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QUIZ#1 (SOLUTIONS)

(Hypothesis Testing / Regression)

Question 1. (2 pts.) *p*-values control the probability of:

(Circle One)

- (A) False Negatives
- (B) False Positives \leftarrow **THIS ONE**
- (C) True Negatives
- (D) True Positives

Question 2. (1 pt.) If testing for disease X, which of the following is the False Positive Rate?

- (A) Prob(test positive | not infected) ← **THIS ONE**
- (B) Prob(not infected | test positive)

Question 3. (2 pts.) If testing for disease X in a population where nobody is infected, what is the following probability?

Prob(infected | test positive)

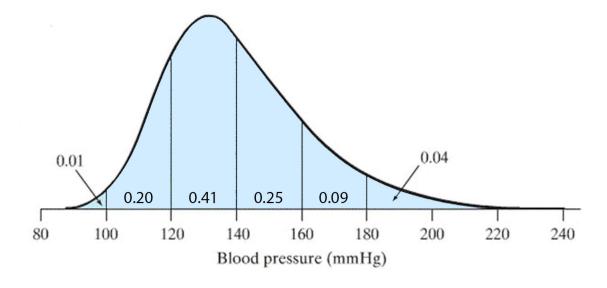
Answer: Zero. Somebody cannot be infected no matter how they test, since nobody in the population is infected.

Question 4. (1 pt.) Suppose you randomly sample a person from a population and measure their blood pressure. Suppose that random quantity is given by the probability density f(x) shown in the figure below (x = blood pressure).

Calculate the following integral and interpret it in words. Specifically, what does it say about the population?

$$\int_{120}^{\infty} f(x)dx$$

ANSWER: Sum the areas where the *x*-axis is greater than 120, to get $\int_{120}^{\infty} f(x)dx = 0.41 + 0.25 + 0.09 + 0.04 = 0.79$. This means that 79% of the population has blood pressure greater than or equal to 120.



Question 5. (1 pt.) True or False. A linear regression model must have a regression curve that is a straight line.

ANSWER: False.

Question 6. (2 pt.) Circle the one correct statement about the regression model $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$. The word "constant" here means "does not depend on X".

- (A) ϵ has constant variance 0
- (B) ϵ has constant mean $0 \leftarrow \text{THIS ONE}$
- (C) ϵ has constant mean σ

Question 7. (1 pt.) Draw a line from the statement on the left to the relevant graph on the right.

