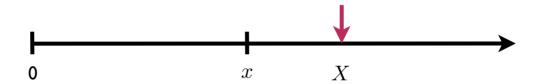
# Actuarial Mathematics

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# I. Survival Distributions and Life Tables

## Introduction



• Life table: a distribution of the age-at-death

# Probability for Age-at-Death

- ullet A newborn's age-at-death X
- Distribution function

$$F(x) = Pr(X \le x)$$

Survival function

$$s(x) = 1 - F(x) = Pr(X > x)$$

### Probability for Time-until-Death

- (x): a life-aged-x
- Future lifetime of (x): T(x) = X x | X > x

$$\Pr(T(x) \le t) = \Pr(X \le t + x | X > x)$$

$$= \frac{F(t+x) - F(x)}{1 - F(x)} = \frac{s(x) - s(t+x)}{s(x)}$$

$$_t q_x = Pr(T(x) \le t)$$

$$_t p_x = 1 - _t q_x = Pr(T(x) > t)$$

$$_1q_x \equiv q_x, \quad _1p_x \equiv p_x$$

Prob. that (x) will die within 1 year

Prob. that (x) will attain age x+1

$$_{t}p_{x}=rac{t+xp_{0}}{xp_{0}}=rac{s(x+t)}{s(x)}$$
 &  $_{t}q_{x}=1-rac{s(x+t)}{s(x)}$ 

$$t+np_x = np_x tp_{x+n}$$

$$_{n}p_{x} = p_{x} p_{x+1} \cdots p_{x+n-1} \qquad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$t|uq_x = Pr(t < T(x) \le t + u) = t + uq_x - tq_x = tp_x - t + up_x$$

Prob. that (x) will survive t years and die within the following u years

$$t \mid q_x \equiv t \mid 1 q_x$$

$$_{t|u}q_x = _tp_x \cdot _uq_{x+t}$$

#### Curtate-Future-Lifetime

the number of completed future years lived by (x)

$$\Pr(K(x) = k) = \Pr(k < T(x) \le k + 1)$$

$$= {}_{k}p_{x} - {}_{k+1}p_{x} = {}_{k}p_{x} \cdot q_{x+k} = {}_{k}|q_{x}$$

$$(k = 0, 1, 2, ...)$$

# Force of Mortality

$$\Pr(x < X \le x + \Delta x | X > x) = \frac{F(x + \Delta x) - F(x)}{1 - F(x)} \approx \frac{f(x)\Delta x}{1 - F(x)}$$

$$\mu_x = \frac{f(x)}{1 - F(x)}$$

#### (the force of mortality)

c.f. the hazard rate function

$$\mu_x = \frac{f(x)}{1 - F(x)} = -\frac{s'(x)}{s(x)}$$

$$-\mu_x dx = d\log s(x)$$

$$-\int_{x}^{x+n} \mu_{y} dy = \log \frac{s(x+n)}{s(x)} = \log_{n} p_{x}$$

$$_{n}p_{x} = \exp\left(-\int_{x}^{x+n} \mu_{y} dy\right) = \exp\left(-\int_{0}^{n} \mu_{x+y} dy\right)$$

$$_x p_0 = s(x) = \exp\left(-\int_0^x \mu_y dy\right)$$

$$F(x) = 1 - s(x) = 1 - \exp\left(-\int_0^x \mu_y dy\right)$$

$$f(x) = F'(x) = \exp\left(-\int_0^x \mu_y dy\right) \mu_x = {}_x p_0 \mu_x$$

Recall: 
$$tq_x = Pr(T(x) \le t)$$
 and 
$$tp_x = 1 - tq_x = Pr(T(x) > t).$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} t q_x = \frac{d}{dt} \left( 1 - \frac{s(x+t)}{s(x)} \right) = \frac{s(x+t)}{s(x)} \left( -\frac{s'(x+t)}{s(x+t)} \right) = t p_x \mu_{x+t}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^\infty t p_x \, \mu_{x+t} dt = 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(1 - tp_x) = -\frac{d}{dt}tp_x = tp_x\mu_{x+t}$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} {}_{n}p_{x} = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left( -\log_n p_x \right) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{x}^{x+n} \mu_{y} dy = \infty$$

