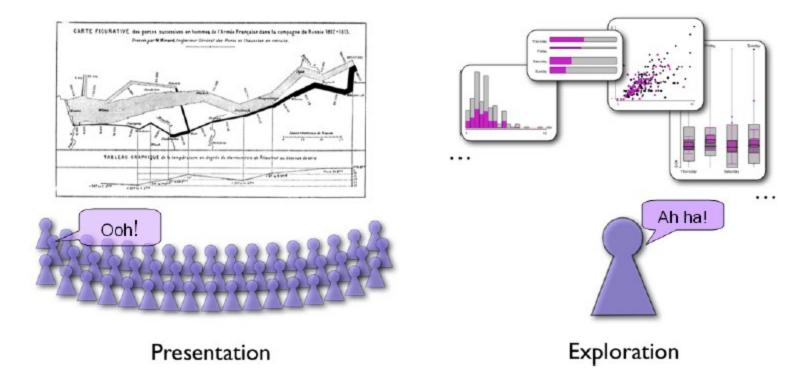
Tables vs. Graphs

- Tables are best suited for look-up and calculation—
 - read off exact numbers
 - show additional calculations (e.g., % change)
- Graphs are better for:
 - showing patterns, trends, anomalies,
 - making comparisons
 - seeing the unexpected!
- Visual presentation as communication:
 - what do you want to say or show?
 - design graphs and tables to 'speak to the eyes'

Graphical methods: Communication goals

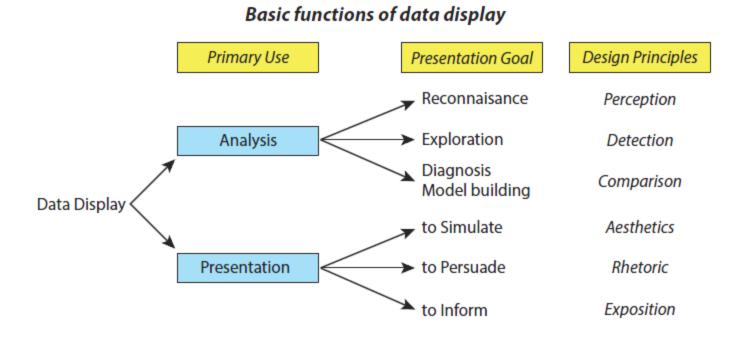
Different graphs for different audiences

- **Presentation**: A carefully crafted graph to appeal to a wide audience
- Exploration, analysis: Possibly many related graphs, different perspectives, narrow audience (often: just you!)



Graphical methods: Presentation goals

Different presentation goals appeal to different design principles



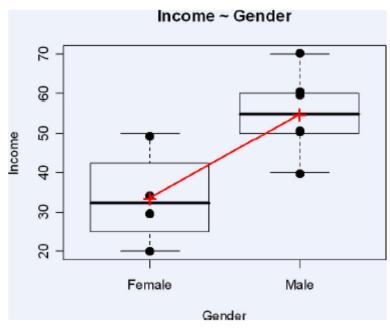
Think: What do I want to communicate? For what purpose?

Graphical methods: Quantitative data

Quantitative data (amounts) are naturally displayed in terms of magnitude ~ position along a scale



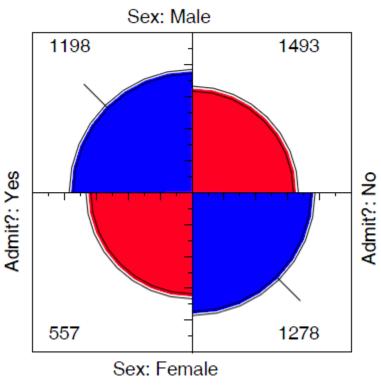
Scatterplot of Income vs. Experience



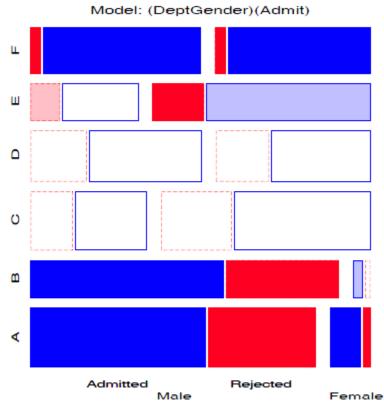
Boxplot of Income by Gender

Graphical methods: Categorical data

Frequency data (counts) are more naturally displayed in terms of **count** \sim **area** (Friendly, 1995)



