

Absolute Risk integration using penalized logistic regression

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- A streamlined approach for reaching a **smooth absolute risk** curve. [1]

Dr. Cox's perspective

Reid: How do you feel about the cottage industry that's grown up around it [the Cox model]?

Cox: Don't know, really. In the light of some of the further results one knows since, I think I would normally want to tackle problems parametrically, so I would take the underlying hazard to be a Weibull or something. I'm not keen on nonparametric formulations usually.

Reid: So if you had a set of censored survival data today, you might rather fit a parametric model, even though there was a feeling among the medical statisticians that that wasn't quite right.

Cox: That's right, but since then various people have shown that the answers are very insensitive to the parametric formulation of the underlying distribution [see, e.g., Cox and Oakes, Analysis of Survival Data, Chapter 8.5]. And if you want to do things like predict the outcome for a particular patient, it's much more convenient to do that parametrically.

- Using the ERSPC dataset and casebase, we will determine Justin's absolute risk for death by prostate cancer.

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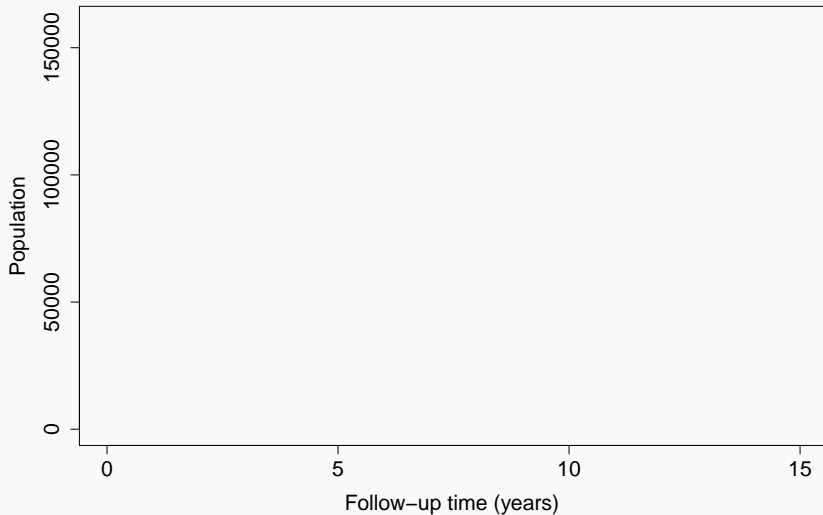
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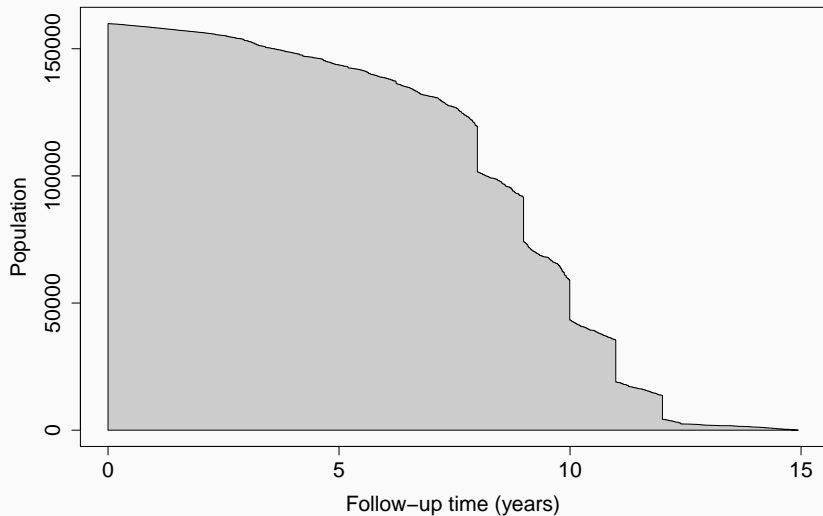
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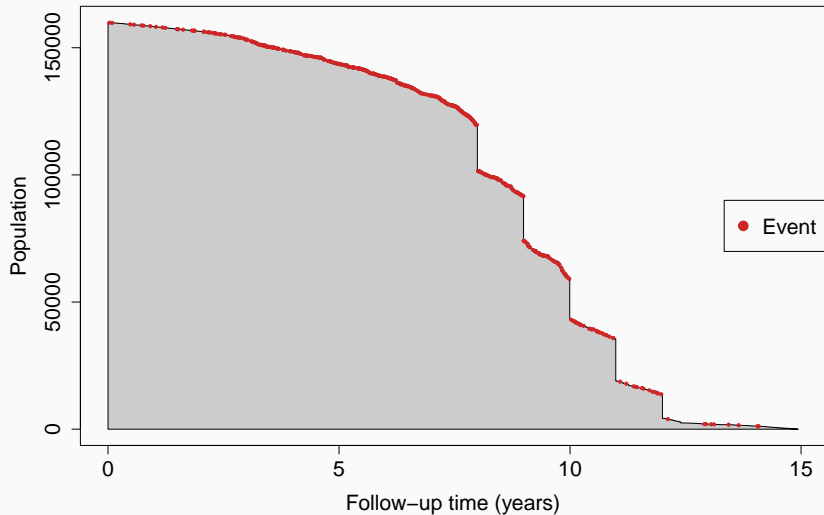
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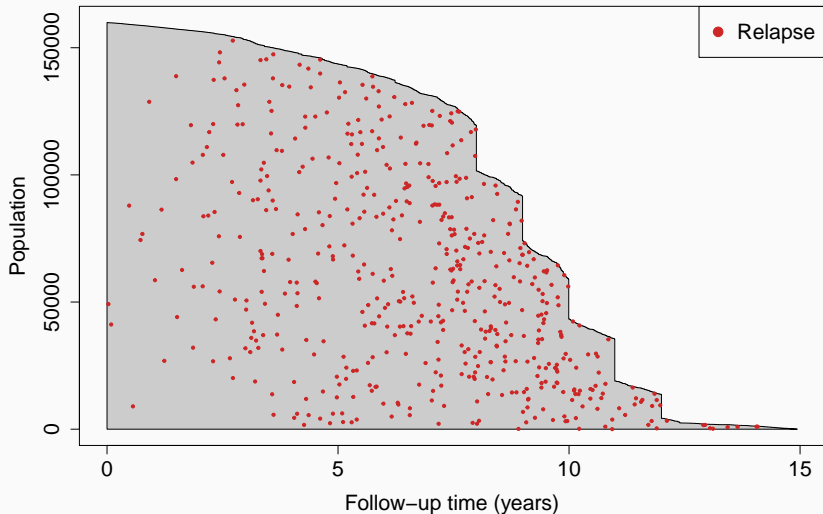


