Confounding

Examples

Extreme examples (Simpson's paradox)

Conditions for...

Estimators

	weights	
	Precision-based (inverse variance)	Investigator-chosen ("Standardized")
Difference		
Mean	X	X
Risk	X	X
Ratio		
Risk	X	X
Rate	X	X
Odds	X	
[case control study] [cohort/prevalence study]		

Finely-stratified data -- matched pairs; matched sets Inter-relationships: other representations of SMR **Assumptions/caveats**

Readings

- Moore & McCabe Chapter 2
- Rothman 2002, Ch 1; Ch 5; Ch 8
- JH's Notes on stratified data [Ch 9 epi] [http://www.epi.mcgill.ca/hanley/c607/]
- Mantel and Haenszel Classic Article [http://www.epi.mcgill.ca/hanley/c607/ch09]
- Woolf Classic article. [http://www.epi.mcgill.ca/hanley/c607/ch09]

Other Resources [Computer / Chapters / Articles / etc..]

 Against All Odds Video PROGRAM 11: The Question of Causation [for details see http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca/epidemiology/hanley/c323/AGAINST_ALL_ODDS_INDEX.html

Moore & McCabe Chapter 2 resources

[http://bcs.whfreeman.com/ips4e]

• 607 Notes from May 1997: Ch 2 "Looking at Data: relationships" [http://www.epi.mcgill.ca/hanley/c607/mm_ch2.pdf]

 Course 678 Resources/Materials for Session 5 [http://www.epi.mcgill.ca/hanley/c678/]