

Problem Set 4

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Question 1

part 1

The data was loaded and 2 models were created. One which is additive and another which has an interactive term. This was done with the following code:

```
#loading libraries
library(ggplot2)
library(tidyverse)
library("eha")
library("survival")

#this fit is literally taken from https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/eha/eha.pdf pg 13 with
#1 covariate changed
fit <- coxreg(Surv(enter, exit, event) ~ sex + m.age, data = child, coxph = TRUE)
summary(fit)

#using interactive model
interfit <- coxreg(Surv(enter, exit, event) ~ sex * m.age, data = child, coxph = TRUE)
summary(interfit)
```

This output the following two models:

```
> summary(fit)
Covariate      Mean      Coef    Rel.Risk   S.E.    LR p
sex
  male      0.510      0      1 (reference)
  female    0.490    -0.082    0.921    0.027
m.age      32.010     0.008    1.008    0.002    0.000
```

```
Events          5616
Total time at risk 325030
Max. log. likelihood -56503
LR test statistic  22.52
Degrees of freedom      2
Overall p-value  1.28921e-05
```

Model:

```
Surv(enter, exit, event) ~ sex * m.age
      Df    AIC   LRT Pr(>Chi)
<none>    113013
sex:m.age  1 113011 0.106    0.74
```

```
Covariate      Mean      Coef    Rel.Risk   S.E.    Wald p
sex
```

	male	0.510	0	1 (reference)		
	female	0.490	-0.127	0.881	0.140	0.365
m.age		32.010	0.007	1.007	0.003	0.017
sex:m.age						
	female:		0.001	1.001	0.004	0.744
Events		5616				
Total time at risk		325030				
Max. log. likelihood		-56503				
LR test statistic		22.62				
Degrees of freedom		3				
Overall p-value		4.83661e-05				

The first major thing to notice is that the chi squared for the interactive model is .74. This means it is not statistically significant and thus we will be using the additive model (which has .002 for sex and .0003 for m.age which is statistically significant in both cases). For the additive model, we can see that female has a coefficient of -0.82, this means that if the child is female the log likelihood of the child dying (between the ages of 0 and 15) decreases by .82 over the baseline (male children). The coefficient for m.age is 0.008. This means that for a one unit increase in the age of the mother (presumably when the child is born but, documentation doesn't specify) there is a 0.008 increase in the log likelihood of the child dying.

To illustrate these results I plotted the cumulative hazard function and the Kaplan-Meier curve with the following code:

```
#plotting the results
plot(fit, main = "Cumulative probability of a child dying 0-15")
plot(survfit(fit),main = "Cumulative probability of a child surviving 0-15")
```

This resulted in the following graphs:

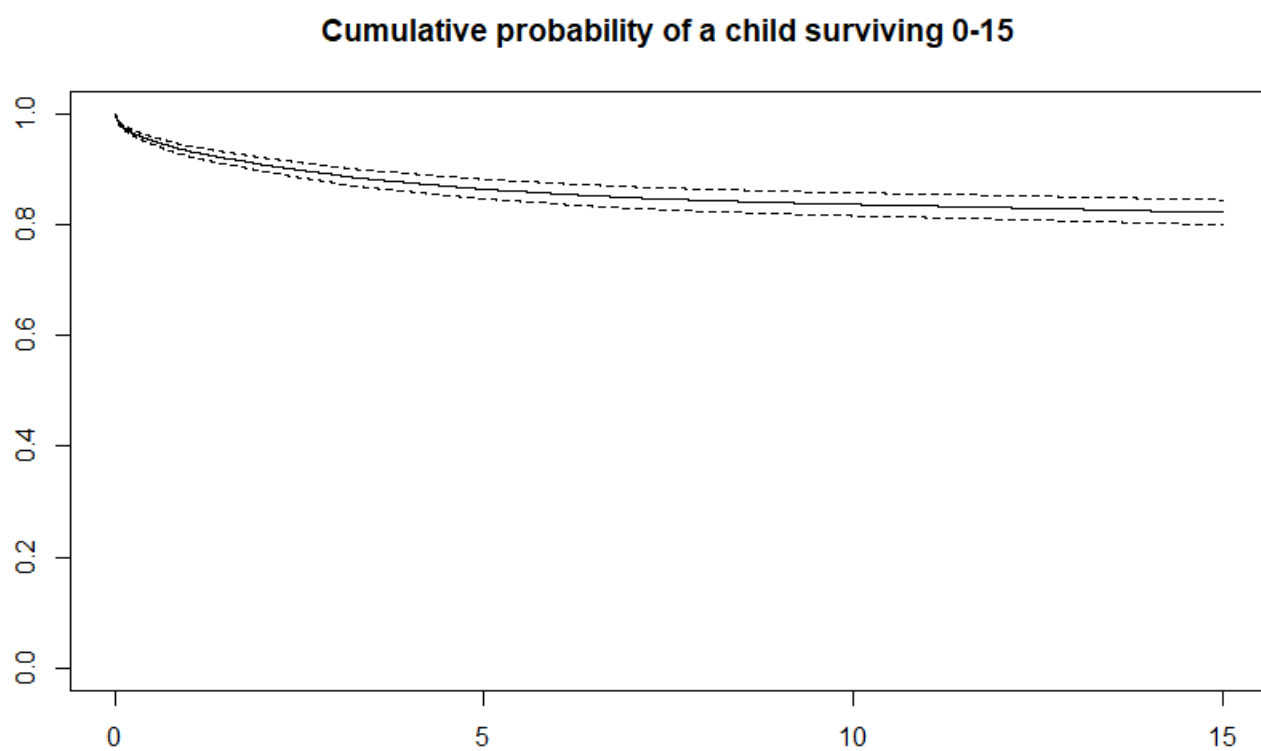
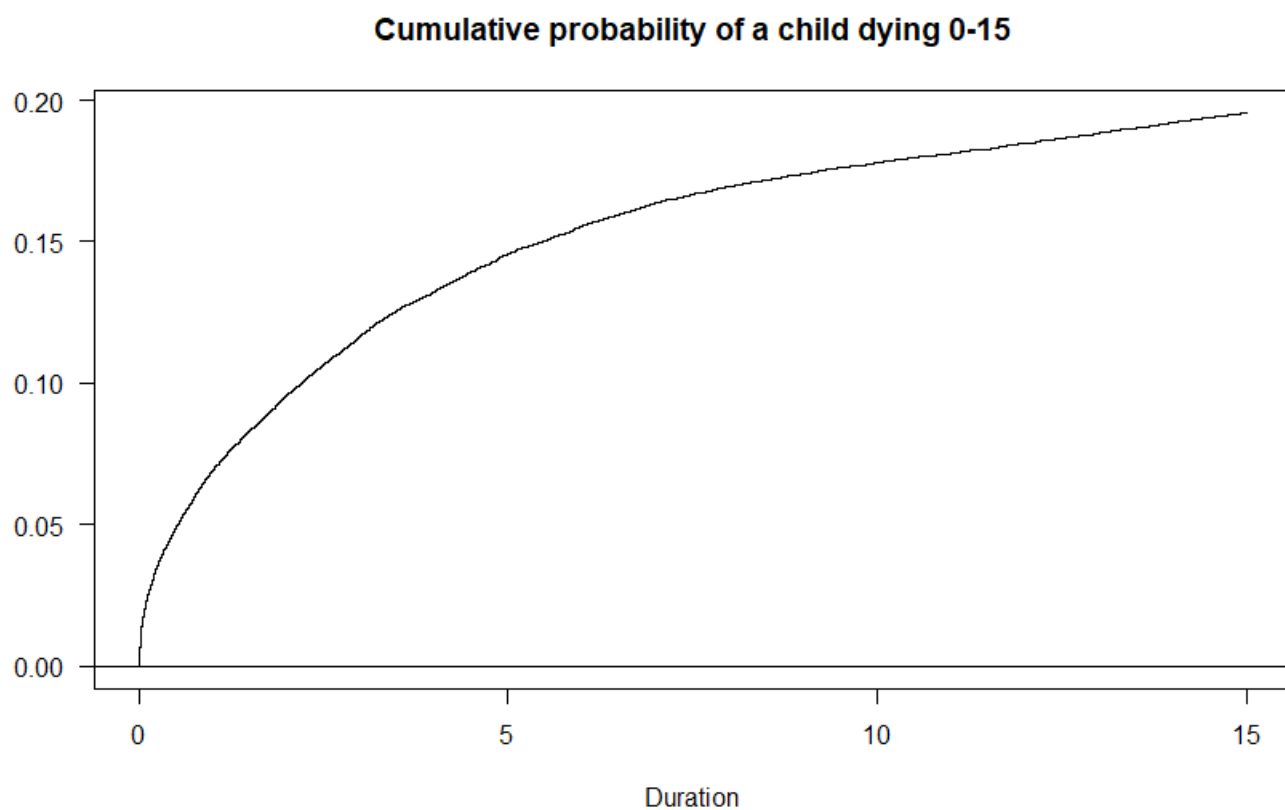


Figure 1: cumulative probability and Kaplan-Meier curve

These plots are clearly inverses of each other. This makes sense since one is measuring mortality hazard and one is representing survival probability. We can see that the curve is logarithmic which means that there is a relatively high probability of the child dying very young (within first year) and it becomes less probable as the child gets older. We can see that the probability of reaching the age of 1 is roughly 92 percent, reaching 5 is roughly 85 percent and reaching 15 is roughly 80 percent.