

Marginal, Partial, and Conditional
Views of Categorical Data

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Graphical Methods for Categorical Data

- Goals: develop graphical methods for categorical data which serve needs of
 - *reconnaissance*—a preliminary overview of complex terrain;
 - *exploration*—help detect patterns or unusual circumstances, or suggest hypotheses;
 - *model building & diagnosis*—critique a fitted model as a reasonable statistical summary.
- Attempt to integrate these with methods for continuous data
- Categorical data needs a different visual representation: count \sim area ([Friendly, 1995](#))
- Static vs Dynamic displays

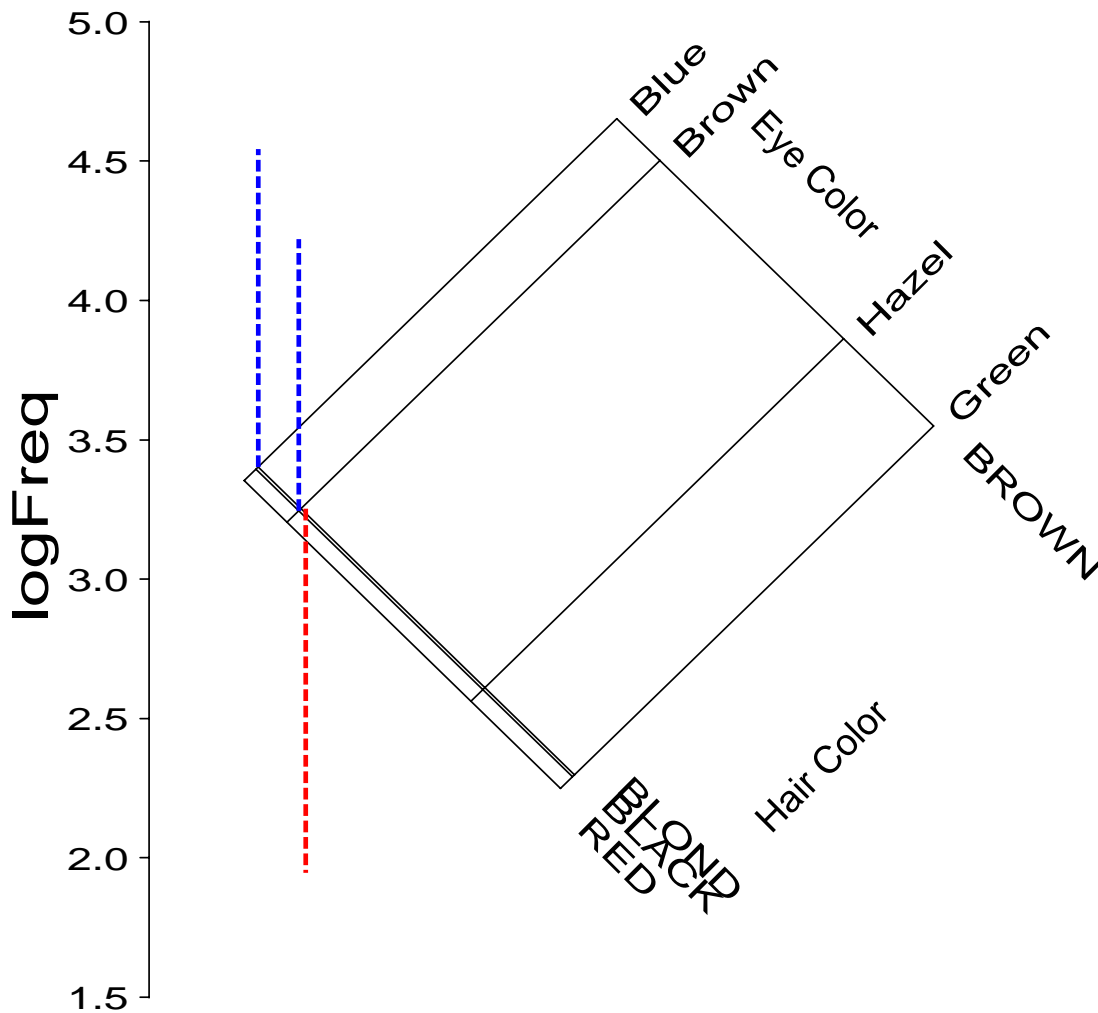
A dim idea: Two-way table display

- For a two-way table, the saturated log-linear model is formally equivalent to a two-factor ANOVA model.

$$\log(m_{ij}) = \mu + \lambda_i^A + \lambda_j^B + \lambda_{ij}^{AB}$$

$$E(Y_{ij}) = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + (\alpha\beta)_{ij}$$

- Suggests use of Tukey's two-way display of log(Freq)
 - Rows and columns ordered by mean log(Freq)
 - Vertical position shows fitted log(Freq) under independence
 - Residuals show deviations from independence
- But: main effect ordering not useful for counts - interest is on interactions



Hair2way

Graphic metaphor: count ~ area

- $A \perp B \rightarrow p_{ij} = p_{i+} \times p_{+j}$
- \therefore each cell can be drawn as a rectangle, with area = height \times width = frequency.

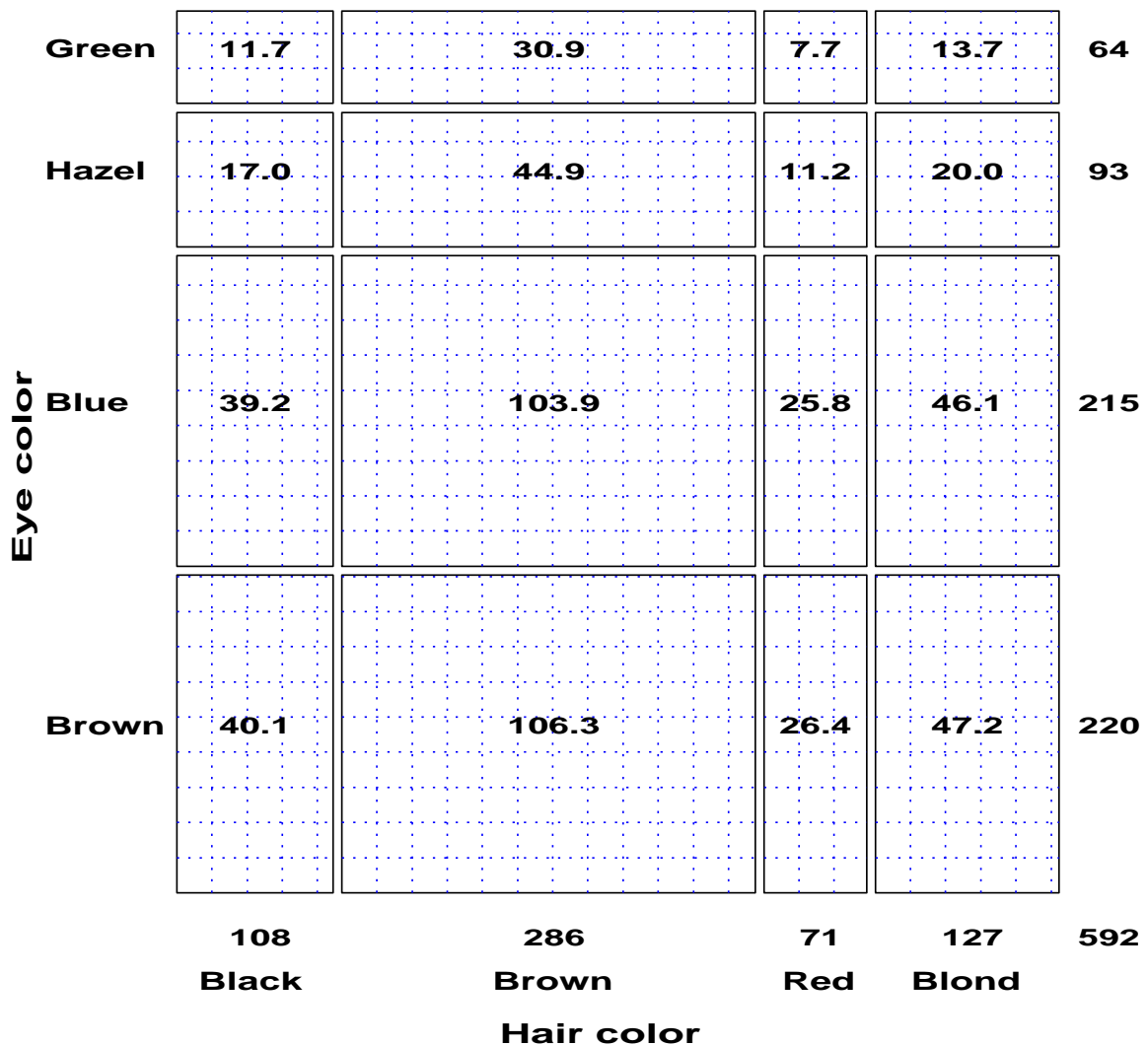


Figure 1: Expected frequencies under independence.

Fourfold display for $2 \times 2 \times 2$ tables

- Quarter circles: **area** \sim **frequency**
- **Odds ratio**: θ = ratio of diagonally opposite cells
- **Standardize**: equal margins, same odds ratio (IPF)
- **Independence**: Adjacent segments equal
- **Confidence rings**: Overlap \longleftrightarrow Accept $H_0 : \theta = 1$

Ex: Berkeley admissions data $\theta = \Pr \left(\frac{\text{Admit} | \text{Male}}{\text{Admit} | \text{Female}} \right) = 1.84$

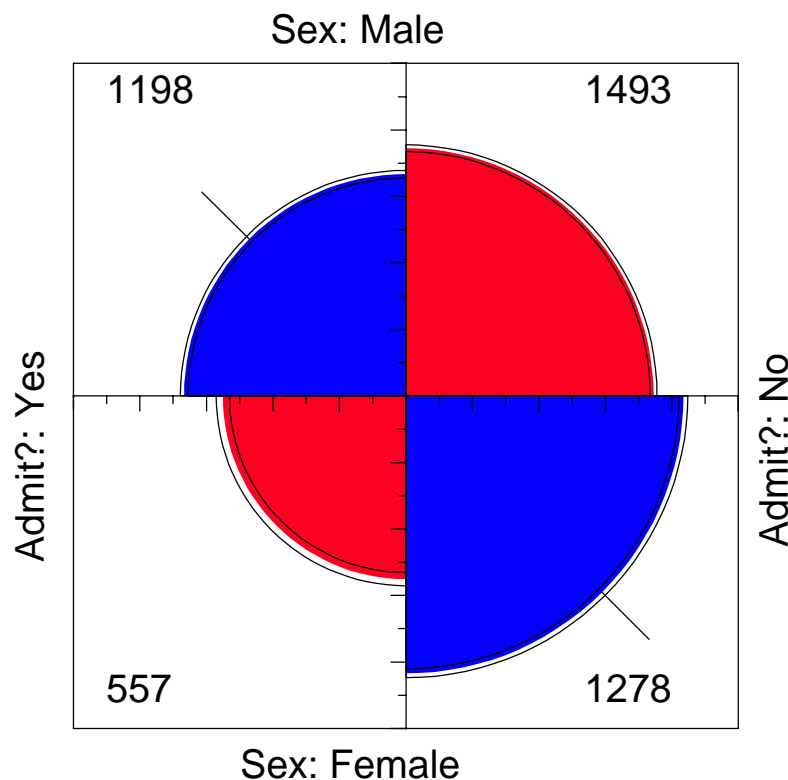


Figure 2: Berkeley admissions: Evidence for sex bias?

Multiple strata

- Multiple strata - one for each
- (Different rates of acceptance not visible)

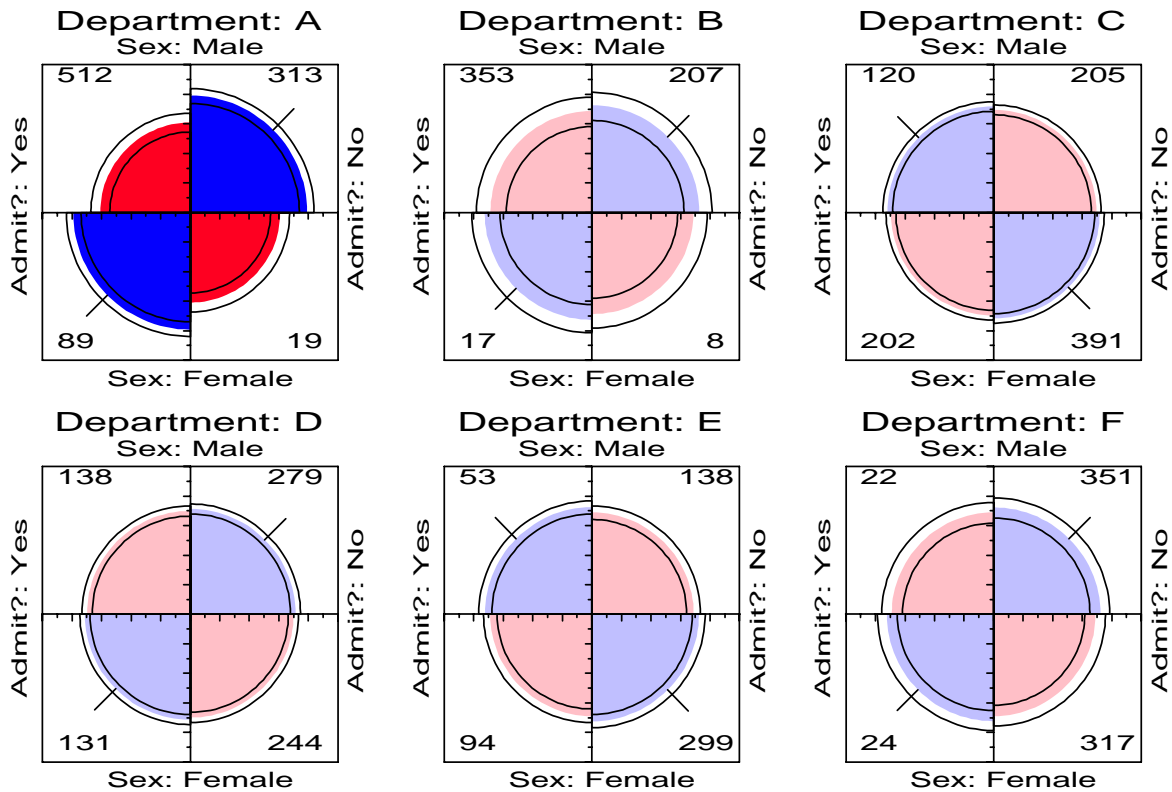


Figure 3: Berkeley admissions, by Department

Visualization principles

- **Controlled comparison** - compare, holding other things constant
 - Hold angles constant, vary radius \longrightarrow corresponding cells in same position.
 - Equate row, col, or both margins, while keeping odds ratio fixed
- **Visual impact** - distinguish what should stand out ($\theta \neq 1$)

Mosaic displays

- Width \sim one set of marginal probabilities, p_{i+}
- Height \sim conditional probabilities, $p_{j|i}$
- area \sim count, n_{ij} .
- **Independence:** Shown when cells align

