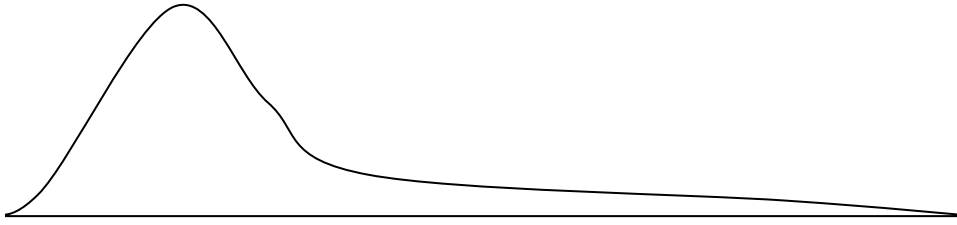


## $\chi^2$ (Chi-Square)

- one of the most versatile statistics there is
- $\chi^2$  is a **skewed** distribution



- There is a different  $\chi^2$  distribution for every number of degrees of freedom
- The  $\chi^2$  distribution is Table 7 in the back of your book.

One use for  $\chi^2$  is testing standard deviations.

- This is most often used in quality control situations in industry.

### QUESTION:

- Is the standard deviation too large?
- Is the data too spread out?

### HYPOTHESES:

$H_0$ : The standard deviation is close to what it should be.

$H_1$ : The standard deviation is too big. (It is significantly larger than it should be.)

### CRITICAL VALUE:

- $df = n - 1$
- Look up  $\alpha$  in the column at the top.

### FORMULA:

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}$$

Important—this test is **NOT** built into the TI-83. You MUST do it with the formula.

- $\sigma$  is what the standard deviation **should** be.
- $s$  is what the standard deviation actually is in your sample.

### Example:

Bags of Fritos® are supposed to have an average weight of 5.75 ounces. An acceptable standard deviation is .05 ounces.

Suppose a sample of 6 bags of Fritos® finds a standard deviation of .08 ounces. Is this unacceptably large? (Use  $\alpha = .05$ )

- $df = 6 - 1 = 5$
- Critical:  $\chi^2 = 11.07$
- Test:

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(5).08^2}{.05^2} = 12.8$$

(Note that the mean is irrelevant in the problem.)

- This is significant.

### Example:

A wire manufacturer wants its finished product to be within a certain tolerance. For this to happen, the standard deviation should be less than 2.4 microns. Suppose a sample of size 20 finds the standard deviation is 3.1 microns. Do they need to adjust the machinery? Use  $\alpha = .01$

- $df = 20 - 1 = 19$
- Critical:  $\chi^2 = 36.19$
- Test:

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(19)3.1^2}{2.4^2} = 31.6997$$

This is **NOT** significant. They don't need to adjust the machines.

### REVIEW

When checking out, customers prefer consistent service—rather than lines that move at different speeds. A discount store company finds that in the past the average wait to check out has been 249 seconds, with a standard deviation of 46 seconds. They try a new check-out method at 12 different check lanes and find that the standard deviation with the new method is 54 seconds. Does this mean the new method has a significantly bigger variation in wait time? Do a standard deviation  $\chi^2$  test at the 10% level of significance.

Remember

CRITICAL VALUE (table):

$$d.f. = n - 1$$

So 11 d.f. and  $\alpha = .10$

$$\chi^2(11, .100) = 17.28$$

TEST STATISTIC (calculator):

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}$$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{11 \cdot 54^2}{46^2}$$

$$\chi^2 = 15.16$$

### **Categorical Chi-Square Test**

(a.k.a. "Goodness of Fit" Test)

#### QUESTION:

- Is the distribution of data into various categories different from what is expected?
- Key idea—you have **qualitative** data (characteristics) that can be divided into **more than 2** categories.
- You're comparing what the distribution in different categories **should** be with what it actually is in your sample.

#### HYPOTHESES:

$H_1$ : The distribution is significantly different from what is expected.

$H_0$ : The distribution is not significantly different from what is expected.

#### CRITICAL VALUE:

- $df = k - 1$
- one less than the number of categories

#### TEST STATISTIC:

- This test is on the TI-84, but **not** on the TI-83.
- Unless you have a TI-84, you will need to use the formula.

#### Formula:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O - E)^2}{E}$$

For each category:

- Subtract observed value (what it is in your sample) minus expected value (what it should be).
- Square the difference.
- Divide the square by the expected value.

Add up the answers for all categories.

Example:

A teacher wants different types of work to count toward the final grade as follows:

- Daily Work → 25%
- Tests → 50%
- Project → 15%
- Class Part. → 10%

When points for the term are figured, the actual number of points in each category is:

- Daily Work → 175
- Tests → 380
- Project → 100
- Class Part. → 75

**TOTAL POINTS = 730**

Critical Value:

There are 4 categories, so we have 3 degrees of freedom.

