

# Answers to most exercises in notes by Tom Britton

Ex. 2.	$R_0$	$\tau^*$
	1.5	0.583
	3	0.94
	6	0.997

Ex 3.	$R_0$	$\tau^*$ (=P(outbreak) for R-F)	P(outbreak) when I~Exp
	1.5	0.583	0.33
	3	0.94	0.67
	6	0.997	0.83

Ex 4+5	$R_0$	$\tau^*$	Overall fraction (= $(1-\tau^*)$ )
	1.5	0	0
	3	0.583	0.29
	6	0.94	0.47

Ex 6 Diseases with  $R_0 \leq 1$  have no name...

Ex 7.	Week	$I(t)$
	0	1
	1	$e^{2.8} \approx 16$
	2	$e^{5.6} \approx 250$
	3	$e^{8.4} \approx 4000$

Ex. 8	$R_0$	$V_c$
	1.5	33%
	3	67%
	6	82%

Ex. 9	$R_0$	$\tilde{S}$
	1.5	0.67
	3	0.33
	6	0.18

Ex 10  $\tilde{r} = \frac{1/52}{75} = 1/3900 \approx 0.00026$

Ex 11.  $n \cdot \tilde{r} \approx 60$  for Iceland and  $n \tilde{r} \approx 15000$  for UK

Ex 12. H will die out in Iceland but persist in UK

Ex 13 Conf int for  $p$ :  $\hat{p} \pm \lambda_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})/n}$

$\Rightarrow 0.27 \pm 1.96 \cdot \sqrt{0.27 \cdot 0.73/100} = 0.27 \pm 0.09$

Ex 14  $\hat{R}_0 = \frac{-\ln 0.8}{0.2} \approx 1.12$

## Answers... cont'd

Ex. 15  $\bar{z} = 0.4$   $1-r = 0.5$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{R}_0 = \frac{-\ln(0.6)}{0.5 \cdot 0.4} \approx 2.55$$

Ex. 16  $\hat{V}_c = \frac{1}{0.9} \left( 1 - \frac{0.2}{-\ln 0.6} \right) = 68\%$

Ex. 17  $\hat{\rho} = \frac{\ln(121/7)}{3-1} = 1.42$  per week

Ex. 18  $\hat{V}_c = \frac{1}{0.95} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{15} \right) \approx 99\%$

if  $E = 0.9 \Rightarrow V_c = \dots = 104\% \Rightarrow$  vaccine

cannot alone prevent an outbreak

Ex. 22  $\alpha_i =$  infectivity of type  $i$

$\beta_j =$  susceptibility of type  $j$

Ex. 23.  $\alpha_1=1, \alpha_2=2, \gamma_1=1, \gamma_2=2, \pi_1=\pi_2=0.5$

$$\Rightarrow R_0 = \sum_i \alpha_i \gamma_i \pi_i = 2.5$$

Surprising?

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Type 1 infects on average  $0.5+1=1.5$

" 2 " " "  $1+2=3$

Ex 23 continued

The mean of these ( $\pi_1 = \pi_2 = 0.5$ ) equals  $2.25 < 2.5$

Explanation:  $R_0$  is bigger than 2.25 because

type 2 will be over-represented among infected during early stage of the outbreak, and they infect more individuals

Ex. 24  $p = 0.25$   $E(D) = 3$   $R_0 = p \left( E(D) + \frac{V(D) - E(D)}{E(D)} \right)$

$\sqrt{V(D)}$	$V(D)$	$R_0$	$V_c = 1 - \frac{1}{R_0}$
0	0	2.5	0
1	1	0.9	0
3	9	1.25	0.2
10	100	$\approx 9$	$\approx 0.88$

Ex. 25  $\hat{R}_0 = \frac{-\ln(1-\hat{\tau})}{\hat{\tau}} = \frac{-\ln\left(\frac{412}{651}\right)}{239/651} \approx 1.25$

$\hat{V}_c = 1 - \frac{1}{\hat{R}_0} \approx 0.20$

$s.e.(\hat{R}_0) = \sqrt{\frac{1 + C_v^2 (1 - \hat{\tau}) \hat{R}_0^2}{\hat{\tau} (1 - \hat{\tau}) n}} = \begin{cases} 0.08 & C_v = 0 \\ 0.11 & C_v = 1 \end{cases}$

$s.e.(\hat{V}_c) = \sqrt{\frac{1 + C_v^2 (1 - \hat{\tau}) \hat{R}_0^2}{\hat{R}_0^4 \hat{\tau} (1 - \hat{\tau}) n}} = \begin{cases} 0.05 & C_v = 0 \\ 0.07 & C_v = 1 \end{cases}$

Ex. 26: Multiply by  $\sqrt{10}$  for s.e.