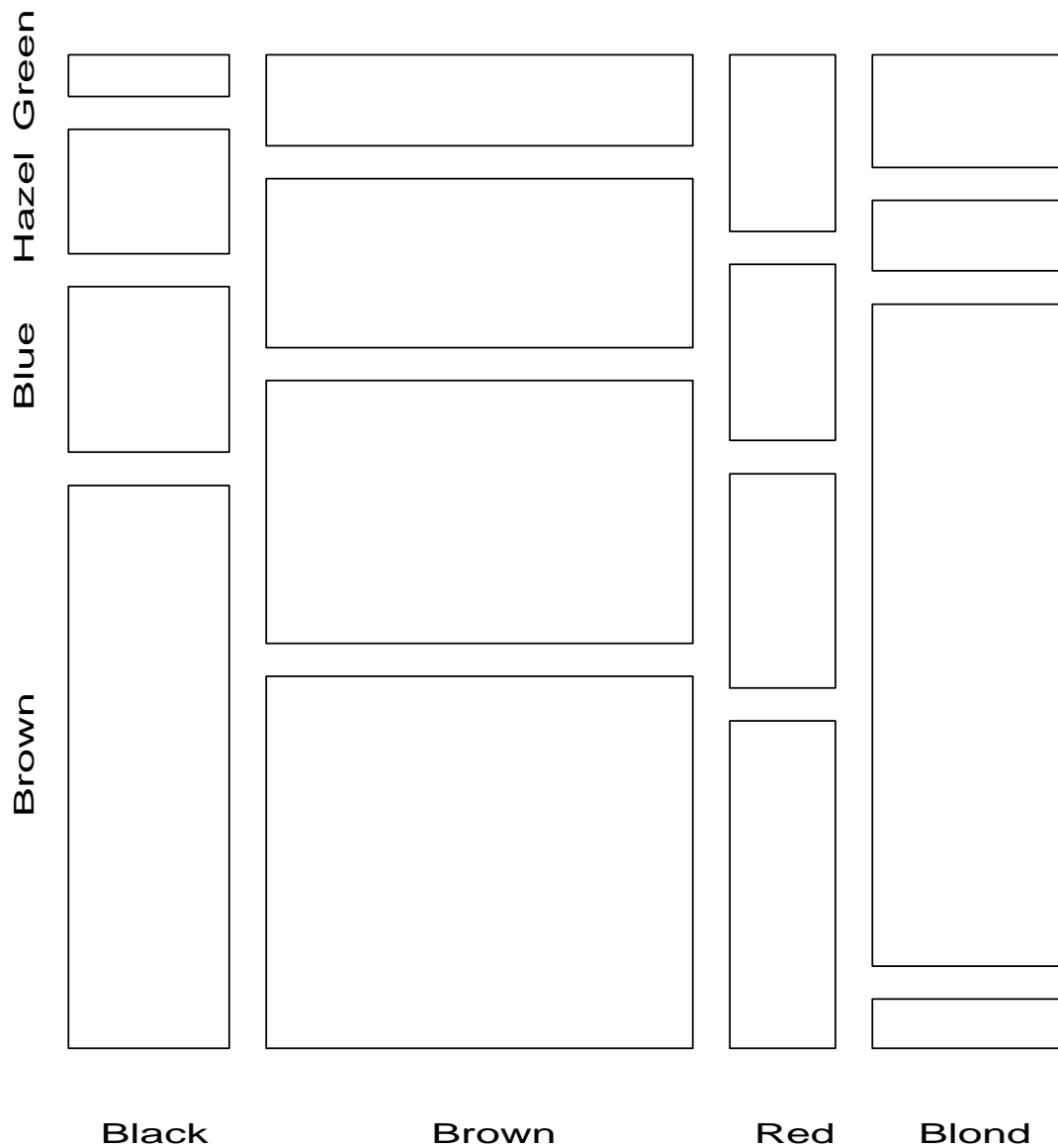


Figure 4: Basic mosaic display for hair-color and eye color data.

Enhanced mosaic display

- **Display residuals, d_{ij} , by color and shading**
 - Sign: color ($d_{ij} > 0$, $d_{ij} < 0$) Magnitude: $|d_{ij}| \sim$ darkness
- **Reorder categories** - opposite corner pattern (CA scores)
- **Independence**: Cells are empty! ($d_{ij} \approx 0$: black)

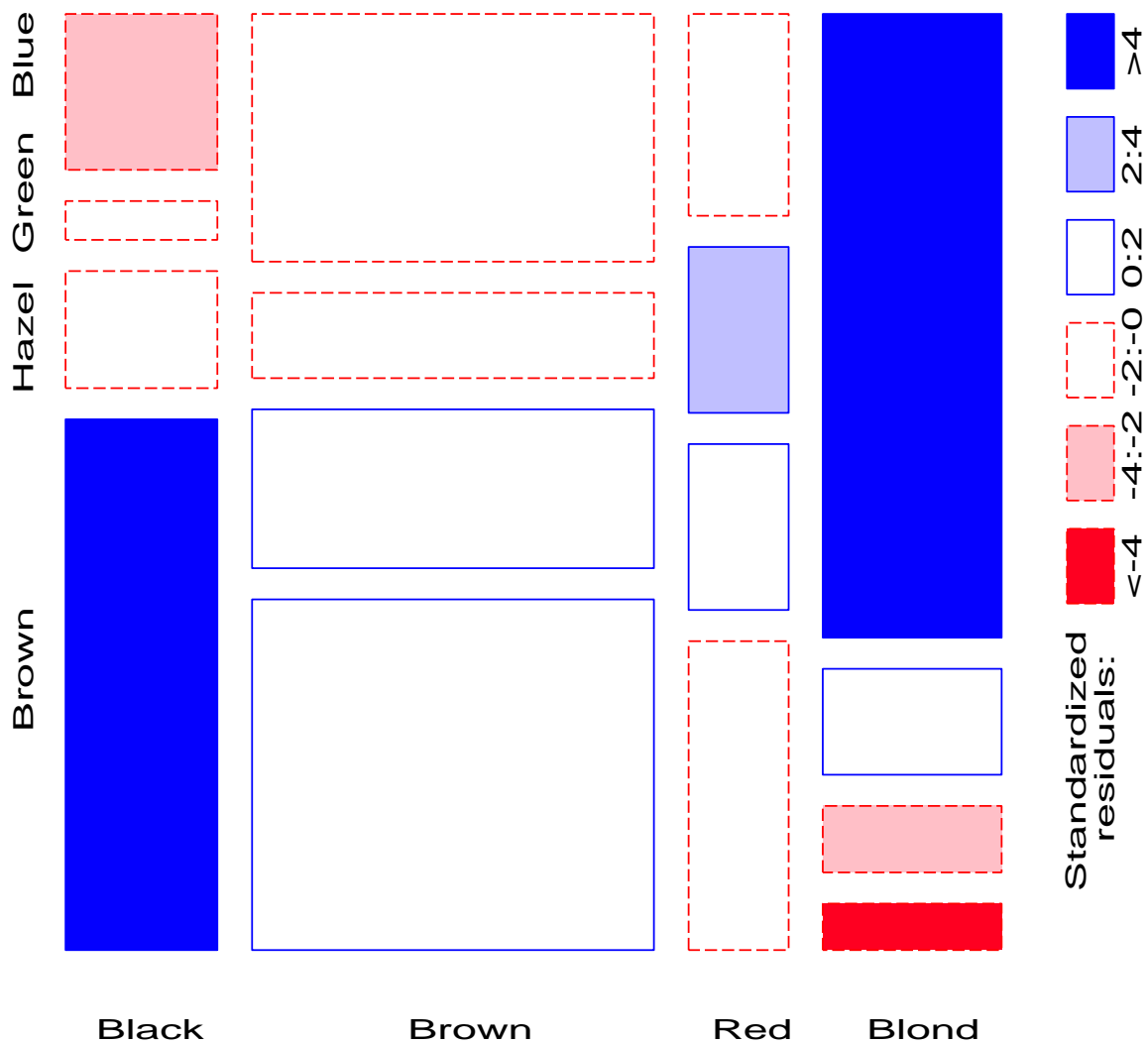


Figure 5: Extended mosaic, reordered and shaded.

Multi-way tables

- Generalizes to n -way tables (divide recursively)
- Can fit *any* log-linear model, e.g., [AB][C], [AC][BC], etc.
- Shows both the **DATA** (area) and **RESIDUALS** (shading)

Example: Joint Independence, $G^2(15) = 19.86$. (Do blue-eyed blonds have more fun?)

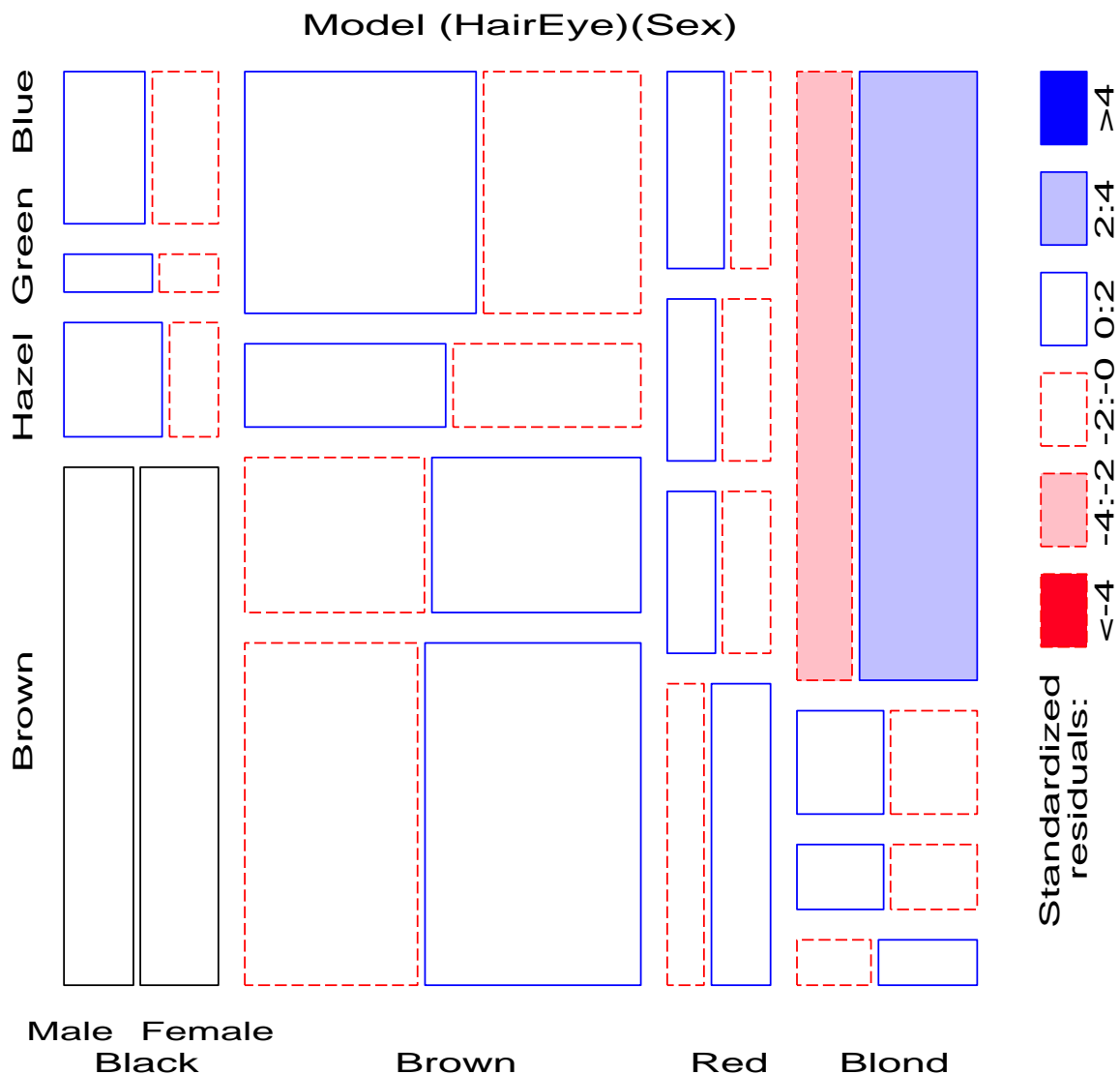


Figure 6: Three-way mosaic, Joint independence.

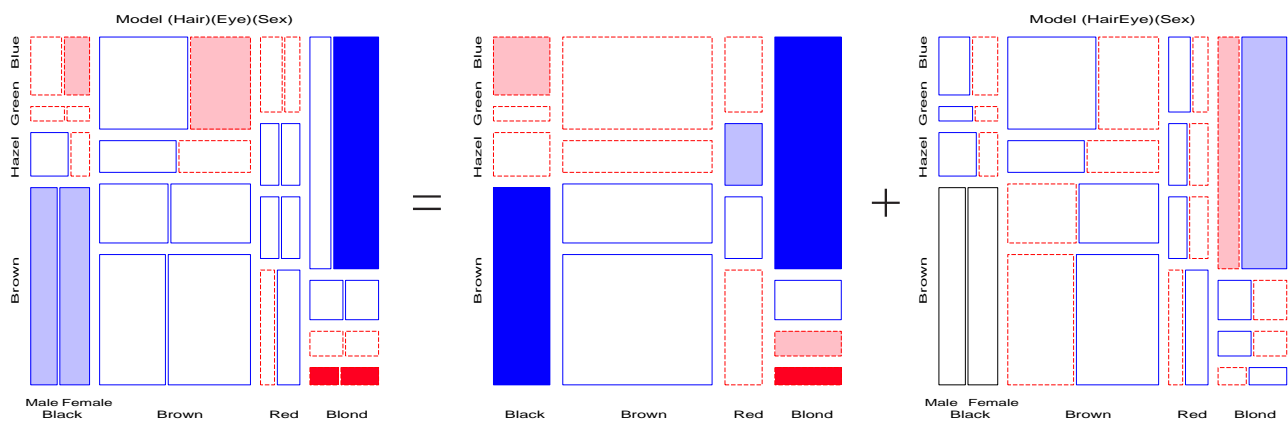
Sequential plots & models

- Sequential construction, for given variable ordering

$$p_{ijkl\dots} = \underbrace{p_i \times p_{j|i} \times p_{k|ij}}_{\{ABC\}} \times p_{l|ijk} \times \dots \quad (1)$$

- Fit a model to each sequential marginal subtable: $\{A\}, \{AB\}, \{ABC\}, \dots$
- Sequential models of joint independence partition the G^2 for mutual independence:

$$G^2_{[A][B][C][D]} = G^2_{[A][B]} + G^2_{[AB][C]} + G^2_{[ABC][D]}$$



Model	df	G^2
$[H][E]$	9	146.44
$[H, E][S]$	15	19.86
$[H][E][S]$	24	155.20

Visualization principles

- **Nested multiples**
 - Each mosaic shows its own marginal subtables (spacing → visual grouping)
 - Shows DATA + RESIDUALS
- **Association ordering** - sort the display by the effects to be observed
- **Visual impact** - distinguish what should stand out (patterns of residuals)
- **Decomposition** - show partitions of model fit in coherent ways

Example: Survival on the *Titanic*

Data from Dawson (1995) on the breakdown of 2201 passengers and crew:

Table 1: Survival on the Titanic

Survived	Age	Gender	Class			
			1st	2nd	3rd	Crew
No	Adult	Male	118	154	387	670
Yes			4	13	89	3
No	Child		0	0	35	0
Yes			0	0	17	0
No	Adult	Female	57	14	75	192
Yes			140	80	76	20
No	Child		5	11	13	0
Yes			1	13	14	0

