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The tiger barb, *Puntigrus tetrazona*, is a South American fish that is popular worldwide as an aquarium fish. Fig. 6.1 shows the appearance (phenotype) of a normal (wild-type) tiger barb.



Fig. 6.1

- Tiger barbs that show a wild-type phenotype are gold with black stripes.
- Tiger barbs that show an albino phenotype are gold with white stripes.
- In 2012, a fish breeder discovered a tiger barb with a new, transparent, phenotype. This fish had a transparent body and black stripes.

The fish breeder crossed the tiger barb showing the new transparent phenotype with a tiger barb showing the albino phenotype.

All the F1 offspring were wild-type. These F1 offspring were crossed with each other.

Table 6.1 shows the phenotypes obtained in the F2 generation and the number of fish showing each phenotype.

Table 6.1

F2 phenotype	number of fish
wild-type (gold with black stripes)	173
albino (gold with white stripes)	57
transparent with black stripes	58
transparent with white stripes	19

The fruit fly, *Drosophila melanogaster*, has autosomal genes for body colour and wing shape.

Gene **B/b** is involved in the production of body colour:

- **B** = dominant allele for brown body colour
- **b** = recessive allele for black body colour.

Gene **D/d** is involved in wing shape:

- **D** = dominant allele for straight wing
- **d** = recessive allele for curved wing.

A dihybrid test cross was carried out between flies heterozygous for body colour and for wing shape and flies homozygous recessive for body colour and for wing shape.

(a) Table 5.1 shows the number of offspring of each phenotype obtained in the test cross.

Table 5.1

phenotype	observed number	expected number
brown body colour, straight wings	2843	
brown body colour, curved wings	855	
black body colour, straight wings	842	
black body colour, curved wings	2768	

Use Table 5.1 to calculate the expected number of each phenotype if the two genes are on **different** autosomes. Write your answers in the table. [1]

(b) A chi-squared (χ^2) test was carried out to compare the observed results with the results that would be expected from a dihybrid cross involving genes on different autosomes.

The value of $\chi^2 = 2097.836$.

Table 5.2 shows the critical values for the χ^2 distribution.

Table 5.2

degrees of freedom	p value		
	0.05	0.01	0.001
1	3.841	6.635	10.828
2	5.991	9.210	13.816
3	7.815	11.345	16.266
4	9.488	13.277	18.467

