

The Basic Practice of Statistics Ninth Edition

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Chapter 6
Two-Way Tables

Lecture Slides

In Chapter 6, we cover ...

- Marginal distributions
- Conditional distributions
- Relative risk and odds ratio for 2x2 contingency tables
- Simpson's paradox

Categorical variables

- **Review:** Categorical variables place individuals into one of several groups or categories.
- The values of a categorical variable are labels for the different categories.
- The distribution of a categorical variable lists the count or percent of individuals who fall into each category.
- When a data set involves two categorical variables, we begin by examining the counts or percents in various categories for one of the variables.

A **two-way table** describes two categorical variables, organizing counts according to a **row variable** and a **column variable**.

Two-way contingency table

In 2017, the National Center for Education Statistics projected the number of academic degrees to be awarded in 2020–2021 for men and women (Table 6.1 of the textbook)

| Sex | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Associate | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Bachelor's | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Master's | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Professional/ Doctorate | Total |
|-------|---|--|--|--|-------|
| Women | 639 | 1087 | 460 | 97 | 2283 |
| Men | 402 | 804 | 329 | 87 | 1622 |
| Total | 1041 | 1891 | 789 | 184 | 3905 |

- What are the variables described by this two-way table?
- How many degrees were conferred (to the nearest thousand)?

This is how data are collected

| | Degree | Sex |
|------|------------------------|-------|
| 0 | Associate | women |
| 1 | Associate | women |
| 2 | Associate | women |
| 3 | Associate | women |
| 4 | Associate | women |
| ... | ... | ... |
| 3900 | Professional or Doctor | men |
| 3901 | Professional or Doctor | men |
| 3902 | Professional or Doctor | men |
| 3903 | Professional or Doctor | men |
| 3904 | Professional or Doctor | men |

3905 rows × 2 columns

Tabulated data

| Degree | Associate | Bachelor | Master | Professional or Doctor | All |
|--------|-----------|----------|--------|------------------------|------|
| Sex | | | | | |
| men | 402 | 804 | 329 | 87 | 1622 |
| women | 639 | 1087 | 460 | 97 | 2283 |
| All | 1041 | 1891 | 789 | 184 | 3905 |

Marginal distribution (1 of 3)

- The **marginal distribution** of one of the categorical variables, in a two-way table of counts, is the distribution of values of that variable among all individuals described by the table.
- *Note:* Percents are often more informative than counts, especially when one is comparing groups of different sizes.

To examine a marginal distribution:

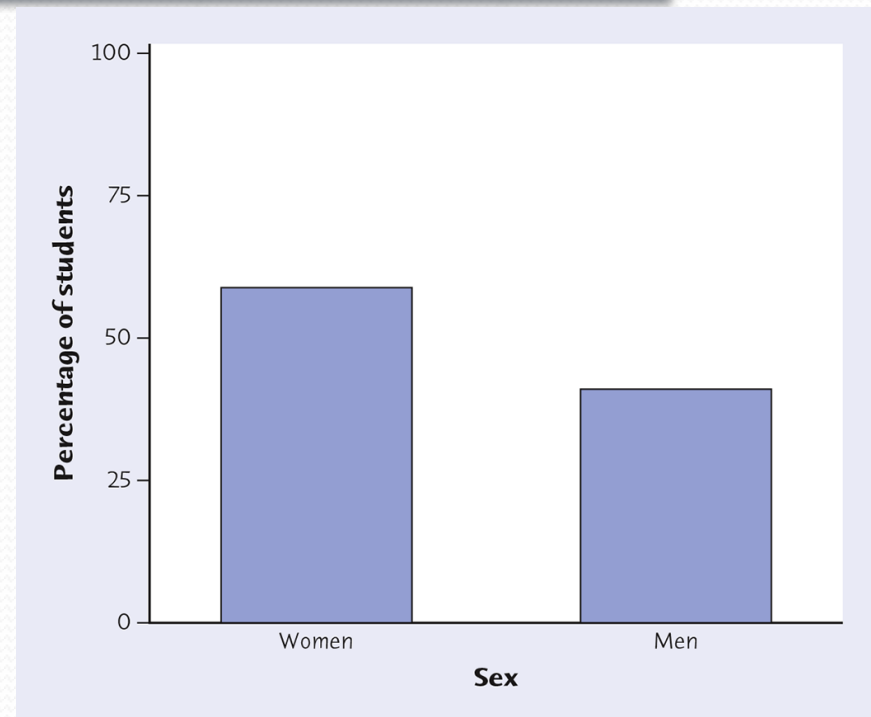
1. Use the data in the table to calculate the marginal distribution (in percents) of the row or column totals.
 2. Make a graph to display the marginal distribution.
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Marginal distribution (2 of 3)

| Sex | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Associate | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Bachelor's | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Master's | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Professional Doctorate | Total |
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| Total | 1041 | 1891 | 789 | 184 | 3905 |

Examine the **marginal distribution** of sex.


| Response | Percent |
|----------|----------------------|
| Women | $2283/3905 = 58.5\%$ |
| Men | $1622/3905 = 41.5\%$ |



Marginal distribution (3 of 3)

| Sex | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Associate | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Bachelor's | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Master's | Degrees Conferred (thousands): Professional/ Doctorate | Total |
|-------|--|---|---|--|-------|
| Women | 639 | 1087 | 460 | 97 | 2283 |
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| Total | 1041 | 1891 | 789 | 184 | 3905 |

