Categorical data

Self-test answers



 Using what you have learnt about data entry in R, can you work out how you would enter these data directly into R?

This question is a bit tricky because there are unequal numbers of rows in the different combinations of categories, which means that we can't use the gl() function to generate the categories for us. Instead we need to use the rep() function to create the requires number of values. For example, for the **Training** variable we need 38 instances of 'Food as Reward' and 162 of 'Affection as reward'. We can achieve this goal by executing:

```
Training<-c(rep(0, 38), rep(1, 162))
Training<-factor(Training, labels = c("Food as Reward", "Affection as Reward"))</pre>
```

The first command creates a variable called **Training**, which consists of 38 zeros followed by 162 ones. The second command then converts this variable to a factor in which the first level is labelled *Food as Reward* and the second *Affection as Reward*. We can create the **Dance** variable in a similar way. Remember that within the first 38 rows (i.e., *Food as Reward*) we want 28 rows labelled as 'Yes' and 10 labelled as 'No'. Similarly, within the final 162 rows (i.e., *Affection as Reward*), we want 48 Yes responses and 114 Nos. Therefore, we have to use the *rep()* function <u>four times as follows:</u>

```
Dance<-c(rep(0, 28), rep(1, 10), rep(0, 48), rep(1, 114))
Dance<-factor(Dance, labels = c("Yes", "No"))
```

The first command creates a variable called **Dance**, which consists of 28 zeros followed by 10 ones, followed by 48 zeros, followed by 114 ones. The second command then converts this variable to a factor in which the first level is labelled *Yes* and the second *No*. We can bind these variables into a dataframe by executing::

catsData<-data.frame(Training, Dance)</pre>



 Run a multiple regression analysis using CatRegression.dat with LnObserved as the outcome, and Training, Dance and Interaction as your three predictors.

Open the data and create the model as follows (remember to set your working directory to be the location of the data file):

catsRegression<-read.delim("CatRegression.dat", header = TRUE)</pre>

The regression parameters are shown in the book.

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Run another multiple regression analysis using CatRegression.dat, this time the outcome is the log of expected frequencies (LnExpected) and Training and Dance are the predictors (the interaction is not included).

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You should have the data loaded already, but if not execute:

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catsRegression<-read.delim("CatRegression.dat", header = TRUE)</pre>
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The multiple regression model can be obtained by executing:

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catModel2<-lm(LnExpected ~ Training + Dance, data = catsRegression)</pre>
summary(catModel2)
```

The resulting regression parameters are:

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Coefficients:
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Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 2.670e+00 2.427e-15 1.100e+15 <2e-16 Training 1.450e+00 2.797e-15 5.183e+14 <2e-16 Dance 4.895e-01 2.261e-15 2.165e+14 <2e-16
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Dance
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
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Note that $b_0 = 2.67$, the beta coefficient for the type of training is 1.45 and the beta coefficient for whether they danced is 0.49. All of these values are consistent with those calculated in the book chapter.



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Use the *subset()* function to run a chi-square test on **Dance** and Training for dogs and cats separately.

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First, to create different dataframes for cats and dogs, execute:

justCats = subset(catsDogs, Animal=="Cat") justDogs = subset(catsDogs, Animal=="Dog")

To run the chi-square tests, execute:

```
CrossTable(justCats$Training, justCats$Dance, chisq = TRUE, fisher = TRUE, sresid =
TRUE, format = "SPSS")
```

CrossTable(justDogs\$Training, justDogs\$Dance, chisq = TRUE, fisher = TRUE, sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS")



Calculate the odds ratio for dogs by hand.

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Please sir, can I have more ... tables?

The other option for tabulating more than two variables is to use the *table()* function, which can handle more than two variables, but doesn't have very nice output. We give the *table()* function the three variables from the example (i.e., the *catsDogs* dataframe).

table(catsDogs\$Animal, catsDogs\$Training, catsDogs\$Dance)

The resulting output is:

Affection as Reward Food as Reward
Cat 114 10
Dog 7 14
, , = Yes

Affection as Reward Food as Reward
Cat 48 28
Dog 29 20

Another option is the xtabs() function. This allows you to enter as many variables as you like. The way it works looks a bit like the predictor side of lm(), with no outcome variables. So, we begin with a \sim , and then list any variables we want tabulated separating them with a '+'. We can therefore execute this command to get a table of the three variables in our example:

xtabs(~Animal + Training + Dance, data = catsDogs)

The resulting output is:

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Cat 114 10
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Training
Animal Affection as Reward Food as Reward
Cat 48 28
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In both the *table()* and the *xtabs()* commands we put the **Animal** variable first, because it makes sense to split tables by this variable.

Labcoat Leni's real research

Is the black American happy?

Problem

Beckham, A. S. (1929). Journal of Abnormal and Social Psychology, 24, 186-190.

When I was doing my psychology degree I spent a lot of time reading about the civil rights movement in the USA. Although I was supposed to be reading psychology, I became more interested in Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr. This is why I find Beckham's 1929 study of black Americans such an interesting piece of research. Beckham was a black American academic who founded the psychology laboratory at Howard University, Washington, DC, and

his wife Ruth was the first black woman ever to be awarded a Ph.D. (also in psychology) at the University of Minnesota. The article needs to be placed within the era in which it was published. To put some context on the study, it was published 36 years before the Jim Crow laws were finally overthrown by the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and in a time when black Americans were segregated, openly discriminated against and were victims of the most abominable violations of civil liberties and human rights. For a richer context I suggest reading James Baldwin's superb novel *The Fire Next Time*. Even the language of the study and the data from it are an uncomfortable reminder of the era in which it was conducted.

Beckham sought to measure the psychological state of black Americans with three questions put to 3443 black Americans from different walks of life. He asked them whether they thought black Americans were happy, whether they personally were happy as a black American, and whether black Americans should be happy. They could answer only yes or no to each question. By today's standards the study is quite simple, and he did no formal statistical analysis of his data (Fisher's article containing the popularized version of the chi-square test was published only 7 years earlier in a statistics journal that would not have been read by psychologists). I love this study, though, because it demonstrates that you do not need elaborate methods to answer important and far-reaching questions; with just three questions, Beckham told the world an enormous amount about very real and important psychological and sociological phenomena.

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The frequency data (number of yes and no responses within each employment category) from this study are in the file **Beckham(1929)**.dat. Labcoat Leni wants you to carry out three chi-square tests (one for each question that was asked). What conclusions can you draw?

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Solution

Are black Americans happy?

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First of all, read in the data by executing:
americanData<-read.delim("Beckham(1929).dat", header = TRUE)
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We can view the data by executing the name of the dataframe, which I have called *americanData*:

americanData

	Profession	Response	Нарру	You_Happy	Should_be_Happy
1	College Students	Yes	390	1822	141
2	College Students	No	1610	48	1810
3	Unskilled Laborers	Yes	378	305	396
4	Unskilled Laborers	No	122	195	104
5	Preachers	Yes	35	230	264
6	Preachers	No	265	0	36
7	Physicians	Yes	159	203	174
8	Physicians	No	51	7	36
9	Housewives	Yes	78	17	90
10	Housewives	No	122	146	120
11	School Teachers	Yes	108	79	75
12	School Teachers	No	38	28	33
13	Lawyers	Yes	11	30	7
14	Lawyers	No	64	0	57
15	Musician	Yes	31	16	36
16	Musician	No	19	34	14

Looking at the data above we can see that the data are not in the correct format for the analysis that we need to do.

We could enter a contingency table for the **Happy** data called *happyTable* by executing:

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College <- c(1610, 390)
Laborers <- c(122, 378)
Preachers <- c(265, 35)
Physicians <- c(51, 159)
Housewives <- c(122, 78)
Teachers <- c(38, 108)
Lawyers <- c(64, 11)
Musician <- c(19, 31)
```

 $\label{lem:happyTable} $$ \leftarrow cbind(College, Laborers, Preachers, Physicians, Housewives, Teachers, Lawyers, Musician) $$$

If we then execute: happyTable

We can see that the data are now in the correct format to run the <u>chi-square test</u> (NB, I have entered the data so that 1 = No and 2 = Yes, it doesn't matter which way round you do it as long as you make a note of it, as it will be important when we are interpreting the results later on).

