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Collapsed Symmetry Model and its Decomposition for Multi-way Tables with Ordered Categories

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Abstract: For $r \times r$ tables with ordered categories, Tomizawa (1995) considered the collapsed symmetry model. This model indicates the structure of symmetry for the r-1 ways of collapsing the $r \times r$ table into a 2×2 table by choosing cut points after the *u*-th row and after the *u*-th column for u=1,...,r-1. This paper proposes a collapsed symmetry (*C*) model for multi-way tables with ordered categories. The proposed model is an extension of the complete symmetry model and a special case of the marginal homogeneity (*M*) model. Also for multi-way tables, this paper proposes the collapsed quasi-symmetry (*CQS*) model which is an extension of the *C* model, and gives a theorem that the *C* model holds if and only if both the *CQS* and *M* models hold. An example is given.

Key words: Collapsed quasi-symmetry, collapsed symmetry, decomposition, marginal homogeneity, multi-way tables, ordered category, quasi-symmetry, symmetry

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