Order of variables: Class, Gender, Age, Survival

Class \times Gender:

- % males decreases with increasing economic class,
- crew almost entirely male

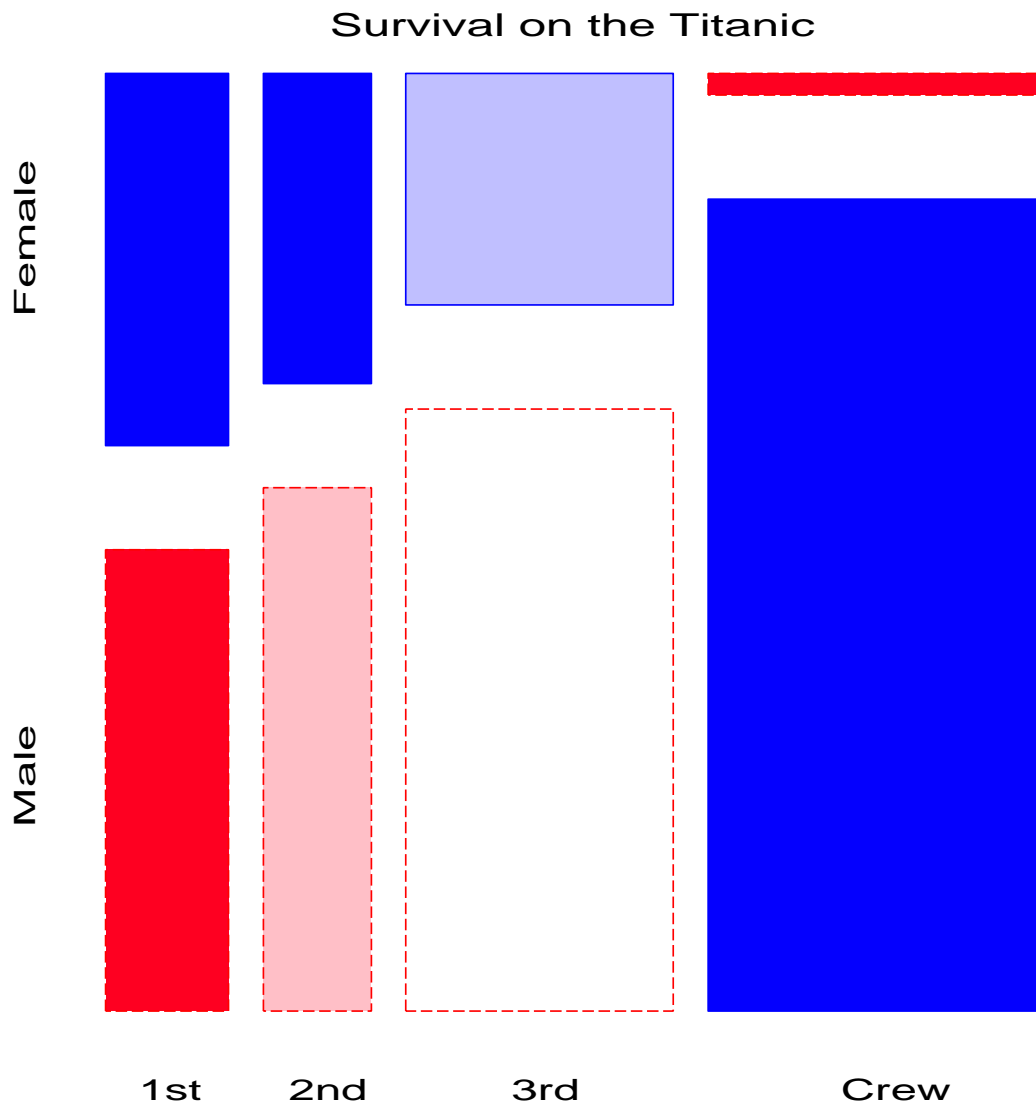


Figure 7: Titanic data: Class and Gender

3 way: {Class, Gender} \perp Age ?

- Overall proportion of children quite small (about 5 %).
- % children smallest in 1st class, largest in 3rd class.
- Residuals: greater number of children in 3rd class (families?)

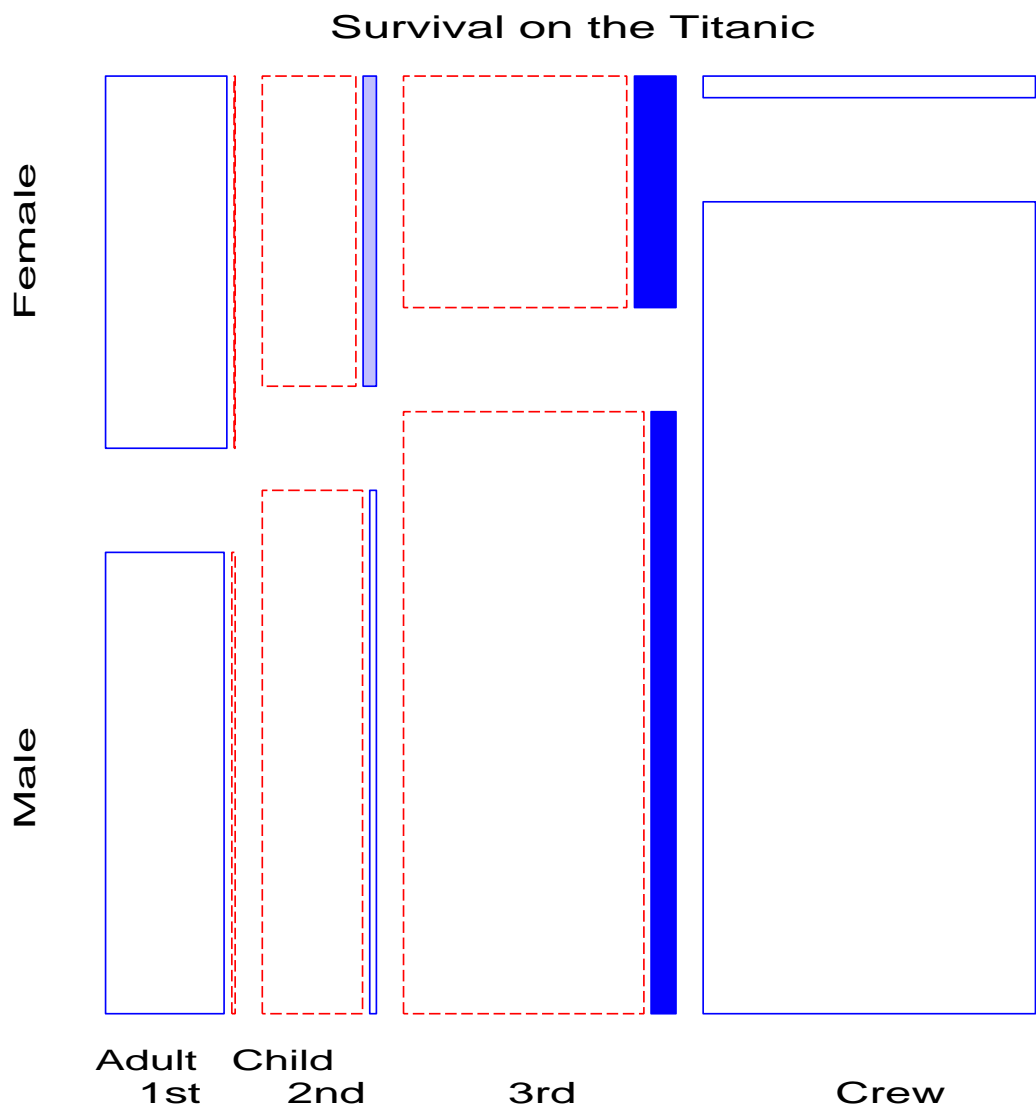


Figure 8: Titanic data: Class, Gender, Age

4 way: {Class, Gender, Age} \perp Survival ?

- Minimal null model when C, G, A are explanatory
- More women survived, but greater % in 1st & 2nd
- Among men, % survived increases with class.
- Fits poorly: ($G^2(15) = 671.96$): Add SX terms

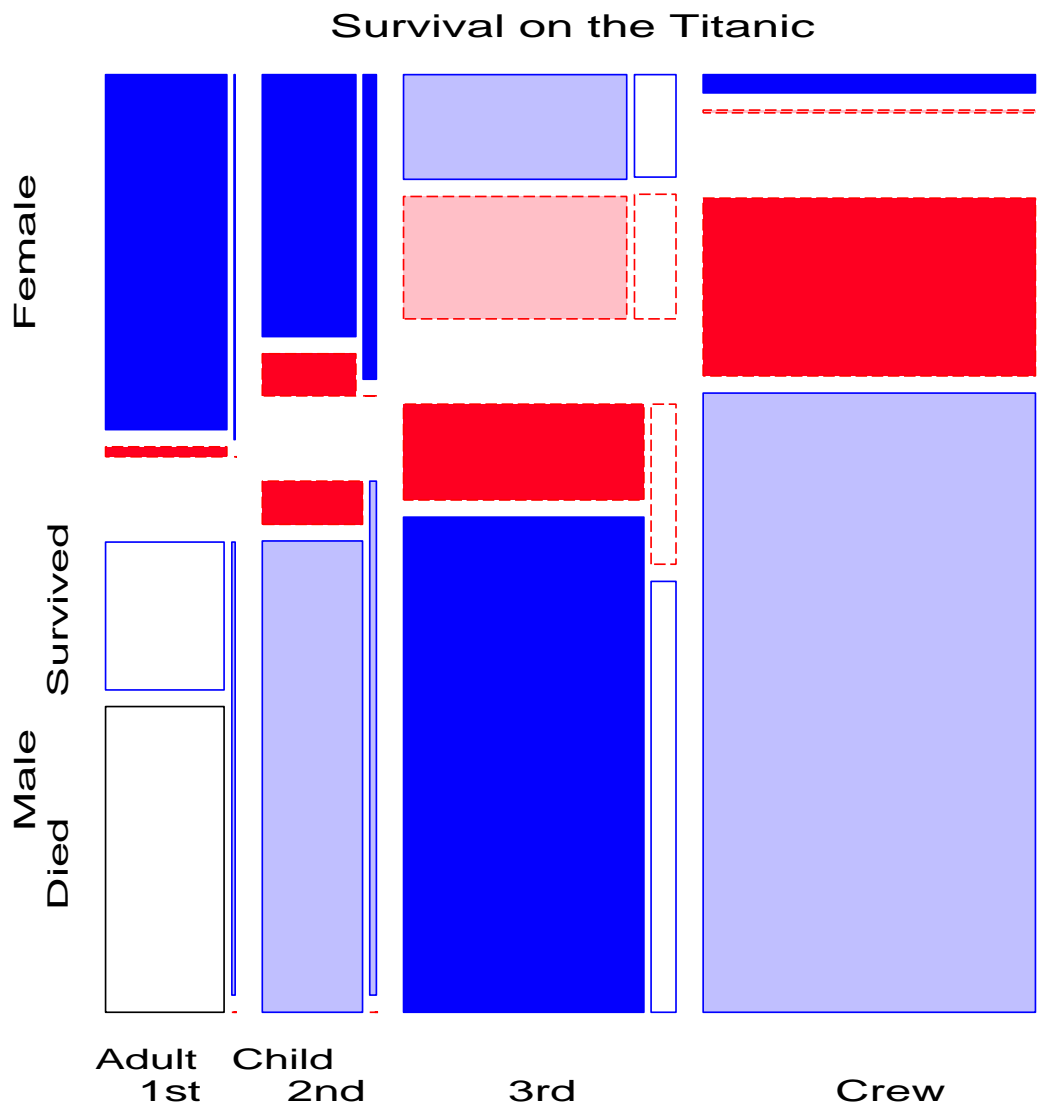


Figure 9: Class, Gender, Age, and Survival, Joint independence

Main effects of Class, Gender and Age on Survival:

$[CGA][CS][GS][AS]$

- Fit is much improved ($\Delta G^2(5) = 559.4$), but not good ($G^2(10) = 112.56$).
- \Rightarrow Interactions among Class, Gender and Age on Survival.

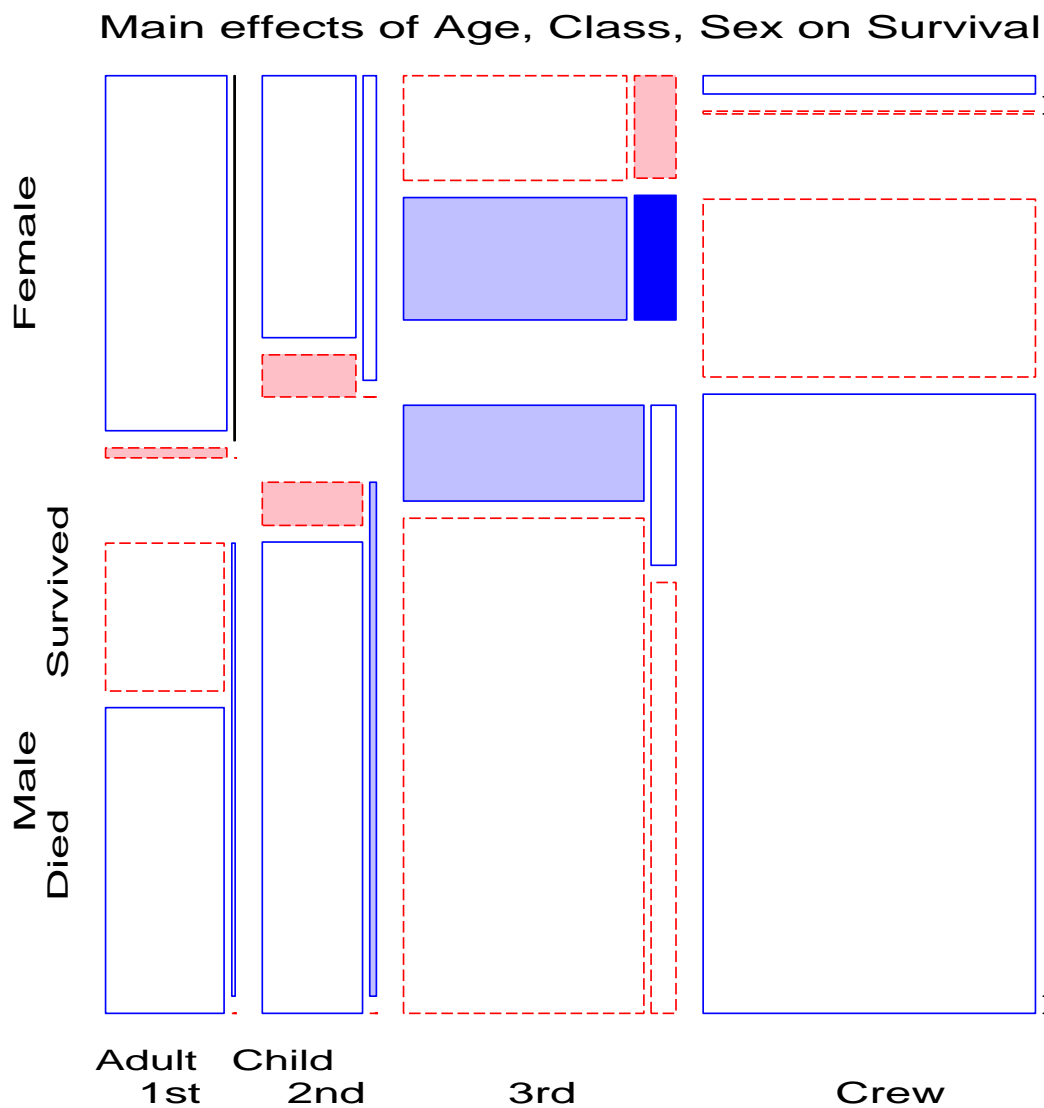


Figure 10: Main effects of Age, Gender and Class on Survival

“women and children first” \rightarrow model $[CGA][CS][GAS]$

- Model improved slightly, but still not good ($G^2(9) = 94.54$).