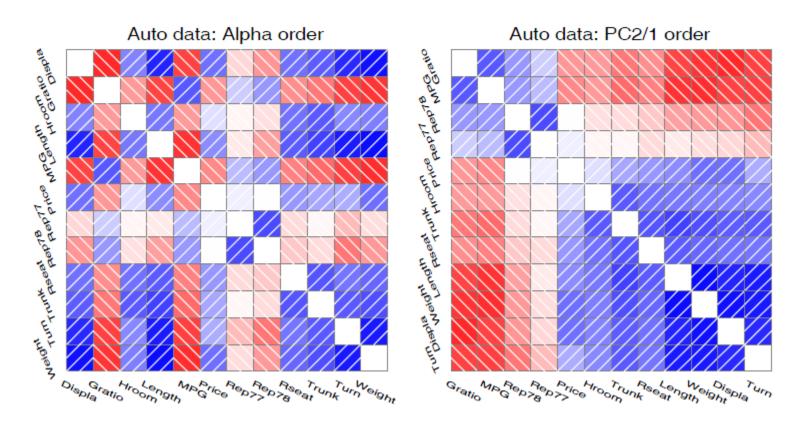
Fourfold display for 2×2 table



Mosaic plot for 3-way table

Principles of graphical display

 Effect ordering (Friendly and Kwan, 2003)— In tables and graphs, sort unordered factors according to the effects you want to see/show.



Friendly & Kwan (2003). <u>Corrgrams: Exploratory displays for correlation matrices</u>. *American Statistician*, **54**(4): 316-324.

Tabular displays

Effect ordering and high-lighting for tables

Table: Hair color - Eye color data: Alpha ordered

	Hair color									
Eye color	Blond	Blond Black Brown Red								
Blue	94	20	17	84						
Brown	7	68	26	119						
Green	10	15	14	54						
Hazel	16	5	14	29						

Model:	Independence: [Hair][Eye] χ^2 (9)= 138.29							
Color coding:	<-4	<-4 <-2 <-1 0 >1 >2 >4						
<i>n</i> in each cell:	<i>n</i> <	exped	cted		<i>n</i> >	expe	cted	

There is an association, but it is hard to see the general pattern

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The pattern is clearer when the eye colors are permuted: light hair goes with light eyes & vice-versa

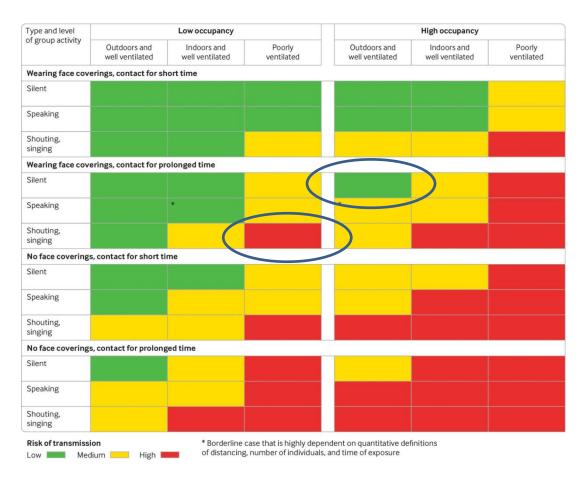
Sometimes, don't need numbers at all

COVID transmission risk ~ Occupancy * Ventilation * Activity * Mask? * Contact.time

A complex 5-way table, whose message is clearly shown w/o numbers

A semi-graphic table shows the patterns in the data

There are 1+ unusual cells here. Can you see them?



From: N.R. Jones et-al (2020). Two metres or one: what is the evidence for physical distancing in covid-19? *BMJ* 2020;370:m3223, *doi: https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj.m3223*

Visual table ideas: Heatmap shading

Heatmap shading: Shade the background of each cell according to some criterion

The trends in the US and Canada are made obvious

NB: Table rows are sorted by Jan. value, lending coherence

Background shading ~ value:

US & Canada are made to stand out.