Examine the **marginal distribution** of degree conferred.



| Response | Percent |
|------------|----------------------|
| Associate | $1041/3905 = 26.7\%$ |
| Bachelor's | $1891/3905 = 48.4\%$ |
| Master's | $789/3905 = 20.2\%$ |
| Doctorate | $184/3905 = 4.7\%$ |

Conditional distribution (1 of 6)

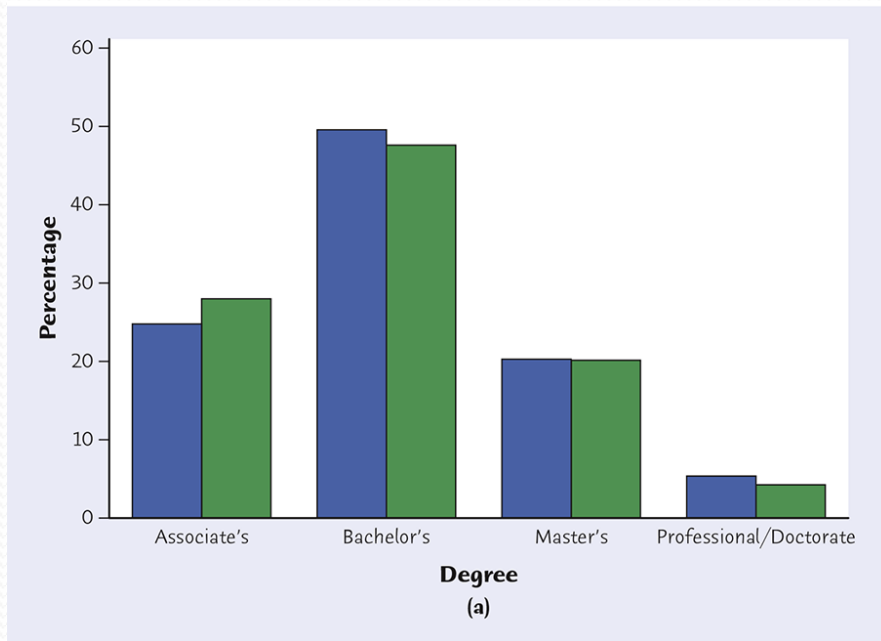
- Marginal distributions tell us nothing about the relationship between two variables.
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- A **conditional distribution** of a variable describes the values of that variable among individuals who have a given value of another variable.
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- Use software to generate a **side-by-side bar graph**, a **segmented bar graph**, or a **mosaic plot** to compare distributions.

Conditional distribution (2 of 6)

A **segmented bar graph** is a bar graph for presenting data about two categorical variables in which each bar is divided into parts. Each bar represents the observations that take a particular value of one variable, and the length of each part of the bar represents the proportion of those observations that take a specific value of the second variable.

A **mosaic plot** is a segmented bar graph in which the width of each bar represents the proportion of all observations that fall into the category that the bar represents.

Conditional distribution (3 of 6)



Sex
Men
Women

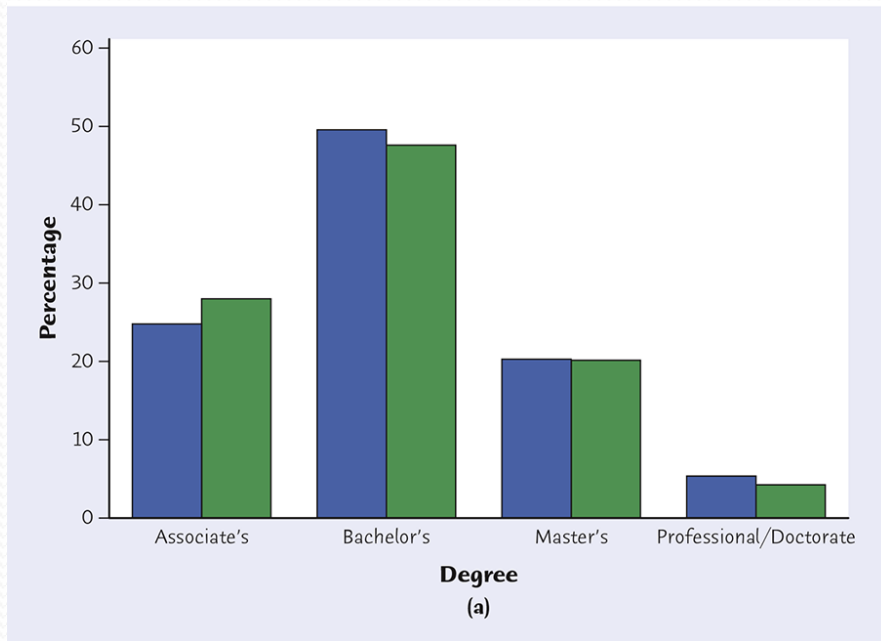
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Conditional distribution of
degree received given sex

- Sum of the heights of the bars for men should be 100%
- Sum of the heights of the bars for women should be 100%

Conditional distribution (4 of 6)