Since no level of significance is given, let's use  $\alpha = .10$ .

$$\chi^2(3, .10) = 6.25$$

Test Statistic:

To solve the problem we first compute the expected values:

(Take each % times 730 total points.)

	O	E
Daily	175	182.5
Tests	380	365
Project	100	109.5
Class	75	73

Using the formula we get  $.31 + .62 + .82 + .05 = 1.80$

Comparison:

- $1.80 < 6.25$
- The distribution is **NOT** significantly different from what was expected.

If you have a TI-84, here's what you do ...

Enter the numbers

- Go to **STAT** → EDIT
- Type the **observed** values in L1.
- Type the **expected** values in L2. (You can just take each percent times the total.)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> / **MODE** (QUIT)

Do the test

- Go to **STAT** → TESTS
- Choose choice "D" (you may want to use the up arrow)... X<sup>2</sup>GOF-Test
- Hit **ENTER** repeatedly. (It doesn't actually matter what you put on the "df" line.)
- In the read-out what you care about is X<sup>2</sup>.

### EXAMPLE

You think your friend is cheating at cards, so you keep track of which suit all the cards that are played in a hand are. It turns out to be:

• ♦	→	4
• ♥	→	2
• ♣	→	13
• ♠	→	1

You'd normally expect that 25% of all cards would be of each suit. At the .01 level of significance, is this distribution significantly different than should be expected?

#### Critical Value

- $\chi^2(3 \text{ d.f.}, .01) = 11.34$

#### Test Statistic

	O	E	(O-E)	(O-E) <sup>2</sup>	$\frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$
♦	4	5	-1	1	.2
♥	2	5	-3	9	1.8
♣	13	5	8	64	12.8
♠	1	5	-4	16	3.2

$$\sum \frac{(O-E)^2}{E} = 18$$

#### RESULT:

- $18 > 11.34$
- Significant

You can do categorical  $\chi^2$  tests online. One website with a chi-square calculator is

<http://faculty.vassar.edu/lowry/csfit.html>

- This is linked from the class web page.
- You may want to use it for your project, if you don't have a TI-84.
- You will need to enter the observed values and **either** the expected values or the expected proportions.
- For instance, the card problem would look like:

Category	Observed Frequency	Expected Frequency	Expected Proportion
A	4		.25
B	2		.25
C	13		.25
D	1		.25
E			
F			
G			
H			

- When you hit **CALCULATE**, chi-square is calculated, together with the degrees of freedom and other information.
- The results of the card problem look like this:

Category	Observed Frequency	Expected Frequency	Expected Proportion
A	4	5	.25
B	2	5	.25
C	13	5	.25
D	1	5	.25
E			
F			
G			
H			

**Sums:**

**Observed Frequencies:** 20

**Expected Frequencies:** 20

**Expected Proportions:** 1.0

Reset Calculate

[Note that for  $df=1$ , the calculated value of chi-square is corrected for continuity.] [For  $df=1$ , this is the uncorrected value of chi-square.]

**chi-square =** 18

**df =** 3

**P =** 0.00043985 [non-directional]

- If you need to do a categorical chi-square test for your project, this is the suggested method.

**Matrix Chi-Square Test**  
(a.k.a. “Independence” Test)

- Compares two qualitative variables.
- **QUESTION:** Does the distribution of one variable change from one value to the other variable to another.
- We use this when we have two different qualitative variables.
- The information is generally arranged in a table.

For example:

Suppose in a TV class there were students at all 5 centers, in the following distribution:

	Male	Female
Algona	5	7
E’burg	3	2
E’ville	4	4
Spenc.	4	7
S.L.	3	3

Does the distribution of men and women vary significantly by center?

- Information for a matrix  $\chi^2$  test is generally presented in a table (matrix).
- Our question essentially is—is the distribution of the columns different from row to row in the table?

Hypotheses:

- $H_1$ : The variables are independent (there is not a significant difference in the distribution from row to row.)
- $H_0$ : There is a significant difference in the distribution from row to row. (The variables are dependent.)

Critical Value:

- d.f. = (R - 1)(C - 1)
  - one less than the number of rows  
TIMES
  - one less than the number of columns
- Look up d.f. and  $\alpha$  in the  $\chi^2$  table.