Tech note: use white text on a darker background

Unemployment rate in selected countries

January-August 2020, sorted by the unemployment rate in January.

country	Jan ^	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Japan	2.4%	2.4%	2.5%	2.6%	2.9%	2.8%	2.9%	3.0%
Netherlands	3.0%	2.9%	2.9%	3.4%	3.6%	4.3%	4.5%	4.6%
Germany	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	4.2%	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%
Mexico	3.6%	3.6%	3.2%	4.8%	4.3%	5.4%	5.2%	5.0%
US	3.6%	3.5%	4.4%	14.7%	13.3%	11.1%	10.2%	8.4%
South Korea	4.0%	3.3%	3.8%	3.8%	4.5%	4.3%	4.2%	3.2%
Denmark	4.9%	4.9%	4.8%	4.9%	5.5%	6.0%	6.3%	6.1%
Belgium	5.1%	5.0%	5.0%	5.1%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.1%
Australia	5.3%	5.1%	5.2%	6.4%	7.1%	7.4%	7.5%	6.8%
Canada	5.5%	5.6%	7.8%	13.0%	13.7%	12.3%	10.9%	10.2%
Finland	6.8%	6.9%	7.0%	7.3%	7.5%	7.8%	8.0%	8.1%

Bertifier: Turning tables into graphs

attitudes & attributes

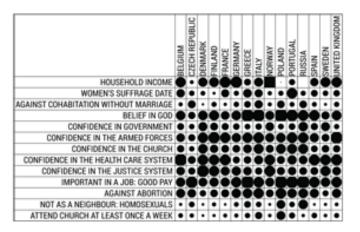
	Belgi	Czech	Den	Finla	Fran	Gerr	Gree	Ita	None	Pola	Port	Russ	Sg	Swe	United
Household income	2687	16957	2468	2573	2831	2879	2044	24	3145	1537	1936	1528	23	2624	26904
Women's suffrage date	1948	1920	1915	1906	1944	1918	1952	19	1913	1918	1976	1916	15	1921	1928
Against cohabitation w	12	42	4	18	8	20	30	46	12	39	17	39	16	6	19
Belief in God	61	36	63	69	52	63	93	91	56	96	86	77	76	46	65
Confidence in Govern	32	21	55	42	34	29	22	28	51	23	30	60	35	54	19
Confidence in the arm	50	34	72	63	73	58	70	75	57	63	75	73	5.7	41	89
Confidence in the chur	36	20	63	47	41	40	52	67	44	65	67	67	31	39	36
Confidence in the heal	91	42	75	73	78	34	39	54	74	44	58	51	79	75	80
Confidence in the justi	50	35	87	73	56	58	50	36	78	44	48	41	42	69	51
important in a job: goo	60	85	54	58	58	73	94	76	56	93	88	93	77	62	75
Against abortion	56	51	28	40	44	60	65	72	42	75	61	63	57	25	57
Not as a neighbour: ho	7	22	5	12	5	16	30	21	6	52	21	61	5	7	10
Attend church at least	15	13	5	7	11	12	19	35	9	54	25	8	21	9	17

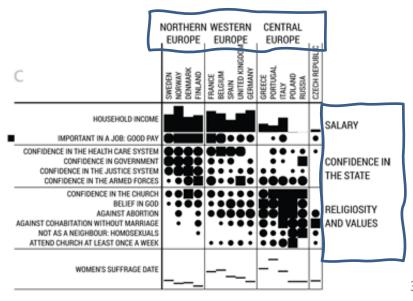
- (a) Table: attitudes and attributes by country
- (b) Visual: encode values by size, shape
- (c) Sort & group by themes, country regions

