

# Homework 3 Cong Zhang

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1. **Textbook problem 2.1** Listed below are values of survival time in years for 6 males and 6 females from the *WHAS100* study. Right-censored times are denoted by a “+” as a superscript.

Males: 1.2, 3.4, 5.0<sup>+</sup>, 5.1, 6.1, 7.1

Females: 0.4, 1.2, 4.3, 4.9, 5.0, 5.1<sup>+</sup>

Using these data, compute the following **without a software package**:

- (2 pts) The Kaplan-Meier estimate of the survival function for each gender.
- (2 pts) Pointwise 95 % confidence intervals for the survival functions estimated in problem (1a).
- (2 pts) Pointwise 95 % confidence interval estimates of the 50th percentile of the survival time distribution for each gender.
- (2 pts) The estimated mean survival time for each gender using all available times, upto 7.1.
- (2 pts) A graph of the estimated survival functions for each gender computed in problem (1a) along with the point wise and overall 95 % limits computed in problem (1b).

## Answer

The Kaplan-Meier estimate and 95 % confidence intervals of the survival function for each gender were shown in Table 1&2 and Figure 1. 95% confidence intervals were computed using log-log approaches.

95 % confidence interval estimates of the 50th percentile of the survival time and estimated mean survival time were shown in Table 3.

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> library(dplyr)
> library(tibble)
> library(tidyverse)
> library(knitr)
> library(kableExtra)
> fit.surv <- function(dat){
+   dat %>% mutate(n.risk = c(N, N - cumsum(event+censored))[-7] ) %>%
+   filter(censored == 0) %>%
+   mutate(km_s = (n.risk - event)/n.risk, S.km= cumprod(km_s)) %>%
+   mutate(kk = event/(n.risk*(n.risk - event)),
+          std_err = sqrt((S.km)^2*cumsum(kk)),
+          logsd = sqrt(1/(-log(S.km))^2*cumsum(kk)),
+          lowerCI = log(-log(S.km)) + qt(0.975, Inf)*logsd,
+          upperCI = log(-log(S.km)) - qt(0.975, Inf)*logsd) %>%
+   mutate(lowerCI = ifelse(exp(-exp(lowerCI))<0, 0, exp(-exp(lowerCI))),
+          upperCI = ifelse(exp(-exp(upperCI))>1, 1, exp(-exp(upperCI))) ) %>%
+   select( time, n.risk, event, S.km, std_err, lowerCI, upperCI )
+ }
>
> N = 6
> m <- tibble(time = c(1.2, 3.4, 5.0, 5.1, 6.1, 7.1),
+               event = c(1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1),
+               censored = c(0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0))
> male <- fit.surv(m)
>
> kable(round(male, 3), caption = "KM estimator for male")
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Table 1: KM estimator for male

time	n.risk	event	S.km	std_err	lowerCI	upperCI
1.2	6	1	0.833	0.152	0.273	0.975
3.4	5	1	0.667	0.192	0.195	0.904
5.1	3	1	0.444	0.222	0.066	0.785
6.1	2	1	0.222	0.192	0.010	0.615
7.1	1	1	0.000	NaN	NA	NA

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> f <- tibble(time = c(0.4, 1.2, 4.3, 4.9, 5.0, 5.1),
+             event = c(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0),
+             censored = c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1))
> female <- fit.surv(f)
> kable(round(female, 3), caption = "KM estimator for female")
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Table 2: KM estimator for female

time	n.risk	event	S.km	std_err	lowerCI	upperCI
0.4	6	1	0.833	0.152	0.273	0.975
1.2	5	1	0.667	0.192	0.195	0.904
4.3	4	1	0.500	0.204	0.111	0.804
4.9	3	1	0.333	0.192	0.046	0.676
5.0	2	1	0.167	0.152	0.008	0.517

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> get.median <- function(dat)
+ {
+   dat %>% mutate(t50 = min(time[S.km <= 0.5]),
+                  u50 = max(time[S.km >= (0.5 + 0.1)]),
+                  l50 = min(time[S.km <= (0.5 - 0.1)]),
+                  f50 = (S.km[time == u50] - S.km[time == l50])/(l50 - u50),
+                  se50 = std_err[time == t50]/f50,
+                  lower50 = t50 - qt(0.975, Inf)*se50,
+                  upper50 = t50 + qt(0.975, Inf)*se50,
+                  prod = max(cumsum(c(1, S.km)[-6]*diff(c(0, time))))
+   ) %>%
+   filter(time == 1.2) %>%
+   select(t50, lower50, upper50, prod)
+ }
> t <- round(rbind(get.median(male), get.median(female)), 3)
> colnames(t) <- c("Median", "LowerCL", "UpperCL", "E(MeanSurvTime)")
> rownames(t) <- c("Male", "Female")
> kable(t, caption = "Median survival time")
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Table 3: Median survival time

