

Finding Derivations: Large

- A contrast-set for which the *maximum difference* between supports is greater than a *minimum support difference threshold*, is called **Large**.

Example

For the contrast set c1: “*Product = burger \wedge Store = Fastfood*” and mindev = 5%

support(c1|Inner City Cosmopolitan) = 13%

support(c1|Industrious communities) = 9%

Support(c1|Countryside Living) = 7%

Deciding if a contrast set is large is straightforward:

Max difference = 13% - 7% = 6%

With mindev = 5%, c1 is **Large**

To decide if a contrast set is **significant**, we use and statistical test

Finding Derivations: Significant

- A contrast-set for which at least two groups differ in their support is called **Significant**.
- Perform an statistical test (chi-square) for the contrast set:
- Null hypothesis: “The support for the contrast-set is the same across all groups”
- We build a 2 X k contingency table, k is the number of groups
- Compute the χ^2 statistics and check value in the chi-square distribution
- Must be less than a threshold α . (Typically, $\alpha = 0.05$)

c1: “*Product = burger \wedge Store = Fastfood*”

	Inner City	Industrious	Countryside
c1	944	776	172
\neg c1	2745	1851	4597

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(O_{ij} - E_{ij})^2}{E_{ij}} \longrightarrow \text{Expected values}$$

$$E_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^2 O_{ij} \sum_{j=1}^k O_{ij}}{N} \longrightarrow \text{Observed values}$$



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