Bertifier: Bertin's reorderable matrix

See: http://www.aviz.fr/bertifier

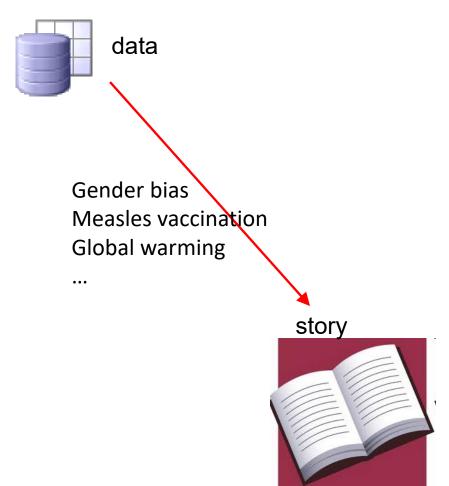
b encode values by size & shape





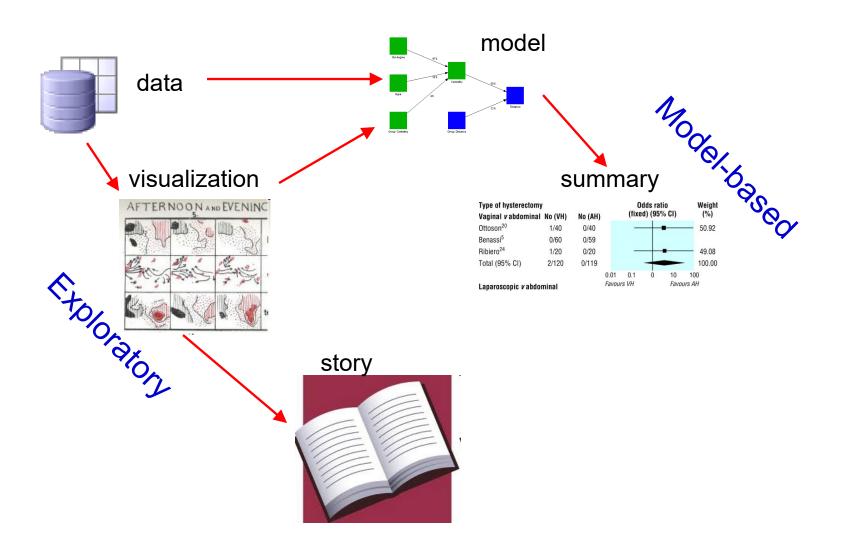
Data, pictures, models & stories

Goal: Tell a credible story about some real data problem



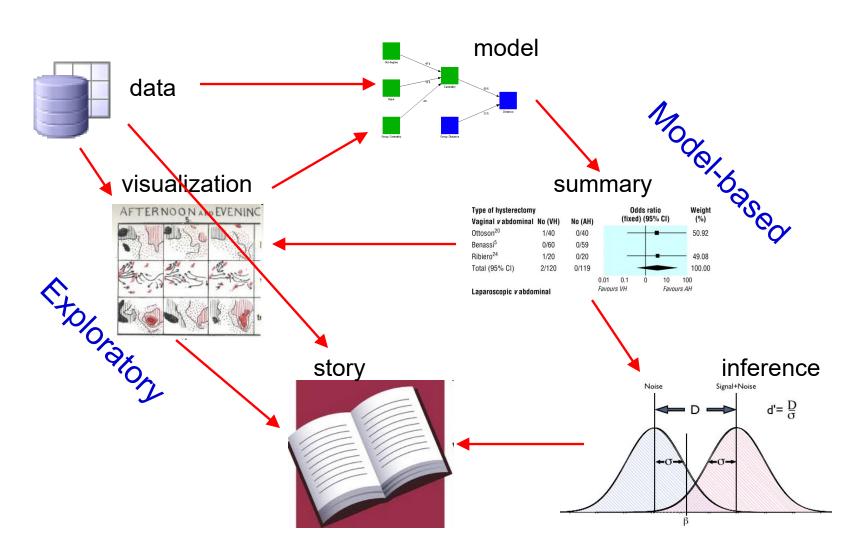
Data, pictures, models & stories

Two paths to enlightenment



Data, pictures, models & stories

Now, tell the story!



Gender Bias at UC Berkeley?

Science, 1975, 187: 398--403

Sex Bias in Graduate Admissions: Data from Berkeley

Measuring bias is harder than is usually assumed, and the evidence is sometimes contrary to expectation.

P. J. Bickel, E. A. Hammel, J. W. O'Connell

Determining whether discrimination because of sex or ethnic identity is being practiced against persons seeking passage from one social status or locus to another is an important problem in our society today. It is legally impordeceision to admit or to deny admission.

The question we wish to pursue is whether the decision to admit or to deny was influenced by the sex of the applicant.