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College Laborers Preachers Physicians Housewives Teachers Lawyers Musician
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```

Now we can run the <u>chi-</u>square for the question 'Are Black Americans happy?' (Happy) by executing:

CrossTable(happyTable, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected = TRUE, sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS")

Cell Contents

Total Observations in Table: 3481

1	College	Laborers	Preacher	s Physician	ns Housewi	ves Teacl	ners Lav	wyers Mu	sician Row To
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[1,]	1610	122	265	51	122	38	64	19	2291
	1316.288	329.072	197.443	138.210	131.629	96.089	49.361	32.907	į į
	65.538	130.302	23.115	55.029	0.704	35.117	4.342	5.877	į į
	70.275%	5.325%	11.567%	2.226%	5.325%	1.659%	2.794%	0.829%	65.814%
	80.500%	24.400%	88.333%	24.286%	61.000%	26.027%	85.333%	38.000%	
	46.251%	3.505%	7.613%	1.465%	3.505%	1.092%	1.839%	0.546%	
	8.096	-11.415	4.808	-7.418	-0.839	-5.926	2.084	-2.424	!!!
[2,]	390	378	35	159	78	108	11	31	1190
	683.712	170.928	102.557	71.790	68.371	49.911	25.639	17.093	
	126.174	250.859	44.501	105.943	1.356	67.607	8.359	11.315	
	32.773%	31.765%	2.941%	13.361%	6.555%	9.076%	0.924%	2.605%	34.186%
	19.500%	75.600%	11.667%	75.714%	39.000%	73.973%	14.667%	62.000%	
	11.204%	10.859%	1.005%	4.568%	2.241%	3.103%	0.316%	0.891%	
	-11.233	15.839	-6.671	10.293	1.164	8.222	-2.891	3.364	!!!
Column Total	2000	500	300	210	200	146	75	50	3481
	57.455%	14.364%	8.618%	6.033%	5.745%	4.194%	2.155%	1.436%	!

Statistics for All Table Factors

Pearson's Chi-squared test p = 7.523435e-198 Chi^2 = 936.1395 d.f. = 7

Error in fisher.test(t, alternative = "two.sided") : FEXACT error 7. LISTP is too small for this problem. Try increasing the size of the workspace.

Hopefully you can read the output above, I had to make it very small so that it would

The chi-square test is highly significant, $\chi^2(7) = 936.14$, p < .001. This indicates that the profile of yes and no responses differed across the professions. Looking at the standardized residuals, the only profession for which these are non-significant are housewives, who showed a fairly even split of whether they thought black Americans were happy (40%) or not (60%). Within the other professions all of the standardized residuals are much higher than 1.96, so how can we make sense of the data? What's interesting is to look at the direction of these residuals (i.e. whether they are positive or negative). For the following professions the residual for 'no' (1) was positive but for 'yes' (2) was negative; these are therefore people who responded more than we would expect that black Americans were not happy and less than expected that black Americans were happy: college students, preachers and lawyers. The remaining professions (labourers, physicians, school teachers and musicians) show the opposite pattern: the residual for 'no' (1) was negative but for 'yes' (2) was positive; these, are therefore, people who responded less than we would expect that black Americans were not happy and more than expected that black Americans were happy.

Are they <u>happy</u> as black Americans?

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To run a <u>chi-</u>square on the variable **You_Happy** we need to enter the data as a contingency table as we did for **Happy** above. I am going to call this you_happyTable. We can create this contingency table by executing:

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College <- c(48, 1822)
Laborers <- c(195, 305)
Preachers <- c(0, 230)
Physicians <- c(7, 203)
Housewives <- c(146, 17)
Teachers <- c(28, 79)
Lawyers \leftarrow c(0, 30)
Musician <- c(34, 16)
you_happyTable <- cbind(College, Laborers, Preachers, Physicians, Housewives,</pre>
Teachers, Lawyers, Musician)
```

We can then view the contingency table by executing: you_happyTable

	College	Laborers	Preachers	Physicians	Housewives	Teachers	Lawyers	Musician
[1,]	48	195	0	7	146	28	0	34
[2,1	1822	305	230	203	17	79	30	16

As before, I have entered the data so that 1 = No and 2 = Yes, it doesn't matter which way round you do it as long as you make a note of it, as it will be important for interpretation.

Next we can run the <u>chi-square</u> test for **You Happy** by executing:

CrossTable(you_happyTable, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected = TRUE, sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS")

Count
Expected Values
Chi-square contribution
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Total Percent
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	College	Laborers	Preachers	s Physicia:	ns Housewi	ves Teacl	ners La	wyers Mu:	sician Ro
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[1,]	48	195	0	7	146	28	0	34	458
	271.032	72.468	33.335	30.437	23.625	15.508	4.348	7.247	İ
	183.532	207.180	33.335	18.047	633.901	10.062	4.348	98.765	İ
	10.480%	42.576%	0.000%	1.528%	31.878%	6.114%	0.000%	7.424%	14.494%
	2.567%	39.000%	\$0000	3.333%	89.571%	26.168%	0.000%	68.000%	
	1.519%	6.171%	\$0000	0.222%	4.620%	0.886%	0.000%	1.076%	
	-13.547	14.394	-5.774	-4.248	25.177	3.172	-2.085	9.938	
[2,]	1822	305	230	203	17	79	30	16	2702
	1598.968	427.532	196.665	179.563	139.375	91.492	25.652	42.753	
	31.110	35.118	5.650	3.059	107.449	1.706	0.737	16.741	
	67.432%	11.288%	8.512%	7.513%	0.629%	2.924%	1.110%	0.592%	85.506%
	97.433%	61.000%	100.000%	96.667%	10.429%	73.832%	100.000%	32.000%	
	57.658%	9.652%	7.278%	6.424%	0.538%	2.500%	0.949%	0.506%	
	5.578	-5.926	2.377	1.749	-10.366	-1.306	0.858	-4.092	
Column Total	1870	500	230	210	163	107	30	50	3160
	59.177%	15.823%	7.278%	6.646%	5.158%	3.386%	0.949%	1.582%	

Statistics for All Table Factors

Pearson's Chi-squared test Chi^2 = 1390.740 d.f. = 7 p = 3.891606e-296

Looking at the output above, we can see that the chi-square test is highly significant. $\chi^2(7) = 1390.74$, p < .001. This indicates that the profile of yes (2) and no (1) responses differed across the professions. Looking at the standardized residuals, these are significant in most cells with a few exceptions: physicians, lawyers and school teachers saying 'yes'. Within the other cells all of the standardized residuals are much higher than 1.96. Again, we can look at the direction of these residuals (i.e. whether they are positive or negative). For labourers, housewives, school teachers and

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musicians the residual for 'no' (1) was positive but for 'yes' (2) was negative; these are therefore people who responded more than we would expect that they were not happy as black Americans and less than expected that they were happy as black Americans. The remaining professions (college students, physicians, preachers and lawyers) show the opposite pattern: the residual for 'no' (1) was negative but for 'yes' (2) was positive; these are therefore people who responded less than we would expect that they were not happy as black Americans and more than expected that they were happy as black Americans. Essentially, the former group are in low-paid jobs in which conditions would have been very hard (especially in the social context of the time). The latter group are in much more respected (and probably better-paid) professions. Therefore, the responses to this question could say more about the professions of the people asked than their views of being black Americans.

Should black Americans be happy?

To run a <u>chi-square</u> on the variable **Should_be_Happy** we need to enter the data as a contingency table as we did for **Happy** and **You_Happy** above. I am going to call the contingency table *should_happyTable*. We can create this contingency table by executing:

```
College <- c(1810, 141)
Laborers <- c(104, 396)
Preachers <- c(36, 264)
Physicians <- c(36, 174)
Housewives <- c(120, 90)
Teachers <- c(37, 75)
Lawyers <- c(57, 7)
Musician <- c(14, 36)
should_happyTable <- cbind(College, Laborers, Preachers, Physicians, Housewives,
Teachers, Lawyers, Musician)
```

We can then view the contingency table by executing: should_happyTable

```
College Laborers Preachers Physicians Housewives Teachers Lawyers Musician [1,] 1810 104 36 36 120 33 57 14 [2,] 141 396 264 174 90 75 7 36
```

As before, I have entered the data so that 1 = No and 2 = Yes.

Next we can run the chi-square test for Should be Happy by executing:

CrossTable(should_happyTable, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected = TRUE, sresid =
TRUE, format = "SPSS")



Total Observations in Table: 3393

ı	College	Laborers	Preacher	B Physician	s Housewin	zes Teacl	ners Lav	wyers Mus	sician Row	v Tot
[1,]	1810	104	36	36	120	33	57	14	2210	
	1270.766	325.670	195.402	136.782	136.782	70.345	41.686	32.567		
	228.817	150.882	130.035	74.257	2.059	19.826	5.626	10.585		
	81.900%	4.706%	1.629%	1.629%	5.430%	1.493%	2.579%	0.633%	65.134%	
	92.773%	20.800%	12.000%	17.143%	57.143%	30.556%	89.062%	28.000%	i	
	53.345%	3.065%	1.061%	1.061%	3.537%	0.973%	1.680%	0.413%	i i	
	15.127	-12.283	-11.403	-8.617	-1.435	-4.453	2.372	-3.254	i	
[2,]	141	396	264	174	90	75	7	36	1183	
	680.234	174.330	104.598	73.218	73.218	37.655	22.314	17.433	i	
	427.460	281.867	242.922	138.721	3.846	37.037	10.510	19.775	İ	
	11.919%	33.474%	22.316%	14.708%	7.608%	6.340%	0.592%	3.043%	34.866%	
	7.227%	79.200%	88.000%	82.857%	42.857%	69.444%	10.938%	72.000%	i	
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	-20.675	16.789	15.586	11.778	1.961	6.086	-3.242	4.447	
Column Total	1951	500	300	210	210	108	64	50	3393
	57.501%	14.736%	8.842%	6.189%	6.189%	3.183%	1.886%	1.474%	

Statistics for All Table Factors

d.f. = 7 p = 0 Chi^2 = 1784.226

The chi-square test is highly significant, $\chi^2(7) = 1784.23$, p < .001. This indicates that the profile of yes and no responses differed across the professions. Looking at the standardized residuals, these are nearly all significant. Again, we can look at the direction of these residuals (i.e. whether they are positive or negative). For college students and lawyers the residual for 'no' was positive but for 'yes' was negative; these are therefore people who responded more than we would expect that they thought that black Americans should not be happy and less than expected that they thought black Americans should be happy. The remaining professions show the opposite pattern: the residual for 'no' was negative but for 'yes' was positive; these are therefore people who responded less than we would expect that they did not think that black Americans should be happy and more than expected that they thought that black Americans should be happy.

What is interesting here and in question 1 is that college students and lawyers are invocations in which they are expected to be critical about the world. Lawyers may well have defended black Americans who had been the subject of injustice and discrimination or racial abuse, and college students would likely be applying their critically trained minds to the immense social injustice that prevailed at the time. Therefore, these groups can see that their racial group should not be happy and should strive for the equitable and just society to which they are entitled. People in the other professions perhaps adopt a different social comparison.

It's also possible for this final question that the groups interpreted the question differently: perhaps the lawyers and students interpreted the question as 'should they be happy given the political and social conditions of the time?' whereas the others interpreted the question as 'do they deserve happiness?'

It might seem strange to have picked a piece of research from so long ago to illustrate the chi-square test, but what I wanted to demonstrate is that simple research can sometimes be incredibly illuminating. This study asked three simple questions, yet the data are utterly fascinating. It raises further hypotheses that could be tested, it unearths very different views in different professions, and it illuminates a very important social and psychological issue. There are other studies that sometimes use the most elegant paradigms and the highly complex methodologies, but the questions they address are utterly meaningless for the real world. They miss the big picture. Albert Beckham was a remarkable man, trying to understand important and big realworld issues that mattered to hundreds of thousands of people.

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Smart Alex's solutions

Task 1

Certain editors at Sage like to think they're a bit of a whiz at football (soccer if you prefer). To see whether they are better than Sussex lecturers and postgraduates we invited various employees of Sage to join in our football

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matches (oh, sorry, I mean we invited them down for important meetings about books). Every player was only allowed to play in one match. Over many matches, we counted the number of players who scored goals. The data are in the file **SageEditorsCan'tPlayFootball.dat**. Do a chi-square test to see whether more publishers or academics scored goals. We predict that Sussex people will score more than Sage people.

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First of all, we need to load in the data by executing:

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sageFootball<-read.delim("SageEditorsCan'tPlayFootball.dat", header = TRUE)</pre>
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If we then view the dataframe, we can see that the data are not in the correct format for carrying out a <u>chi-square</u> test:

	Job	Score	Frequency
1	Sage Publications	Yes	5
2	Sage Publications	No	19
3	University of Sussex	Yes	23
4	University of Sussex	No	30

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One way to overcome this issue is to enter the data as a contingency table by hand. We can do this by executing:

```
Sage_Publications <- c(5, 19)
University_of_Sussex <- c(23, 30)
sagefootball_Table <- cbind(Sage_Publications, University_of_Sussex)</pre>
```

If we then look at the *sagefootball <u>Table</u>* contingency table, we can see that the data are in the correct format for running a <u>chi-square</u> test (**NB**: I have entered the data so that 1 = Yes and 2 = No. It doesn't matter which way round you do this, but it is important to make a note of it, as it will be important in interpreting the data).

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Now it's time for the best bit — we can run the <u>chi-square</u> by executing:

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CrossTable(sagefootball_Table, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected = TRUE,
sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS")
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Chi-square contribution
Row Percent
Column Percent
Total Percent
Std Residual

Total Observations in Table: 77

	Sage_Publications	University_of_Sussex	Row Total
[1,]	5 8.727	23 19.273	28
	1.592	0.721	
	17.857% 20.833%	82.143% 43.396%	36.364%
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	-1.262	0.849	
[2,]	19	30	49
	15.273	33.727	
	0.910	0.412	
	38.776%	61.224%	63.636%
	79.167%	56.604%	İ
	24.675%	38.961%	İ
	0.954	-0.642	
Column Total	24	53	77
	31.169%	68.831%	

Statistics for All Table Factors

Pearson's Chi-squared test $Chi^2 = 3.634237$ p = 0.05660253 d.f. = 1 Pearson's Chi-squared test with Yates' continuity correction $Chi^2 = 2.724597$ d.f. = 1 p = 0.09881305Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data Sample estimate odds ratio: 0.3478333 Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1 0.07478225 95% confidence interval: 0.08802237 1.157545 Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is less than 1 0.04713642 95% confidence interval: 0 0.9855414 Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is greater than 1 p = 0.980/113 95% confidence interval: 0.1090477 Inf

Minimum expected frequency: 8.727273

The crosstabulation table produced by **R** contains the number of cases that fall into-each combination of categories. We can see that in total 28 people scored goals (36.37% of the total), of whom 5 were from Sage Publications (17.9% of the total who scored) and 23 were from Sussex (82.1% of the total who, scored); 49 people didn't score at all (63.6% of the total) and, of those, 19 worked for Sage (38.8% of the total who didn't score) and 30 were from Sussex (61.2% of the total who didn't score).

Before moving on to look at the test statistic, itself it is vital that we check that the assumption for chi-square has been met. The assumption is that in 2×2 tables (which is what we have here), all expected frequencies should be greater than 5. The smallest expected count is 8.7 (for Sage editors who scored). This value exceeds 5 and so the assumption has been met.

Pearson's chi-square test examines whether there is an association between two categorical variables (in this case the job and whether the person scored or not). The Pearson chi-square statistic tests whether the two variables are independent. If the significance value is small enough (conventionally it must be less than .05) then we reject the hypothesis that the variables are independent and accept the hypothesis that they are in some way related. The value of the chi-square statistic is given in the table (and the degrees of freedom) as is the significance value. The value of the chi-square statistic is 3.63. This value has a two-tailed significance of .057, which is bigger than

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.05 (hence non-significant). However, we made a specific prediction (that Sussex people would score more than Sage people), hence we can halve this value. Therefore, the chi-square is significant (one-tailed) because p = .0285, which is less than .05. The one-tailed significance values of the other statistics are also less than .05 so we have consistent results.

The significant result indicates that there is an association between the type of job someone does and whether they score goals. This significant finding reflects the fact that for Sussex employees there is about a 50% split of those that scored and those that didn't, but for Sage employees there is about a 20_80 split with only 20% scoring and 80% not scoring. This supports our hypothesis that people from Sage, despite their delusions, are crap at football!

Calculating an effect size

The odds of someone scoring given that they were employed by Sage is 5/19 = 0.26, and the odds of someone scoring given that they were employed by Sussex University is 23/30 = 0.77. Therefore, the odds ratio is 0.26/0.77 = 0.34. In other words, the odds of scoring if you work for Sage are about a third as high as they are if you work for Sussex; to put it another way, if you work for Sussex, the odds of scoring are about three times as high as they are if you work for Sage!

Reporting the results of chi-square

We could report:

• There was a significant association between the type of job and whether or not a person scored a goal, $\chi^2(1) = 3.63$, p < .05 (one-tailed). This represents the fact that, based on the odds ratio, Sage employees were <u>only one-third as</u> likely to score compared to Sussex employees.

Task 2

• I wrote much of this update while on sabbatical in the Netherlands (I have at real soft spot for Holland). However, living there for three months did enable me to notice certain cultural differences between Holland and England. The Dutch are famous for travelling by bike; they do it much more than the English. However, I noticed that many more Dutch people cycle while steering with only one hand. I pointed this out to one of my friends, Birgit Mayer, and she said that I was being a crazy English fool and that Dutch people did not cycle one-handed. Several weeks of me pointing at one-handed cyclists and her pointing at two-handed cyclists ensued. To put it to the test I counted the number of Dutch and English cyclists who ride with one or two hands on the handlebars (Handlebars.dat). Can you work out which one of us is right?

First of all we must load in the data by executing:

handle bars Data < -read. delim("Handle bars.dat", header = TRUE)

If we then view the dataframe, we can see that the data are not in the correct formatfor carrying out a <u>chi-square</u> test:

Hands Nationality Frequency
1 One Handed Dutch 120
2 One Handed English 17

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3 Two Handed Dutch 578 4 Two Handed English 154

One way to overcome this issue is to enter the data as a contingency table by hand. We can do this by executing:

```
Dutch <- c(120, 578)
English <- c(17, 154)
handlebars_Table <- cbind(Dutch, English)</pre>
```

If we then look at the *handlebars* <u>Table</u> contingency table, we can see that the data are now in the correct format for running a <u>chi-square</u> test (**NB**: I have entered the data so that 1 = One <u>Handed</u> and 2 = Two <u>Handed</u>. It doesn't matter which way round you do this, but it is important to make a note of it, as it will be important when interpreting the data).

```
Dutch English
[1,] 120 17
[2,] 578 154
```

Now it's time to run the <u>chi-square</u> test. We can do this by executing:

CrossTable(handlebars_Table, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected = TRUE, sresid =
TRUE, format = "SPSS")

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Chi-square contribution
Row Percent
Column Percent
Total Percent
Std Residual

Total Observations in Table: 869

	Dutch	English	Row Total
[1,]	120	17	137
	110.041	26.959	
	0.901	3.679	
	87.591%	12.409%	15.765%
	17.192%	9.942%	
	13.809%	1.956%	ĺ
	0.949	-1.918	
[2,]	578	154	732
	587.959	144.041	
	0.169	0.689	
	78.962%	21.038%	84.235%
	82.808%	90.058%	
	66.513%	17.722%	
	-0.411	0.830	
Column Total	698	171	869
	80.322%	19.678%	

Statistics for All Table Factors

```
Pearson's Chi-squared test
Chi^2 = 5.437138
                      d.f. = 1
                                     p = 0.01971294
Pearson's Chi-squared test with Yates' continuity correction
                                     p = 0.02678109
Chi^2 = 4.904869
                      d.f. = 1
Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data
Sample estimate odds ratio: 1.879536
Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1
     0.01911155
p = 0.01911133
95% confidence interval: 1.085101 3.437067
Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is less than 1
     0.9946394
p = 0.9940394
95% confidence interval: 0 3.119562
Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is greater than 1
     0.01091851
95% confidence interval: 1.173343 Inf
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Minimum expected frequency: 26.95857

The crosstabulation table produced by **R** contains the number of cases that fall into each combination of categories. We can see that in total 137 people rode their bike one-handed, of which 120 (87.6%) were Dutch and only 17 (12.4%) were English; 732 people rode their bike two-handed, of which 578 (79%) were Dutch and only 154 (21%) were English.

Before moving on to look at the test statistic, itself it is vital that we check that the assumption for chi-square has been met. The assumption is that in 2×2 tables (which is what we have here), all expected frequencies should be greater than 5. If you look at the expected counts in the crosstabulation table, it should be clear that the smallest expected count is 27 (for English people who ride their bike one-handed). This value exceeds 5 and so the assumption has been met.

