

# Random future lifetime

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# The random future lifetime

- $(x)$  denotes an individual aged  $x$  at this moment, with  $x \geq 0$ .
- The random variable  $T_x$  is the **future lifetime** of  $(x)$ .
- Thus, **age at death** of  $(x)$  is  $x + T_x$ .

# The life table in R

- Human Mortality Database (HMD, [www.mortality.org](http://www.mortality.org)).
- `life_table` contains the period life table for males in Belgium of 2013.

```
head(life_table, 10)
```

```
   age    qx    lx  dx  ex
1    0 0.00381 100000 381 77.95
2    1 0.00047  99619  47 77.24
3    2 0.00019  99572  19 76.28
4    3 0.00015  99553  15 75.30
5    4 0.00013  99538  13 74.31
6    5 0.00010  99525  10 73.32
7    6 0.00011  99514  11 72.32
8    7 0.00008  99504   8 71.33
9    8 0.00011  99496  11 70.34
10   9 0.00008  99485   8 69.34
```

# Mortality rates and survival probabilities

- The one-year probability of dying

$$q_x = \Pr(T_x \leq 1).$$

$q_x$  is the mortality rate at age  $x$ .

- The one-year probability of surviving

$$p_x = \Pr(T_x > 1).$$

- Thus,  $p_x = 1 - q_x$ .

# Mortality rates of Belgian sportsmen in R

- Eden Hazard is a Belgian footballer who plays for Chelsea and is 27 years old.

```
age <- life_table$age  
qx <- life_table$qx  
qx[age == 27]
```

```
0.00062
```

```
qx[27 + 1]
```

```
0.00062
```

- Eddy Merckx is a Belgian cyclist who won the Tour de France 5 times and is 72.

```
qx[age == 72]
```

