Medical Statistics 2nd Semester Take Home Final Exam

Due Date: Dec 19 2022 (13:00) to Dec 22 2022 (23:59)

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Notice

- Please DO SOLVE ANSWERS BY YOURSELVES!!
- You can use materials from other textbooks, lecture notes, and websites but you have to cite materials
 in every answer.
- Write down your answers to each question in this document file (make a space for answers below the question)

Questions

- 1. Which one of the following statements is False?
 - a. The probability of a type II error is the probability that you reject the null hypothesis when it is true, then are followed to document occurrence of disease.
 - b. Subjects are enrolled or grouped on the basis of their exposure, then are followed to document occurrence of disease in prospective cohort study.
 - c. Especially when more than 20% of cells have expected frequencies < 5, we need to use Fisher's exact test to determine if there are associations between two categorical variables.
 - d. To use the two-sample t-test, we need to assume that the data from both samples are normally distributed and they have the same variances.
 - e. In test for heterogeneity of meta-analysis, if Higgins I2<=25%, studies are regarded homogeneous and the fixed effect model of meta-analysis can generally be used bles.
- 2. There are five urns, and they are numbered 1 to 5. Each urn contains 10 balls. Urn i has i defective balls and 10 i non-defective balls, i = 1, 2, ..., 5. For example, urn 3 has three defective balls and seven non-defective balls. Consider the following random experiment: First an urn is selected at random, and then a ball is selected at random from the selected urn. Suppose that the experimenter does not know which urn was selected. Let's ask two questions.
 - a) What is the probability that a defective ball will be selected?

- b) If we have already selected the ball and noted that it is defecvive, what is the probability that it came from urn 5?
- 3. The Census Bureau gives this distribution for the number of people in American Households:

Household size:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Proportion	0.264	0.332	0.162	0.145	0.063	0.022	0.013

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6. A total of 160 men of different ethnic backgrounds were included in a cross-sectional study of factors related to blood clotting. We compared mean platelet levels in the four groups using a one-way ANOVA. It was reasonable to assume Normality and constant variance.

Group	N (%)	$Mean(\times 10^9)$	SD $(\times 10^9)$	
Caucasian	100 (62.5)	268.1	77.08	
Afro-Caribbean	18 (11.3)	254.3	67.50	
Mediterranean	$23\ (14.4)$	281.1	71.09	
Other	19 (11.9)	273.3	63.42	

Fill the following ANOVA table

Source	SS	DF	MS	F-ratio	P-value
Between Group	9333.0	(1)	(3)	(5)	0.423
Within Group	966108.0	(2)	(4)		
Total	975441.0				

- 8. Calculate the sample size for the following questions.
- a) An active-controlled randomized trial proposes to assess the effectiveness of Herbal medicine A in reducing pain. A previous study showed that Herbal medicine A can reduce pain score by 5 points from baseline to week 24 with a standard deviation (σ) of 1.195. A clinically important difference of 0.5 as compared to active drug is considered to be acceptable. (Level of significance = 5%, Power = 80%, Type of test =two-sided)
- b) A placebo-controlled randomized trial proposes to assess the effectiveness of Drug A in curing infants suffering from sepsis. A previous study showed that proportion of subjects cured by Drug A is 50% and a clinically important difference of 16% as compared to placebo is acceptable. (Level of significance = 5%, Power = 80%, Type of test =two-sided)