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考試科目：生物統計與流行病學

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※ 考生請注意：本試題 可 不可 使用計算機

- Please explain the following terms: (5 pt each)
 - Power or $1-\beta$
 - Life-time risk
 - Necessary cause
 - Gene-environment interaction
- What is the t-distribution? What is the t statistic for comparing the difference between independent means? (10 pt)
- What are the assumptions in applying analysis of variance (ANOVA) comparing three or more means? (15 pt)
- A study compares the risk of composite adverse outcomes in disease A and non-disease A patients in a population. Assuming the incidence densities are 12.8 and 3.6 per 10,000 person-year of observation in this population. Please identify a measurement that gives an indication of the greater risk of developing adverse outcomes in disease A patients. (5 pt) If the prevalence of disease A is 25 % in this population, what will be the magnitude of reduction in the numbers of adverse outcomes if disease A is eliminated? (5 pt)
- In a case-control study, what are the disadvantages in choosing healthy individuals attending screening clinics as controls? (15 pt)
- The following two 2x2 tables demonstrate the results of applying a particular test in high-risk population and general population.

High-Risk population:

	Disease (+)	Disease (-)
Test (+)	344	18
Test (-)	24	116

General population:

	Disease (+)	Disease (-)
Test (+)	258	248
Test (-)	18	1822

- Do the test properties change when applying to two different populations? Please show your calculations to answer the question. (6 pt)
 - Is the test more useful in helping with diagnosis in high-risk population or general population? Please show your calculations to answer the question. (9 pt)
- Please give an example of a case-control study (you can devise your own) and indicate how the observation bias can occur in this particular study design. (15 pt)