EXAM OF STATISTICS (PROBABILITY AND RANDOM VARIABLES)

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Duration: 1 hour.

- (2.5 pts.) 1. A hospital orders a DNA compatibility test to three labs A, B and C. Lab A performs 40 test a day, lab B 50, and lab C 60. It is known that the probability of a wrong diagnose is 20% in lab A, 18% in lab B and 22% in lab C. If we select a random test of the hospital,
 - (a) Compute the probability of wrong diagnose in that test.
 - (b) If the test is wrong, what is the probability that it has been performed by lab B?
 - (c) If the test is right, which lab is more likely to have performed the test?

Solution

Let A, B and C be the events of performing the test in labs A, B and C respectively, and R the event of gettint a right diagnose. According to the statement P(A) = 0.2667, P(B) = 0.3333, P(C) = 0.4, P(R|A) = 0.8, P(R|B) = 0.82 and P(R|C) = 0.78.

- (a) $P(\overline{R}) = 0.2013$.
- (b) $P(B|\overline{R}) = 0.298$.
- (c) P(A|R) = 0.2671, P(B|R) = 0.3422 and P(C|R) = 0.3907, thus, it is more likely that it has been performed in lab C.
- (2 pts.) 2. An epidemiological study tries to determine the effectiveness of face masks to prevent the COVID19. In a sample 4000 persons without the virus and 1000 persons with it were selected. I was observed that in the group of infected people 120 had used face masks in the two previous weeks, while in the non-infected group, 1250 had used face masks in the two previous weeks.
 - (a) Compute the relative risk of been infected with face masks.
 - (b) Compute the odds ratio of been infected with face masks.
 - (c) Which association measure is more reliable?

Solution

Let D be the event of being infected.

- (a) RR(D) = 0.3613. Thus, the risk of being infected with face mask is almost one third of the likelihood of been infected without face mask.
- (b) OR(D) = 0.3. Thus, the odds of being infected with face mask is less than one third of the likelihood of been infected without face mask.
- (c) As we can not compute the prevalence of D, the odds ratio is more reliable.
- (2.5 pts.) 3. During the COVID19 quarantine a telephone exchange with 4 telephone operators received an average of 12 calls per day. Assuming that the calls are equally distributed among the operators,
 - (a) Compute the probability that an operator received more than 3 calls a day.

(b) Compute the probability that all the operators received some call a day.

Solution

- (a) Let X be the number of calls that arrive to one operator, then $X \sim P(3)$, and P(X > 3) = 0.3528.
- (b) Let Y be the number of operators that receive some call, then $Y \sim B(4,0.9502)$, and P(Y=4)=0.8152.
- (3 pts.) 4. In a course with 200 students the score of a test to measure the intelligence quotient follows a normal distribution. After applying the test to the students 10 of them got a score above 130 and 30 of them a score below 60.
 - (a) Compute the mean and the standard deviation of the score.
 - (b) How many students will have a score between 90 and 95?
 - (c) Compute the limits of the interval centered at the mean that accumulates 95% of the scores.

Solution

- (a) Let X be the score of the test then $X \sim N(87.058, 26.1069)$
- (b) $P(90 \le X \le 95) = 0.0747$, that is, around 14.9309 students.
- (c) Interval with 95% of probability (35.8895, 138.2265).