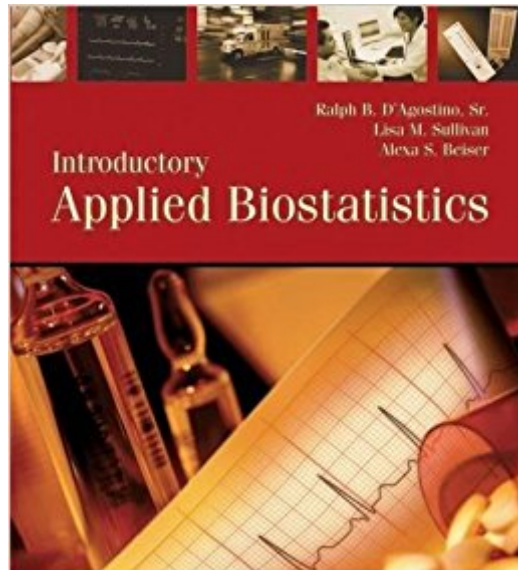




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It's an excellent text for the biostatistics with clarity and dynamic for explaining the principles of evaluating and calculating data, nevertheless I hoped a little more examples focused not only in obtaining means, p- value, correlation, etc. but a complete and clear interpretation of some

examples I've been preferred.

This is the "required" textbook for my biostatistics course and after reading most of the chapters, I can see why. Being someone with a weak mathematical background, I find this book to be extremely clear and helpful, taking a step by step approach which is very easy to follow. All the examples are relevant to what is being explained, all the formulas are numbered so when they refer to them later in the text it's easy to find them, and at the end of each chapter is a table summarizing all the formulas and when to use them. As for the answers to the problems, there is a Students Solution Manual available, although I don't see the need for it because as it has been mentioned before, there are plenty of practice examples within the text, and I also have an instructor that can help me go through the problems if I don't understand, instead of simply giving me the answer.

Text was awesome! Very helpful. Didn't use the CD-ROM but probably just as helpful as the text. Even if your instructor leaves you to figure it out on your own, it is not hard to follow. If you have trouble understanding exactly how the concept works, as a tip, use youtube.com, and it aligns for what's going on in the text.

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Actually found myself losing track of time reading the book because it is that readable. However, the index is very poor so it is difficult to find information in it later. I ended up using Google because it was quicker -- even getting bad sites. More use of color could be used to highlight key information. The information is good, when you can find it.

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