Survival Analysis

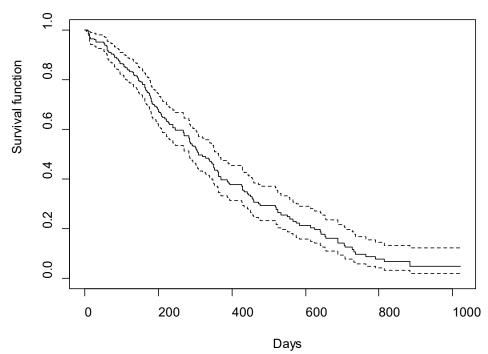
Kaplan-Meier estimation. Log-rank test. Cox proportional hazards model.

> library(survival)

> head(lung)			# Lung cancer survival data from a clinical trial, already in R								
	inst	time	status	age	sex	ph.ecog	ph.karno	pat.karno	meal.cal	wt.loss	
1	3	306	2	74	1	1	90	100	1175	NA	
2	3	455	2	68	1	0	90	90	1225	15	
3	3	1010	1	56	1	0	90	90	NA	15	
4	5	210	2	57	1	1	90	60	1150	11	
5	1	883	2	60	1	0	100	90	NA	0	
6	12	1022	1	74	1	1	50	80	513	0	
> ?lung			# 7	# To learn more about the lung data							

Kaplan-Meier estimation of the survival function:

> plot(survfit(Surv(time,status) ~ 1, data=lung), xlab="Days",ylab="Survival function")



To see the details and the estimated survival probabilities, save the fit:

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> fit = survfit( Surv(time, status) ~ 1, data=lung )
> summary(fit)
time n.risk n.event survival std.err lower 95% CI upper 95% CI
   5
         228
                  1
                      0.9956 0.00438
                                           0.9871
                                                         1.000
   11
        227
                  3
                      0.9825 0.00869
                                           0.9656
                                                         1.000
   12
         224
                      0.9781 0.00970
                  1
                                           0.9592
                                                         0.997
   13
        223
                      0.9693 0.01142
                                                         0.992
                                           0.9472
   Etc. etc. etc.
  814
          7
                  1
                      0.0671 0.02351
                                           0.0338
                                                         0.133
  883
          4
                  1
                      0.0503 0.02285
                                           0.0207
                                                         0.123
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Log-rank test

- # Here we compare two survival curves, determined by gender. # Option rho=0 calls the log-rank test
- > survdiff(Surv(time, status) ~ sex, rho=0, data=lung)

Chisq= 10.3 on 1 degrees of freedom, p= 0.001

Fit the Cox proportional hazards model

> coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ age + sex + meal.cal + wt.loss, data=lung)

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        coef
        exp(coef)
        se(coef)
        z
        p

        age
        0.0178260
        1.0179858
        0.0110505
        1.613
        0.1067

        sex
        -0.4638206
        0.6288764
        0.1975423
        -2.348
        0.0189

        meal.cal
        -0.0001201
        0.9998799
        0.0002469
        -0.486
        0.6267

        wt.loss
        -0.0005425
        0.9994576
        0.0067778
        -0.080
        0.9362
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Likelihood ratio test=10.07 on 4 df, p=0.03919

Output: coefficients β , their exponents e^{β} = IRR, the standard errors of estimated coefficients, the z-scores, and the p-values.

For confidence intervals and more details, do the summary:

- > Cox = coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ age+sex+meal.cal+wt.loss, data=lung)
- > summary(Cox)

	exp(coef)	exp(-coef)	lower .95	upper .95
age	1.0180	0.9823	0.9962	1.0403
sex	0.6289	1.5901	0.4270	0.9262
meal.cal	0.9999	1.0001	0.9994	1.0004
wt.loss	0.9995	1.0005	0.9863	1.0128

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Likelihood ratio test= 10.07 on 4 df, p=0.04 Wald test = 9.63 on 4 df, p=0.05 Score (logrank) test = 9.78 on 4 df, p=0.04
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