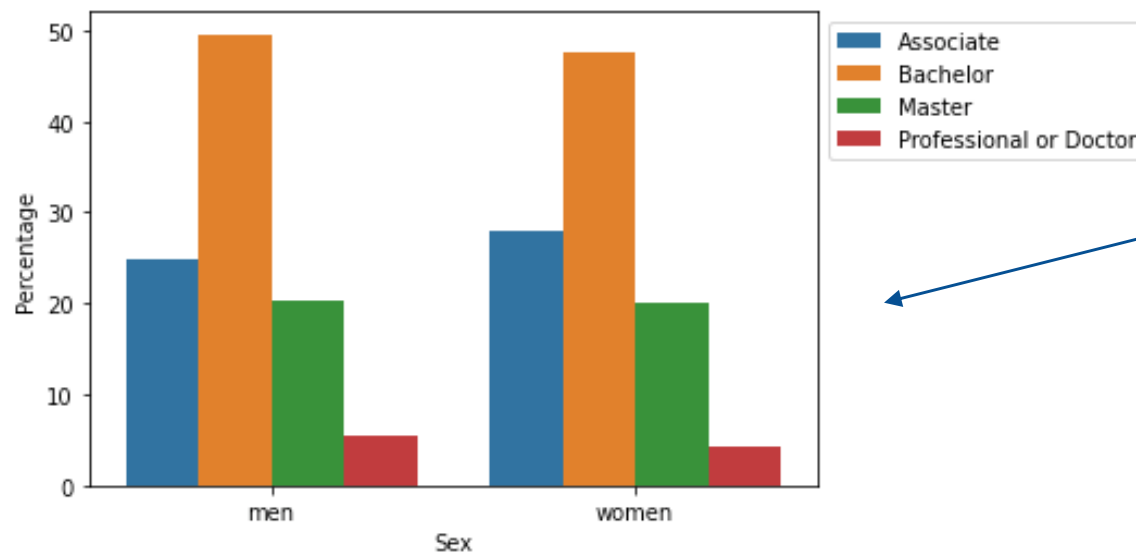


Sex
Men
Women

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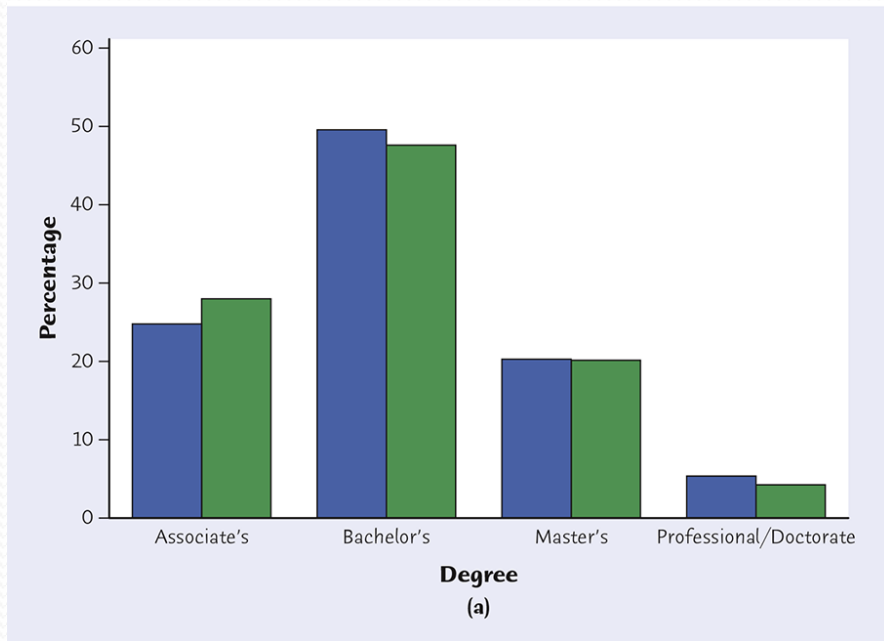
Conditional distribution of **degree received given sex**

- Sum of the heights of the bars for men should be 100%
- Sum of the heights of the bars for women should be 100%



Another way we could plot the conditional distribution of **degree received given sex**

Conditional distribution (5 of 6)

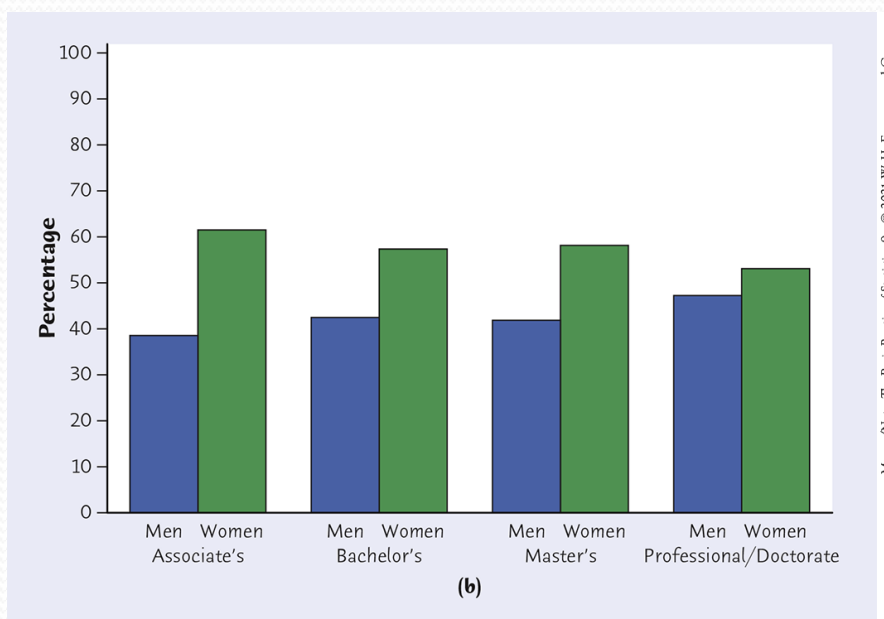


Sex
Men
Women

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Conditional distribution of degree received given sex



