

## EXAM OF STATISTICS (PROBABILITY AND RANDOM VARIABLES)

2nd Physiotherapy

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**Duration:** 1 hour and 15 minutes.

- (2 pts.) 1. A study tries to determine the effectiveness of an occupational risk prevention program in jobs that require to be sit a lot of hours. A sample of 500 individuals between 40 and 50 years that spent more than 5 hours sitting was drawn. Half of the individuals followed the prevention program (treatment group) and the other half not (control group). After 5 years it was observed that 12 individuals suffered spinal injuries in the group following the prevention program while 32 individuals suffered spinal injuries in the other group. In the following 5 years it was observed that 21 individuals suffered spinal injuries in the group following the prevention program while 48 individuals suffered spinal injuries in the other group.
- Compute the cumulative incidence of spinal injuries in the total sample after 5 years and after 10 years.
  - Compute the absolute risk of suffering spinal injuries in 10 years in the treatment and control groups.
  - Compute the relative risk of suffering spinal injuries in 10 years in the treatment group compared to the control group. Interpret it.
  - Compute the odds ratio of suffering spinal injuries in 10 years in the treatment group compared to the control group. Interpret it.
  - Which statistics, the relative risk or the odds ratio, is more suitable in this study? Justify the answer.
- (3 pts.) 2. The table below shows the results of a study to evaluate the usefulness of a reactive strip to diagnose an urinary infection.
- | Outcome  | Infection | No infection |
|----------|-----------|--------------|
| Positive | 60        | 80           |
| Negative | 10        | 200          |
- Compute the sensitivity and the specificity of the test.
  - Compute the positive and the negative predictive values. Is this test better to confirm or to rule out the infection?
  - If another study has determined that the true prevalence of the infection is 2%, how does this affect to the predictive values?
- (5 pts.) 3. The time required to recover from an injury follows a normal distribution with variance 64 days. It is also known that 10% of people with this injury require more than 80 days to recover.
- What is the expected time required to recover from the injury?  
Remark: Use  $\mu = 70$  for the next part if you do not know how to compute it.
  - What percentage of individuals will require between 60 and 75 days to recover?
  - If we draw a random sample of 12 individuals with this injury, what is the probability of having between 9 and 11 individuals, both included, requiring less than 80 days to recover?
  - If we draw a random sample of 500 individuals with this injury, what is the probability of having less than 4 requiring a time above the 99th percentile to recover?