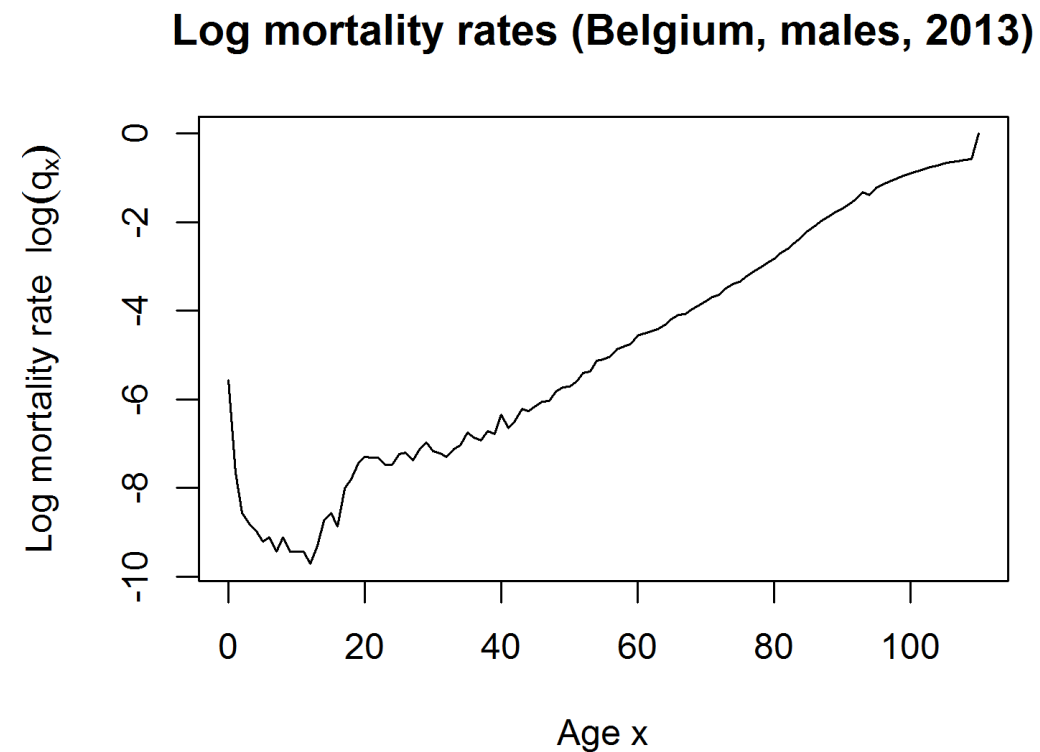
```
0.02631
```

```
qx[72 + 1]
```

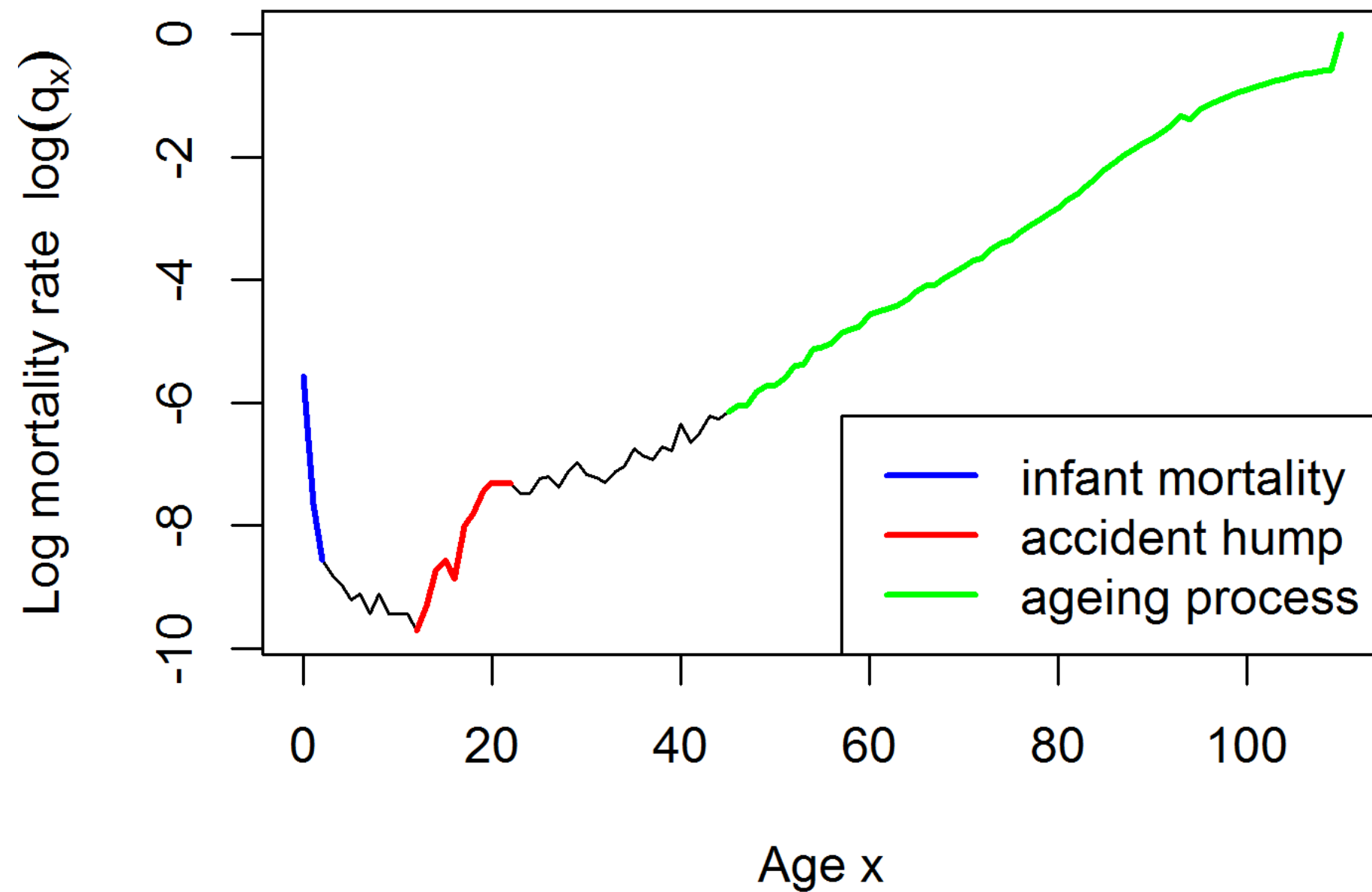
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# Picturing Belgian mortality rates $q_x$ in R

```
plot(age, log(qx), main = "Log mortality rates (Belgium, males, 2013)",  
      xlab = "Age x", ylab = expression(paste("Log mortality rate ", log(q[x]))),  
      type = "l")
```



## Log mortality rates (Belgium, males, 2013)



# The life expectancy

- The (complete) expected future lifetime of  $(x)$  is  $E[T_x]$
- For Eden Hazard who is 27 years old:

```
ex <- life_table$ex  
ex[27 + 1]
```

```
51.74
```

- For Eddy Merckx who is 72 years old:

