case-01-ec-rmd

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Table 1 Values for Digoxin

```
mean and sd of age
## [1] 63.4189
## [1] 11.0244
mean and sd of ejection fraction
## [1] 28.63497
## [1] 8.845343
median duration of CHF
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##
       med
##
     <dbl>
## 1
        17
prop female
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
     SEX
                n freq
     <chr> <int> <dbl>
## 1 Female
              755 0.222
prop non-white
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
##
     RACE
                    n freq
     <chr>
               <int> <dbl>
## 1 Non-white 487 0.143
prop older than 70
## [1] 0.2667059
prop each method of assessing ejection fraction
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
##
     EJFMETH
                                         freq
##
     <chr>
                                        <dbl>
## 1 Contrast angiography
                                        0.055
## 2 Radionuclide ventriculography
                                        0.65
## 3 Two-dimensional echocardiography 0.295
prop cardiothoracic ratio
```

```
## [1] 0.3461878
prop NYHA class
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
   FUNCTCLS freq
##
     <chr>
              <dbl>
## 1 I
              0.137
## 2 II
              0.533
## 3 III
              0.307
## 4 IV
              0.022
prop for each number of signs/symptoms
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
     NSYM freq
##
     <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
        0 0.011
## 2
         1 0.024
## 3
        2 0.071
## 4
         3 0.093
         4 0.802
## 5
prop previous myo infection
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
   PREVMI freq
##
      <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
         1 0.647
prop angina
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
   ANGINA freq
      <dbl> <dbl>
##
## 1
          1 0.271
prop diabetes
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
## DIABETES freq
##
        <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
            1 0.283
prop hypertension
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
   HYPERTEN freq
##
       <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
           1 0.45
prop previous digoxin use
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##
    DIGUSE freq
##
      <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
          1 0.441
```

prop primary cause nonischemic or ischemic

A tibble: 2 x 2
CHFETIOL_ni freq

```
##
     <chr>
                 <dbl>
## 1 Ischemic
                 0.708
## 2 Nonischemic 0.292
prop primary cause within nonischemic
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
##
     CHFETIOL
                    freq
##
     <chr>
                    <dbl>
## 1 Hypertensive 0.0801
## 2 Idiopathic
                  0.155
## 3 Ischemic
                  0.708
## 4 Other
                  0.0548
prop diuretics
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##
     diurets
                freq
##
     <chr>
               <dbl>
## 1 Diuretics 0.812
prop ace inhibitor
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
    ACEINHIB freq
##
        <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
            1 0.941
prop nitrates
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##
    NITRATES freq
##
        <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
            1 0.422
prop other vasodilators
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##
     VASOD freq
##
     <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
         1 0.009
prop daily dose
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
##
    DIGDOSE
               freq
##
       <dbl> <dbl>
       0.125 0.175
## 1
      0.25 0.706
## 3
      0.375 0.103
```

Table 1 Values for Placebo

0.0106

mean and sd of age

0.5

[1] 63.54746

[1] 10.8136

mean and sd of ejection fraction

```
## [1] 28.44637
## [1] 8.852056
median duration of CHF
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##
       med
##
     <dbl>
## 1
        16
prop female
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
##
     SEX
                 n freq
##
     <chr> <int> <dbl>
## 1 Female
              764 0.225
prop non-white
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
     RACE
                    n freq
##
     <chr>
                <int> <dbl>
## 1 Non-white
                 504 0.148
prop older than 70
## [1] 0.2735821
prop each method of assessing ejection fraction
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
##
     EJFMETH
                                         freq
##
     <chr>>
                                        <dbl>
## 1 Contrast angiography
                                        0.058
## 2 Radionuclide ventriculography
                                        0.642
## 3 Two-dimensional echocardiography 0.3
prop cardiothoracic ratio
## [1] 0.3438143
prop NYHA class
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
     FUNCTCLS freq
##
##
     <chr>
              <dbl>
## 1 I
              0.13
## 2 II
              0.545
## 3 III
              0.305
              0.019
## 4 IV
prop for each number of signs/symptoms
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
      NSYM freq
##
     <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
         0 0.011
```