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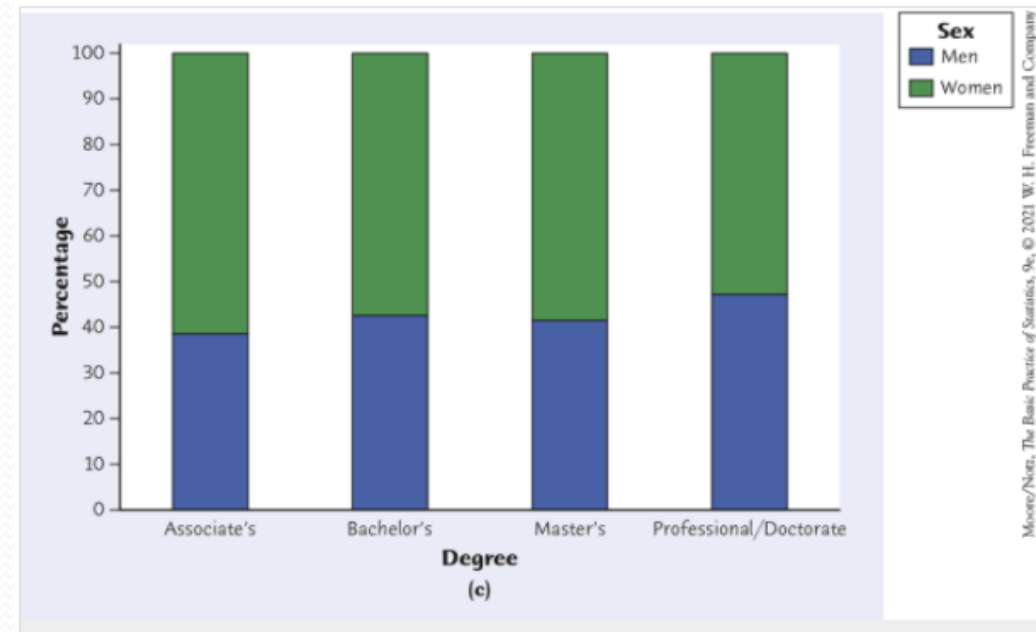
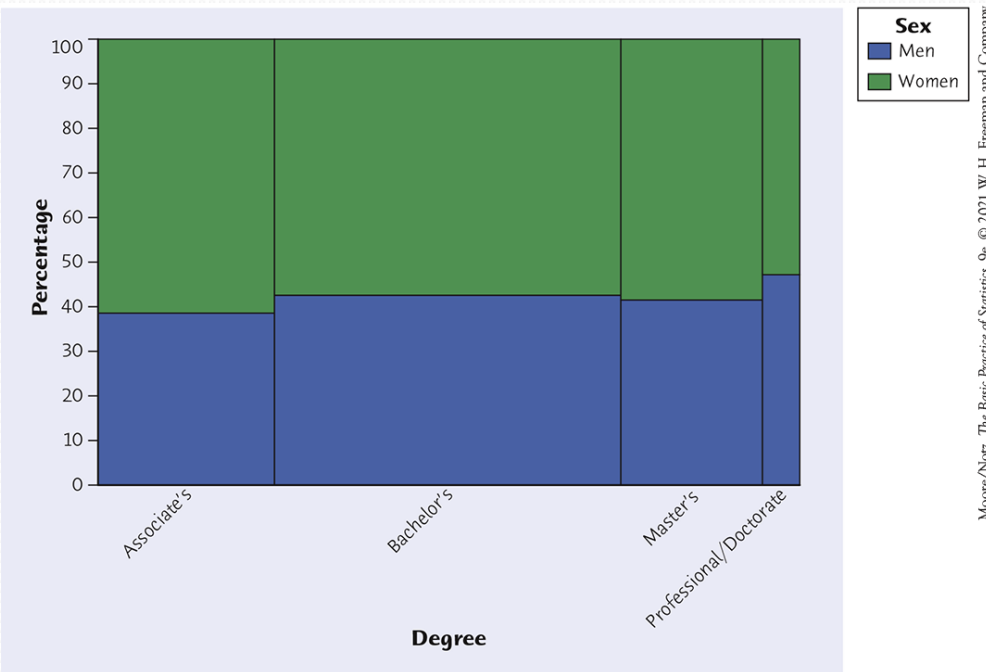


Conditional distribution of **sex given degree received**

- Sum of the heights of the bars for men and women for each degree type should sum to 100%

Conditional distribution (6 of 6)

Other plots to show conditional distributions



Mosaic plot and segmented bar graph comparing the proportions of women (green) and men (blue) among those in each degree-conferred category.