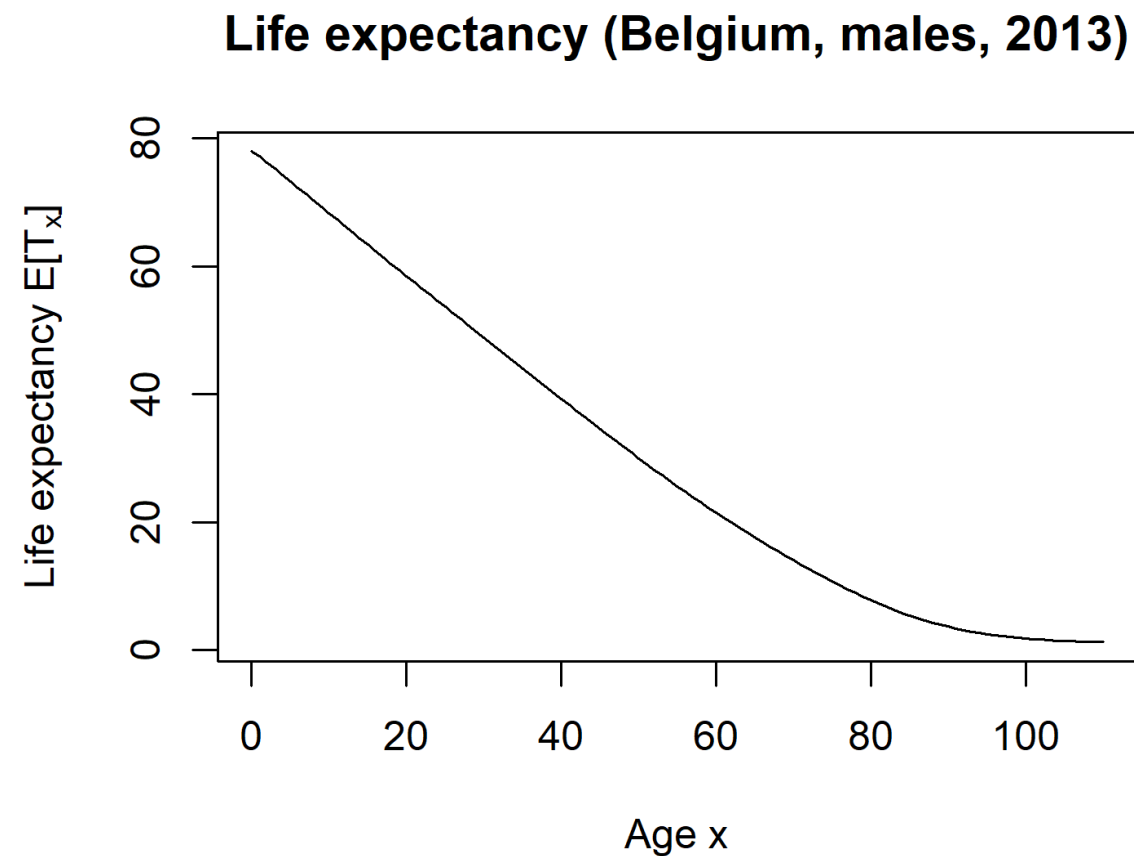
```
ex[72 + 1]
```

```
12.67
```



# Picturing the life expectancy in R

```
plot(age, ex, main = "Life expectancy (Belgium, males, 2013)", xlab = "Age x",  
      ylab = expression(paste("Life expectancy E[", T[x], "]")), type = "l")
```



# Let's practice!

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# Binomial experiments

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```
# Variables used in this video
qx <- life_table$qx
px <- 1 - qx
lx <- life_table$lx
dx <- life_table$dx
```

# A binomial experiment: surviving one year

- Focus on  $\ell_x$  in `life_table` .

```
lx[0 + 1]
```

```
1e+05
```

# A binomial experiment: surviving one year

- The number of survivors up to age  $x + 1$  follows a  $\text{BIN}(\ell_x, p_x)$ .

```
lx[72 + 1]
```

```
73977
```

```
px[72 + 1]
```

```
0.97369
```

```
rbinom(n = 1, size = lx[72 + 1], prob = px[72 + 1])
```

```
72022
```

# A binomial experiment: surviving one year

- Now in a vectorized way!

```
sims <- rbinom(n = length(lx), size = lx, prob = px)
head(sims)
```

```
99637 99567 99553 99546 99525 99515
```

# A binomial experiment: surviving $k$ years

- The number of **1-year** survivors follows a  $\text{BIN}(\ell_x, p_x)$ .

Expected value:

$$\ell_{x+1} = \ell_x \cdot p_x.$$

- The number of  **$k$ -year** survivors follows a  $\text{BIN}(\ell_x, {}_k p_x)$ .

Expected value:

$$\ell_{x+k} = \ell_x \cdot {}_k p_x.$$

Thus:

$${}_k p_x = \frac{\ell_{x+k}}{\ell_x}.$$



# A binomial experiment: the number of deaths

- The number of deaths follows a  $\text{BIN}(\ell_x, q_x)$ .

Expected value:

$$\begin{aligned}d_x &= \ell_x \cdot q_x \\&= \ell_x \cdot (1 - p_x) \\&= \ell_x - \ell_{x+1}.\end{aligned}$$

```
dx[72 + 1]
```

```
1946
```

```
lx[72 + 1] - lx[73 + 1]
```

```
1946
```

# Survival probabilities in R

Compute  ${}_5p_{65} = \frac{\ell_{70}}{\ell_{65}}$ .

