

Homework 4

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library(foreign)
hsb <- read.dta('data/hsbdemo.dta')
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1. Cross-tabulate the variables `ses` and `prog`.

- (a) (half a point) Which program was chosen by the largest fraction of students with high socio-economic status?
- (b) (half a point) How many percent of students with low socio-economic status selected the general program?
- (c) (half a point) In the academic program are there more students with middle socioeconomic status than students with high socio-economic status?
- (d) (half a point) What is the least-frequent combination of the two variables?

2. You continue with your analysis of the relationship between `ses` and `prog`.

- (a) (half a point) Draw a mosaicplot visualising the contingency table of program choice and socio-economic status.
- (b) (1.5 points) Are students with low `ses` less likely (as measured in odds) to choose the academic program than students with higher socio-economic status? Calculate the odds ratios for choosing the academic program comparing students with low `ses` to students with middle `ses` and to students with high `ses`. [hint: use the command `loddsratio` in the package `vcd`. First, aggregate the variable `prog` into a binary variable indicating whether the student has chosen an academic program yes or no.]

3. Now, you assess the relationship between `prog` and `ses` using the χ^2 -statistic.

- (a) (1 point) Calculate the χ^2 -test to assess the relationship between `ses` and `prog`. Is the relationship statistically significant?
- (b) (1 point) Calculate the expected frequencies under the assumption that socio-economic status has no effect on program choice. For which cells are expected frequencies higher than the observed ones?

4. In the following, perform the last analysis separately for female and male students.

- (a) (half a point) Calculate the χ^2 -test to assess the relationship between `ses` and `prog`.
- (b) (half a point) Calculate the expected frequencies under the assumption that socio-economic status has no effect on program choice. For which cells are expected frequencies higher than the observed ones?
- (c) (half a point) Do the results differ for the two sexes?
- (d) (half a point) Visualise the relationships using mosaicplots. Get any differences between females and males in relation to socio-economic status and program choice visible in the plots?

5. Create a multinomial logistic regression model using `prog` as dependent variable and the following predictors: `female`, `ses`, `sctype`, `read`, `write`, `math`, `science`, `honors`, `awards`. [hint: use the function `multinom` in the package `nnet`.]

- (a) (half a point) How large is the AIC score for this model?
- (b) (1.5 points) The default output does not include p-values. Compute p-values based on the Wald-test statistics and determine the coefficients that are statistically significantly different from zero!