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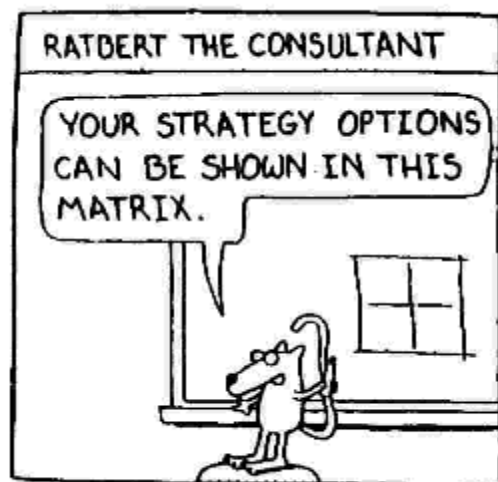
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# Categorical Data

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# Wait-and-See Prescription for the Treatment of Acute Otitis Media

## A Randomized Controlled Trial

**Table 2.** Clinical Outcomes According to Group Designation\*

| Outcome                                                  | WASP Group<br>(n = 132) | SP Group<br>(n = 133) | Unadjusted Difference<br>(95% CI) | Adjusted Difference<br>(95% CI)† | P<br>Value‡ |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>4- to 6-Day Follow-up</b>                             |                         |                       |                                   |                                  |             |
| Parent did not fill the antibiotic prescription, No. (%) | 82 (62)                 | 17 (13)               | 4.86 (3.06 to 7.73)‡              | 4.80 (3.57 to 5.85)‡             | <.001       |
| Days postenrollment prescription was filled, mean (SD)   | 2.0 (0.8)               | 1.2 (0.7)             | 0.77 (0.53 to 1.06)               | 0.75 (0.53 to 1.03)              | <.001       |
| Otalgia, No. (%)                                         | 85 (64)                 | 89 (67)               | 0.96 (0.81 to 1.15)‡              | 1.01 (0.83 to 1.17)‡             | .96         |
| Total days of otalgia, mean (SD)                         | 2.4 (1.2)               | 2.0 (1.2)             | 0.42 (0.07 to 0.78)               | 0.43 (0.07 to 0.80)              | .02         |
| Use of otic analgesia, No. (%)                           | 123 (93)                | 120 (90)              | 1.03 (0.96 to 1.11)‡              | 1.04 (0.94 to 1.08)‡             | .34         |
| Total days of otic analgesia use, mean (SD)              | 2.9 (1.3)               | 2.8 (1.5)             | 0.11 (−0.24 to 0.46)              | 0.11 (−0.25 to 0.46)             | .56         |
| Fever, No. (%)                                           | 42 (32)                 | 46 (35)               | 0.92 (0.65 to 1.30)‡              | 1.04 (0.70 to 1.44)‡             | .85         |
| Total days of fever, mean (SD)                           | 2.0 (1.1)               | 1.7 (1.0)             | 0.24 (−0.22 to 0.63)              | 0.33 (−0.13 to 0.73)             | .20         |
| Use of ibuprofen or acetaminophen, No. (%)               | 118 (89)                | 110 (83)              | 1.08 (0.98 to 1.19)‡              | 1.09 (0.98 to 1.14)‡             | .11         |
| Total days of ibuprofen or acetaminophen, mean (SD)      | 2.6 (1.3)               | 2.4 (1.3)             | 0.18 (−0.16 to 0.52)              | 0.22 (−0.13 to 0.58)             | .22         |
| Diarrhea, No. (%)                                        | 10 (8)                  | 31 (23)               | 0.33 (0.17 to 0.64)‡              | 0.30 (0.14 to 0.64)‡             | <.001       |
| Total days of diarrhea, mean (SD)                        | 2.3 (1.4)               | 2.0 (1.3)             | 0.33 (−0.60 to 1.19)              | 0.20 (−0.80 to 1.15)             | .76         |
| Vomiting, No. (%)                                        | 15 (11)                 | 15 (11)               | 1.01 (0.51 to 1.99)‡              | 1.24 (0.59 to 2.41)‡             | .56         |
| Total days of vomiting, mean (SD)                        | 1.5 (0.9)               | 1.2 (0.6)             | 0.33 (−0.20 to 0.80)              | 0.60 (0.06 to 1.15)              | .02         |
| Unscheduled visit(s) to a clinician, No. (%)             | 13 (10)                 | 11 (8)                | 1.19 (0.55 to 2.56)‡              | 1.17 (0.51 to 2.51)‡             | .70         |