```
# Probability that (65) survives 5 more years  
lx[age == 70] / lx[age == 65]
```

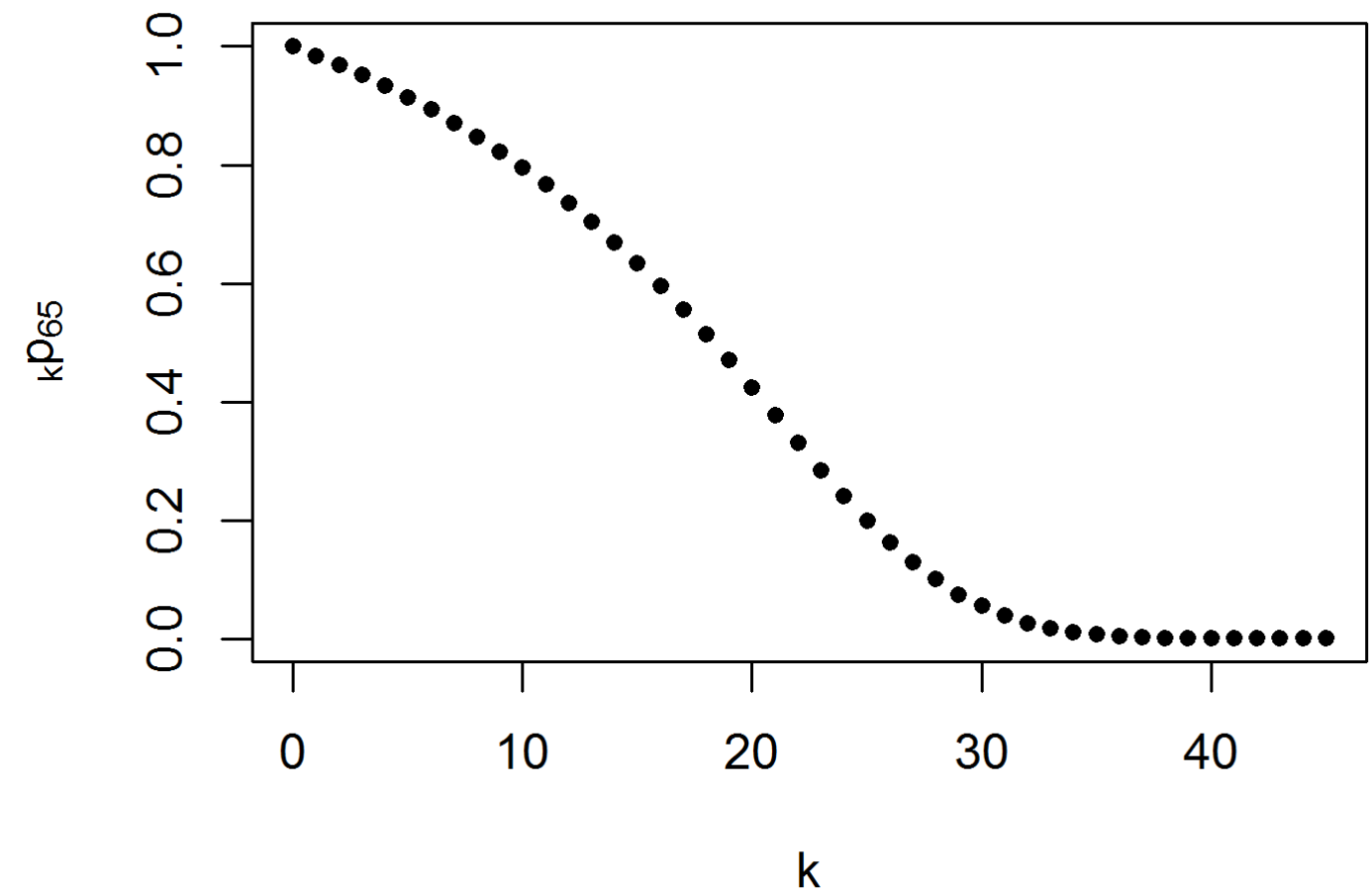
```
0.9143957
```