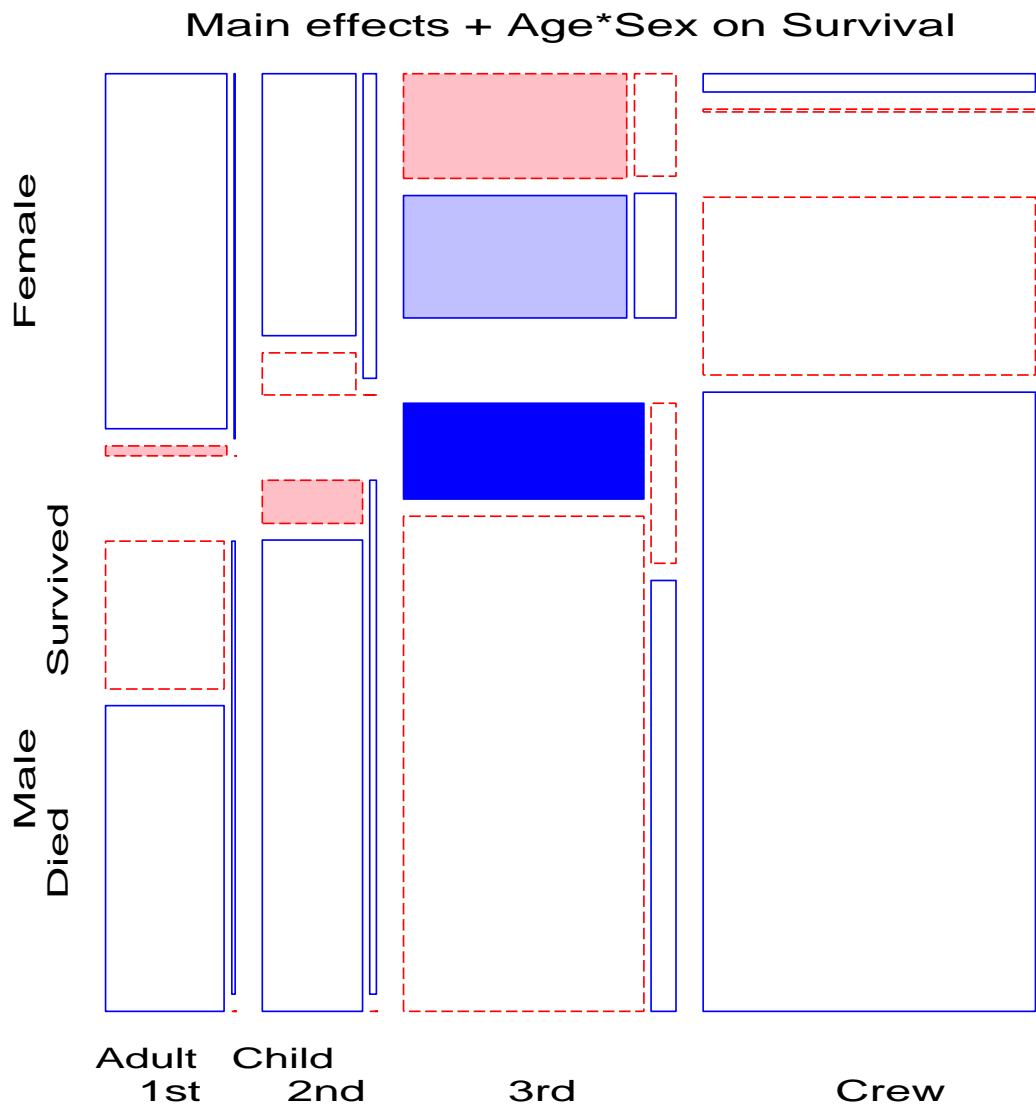


Figure 11: Main effects + Age*Gender on Survival

Class interacts with Age and Gender: $[CGA][CGS][CAS]$

- $G^2(4)$ now 1.69, a very good fit (too good?).

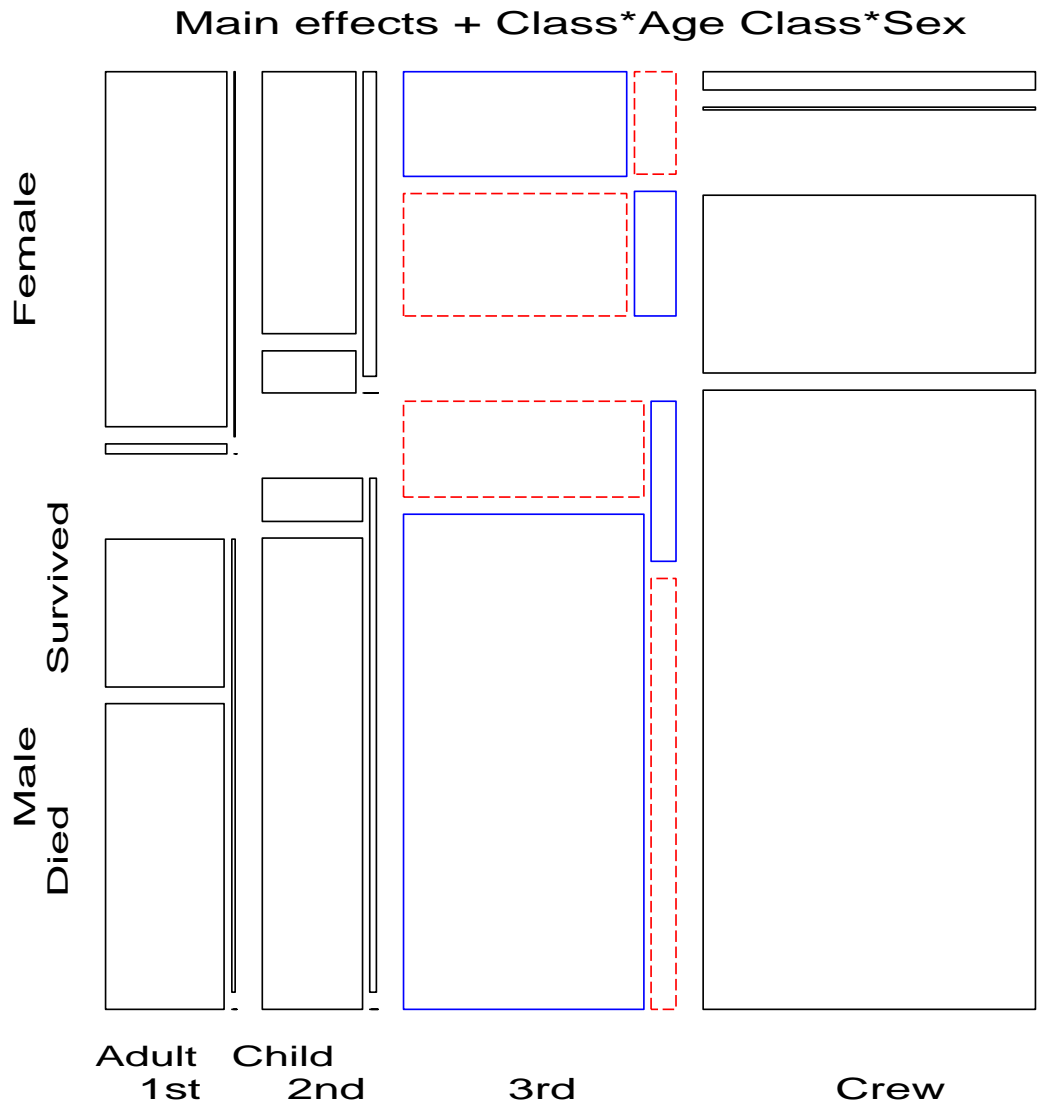


Figure 12: Main effects + Age*Gender + Class*Gender

Titanic Conclusions

- Regardless of Age and Gender, lower economic status \longrightarrow increased mortality;
- Differences due to Class were moderated by both Age and Gender.
- Women more likely overall to survive than men, but
- Class \times Gender: women in 3rd class did not have a significant advantage, while men in 1st class did (compared to men in other classes).
- Class \times Age: no children in 1st or 2nd class died, but nearly two-thirds in 3rd class died;
- For adults, mortality \uparrow as economic class \downarrow .
- Summary statement: “women and children (according to class), then 1st class men”.

Mosaic matrices

Quantitative data: scatterplot matrix shows $p \times (p - 1)$ marginal views in a coherent display;

- Each scatterplot a projection of data
- Detect patterns not easily seen in separate graphs.
- Only shows bivariate relations.

Categorical data: Mosaic matrix shows all $p \times (p - 1)$ marginal views

- Each mosaic shows bivariate relation
- Fit: marginal independence
- Direct visualization of the “Burt” matrix analyzed in MCA to account for all pairwise associations among p variables

$$B = Z^T \text{diag}(n) Z = \begin{bmatrix} N_{[1]} & N_{[12]} & \cdots \\ N_{[21]} & N_{[2]} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

where $N_{[i]}$ = diagonal matrix of one-way margin; $N_{[ij]}$ = two-way margin for variables i and j ,

Example: Survival on the Titanic

- Strong associations of Class, Gender, Age with Survival.
- Each pair shown twice, splitting by the column variable first.

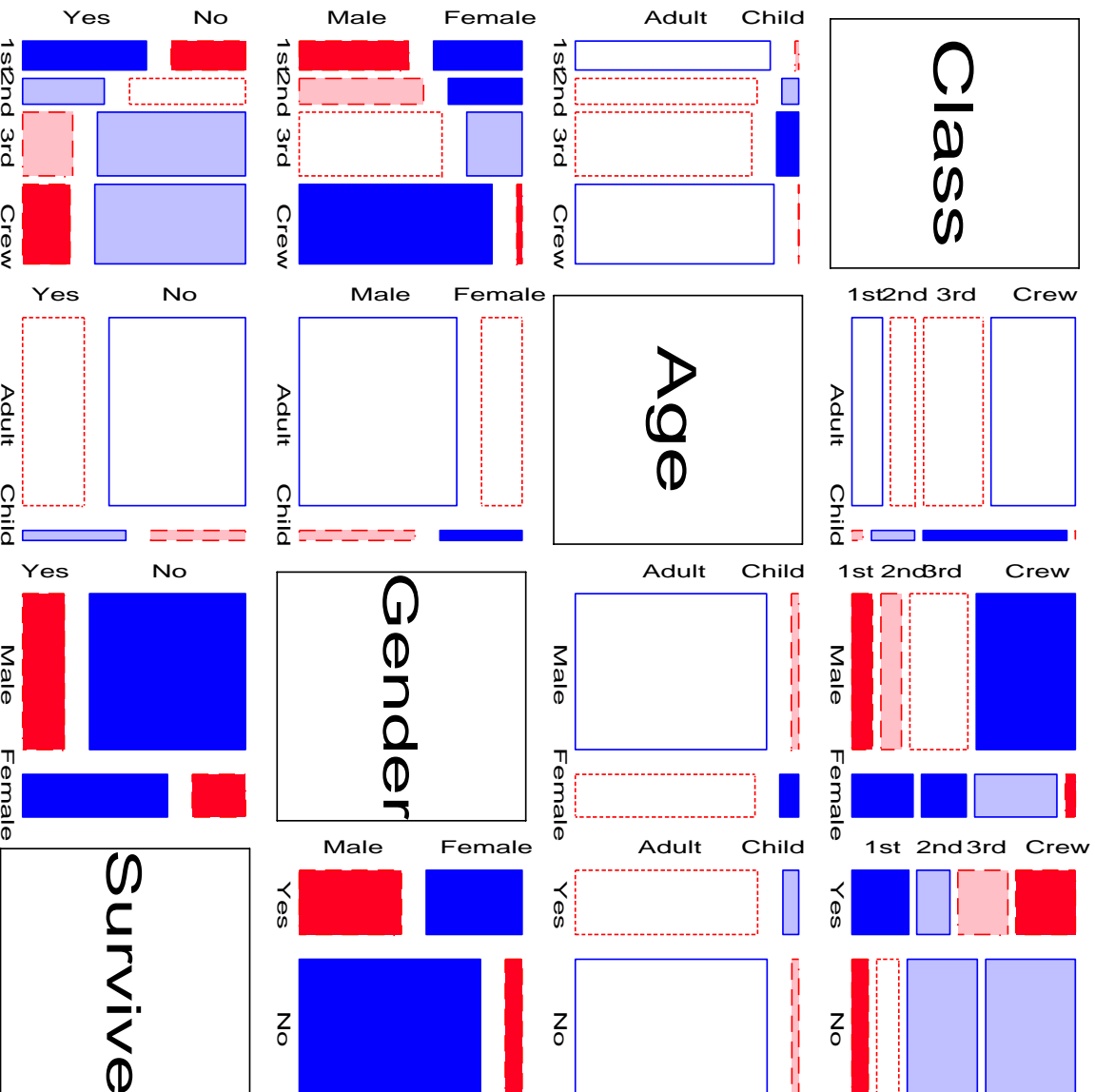
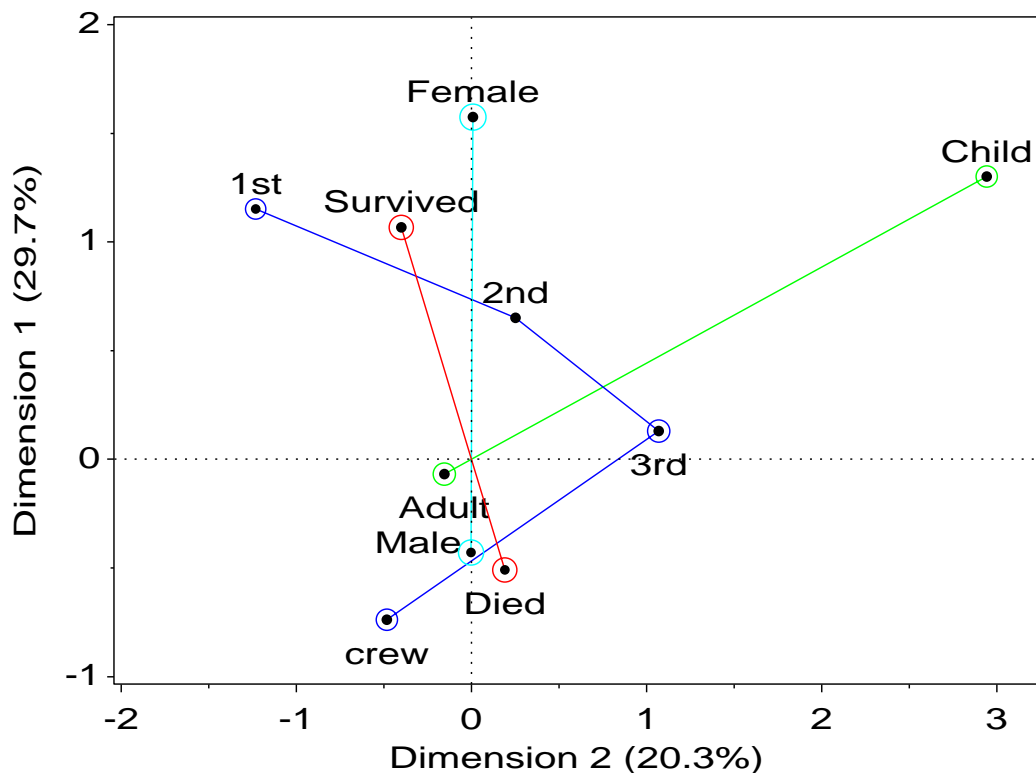


Figure 13: Mosaic matrix of *Titanic* data.

