

Probability and Statistics - BB503/BB602 - Homework I

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1. [25 pts] Write an R function that detects outliers, and provide a working example.
2. [25 pts] Please calculate **by hand** the 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles for blood cholesterol data given below (Using the type 2 quantile algorithm):

```
## [1] 171 174 178 181 183 183 183 184 187 188 191 191 191 192 193 193 193 194 194
## [20] 195 196 196 199 200 200 200 202 204 204 205 206 211 212 213 213 216 220 221
## [39] 221 227
```

3. The ELISA test is used to screen blood for HIV.

- When the blood contains HIV, it gives a positive result 98% of the time.
- When the blood does not contain HIV, it gives a negative result 94% of the time.

a) [10 pts] Assume the prevalence of HIV is about 1% in the adult male population. For an adult male patient who has just tested positive, what is the probability that he has HIV?

b) [10 pts] Assume the prevalence of HIV is about 0.1% in the adult male population. For an adult male patient who has just tested positive, what is the probability that he has HIV?

4. `data/fev_data.txt` includes data for a number of patients on:

- age (in years)
- forced expiratory volume, a measure used to measure lung function (in liters)
- height (in inches)
- sex (0 for females, 1 for males)
- smoking status (0 for non-smokers, 1 for smokers)

You can import the dataset directly from the GitHub repo by:

```
data_URL <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/egeulgen/BB503_BB602_21_22/main/data/fev_data.txt"
fev_df <- read.delim(data_URL)
```

Import this data set into R and use R to provide answers to the following items:

- a) [3 pts] List the variable types for age, forced expiratory volume, height, sex, and smoking status.
- b) [3 pts] How many patients are there?
- c) [3 pts] How many of them were females and how many males? Also provide percentages.
- d) [3 pts] How many of them were smokers and how many non-smokers? Also provide percentages.
- e) [3 pts] Create a frequency table for age. You can use the R function that you provide for the bonus question. Provide interpretations of the results.
- f) [10 pts] Calculate 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th quantiles, mean, variance, standard deviation of forced expiratory volume for males and females separately, and interpret the results.
- g) [5 pts] Draw a scatter-plot for height in the x-axis and forced expiratory volume in the y-axis and interpret the graph.

Bonus question [15 pts]: Write an R function to create a frequency table for a continuous variable (using regular intervals). Using your function, obtain the frequency tables given below (please pay attention to the square bracket and parenthesis in the tables) for the blood cholesterol data above.

Table 1: right-closed

Class	Frequency	Relative_Frequency	Percentage
[170-180]	3	0.075	7.5
(180-190]	7	0.175	17.5
(190-200]	16	0.400	40.0
(200-210]	5	0.125	12.5
(210-220]	6	0.150	15.0
(220-230]	3	0.075	7.5

Table 2: left-closed

Class	Frequency	Relative_Frequency	Percentage
[170-180)	3	0.075	7.5
[180-190)	7	0.175	17.5
[190-200)	13	0.325	32.5
[200-210)	8	0.200	20.0
[210-220)	5	0.125	12.5
[220-230]	4	0.100	10.0