```
# Alternatively  
lx[70 + 1] / lx[65 + 1]
```

```
0.9143957
```

# Picturing survival probabilities in R

```
# probability that (65) survives to age 65 + k
k <- 0:45
plot(k,
     lx[65 + k + 1] / lx[65 + 1],
     pch = 20,
     xlab = "k",
     ylab = expression(paste("[k]", "p"[65])))
```



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# Calculating probabilities

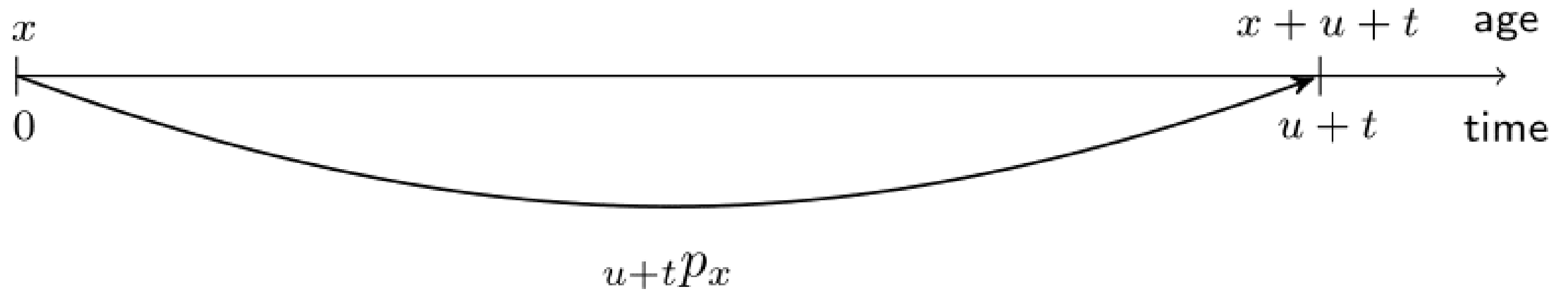
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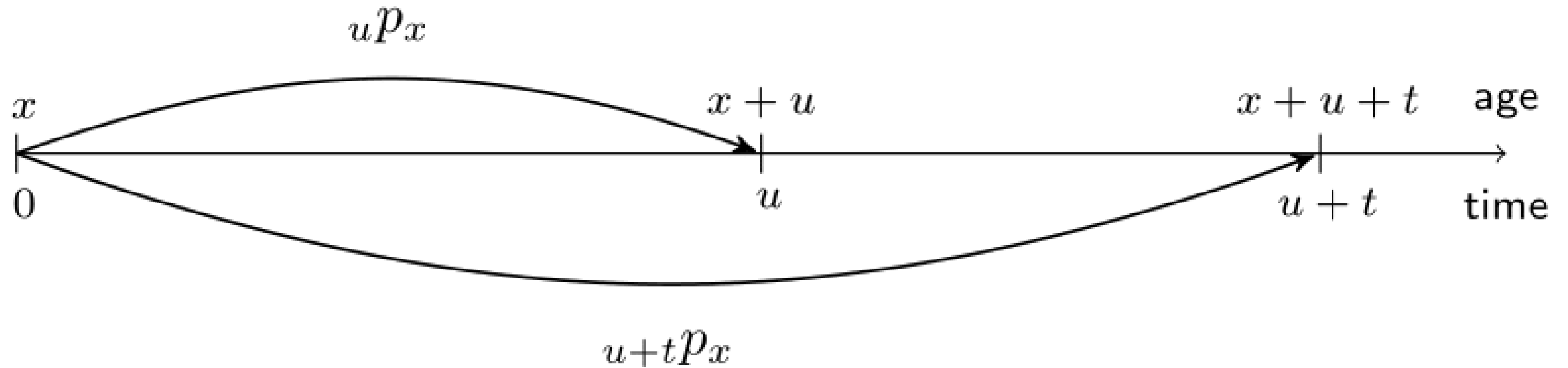
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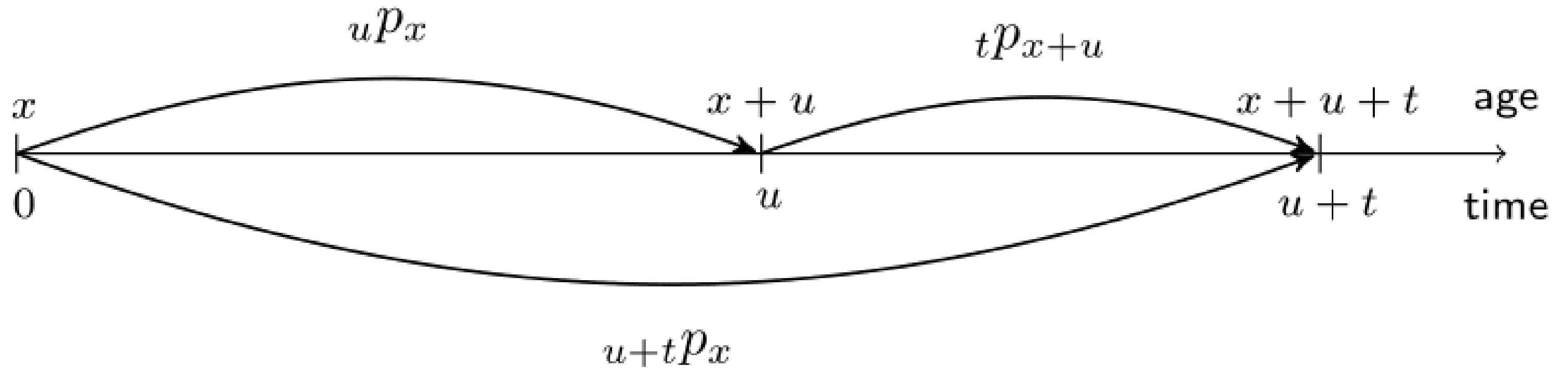
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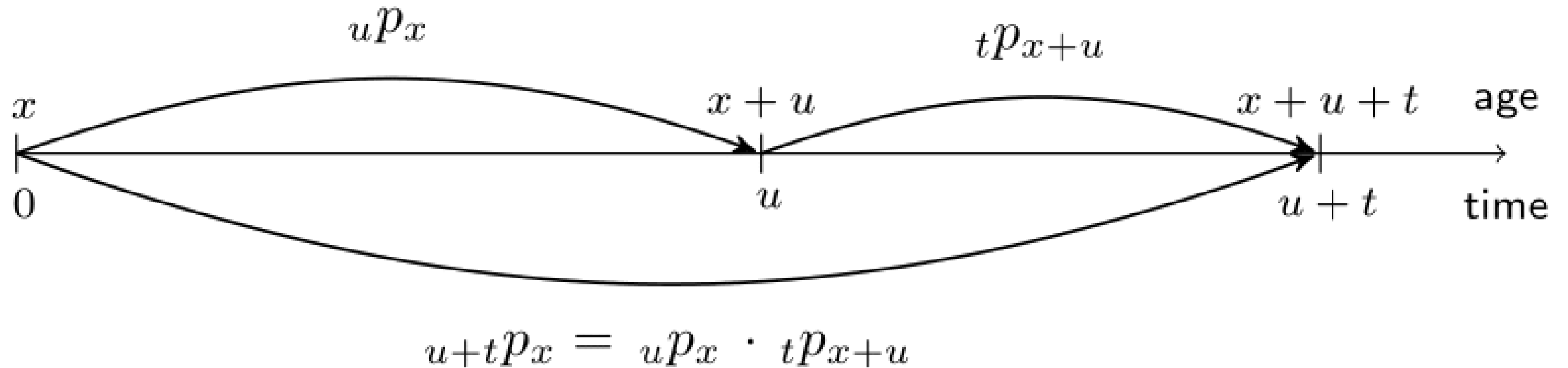


# From one-year to multi-year survival probabilities





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# The multiplication rule

- Rewriting the survival probabilities:

$${}_{t+u}p_x = {}_u p_x \cdot {}_t p_{x+u}.$$

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- Rewriting the survival probabilities:

$${}_{t+u}p_x = {}_up_x \cdot {}_tp_{x+u}.$$

- With  $k$  an integer we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} {}_kp_x &= p_x \cdot {}_{k-1}p_{x+1} \\ &= p_x \cdot p_{x+1} \cdots p_{x+k-1} \\ &= \prod_{l=0}^{k-1} p_{x+l} \end{aligned}$$

which is a **product of one-year** survival probabilities.

# Calculating survival probabilities in R

Compute  ${}_5p_{65} = p_{65} \cdot p_{66} \cdot p_{67} \cdot p_{68} \cdot p_{69}$ .

