

## exercise2

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### Exercise1

**a**

Randomized trial.

**b**

Eligibility criteria:

participants were recruited from 15 universities across the United States.

Exposure definition (Intervention and control):

$X = 0$ , not receive access to Tess

$X = 2$ , receive access to Tess for 2 weeks

$X = 4$ , receive access to Tess for 4 weeks

Assignment procedures:

random assignment at start

Follow-up period:

4 weeks after randomization

Outcome definition:

3 types of survey scores: PHQ-9, GAD-7, PANAS

Causal contrast of interest:

$E(Y(4)) - E(Y(2))$

$E(Y(4)) - E(Y(0))$

$E(Y(2)) - E(Y(0))$

**c**

Yes, because the participants are randomly assigned, so everyone has opportunity to be exposed or not exposed.

**d**

Based on the original assignment result, the output should be marked as  $X = 4$ .

## Exercise2

**a**

Target trial.

**b**

Eligibility criteria:

individuals are registered in Danish registry systems.

Exposure definition (Intervention and control):

$X = 0$ , not confirmed infection of listed enteric pathogens

$X = 1$ , confirmed infection of listed enteric pathogens

Assignment procedures:

based on case data, not randomization

Follow-up period:

1 year follow-up

Outcome definition:

Death or not within 1 year

Causal contrast of interest:

$E(Y(1)) - E(Y(0))$

**c**

Not exchangeable, because for individuals who have been confirmed infection, they have no opportunity to be not exposed.

## Exercise3

**a**

```
set.seed(519)
n = 10000
confounder = rbinom(n = n, size = 1, prob = 0.5)
```

**b**

```
exposure = rep(NA, n)
n0 = length(confounder[confounder == 0])
n1 = n - n0
exposure[confounder == 0] = rbinom(n = n0, size = 1, prob = 0.25)
exposure[confounder == 1] = rbinom(n = n1, size = 1, prob = 0.75)
```

**c**

```
y0 = confounder + rnorm(n)
y1 = y0
```

**d**

```
outcome = y0 * (1 - exposure) + y1 * exposure
```

**e**

```
table(confounder, exposure)
```

```
##           exposure
## confounder    0    1
##           0 3691 1258
##           1 1217 3834
```

No exchangeability, because X is not randomly assigned in each confounder group.

**f**

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mean(outcome[exposure == 1]) - mean(outcome[exposure == 0])
```

```
## [1] 0.5072929
```

Not causal difference, because there is no exchangeability.

**g**

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E_outcome1 = mean(outcome[(exposure == 1) & (confounder == 1)]) * mean(confounder ==
1) + mean(outcome[(exposure == 1) & (confounder == 0)]) * mean(confounder ==
0)
E_outcome0 = mean(outcome[(exposure == 0) & (confounder == 1)]) * mean(confounder ==
1) + mean(outcome[(exposure == 0) & (confounder == 0)]) * mean(confounder ==
0)
ATE = E_outcome1 - E_outcome0
ATE

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## [1] 0.005487423
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## Exercise4

**a**

$$E(Y(1)) = (10 * 1 + 90 * 0) / 100 = 0.1$$

$$E(Y(0)) = (1000 * 1 + 9000 * 0) / 10000 = 0.1$$

$$E(Y(1)) - E(Y(0)) = 0$$

$$E(Y(1)) / E(Y(0)) = 1$$

$$(E(Y(1)) / (1 - E(Y(1)))) / (E(Y(0)) / (1 - E(Y(0)))) = 1$$

**b**

	Cancer (Y=1)	No cancer (Y=0)	Total
Diabetes (X=1)	$10 * 0.2 = 2$	$90 * 0.1 = 9$	11
No Diabetes (X=0)	$1000 * 0.1 = 100$	$9000 * 0.01 = 90$	190
Total	102	99	201

**c**

$$E(Y(1)) = (2 * 1 + 9 * 0) / 11 = 0.182$$

$$E(Y(0)) = (100 * 1 + 90 * 0) / 190 = 0.526$$

$$E(Y(1)) - E(Y(0)) = -0.344$$

$$E(Y(1)) / E(Y(0)) = 0.346$$

$$(E(Y(1)) / (1 - E(Y(1)))) / (E(Y(0)) / (1 - E(Y(0)))) = 0.200$$

The causal contrast is different among these two types of population, because selection bias.