

# Chi-squared tests of independence/homogeneity for two-way tables

SECTION 2.4

## Example: Lighting the Way to Nearsightedness

Survey of  $n = 479$  children.  $\rightarrow$  Independence  
 Those who slept with nightlight or in fully lit room before age 2 had higher incidence of nearsightedness (myopia) later in childhood.

TABLE 2.3 ■ Nighttime Lighting in Infancy and Eyesight

Slept with:	No Myopia	Myopia	High Myopia	Total
Darkness	155 (90%)	15 (9%)	2 (1%)	172
Nightlight	153 (66%)	72 (31%)	7 (3%)	232
Full Light	34 (45%)	36 (48%)	5 (7%)	75
Total	342 (71%)	123 (26%)	14 (3%)	479

Note: Study cannot prove sleeping with light actually caused myopia in more children. WHY?

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conditional | So  
 on light cat's

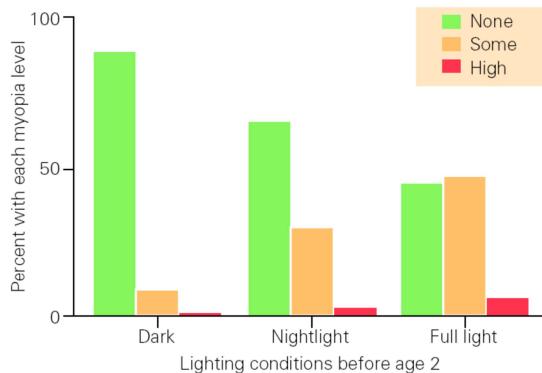


FIGURE 2.3 Bar chart for myopia and nighttime lighting in infancy

```
> test <- chisq.test(dat$x, dat$y, correct=FALSE)
Warning message:
In chisq.test(dat$x, dat$y, correct = FALSE) :
  Chi-squared approximation may be incorrect
> test
```

Why is it giving us a warning??

### Pearson's Chi-squared test

```
data: dat$x and dat$y
X-squared = 58.374, df = 4, p-value = 6.368e-12
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$\chi^2$  > 5 → so not large enough

```
> test$expected
```

	High	None	Some
Dark	5.027140	122.80585	44.16701
Full	2.192067	53.54906	19.25887
Night	6.780793	165.64509	59.57411

Verify these calculations

```
> test$residuals # Components of sum in test stat
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	High	None	Some
Dark	-1.35011886	2.90514293	-4.38877137
Full	1.89653070	-2.67146792	3.814772800
Night	0.08418089	-0.98250048	1.60989895

$$\chi^2 \text{ df} = 4$$

→ Expected cell counts are < 5(?)

$H_0$ : independence ←

$H_A$ : not independent

rowtotal \* column total / table total

$$\text{Pearson resids} = \frac{\text{Obs} - \text{Exp}}{\sqrt{\text{Exp}}}$$

$$\text{Pearson } \chi^2 = \sum_{\text{all cells}} \left( \frac{\text{Obs} - \text{Exp}}{\sqrt{\text{Exp}}} \right)^2$$

## Example: Nicotine Patch

Double-blind randomized experiment (1994) where 240 smokers were randomly assigned to either a nicotine patch or placebo patch (see case study for details):

	Quit	Didn't	Total	% Quit
Nicotine	56	64	120	46%
Placebo (baseline)	24	96	120	20%
Total	80	160	240	33%

Find and interpret all summary measures for these data.

Conduct a chi-squared test of independence for these data.

Conduct a test for difference in proportions for these data.

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$H_0$ : no difference in quit prop. across treatment categories

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## Nicotine Example: Step 1

**Population:** For the nicotine patch example, our hypotheses are about the hypothetical behavior of *all* smokers with a desire to quit, *if* given nicotine patch compared with *if* given placebo patch similar to those in the study (not a random sample).

**Null hypothesis ( $H_0$ ):** In the population of smokers who want to quit, there is no association between patch type and whether or not someone quits smoking.

**Alternative hypothesis ( $H_A$ ):** In this population, there is an association between patch type and whether or not someone quits smoking.

} Independence

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## Nicotine Example: Step 2

<i>Observed counts</i>	Quit	Didn't	Total	% Quit
Nicotine	56	64	120	46%
Placebo (baseline)	24	96	120	20%
<b>Total</b>	80	160	240	33%

What to expect if no relationship?

Note that  $80/240 = 1/3$  (or 33%) quit smoking overall.

