

Exercise walk-through

Setting Up a Chi-Square Goodness of Fit Test ■ 8.2

eXercise

You must be able to

- state the hypotheses for a goodness-of-fit test
- calculate **expected counts** as $n \cdot p_i$
- write the statistic $\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O - E)^2}{E}$

Method — Hypotheses

- **Null** H_0 : the distribution **matches** the claimed proportions.
- **Alternative** H_a : at least one proportion is different.

Method — Expected counts and the statistic

The expected count in a category is $E = n \cdot p_i$. The test statistic is

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

with degrees of freedom = (number of categories) - 1.

Practice 2.1 ■ 1 mark

State the null hypothesis for a goodness-of-fit test.

Solution 2.1

Worked steps

the distribution matches the claimed proportions **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 1 mark

Write the formula for an expected count.

Solution 2.2

Method: Expected counts and the statistic

Worked steps

$$E = n \cdot p_i \text{ (B1)}.$$

Practice 2.3 ■ 2 marks

For $n = 200$ and a claimed proportion of 0.25, find the expected count.

Solution 2.3

Worked steps

$$E = 200 \times 0.25 = 50 \quad \text{M1} \quad \text{A1}.$$

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

The expected count for a category is

A n

B $n \cdot p_i$

C $O - E$

D $\sqrt{n}$

Solution 3.1

Method: Expected counts and the statistic

A n

B $n \cdot p_i$



C $O - E$

D $\sqrt{n}$

Worked steps

B.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

The chi-square statistic is

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

B $\sum (O - E)$

C $\sum \frac{O}{E}$

D $\sqrt{O - E}$

Solution 3.2

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



B $\sum(O - E)$

C $\sum \frac{O}{E}$

D $\sqrt{O - E}$

Worked steps

A.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 2 marks

A fair die is rolled 120 times.

- (a) State the expected count for each face.
- (b) Write the chi-square statistic formula.

Solution 3.3

Method: Expected counts and the statistic

Worked steps

$$(a) 120 \times \frac{1}{6} = 20 \quad \text{M1 A1}. \quad (b) \chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O - E)^2}{E} \quad \text{B1}.$$