Titanic Survival Probability Analysis Report

I. Introduction

The sinking of the Titanic is one of history's most well-known maritime disasters. This report analyzes survival data from the Titanic dataset to understand the factors that influenced survival chances. The study examines variables such as gender, passenger class, age, and fare. Additionally, it compares empirical probabilities (calculated from actual data) with theoretical probabilities (based on assumptions of equal chance).

Thesis Statement: Survival on the Titanic was not random but strongly influenced by gender, social class, and other factors, which challenges the assumption of equal probability of survival for all passengers.

II. Methodology

- Dataset Used: Titanic dataset from Kaggle (Titanic-Dataset.csv).
- **Data Cleaning:** Missing values in Age were replaced with the mean; missing values in Embarked were replaced with the most frequent port.
- **Analysis Tools:** Python (Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, Seaborn) was used for data exploration, visualization, and probability calculations.
- Probability Approach:
 - * Empirical Probability: Calculated from actual passenger outcomes.
- * Theoretical Probability: Assumed equal survival chances across gender and passenger class.
- Limitations:
- * Dataset only covers ~891 passengers (not the full Titanic list).
- * Assumptions in theoretical probabilities may not reflect real-world conditions.

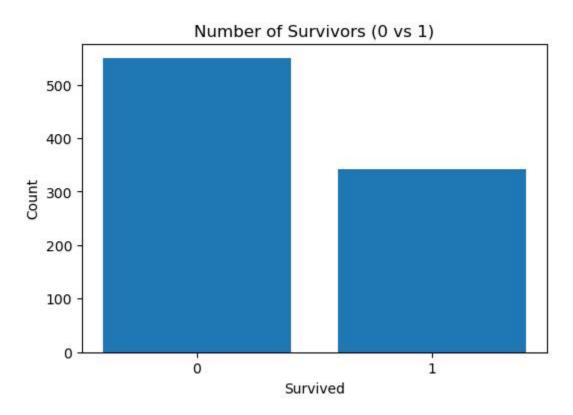
III. Results

Key Findings:

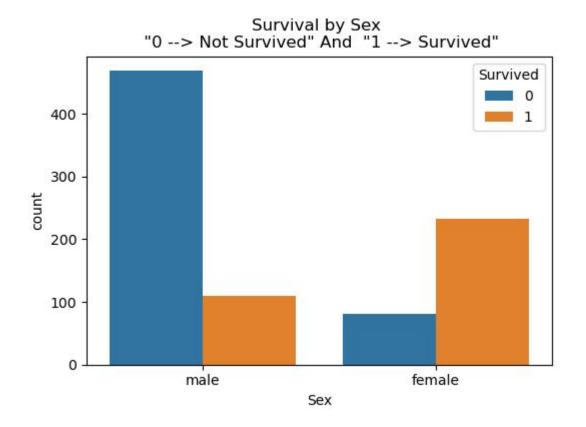
- Survival Distribution: About 38% survived, while 62% did not survive.
- **Gender and Survival:** Females had a much higher survival rate (\sim 74%) compared to males (\sim 19%).
- Class and Survival:
- * 1st Class $\rightarrow \sim 63\%$ survival
- * 2nd Class $\rightarrow \sim 47\%$ survival
- * 3rd Class $\rightarrow \sim 24\%$ survival
- **Age Groups and Survival:** Children (0–12) had better chances compared to adults and seniors.
- Fare and Survival: Higher ticket fares correlated with higher survival probability.

Visuals:

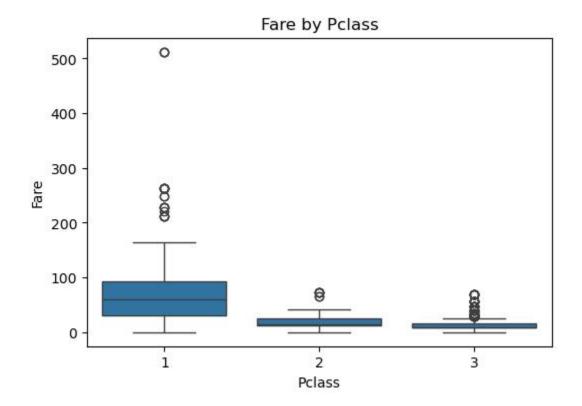
- Bar chart of survivors (Survived->1 vs Not Survived->0).



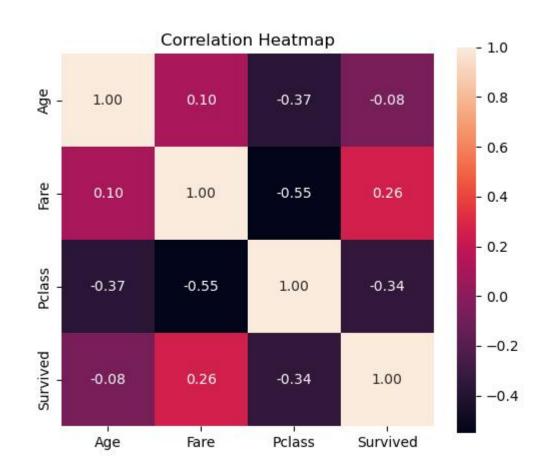
- Countplot of survival by gender.



- Boxplot of fare by passenger class.



- Heatmap showing correlation (Fare, Age and Pclass linked with survival).



IV. Discussion

- **Women Survived More:** Data strongly supports the 'women and children first' evacuation policy.
- **Class Privilege**: Wealthier passengers (1st class) had better access to lifeboats and thus higher survival chances.
- **Age Influence:** Children had higher survival rates than adults, especially in lower classes.
- **Fare Connection:** Passengers who paid more (higher fare) were often in better cabins and had greater survival chances.
- Empirical vs Theoretical Probability:
- * Empirical: Shows survival was unequal and depended on gender/class.
- * Theoretical: Assumed equal chance (50% survival, 1/3 per class), which clearly doesn't align with reality.

V. Conclusion

This analysis shows that Titanic survival was not random. Gender, passenger class, and ticket price significantly impacted chances of survival. Women and children, as well as wealthier passengers, had far better survival rates. The difference between empirical and theoretical probabilities highlights the importance of data-driven analysis over assumptions.

Final Thought: If survival were truly random (theoretical model), outcomes would be equal across groups. However, the Titanic tragedy demonstrates how social structures and inequalities can influence life-or-death outcomes.