	Median	LowerCL	UpperCL	E(MeanSurvTime)
Male	5.1	2.454	7.746	4.833
Female	4.3	-0.141	8.741	3.467

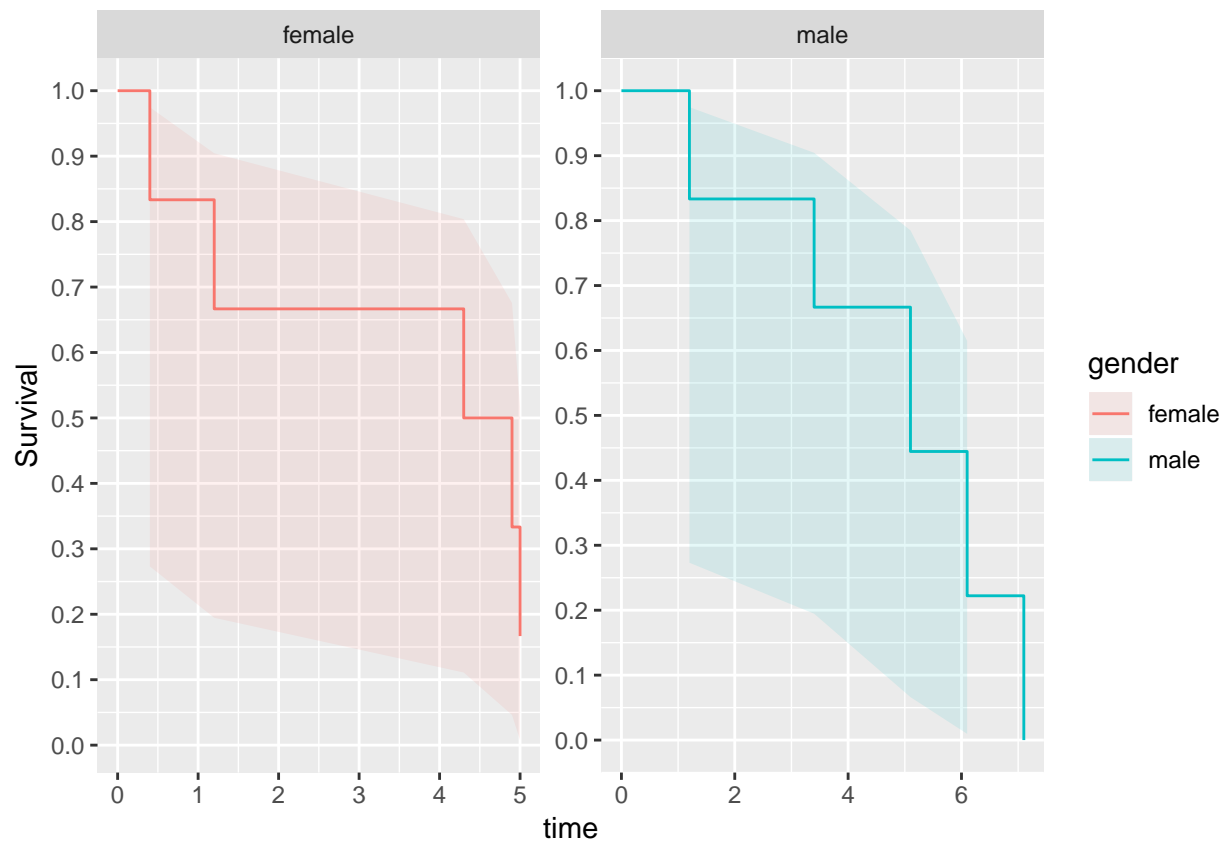


Figure 1: Survival curves and 95% CI

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> library(ggplot2)
> data <- bind_rows(list(male = male, female = female), .id = "gender") %>%
+ add_row(gender = "male", time = 0, n.risk = 0, S.km = 1, .before = 1) %>%
+ add_row(gender = "female", time = 0, n.risk = 0, S.km = 1, .before = 1)
> ggplot(data = data, aes(colour = gender, shape=gender)) +
+ geom_step(aes(x = time, y = S.km)) +
+ facet_wrap(gender ~ ., scale = "free") +
+ scale_y_continuous(breaks=seq(0,1,by=0.1)) +
+ geom_ribbon(aes(x = time, ymax = upperCI, ymin = lowerCI, fill = gender),
+           linetype = 0, alpha = 0.10) +
+ ylab("Survival")
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