Titanic: Multiple Correspondence Analysis

- 2D solution: 50% of all pairwise assoc (3D = 67%)
- Dim1: Gender, Survival; Dim2: Class, Age
- Binary factors: Distance from origin $\sim p_i^{-1}$
- Mosaic matrix: 100%, makes *form* of association explicit

Survival on the Titanic



Example: Berkeley admissions

- Admission, Gender: overall, more males admitted
- Dept A, B: highest admission rate; E, F lowest
- Males apply most to A, B, women more to C–F.

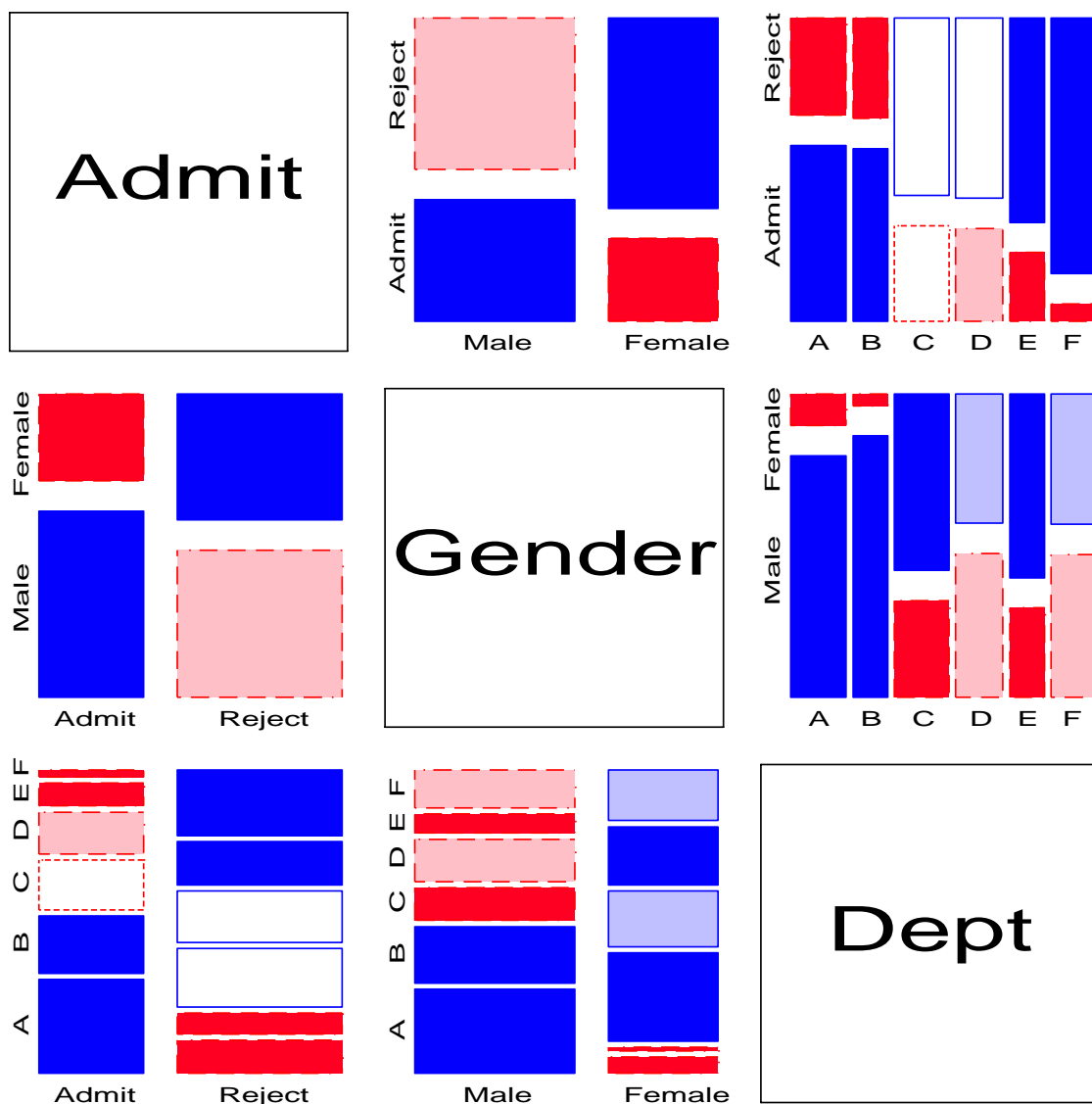


Figure 14: Mosaic matrix of Berkeley admissions.

Conditional plots for quantitative data

Iris data — scatterplot matrix

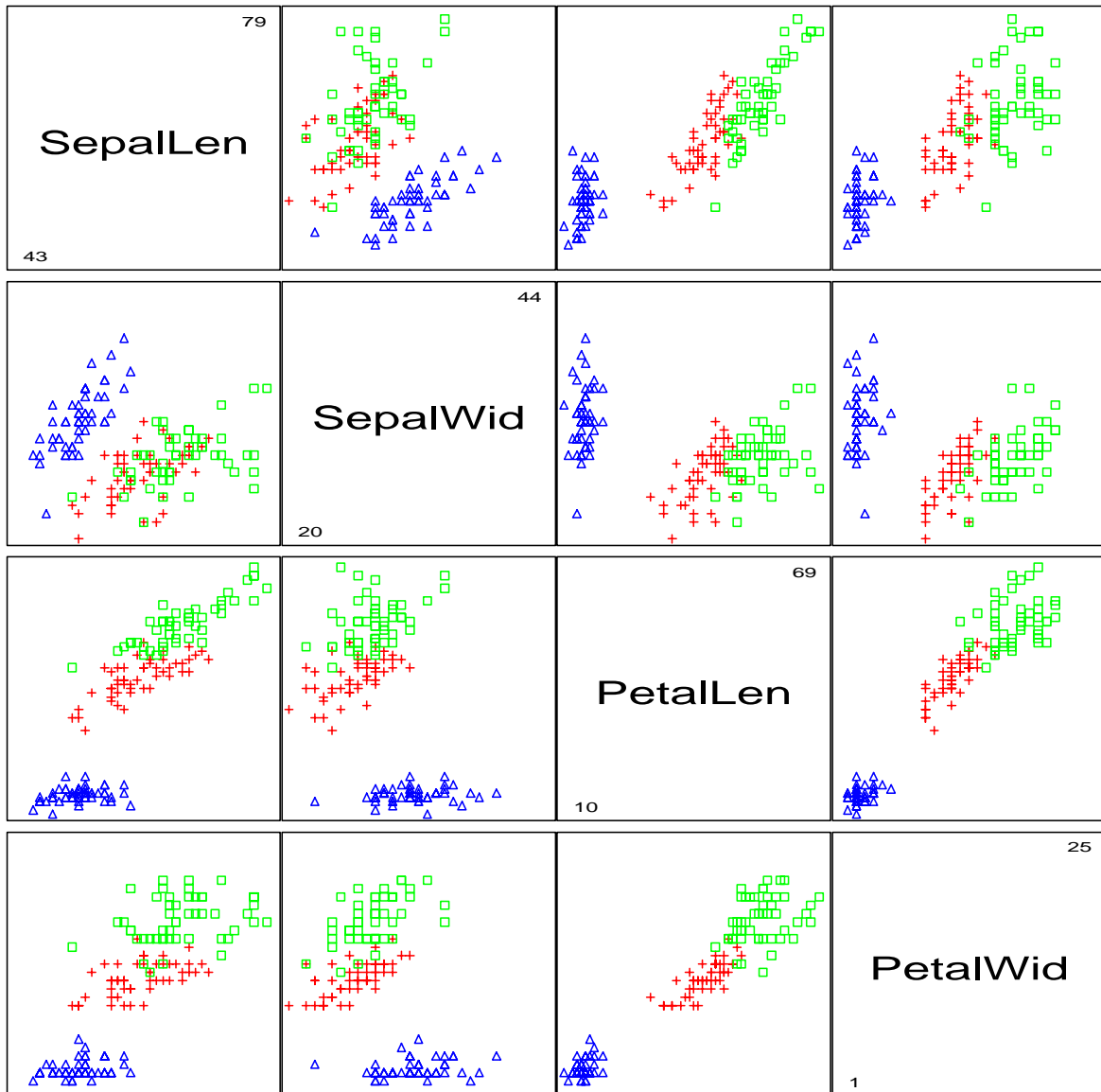


Figure 15: Scatterplot matrix for Iris data

Conditional plots for quantitative data

Iris data — conditional scatterplot matrix

- Plot $\widetilde{X}_i = X_i - \widehat{X}_i | \text{others}$ vs. $\widetilde{X}_j = X_j - \widehat{X}_j | \text{others} \quad \forall i, j$
- Removes species effect (correlated means)

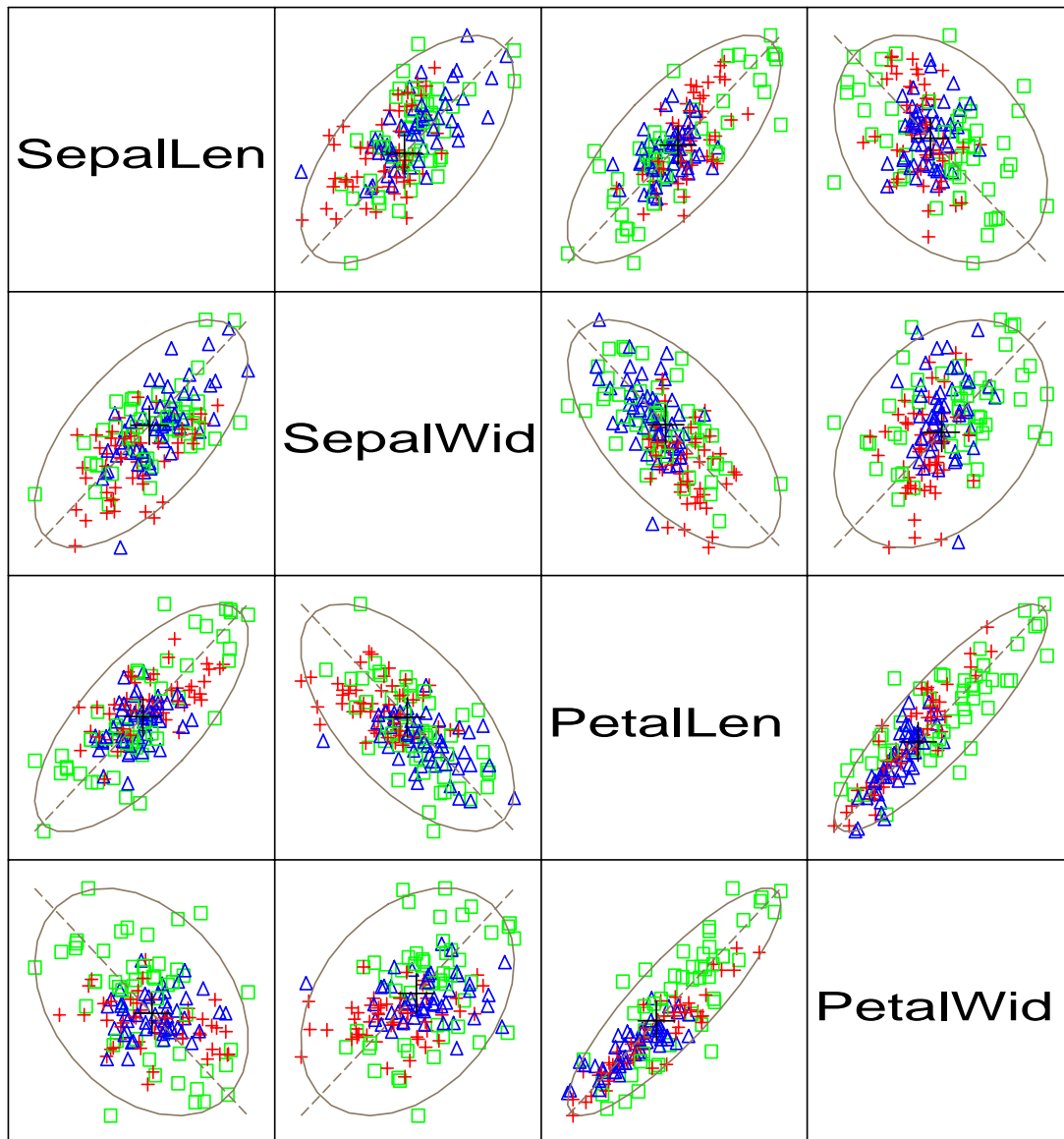


Figure 16: Conditional scatterplot matrix for Iris data

Conditional plots for quantitative data

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{ij| \text{others}} = 0 &\iff \sigma^{ij} = 0 \\ &\iff X_i \perp X_j | \text{others} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

- Zero partial correlation plays same role for quantitative variables as two-way terms in graphical log-linear models.
- Conditional scatterplot matrix provides a visualization of the conditional independence relations.
- When Y is a response, panels in the row for Y are just the partial regression (added variable) plots. Other rows treat each variable in turn as a response.