Example 6.3 in Python (1 of 7)

Libraries and importing the data

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from statsmodels.graphics.mosaicplot import mosaic
```

```
In [2]: # Read .csv data
df = pd.read_csv("eg06-01degrees.csv")
df
```

Out[2]:

| | Degree | Sex | Count |
|---|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | Associate | women | 639 |
| 1 | Bachelor | women | 1087 |
| 2 | Master | women | 460 |
| 3 | Professional or Doctor | women | 97 |
| 4 | Associate | men | 402 |
| 5 | Bachelor | men | 804 |
| 6 | Master | men | 329 |
| 7 | Professional or Doctor | men | 87 |

Example 6.3 in Python (2 of 7)

Tabulating the data (creating the contingency table)

```
In [3]: df_new = pd.DataFrame(np.repeat(df[['Degree', 'Sex']].values, df.Count, axis = 0),  
                             columns = df[['Degree', 'Sex']].columns)  
df_new
```

Out[3]:

| | Degree | Sex |
|------|------------------------|-------|
| 0 | Associate | women |
| 1 | Associate | women |
| 2 | Associate | women |
| 3 | Associate | women |
| 4 | Associate | women |
| ... | ... | ... |
| 3900 | Professional or Doctor | men |
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| 3903 | Professional or Doctor | men |
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3905 rows x 2 columns

```
In [4]: ct = pd.crosstab(index = df_new["Sex"], columns = df_new["Degree"], margins = True)  
ct
```

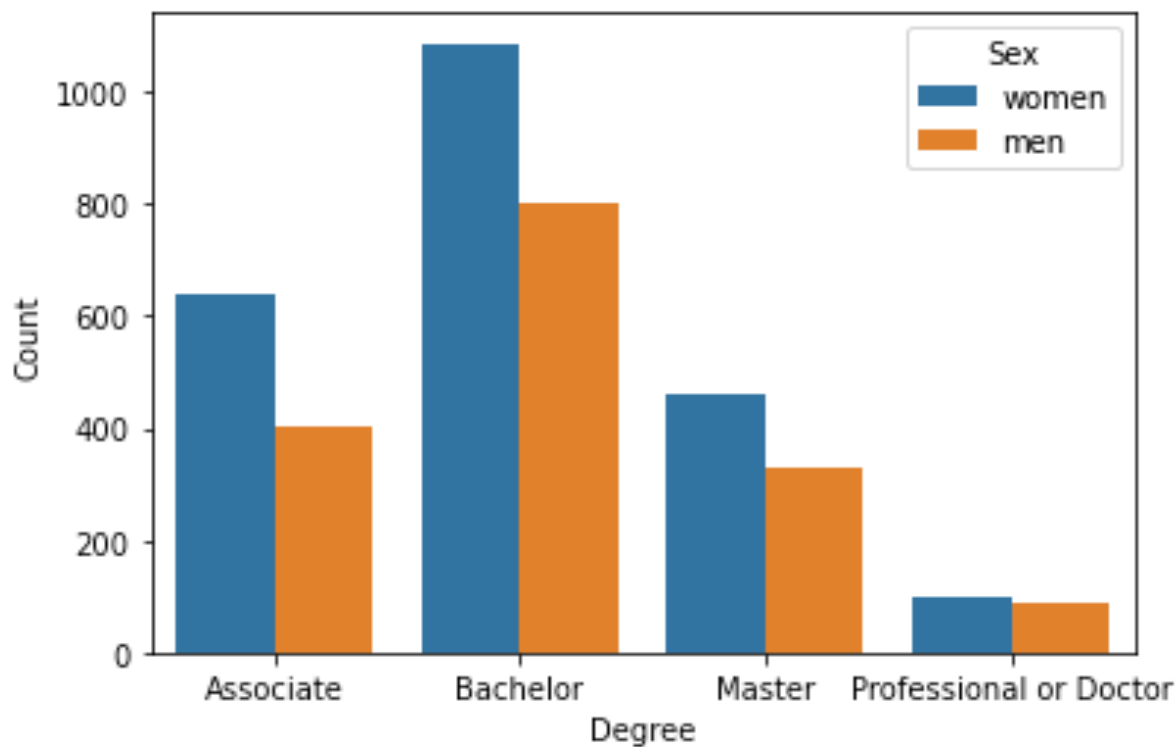
Out[4]:

| Degree | Associate | Bachelor | Master | Professional or Doctor | All |
|--------|-----------|----------|--------|------------------------|------|
| Sex | | | | | |
| men | 402 | 804 | 329 | 87 | 1622 |
| women | 639 | 1087 | 460 | 97 | 2283 |
| All | 1041 | 1891 | 789 | 184 | 3905 |

Example 6.3 in Python (3 of 7)

Bar plot of table counts

```
In [5]: sns.barplot(x = "Degree", hue = "Sex", y = "Count", data = df)  
plt.show()
```



Example 6.3 in Python (4 of 7)

Computing the conditional proportions

```
In [6]: # calculating the proportions of types of degrees conferred conditional on sex
conditional_sex = pd.crosstab(index = df_new["Sex"],
                             columns = df_new["Degree"], normalize = 'index')
conditional_sex
#help(pd.crosstab)
```

Out[6]:

| Degree | Associate | Bachelor | Master | Professional or Doctor |
|--------|-----------|----------|----------|------------------------|
| Sex | | | | |
| men | 0.247842 | 0.495684 | 0.202836 | 0.053637 |
| women | 0.279895 | 0.476128 | 0.201489 | 0.042488 |



Conditional distribution of degree received given sex

