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else reject  $H_0$  (Variables are not independent)

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Since  $\chi^2 > 2.71$ , there is enough evidence to reject  $H_0$ . Hence, there is a relation between the treatment and response.

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2. Suppose the undergraduate degrees are BA, BE, BBA, and several others. There are three possible majors for the MBA students which are accounting, finance, and marketing. Can the statistician conclude that the undergraduate degree affects the choice of major from the given table?

UG/ MBA	Accounting	Finance	Marketing	Total
BA	31	13	16	60
BE	8	16	7	31
BBA	12	10	17	39
Other	10	5	7	22
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- 1  $H_0$ : The undergraduate degree and MBA major are independent  
 $H_1$ : The undergraduate degree and MBA major are dependent
- 2 Expected frequencies:

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BA	24.08	17.37	18.55	60
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The critical region is  $\chi^2 > 12.59$ .

Since calculated  $\chi^2 > 12.59$ , we reject  $H_0$ .

6 Conclusion: There is sufficient evidence to the claim that the undergraduate degree and the MBA major are related.

# Problems

3. The operations manager of a company that manufactures tyres wants to determine whether there are any differences in the quality of workmanship among the three daily shifts. She randomly selects 496 tyres and carefully inspects them. Each tyre is either classified as perfect, satisfactory, or defective, and the shift that produced it is also recorded. The two categorical variables of interest are : shift and condition of the tyre produced. Do these data provide sufficient evidence at 5% significance level to infer that there are differences in quality among the three shifts?

	Perfect	Satisfactory	Defective	Total
Shift 1	106	114	11	231
Shift 2	67	70	16	153
Shift 3	37	65	10	112
Total	210	249	37	496



4. Various countries are compared using two variables- composition of economy and growth band as shown in the table.

	High growth	Medium growth	Low growth
Predominant agriculture	20	25	5
Predominant manufacturing	40	5	6
Predominant services	5	55	20

Test whether the predominant function in an economy has an impact on the growth of the economy.