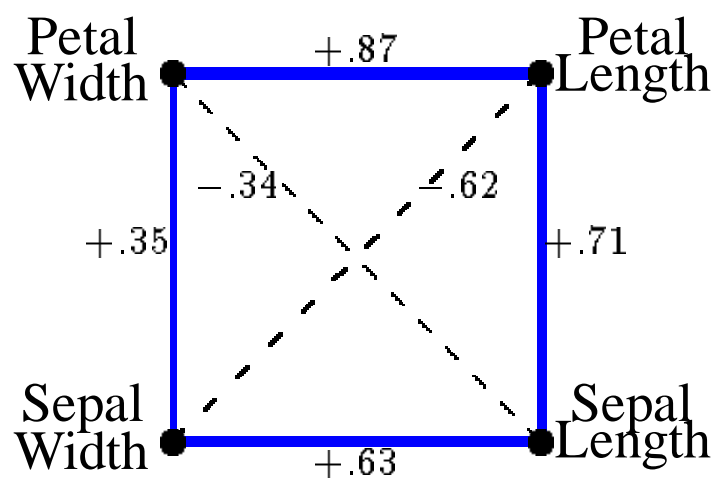


Figure 17: Independence graph for Iris Data

“Mixed” models: Categorical and Continuous Data

- **Marginal views**

- X, Y pairs: scatterplot
- A, B pairs: mosaic
- X, A pairs: boxplot

- **Conditional views**

- Fit graphical mixed model: $AB // XY$ (Edwards, 1995) ?
- Fit GLMs:

$$g(\mu_i) = x_{\text{others}}^T \beta$$
$$g(\mu_j) = x_{\text{others}}^T \beta$$

- with identity link for X, Y , log link for A, B
- Plot residuals as in marginal views

“Mixed” models: Categorical and Continuous Data

Iris data — Mixed scatterplot matrix

- Discrete: Species, SepalLen (divided into thirds)
- Continuous: PetalLen, PetalWid

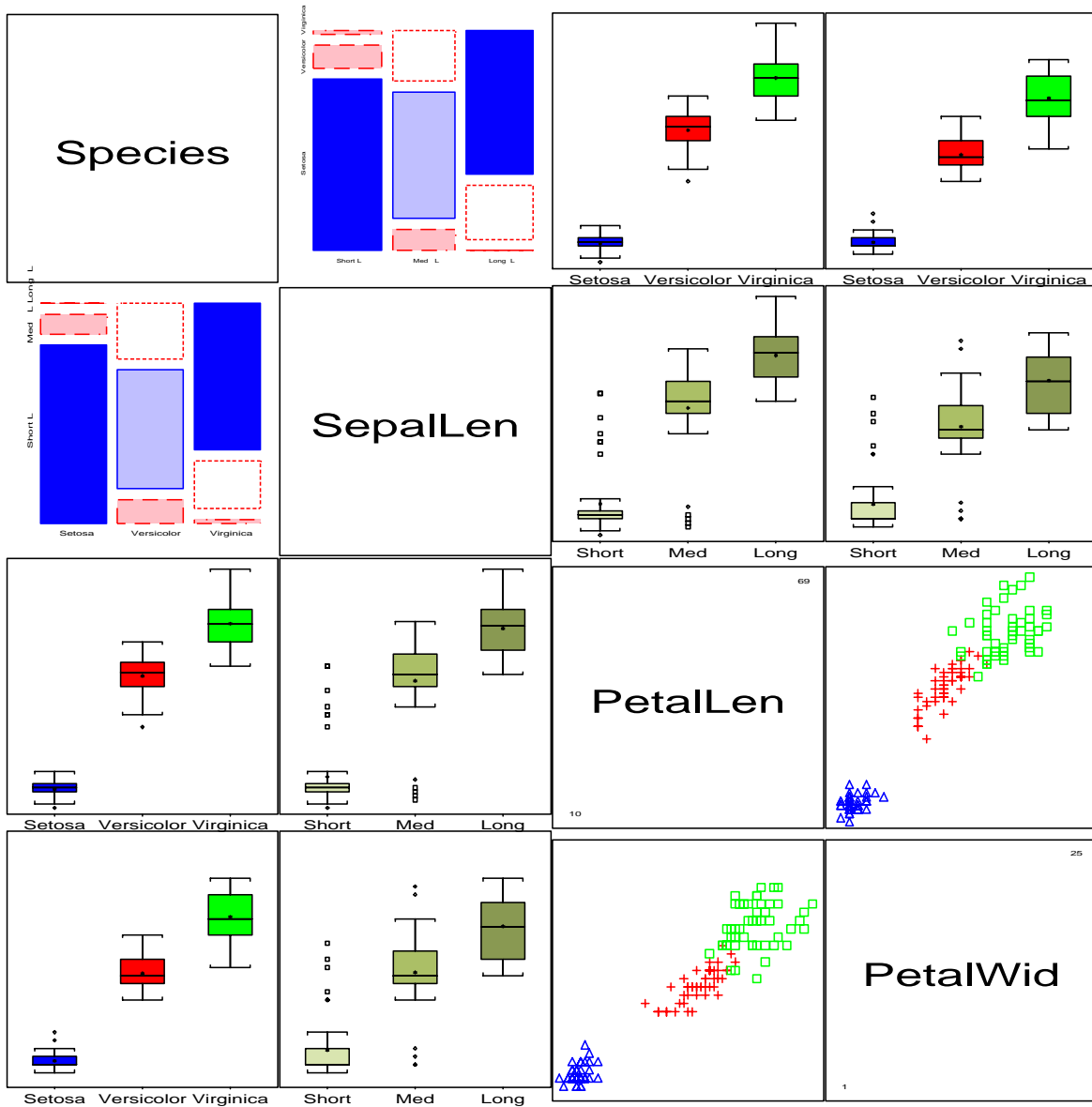


Figure 18: Mixed scatterplot matrix for Iris data

Example: A 5-way table

Heckman & Willis 1977 data:

Table 2: Labour force participation of married women 1967-1971

Employed?			1968			
			Yes		No	
Employed?			1967			
			Yes	No	Yes	No
1969	1970	1971	Yes	No	Yes	No
Yes	Yes	Yes	426	73	21	54
No			11	9	8	36
Yes	No		16	7	0	6
No			12	5	5	35
Yes	Yes	No	38	11	7	16
No			2	3	3	24
Yes	No		47	17	9	28
No			28	24	43	559

Marginal relations

- All years strongly associated: employment status persists
- Strength of association ↓ as lag ↑.

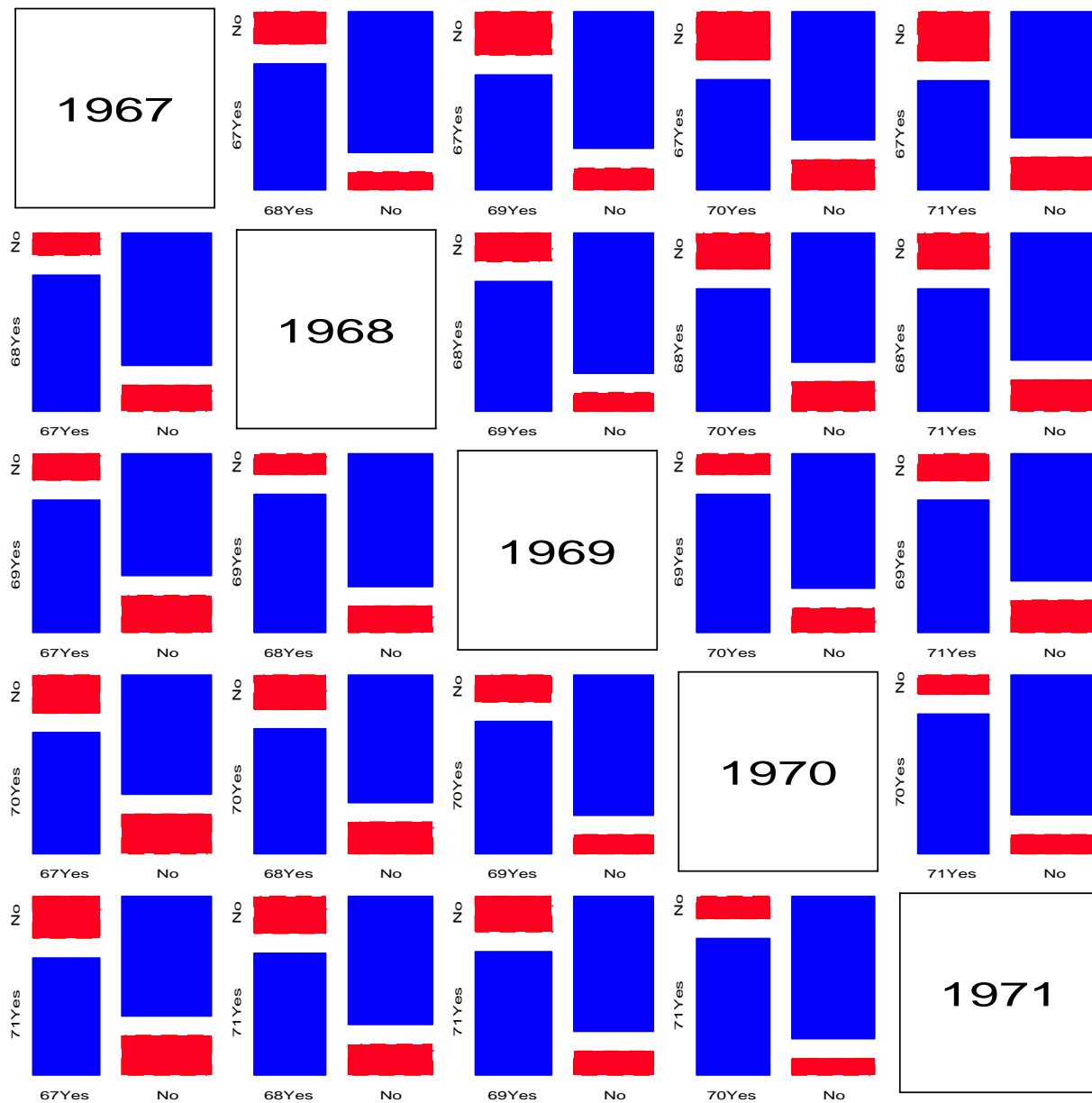


Figure 19: Mosaic matrix for pairwise associations

Conditional relations

- 3-way plots: row \perp other | col ?
- Employment status persists over several years.

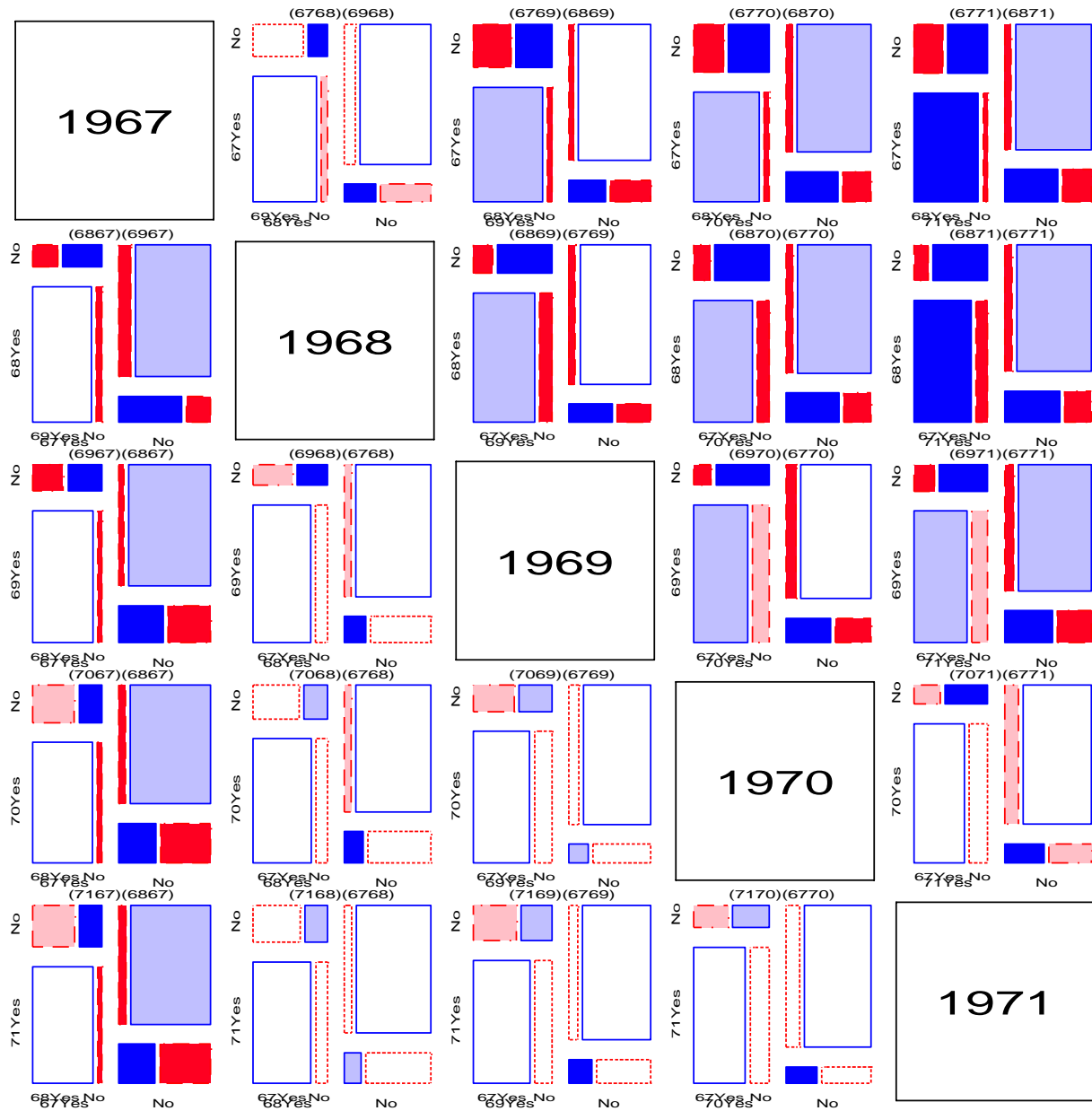


Figure 20: Mosaic matrix for conditional associations

Fitting Markov models

Table 3: Markov chain models fit to Heckman-Willis data

Order	Model	df	G^2	p
M1	[67,68][68,69][69,70][70,71]	22	210.225	0.000
M2	[67,68,69][68,69,70][69,70,71]	16	62.672	0.000
M3	[67,68,69,70][68,69,70,71]	8	9.023	0.340

i.e., $67 \perp 71 \mid \{68, 69, 70\}$ 5-way mosaics:

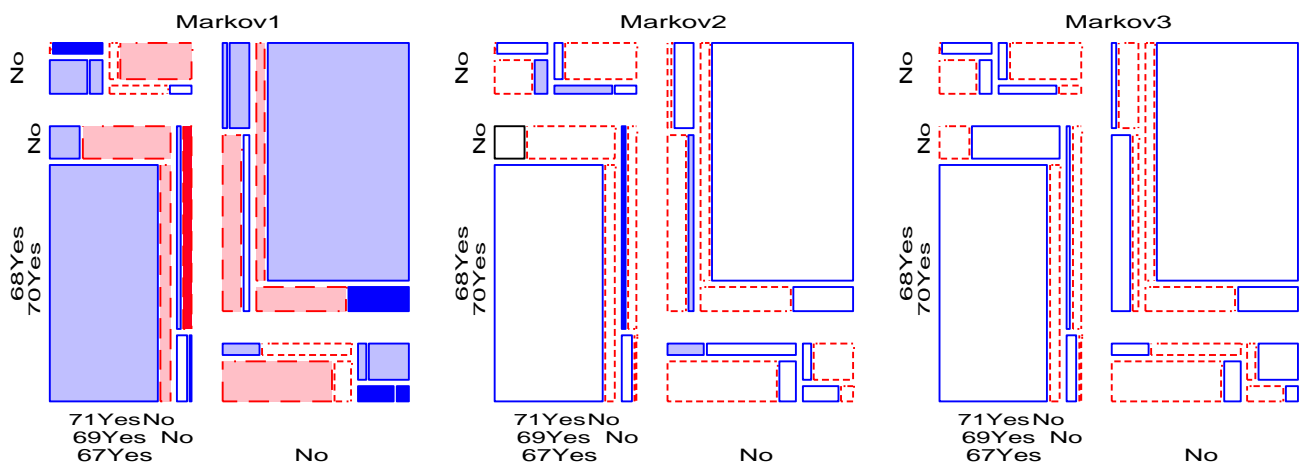


Figure 21: Markov chain models of order 1–3

Coplots for categorical data

- Conditional relations may also be visualized by stratifying the data on the given variables, rather than by partialling out.
- Quantitative variables: coplot display (Cleveland, 1993)
- Categorical variables: array of mosaics, stratified by given variables
- Each panel then shows the *partial* associations among the foreground variables
- the collection of such plots show how these change with the given variables.
- Models of independence fit to the strata separately decompose a model of conditional independence fit to the whole table.

$$G_{A \perp B | C}^2 = \sum_k^K G_{A \perp B | C(k)}^2 \quad (3)$$

- Collection of mosaic displays for the dependence of A and B for each of the levels of C provides a natural visualization of this decomposition.
- Adjusts automatically for differing marginals across strata—controlled comparison of foreground associations.