```
In [7]: # calculating the proportions of men and women conditional on degree type
conditional_degree = pd.crosstab(index = df_new["Sex"],
                                 columns = df_new["Degree"], normalize = 'columns')
conditional_degree
```

Out[7]:

| Degree | Associate | Bachelor | Master | Professional or Doctor |
|--------|-----------|----------|----------|------------------------|
| Sex | | | | |
| men | 0.386167 | 0.425172 | 0.416984 | 0.472826 |
| women | 0.613833 | 0.574828 | 0.583016 | 0.527174 |



Conditional distribution of sex given degree received

Example 6.3 in Python (5 of 7)

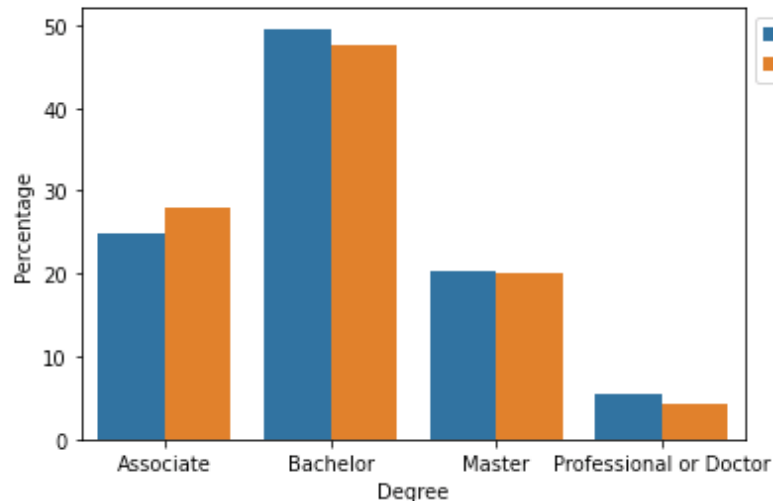
Bar plot of conditional distribution of degree received given sex

```
In [14]: stacked = conditional_sex.stack().reset_index().rename(columns = {0: 'Percentage'})
stacked['Percentage'] = stacked['Percentage'] * 100
stacked
```

Out[14]:

| | Sex | Degree | Percentage |
|---|-------|------------------------|------------|
| 0 | men | Associate | 24.784217 |
| 1 | men | Bachelor | 49.568434 |
| 2 | men | Master | 20.283600 |
| 3 | men | Professional or Doctor | 5.363748 |
| 4 | women | Associate | 27.989488 |
| 5 | women | Bachelor | 47.612790 |
| 6 | women | Master | 20.148927 |
| 7 | women | Professional or Doctor | 4.248795 |

```
In [15]: sns.barplot(x = "Degree", hue = "Sex", y = "Percentage", data = stacked)
plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor = (1, 1), loc = 2)
plt.show()
```



➡ Conditional distribution of degree received given sex

Example 6.3 in Python (6 of 7)

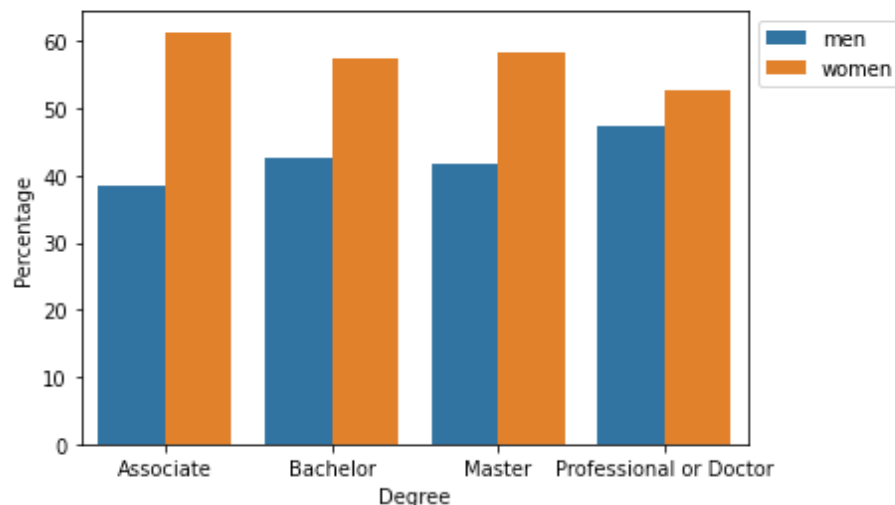
Bar plot of conditional distribution of sex given degree received

```
In [16]: stacked_degree = conditional_degree.stack().reset_index().rename(columns = {0:'Percentage'})
stacked_degree['Percentage'] = stacked_degree['Percentage']*100
stacked
```

Out[16]:

| | Sex | Degree | Percentage |
|---|-------|------------------------|------------|
| 0 | men | Associate | 24.784217 |
| 1 | men | Bachelor | 49.568434 |
| 2 | men | Master | 20.283600 |
| 3 | men | Professional or Doctor | 5.363748 |
| 4 | women | Associate | 27.989488 |
| 5 | women | Bachelor | 47.612790 |
| 6 | women | Master | 20.148927 |
| 7 | women | Professional or Doctor | 4.248795 |