2

3

4

5

1 0.02

2 0.071

3 0.086 4 0.812

```
prop previous myo infection
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
    PREVMI freq
      <dbl> <dbl>
##
## 1
          1 0.653
prop angina
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
   ANGINA freq
##
      <dbl> <dbl>
          1 0.264
## 1
prop diabetes
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
   DIABETES freq
##
##
        <dbl> <dbl>
            1 0.286
## 1
prop hypertension
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##
    HYPERTEN freq
##
        <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
            1 0.458
prop previous digoxin use
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
   DIGUSE freq
##
##
      <dbl> <dbl>
          1 0.446
prop primary cause nonischemic or ischemic
## # A tibble: 2 x 2
##
     CHFETIOL_ni freq
##
     <chr>
                 <dbl>
## 1 Ischemic
                 0.705
## 2 Nonischemic 0.295
prop primary cause within nonischemic
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
##
    CHFETIOL
                    freq
##
     <chr>
                   <dbl>
## 1 Hypertensive 0.0914
## 2 Idiopathic
                  0.142
## 3 Ischemic
                  0.705
```

prop diuretics

4 Other

A tibble: 1 x 2 ## diurets freq ## <chr> <dbl> ## 1 Diuretics 0.822

0.0597

prop ace inhibitor

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
## ACEINHIB freq
## <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
        1 0.948
prop nitrates
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
## NITRATES freq
##
       <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
       1 0.431
prop other vasodilators
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
## VASOD freq
## <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 1 0.015
prop daily dose
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
## DIGDOSE freq
##
     <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 0.125 0.174
## 2 0.25 0.701
## 3 0.375 0.113
## 4 0.5 0.00940
```

Table 4 Digoxin Values

```
ejection fraction .25-.45
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
## DWHF n freq
## <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 613 0.27
ejection fraction < .25
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
## DWHF n freq
## <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 428 0.38
previous use of digoxin
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
## # Groups: DIGUSE [2]
## DIGUSE DWHF n freq
   <dbl> <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 0 1 491 0.259
       1
            1 550 0.367
cause of heart failure
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
## # Groups: CHFETIOL_ni [2]
## CHFETIOL_ni DWHF n freq
## <chr> <dbl> <int> <dbl>
```

```
## 1 Ischemic 1 731 0.304
## 2 Nonischemic 1 310 0.312
cardiothoracic ratio \leq .55
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
## DWHF n freq
## <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 600 0.27
cardiothoracic ratio > .55
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
## DWHF n freq
## <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 441 0.375
nyha class
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
## # Groups: FUNCTCLS [2]
## FUNCTCLS DWHF n freq
## <chr> <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 or 2 1 601 0.264
## 2 3 or 4
               1 440 0.392
overall study
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
## DWHF n freq
## <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 1041 0.306
```

Table 4 Placebo Values

```
ejection fraction .25-.45
```

A tibble: 1 x 3
DWHF n freq
<dbl> <int> <dbl>
1 1 735 0.323

ejection fraction < .25

A tibble: 1 x 3
DWHF n freq
<dbl> <int> <dbl>
1 1 556 0.492

previous use of digoxin

A tibble: 2 x 4
Groups: DIGUSE [2]
DIGUSE DWHF n freq
<dbl> <dbl> <int> <dbl>
1 0 1 603 0.32
2 1 1 688 0.453

cause of heart failure

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
## # Groups: CHFETIOL_ni [2]
    CHFETIOL_ni DWHF n freq
    <chr> <dbl> <int> <dbl>
##
## 1 Ischemic
                1 873 0.364
## 2 Nonischemic
                  1
                       418 0.416
cardiothoracic ratio \leq .55
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
##
          n freq
     DWHF
    <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1
      1 724 0.324
cardiothoracic ratio > .55
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
##
     DWHF
             n freq
##
    <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 567 0.485
nyha class
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
## # Groups:
             FUNCTCLS [2]
   FUNCTCLS DWHF
##
                      n freq
    <chr>
             <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 or 2
              1 739 0.322
## 2 3 or 4
               1 552 0.499
overall study
## # A tibble: 1 x 3
   DWHF
             n freq
##
    <dbl> <int> <dbl>
## 1 1 1291 0.379
```