The value of the chi-square statistic is 5.44. This value has a two-tailed significance of .020, which is smaller than .05 (hence significant). This suggests that the pattern of bike riding (i.e. relative numbers of one- and two-handed riders) significantly differs in English and Dutch people.

The significant result indicates that there is an association between whether someone is Dutch or English and whether they ride their bike one- or two-handed. Looking at the frequencies, this finding seems to show that the ratio of one- to two-handed riders differs in Dutch and English people. In Dutch people 17.2% ride their bike one-handed compared to 82.8% who ride two-handed. In England, though, only 9.9% rode their bike one-handed (almost half as many as in Holland), and 90.1% rode their bikes two-handed. If we look at the standardized residuals we can see that the only cell with a residual approaching significance (a value that lies outside of ± 1.96) is the cell for English people riding one-handed (z = -1.9). The fact that this value is negative tells us that *fewer* people than expected fell into this cell.

Calculating an effect size

The odds of someone riding one-handed if they are Dutch are 120/578 = 0.21, and the odds of someone riding one-handed if they are English is 17/154 = 0.11. Therefore, the odds ratio is 0.21/0.11 = 1.9. In other words, the odds of riding one-handed if you

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are Dutch <u>are</u> 1.9 times higher than if you are English (or the odds of riding one-handed if you are English are about half that of a Dutch person).

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Reporting the results of chi-square

We could report:

• There was a significant association between nationality and whether the Dutch or English rode their bike one- or two-handed, $\chi^2(1) = 5.44$, p < .05. This represents the fact that, based on the odds ratio, the odds of riding a bike one-handed were 1.9 times higher for Dutch people than English people. This supports Field's argument that there are more one-handed bike riders in the Netherlands than in England and utterly refutes Mayer's theory that Field is a complete idiot. These data are in no way made up.

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Task 3

I was interested in whether horoscopes are just a figment of people's minds. Therefore, I got 2201 people, made a note of their star sign (this variable, obviously, has 12 categories: Capricorn, Aquarius, Pisces, Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio and Sagittarius) and whether they believed in horoscopes (this variable has two categories: believer or unbeliever). I then sent them a horoscope in the post of what would happen over the next month: everybody, regardless of their star sign, received the same horoscope, which read 'August is an exciting month for you. You will make friends with a tramp in the first week of the month and cook him a cheese omelette. Curiosity is your greatest virtue, and in the second week, you'll discover knowledge of a subject that you previously thought was boring, statistics perhaps. You might purchase a book around this time that guides you towards this knowledge. Your new wisdom leads to a change in career around the third week, when you ditch your current job and become an accountant. By the final week you find yourself free from the constraints of having friends, your boy/girlfriend has left you for a Russian ballet dancer with a glass eye, and you now spend your weekends doing loglinear analysis by hand with a pigeon called Hephzibah for company.' At the end of August I interviewed all of these people and I classified the horoscope as having come true, or not, based on how closely their lives had matched the fictitious horoscope. The data are in the file Horoscope.dat. Conduct a loglinear analysis to see whether there is a relationship between the person's star sign, whether they believe in horoscopes and whether the horoscope came true.

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First of all set your working directory and load in the data:

horoscopeData<-read.delim("Horoscope.dat", header = TRUE)</pre>

We can view the data by executing the name of the dataframe (horosocpeData)

	Star_Sign	Believe	True			Frequency
1	Capricorn	Unbeliever	Horoscope Didn't	Come	True	56
2	Capricorn	Unbeliever	Horoscope	Came	True	46
3	Capricorn	Believer	Horoscope Didn't	Come	True	50
4	Capricorn	Believer	Horoscope	Came	True	60
5	Aquarius	Unbeliever	Horoscope Didn't	Come	True	26
6	Aquarius	Unbeliever	Horoscope	Came	True	20

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Aquarius
                      Believer Horoscope Didn't Come True
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        Aquarius
                      Believer
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                   Unbeliever
                                  Horoscope Didn't Come
          Pisces
                    Unbeliever
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12
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          Taurus
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As you can see from looking at the data above, they are not in the same format as the **CatsandDogs.dat** data from the book chapter. This is really not a problem though, we don't need to reshape the data or anything! We can still create a contingency table using the same command that we used in the book chapter, except we need to put the variable containing the values (in this case **Frequency**) before the tilde. Therefore, to generate our contingency table using xtabs() for the horoscopeData, we could execute:

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This takes the original dataframe (*horoscopeDate*) and creates a contingency table-based on the variables **Star_Sign**, **Believe** and **True**. The resulting contingency table is stored as *horoscopeContingencyTable*, which is what we'll use in the loglinear analysis; it looks like this:

True = Horoscope Came True

	Believe	
Star_Sign	Believer	Unbeliever
Aquarius	29	20
Aries	54	36
Cancer	83	76
Capricorn	60	46
Gemini	48	53
Leo	20	23
Libra	36	26

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Pisces	70	51
Sagittarius	50	41
Scorpio	32	20
Taurus	50	42
Virgo	66	5.5

, , True = Horoscope Didn't Come True

I	Believe	
Star_Sign	Believer	Unbeliever
Aquarius	22	26
Aries	70	42
Cancer	96	84
Capricorn	50	56
Gemini	40	65
Leo	12	14
Libra	22	27
Pisces	64	55
Sagittarius	42	56
Scorpio	24	32
Taurus	41	56
Virgo	49	69

We start by estimating the saturated model, which we know will fit the data perfectly with a chi-square equal to zero. We'll call the model *horoscopeSaturated*. We can create this model in the same way as we did in the book chapter:

```
horoscopeSaturated <-loglm(Frequency \sim Star\_Sign*Believe*True, \ data = horoscopeContingencyTable)
```

summary(horoscopeSaturated)

The first command creates the model called *horoscopeSaturated* based on all maineffects and interactions in the contingency table called *horoscopeContingencyTable*. The second command <u>summarizes</u> this model; the output below shows the main statistics, and as we expect it has a likelihood ratio of 0 and a *p*-value of 1, because it is a perfect fit of the data.

```
Formula:
Frequency ~ Star_Sign * Believe * True

Statistics:

X^2 df P(> X^2)

Likelihood Ratio 0 0 1

Pearson 0 0 1
```

Next we'll fit the model with all of the main effects and <u>two-way</u> interactions. In other words, we'll remove the <u>three-way</u> interaction; because this model tells us the effect of removing the <u>three-way</u> interaction we'll call it *threeWay*. We could create this model by respecifying the model with all terms except the <u>three-way</u> interaction:

```
threeWay <- loglm(Frequency ~ Star_Sign + Believe + True + Star_Sign:Believe +
Star_Sign:True + True:Believe, data = horoscopeContingencyTable)</pre>
```

This command uses the same format as before to create a model called *threeWay*. The only difference (apart from that we have changed the name of the model) is that the three-way interaction isn't included. This is a lot of typing, so you could also consider using the *update()* function. Remember that this function allows us to take an existing model and 'update' it. In the past we have updated models by adding in new variables, but we can also remove them using this function. For example, to remove the three-way interaction from the saturated model we would execute:

 $three \textit{W} ay < -\textit{update}(horoscope \textit{Saturated}, \ .~. \ -\textit{Star_Sign}: \textit{Believe}: \textit{True})$

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We can <u>summarize</u> this model by executing:

```
summary(threeWay)
```

The pertinent parts of the resulting output are below. You can see that both chi-square and likelihood ratio tests agree that removing this interaction will not significantly affect the fit of the model (because the probability value is greater than .05).

