STAT 515 Lec 19 slides

Associations in categorical data

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Example: A rs of 500 males from the United States resulted in the table

		Religious affiliation					
		B_1	B_2	B_3	B_4	B_5	
Divorce status	A_1	39	19	12	28	18	116
	A_2	172	61	44	70	37	384
		211	80	56	98	55	500

with

$$A_1 = \text{divorced}$$
$$A_2 = \text{married or never divorced}$$

We may want to test the following hypotheses:

H_0: There is no association between religious affiliation and divorce status.
H_1: There is an association between religious affiliation and divorce status.

In general, we consider data in a $a \times b$ table like this:

	B_1	B_2	$\cdots$	B_b	
A_1	n_{11}	n_{12}	$\cdots$	n_{1b}	$n_{1.}$
A_2	n_{21}	n_{22}	$\cdots$	n_{2b}	$n_{2.}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
A_a	n_{a1}	n_{a2}	$\cdots$	n_{ab}	$n_{a.}$
	$n_{.1}$	$n_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$n_{.b}$	$n_{..}$

We can convert the table to proportions:

	B_1	B_2	$\cdots$	B_b	
A_1	$\hat{p}_{11}$	$\hat{p}_{12}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{1b}$	$\hat{p}_{1.}$
A_2	$\hat{p}_{21}$	$\hat{p}_{22}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{2b}$	$\hat{p}_{2.}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
A_a	$\hat{p}_{a1}$	$\hat{p}_{a2}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{ab}$	$\hat{p}_{a.}$
	$\hat{p}_{.1}$	$\hat{p}_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{.b}$	1

$\hat{p}_{ij} = n_{ij}/n_{..} =$ proportion of subjects in row i and column j

$\hat{p}_{i.} = n_{i.}/n_{..} =$ proportion of subjects in row i

$\hat{p}_{.j} = n_{.j}/n_{..} =$ proportion of subjects in column j.

Imagine that "behind" the observed table there is a "true" table of proportions:

	B_1	B_2	$\cdots$	B_b	
A_1	p_{11}	p_{12}	$\cdots$	p_{1b}	$p_{1.}$
A_2	p_{21}	p_{22}	$\cdots$	p_{2b}	$p_{2.}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
A_a	p_{a1}	p_{a2}	$\cdots$	p_{ab}	$p_{a.}$
	$p_{.1}$	$p_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$p_{.b}$	1

$p_{ij} = P(A_i \cap B_j) =$ population proportion in row i and column j

$p_{i.} = P(A_i) =$ population proportion in row i

$p_{.j} = P(B_j) =$ population proportion in column j.

Formulating the hypothesis of "no association"

We wish to test

$$H_0\text{: } P(A_i \cap B_j) = P(A_i)P(B_j) \quad \text{for all } i = 1, \ldots, a,\ j = 1, \ldots, b.$$
$$H_1\text{: } P(A_i \cap B_j) \neq P(A_i)P(B_j) \quad \text{for at least one } i, j.$$

Can write these as

$$H_0\text{: } p_{ij} = p_{i\cdot}p_{\cdot j} \quad \text{for all } i = 1, \ldots, a,\ j = 1, \ldots, b.$$
$$H_1\text{: } p_{ij} \neq p_{i\cdot}p_{\cdot j} \quad \text{for at least one } i, j.$$

Under H_0, the joint probabilities are given by

	B_1	B_2	$\cdots$	B_b	
A_1	$p_{1.}p_{.1}$	$p_{1.}p_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$p_{1.}p_{.b}$	$p_{1.}$
A_2	$p_{2.}p_{.1}$	$p_{2.}p_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$p_{2.}p_{.b}$	$p_{2.}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
A_a	$p_{a.}p_{.1}$	$p_{a.}p_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$p_{a.}p_{.b}$	$p_{a.}$
	$p_{.1}$	$p_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$p_{.b}$	1