Table 4: Absolute Difference

```
## [1] -0.080 -0.027
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
absolute dif ejection fraction <.25
## [1] -0.112
## [1] -0.153 -0.072
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95</pre>
```

absolute dif ejection fraction .25-.45

[1] -0.053

absolute dif previous digoxin use = yes

```
## [1] -0.086
## [1] -0.121 -0.051
## attr(,"conf.level")
```

```
## [1] 0.95
```

absolute dif previous digoxin use = no

absolute dif cause of heart failure = ischemic

absolute dif cause of heart failure = nonischemic

absolute dif ct ratio \leq .55

absolute dif
 ct ratio > .55

absolute dif nyha class = 1 or 2

absolute dif nyha class = 3 or 4

absolute dif overall pop

Table 4: Risk Ratio

```
risk ratio ejection fraction .25-.45
## [1] 0.835
## [1] 0.835 0.836
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
risk ratio ejection fraction <.25
## [1] 0.772
## [1] 0.771 0.773
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
risk ratio prev digoxin use = yes
## [1] 0.811
## [1] 0.810 0.811
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
risk ratio prev digoxin use = no
## [1] 0.808
## [1] 0.807 0.809
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
risk ratio cause of heart failure = ischemic
## [1] 0.835
## [1] 0.834 0.835
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
risk ratio cause of heart failure = nonischemic
## [1] 0.751
## [1] 0.749 0.752
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
risk ratio ct ratio <=.55
## [1] 0.815
## [1] 0.815 0.816
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
risk ratio ct ratio > .55
## [1] 0.774
## [1] 0.773 0.775
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
```

```
risk ratio nyha = 1 or 2

## [1] 0.821

## [1] 0.820 0.821

## attr(,"conf.level")

## [1] 0.95

risk ratio nyha = 3 or 4

## [1] 0.784

## [1] 0.783 0.785

## attr(,"conf.level")

## [1] 0.95

risk ratio overall pop

## [1] 0.808

## [1] 0.807 0.808

## attr(,"conf.level")

## [1] 0.95
```

Discussion

The values I calculated for table 1 and table 4 (except the risk ratio column) are very close to the ones in the report. Most of them are only off by .1% which is likely just due to differences in rounding. However, the risk ratio column in table 4 that I calculated has more differences from the original paper. The values are off by no more than .15, and the confidence intervals are much smaller than in the original paper. I calculated the risk ratios by dividing the percentage of patients on digoxin that experienced each level of the variable (ejection fraction, previous digoxin use cause of heart failure, ct ratio, NYHA class) by the percentage of patients on the placebo that experienced that same level. I chose to do it this way because that is how a risk ratio is usually calculated by hand. The researchers said that they estimated the risk ratios from the Cox proportional-hazards model; however, I tried finding the risk ratios using the model output, and the values were very different from the ones in the paper since many were over 1. Calculating the risk ratios by hand and using the actual definition of risk ratios brought me closer than trying to estimate them from the model, so I chose hand calculation instead. I believe are differences are because the researchers were very unclear in the paper how they calculated their risk ratios. Because it was so vague, I struggled with finding the right calculations to give me the same output. Additionally, Professor Jiang mentioned that the paper used the term risk ratio which is not actually the right term for the calculations which leads to grater confusion. I couldn't figure out what other calculations/formulas the researchers were doing to get those number, so I just chose the traditional method to find risk ratios since that was what the paper originally indicated.