# Measures of Association

- Indicate the strength of the relation between 2 variables (example. recurrence and treatment)

In a prospective study to assess the relationship between smoking and the subsequent risk of lung cancer, a cohort of 2000 people were followed.

|            | Lung Cancer | No Lung Cancer |            |
|------------|-------------|----------------|------------|
| Smoking    | 450 (A)     | 150 (B)        | 600 (A+B)  |
| No Smoking | 150 (C)     | 1250 (D)       | 1400 (C+D) |
|            | 600 (A+C)   | 1400 (B+D)     | 2000 (n)   |

# Binary Outcome

|     |   | Recurrence          | No Recurrence       |                     |
|-----|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Trt | A | a=31                | b=148               | r <sub>1</sub> =179 |
|     | B | c=283               | d=330               | r <sub>2</sub> =613 |
|     |   | c <sub>1</sub> =314 | c <sub>2</sub> =478 | N=792               |

# Measures of Association

## Prospective Studies

- Risk Ratio

$$A = \frac{a}{a+b} = \frac{31}{179} = 0.17$$

$$B = \frac{c}{c+d} = \frac{283}{613} = 0.46$$

$$RR = \frac{\frac{a}{a+b}}{\frac{c}{c+d}} = \frac{0.17}{0.46} = 0.37$$

$$\frac{1}{0.37} = 2.7$$

# Measures of Association

## Prospective Studies

- Risk Difference

$$\frac{a}{a+b} - \frac{c}{c+d} = 0.17 - 0.46 = -0.29$$

Absolute Risk Reduction (ARR) of 0.29

- Number Needed to Treat (NNT)

$$\text{NNT} = \frac{1}{\text{ARR}} = 3.45$$

- How many subjects do we have to treat to prevent 1 recurrence

# Measures of Association

## Prospective Studies

- If risk difference is reversed

$$\frac{c}{c+d} - \frac{a}{a+b} = 0.46 - 0.17 = 0.29$$

- Absolute Risk Increase (ARI)

- Number needed to harm (NNH)

$$\text{NNH} = \frac{1}{\text{ARI}}$$

- How many patients do we need to treat to observe 1 recurrence

# Measures of Association

## Prospective Studies

Odds → Probability of recurrence/Probability of no recurrence

$$\frac{P(R|\text{Trt A})}{1 - P(R|\text{Trt A})} \longleftarrow P(\bar{R} | \text{Trt A})$$

- Odds Ratio – the odds in one group compared to the odds in another group
  - Example

$$OR = \frac{P(R | \text{Trt A})/P(\bar{R} | \text{Trt A})}{P(R | \text{Trt B})/P(\bar{R} | \text{Trt B})} \rightarrow \frac{ad}{bc} = \frac{31 \times 330}{283 \times 148} = 0.24$$

# Measures of Association

## Case Control Studies

- Since we select subjects based on “disease status”,  $a/a+b$  and  $c/c+d$  are meaningless

|     |   | Recurrence | No Recurrence |       |
|-----|---|------------|---------------|-------|
| Trt | A | a          | b             | $r_1$ |
|     | B | c          | d             | $r_2$ |
|     |   | $c_1$      | $c_2$         | N     |

# Measures of Association

## Case Control Studies

- Estimate an exposure OR

$$OR = \frac{P(\text{Trt A} | R) / P(\text{Trt B} | R)}{P(\text{Trt A} | \bar{R}) / P(\text{Trt B} | \bar{R})} \rightarrow \frac{ad}{bc}$$

- The flexibility of the OR across study designs as well as its benefits in multivariable analyses makes it an attractive and much utilized measure

