## Reading

• BPS Chapter 25

## Exercises

## BPS - Check your skills

Chapter 25 # 19-29 (answers: a,b,a,b,a,c,a,b,b,c,b) You do not need to turn these in.

**BPS** Chapter 25 # 31, 32\*, 33, 38\*, 39, 40, 41, 44, 46

\* For #32, the data set distributed by our book is corrupt. There is a repaired version available on our web page.

\* For #38: Perform the chi-square test in part (c) and report the value of the test statistic  $\chi^2$  and the P-value. R can perform an exact version of the chi-square test using simulation, which does not require the minimum cell counts. Use the option simulate.p.value=TRUE to the chisq.test function to try this. Compare the test statistic and P-value for the two methods.

## Heart Attack Patients

This set of data is all of the hospital discharges in New York State with an admitting diagnosis of an Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI), also called a heart attack, who did not have surgery, in the year 1993. There are 12,844 cases. Data provided by Health Process Management of Doylestown, PA.

- AGE gives age in years
- SEX is coded M for males F for females
- DIAGNOSIS is in the form of an International Classification of Diseases, 9th Edition, Clinical Modification code. These tell which part of the heart was affected.
- DRG is the Diagnosis Related Group. It groups together patients with similar management. In this data set there are just three different DRGs:
  - 121 for AMIs with cardiovascular complications who did not die.
  - 122 for AMIs without cardiovascular complications who did not die.
  - 123 for AMIs where the patient died.
- LOS gives the hospital length of stay in days.
- DIED has a 1 for patients who died in hospital and a 0 otherwise.
- CHARGES gives the total hospital charges in dollars.
- 1. Mortality and gender. Make a 2x2 table of SEX and DIED, and use this to make a mosaic plot comparing the death rates by gender. Print your plot. Which gender is more likely to die? Is the difference statistically significant? State hypothesis and carry out a chi-square test.
- 2. Diagnosis group and gender. Make a table of SEX and DRG, and use this to make a barplot with side-by-side M/F bars in each of the DRG categories. Print your plot. Describe the differences between diagnosis group for male and female patients. Are the differences statistically significant?
- 3. Mortality and diagnosis. Which diagnosis is the most common? Which diagnosis has the highest mortality?