We cannot know with any certainty the influences on the evaluators in the

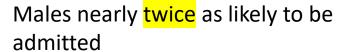
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2 × 2 Frequency Tables: Fourfold displays

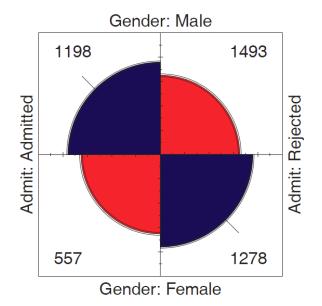
Table: Admissions to Berkeley graduate programs

	Admitted	Rejected	Total	% Admit	Odds(Admit)
Males	1198	1493	2691	44.52	0.802
Females	557	1278	1835	30.35	0.437
Total	1755	2771	4526	38.78	0.633

odds ratio $(\theta) = 1.84$



- Is this a "significant" association?
- Is it evidence for gender bias?
- How to measure strength of association?
- How to visualize?



Fourfold display:

- quarter circles, area ~ frequency
- ratio of areas: odds ratio (θ)
- confidence bands: overlap iff $\theta \approx 1$
- visualize significance!

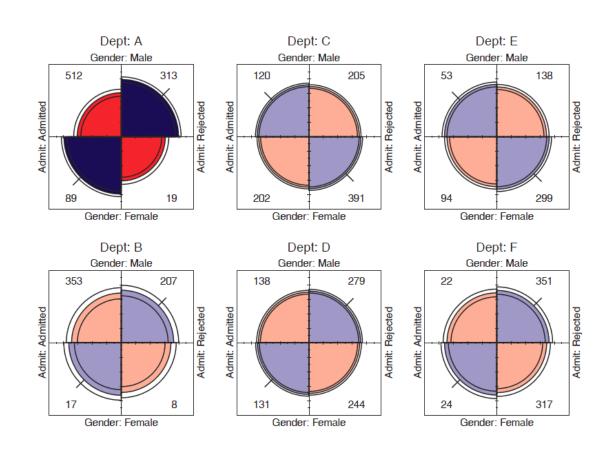
2 × 2 × k Stratified tables

The data arose from 6 graduate departments

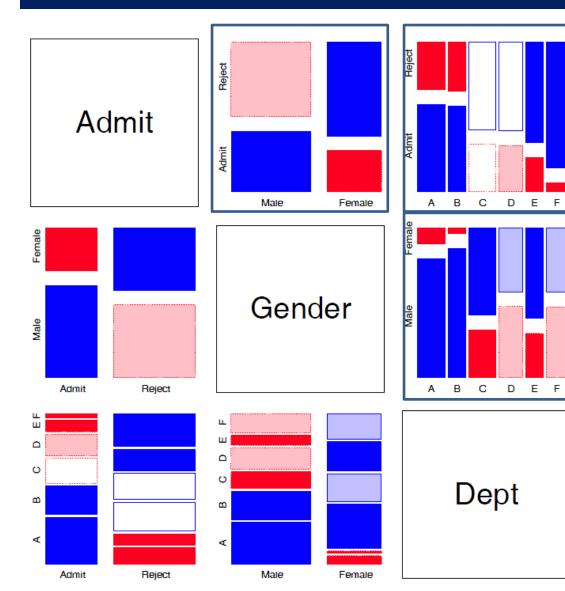
No difference between males & females, except in Dept A where women more likely to be admitted!

Design:

- small multiples
- encode direction by color
- encode signif. by shading



Mosaic matrices



Scatterplot matrix analog for categorical data

All pairwise views
Small multiples → comparison

The answer: Simpson's Paradox

- Depts A, B were easiest
- Applicants to A, B mostly male
- ∴ Males more likely to be admitted overall

Graphical methods for categorical data

In general, these share similar ideas & scope with methods for quantitative data

Exploratory methods

- Minimal assumptions (like non-parametric methods)
- Show the data, not just summaries
- But can add summaries: smoothed curve(s), trend lines, ...
- Help detect patterns, trends, anomalies, suggest hypotheses

Plots for model-based methods

- Residual plots departures from model, omitted terms, ...
- Effect plots estimated probabilities of response or log odds
- Diagnostic plots influence, violation of assumptions

Summary

- Categorical data involves some new ideas
 - Discrete variables: unordered or ordered
 - Counts, frequencies
- New / different data structures & functions
 - tables 1-way, 2-way, 3-way, ... table(), xtabs()
 - similar in matrices or arrays matrix(), array()
 - datasets:
 - frequency form
 - case form
- Graphical methods: often use area ~ Freq
- Models: Most are ≈ natural extensions of lm()