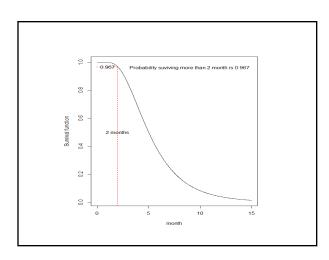
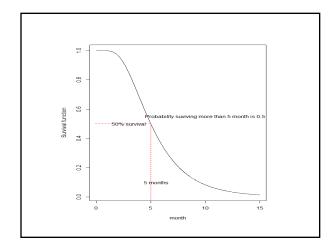
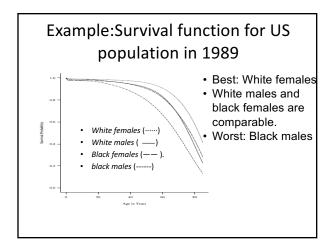
Survival function

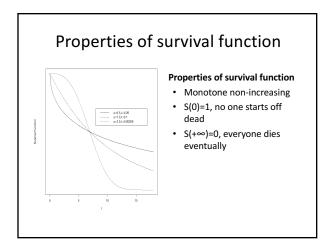
Survival function

- In survival analysis, it is common to work with the survival function.
- Let T be a non-negative random variable representing the survival times.
- The survival function of T is given as S(t) = P(T > t).
- It gives probability of surviving longer than t.









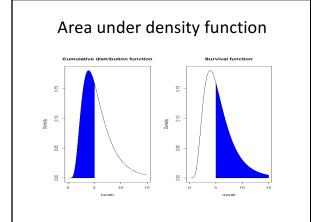
Survival function

- Connection with cumulative distribution function (CDF).
- For a given t,
 - CDF gives probability of surviving up to time t. $F(t) = P(T \le t)$
 - Survival function gives probability of surviving beyond time t.

$$S(t) = P(T > t)$$

Therefore

$$S(t) = 1 - F(t)$$



Summary

- Survival function.
- Survival function is an useful way to summarize survival information.
- Properties of survival function.
- Connection with cumulative distribution function.