```
In [17]: sns.barplot(x = "Degree", hue = "Sex", y = "Percentage", data = stacked_degree)
plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor = (1, 1), loc = 2)
plt.show()
```

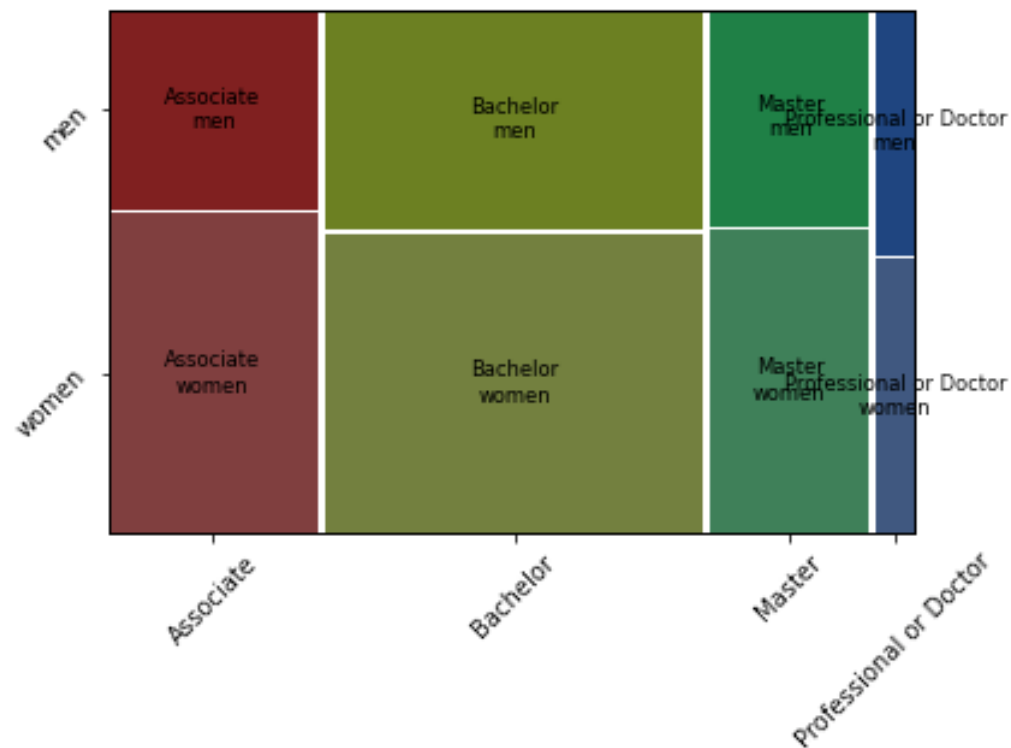


➡ Conditional distribution of sex given degree received

Example 6.3 in Python (7 of 7)

Mosaic plot