# OR Approximates RR When Rare Disease

- If rare disease,
  - a is small relative to b

$$\frac{a}{a+b} \approx \frac{a}{b}$$

- c is small relative to d

$$\frac{c}{c+d} \approx \frac{c}{d}$$

# Confidence Interval for RR

- When expected cell frequencies are  $>5$  then we can use large sample approximation

$100(1 - \alpha)\%$  CI

$$\ln RR \pm z_{\alpha/2} SE(\ln RR)$$

*Where*

$$SE(\ln RR) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{a+b} + \frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{c+d}}$$

# Confidence Interval for RR

- 95% CI for Example

$$\ln 0.37 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{1}{31} - \frac{1}{179} + \frac{1}{283} - \frac{1}{613}}$$
$$(-1.32, -0.66)$$



$$(e^{-1.32}, e^{-0.66}) = (0.27, 0.52)$$

- 95% sure this interval covers the true population RR

# Confidence Interval for OR

$100(1 - \alpha)\%$  CI

$$\ln OR \pm z_{\alpha/2} SE(\ln OR)$$

*Where*

$$SE(\ln OR) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d}}$$

- 95% CI for Example

$$\ln 0.24 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{1}{31} + \frac{1}{148} + \frac{1}{283} + \frac{1}{330}}$$
$$(-1.84, -1.02) \xrightarrow{\exp} (0.16, 0.36)$$

An  $OR > 1$  means:

- A. Controls had the same exposure as cases
- B. Controls were not selected correctly
- C. Cases were more likely to have had the exposure of interest
- D. Exposed individuals developed disease at a greater frequency

# Hypothesis Testing for Contingency Tables

- In the 2X2 table, the probability of recurrence:

|     |   | Recurrence          | No Recurrence       |                     |
|-----|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Trt | A | a=31                | b=148               | r <sub>1</sub> =179 |
|     | B | c=283               | d=330               | r <sub>2</sub> =613 |
|     |   | c <sub>1</sub> =314 | c <sub>2</sub> =478 | N=792               |

$$P(R) = 314/792 = 0.40$$

# Hypothesis Testing for Contingency Tables

- If there is no relation between treatment and recurrence – expect 40% recurrence for treatment A and 40% recurrence for treatment B

$$P(R \mid \text{Trt A}) = P(R \mid \text{Trt B}) = P(R)$$

# Chi-square Test of Independence

- Under the assumption of independence

$$P(R \text{ and Trt } A) = P(R) \times P(\text{Trt } A)$$

- For each cell, we calculate the expected number of counts under the assumption of independence

$$\begin{aligned} E(a) &= N[P(R) \times P(\text{Trt } A)] = N\left[\frac{c_1}{N} \times \frac{r_1}{N}\right] = \frac{r_1 c_1}{N} \\ &= \frac{314 \times 179}{792} = 70.97 \end{aligned}$$

# Chi-square Test of Independence

$$E(b) = \frac{r_1 c_2}{N} = \frac{179 \times 478}{792} = 108.03$$

$$E(c) = \frac{r_2 c_1}{N} = \frac{613 \times 314}{792} = 243.03$$

$$E(d) = \frac{r_2 c_2}{N} = \frac{613 \times 478}{792} = 369.97$$

- These expected counts are what would have happened if independence was true (i.e. if trt not related to recurrence)

# Chi-square Test of Independence

- Compare observed to expected

$$\begin{aligned}\chi^2 &= \sum \frac{(O - E)^2}{E} \\ &= \frac{(31 - 70.79)^2}{70.79} + \frac{(148 - 108.03)^2}{108.03} + \frac{(283 - 243.03)^2}{243.03} + \frac{(330 - 369.97)^2}{369.97} \\ &= 48.19\end{aligned}$$

- Compare chi-square statistic to critical chi-square:

$$\chi^2_{\alpha} \text{ with } (r - 1)(c - 1) \text{ d.f.}$$

# Chi-square Test of Independence

- From table of critical chi-square values (p 356)

$$\chi^2_{0.05,1} = 3.84$$

– Reject Null

# Assumptions for Chi-square Test of Independence

- Random and independent sampling of subjects
- All cells should have expected counts  $> 5$ 
  - If don't satisfy – use Fisher's exact test

