

Adult Mortality in the Metropolis of London 100–1850

A Bayesian View from Osteological Data

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Prerequisites

Install required packages, set some options and link the sources for the helper functions.

Please note: Relative paths in the original code, not for documentation purposes, references the workspace, e.g. “./helper_functions.R”. Where as in Rmd-files the file location is the root for relative paths, e.g. “./helper_functions.R”.

```
require(pacman) || install.packages("pacman")
```

```
## Lade nötiges Paket: pacman
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

```
pacman::p_load(dplyr, fitdistrplus, flexsurv, ggplot2, gridExtra, kableExtra,  
              mortAAR, nlme, osmplotr, reshape2, rgdal, HMDHFDplus, Metrics,  
              svMisc, tibble, tidyr, cowplot, MortalityLaws, rio,  
              coda, rjags, runjags, demogR, sf, rnaturalearth, readxl,  
              ggrepel)
```

```
options(scipen = 999)
```

```
options(dplyr.summarise.inform = FALSE)
```

```
source("../functions/bayes_cat_poisson.R")  
source("../functions/gomp_MLE.R")  
source("../functions/gomp_MLE_adapted.R")  
source("../functions/gomp_MLE_interval.R")  
source("../functions/gomp_anthr_age.R")  
source("../functions/gomp_anthr_age_r.R")  
source("../functions/gomp_bayes_known_age.R")
```

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```

source("../functions/gomp_known_age_r.R")
source("../functions/helper_functions.R")
source("../functions/lt_MC.R")
source("../functions/lt_MC_Gomp.R")
RNGkind("L'Ecuyer-CMRG") # conservative random number generator to avoid periodicity

```

Important for saving time: Decide to run extensive code anew (app. 6 h +). In addition, you can set the folder for preprocessed files.

```

runCodeNew <- FALSE
#runCodeNew <- TRUE

saveFileDir = "preprocessed_files"
if (saveFileDir %in% list.files(getwd()))
  {}else{
    dir.create(file.path(".", saveFileDir), showWarnings = FALSE )
  }

```

NULL

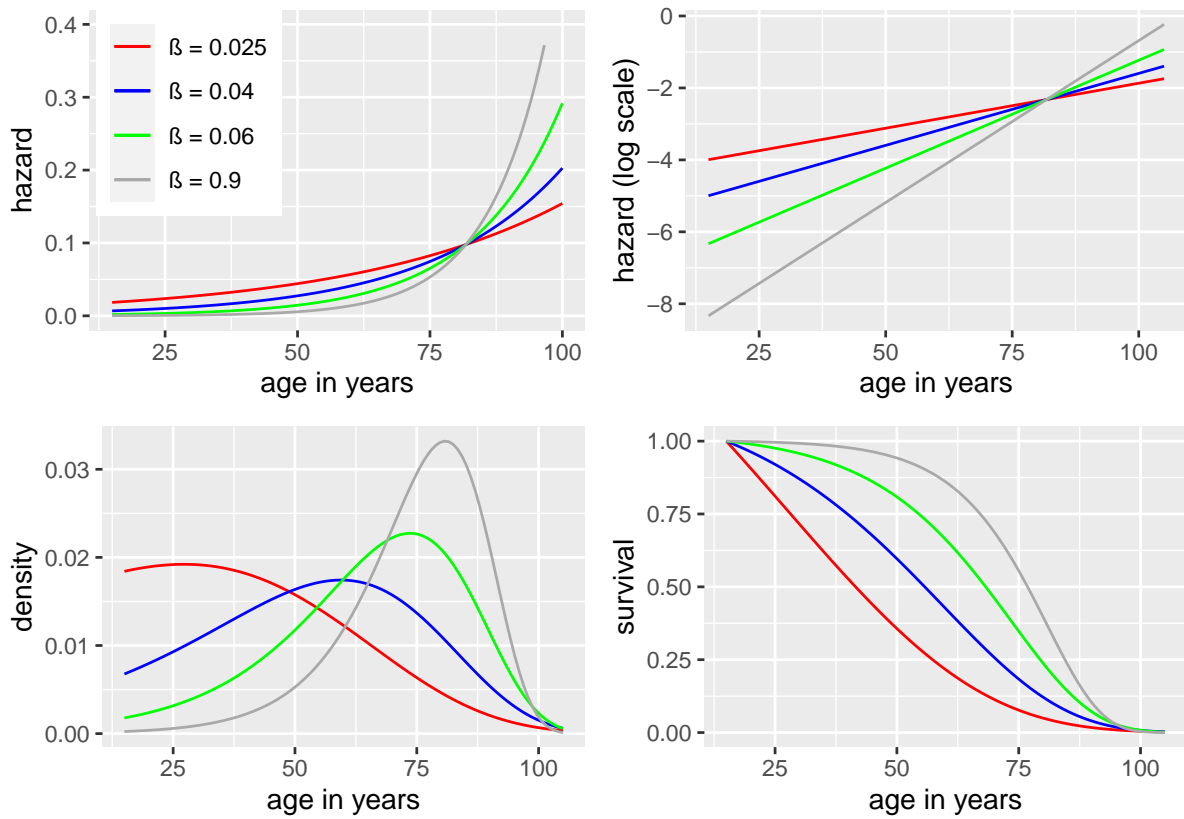
The code makes extensive use of the function `source` to call external code. Thus the main part of the code remains slim, well structured and readable.