We can compare the saturated model to the <u>model</u> without the three-way interactions by executing:

```
anova(horoscopeSaturated, threeWay)
```

The resulting output shows the difference between these models. We're interested in the part called Delta: delta is Greek letter Δ , which is the equivalent of D, and is often used in statistics to mean 'difference'. In the column labelled P(>Delta(Dev)) we see the p-value of the difference between the models. This value is greater than .05 and therefore is non-significant. What this is actually telling us is that the three-way interaction is not significant: removing it from the model does not have a significant effect on how well the model fits the data.

```
LR tests for hierarchical log-linear models
Model 1:
 Frequency
           ~ Believe + Star_Sign + True
Model 2:
 Frequency ~ Believe + Star_Sign + True
          Deviance df Delta(Dev) Delta(df) P(> Delta(Dev)
Model 1
          8.841279 11
Model 2
          0.000000
                        8.841279
                                         11
                                                   0.63654
Saturated 0.000000
                        0.000000
                                                   1.00000
                   0
```

Next, let's create models that systematically remove the two-way interactions:

```
BelieveTrue<-update(threeWay, .~. -Believe:True)
Star_SignTrue<-update(threeWay, .~. -Star_Sign:True)
Star_SignBelieve<-update(threeWay, .~. -Star_Sign:Believe)</pre>
```

The first command creates a model called *BelieveTrue* that takes the threeWay model and removes the **Believe** × **True** interaction (i.e., it does not include either this interaction or the three-way interaction). The second does the same but removes the **Star_Sign** × **True** interaction. The final command again takes the threeWay model but this time removes the **Star_Sign** × **Believe** interaction. We can compare all of these models to the model without the three-way interaction using the anova() function:

```
anova(threeWay, BelieveTrue)
anova(threeWay, Star_SignTrue)
anova(threeWay, Star_SignBelieve)
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The output below shows the result of the first comparison, which shows the effect of removing the **Believe** \times **True** interaction: the likelihood ratio difference (or delta) is 12.54 with 1 degrees of freedom. This difference is significant, at p = .0004, and therefore we cannot remove the **Believe** \times **True** interaction from the model without the fit getting worse (in other words, this interaction is significant).

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The next output below shows the effect of removing the **Star_Sign** \times **True** effect. Now we get a likelihood ratio difference of 10.74, with 11 df. The *p*-value is <u>greater</u> than .05, and therefore we can remove the **Star_Sign** \times **True** effect. What this is actually telling us is that the **Star_Sign** \times **True** interaction is not significant: removing it from the model does not have a significant effect on how well the model fits the data.

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The next output below shows the effect of removing the **Star_Sign** \times **Believe** interaction. The difference here is 20.67, with 11 df. This is significant (p < .05), and therefore this effect cannot be removed from the model without making the fit worse.

To <u>summarize</u>, the <u>Star Sign</u> × <u>Believe</u> (p = .037) and <u>Believe</u> × <u>True</u> ($p \le .001$) interactions are significant, but the <u>Star Sign</u> × <u>True</u> interaction (p = .465) is not. Therefore, the non-significant <u>Star Sign</u> × <u>True</u> interaction can be deleted, leaving the remaining two-way interactions in the model. Therefore, the final model is the one that retains all main effects and these two interactions. As neither of these interactions can be removed without affecting the model, and these interactions involve all three of the main effects (the variables <u>Star Sign</u> <u>True</u> and <u>Believe</u> are all involved in at least one of the remaining interactions), the main effects are not examined (because their effect is confounded with the interactions that have been retained).

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Let's look at the significant interaction between **Believe** and **True** by doing a chi-square on these variables. First we need to generate a contingency table for the variables believe and true by executing:

BelieveTrue_ContingencyTable<-xtabs(Frequency ~ Believe + True, data = horoscopeData)</pre>

We can then do the <u>chi-square</u> for <u>Believe × True</u> by executing:

CrossTable(BelieveTrue_ContingencyTable, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected = TRUE,
sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS")

Cell Contents

Count
Expected Values
Chi-square contribution
Row Percent
Column Percent
Total Percent
Std Residual

Total Observations in Table: 2201

	True		
Believe	Horoscope Came True	Horoscope Didn't Come True	Row Total
Believer	598	532	1130
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	52.920%	47.080%	51.340%
	55.014%	47.756%	
	27.169%	24.171%	i
	1.690	-1.670	i
Unbeliever	489	582	1071
	528.931	542.069	i
	3.015	2.941	
	45.658%	54.342%	48.660%
	44.986%	52.244%	
	22.217%	26.443%	
	-1.736	1.715	
Column Total	1087	1114	2201
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Statistics for All Table Factors

Pearson's Chi-squared test

Chi^2 = 11.60103 d.f. = 1 p = 0.000659153

Pearson's Chi-squared test with Yates' continuity correction

Chi^2 = 11.31232 d.f. = 1 p = 0.0007699444

Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data

Sample estimate odds ratio: 1.337640

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1 p = 0.0007502112

95% confidence interval: 1.127319 1.587629

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is less than 1 p = 0.9997199

95% confidence interval: 0 1.545397

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is greater than 1 p = 0.0003830682

95% confidence interval: 1.158060 Inf

Minimum expected frequency: 528.9309

Looking at the resulting output above, we can see that the chi-square is highly-significant. To interpret the <u>Believe × True</u> interaction we could consider calculating some odds ratios. First, the odds of the horoscope coming true given that the person was a believer <u>were 598/532 = 1.12</u>. However, the odds of the horoscope coming true given that the person was an unbeliever <u>were 489/582 = 0.84</u>. Therefore, the odds ratio is 1.12/0.84 = 1.33. We can interpret this by saying that the odds that a horoscope would come true were 1.33 as high in believers than non-believers. Given

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that the horoscopes were made-up twaddle, this might be evidence that believers behave in ways to make their horoscopes come true!