# Evaluation and Adjustment for Confounding

- Example – investigation of maternal tranquilizer use and the risk of malformation
  - Smoking is associated with increased risk for malformation
  - Tranquilizer users are more likely to smoke

# Evaluation and Adjustment for Confounding

- Stratum-specific OR

| SMOKE |       |     | DISEASE |     | Total |        |
|-------|-------|-----|---------|-----|-------|--------|
|       |       |     | No      | Yes |       |        |
| Non   | TRANQ | No  | 1916    | 848 | 2764  | → 1.44 |
|       |       | Yes | 47      | 30  | 77    |        |
|       | Total |     | 1963    | 878 | 2841  |        |
| 1-20  | TRANQ | No  | 826     | 361 | 1187  | → 3.70 |
|       |       | Yes | 13      | 21  | 34    |        |
|       | Total |     | 839     | 382 | 1221  |        |
| 21+   | TRANQ | No  | 122     | 75  | 197   | → 3.66 |
|       |       | Yes | 8       | 18  | 26    |        |
|       | Total |     | 130     | 93  | 223   |        |

# Mantel-Haenszel Odds Ratio

- Summary OR that adjusts for a confounder

$$OR_{MH} = \frac{\sum_k a_k d_k / n_k}{\sum_k b_k c_k / n_k}$$

|                                |                       |             |       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------|
| Estimate                       |                       |             | 2.154 |
| ln(Estimate)                   |                       |             | .767  |
| Std. Error of ln(Estimate)     |                       |             | .176  |
| Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)          |                       |             | .000  |
| Asymp. 95% Confidence Interval | Common Odds Ratio     | Lower Bound | 1.525 |
|                                |                       | Upper Bound | 3.041 |
|                                | ln(Common Odds Ratio) | Lower Bound | .422  |
|                                |                       | Upper Bound | 1.112 |

# Mantel-Haenszel Odds Ratio

- $OR_{MH}$  (common odds ratio) is valid under the assumption that the stratum-specific ORs are similar
  - Can test this using the Breslow-Day Test for Homogeneity of Odds Ratios

| Statistics               |                 | Chi-Squared | df | Asymp. Sig. (2-sided) |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|----|-----------------------|
| Conditional Independence | Cochran's       | 19.619      | 1  | .000                  |
|                          | Mantel-Haenszel | 18.776      | 1  | .000                  |
| Homogeneity              | Breslow-Day     | 6.626       | 2  | .036                  |
|                          | Tarone's        | 6.625       | 2  | .036                  |

MAYBE AN R EXAMPLE  
HERE Chi-square and MH

# Multiple Logistic Regression

- Used to evaluate the relation between a binary outcome and multiple independent variables of all types
- Example – an ED wants to identify using a number of different variables, which patients were most likely to have a BAC > 50 mg/dl