Example: Berkeley admissions

Admit \perp Dept | Gender ?

- Strong association between Admission and Department—different rates of admission,
- *Pattern* of association is qualitatively similar for both men and women
- association is quantitatively stronger for men than women—larger differences in admission rates across departments.

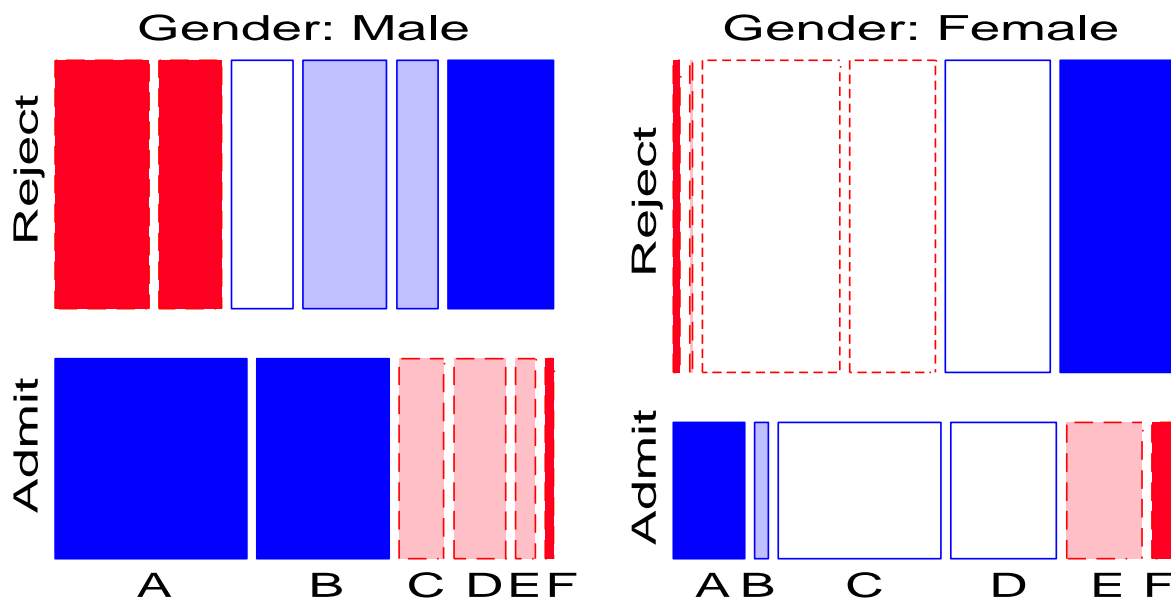


Figure 22: Mosaic coplot of Berkeley admissions, given Gender.

Example: Berkeley admissions

Admit \perp Gender | Dept ?

- No association, except in Dept. A, where females *more* likely to gain admission
- Changes in % admitted, and % female may also be seen.

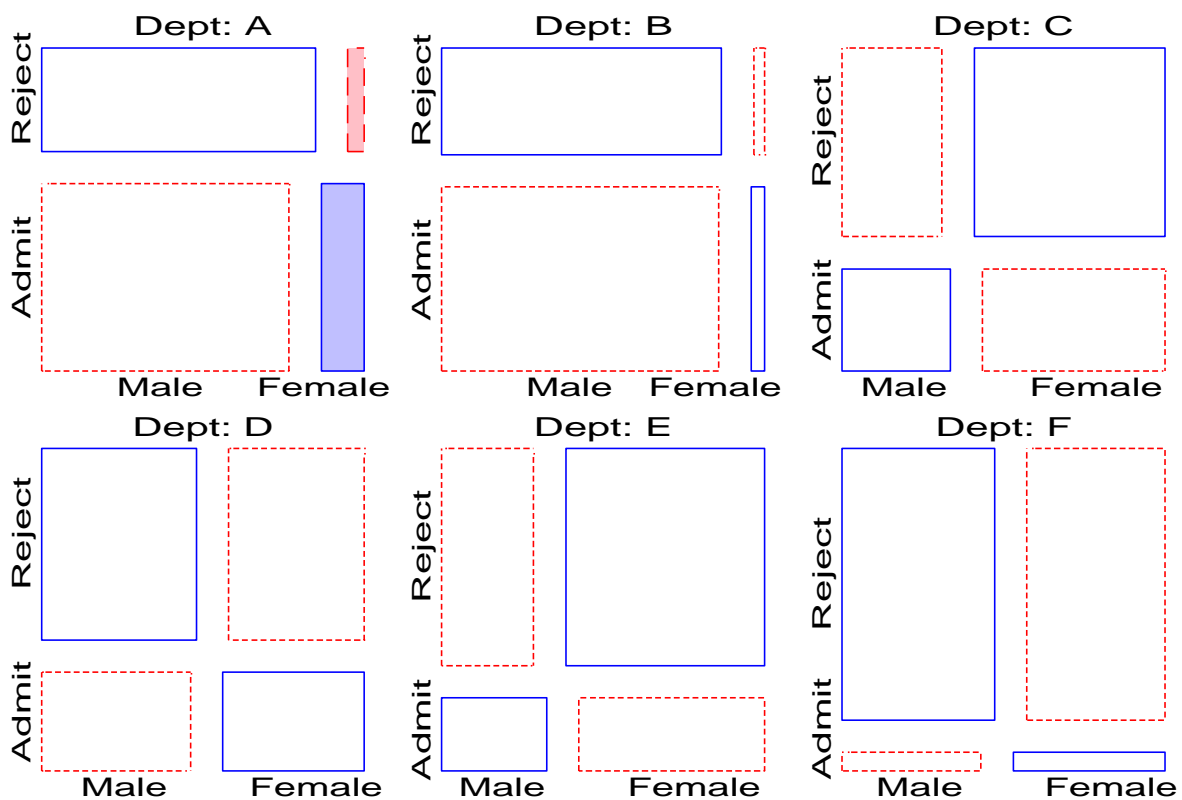


Figure 23: Mosaic coplot of Berkeley admissions, given Department.

Breakdown of G^2 for model Admit \perp Gender | Dept:

Table 4: Partial tests of independence of Gender and Admission, by Department

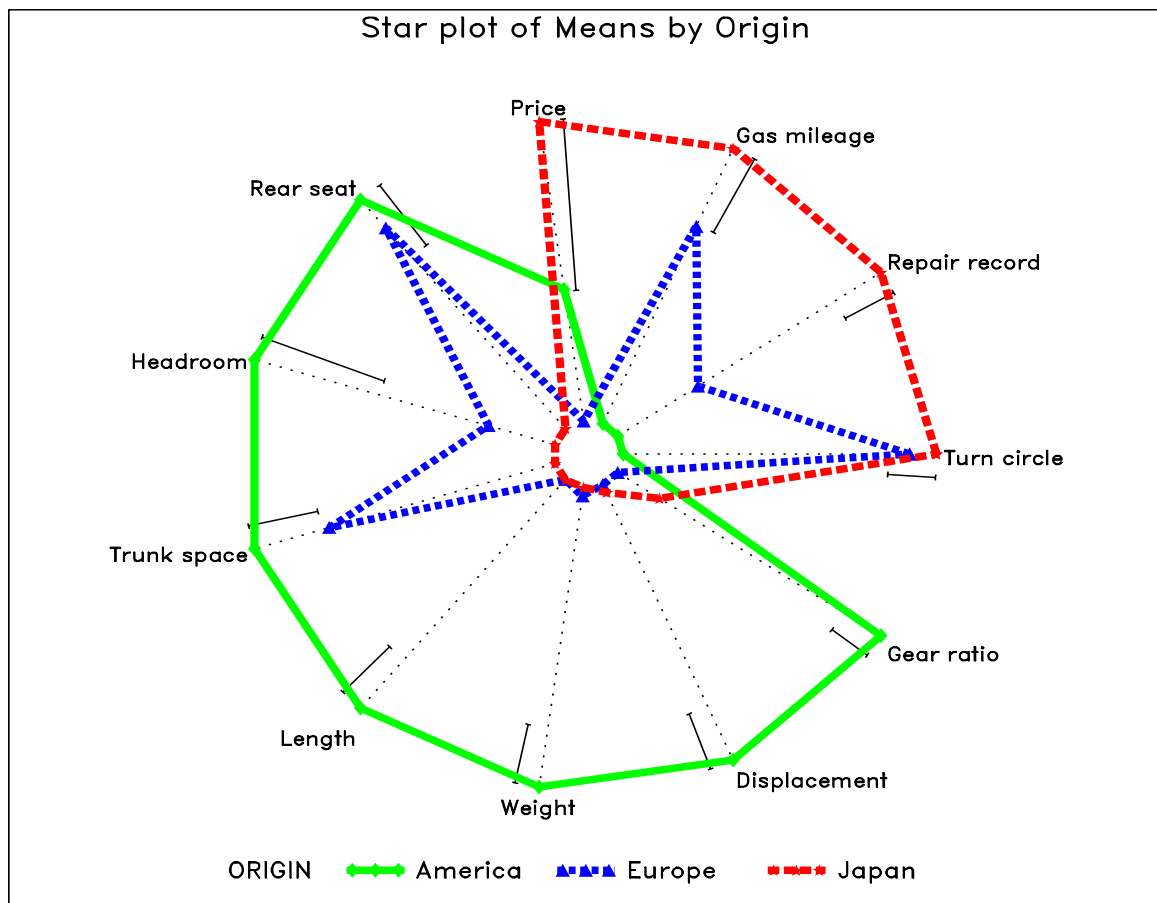
Dept	df	G^2	p
A	1	19.054	0.000
B	1	0.259	0.611
C	1	0.751	0.386
D	1	0.298	0.585
E	1	0.990	0.320
F	1	0.384	0.536
Total	6	21.735	0.001

Effect Ordering for Data Displays

- Where data values are labelled by factors, the ordering of levels has considerable impact on graphical displays.
 - With unordered factors, sort the data by effects to be observed.
 - Sorting brings similar items together, making them easier to compare.
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- ➔ For quantitative data, sort boxplots, dotplots and tables by means, medians, or row and column effects ("***main effects ordering***")
 - ➔ Multivariate glyph plots, stars, faces, parallel coordinates plots - order variables by PCA / biplot dimensions ("***correlation ordering***")
 - ➔ Multivariate plots of means - order variables by canonical discriminant dimensions ("***discriminant ordering***").

Star plot of Means for MANOVA

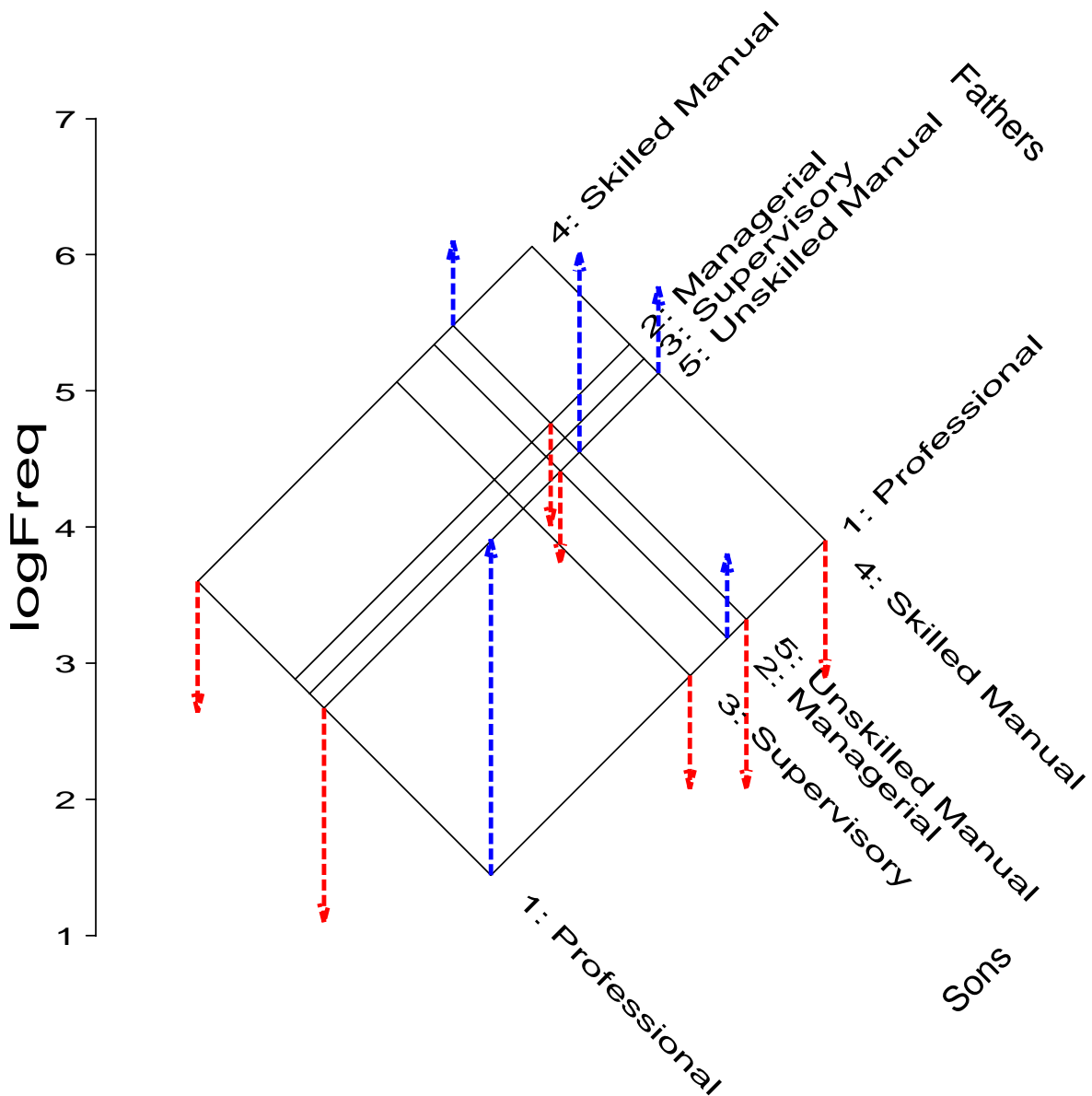
- Display means for 2 or more groups on m measures
- **Error bars** display Least Significant Difference
- **Effect ordering:** variables ordered by discriminant dim1



Effect Ordering for Categorical Data Displays

- Two-way display of $\log(\text{Freq})$ shows the **local** pattern of association
- The ordering of rows and columns by marginal mean $\log(F)$ conceals the **global** structure.

