Medical Screening Tests: ScreeningTest.py: Documentation

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ScreeningTest
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# ScreeningTest: PROGRAM PURPOSE.
# Medical screening tests vaunting very high "general accuracy" can give
# staggering levels of false results when the prevalence of a disease is low.
# This program explores the effect the prevalence of an infection in a
# population on the usefulness of screening tests. The goal is to
# demonstrate that screening tests are complex and less reliable
# than commonly supposed.
#
# Inputs:
     A GUI invites the user to enter the following medical test statistics.
#
#
     Population:
#
     Test Sensitivity:
     Test Specificity:
#
     Start of Prevalence Range.
#
     End of Prevalence Range:
#
#
     Prevalence of Interest:
#
     CheckBoxes allowing the plotting of different statistics.
#
# Outputs:
#
     (1) A plot with:
#
      x axis. A range of disease prevalences.
#
      y axis:
#
          Positive Predictive Value.
#
          Negative Predictive Value.
          False Positives (NPV)
#
          False Negatives (NPV)
#
#
          General Accuracy (A somewhat misleading item!)
#
          Prevalence of Interest (Vertical line).
     (2) A Matplotlib menu permitting saving the plot, zooming etc.
#
#
     (3) A CSV file with the plot data.(Optional)
#
     (4) A print of the plot data. (Optional)
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