Note: The base path for rmd files is the folder in which they are located. Consequently, `order_of_code.R` (code with comments) and `order_of_code.RMD` (information with code) are synchronous and are located in the base folder.

1 Chapter 01 Introduction

Figure 1: Gompertz.

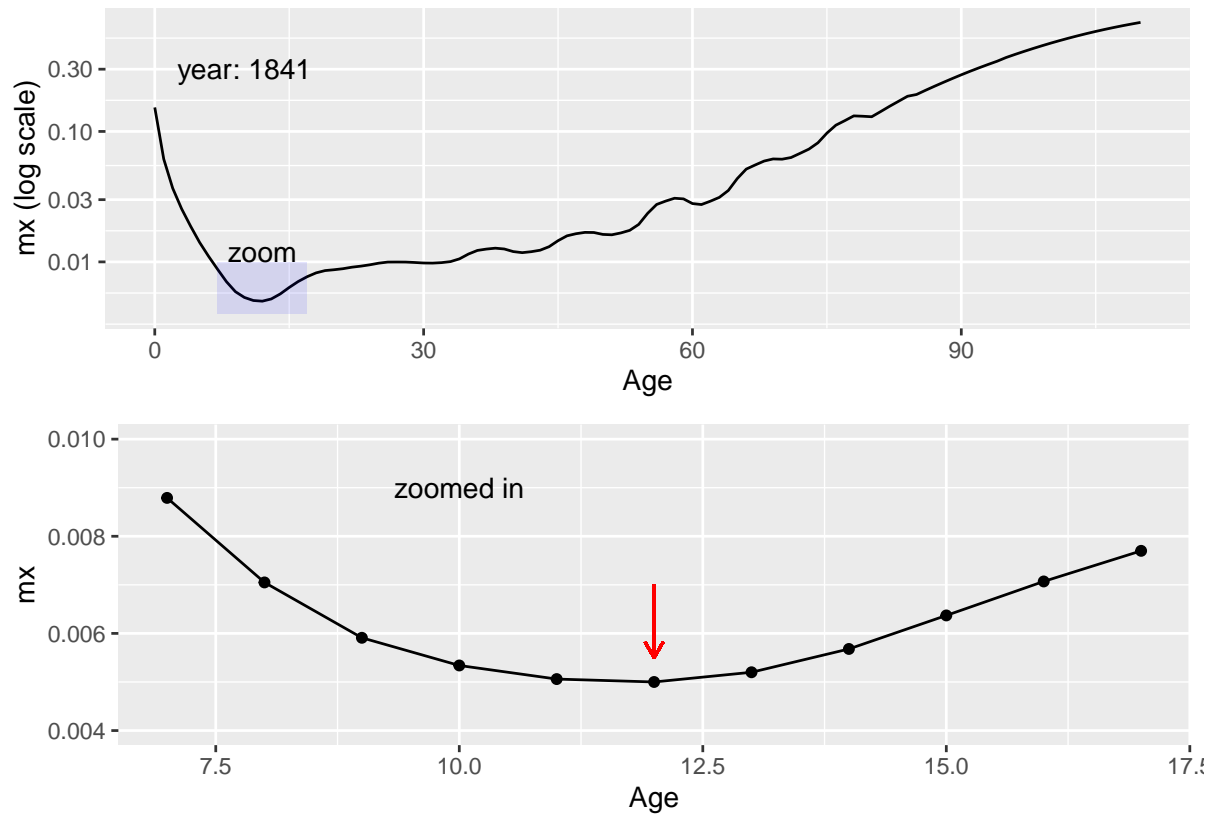
```
source("../chapter_01_introduction/gompertz_distribution.R")
```



2 Chapter 02 Materials and methods

Figure 3 Hazard

```
source("../chapter_02_materials_and_methods/hazard_curve.R")
```