Let's also do a chi-square to look at the significant interaction between <u>Star Sign</u> and <u>Believe</u>. First, generate a contingency table by executing:

 $\label{thm:contingencyTable} Star_SignBelieve_ContingencyTable<-xtabs(Frequency \sim Star_Sign + Believe, \ data = horoscopeData)$

We can then do the <u>chi-square</u> by executing:

 $\label{lem:cossTable} $$ CrossTable(Star_SignBelieve_ContingencyTable, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected = TRUE, sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS") $$$

Cell Contents

Count
Expected Values
Chi-square contribution
Row Percent
Column Percent
Total Percent
Std Residual

Total Observations in Table: 2201

Star_Sign	Believe Believer	Unbeliever	Row Total
Aquarius	51 49.800 0.029 52.577% 4.513% 2.317% 0.170	46 47.200 0.031 47.423% 4.295% 2.090% -0.175	97 4.407%
Aries	124 103.707 3.971 61.386% 10.973% 5.634% 1.993	78 98.293 4.189 38.614% 7.283% 3.544% -2.047	9.178%
Cancer	179 174.044 0.141 52.802% 15.841% 8.133% 0.376	160 164.956 0.149 47.198% 14.939% 7.269% -0.386	339
Capricorn	110 108.841 0.012 51.887% 9.735% 4.998% 0.111	102 103.159 0.013 48.113% 9.524% 4.634% -0.114	9.632%
Gemini	88 105.761 2.983 42.718% 7.788% 3.998% -1.727	118 100.239 3.147 57.282% 11.018% 5.361% 1.774	9.359%
Leo	32 35.425 0.331 46.377%	37 33.575 0.349 53.623%	69 3.135%

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Sagittarius	92 97.033 0.261	97 91.967 0.275	189
	48.677% 8.142% 4.180% -0.511	51.323% 9.057% 4.407% 0.525	8.587%
Scorpio	56 55.448 0.006	52 52.552 0.006	108
	51.852% 4.956% 2.544% 0.074	48.148% 4.855% 2.363% -0.076	4.907%
Taurus	91 97.033 0.375	98 91.967 0.396	189
	48.148% 8.053% 4.134% -0.612	51.852% 9.150% 4.453% 0.629	8.587%
Virgo	115 122.703 0.484	124 116.297 0.510	239
	48.117% 10.177% 5.225% -0.695	51.883% 11.578% 5.634% 0.714	10.859%
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Statistics for All Table Factors

Looking at the output above, we can see that this chi-square is borderline significant (two-tailed, but then again we had no prediction so we need to look at the two-tailed significance). It doesn't make a lot of sense to compute odds ratios because there are so many star signs (although we could use one star sign as a base category and compute odds ratios for all other signs compared to this category). However, the obvious general interpretation of this effect is that the ratio of believers to unbelievers in certain star signs is different. For example, in most star signs there is a roughly 50 split of believers and unbelievers, but for Aries there is a 40 60 split, and it is probably this difference that is most contributing to the effect. However, it's

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important to keep this effect in perspective. It may not be that interesting that we happened to sample a different ratio of believers and unbelievers in certain star signs (unless you believe that certain star signs should have more cynical views of horoscopes than others!). We actually set out to find out something about whether the horoscopes would come true, and it's worth remembering that this interaction ignores the crucial variable that measured whether or not the horoscope came true!

Finally, we can evaluate the final model by running the loglinear analysis on the *horoscopeContingencyTable* as we did before but including only the main effects, the **Believe**. **True** and **Star Sign**. **Believe** interactions. We can do this by executing:

We're looking for a non-significant test statistic, which indicates that the expected values generated by the model are not significantly different from the observed data (put another way, the model is a good fit to the data). In this case the result is very non-significant, indicating that the model is a good fit to the data.

Reporting the results

For this example we could report:

The three-way loglinear analysis produced a final model that retained the starsign × believe and believe × true interactions. The likelihood ratio of this model was $\chi^2(22) = 19.58$, p = 0.61. The star sign × believe interaction was significant, $\chi^2(11) = 20.67$, p < .05. This interaction indicates that the ratio of believers and unbelievers was different across the 12 star signs. In particular, the ratio in Aries (38.6–61.4 ratio of unbelievers to believers) was quite different than the other groups, which consistently had a roughly 50–50 split. The believe × true interaction was also significant, $\chi^2(1) = 12.54$, p < .001. The odds ratio indicated that the odds of the horoscope coming true were 1.33 times as high in believers as in non-believers. Given that the horoscopes were made-up twaddle this might be evidence that believers behave in ways to make their horoscopes come true.

Task 4

✓ On my statistics course students have weekly classes in a computer laboratory. These classes are run by postgraduate tutors but I often pop in to help out. I've noticed in these sessions that many students are studying Facebook rather more than they are studying the very interesting statistics assignments that I have set them. I wanted to see the impact that this behaviour had on their exam performance. I collected data from all 260 students on my course. First I checked their **Attendance** and classified them as having attended either more

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or less than 50% of their lab classes. Next, I classified them as being either someone who looked at **Facebook** during their lab class, or someone who never did. Lastly, after the Research Methods in Psychology exam, I classified them as having either passed or failed (**Exam**). The data are in **Facebook.dat**. Do a loglinear analysis on the data to see if there is an association between studying Facebook and failing your exam.

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First of all set your working directory and load in the data:

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facebookData<-read.delim("Facebook.dat", header = TRUE)</pre>
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We can view the data by executing the name of the dataframe (facebookData)

	Att	tendar	nce				1	Facebook	Exam	Frequency
1	More	than	50%		Lo	ooked	at	Facebook	Pass	39
2	More	than	50%		Lo	ooked	at	Facebook	Fail	30
3	More	than	50%	Did	Not	Look	at	Facebook	Pass	98
4	More	than	50%	Did	Not	Look	at	Facebook	Fail	5
5	Less	than	50%		Lo	ooked	at	Facebook	Pass	5
6	Less	than	50%		Lo	ooked	at	Facebook	Fail	30
7	Less	than	50%	Did	Not	Look	at	Facebook	Pass	26
8	Less	than	50%	Did	Not	Look	at	Facebook	Fail	27

As you can see from looking at the data above, they are not in the same format as the **CatsandDogs.dat** data from the book chapter. This is really not a problem though, we don't need to reshape the data or anything! We can still create a contingency table using the same command that we used in the book chapter, except we need to put the variable containing the values (in this case **Frequency**) before the ~. Therefore, to generate our contingency table using xtabs() for the facebookData, we could execute:

```
facebookContingencyTable<-xtabs(Frequency ~ Attendance + Facebook + Exam, data =
facebookData)
```

This takes the original dataframe (*facebookData*) and creates a contingency table based on the variables **Attendance**, **Facebook** and **Exam**. The resulting contingency table is stored as *facebookContingencyTable*, which is what we'll use in the loglinear analysis, It looks like this:

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We start by estimating the saturated model, which we know will fit the data perfectly—with a chi-square equal to zero. We'll call the model *facebookSaturated*. We can create this model in the same way as we did in the book chapter:

 $\label{eq:facebookSaturated} $$ facebookSaturated <-loglm(Frequency \sim Attendance*Facebook*Exam, data = facebookContingencyTable)$

summary(facebookSaturated)

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The first command creates the model called *facebookSaturated* based on all maineffects and interactions in the contingency table called *facebookContingencyTable*. The second command <u>summarizes</u> this model; the output below shows the main statistics, and as we expect it has a likelihood ratio of 0 and a *p*-value of 1, because it is a perfect fit to the data.

```
Formula:
Frequency ~ Attendance * Facebook * Exam
Statistics:

X^2 df P(> X^2)
Likelihood Ratio 0 0 1
Pearson 0 0 1
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Next we'll fit the model with all of the main effects and <u>two-way</u> interactions. In other words, we'll remove the <u>three-way</u> interaction; because this model tells us the effect of removing the <u>three-way</u> interaction we'll call it *threeWay*. We could create this model by respecifying the model with all terms except the <u>three-way</u> interaction:

```
threeWay <- loglm(Frequency ~ Attendance + Facebook + Exam + Attendance:Facebook + Attendance:Exam + Exam:Facebook, data = facebookContingencyTable)
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This command uses the same format as before to create a model called *threeWay*. The only difference (apart from that we have changed the name of the model) is that the <u>three-way</u> interaction isn't included. This is a lot of typing, so you could also consider using the *update()* function. Remember that this function allows us to take an existing model and 'update' it. In the past we have updated models by adding in new variables, but we can also remove them using this function. For example, to remove the <u>three-way</u> interaction from the saturated model we would execute:

```
three Way <- update (facebook Saturated, .~. - Attendance : Facebook : Exam)\\
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We can <u>summarize</u> this model by executing:

```
summary(threeWay)
```

The pertinent parts of the resulting output are below. You can see that both chi-square and likelihood ratio tests agree that removing this interaction will not significantly affect the fit of the model (because the probability value is greater than .05).

```
Formula:
Frequency ~ Attendance + Facebook + Exam + Attendance:Facebook + Attendance:Exam + Facebook:Exam
Statistics:

X^2 df P(> X^2)
Likelihood Ratio 1.572777 1 0.2098041
Pearson 1.628314 1 0.2019364
```

We can compare the saturated model to the one without the three-way interaction by executing:

```
anova(facebookSaturated, threeWay)
```

The resulting output shows the difference between these models. We're interested in the part called 'Delta'. In the column labelled P(>Delta(Dev)) we see the p-value of the difference between the models. This value is greater than .05 (p=.21) and therefore is <u>non-significant</u>. What this is actually telling us is that the three-way interaction is not significant: removing it from the model does not have a significant effect on how well the model fits the data.

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Next, let's create models that systematically remove the two-way interactions:

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FacebookExam<-update(threeWay, .~. -Facebook:Exam)
AttendanceExam<-update(threeWay, .~. -Attendance:Exam)
AttendanceFacebook<-update(threeWay, .~. -Attendance:Facebook)
```

The first command creates a model called *FacebookExam* that takes that *threeWay* model and removes the **Facebook** × **Exam** interaction (i.e., it does not include either this interaction or the three-way interaction). The second does the same but removes the **Attendance** × **Exam** interaction. The final command again takes the *threeWay* model but this time removes the **Attendance** × **Facebook** interaction. We can compare all of these models to the model without the <u>three-way</u> interaction using the *anova()* function:

```
anova(threeWay, FacebookExam)
anova(threeWay, AttendanceExam)
anova(threeWay, AttendanceFacebook)
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The output below shows the result of the first comparison, which shows us the effected fremoving the **Facebook** × **Exam** interaction. The **Facebook** × **Exam** interaction was significant, $\chi^2(1) = 49.77$, p < .001, indicating that whether you looked at Facebook or not affected exam performance. Therefore, we cannot remove the **Facebook** × **Exam** interaction from the model without the fit getting worse.

The next output below shows the effect of removing the **Attendance** \times **Exam** effect. The **Attendance** \times **Exam** interaction was significant, $\chi^2(1) = 61.80$, $p < .0\underline{00}1$, indicating that whether you attended more or less than 50% of classes affected exam performance. Therefore we cannot remove the **Attendance** \times **Exam** interaction from the model without the fit getting worse.

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The <u>final</u> output below shows the effect of removing the **Attendance** \times **Facebook** interaction. The difference here is 11.90, with 1 df. This is significant (p < .001), and therefore this effect cannot be removed from the model without making the fit worse.

To summarise, the two-way interactions were all found to be significant, and therefore, the final model is the one that retains all main effects and <u>two-way</u> interactions. However, the main effects are not examined because we have significant <u>higher-order two-way</u> effects, which are more interesting than the main effects.

To interpret the <u>two-way</u> interactions, we can do some <u>chi-square tests</u>. <u>Let's first</u> look at the significant interaction between **Facebook** and **Exam**. First, generate a contingency table by executing:

FacebookExam_ContingencyTable<-xtabs(Frequency ~ Facebook + Exam, data = facebookData)

We can then do the <u>chi-square</u> by executing:

```
CrossTable(FacebookExam_ContingencyTable, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected =
TRUE, sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS")
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Cell Contents

Count
Expected Values
Chi-square contribution
Row Percent
Column Percent
Total Percent
Std Residual
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Total Observations in Table: 260

Facebook	Exam Fail	Pass	Row Total
Did Not Look at Facebook	32	124	156
	55.200	100.800	
	9.751	5.340	İ
	20.513%	79.487%	60.000%
	34.783%	73.810%	İ
	12.308%	47.692%	i i
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Looked at Facebook	60	44	104	
	36.800	67.200	i i	
	14.626	8.010	j j	
	57.692%	42.308%	40.000%	
	65.217%	26.190%	į į	
	23.077%	16.923%	į į	
	3.824	-2.830	ĺ	
Column Total	92	168	260	
	35.385%	64.615%		

Statistics for All Table Factors

Pearson's Chi-squared test

Chi^2 = 37.72602 d.f. = 1 p = 8.141145e-10

Pearson's Chi-squared test with Yates' continuity correction

Chi^2 = 36.11742 d.f. = 1 p = 1.857787e-09

Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data

Sample estimate odds ratio: 0.1906368

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1 p = 1.326512e-09

95% confidence interval: 0.1050906 0.3397684

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is less than 1 p = 8.798576e-10

95% confidence interval: 0 0.3119569

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is greater than 1

Minimum expected frequency: 36.8

p = 1
95% confidence interval: 0.1151419 Inf

The output above shows that those who looked at Facebook had a much lower chance of passing their exam (58% failed) than those who didn't look at Facebook during their lab classes (around 80% passed).

Next let's do a chi-square to look at the significant interaction between **Attendance** and **Exam**. First, generate a contingency table by executing:

AttendanceExam_ContingencyTable <-xtabs(Frequency ~ Attendance_+ Exam, data = facebookData)

We can then do the <u>chi-square</u> by executing:

CrossTable(AttendanceExam_ContingencyTable, fisher = TRUE, chisq = TRUE, expected
= TRUE, sresid = TRUE, format = "SPSS")

Cell Contents

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	Exam		
Attendance	Fail	Pass	Row Total
Less than 50%	57	31	88
	31.138	56.862	
	21.479	11.762	
	64.773%	35.227%	33.846%
	61.957%	18.452%	
	21.923%	11.923%	
	4.635	-3.430	
More than 50%	35	137	172
	60.862	111.138	
	10.989	6.018	
	20.349%	79.651%	66.154%
	38.043%	81.548%	
	13.462%	52.692%	
	-3.315	2.453	
Column Total	92	168	260
	35.385%	64.615%	ĺ

Statistics for All Table Factors

Pearson's Chi-squared test

Chi² = 50.2482 d.f. = 1 p = 1.354788e-12

Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data

Sample estimate odds ratio: 7.130104

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1 p = 4.218392e-12 95% confidence interval: 3.902149 13.30689

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Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is less than 1 p = 1 95% confidence interval: 0 12.09419

Alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is greater than 1 p = 2.172352e-12 95% confidence interval: 4.263635 Inf

Minimum expected frequency: 31.13846

The output above shows that those who attended more than half of their classes had a much better chance of passing their exam (80% passed) than those attending less than 50% of classes (only 35% passed). All of the standardized residuals are significant, indicating that all cells contribute to this overall association.

The three-way **Facebook** × **Attendance** × **Exam** interaction was not significant, $\chi^2(1) = 1.57$, p = .21. This result indicates that the effect of Facebook (described above) was the same (roughly) in those who attended more than 50% of classes and those that attended less than 50% of classes. In other words, although those attending less than 50% of classes did worse than those attending, within that group, those looking at Facebook did relatively worse than those not looking at Facebook.