E.g., British Social Mobility: Occupations of Fathers and Sons (Glass, 1954)



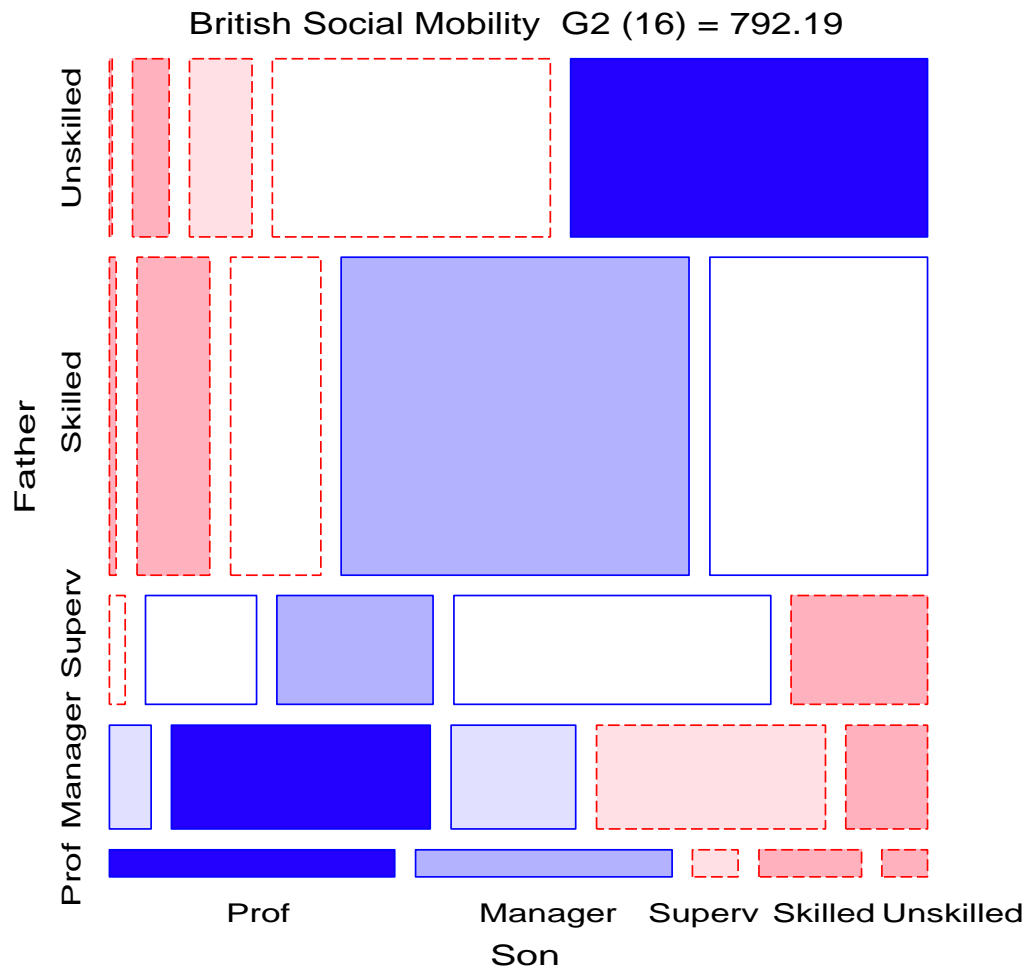
Effect Ordering for Categorical Data Displays

- Mosaic display orders rows and columns by largest Correspondence Analysis dimension.

Residuals, ordered by Row and Column Scores on CA Dimension 1

	Prof	Manager	Superv	Skilled	Unskilled	RowDim1
Prof	23.32	6.35	-2.17	-4.78	-4.82	2.09
Manager	3.36	12.61	2.37	-3.38	-7.41	0.54
Superv	-1.18	0.66	5.10	0.79	-4.44	0.05
Skilled	-4.69	-4.20	-0.93	3.93	0.39	-0.17
Unskilled	-4.48	-7.03	-3.72	-1.41	10.49	-0.36
ColDim1	2.22	0.62	0.04	-0.15	-0.34	

- Residuals from independence are displayed in the context of this global structure.



Mosaic matrices: Structure of Log-linear Models

- Show relations among variables in log-linear models (Theus and Lauer, 1998).
- Display *expected* frequencies under a given model
- E.g., $[A][B][C] \rightarrow$ all pairs marginally *and* conditionally independent

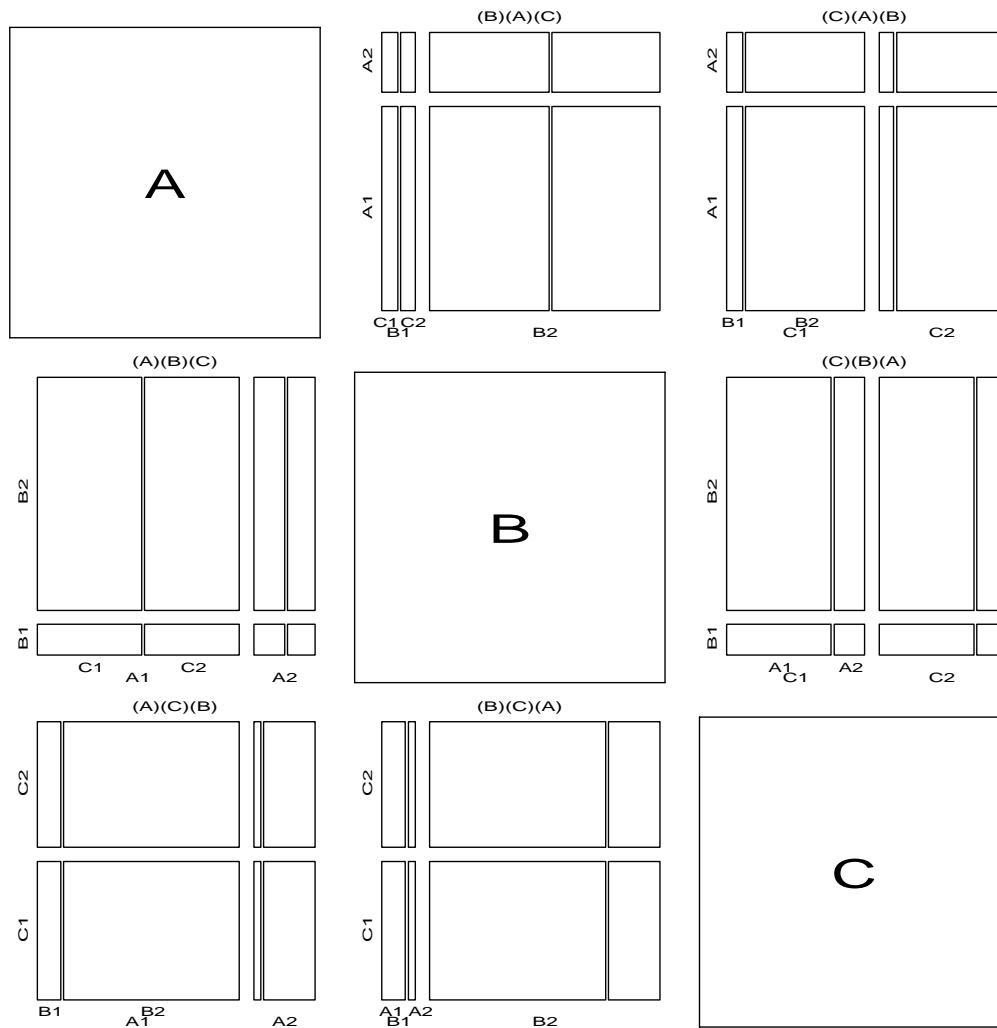


Figure 24: Mosaic matrix for mutual independence.

Joint Independence

- $[A \ B] [C] \longrightarrow \{A, B\} \perp C$ and also $A \perp B \mid C$, but $A \not\perp B$.

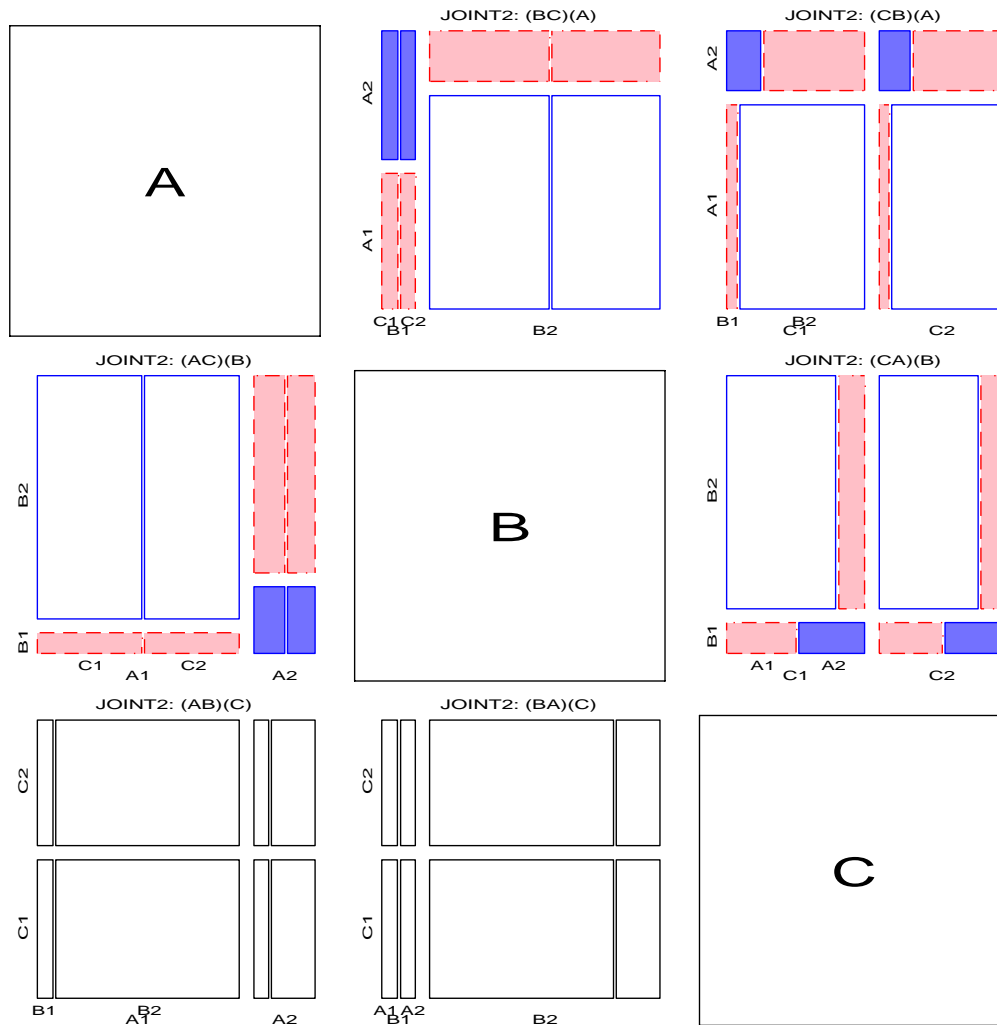


Figure 25: Mosaic matrix for joint independence.

Conditional Independence

- $[AC][BC] \longrightarrow A \perp B \forall C_i$, but no pair is marginally independent

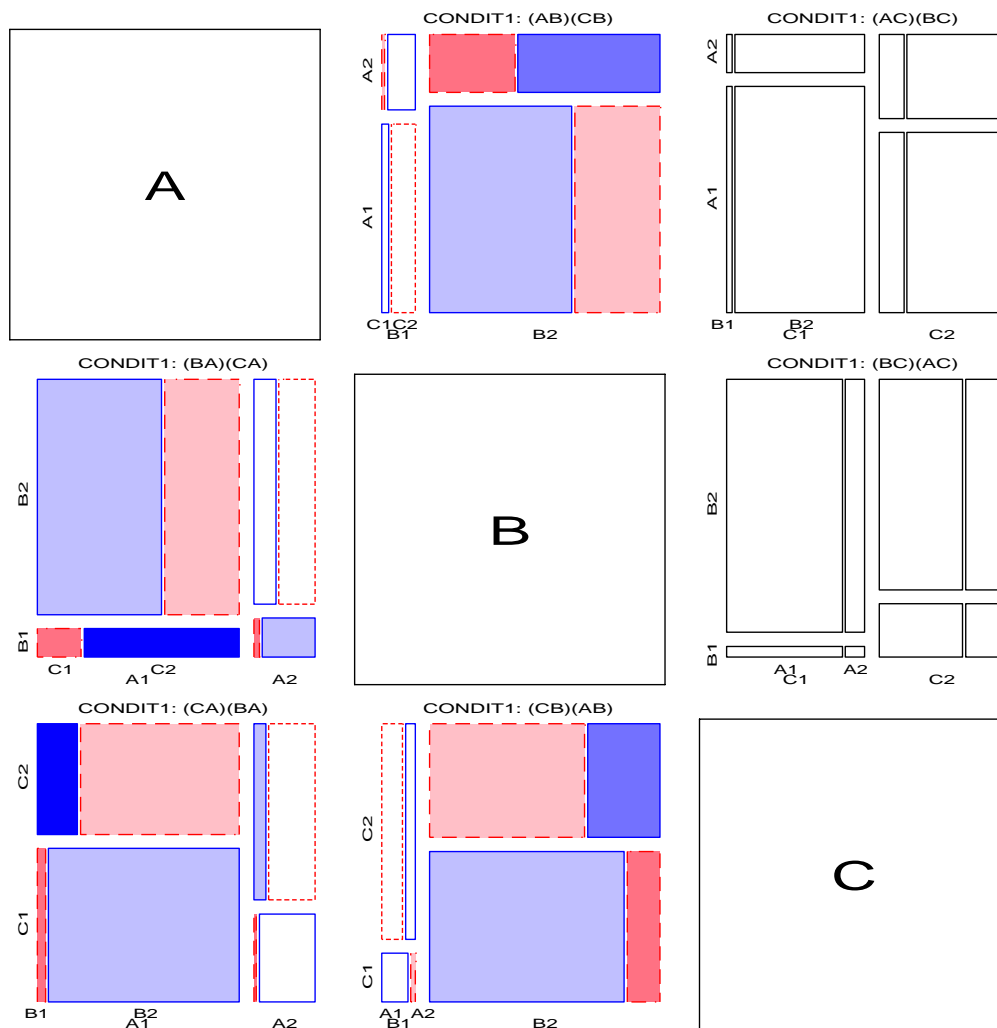


Figure 26: Mosaic matrix for conditional independence

Further Info

- ◆ A large collection of documents and programs for graphical data analysis on WWW:
 - <http://www.math.yorku.ca/SCS/friendly.html>
 - <ftp://hotspur.psych.yorku.ca/pub/sas/mosaics>
- ◆ Static implementations:
 - SAS/IML: MOSAICS:
<http://www.math.yorku.ca/SCS/mosaics.html>
 - SAS/INSIGHT (not exemplary)
 - S-Plus: Jay Emerson
<http://www.stat.yale.edu/~emerson/JCGS/>
- ◆ Dynamic/interactive implementations:
 - CGI: <http://www.math.yorku.ca/SCS/Online/mosaics/>
 - Java: Martin Theus– Mondrian <http://www.research.att.com/~theus/Mondrian/Mondrian.html>
 - Java: David McClelland, “Seeing Statistics”
 - Mac: Heike Hoffman, Antony Unwin, Martin Theus– Manet
<http://www1.math.uni-augsburg.de/Manet/>
 - XlispStat
 - * Ernest Kwan: mosaics.lsp
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