3 Chapter 03 Data

Figure 4 Major cemeteries in Greater London 1100–1850 used in the present study.

```
source("../chapter_03_data/London_places.R")
```

```
## Data (c) OpenStreetMap contributors, ODbL 1.0. https://www.openstreetmap.org/copyright
```

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## Saving 6.5 x 4.5 in image
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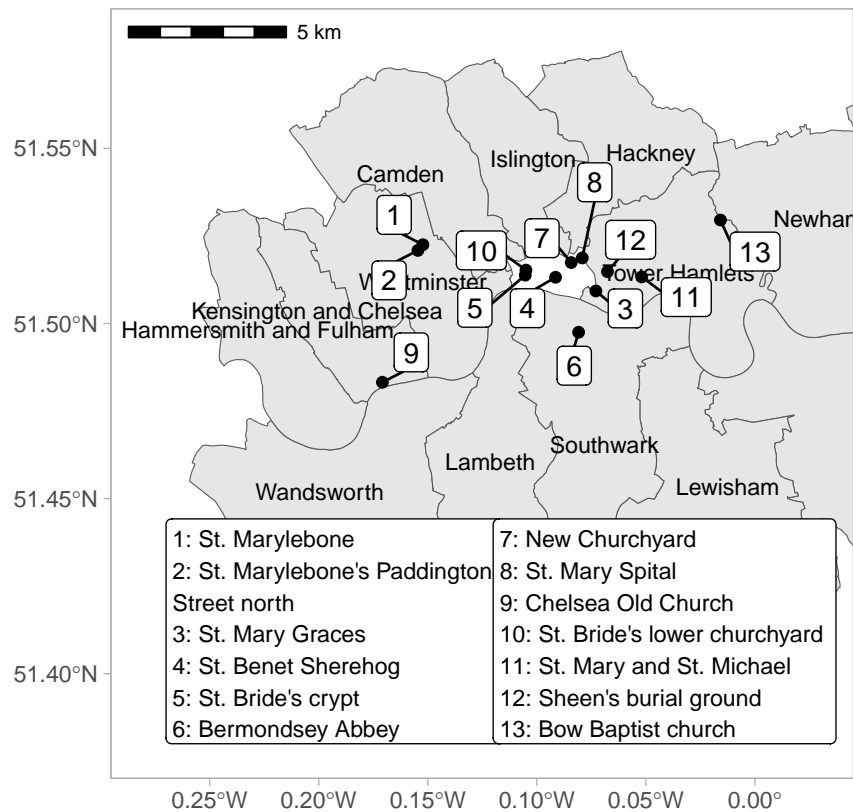
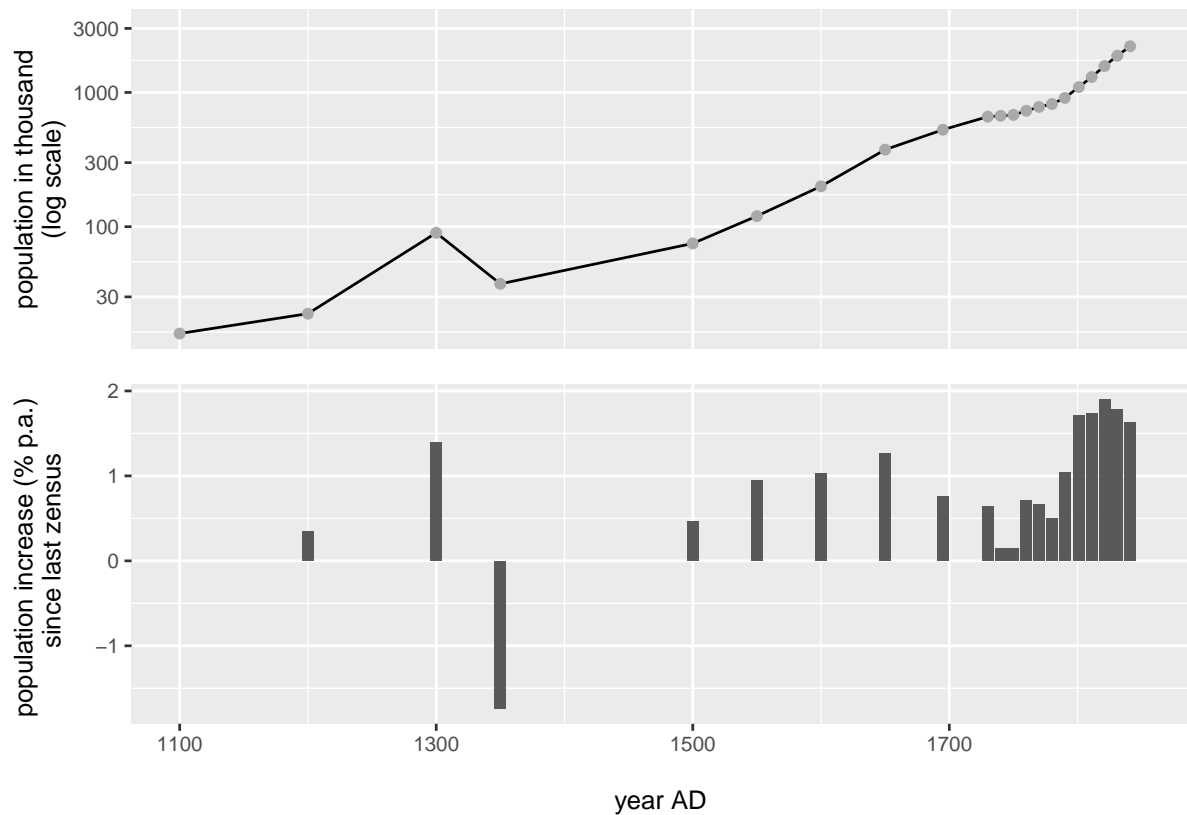