```
# One-year survival probabilities  
px <- 1 - life_table$qx  
px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)]
```

```
0.98491 0.98320 0.98295 0.98091 0.97935
```

```
# Probability that (65) survives 5 more years  
prod(px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)])
```

```
0.9144015
```

Compute  ${}_5p_{65} = \frac{\ell_{70}}{\ell_{65}}$ .

```
# Alternatively (difference due to  
                                rounding)  
lx[70 + 1] / lx[65 + 1]
```

```
0.9143957
```

# Cumulative product of survival probabilities in R

Compute  ${}_kp_{65}$  for  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ .

```
# One-year survival probabilities  
px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)]
```

```
0.98491 0.98320 0.98295 0.98091 0.97935
```

```
# Multi-year survival probabilities of (65  
cumprod(px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)])
```

```
0.9849100 0.9683635 0.9518529 0.9336820  
0.9144015
```

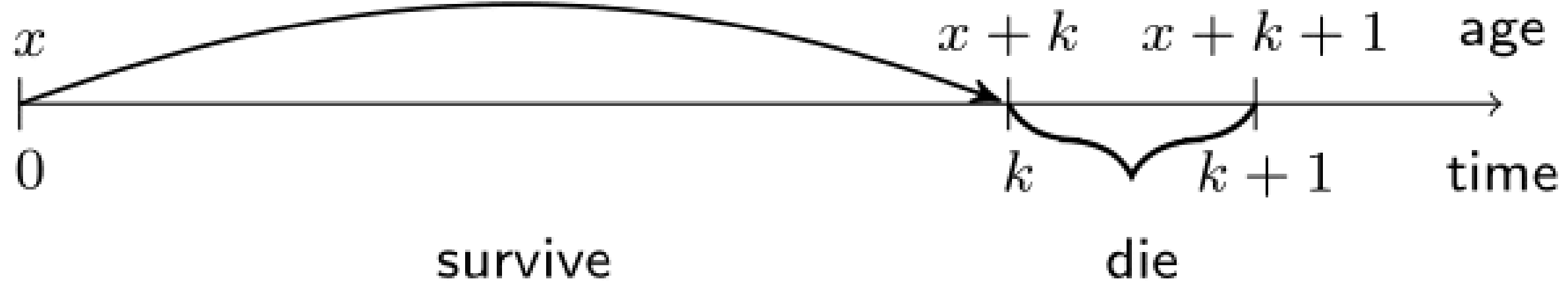
Compute  ${}_kp_{65}$  for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ .

```
# Multi-year survival probabilities of (65  
c(1, cumprod(px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)]))
```

```
1.0000000 0.9849100 0.9683635 0.9518529  
0.9336820 0.9144015
```

# A deferred mortality probability

- Focus on a specific deferred mortality probability:



- $(x)$  survives  $k$  whole years, but dies before reaching age  $x+k+1$ :

$${}_k|q_x = {}_kp_x \cdot q_{x+k}.$$

# A deferred mortality probability in R

Compute  ${}_5|q_{65} = {}_5p_{65} \cdot q_{70}$ .

```
# 5-year deferred mortality probability of (65)
prod(px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)]) * qx[70 + 1]
```

```
0.02086664
```

Compute  ${}_5|q_{65} = \frac{d_{70}}{l_{65}}$ .