If there is no difference in the effect of patch type, we expect to see 1/3 of each type quit. So, we would expect:

<i>Expected counts</i>	Quit	Didn't	Total	% Quit
Nicotine	40	80	120	33%
Placebo (baseline)	40	80	120	33%

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## Nicotine Example: Step 2

*O* = Observed count in each cell = actual sample data

*E* = Expected count (if null is true) in each cell =

$$\left\{ \frac{(\text{Row total})(\text{Column total})}{\text{Total sample size}} \right\}$$

Note: Only need to compute *E* for one cell; others determined by totals.

	Quit	Did not quit	Total
Nicotine	56 $(120)(80)/240$ = 40	64 $(120)(160)/240$ = 80	120
Placebo	24 $(120)(80)/240$ = 40	96 $(120)(160)/240$ = 80	120
<b>Total</b>	80	160	240

## Nicotine Example: Step 2

Data conditions:

- Sample is representative of the population of smokers with a desire to quit similar to those in the sample. ✓
- All expected counts are greater than or equal to 5. ✓

How far are observed numbers who quit from what we expect if there is no difference for patch types?

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \begin{array}{l} \frac{(56-40)^2}{40} = \frac{256}{40} = 6.4 \\ \frac{(24-40)^2}{40} = \frac{256}{40} = 6.4 \end{array} & \begin{array}{l} \frac{(64-80)^2}{80} = \frac{256}{80} = 3.2 \\ \frac{(96-80)^2}{80} = \frac{256}{80} = 3.2 \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array} \Rightarrow \chi^2 = 6.4 + 3.2 + 6.4 + 3.2 = 19.2$$

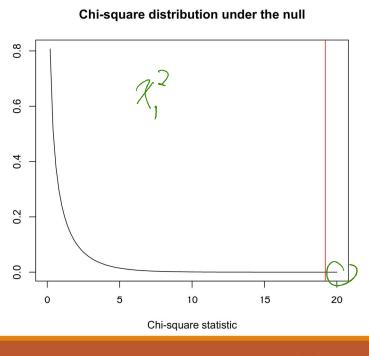
Does this value indicate a strong relationship in the population?? On to Step 3...

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## Nicotine Example: Step 3

The p-value is the *probability* of seeing a chi-squared statistic of 19.2 *or greater* in a sample of size 240, assuming there is no relationship between patch type and ability to quit smoking.

The area under the curve to the right of 19.2... pretty much zero.



## Nicotine Example: Step 3

Pearson's Chi-squared test

```
data: .Table  
X-squared = 19.2, df = 1, p-value = 1.177e-05
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$$p\text{-value} = 1.177 \times 10^{-5} = 0.00001177$$

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## Nicotine Example: Step 4

For the nicotine patch example: The p-value of 0.00001177 is much less than 0.05, so

*the relationship is statistically significant.  
we reject the null hypothesis.*

Each of the two statements above are equivalent (you only need to say one).

$\chi^2 \sim 1 \text{ df}$

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## Nicotine Example: Step 5

*Conclusion:* There is significant evidence that there is a relationship between type of patch worn and the ability to quit smoking if we were to give nicotine or placebo patches to the entire population of smokers similar to those in the sample.

Note: Because this was a well-designed *randomized experiment*, we have evidence that using a nicotine patch *causes* the probability of quitting to increase.

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## Swedish Fish Example

Work through in Rstudio.

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## Inference on Contingency Tables

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## Exact Inference

1. Exact binomial inference for a single binary variable (one proportion):
  - Use binomial distribution to calculate p-value
  - Invert test to obtain confidence interval
  - R: `binom.test()`
2. Exact inference for 2x2 tables:
  - a. Randomization (simulation-based) test (not in book)
    - Uses simulation to approximate an exact p-value
    - Can be generalized to other scenarios, e.g.,  $1 \times c$  table
    - R: functions in the `mosaic` library
  - b. Fisher's Exact Test (2.6.1-2)
    - Calculates p-value using hypergeometric distribution
    - R: `fisher.test()`

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permutation in 2D

## Asymptotic Inference

3. Asymptotic inference for 2x2 tables using a normal approximation via CLT:
  - a. Difference in proportions (2.2.1)  
R: `prop.test()`
  - b. Relative risk (2.2.3)  
R: `relrisk()` (in `mosaic` library)
  - c. Odds ratio (2.3)  
R: `oddsRatio()` (in `mosaic` library)
4. Asymptotic inference for  $I \times J$  tables using a chi-squared distribution approximation to distribution of test statistic:
  - a. Pearson chi-squared test of independence/homogeneity (2.4.1)  
R: `chisq.test()`
  - b. Likelihood ratio test (2.4.2) (no built-in R function)

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