```
In [12]: mosaic(df_new, ['Degree', 'Sex'], label_rotation = 45, gap = 0.01)  
plt.show()
```



Relative risk and odds ratio for 2x2 contingency tables

Note: a 2x2 table is a two-way table where each categorical variable take only 2 categories

Example of 2x2 contingency table

| First Child at Age 25 or Older? | Breast Cancer | No Breast Cancer | Total |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Yes | 31 | 1597 | 1628 |
| No | 65 | 4475 | 4540 |
| Total | 96 | 6072 | 6168 |

Source: Pagano and Gauvreau (1988, p. 133).

Risk, Probability, and Odds

A population contains 1000 individuals,
of which 400 carry the gene for a disease.

Equivalent ways to express this proportion:

- Forty ***percent*** (40%) of all individuals carry the gene.
- The ***proportion*** who carry the gene is 0.40.
- The ***probability*** that someone carries the gene is .40.
- The ***risk*** of carrying the gene is 0.40.
- The ***odds*** of carrying the gene are 4 to 6
(or 2 to 3, or $\frac{2}{3}$ to 1).

Risk, Probability, and Odds

Percentage with trait =
$$(\text{number with trait} / \text{total}) \times 100\%$$

Proportion with trait = $\text{number with trait} / \text{total}$

Probability of having trait = $\text{number with trait} / \text{total}$

Risk of having trait = $\text{number with trait} / \text{total}$

Odds of having trait =
$$(\text{number with trait} / \text{number without trait}) \text{ to } 1$$

Baseline Risk and Relative Risk

Baseline Risk: risk without treatment or behavior

- Can be difficult to find.
- If placebo included,
baseline risk = risk for placebo group.

Relative Risk: of outcome for two categories of explanatory variable is ratio of risks for each category.

- *Relative risk of 3:* risk of developing disease for one group is 3 times what it is for another group.
- *Relative risk of 1:* risk is same for both categories of the explanatory variable (or both groups).

Example: Relative Risk of Developing Breast Cancer

| First Child at Age 25 or Older? | Breast Cancer | No Breast Cancer | Total |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Yes | 31 | 1597 | 1628 |
| No | 65 | 4475 | 4540 |
| Total | 96 | 6072 | 6168 |

- Risk for women having first child at 25 or older
 $= 31/1628 = 0.0190$
- Risk for women having first child before 25
 $= 65/4540 = 0.0143$
- Relative risk $= 0.0190/0.0143 = \underline{1.33}$

Risk of developing breast cancer is 1.33 times greater for women who had their first child at 25 or older.

Source: Pagano and Gauvreau (1988, p. 133).

Odds Ratio

| First Child at Age 25 or Older? | Breast Cancer | No Breast Cancer | Total |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------------------|-------|
| Yes | 31 | 1597 | 1628 |
| No | 65 | 4475 | 4540 |
| Total | 96 | 6072 | 6168 |

Odds Ratio: ratio of the odds of getting the disease to the odds of not getting the disease.

Example: Odds Ratio for Breast Cancer

- Odds for women having first child at age 25 or older
= $31/1597 = 0.0194$
- Odds for women having first child before age 25
= $65/4475 = 0.0145$
- Odds ratio = $0.0194/0.0145 = 1.34$

Alternative formula:
$$\text{odds ratio} = \frac{31 \times 4475}{1597 \times 65} = 1.34$$

For Those Who Like Formulas

To represent the *observed numbers* in a 2×2 contingency table, we use the notation:

| Variable 1 | Variable 2 | | Total |
|------------|------------|---------|---------|
| | Yes | No | |
| Yes | a | b | $a + b$ |
| No | c | d | $c + d$ |
| Total | $a + c$ | $b + d$ | n |

Relative Risk and Odds Ratio

Using the notation for the observed numbers, if variable 1 is the explanatory variable and variable 2 is the response variable, then we can compute

$$\text{relative risk} = \frac{a(c + d)}{c(a + b)}$$

$$\text{odds ratio} = \frac{ad}{bc}$$

Simpson's paradox (1 of 4)

- Affecting the relationship between two variables, there may exist a **lurking variable**. Ignoring a lurking variable creates a reversal in the direction of the relationship that exists when the lurking variable is considered.
- The lurking variable creates subgroups, and failure to take these subgroups into consideration can lead to misleading conclusions regarding the association between the two variables.

An association that holds for all of several groups can reverse direction when the data are combined to form a single group. This reversal is called **Simpson's paradox**.

Simpson's paradox (2 of 4)

- Consider the survival rates for the following groups of victims, who were taken to the hospital either by helicopter or by road.

| Counts | Helicopter | Road |
|-----------------|------------|------|
| Victim died | 64 | 260 |
| Victim survived | 136 | 840 |
| Total | 200 | 1100 |

| Percents | Died | Survived |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| Helicopter | $64/200=32\%$ | 68% |
| Road | $260/1100=24\%$ | 76% |

- A higher percent of those transported by helicopter died. Does this mean that this (more costly) mode of transportation isn't helping?

Simpson's paradox (3 of 4)

Consider the survival rates when broken down by type of accident.

Serious accidents

| Counts | Helicopter | Road |
|----------|------------|------|
| Died | 48 | 60 |
| Survived | 52 | 40 |
| Total | 100 | 100 |

| Percents | Died | Survived |
|------------|------|----------|
| Helicopter | 48% | 52% |
| Road | 60% | 40% |

Less serious accidents

| Counts | Helicopter | Road |
|----------|------------|------|
| Died | 16 | 200 |
| Survived | 84 | 800 |
| Total | 100 | 1000 |

| Percents | Died | Survived |
|------------|------|----------|
| Helicopter | 16% | 84% |
| Road | 20% | 80% |

Simpson's paradox (4 of 4)

- Lurking variable: Accidents were of two sorts—serious (100) and less serious (1000).
- Helicopter evacuations had a higher survival rate within both types of accidents than did road evacuations.
- This is not evidence of the inefficacy of helicopter evacuation!
- This is an example of **Simpson's paradox**.
- When the lurking variable (type of accident: serious or less serious) is ignored, the data seem to suggest that road evacuations are safer than helicopter evacuations.
- However, when the type of accident is considered, the association is reversed and suggests that helicopter evacuations are, in fact, safer.
- **Can be dangerous to summarize information over groups!**



Extra example Simpson's paradox

Simpson's Paradox: The Missing Third Variable

- **Relationship appears to be in one direction if third variable is *not* considered and in other direction if it is.**
- **Can be dangerous to summarize information over groups.**

Example: Simpson's Paradox for Hospital Patients

Survival Rates for Standard and New Treatments

| | Hospital A | | | Hospital B | | |
|----------|------------|-----|-------|------------|-----|-------|
| | Survive | Die | Total | Survive | Die | Total |
| Standard | 5 | 95 | 100 | 500 | 500 | 1000 |
| New | 100 | 900 | 1000 | 95 | 5 | 100 |
| Total | 105 | 995 | 1100 | 595 | 505 | 1100 |

Risk Compared for Standard and New Treatments

| | Hospital A | Hospital B |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| Risk of dying with the standard treatment | $95/100 = 0.95$ | $500/1000 = 0.50$ |
| Risk of dying with the new treatment | $900/1000 = 0.90$ | $5/100 = 0.05$ |
| Relative risk | $0.95/0.90 = 1.06$ | $0.50/0.05 = 10.0$ |

Looks like *new treatment is a success* at both hospitals, especially at Hospital B.

Example: Simpson's Paradox for Hospital Patients

Estimating the Overall Reduction in Risk

| | Survive | Die | Total | Risk of Death |
|----------|---------|------|-------|-------------------|
| Standard | 505 | 595 | 1100 | $595/1100 = 0.54$ |
| New | 195 | 905 | 1100 | $905/1100 = 0.82$ |
| Total | 700 | 1500 | 2200 | |

What has gone wrong? With combined data it looks like the *standard treatment is superior!* Death rate for standard treatment is only 66% of what it is for the new treatment.

HOW?

More serious cases were treated at Hospital A (famous research hospital); more serious cases were also more likely to die, no matter what. *And* a higher proportion of patients at Hospital A received the new treatment.