Under H_0 we would estimate the probabilities as

	B_1	B_2	$\cdots$	B_b	
A_1	$\hat{p}_{1.}\hat{p}_{.1}$	$\hat{p}_{1.}\hat{p}_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{1.}\hat{p}_{.b}$	$\hat{p}_{1.}$
A_2	$\hat{p}_{2.}\hat{p}_{.1}$	$\hat{p}_{2.}\hat{p}_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{2.}\hat{p}_{.b}$	$\hat{p}_{2.}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
A_a	$\hat{p}_{a.}\hat{p}_{.1}$	$\hat{p}_{a.}\hat{p}_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{a.}\hat{p}_{.b}$	$\hat{p}_{a.}$
	$\hat{p}_{.1}$	$\hat{p}_{.2}$	$\cdots$	$\hat{p}_{.b}$	1

Multiplying these probabilities by $n_{..}$ gives expected counts under H_0.

$$n_{..}\hat{p}_{i.}\hat{p}_{.j} = n_{..}\left(\frac{n_{i.}}{n_{..}}\right)\left(\frac{n_{.j}}{n_{..}}\right) = n_{i.}n_{.j}/n_{..} \quad \text{for } i = 1,\ldots,a, \text{ and } j = 1,\ldots,b,$$

So we want to compare the tables

$$\begin{array}{|cccc|} \hline n_{11} & n_{12} & \ldots & n_{1b} \\ n_{21} & n_{22} & \ldots & n_{2b} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ n_{a1} & n_{a2} & \ldots & n_{ab} \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{|cccc|} \hline n_{1.}n_{.1}/n_{..} & n_{1.}n_{.2}/n_{..} & \ldots & n_{1.}n_{.b}/n_{..} \\ n_{2.}n_{.1}/n_{..} & n_{2.}n_{.2}/n_{..} & \ldots & n_{2.}n_{.b}/n_{..} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ n_{a.}n_{.1}/n_{..} & n_{a.}n_{.2}/n_{..} & \ldots & n_{a.}n_{.b}/n_{..} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Pearson's chi-squared test

Let $O_{ij} = n_{ij}$ and $E_{ij} = n_{i.}n_{.j}/n_{..}$ for $i = 1, \ldots, a$ and $j = 1, \ldots, b$.

Then reject H_0 at significance level α if

$$W_{\text{test}} = \sum_{i=1}^{a}\sum_{j=1}^{b}(O_{ij} - E_{ij})^2/E_{ij} > \chi^2_{(a-1)(b-1),\alpha}.$$

The p-value is $P(W > W_{\text{test}})$, where $W \sim \chi^2_{(a-1)(b-1)}$.

Rule of thumb: Only use Pearson's chi-squared test if $E_{ij} \geq 5$ for all i, j.

Exercise: Run the test on the divorce status vs religious affiliation data:

1. Manually.
2. Using the `chisq.test()` function in R.

```
# build the data table as a matrix
data <- matrix(c(39,19,12,28,18,172,61,44,70,37),nrow=2,byrow=TRUE)

# perform Pearson's chi-square test
chisq.test(data, correct = FALSE)

# retrieve table of expected counts under the null hypothesis
chisq.test(data)$expected
```

Random samples from different populations:

Exercise: Ice cream preferences of 1000 women, 1200 men:

	cup	cone	sundae	sandwich	other	
men	592	300	204	24	80	1200
women	410	335	180	20	55	1000
	1002	635	384	44	135	2200

Note that the row totals are fixed—not random.

1. Discuss the hypotheses of interest.
2. Conduct Pearson's chi-squared test for association.

Two-by-two case with fixed marginal counts:

Exercise: Does a vaccine have an adverse side effect?

	abd. pain	no abd. pain	
vaccine	29	4965	4994
control	2	1376	1378
	31	6341	6372

Note that the row totals are determined by the experimental design.

1. Give the hypotheses of interest.
2. Conduct Pearson's chi-squared test for association and get the p-value.
3. Get the p-value of the test based on the test statistic from earlier

$$Z_{\text{test}} = \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}{\sqrt{\hat{p}_0(1-\hat{p}_0)\left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}}.$$