#### Life Tables

- Consider a group of  $l_0$  newborns
- Let  $\mathcal{L}(x)$  denote the cohort's number of survivors to age x. Then,

$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{l_0} I_j \sim B(l_0, s(x))$$

where  $I_j$  is an indicator for the survival of life j to age x.

$$l_x = E\left[\mathcal{L}(x)\right] = l_0 s(x)$$

• Let  $_n\mathcal{D}_x$  denote the number of deaths between ages x and x+n among the initial  $l_0$  lives.

$$_{n}d_{x} = E[_{n}\mathcal{D}_{x}] = l_{0} \{s(x) - s(x+n)\} = l_{x} - l_{x+n}$$

$$d_x = {}_1 d_x, \quad \mathcal{D}_x = {}_1 \mathcal{D}_x$$

$$\log l_x = \log l_0 + \log s(x)$$

$$-\frac{l_x'}{l_x}dx = -\frac{s'(x)}{s(x)}dx = \mu_x dx$$

$$-l_x'dx = \underbrace{l_x\mu_x}dx = l_0 x p_0 \mu_x dx$$

(the expected density of deaths at the age x)

$$l_x = l_0 \exp\left(-\int_0^x \mu_y dy\right)$$

$$l_{x+n} = l_x \exp\left(-\int_x^{x+n} \mu_y dy\right)$$

$$l_x - l_{x+n} = \int_x^{x+n} l_y \mu_y dy$$

• Often assumed that there is an age  $\omega$  such that s(x)>0 for  $x<\omega$  and s(x)=0 for  $x\geq\omega$ .

 $\omega$ : the limiting age

• For convenience, call the concept of  $l_0$  newborns, each with survival function s(x), a random survivorship group.

$$l_x \mu_x = -l_0 s(x) imes rac{s'(x)}{s(x)} = l_0 f(x)$$
 (curve of deaths)

Local minimum of  $l_x\mu_x$  at age 10, and (local) maximum around age 80.

$$\frac{d}{dx}l_x\mu_x = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2}l_x$$

#### Deterministic Survivorship Group

A non-probabilistic interpretation of the life table

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$$l_{1} = l_{0}(1 - q_{0}) = l_{0}p_{0}$$

$$l_{2} = l_{1}(1 - q_{1}) = l_{1}p_{1} = l_{0}p_{0}p_{1}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$l_{x} = l_{x-1}(1 - q_{x-1}) = l_{x-1}p_{x-1} = l_{0}(p_{0}p_{1} \cdots p_{x-1}) = l_{0}xp_{0}$$

#### Other Life Table Functions

The complete-expectation-of-life

$$\dot{e}_x = E[T(x)] = \int_0^\infty t \underbrace{tp_x \mu_{x+t}}_{=\frac{d}{dt}tq_x} dt$$

c.f. 
$$\mathring{e}_x = \int_0^\infty {}_t p_x dt$$

$$Var[T(x)] = 2 \int_0^\infty t_t p_x dt - \mathring{e}_x^2$$

• The median future lifetime of (x), m(x)

$$\Pr[T(x) > m(x)] = \frac{1}{2}$$

or

$$\frac{s(x+m(x))}{s(x)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

c.f. the mode of  $tp_x\mu_{x+t}$ 

#### The curtate-expectation-of-life

Recall: 
$$\Pr(K(x) = k) = \Pr(k < T(x) \le k + 1)$$
  
=  $_k p_x - _{k+1} p_x = _k p_x \cdot q_{x+k} = _{k|} q_x$   
 $(k = 0, 1, 2, ...)$ 

$$e_x = E[K(x)] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k_k p_x \ q_{x+k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k_{k+1} p_x$$