# Multivariable Model, Derivation Sample

**Table 2. Multivariable Model, Derivation Sample**

| Patient Characteristic                                                      | % With HN | Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% CI, Adjusted) |         |                 |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
|                                                                             |           | Model 1,<br>Primary                    | P Value | Model 2         | P Value |
| Race                                                                        |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| Nonblack                                                                    | 53.7      | 2.1 (1.0-4.4)                          | .06     | 2.2 (1.0-4.6)   | .046    |
| Black                                                                       | 39.2      | 1 [Reference]                          |         | 1 [Reference]   |         |
| History of recurrent urinary tract infections                               |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| Yes                                                                         | 76.0      | 2.7 (0.8-8.5)                          | .10     | 2.3 (0.7-7.1)   | .16     |
| No                                                                          | 46.3      | 1 [Reference]                          |         | 1 [Reference]   |         |
| Diagnosis consistent with possible obstruction <sup>a</sup>                 |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| Yes                                                                         | 67.4      | 2.4 (1.2-4.6)                          | .01     | 2.4 (1.2-4.7)   | .009    |
| No                                                                          | 36.0      | 1 [Reference]                          |         | 1 [Reference]   |         |
| History of HN <sup>b</sup>                                                  |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| Yes                                                                         | 90.3      | 11.1 (3.0-41.3)                        | <.001   | 11.7 (3.0-45.2) | <.001   |
| No                                                                          | 42.6      | 1 [Reference]                          |         | 1 [Reference]   |         |
| History of CHF                                                              |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| No                                                                          | 52.7      | 2.1 (0.8-5.2)                          | .12     | 2.0 (0.8-5.0)   | .14     |
| Yes                                                                         | 37.1      | 1 [Reference]                          |         | 1 [Reference]   |         |
| History of prerenal AKI, use of pressors or history of sepsis               |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| No                                                                          | 53.0      | 2.3 (0.9-6.2)                          | .10     | NA              | NA      |
| Yes                                                                         | 35.3      | 1 [Reference]                          |         | NA              | NA      |
| History of prerenal AKI, use of pressors, history of sepsis, or hypotension |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| No                                                                          | 60.2      | NA                                     | NA      | 2.1 (0.9-3.6)   | .04     |
| Yes                                                                         | 40.2      | NA                                     | NA      | 1 [Reference]   |         |
| Exposure to nephrotoxic medications prior to AKI <sup>c</sup>               |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| No                                                                          | 62.2      | 2.1 (1.0-3.85)                         | .053    | 1.8 (0.9-3.6)   | .09     |
| Yes                                                                         | 38.2      | 1 [Reference]                          |         | 1 [Reference]   |         |
| Model characteristic                                                        |           |                                        |         |                 |         |
| AIC, score                                                                  |           | 237                                    |         | 235             |         |
| Accuracy, %                                                                 |           | 74                                     |         | 73              |         |
| C statistic                                                                 |           | 0.79                                   |         | 0.80            |         |

Abbreviations: AIC, Akaike information criterion; AKI, acute kidney injury; CHF, congestive heart failure; CI, confidence interval; HN, hydronephrosis; NA, not applicable.

<sup>a</sup>Diagnosis consistent with possible obstruction: benign prostatic hyperplasia, abdominal or pelvic cancer, neurogenic bladder, single functional kidney, or previous pelvic surgery.

<sup>b</sup>History of HN: documented history of HN in the medical record or any imaging history of HN in the 2 years prior to the current RUS.

<sup>c</sup>Nephrotoxic medications: aspirin (>81 mg/d), diuretic, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor, or intravenous vancomycin.

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# Multiple Logistic Regression

- The probability of observing a particular outcome is defined as:

$$p = \frac{1}{1 + e^{[-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots \beta_k x_k)]}}$$

- Using the logistic regression results in straightforward model interpretation

$$\ln odds = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots \beta_k x_k$$

# Multiple Logistic Regression

- Interpretation
  - Example 1– let  $x_1$  be a 0/1 indicator of gender
    - 0=M; 1=F
    - $\ln(\text{odds}_M) = \beta_0 + \beta_1(0) = \beta_0$
    - $\ln(\text{odds}_F) = \beta_0 + \beta_1(1) = \beta_0 + \beta_1$

$$\text{OR} = \frac{\text{odds}_F}{\text{odds}_M} = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1}}{e^{\beta_0}} = e^{\beta_1}$$

# Multiple Logistic Regression

- Interpretation
  - Example 2— let  $x_1$  be a continuous variable such as age
    - $\beta_{age}=0.083$
    - OR for a 40y compared to a 25y old

$$e^{\beta_{age}(x_i - x_j)} = e^{0.083(40-25)}$$

$$OR = 3.47$$

# Multiple Logistic Regression

- Parameters are estimated using maximum likelihood (as opposed to least squares)
- CI for OR

$$e^{\beta_1 \pm z_{\alpha/2} se(\beta_1)}$$

- Hypothesis Test – Wald statistic
  - $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$

$$\left( \frac{\hat{\beta}_k}{se_{\beta_k}} \right)^2 \sim \chi^2_{1d.f}$$

MAYBE AN R EXAMPLE  
HERE LOGISTIC  
REGRESSION