```
# Alternatively (difference due to rounding)
dx[70 + 1] / lx[65 + 1]
```

```
0.02086817
```

# Deferred mortality probabilities in R

Compute  ${}_k|q_{65} = {}_kp_{65} \cdot q_{65+k}$  for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

```
# Survival probabilities of (65)
kpx <- c(1, cumprod(px[(65 + 1):(length(px) - 1)]))
head(kpx)
```

```
1.0000000 0.9849100 0.9683635 0.9518529 0.9336820 0.9144015
```

```
# Deferred mortality probabilities of (65)
kqx <- kpx * qx[(65 + 1):length(qx)]
head(kqx)
```

```
0.01509000 0.01654649 0.01651060 0.01817087 0.01928053 0.02086664
```



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# Calculating life expectancies

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# The curtate future lifetime

- $K_x = \lfloor T_x \rfloor$ , the number of whole years lived by  $(x)$  in the future.

$$\begin{aligned} Pr(K_x = k) &= Pr(k \leq T_x < k + 1) \\ &= {}_k p_x \cdot q_{x+k} \\ &= {}_k p_x - {}_{k+1} p_x, \end{aligned}$$

- Compute  $Pr(K_{65} = 5) = {}_5 p_{65} \cdot q_{70} = {}_5 p_{65} - {}_6 p_{65}$ .

```
# 5-year deferred mortality probability of (65)
prod(px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)]) * qx[70 + 1]
```

```
0.02086664
```

```
# Alternatively
prod(px[(65 + 1):(69 + 1)]) -
  prod(px[(65 + 1):(70 + 1)])
```

```
0.02086664
```

# The curtate life expectancy

- The expected value of  $K_x$  is called the **curtate life expectancy**:

$$\begin{aligned} E[K_x] &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot Pr(K_x = k) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot ({}_k p_x - {}_{k+1} p_x) \\ &= \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} {}_k p_x. \end{aligned}$$

# The life expectancy of a superhero



Mr. Incredible is 35 years old and lives in Belgium.

As an independent superhero he needs to take care of his **financial planning**.

What is a good estimate of his **curtate future lifetime**?

Can you help?

# The life expectancy of a superhero in R

Compute  $E[K_{35}] = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k p_{35}$ .

```
# one-year survival probabilities  
head(px[(35 + 1):length(px)])
```

```
0.99883 0.99896 0.99902 0.99879 0.99887  
0.99824
```

```
# k-year survival probabilities of (35)  
kp35 <- cumprod(px[(35 + 1):length(px)])  
head(kp35)
```

```
0.9988300 0.9977912 0.9968134 0.9956072  
0.9944822 0.9927319
```

```
# curtate expected future lifetime of (35)  
sum(kp35)
```

```
43.53192
```

# The expected future lifetime

- How to step from  $E[K_x]$  to  $E[T_x]$ ?
- Thus: from the **curtate** to the **complete** life expectancy?
- Use:

$$E[T_x] \approx E[K_x] + \frac{1}{2},$$

# The life expectancy of a superhero in R

Compare  $E[K_{35}]$  to  $E[T_{35}]$ .

