Precept 4: Multiple Decrement and Associated Single Decrement Life Tables

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1 Equations

1.1 Multiple Decrement Life Tables

$$_{n}q_{x}^{i} = _{n}q_{x} \cdot \frac{_{n}D_{x}^{i}}{_{n}D_{x}}$$

$$_{n}d_{x}^{i}=_{n}q_{x}^{i}\cdot l_{x}$$

$$l_x^i = \sum_{a=x}^{\infty} {}_n d_a^i$$

What do ${}_{n}q_{x}^{i}$, ${}_{n}d_{x}^{i}$, and l_{x}^{i} represent?

1.2 Associated Single Decrement Life Tables

1.2.1 Chiang Method

Note: this is Approach C in Preston

Assume that the force of decrement function from cause i is proportional to the force of decrement function from all causes combined in the age interval x to x+n

$$u^i(a) = R^i \cdot \mu(a)$$

and

$$_{n}^{\ast}p_{x}^{i}=\left[_{n}p_{x}\right] ^{R^{i}}$$

Where $_{n}p_{x}$ comes from the parent lifetable.

To calculate na_x :

• For ages under 10 and the second to last interval:

$$- {*\atop n} a_x^i = n + R^i \cdot {*\atop n} \frac{q_x}{q_x^i} \left({_n} a_x - n \right)$$

• For the open ended age interval:

$$- \ _{\infty}^{*} a_{85}^{-i} = ^{*} e_{85}^{-i} = \frac{e_{85}^{0}}{R^{-i}}$$

• For the other age groups:

$$-\ _{n}^{*}a_{x}^{i}=\frac{_{-\frac{5}{24}\cdot_{5}^{*}}d_{x-5}^{i}+2.5\cdot_{5}^{*}d_{x}^{i}+_{\frac{5}{24}\cdot_{5}^{*}}d_{x+5}^{i}}{_{5}^{*}d_{x}^{i}}$$

1.2.2 Assume Mortality Hazard from All Decrements is Constant in the Age-Interval

Note: this is Approach B in Preston

$$_{n}^{*}p_{x}^{i} = e^{-\int_{x}^{x+n} {_{n}m_{x}^{i}} dx} = e^{-n \cdot {_{n}M_{x}^{i}}}$$

$$_{n}^{*}L_{x}^{i}=\frac{^{*}l_{x}^{i}-^{*}l_{x+n}^{i}}{_{n}M_{x}^{i}}$$

2 Stata

2.1 Delimit

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