• The total expected number of years lived between ages x and x+1

$$L_x = \int_0^1 t \ l_{x+t} \ \mu_{x+t} \ dt + l_{x+1} = \int_0^1 l_{x+t} \ dt$$

the years lived of those who die between ages  $\,x\,$  and  $\,x+1\,$ 

the years lived of those who survive to age  $x+1\,$ 

ullet The central-death-rate at age x

$$m_x = \frac{\int_0^1 l_{x+t} \mu_{x+t} dt}{\int_0^1 l_{x+t} dt} = \frac{l_x - l_{x+1}}{L_x}$$

ullet The total number of years lived beyond age x

$$T_x = \int_0^\infty t \, l_{x+t} \mu_{x+t} \, dt = \int_0^\infty l_{x+t} \, dt$$

c.f. 
$$\frac{T_x}{l_x} = \mathring{e}_x$$

• The average number of years lived between age x and x+1 by those who die between those ages

$$a(x) = \frac{\int_0^1 t \, l_{x+t} \mu_{x+t} \, dt}{\int_0^1 l_{x+t} \mu_{x+t} \, dt}$$

### Assumptions for Fractional Ages

- The life table specifies the probability distribution of K completely.
- To specify the distribution of T, we need some assumptions on the distribution between integers. For x: integer and  $0 \le t \le 1$ 
  - Uniform distribution of deaths

$$s(x+t) = (1-t)s(x) + ts(x+1)$$

Constant force of mortality

$$s(x+t) = s(x)e^{-\mu t}$$
 where  $\mu = -\log p_x$ 

Balducci assumption

$$1/s(x+t) = (1-t)/s(x) + t/s(x+1)$$

	Uniform	Constant force	Balducci
$tq_x$	$tq_x$	$1 - e^{-\mu t}$	$\frac{tq_x}{1-(1-t)q_x}$
$_tp_x$	$1 - tq_x$	$e^{-\mu t}$	$\frac{p_x}{1 - (1 - t)q_x}$
$yq_{x+t}$	$\frac{yq_x}{1-tq_x}$	$1 - e^{-\mu y}$	$\frac{yq_x}{1-(1-y-t)q_x}$
$\mu_{x+t}$	$\frac{q_x}{1 - tq_x}$	$\mu$	$\frac{q_x}{1 - (1 - t)q_x}$
$tp_x\mu_{x+t}$	$q_x$	$e^{-\mu t}\mu$	$\frac{p_x q_x}{\left\{1 - (1 - t)q_x\right\}^2}$

 $x : \text{integer}, \ 0 \le t \le 1, \ 0 \le y \le 1, \ 0 \le y + t \le 1, \ \mu = -\log p_x.$ 

#### Select and Ultimate Tables

- A special survival function that incorporates the particular information available at age x would be preferred.
- Select life table: the conditional probabilities of death for lives on which the special information became available at age x.

$$q_{[x]+i}$$
  $(i = 0, 1, 2, \cdots)$ 

• Select period: the smallest integer n such that  $|q_{[x]+n}-q_{[x-j]+n+j}|$  is small enough for all x and for all j>0.

(The impact of selection may diminish following selection)

# Aggregate table: the functions given only for attained ages

• Select and ultimate life table:

$$l_{[x]}, l_{[x]+1}, l_{[x]+2}, \cdots, l_{[x]+r-1}, l_{[x]+r} = l_{x+r}$$

(e.g.) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \end{bmatrix} & l_{[x]} & l_{[x]+1} & l_{x+2} & x+2 \\ 30 & 33829 & 33814 & 33795 & 32 \\ 31 & 33807 & 33791 & 33771 & 33 \\ 32 & 33784 & 33767 & 33746 & 34 \\ 33 & 33760 & 33742 & 33719 & 35 \\ 34 & 33734 & 33715 & 33690 & 36 \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

• 
$$l_{[x]+r-k-1} \times p_{[x]+r-k-1} = l_{[x]+r-k}$$
  
 $(k = 0, 1, \dots, r-1)$