```
# Curtate life expectancy of (35)
sum(kp35)
```

```
43.53192
```

```
# Complete life expectancy of (35)
ex <- life_table$ex
ex[35 + 1]
```

```
44.03
```



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# Dynamics

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# Multiple dataframes with mortality rates

- Look at  $\{q_x\}_{x \geq 0}$  or  $\{p_x\}_{x \geq 0}$  for multiple periods of time:

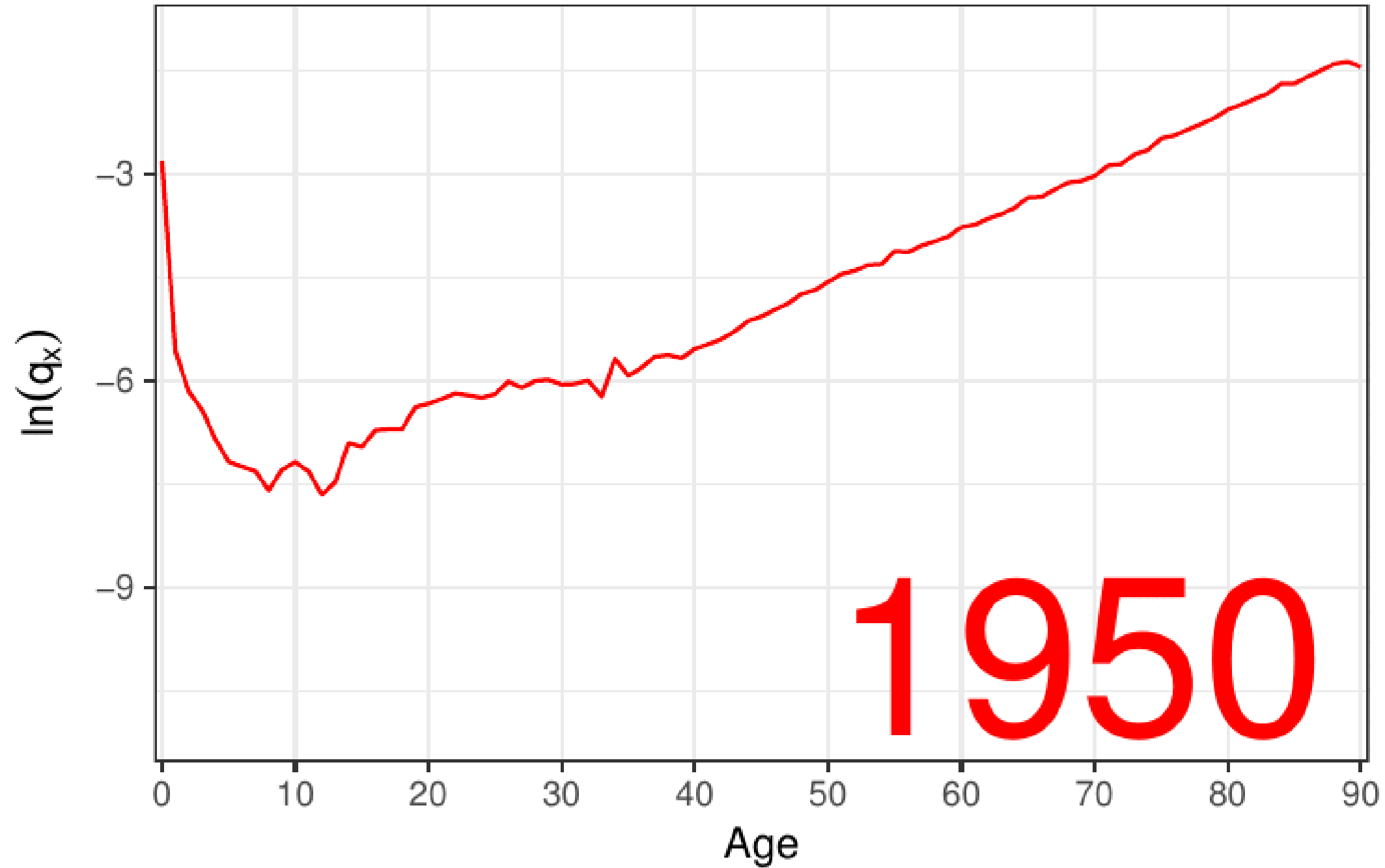


# The evolution of mortality rates over time

$q_{x,t}$  is now the mortality rate for an  $x$ -year-old in period  $t$ .

Age	Period				
	...	$t - 1$	$t$	$t + 1$	...
0	...	$q_{0,t-1}$	$q_{0,t}$	$q_{0,t+1}$	...
1	...	$q_{1,t-1}$	$q_{1,t}$	$q_{1,t+1}$	...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x$	...	$q_{x,t-1}$	$q_{x,t}$	$q_{x,t+1}$	...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

## Belgium: observed male mortality rates



# The period approach

- Calculate survival probability  ${}_k p_{x,t}$  in a **vertical** way:

$${}_k p_{x,t} = p_{x,t} \cdot p_{x+1,t} \cdot \dots \cdot p_{x+k-1,t}$$

Age	Period				
	...	$t - 1$	$t$	$t + 1$	...
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$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x$	...	$q_{x,t-1}$	$q_{x,t}$	$q_{x,t+1}$	...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

# The cohort approach

- Calculate survival probability  ${}_k p_{x,t}$  in a **diagonal** way:

$${}_k p_{x,t} = p_{x,t} \cdot p_{x+1,t+1} \cdot \dots \cdot p_{x+k-1,t+k-1}$$

Age	Period				
	...	$t$	$t+1$	$t+2$	...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x$	...	$p_{x,t}$	...	...	...
$x+1$	...	...	$p_{x+1,t+1}$	...	...
$x+2$	...	...	...	$p_{x+2,t+2}$	...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

# Life tables over time in R

```
head(life_table)
```

	year	age	qx	lx	dx	ex
1	1841	0	0.16580	100000	16580	40.28
2	1841	1	0.07148	83420	5963	47.22
3	1841	2	0.03905	77457	3025	49.82
4	1841	3	0.02306	74432	1716	50.82
5	1841	4	0.01693	72716	1231	51.01
6	1841	5	0.01233	71485	881	50.88

```
tail(life_table)
```

	year	age	qx	lx	dx	ex
19420	2015	105	0.49719	40	20	1.46
19421	2015	106	0.51410	20	10	1.40
19422	2015	107	0.52979	10	5	1.35
19423	2015	108	0.54425	5	3	1.31
19424	2015	109	0.55749	2	1	1.28
19425	2015	110	1.00000	1	1	1.26



# The period survival probabilities of a famous Belgian in R

- Jacques Brel is a Belgian singer who was born in 1929 and died at age 49.
- What is the probability  ${}_{49|}q_{0,1929}$  that a newborn, born in 1929, dies at age 49?
- Period or vertical way:

```
period_life_table <- subset(life_table, year == 1929)
qx <- period_life_table$qx
px <- 1 - qx
prod(px[1:(48 + 1)]) * qx[49 + 1]
```

```
0.008456378
```

# The cohort survival probabilities of a famous Belgian in R

- Jacques Brel is a Belgian singer who was born in 1929 and died at age 49.
- What is the probability  ${}_{49|}q_{0,1929}$  that a newborn, born in 1929, dies at age 49?
- Cohort or diagonal way:

```
cohort_life_table <- subset(life_table, year - age == 1929)
qx <- cohort_life_table$qx
px <- 1 - qx
prod(px[(0 + 1):(48 + 1)]) * qx[49 + 1]
```

```
0.006410343
```

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