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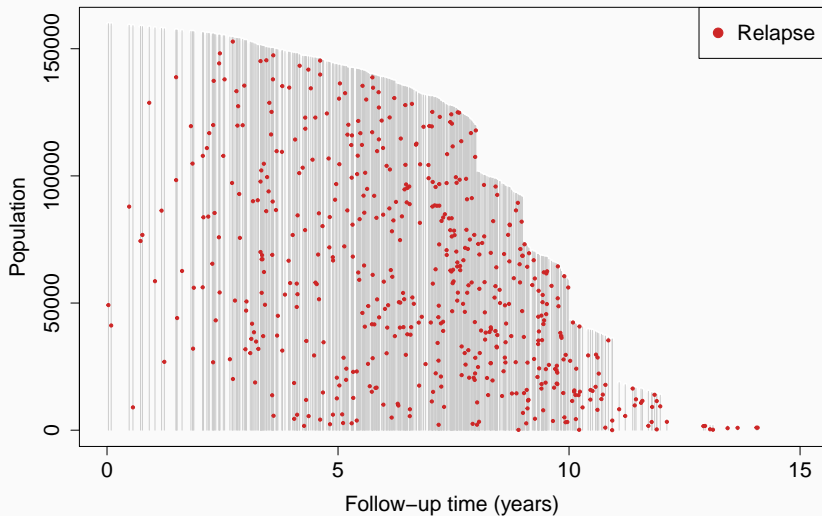


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- By changing the function $g(t; \alpha)$, we can model different parametric families easily:

Casebase: Parametric models

Exponential: $g(t; \alpha)$ is equal to a constant

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casebase::fitSmoothHazard(status ~ X1 + X2)
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Gompertz: $g(t; \alpha) = \alpha t$

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casebase::fitSmoothHazard(status ~ time + X1 + X2)
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Weibull: $g(t; \alpha) = \alpha \log(t)$

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casebase::fitSmoothHazard(status ~ log(time) + X1 + X2)
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Death by prostate cancer: hazard ratios

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casebase::fitSmoothHazard(DeadOfPrCa~ log(Follow.Up.Time)+  
                           ScrArm, data=ERSPC, ratio = 100)
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ERSPC Hazard comparison

Model	Hazard Ratio	Std.Error
Cox	0.801	1.092
Gompertz	0.802	1.093
Exponential	0.810	1.092
Weibull	0.797	1.093

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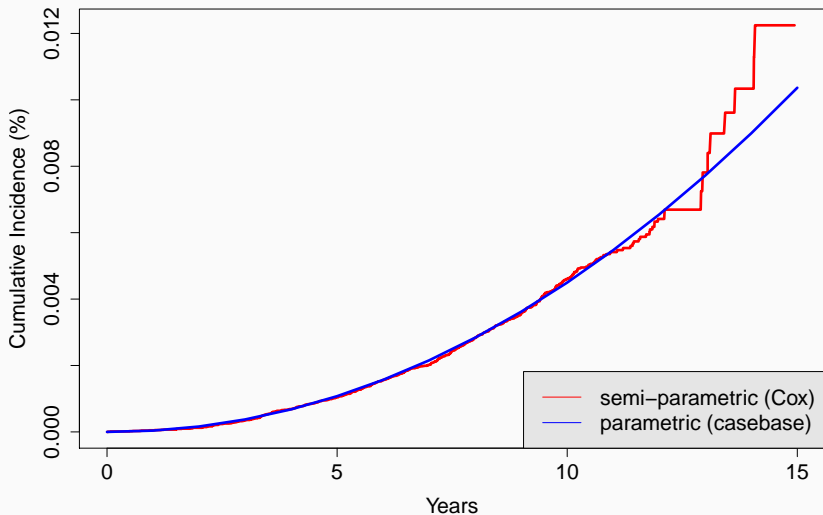
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- Lets use the weibull hazard

Casebase: Absolute Risk comparison

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casebase::absoluteRisk(fit, time=5, covariate_profile)
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Estimated Cumulative Incidence (risk) With No Screening



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 - Casebase can deal with competing risks.

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Tutorial:

<http://sahirbhatnagar.com/casebase/>

Slides:

<https://github.com/Jesse-Islam/UseR-CaseBase-Presentation>

Questions?