Figure 5 Population development of London

```
source("../chapter_03_data/London_population.R")
grid::grid.newpage()
grid::grid.draw(rbind(london_pop1, london_pop2))
```



Footnote 6 Re-calculation of rates for Razzell/Spence 2007 Calculated in `./chapter_03_data/London_population.R`

```
knitr::kable(razz_df, caption = "Re-calculation of rates for Razzell/Spence 2007")
```

Table 1: Re-calculation of rates for Razzell/Spence 2007

date	population	rate.per.year
1520	55000	NA
1600	200000	0.016
1650	400000	0.014
1700	575000	0.007
1750	675000	0.003
1801	960000	0.007
1851	2685000	0.021

4 Chapter 03 Data

4.1 Historical life tables

4.1.1 Written sources, pre-processed

Preprocessing of data used in figure 6: Estimated modal ages.

The data is referenced and aggregated in “./chapter_04_results/historical_lifetables.R”. In this file, all records from individual preprocessing files located in “./lifetables_preprocessed/” are **sourced**. The corresponding file names are given in brackets (note: due to LaTeX problems, underscores are replaced by spaces).

```
source("./chapter_04_results/historical_lifetables.R")
kable(peers_ranges,
      caption = "English Peers (English Peers.R)")

kable(monks_ranges,
      caption = "Christ Church monks (Medieval England.R)")

kable(london_1728_1840_ranges,
      caption = "London population, range of age modes M (London 1728 1840.R)")

kable(london_1728_1840_ranges_r,
      caption = "London population, range of rate (London 1728 1840.R)")

kable(London_1841_ranges,
      caption = "London population (London 1841 raw all.R)")

kable(eng_mort_ranges,
      caption = "English data (Wrigley et al. 1997) (English Mortality.R)")

kable(HMD_UK_ranges,
      caption = "Human Mortality Database UK (HMD UK.R)")
```

Table 2: English Peers (English Peers.R)

parameter	modes	HDI.ranges
beta	0.0613	0.0559-0.0660
M	58.1758	56.4-59.8
e20	33.4148	NA
e25	29.4926	NA

Table 3: Christ Church monks (Medieval England.R)

parameter	modes	HDI.ranges
beta	0.0461	0.0398-0.0523
M	52.7659	48.9-56.0
e20	31.0948	NA
e25	27.7530	NA

Table 4: London population, range of age modes M (London 1728 1840.R)

parameter	ranges
beta	0.0326-0.0418
M	43.3-54.8

Table 5: London population, range of rate (London 1728 1840.R)

parameter	ranges
beta_r	0.034-0.0507
M_r	46-64.3
r	0.002-0.012
beta_r	-0.003-0.007
M_r	-0.003-0.007
r	0.002-0.012
beta_r	0.002-0.012
M_r	0.001-0.01
r	0.005-0.015
beta_r	0.012-0.021
M_r	0.012-0.022
r	0.014-0.024
beta_r	0.014-0.023
M_r	0.012-0.022
r	0.014-0.023

Table 6: London population (London 1841 raw all.R)

parameter	modes	HDI.ranges
beta	0.0547	0.0510-0.0585
M	60.4164	58.9-61.7

Table 7: English data (Wrigley et al. 1997) (English Mortality.R)

parameter	ranges
beta	0.0438-0.0608
M	52.2-67.4

Table 8: Human Mortality Database UK (HMD UK.R)

parameter	ranges
beta	0.05-0.0654
M	64.2-70.2