Test Statistic:

- In theory you can calculate  $\chi^2$  with the same formula used for the categorical test:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O - E)^2}{E}$$

- To find the "E's" (which you won't have to do) you'd total the rows and columns of the table and then

$$E = \frac{RT \times CT}{GT}$$

- Row Total X Column Total ÷ Grand Total
- Realistically, no one does it that way these days.\
- If you have a TI-83 or TI-84, this **is** the  $\chi^2$ -Test built into the "Tests" menu.
- To do this ...
  - Enter the observed matrix as [A] in the MATRIX menu.
    - Press **MATRIX** or **2<sup>nd</sup>** and **x<sup>-1</sup>**, depending on which TI-83 you have.
    - Choose "EDIT"
    - Choose matrix [A]
    - Type the number of rows and columns, pressing **ENTER** after each.
    - Enter each number, going across each row, and hitting **ENTER** after each.
  - Press **2<sup>nd</sup>** and **MODE** to QUIT back to a blank screen.
  - Go to **STAT**, then TESTS, and choose  $\chi^2$ -Test.
  - Make sure it says [A] and [B] as the observed and expected matrices. If it does just hit **ENTER** three times.
  - The read-out will give you  $\chi^2$  and the degrees of freedom.

Back to our example:

	Male	Female
Algona	5	7
E'burg	3	2
E'ville	4	4
Spenc.	4	7
S.L.	3	3

Critical Value:

- Since there's no  $\alpha$  given in the problem, let's use  $\alpha = .05$
- There are 5 rows and 2 columns, so we have (4)(1)=4 df
- $\chi^2(4, .05) = 9.49$

**MATRIX** → EDIT → [A]

Enter the rows and columns

5 **ENTER** 2 **ENTER**

Type the numbers, going across and hitting ENTER after each. The screen will look like this:

MATRIX[A]	5	X2
[	5	7
[	3	2
[	4	4
[	4	7
[	3	3
]		]

2<sup>nd</sup> → MODE to QUIT

STAT → TESTS →

X<sup>2</sup>-Test (Choice C)

The screen looks like this:

```
X2-Test
Observed: [A]
Expected: [B]
Calculate Draw
```

Press ENTER until you get the answer:

```
X2-Test
X2= .9794466403
P= .9128963711
df=4
```

RESULT

- .979 < 9.49
- NOT significant

If you don't have a TI-83 or TI-84, you can find an online calculator for the matrix  $\chi^2$ -test at

[http://www.georgetown.edu/faculty/ballc/webtools/web\\_chi.html](http://www.georgetown.edu/faculty/ballc/webtools/web_chi.html)

- This is also linked from the class web page.
- It first asks for the dimensions (rows and columns)
- For the problem we just did, it looks like this:

## Web Chi Square Calculator

[Chi Square Tutorial](#) | [Run a demo](#) | [Jeff's demo](#) | [Begin chi square](#)

This page allows you to perform the chi square test for statistical significance. and columns for your test, and a table will be generated in which you can enter information, select one of the options above.

Table dimensions:  rows x  columns

Generate table

Reset

- Hit **Generate Table** to produce a table where you can type your numbers.
- You don't need to worry about the row and column labels or the title (though if you want a nice-looking presentation copy, you can fill them in).
- For our problem, it looks like this:

You may reuse this form by pressing **Reset** and entering new data.

**Table name:**

	Column 1	Column 2	Total
Row 1	5	7	
Row 2	3	2	
Row 3	4	4	
Row 4	4	7	
Row 5	3	3	
Total			

Results reporting:  normal  verbose

- Press the “Calculate chi square” button to get your answer. (You will want to select “normal” unless you want to see how it was calculated.)
- The result looks like this:

## Web Chi Square Calculator: Results

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	Column 1	Column 2	Total
Row 1	5	7	12
Row 2	3	2	5
Row 3	4	4	8
Row 4	4	7	11
Row 5	3	3	6
Total	19	23	42

Degrees of freedom: 4

Chi-square = 0.979446640316206

For significance at the .05 level, chi-square should be greater than or equal to 9.49.

The distribution is not significant.

$p$  is less than or equal to 1.

(Sometimes it gives information on a critical value, and sometimes it doesn't.)

On your final test, you won't have to calculate  $\chi^2$  for a matrix chi-square test. However, you will have to do problems like this ...

A college did a study where they compared the evaluations students gave their professors to the grades the students earned in the class. The results for a certain professor are given below:

Student Grade → Professor Rating ↓	A	B	C	D or F
Excellent	3	6	3	0
Average	3	2	2	1
Poor	3	1	2	2

If you did a matrix  $\chi^2$  test on this data, how many **degrees of freedom** would there be?

Use the table to find a critical value for  $\chi^2$ .

If you did a matrix  $\chi^2$  test, the calculated value of  $\chi^2$  would be 5.44 . **Yes or No**—do people with different grades tend to give their professors significantly different ratings?